

HAYS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT MINUTES



NOVEMBER 9, 2021

STATE OF TEXAS *
COUNTY OF HAYS *

ON THIS THE 9th DAY OF NOVEMBER A.D., 2021, IN THE HAYS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 111 E. SAN ANTONIO ST., SUITE 301, SAN MARCOS, TEXAS, THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF HAYS COUNTY, TEXAS, MET IN REGULAR MEETING. THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT, TO-WIT:

RUBEN BECERRA
DEBBIE GONZALES INGALSBE
MARK JONES
LON A. SHELL
WALT SMITH
ELAINE H. CÁRDENAS

COUNTY JUDGE
COMMISSIONER, PCT. 1
COMMISSIONER, PCT. 2
COMMISSIONER, PCT. 3
COMMISSIONER, PCT. 4
COUNTY CLERK

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THE FOLLOWING PROCEEDINGS WERE HAD, THAT IS:

Commissioner Debbie Gonzales Ingalsbe gave the invocation. Judge Becerra led the court in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags. Judge Becerra called the meeting to order.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Dan Lyon made a public comment concerning county spending. Rodrigo Amaya made a public comment concerning constable and sheriff spending and activities. Elaine Cardenas, County Clerk, read a public comment emailed by Peggy Allen concerning noise from dogs in her neighborhood.

36978 ADOPT A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY DURING NATIONAL FIRST-GEN WEEK, NOVEMBER 8-13, 2021

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to adopt a Proclamation recognizing Texas State University during National First-Gen Week, November 8-13, 2021. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

36979 APPROVE PAYMENTS OF COUNTY INVOICES.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Jones to approve payments of County invoices. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

36980 APPROVE PAYMENTS OF JUROR CHECKS.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Jones to approve payments of Juror checks. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

36981 APPROVE THE PAYMENT OF UNITED HEALTHCARE CLAIMS.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Jones to approve the payment of United Healthcare claims. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

36982 APPROVE COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES OF AUGUST 24, 2021 AND AUGUST 27, 2021.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Jones to approve Commissioners Court Minutes of August 24, 2021 and August 27, 2021. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.



36983 APPROVE THE PAYMENT OF THE NOVEMBER 15, 2021 PAYROLL DISBURSEMENTS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$3,275,000.00 EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 15, 2021 AND POST TOTALS FOR WAGES, WITHHOLDINGS, DEDUCTIONS AND BENEFITS ON THE HAYS COUNTY WEBSITE ONCE FINALIZED.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Jones to approve the payment of the November 15, 2021 payroll disbursements in an amount not to exceed \$3,275,000.00 effective November 15, 2021 and post totals for wages, withholdings, deductions and benefits on the Hays County website once finalized. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

36984 APPROVE THE REAPPOINTMENT OF COMMISSIONER LON SHELL TO THE TAX INCREMENT REINVESTMENT ZONE (TIRZ) NUMBER 4 (KISSING TREE DEVELOPMENT) BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR A TWO-YEAR TERM EXPIRING ON DECEMBER 31, 2023.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Jones to approve the reappointment of Commissioner Lon Shell to the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ) Number 4 (Kissing Tree Development) Board of Directors for a two-year term expiring on December 31, 2023. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

36985 APPROVE THE REAPPOINTMENT OF COMMISSIONER DEBBIE GONZALES INGALSBE TO THE TAX INCREMENT REINVESTMENT ZONE (TIRZ) NUMBER 5 (DOWNTOWN) BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR A TWO-YEAR TERM EXPIRING ON DECEMBER 31, 2023.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Jones to approve the reappointment of Commissioner Debbie Gonzales Ingalsbe to the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ) Number 5 (Downtown) Board of Directors for a two-year term expiring on December 31, 2023. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

36986 APPROVE THE CANCELLATION OF THE HAYS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT ON THE FOLLOWING DATES IN 2022: JANUARY 11 AND 25, FEBRUARY 8 AND 22, MARCH 1 AND 15, APRIL 5 AND 19, MAY 3, 17 AND 31, JUNE 14 AND 28, JULY 12 AND 26, AUGUST 23, SEPTEMBER 6, OCTOBER 4 AND 18, NOVEMBER 8 AND 29, DECEMBER 13 AND 27.

Rodrigo Amaya made a public comment against cancelling Commissioners Court dates. Anita Collins, Office of the Hays County Judge, spoke on scheduling issues. Commissioner Jones clarified that county staff is still working on the dates that Commissioners Court is cancelled. A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the cancellation of the Hays County Commissioners Court on the following dates in 2022: January 11 and 25, February 8 and 22, March 1 and 15, April 5 and 19, May 3, 17 and 31, June 14 and 28, July 12 and 26, August 23, September 6, October 4 and 18, November 8 and 29, December 13 and 27. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

36987 RATIFY THE CONFIRMATION OF THE APPOINTMENTS OF LEIA BOGGS AS RESERVE DEPUTY CONSTABLE AND TRAVIS BERTRAM AS DEPUTY CONSTABLE IN THE HAYS COUNTY CONSTABLE PRECINCT 1 OFFICE, EFFECTIVE DATE NOVEMBER 2, 2021.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Jones to ratify the confirmation of the appointments of Leia Boggs as Reserve Deputy Constable and Travis Bertram as Deputy Constable in the Hays County Constable Precinct 1 Office, effective date November 2, 2021. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

36988 APPROVE UTILITY PERMITS.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Jones to approve utility permits. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

36989 RATIFY THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS VETERANS COMMISSION - VETERAN COUNTY SERVICE OFFICER FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$150,000.



A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Jones to ratify the submission of a grant application to the Texas Veterans Commission - Veteran County Service Officer Funding in the amount of \$150,000. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

36990 RATIFY THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS VETERANS COMMISSION - VETERANS TREATMENT COURT PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$300,000.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Jones to ratify the submission of a grant application to the Texas Veterans Commission - Veterans Treatment Court Program in the amount of \$300,000. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

36991 AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF AMENDMENT NO. 5 TO THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE (GLO) CONTRACT NO. 18-421-000-B130 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT DISASTER RECOVERY PROGRAM HOUSING PROJECTS NON-RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT 2015 FLOOD ALLOCATION.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Jones to authorize the execution of Amendment No. 5 to the General Land Office (GLO) Contract No. 18-421-000-B130 Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Program Housing Projects Non-Research & Development 2015 Flood Allocation. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

36992 APPROVE RENEWAL OF RFP 2018-P03 COUNTY WIDE PLUMBING SERVICES WITH SI MECHANICAL FOR ONE (1) ADDITIONAL YEAR AS STATED IN THE ORIGINAL BID.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Jones to approve renewal of RFP 2018-P03 County Wide Plumbing Services with SI Mechanical for one (1) additional year as stated in the original bid. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

36993 AUTHORIZE THE COMMISSIONER PCT. 2 OFFICE TO UTILIZE COMMUNITY PROGRAM FUNDS FOR CONSUMABLE ITEMS NOT TO EXCEED \$120 TO HOST A MEETING RELATED TO THE MENTAL HEALTH DIRECTOR POSITION.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Jones to authorize the Commissioner Pct. 2 Office to utilize community program funds for consumable items not to exceed \$120 to host a meeting related to the Mental Health Director position. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

36994 APPROVE THE REAPPOINTMENTS OF SILVER GARZA AND DON CURRY TO THE BOARD OF DRIFTWOOD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MUNICIPAL MANAGEMENT DISTRICT, FOUR YEAR TERMS ENDING JUNE 30, 2025.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Jones to approve the reappointments of Silver Garza and Don Curry to the board of Driftwood Economic Development Municipal Management District, four year terms ending June 30, 2025. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

36995 ACCEPT \$775 IN GRANTS & CONTRIBUTIONS ON BEHALF OF THE HAYS COUNTY CHILD PROTECTIVE BOARD AND AMEND THE BUDGET ACCORDINGLY.

Commissioner Ingalsbe thanked the Wimberley Baptist Church for their contributions. Commissioner Shell thanked the City of Buda for their contributions. A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Jones to accept \$775 in grants & contributions on behalf of the Hays County Child Protective Board and amend the budget accordingly. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

36996 AUTHORIZE THE ISSUANCE OF A CREDIT CARD TO THE VETERAN'S ADMINISTRATION OFFICE IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$3,500 FROM THE COUNTY DEPOSITORY BANK FOR PROGRAMS RELATED TO FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR HAYS COUNTY VETERANS.



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A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Jones to authorize the issuance of a credit card to the Veteran's Administration Office in an amount not to exceed \$3,500 from the County Depository Bank for programs related to financial assistance for Hays County Veterans. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

36997 RATIFY THE EXECUTED AGREEMENT BETWEEN HAYS COUNTY AND HDR ARCHITECTURE, INC. TO INCLUDE ARTICLES 11.1 AND 13.2.4. WHICH WERE INADVERTENTLY OMITTED.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Jones to ratify the executed agreement between Hays County and HDR Architecture, Inc. to include Articles 11.1 and 13.2.4. which were inadvertently omitted. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

36998 APPROVE COMMERCIAL ADVERTISING AT THE PHILANTHROPIC CONCERT EVENT, PROPOSED TO BE HELD ON THE COURTHOUSE GROUNDS ON OR ABOUT NOVEMBER 20, 2021 BY DELTA SIGMA PI FRATERNITY, FOR SPONSORS OF THE EVENT, WHICH IS A BENEFIT FOR THE HAYS COUNTY FOOD BANK.

Commissioner Jones thanked the food bank. A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Jones to approve commercial advertising at the Philanthropic Concert event, proposed to be held on the Courthouse Grounds on or about November 20, 2021 by Delta Sigma Pi fraternity, for sponsors of the event, which is a benefit for the Hays County Food Bank. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

36999 APPROVE SPECIFICATIONS FOR RFP-2022-P01, RELATED TO PROPOSED ACQUISITION OR USE OF COUNTY-OWNED PROPERTY AT CLOVIS BARKER ROAD AND CIVIC CENTER LOOP, IN PRECINCT 1. AUTHORIZE ADVERTISING.

Mark Kennedy, General Counsel, stated that the draft RFP in the backup needs to be corrected. A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Jones to approve specifications for RFP-2022-P01, related to proposed acquisition or use of County-owned property at Clovis Barker Road and Civic Center Loop, in Precinct 1. Authorize advertising. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

37000 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO CALL FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON NOVEMBER 23, 2021 TO REDUCE THE CURRENT SPEED LIMIT OF 35 MPH TO 30 MPH ON CROSSWINDS PARKWAY IN CROSSWINDS SUBDIVISION FROM WINDY HILL ROAD TO NAUTICAL LOOP, PER A RECENT TRAFFIC STUDY.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to call for a public hearing on November 23, 2021 to reduce the current speed limit of 35 MPH to 30 MPH on Crosswinds Parkway in Crosswinds subdivision from Windy Hill Road to Nautical Loop, per a recent traffic study. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

Clerk's Note Regarding Resolution #36999 Rodrigo Amaya submitted a public comment form but was not called upon.

37001 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO CALL FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON NOVEMBER 23, 2021 TO ESTABLISH A 3-WAY STOP LOCATION ON CAMPO DEL SOL PARKWAY AT THE INTERSECTION OF SATSUMA DRIVE IN SUNFIELD SUBDIVISION.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to call for a public hearing on November 23, 2021 to establish a 3-way stop location on Campo Del Sol Parkway at the intersection of Satsuma Drive in Sunfield subdivision. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

37002 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 3 WITH LJA ENGINEERING, INC. RELATED TO THE COTTON GIN ROAD PROJECT.

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A motion was made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to authorize the execution of Change Order No. 3 with LJA Engineering, Inc. related to the Cotton Gin Road project. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

37003 PLN-1798-PC; CALL FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON NOVEMBER 23, 2021 TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE HURLBUT RANCH WEST, LOT 17A, REPLAT.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Shell to call for a Public Hearing on November 23, 2021 to discuss possible action regarding the Hurlbut Ranch West, Lot 17A, Replat. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

37004 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO AUTHORIZE MYERS CONCRETE CONSTRUCTION TO LAY A CONCRETE DUMPSTER PAD, REPAIR A CONCRETE WALL, AND DEMO AN EXISTING WALL LOCATED AT THE HAYS COUNTY RECYCLING AND SOLID WASTE FACILITY IN WIMBERLEY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$18,330 AND AMEND THE BUDGET ACCORDINGLY.

A motion was made by Commissioner Shell, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize Myers Concrete Construction to lay a concrete dumpster pad, repair a concrete wall, and demo an existing wall located at the Hays County Recycling and Solid Waste Facility in Wimberley in the amount of \$18,330 and amend the budget accordingly. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

37005 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION TO CAST HAYS COUNTY'S 1,469 VOTES FOR JENIFER O'KANE, CANDIDATE FOR THE HAYS CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

A motion was made by Commissioner Shell, seconded by Commissioner Smith to adopt a resolution to cast Hays County's 1,469 votes for Jenifer O'Kane, candidate for the Hays Central Appraisal District Board of Directors. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

37006 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE RENAMING OF A PRIVATE DRIVEWAY IN PRECINCT 4, FROM GORMAN SPRINGS RD TO OSO CREEK RD.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize the County Judge to approve the renaming of a private driveway in Precinct 4, from Gorman Springs Rd to Oso Creek Rd. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

37007 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO CANVASS THE STATEWIDE PROPOSITIONS FOR THE NOVEMBER 2, 2021 GENERAL ELECTION.

Jennifer Anderson, Hays County Elections Administrator, stated that election turnout was 12.20% for the November 2, 2021 election, which is at the high-end for a Constitutional Amendment Election. Commissioner Smith asked how voting location changes effected voter turnout. **A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to canvass the statewide propositions for the November 2, 2021 General Election. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.**

37008 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY JUDGE TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT FOR EXECUTIVE RECRUITMENT SERVICES FOR COMBINED EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR BETWEEN HAYS COUNTY AND STRATEGIC GOVERNMENT RESOURCES, INC (SGR).

A motion was made by Commissioner Shell, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to authorize the County Judge to execute an Agreement for Executive Recruitment Services for Combined Emergency Communications Director between Hays County and Strategic Government Resources, Inc (SGR). All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.



37009 HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING RELATED TO THE REDISTRICTING OF JUSTICE OF THE PEACE (AND CONSTABLE) AND COMMISSIONERS PRECINCTS WITHIN HAYS COUNTY, TEXAS. POSSIBLE ACTION MAY FOLLOW, INCLUDING ACTIONS TO ADOPT ORDERS FOR REDISTRICTING CRITERIA AND A REDISTRICTING PLAN.

Mark Trahan, Chairman of the Hays County Democratic Party, made a public comment regarding the work of the Redistricting Advisory Committee (RAC) and stated that the new maps submitted since the last court meeting are unbalanced. Teresa Carbajal Ravet, President of the League of Women Voters, made a public comment against the addition of 2 new maps without public input. Bob Parks, Chairman of the Hays County Republican Party, made a public comment noting that the RAC is an advisory committee and does not make the final decision regarding redistricting. Linda Calvert, League of Women Voters, made a public comment regarding the growth of the Latinx population and stated that the chosen map should reflect that. Joaquin Gonzales, Texas Civil Rights Project attorney, made a public comment concerning gerrymandering in the new maps. Susan Raybuck made a public comment regarding the American tradition of public input in government. Elaine Cardenas, County Clerk, read public comments submitted by email. Ralph McClendon, Mayor of Mountain City, submitted a public comment for keeping Mountain City in Precinct 2. Griffin Spell submitted a public comment against splitting San Marcos into multiple precincts. John Cassidy submitted a public comment concerning the recent maps submitted without public input. Cynthia Cassidy submitted a public comment concerning the recent maps submitted without public input. Kathi Thomas submitted a public comment against the newly submitted maps and the breaking up of Dripping Springs ISD into multiple precincts. Gunnar and Patricia Nilsson submitted a public comment in favor of maintaining county diversity in the redistricting maps. Ana Juarez submitted a public comment against labeling Precinct 3 as rural and stated that many college students live in Precinct 3. Gabrielle Moore submitted a public comment in favor of the maps created by the RAC and against the newly submitted maps. Members from the League of Women Voters of Hays County, the Texas Civil Rights Project, and the Southern Coalition for Social Justice submitted a public comment against the newly submitted maps. Jimmy Alan Hall, Mindy Webber, Diann McCabe, Laura and Fred Maddox, Nancy Reinert, Janice and David Herreth, Martha and Clarence Hagemeyer, Richard McBride, Chrys Grummert, Margo Case, Karen Porter, John Lane, Debbie Hyde, Connie Gray, Marcia Sanderson, Beverly Clark, Ida Miller, and Jeri Ross submitted public comments in favor of the M9 map. Beth Smith, Andrew Cable, John Burns, Lucinda Ramage Doyle, and Jo Anne Prado, Hays County Justices of the Peace, submitted public comments against moving JP and Constable districts. Michael Torres, Hays County Constable Precinct 2, submitted a public comment against moving JP and Constable districts.

The court discussed the new maps, CC1 and CC2. Commissioner Shell stated that the time constraints led to the recent submission of the maps he created. His concerns with the RAC maps were the splitting of cities and Texas State University into multiple precincts, which he addressed in his maps. Judge Becerra raised concerns about vote packing in the new maps and called Bob Bass from Allison, Bass & Magee for clarification on what constitutes vote packing. Bass stated he does not think CC1 should be considered due to imbalance. Judge Becerra asked the commissioners to comment on CC2. Commissioner Smith spoke in favor of the opportunity for growth it allows for in Precincts 3 and 4 and that it keeps city limits within one precinct. Commissioner Jones spoke against needing to remove 13,000 people from Precinct 2. Commissioner Ingalsbe voiced concerns over rushing the redistricting process and not having enough time to review the maps submitted, as well as if the maps were in compliance with the law. Mark Kennedy, General Counsel, stated that maps must be defensible against claims of vote dilution. Bob Bass clarified that all 3 maps being considered (SM2, M9, CC2) are compliant with the Constitution and the court should choose the one that is most defensible. **A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Judge Becerra to approve the M9 map as the new redistricting map.** No action taken.

Judge Becerra spoke on the difficulty of the redistricting process and citizens' concerns over last minute map changes. The court further discussed their opinions and compared the maps, including the precinct populations and boundary lines. Commissioner Jones requested that the court makes changes to the maps during the meeting.

Clerk's Note: Judge Becerra called for a recess that began at 10:59 a.m. and resumed back into open court at 11:10 a.m.

Commissioner Ingalsbe rescinded her earlier motion to approve the M9 map as the new redistricting map. Judge Becerra opened the public hearing at 11:12 a.m. Linda Webber asked for clarification on the maps' legal compliance. Linda Calvert asked that the court consults with the Texas Civil Rights Project attorney that was present. Joaquin Gonzales, Texas Civil Rights Project attorney, commented in favor of the RAC maps, and stated that the minority districts in CC2 are overpopulated, which dilutes the minority vote. Angela Villescas raised concerns that the new maps disadvantage women and spoke in support of Commissioner Ingalsbe. Beverly Clark spoke in favor of representing people over roads. Judge Becerra closed the public hearing at 11:19 a.m. **A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Judge Becerra to approve the M9 map as the redistricting map for commissioner precincts, with the friendly amendment from Commissioner Jones to make changes to the map.** Mark Kennedy, General Counsel, suggested that the motion be tabled until there is an M9 variation that can be voted on. The court attempted to make changes to the M9 map, then decided to continue at a later time. Judge Becerra tabled the motion to approve the M9 map as the new redistricting map with the friendly amendment. No action taken.

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Clerk's Note: Judge Becerra called for a recess that began at 12:57 p.m. and resumed back into open court at 2:00 p.m.

Steve Floyd, GIS Manager, with the assistance of Mark Trahan, made edits to the M9 map at the commissioners' request. **A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Judge Becerra to approve the M9 map with amendments. Commissioner Ingalsbe and Judge Becerra voted "Aye." Commissioner Jones, Commissioner Shell and Commissioner Smith voted "Nay." MOTION FAILED.**

The court and Mark Trahan further discussed the CC2 map. Sandra Tenorio, Chair of the Hays County Tejano Democrats, made a public comment against the CC2 map. **A motion was made by Commissioner Shell, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the CC2 map with the change identified by General Counsel. Commissioner Jones, Commissioner Shell and Commissioner Smith voted "Aye." Commissioner Ingalsbe and Judge Becerra voted "Nay." MOTION PASSED.**

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Jones to adopt the order establishing criteria for redistricting the political boundaries as included in the backup. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Smith to adopt the Justice of the Peace and Constable maps. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

Clerk's Note: Executive Session began at 12:04 p.m. and resumed back into open court at 12:55 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 551.071 AND 551.087 OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE: CONSULTATION WITH COUNSEL AND DELIBERATION REGARDING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT NEGOTIATIONS ASSOCIATED WITH PROJECT DARK MONDAY, PROJECT DEEP GOLDEN, PROJECT JUST PEACHY, PROJECT PHOENIX AND PROJECT WILD STRAWBERRY. POSSIBLE DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION MAY FOLLOW IN OPEN COURT.

No action taken.

37010 EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO SECTION 551.071 OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE: CONSULTATION WITH COUNSEL AND THE AUDITOR'S OFFICE REGARDING THE EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. POSSIBLE DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION MAY FOLLOW IN OPEN COURT.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Jones to authorize the County Judge to execute documents for the U.S. Department of the Treasury related to the continuation of the Emergency Rental Assistance Program as discussed in Executive Session. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

Clerk's Note Agenda Item #35 RE: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION RELATED TO THE BURN BAN AND/OR DISASTER DECLARATION. – WAS PULLED.

DISCUSSION RELATED TO THE HAYS COUNTY INMATE POPULATION, TO INCLUDE CURRENT POPULATION COUNTS AND COSTS.

Judge Becerra read the Sheriff's update of the inmate population. Current maximum jail capacity is 410 inmates. Jail Standards recommends holding 10% open, lowering current capacity to 368 inmates. The estimated cost for outsourcing inmates this week was \$71,275. The average number of outsourced males is 162 and females is 11. This week's inmates were housed in the following counties: Atascosa, Blanco, Comal, Fort Bend, Guadalupe, and Red River. No action taken.

Clerk's Note Agenda Item #37 RE: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION RELATED TO PROPOSED BILLS IN THE 87TH SPECIAL SESSION OF THE TEXAS LEGISLATURE AND TO CONSIDER ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION(S) REGARDING PROPOSED BILLS. THE COURT MAY OPT TO WITHDRAW TO EXECUTIVE SESSION DURING THIS ITEM TO CONSULT WITH LEGAL COUNSEL PURSUANT TO TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE 551.071. – WAS PULLED.



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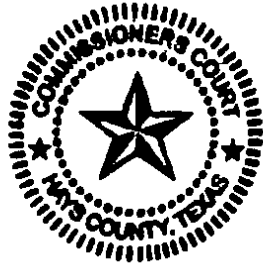
Clerk’s Note Agenda Item #38 RE: *DISCUSSION OF ISSUES RELATED TO THE HAYS COUNTY JAIL, AND THE PLANNING OF PROJECTS PERTAINING TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITIES NEEDS WITHIN THE COUNTY. POSSIBLE ACTION MAY FOLLOW. – WAS PULLED.*

Clerk’s Note Agenda Item #39 RE: *DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING FUNDING RECEIVED OR TO BE RECEIVED BY HAYS COUNTY UNDER THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA). – WAS PULLED.*

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Judge Becerra to adjourn court at 2:56 p.m.

I, ELAINE H. CÁRDENAS, COUNTY CLERK and EXOFFICIO CLERK OF THE COMMISSIONERS’ COURT, do hereby certify that the foregoing contains a true and accurate record of the proceedings had by the Hays County Commissioners’ Court on November 9, 2021.



ELAINE H. CÁRDENAS, COUNTY CLERK AND EXOFFICIO
CLERK OF THE COMMISSIONERS’ COURT OF
HAYS COUNTY, TEXAS

