

HAYS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES



MARCH 26, 2024

STATE OF TEXAS *
COUNTY OF HAYS *

ON THIS THE 26th DAY OF MARCH A.D., 2024, THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF HAYS COUNTY, TEXAS, MET IN REGULAR MEETING. THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT, TO-WIT:

RUBEN BECERRA	COUNTY JUDGE
DEBBIE GONZALES INGALSBE	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 1
MICHELLE COHEN	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 2
LON A. SHELL	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 3
WALT SMITH	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 4
ROXANNE RODRIGUEZ	CHIEF DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK

Clerk's Note: For complete transcript go to Hays County Website
<https://hayscountytexas.com/commissioners-court/court-video/>
Transcript can be translated into any language through Google.com.

THE FOLLOWING PROCEEDINGS WERE HAD, THAT IS:

Judge Becerra called the meeting to order. Pastor Darius Todd, Hays County Chaplain, gave the invocation. Judge Becerra led the court in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags. The court held a moment of silence for the accident involving a Tom Green Elementary School bus.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Dan Lyon made a public comment concerning county debt and disbursements. Rodrigo Amaya made a public comment concerning county spending and operations. Virginia Parker made a public comment concerning the proposed RM 150 realignment and its proximity to the Blanco River. Natalie Avendano made a public comment concerning immigration rhetoric and a letter signed by Sheriff Cutler to Governor Abbott. Karen Munoz made a public comment concerning immigration rhetoric and a letter signed by Sheriff Cutler to Governor Abbott. Sam Benavides made a public comment concerning immigration rhetoric and a letter signed by Sheriff Cutler to Governor Abbott. Elle Cross made a public comment concerning immigration rhetoric and a letter signed by Sheriff Cutler to Governor Abbott. Sergio Garcia made a public comment concerning Hays County court fines and fees collection services. Jon Credit made a public comment concerning the proposed RM 150 realignment and its impact on the river.

Presentation of Hays County Employee Service and Retirement Awards.

Kim Jeter, Human Resources Manager, presented employees with service milestone and retirement awards.

Presentation by Mike Jones recognizing Cumorah Eldridge and Andrew Cox, both with The Texas School Safety Center, as the Office of Emergency Service's Community partner of 2023.

Mike Jones, Director of Emergency Services, recognized Eldridge and Cox for their assistance with the county's emergency preparedness.

Presentation by Austin Pets Alive regarding Overview of Final Recommendations and Operation of Pet Resource Center.

Lee Ann Shenefiel, Austin Pets Alive (APA) Executive Advisor, presented Pet Resource Center recommendations to the court, including a virtual resource center, direct support to the San Marcos Regional Animal Shelter, and possible facility operations. The court thanked APA for all their work. Commissioner Shell spoke about potential partnerships with cities. Commissioner Smith expressed concerns over the proposed budget and staffing. Judge Becerra spoke about planning for future growth and the benefits of community outreach. Jordan Powell, First Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division, stated the new animal ordinance is being finalized.

**40151** Approve payments of County invoices.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve payments of County invoices.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40152 Approve the payment of Juror checks.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve the payment of Juror checks.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40153 Approve the payment of United Healthcare claims and authorize an additional disbursement in an amount not to exceed \$500,000.00 to the healthcare claims account.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve the payment of United Healthcare claims and authorize an additional disbursement in an amount not to exceed \$500,000.00 to the healthcare claims account.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40154 Approve the payment of the March 31, 2024 payroll disbursements in an amount not to exceed \$5,200,000.00 effective March 28, 2024 and post totals for wages, with-holdings, deductions, and benefits on the Hays County website once finalized.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve the payment of the March 31, 2024 payroll disbursements in an amount not to exceed \$5,200,000.00 effective March 28, 2024 and post totals for wages, with-holdings, deductions, and benefits on the Hays County website once finalized.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40155 Approve Commissioners Court Minutes of March 12, 2024.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve Commissioners Court Minutes of March 12, 2024.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40156 Approve and confirm the appointment of Clark Flynn as a regular full-time Deputy Constable in the Hays County Constable's Precinct 1 Office.

David Peterson, Constable Precinct 1, introduced Flynn to the court and spoke about his experience. Rodrigo Amaya made a public comment against the item.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to approve and confirm the appointment of Clark Flynn as a regular full-time Deputy Constable in the Hays County Constable's Precinct 1 Office.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40157 Approve and confirm the appointment of Travis Talbot as a regular full-time Deputy Constable in the Hays County Constable Precinct 2 Office.

Michael Torres, Constable Precinct 2, introduced Talbot to the court and stated this is not a new position. Talbot spoke about his experience. Rodrigo Amaya made a public comment against the item.



A motion was made by Commissioner Cohen, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to approve and confirm the appointment of Travis Talbot as a regular full-time Deputy Constable in the Hays County Constable Precinct 2 Office.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40158 Approve the Hispanic Heritage Exhibition Walk Celebration event on the courthouse grounds sponsored by Centro Cultural Hispano de San Marcos and LULAC Council #654 to be held on September 14, 2024, that shall include commercial vendors.

Dan Lyon made a public comment concerning the clean up of the courthouse grounds after events. Judge Becerra stated his office coordinates clean up after events. Commissioner Shell stated he has noticed an improvement in this recently. Commissioner Smith suggested collecting a fee before events to put toward maintenance.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve the Hispanic Heritage Exhibition Walk Celebration event on the courthouse grounds sponsored by Centro Cultural Hispano de San Marcos and LULAC Council #654 to be held on September 14, 2024, that shall include commercial vendors.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40159 Approve the appointment of Joseph Malone to the Board of Commissioners for Hays County Emergency Services District #4 for a term ending December 31, 2025 to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Chuck Ware.

Commissioner Shell thanked Chuck Ware for serving on the board.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve the appointment of Joseph Malone to the Board of Commissioners for Hays County Emergency Services District #4 for a term ending December 31, 2025 to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Chuck Ware.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40160 Approve the appointment of Manuel Grafia to the Board of Commissioners for Hays County Emergency Services District #4 for a term ending December 31, 2024 to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Ron Spangenberg.

Commissioner Shell thanked Ron Spangenberg for serving on the board.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve the appointment of Manuel Grafia to the Board of Commissioners for Hays County Emergency Services District #4 for a term ending December 31, 2024 to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Ron Spangenberg.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40161 Authorize the County Judge to execute an agreement with Core Office Interiors for the purchase and installation of furniture for the Health Department lobby in the amount of \$6,308.33 and amend the budget accordingly.

Dan Lyon made a public comment concerning the justification for using American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds for this. Commissioner Cohen stated this qualifies for ARPA fund use and the Health Department office needs updates. Tammy Crumley, Director of Countywide Operations, clarified chairs and a bench are being purchased, not couches.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize the County Judge to execute an agreement with Core Office Interiors for the purchase and installation of furniture for the Health Department lobby in the amount of \$6,308.33 and amend the budget accordingly.



AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40162 Ratify the submission of a grant application to the Office of The Governor, State Crisis Grant Program in the amount of \$531,547.00 related to fentanyl overdoses.

Rodrigo Amaya made a public comment concerning language in the application.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to ratify the submission of a grant application to the Office of The Governor, State Crisis Grant Program in the amount of \$531,547.00 related to fentanyl overdoses.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40163 Authorize the submission of a resolution and grant application to the Office of The Governor, Homeland Security Grant Program in the amount of \$56,615.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize the submission of a resolution and grant application to the Office of The Governor, Homeland Security Grant Program in the amount of \$56,615.00.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40164 Authorize the submission of a grant application to the Office of the Governor, Homeland Security Division, Urban Area Security Initiative - Regular Projects in the amount of \$7,300.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize the submission of a grant application to the Office of the Governor, Homeland Security Division, Urban Area Security Initiative - Regular Projects in the amount of \$7,300.00.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40165 Authorize the submission of a grant application to the Office of the Governor, Homeland Security Division, Urban Area Security Initiative - Regular Projects in the amount of \$50,755.10.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize the submission of a grant application to the Office of the Governor, Homeland Security Division, Urban Area Security Initiative - Regular Projects in the amount of \$50,755.10.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40166 Authorize the submission of a grant application to the Office of the Governor, Homeland Security Division, Urban Area Security Initiative - Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Act Projects in the amount of \$582,900.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize the submission of a grant application to the Office of the Governor, Homeland Security Division, Urban Area Security Initiative - Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Act Projects in the amount of \$582,900.00.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40167 Authorize a waiver to the purchasing policy for the Constable, Pct. 4 Office, to purchase one (1) motor officer helmet valued at \$604.80 from Super Seer Corporation and amend the budget accordingly.



A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize a waiver to the purchasing policy for the Constable, Pct. 4 Office, to purchase one (1) motor officer helmet valued at \$604.80 from Super Seer Corporation and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40168 Authorize the District Attorney to purchase one replacement Latitude 5540 Laptop for the Civil Division Legal Support Services Specialist and amend the budget accordingly.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize the District Attorney to purchase one replacement Latitude 5540 Laptop for the Civil Division Legal Support Services Specialist and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40169 Authorize payment to SI Mechanical for repairs to the industrial freezer at the Juvenile Center in the amount of \$564.25 where no purchase order was issued as required per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize payment to SI Mechanical for repairs to the industrial freezer at the Juvenile Center in the amount of \$564.25 where no purchase order was issued as required per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40170 Authorize payment to Firetrol Protection Systems, Inc. in the amount of \$2,250.11 for repairs to broken sprinkler heads at the Government Center as requested by Building Maintenance in which no purchase order was issued as required per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize payment to Firetrol Protection Systems, Inc. in the amount of \$2,250.11 for repairs to broken sprinkler heads at the Government Center as requested by Building Maintenance in which no purchase order was issued as required per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40171 Authorize the Civil Division of the Hays County Criminal District Attorney's Office to purchase proclamation Folders for Commissioners Court use and amend the budget accordingly.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize the Civil Division of the Hays County Criminal District Attorney's Office to purchase proclamation Folders for Commissioners Court use and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40172 Authorize payment to Security One, Inc. in the amount \$759.32 for the installation and programming of a new keypad to the security alarm panel of the Precinct 5 Building as requested by Building Maintenance in which no purchase order was issued as required per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize payment to Security One, Inc. in the amount \$759.32 for the installation and programming of a new keypad to the security alarm panel of the Precinct 5 Building as requested by Building Maintenance in which no purchase order was issued as required per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.



AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40173 Authorize payment to Amazon in the amount of \$215.25 for the purchase of four wall art pieces for the Judicial Services Department and amend the budget accordingly.

Stephanie Hunt, Hays County Purchasing Agent, explained the mistake and stated the return window has passed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize payment to Amazon in the amount of \$215.25 for the purchase of four wall art pieces for the Judicial Services Department and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40174 Approve the Hart Intercivic repair estimate in the amount of \$7,000.00 for ten Duo Touch and four Controllers that are no longer under warranty; authorize a discretionary exemption pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Chapter 262.024 (a)(7)(D) and amend the budget accordingly.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve the Hart Intercivic repair estimate in the amount of \$7,000.00 for ten Duo Touch and four Controllers that are no longer under warranty; authorize a discretionary exemption pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Chapter 262.024 (a)(7)(D) and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40175 Approve specifications for IFB 2024-B10 Road Building Materials - General Road Construction and authorize Purchasing to solicit bids and advertise.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve specifications for IFB 2024-B10 Road Building Materials - General Road Construction and authorize Purchasing to solicit bids and advertise.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40176 Approve extension of IFB 2019-B02 Road Building Materials - General Road Construction with Brauntex Materials, Inc. and Colorado Materials, Ltd. for a period not to exceed sixty-one (61) days (May 31, 2024).

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve extension of IFB 2019-B02 Road Building Materials - General Road Construction with Brauntex Materials, Inc. and Colorado Materials, Ltd. for a period not to exceed sixty-one (61) days (May 31, 2024).

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40177 Approve Amendment 1 for RFP 2022-P12 Pet Resource Center - Project Coordinator with Austin Pets Alive! for a period not to exceed three months, June 30, 2024 and amend the budget accordingly.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to approve Amendment 1 for RFP 2022-P12 Pet Resource Center - Project Coordinator with Austin Pets Alive! for a period not to exceed three months, June 30, 2024 and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

**40178 Approve Utility Permits.**

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve Utility Permits.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40179 Approve renewal of RFP 2020-P15 Traffic Counter Inspection and Maintenance with JM Engineering, LLC for two (2) additional years, with proposed price increases.

Dan Lyon made a public comment against the cost of the item. Commissioner Smith explained the purpose of the traffic counters is to be run over by vehicles, so damage is expected.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve renewal of RFP 2020-P15 Traffic Counter Inspection and Maintenance with JM Engineering, LLC for two (2) additional years, with proposed price increases.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40180 Approve renewal of RFP 2023-P04 Countywide Electrical with CT Electric for one (1) additional year.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve renewal of RFP 2023-P04 Countywide Electrical with CT Electric for one (1) additional year.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40181 Authorize the execution of rental agreements with Herc Rentals for three fuel tanks, valued at \$3,814.00, for the Sheriff's Office.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize the execution of rental agreements with Herc Rentals for three fuel tanks, valued at \$3,814.00, for the Sheriff's Office.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40182 Approve out-of-state travel for Emergency Communications Manager Megan Jones and Emergency Communications Officers Ashley Klemann, Beth Ball, Madison Wattenbarger, and Tori Tyler to attend the Navigator Conference on April 16-18, 2024, in National Harbor, MD.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve out-of-state travel for Emergency Communications Manager Megan Jones and Emergency Communications Officers Ashley Klemann, Beth Ball, Madison Wattenbarger, and Tori Tyler to attend the Navigator Conference on April 16-18, 2024, in National Harbor, MD.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40183 Ratify the acceptance of a \$1,000.00 donation to the Jr. Deputy Academy from the San Marcos Lions Club and amend the budget accordingly.

Rodrigo Amaya made a public comment concerning event locations.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to ratify the acceptance of a \$1,000.00 donation to the Jr. Deputy Academy from the San Marcos Lions Club and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously



40184 Ratify the acceptance of donations totaling \$7,881.00 on behalf of the Sheriff's Office Honor Guard and amend the budget accordingly.

Commissioner Smith and Commissioner Ingalsbe thanked Thaddeus Foster for the donation.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to ratify the acceptance of donations totaling \$7,881.00 on behalf of the Sheriff's Office Honor Guard and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40185 Authorize the Commissioner Pct. 4 Office to convert the temporary Community Outreach Specialist, slot 1127-003 to full-time with benefits effective April 1, 2024 and amend the budget accordingly.

Commissioner Smith stated this will align this position with the position shared by Precincts 1 and 2.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize the Commissioner Pct. 4 Office to convert the temporary Community Outreach Specialist, slot 1127-003 to full-time with benefits effective April 1, 2024 and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40186 Authorize the Sheriff's Office to purchase two 9mm Glock 17s valued at \$357.00 each.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize the Sheriff's Office to purchase two 9mm Glock 17s valued at \$357.00 each.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40187 Ratify the acceptance of an Avata Pro Combo to the Sheriff's Office Drone Team valued at \$1,345.00 and amend the budget accordingly.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to ratify the acceptance of an Avata Pro Combo to the Sheriff's Office Drone Team valued at \$1,345.00 and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40188 Amend various departmental operating, special revenue and capital project budgets in preparation for the County's Fiscal Year 2023 year-end process.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to amend various departmental operating, special revenue and capital project budgets in preparation for the County's Fiscal Year 2023 year-end process.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40189 Authorize the Constable Pct. 3 Office to utilize Dana Safety Supply for the installation of three vehicle docking stations and amend the budget accordingly.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize the Constable Pct. 3 Office to utilize Dana Safety Supply for the installation of three vehicle docking stations and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously



40190 Discussion and possible action to approve the selection of Cobb, Fendley & Associates, Inc. to provide utility coordination services for the Jacobs Well Curve project in Precinct 3; and authorize staff and counsel to negotiate a contract.

Commissioner Shell stated this project will improve safety and the state will pay for construction.

A motion was made by Commissioner Shell, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to approve the selection of Cobb, Fendley & Associates, Inc. to provide utility coordination services for the Jacobs Well Curve project in Precinct 3; and authorize staff and counsel to negotiate a contract.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40191 Discussion and possible action to approve the selection of LJA Engineering, Inc. to provide right-of-way acquisition services for the Jacobs Well Curve project in Precinct 3; and authorize staff and counsel to negotiate a contract.

A motion was made by Commissioner Shell, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the selection of LJA Engineering, Inc. to provide right-of-way acquisition services for the Jacobs Well Curve project in Precinct 3; and authorize staff and counsel to negotiate a contract.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40192 Discussion and possible action approve the selection of Pape-Dawson Engineers to study Right-of-Way requirements for the extension of Posey Road from CR 266 to Centerpoint Road; and authorize staff and counsel to negotiate a contract.

Commissioner Ingalsbe stated this will improve safety and mobility. Jerry Borcharding, Director of Transportation, spoke about the complicated nature of this project.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to approve the selection of Pape-Dawson Engineers to study Right-of-Way requirements for the extension of Posey Road from CR 266 to Centerpoint Road; and authorize staff and counsel to negotiate a contract.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40193 Discussion and possible action to approve the selection of American Structurepoint, Inc. (ASI) to provide engineering design services for RM 150 Realignment from I-35 (at Yarrington Road) to RM 150 at Arroyo Ranch Road in Precinct 3; and authorize staff and counsel to negotiate a contract.

Commissioner Shell explained the project and spoke about the years of planning that have gone into it, issues due to the Kinder Morgan Pipeline, stormwater management, and the need to move forward with the project. Commissioner Smith spoke about development and right-of-way issues caused by the Kinder Morgan Pipeline.

A motion was made by Commissioner Shell, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the selection of American Structurepoint, Inc. (ASI) to provide engineering design services for RM 150 Realignment from I-35 (at Yarrington Road) to RM 150 at Arroyo Ranch Road in Precinct 3; and authorize staff and counsel to negotiate a contract.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40194 Discussion and possible action to call for a public hearing on April 9,2024 to establish a "No Parking" zone along the south side (school side) of Vista Gardens Drive from Aura Drive to Sunbright Boulevard for Sunfield Elementary School.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cohen, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to call for a public hearing on April 9,2024 to establish a "No Parking" zone along the south side (school side) of Vista Gardens Drive from Aura Drive to Sunbright Boulevard for Sunfield Elementary School.



AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40195 Discussion and possible action to consider the release of the subdivision bond #PB3010406555 in the amount of \$843,062.00 for Headwaters at Barton Creek Ph.4-Sec. 5 and the acceptance of roads and surface drainage improvements into the County Road Maintenance System.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Shell to release the subdivision bond #PB3010406555 in the amount of \$843,062.00 for Headwaters at Barton Creek Ph.4-Sec. 5 and accept roads and surface drainage improvements into the County Road Maintenance System.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40196 Discussion and possible action to approve the appointment of Stephen Seddig as Hays County Fire Marshal, with a salary exception up to step 9 effective March 26, 2024; and approve the official bond pursuant to Sections 352.011 and 352.012 of the Texas Local Government Code.

Mike Jones, Director of Emergency Services, introduced Stephen Seddig and spoke about his qualifications. Seddig spoke about his experience working in fire service.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cohen, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve the appointment of Stephen Seddig as Hays County Fire Marshal, with a salary exception up to step 9 effective March 26, 2024; and approve the official bond pursuant to Sections 352.011 and 352.012 of the Texas Local Government Code.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40197 Discussion and possible action to authorize the execution of the Hays County American Rescue Plan Recovery Donation Agreement between Hays County and Forever 15 and amend the budget accordingly.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize the execution of the Hays County American Rescue Plan Recovery Donation Agreement between Hays County and Forever 15 and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40198 Discussion and possible action to award RFP 2024-P01 Delinquent Justice Court Fines and Fees Collection Services to McCreary Veselka Bragg & Allen P.C. (MVBA) and authorize staff and the District Attorney Civil Division to negotiate a contract.

Commissioner Smith stated the procurement process was followed for this. Stephanie Hunt, Hays County Purchasing Agent, stated all firms were given the opportunity to present, the evaluation committee received all information, and she does not recommend any additional presentations in open court.

A motion was made by Commissioner Shell, seconded by Commissioner Smith to award RFP 2024-P01 Delinquent Justice Court Fines and Fees Collection Services to McCreary Veselka Bragg & Allen P.C. (MVBA) and authorize staff and the District Attorney Civil Division to negotiate a contract.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40199 Discussion and possible action to authorize the Juvenile Center and Juvenile Probation Department to re-grade all Juvenile Supervision Officer positions (37 slots) Grade 115 to Grade 120; re-grade all Lieutenant positions (8 slots) Grade 119 to Grade 123; and re-grade the Training Coordinator position (1 slot) Grade 118 to Grade 124 effective April 1, 2024.



Brett Littlejohn, Hays County Juvenile Facility Administrator, spoke about staffing and retention struggles at the Juvenile Center and issues with the salary step plan. Elaine Cardenas, Hays County Clerk, further explained the request and stated the Compensation Committee supports it. Judge Becerra noted the staff levels are needed to continue housing juveniles from other counties. Shari Miller, Director of Human Resources, stated the request would align the department with the salary plan for adult corrections officers, and reviewed how it may impact the organizational structure of the department. The court held a lengthy discussion regarding the request and whether Hays County should house juveniles from other counties, with Commissioner Shell and Commissioner Smith against having outsourced juveniles. Vickie Dorsett, Hays County Budget Officer, reviewed implementation options.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Judge Becerra to authorize the Juvenile Center and Juvenile Probation Department to re-grade all Juvenile Supervision Officer positions (37 slots) Grade 115 to Grade 119; re-grade all Lieutenant positions (8 slots) Grade 119 to Grade 122; and re-grade the Training Coordinator position (1 slot) Grade 118 to Grade 123, at the requested step, effective April 1, 2024.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

NAY: Commissioner Shell

4 - 1 Passed

40200 Discussion and possible action to execute the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Hays County Office of Emergency Services and the City of San Marcos allowing the city access to WETmap data.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to execute the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Hays County Office of Emergency Services and the City of San Marcos allowing the city access to WETmap data.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40201 Discussion and possible action to authorize the acceptance of a grant award from the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, Rural Law Enforcement Grant Program for the Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$500,000.00 and amend the budget accordingly.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize the acceptance of a grant award from the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, Rural Law Enforcement Grant Program for the Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$500,000.00 and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40202 Discussion and possible action to authorize the acceptance of a grant award from the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, Rural Law Enforcement Grant Program for the District Attorney's Office in the amount of \$275,000.00; establishing one (1) new Chief Attorney VII position and amend the budget accordingly.

Commissioner Smith stated he is hopeful the county will be able to access this grant in the future. Commissioner Ingalsbe stated this was authorized by Senate Bill 22. Gregg Cox, First Assistant Criminal District Attorney, stated this new position will be for the Special Victims Unit within the District Attorney's Office.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize the acceptance of a grant award from the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, Rural Law Enforcement Grant Program for the District Attorney's Office in the amount of \$275,000.00; establishing one (1) new Chief Attorney VII position and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40203 Discussion and possible action to approve the 9-1-1 Addressing and Street Name Interlocal Agreement (ILA) between Hays County and the City of Wimberley.



A motion was made by Commissioner Shell, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the 9-1-1 Addressing and Street Name Interlocal Agreement (ILA) between Hays County and the City of Wimberley.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40204 Discussion and possible action to approve the renaming of a private driveway in Precinct 4, from CF Ranch Road to Ledge-top Lane.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve the renaming of a private driveway in Precinct 4, from CF Ranch Road to Ledge-top Lane.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40205 Discussion and possible action to accept the resignation of Commissioner Debbie Gonzales Ingalsbe from the Capital Area Council of Governments (CAPCOG) General Assembly and approve the appointment of Commissioner Walt Smith to the CAPCOG General Assembly to replace her effective March 26, 2024.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to accept the resignation of Commissioner Debbie Gonzales Ingalsbe from the Capital Area Council of Governments (CAPCOG) General Assembly and approve the appointment of Commissioner Walt Smith to the CAPCOG General Assembly to replace her effective March 26, 2024.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40206 Discussion and possible action to accept the Fiscal Year 2023 Hays County Annual Comprehensive Financial Report as audited by ABIP, PC Certified Public Accountants.

Jeremy Barbatto, ABIP Audit Senior Manager, presented the findings of their audit of the county to the court. Marisol Villarreal-Alonzo, Hays County Auditor, stated the audit report and financial statements will be available on the county website.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to accept the Fiscal Year 2023 Hays County Annual Comprehensive Financial Report as audited by ABIP, PC Certified Public Accountants.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40207 Discussion and possible action to award and execute a contract for IFB 2024-B07 Cemetery Maintenance to Primero TX LLC, dba Primero TX Landscaping.

Commissioner Smith recognized Winton Porterfield for the work he put into this program.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cohen, seconded by Commissioner Shell to award and execute a contract for IFB 2024-B07 Cemetery Maintenance to Primero TX LLC, dba Primero TX Landscaping.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40208 Discussion and possible action to award and execute a contract for IFB 2024-B06 Sentinel Peak - Asbestos Abatement & Building Demolition to Tasman Geosciences, Inc. dba Tasma, Inc. and amend the budget accordingly.

Commissioner Shell explained the county must follow safety guidelines and check the structure for asbestos before it is demolished.

A motion was made by Commissioner Shell, seconded by Commissioner Smith to award and execute a contract for IFB 2024-B06 Sentinel Peak - Asbestos Abatement & Building Demolition to Tasman Geosciences, Inc. dba Tasma, Inc. and amend the budget accordingly.



AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra
5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40209 Discussion and possible action to authorize the Mental Health Specialty Court to purchase consumable items for the Spring Mental Health Workshops to be held April 4th, 5th and 11th and amend the budget accordingly.

Kaimi Mattila, Mental Health Court Administrator, spoke about the upcoming workshop and its speakers.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cohen, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to authorize the Mental Health Specialty Court to purchase consumable items for the Spring Mental Health Workshops to be held April 4th, 5th and 11th and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra
5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40210 Discussion and possible action to consider granting a variance from the governing 1977 On-Site Sewage Facility (OSSF) rules for the property located at 2850 Windy Hill Rd, Buda, TX.

Marcus Pacheco, Director of Development Services, explained the variance is needed due to the lot size, and staff has reviewed and supports the request.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to grant a variance from the governing 1977 On-Site Sewage Facility (OSSF) rules for the property located at 2850 Windy Hill Rd, Buda, TX.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra
5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40211 Discussion and possible action to authorize the County Judge to execute Contract Amendment No. 1 with Haitus Wellness, LLC. related to Trauma Conscious Yoga Therapy sessions for Mental Health Court participants.

Kaimi Mattila, Mental Health Court Administrator, explained this would be an expansion of an existing contract with Haitus Wellness, and spoke about the benefits of this service. Commissioner Ingalsbe noted this is a form of therapy, not a weight loss program. Commissioner Cohen gave support for the item. Commissioner Shell expressed concern over continuous funding of this service once American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds are no longer available. Mattila stated the department is applying for grants. Commissioner Smith also expressed concern over the county funding this program and asked for the contract and services to be reviewed. Mattila spoke about the program participants' success. Vickie Dorsett, Hays County Budget Officer, stated ARPA funds are almost fully committed and will be revisited soon.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cohen, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to authorize the County Judge to execute Contract Amendment No. 1 with Haitus Wellness, LLC. related to Trauma Conscious Yoga Therapy sessions for Mental Health Court participants.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra
 NAY: Commissioner Shell
4 - 1 Passed

Clerk's Note: Executive Session began at 1:25 p.m. and resumed back into open court at 3:30 p.m.

Clerk's Note Agenda Item #K-1 RE: *Executive Session pursuant to Sections 551.071 and 551.072 of the Texas Government Code: consultation with counsel and deliberation regarding the purchase, exchange, lease and/or value of real property associated with Parks and Open Space Projects being considered by Hays County. Possible discussion and/or action may follow in open court. - WAS PULLED.*



40212 Executive Session pursuant to Sections 551.071 and 551.072 of the Texas Government Code: consultation with counsel and deliberation to consider a resolution determining the necessity of and authorizing the use of the County's power of eminent domain to acquire fee simple title, and all the necessary property rights over, under and across land being Part 1: 0.0215 acres, Part 2: 0.0263 acres, and Part 3: 0.0156 acres out of that certain 247.559 acres BCG Umland, LP, and which is required for the construction of the proposed Cotton Gin roadway improvements and utility adjustments, and take other appropriate action (Tract 35: Part 1, 2 and 3). Possible discussion and/or action may follow in open court.

Those present in Executive Session were the Commissioners Court, Jordan Powell, First Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division, Tucker Furlow, Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division, Chase Young, Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division, Janice Jones, Legal Support Services Specialist, and Vickie Dorset, Hays County Budget Officer.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to adopt a resolution determining the necessity of, and authorizing the use of, Hays County's power of eminent domain to acquire fee simple title and the necessary property rights over, under and across land being Part 1: 0.0215 acres, Part 2: 0.0263 acres, and Part 3: 0.0156 acres out of that certain 247.559 acres owned by BCG Umland, LP (Tract 35: Part 1, 2 and 3), and which is required for the construction of the proposed Cotton Gin roadway improvements and utility adjustments, and authorize County staff and consultants to take other appropriate action related therewith.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

Executive Session pursuant to Sections 551.071 and 551.074 of the Texas Government Code: deliberation regarding employment and duties of all positions within the Transportation Department. Possible discussion and/or action may follow in open court.

Those present in Executive Session were the Commissioners Court, Jordan Powell, First Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division, Tucker Furlow, Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division, Chase Young, Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division, Janice Jones, Legal Support Services Specialist, Vickie Dorsett, Hays County Budget Officer, Shari Miller, Director of Human Resources, and Jerry Borcharding, Director of Transportation. No action taken.

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 Snap Dragon, Project Peanut Butter, Project Husky and Project Forward Motion. Possible discussion and/or action may follow in open court.

Those present in Executive Session were the Commissioners Court, Jordan Powell, First Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division, Tucker Furlow, Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division, Chase Young, Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division, Janice Jones, Legal Support Services Specialist, Vickie Dorsett, Hays County Budget Officer, Mike Kamerlander, Greater San Marcos Partnership President/CEO, and Emily Mathes, Greater San Marcos Partnership Director of Business Development. No action taken.

Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code: consultation with counsel regarding pending and/or contemplated litigation involving Hays County. Possible action may follow in open court.

Those present in Executive Session were the Commissioners Court, Jordan Powell, First Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division, Tucker Furlow, Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division, Chase Young, Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division, Janice Jones, Legal Support Services Specialist, Vickie Dorsett, Hays County Budget Officer, and Marcus Pacheco, Director of Development Services. No action taken.

Executive Session pursuant to Sections 551.071 and 551.089 of the Texas Government Code: consultation with counsel and deliberation regarding the deployment and/or implementation of critical infrastructure, including but not limited to, emergency services/management response for Hays County. Possible discussion and/or action may follow in open court.



Those present in Executive Session were the Commissioners Court, Jordan Powell, First Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division, Tucker Furlow, Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division, Chase Young, Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division, Janice Jones, Legal Support Services Specialist, Vickie Dorsett, Hays County Budget Officer, Shari Miller, Director of Human Resources, and Mike Jones, Director of Emergency Services. No action taken.

40213 Executive Session pursuant to Sections 551.071 and 551.072 of the Texas Government Code: consultation with counsel and deliberation regarding Cause Numbers 22-0249-C, 22-0250-C, and 22-0251-C. Possible discussion and/or action may follow in open court.

Those present in Executive Session were the Commissioners Court, Jordan Powell, First Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division, Tucker Furlow, Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division, Chase Young, Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division, Janice Jones, Legal Support Services Specialist, Vickie Dorsett, Hays County Budget Officer, Shari Miller, Director of Human Resources, Mylan Shaunfield, attorney with Sheets & Crossfield, PLLC, Maria Castanon, HNTB Project Manager, and Jerry Borcharding, Director of Transportation.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize negotiations related to cause numbers 22-0249-C, 22-0250-C, and 22-0251-C, as discussed in Executive Session, and proceed with condemnation matters related therewith, if necessary.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

Clerk's Note Agenda Item #L-1 RE: *Discussion and possible action related to the burn ban. - 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 jail's daily average was 505 for the week of March 17, 2024, with a peak of 514 inmates on March 22, 2024. The estimated cost for outsourcing inmates this week was \$159,929. The average number of outsourced males is 238 and females is 9. This week's inmates were housed in the following counties: Comal, Haskell, and Maverick. The number of "paper-ready" inmates who are now wardens of the state is 61.

Clerk's Note Agenda Item #L-3 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 #L-4 RE: *Discussion and possible action regarding Hays County's use of federal or other grant funding related to COVID-19 response including but not limited to the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and the Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP). - WAS PULLED.*

Clerk's Note Agenda Item #L-5 RE: *Discussion and possible action related to proposed bills in the 87th Regular 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.*

Clerk's Note Agenda Item #L-6 RE: *Updates on measurable advancement of Judicial Services to include the areas of staffing, equipment, training, operations and policy, by Assistant Director of Judicial Services Albert Sierra. - WAS PULLED.*

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Shell, seconded by Judge Becerra to adjourn court at 3:32 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 MARCH 26, 2024.



Elaine H. Cardenas

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



Date	Res Number	Motion	Ingalsbe	Cohen	Shell	Smith	Becerra
3/26/2024	40151	Approve payments of County invoices.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40152	Approve the payment of Juror checks.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40153	Approve the payment of United Healthcare claims and authorize an additional disbursement in an amount not to exceed \$500,000.00 to the healthcare claims account.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40154	Approve the payment of the March 31, 2024 payroll disbursements in an amount not to exceed \$5,200,000.00 effective March 28, 2024 and post totals for wages, with-holdings, deductions, and benefits on the Hays County website once finalized.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40155	Approve Commissioners Court Minutes of March 12, 2024.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40156	Approve and confirm the appointment of Clark Flynn as a regular full-time Deputy Constable in the Hays County Constable's Precinct 1 Office.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40157	Approve and confirm the appointment of Travis Talbot as a regular full-time Deputy Constable in the Hays County Constable Precinct 2 Office.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40158	Approve the Hispanic Heritage Exhibition Walk Celebration event on the courthouse grounds sponsored by Centro Cultural Hispano de San Marcos and LULAC Council #654 to be held on September 14, 2024, that shall include commercial vendors.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40159	Approve the appointment of Joseph Malone to the Board of Commissioners for Hays County Emergency Services District #4 for a term ending December 31, 2025 to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Chuck Ware.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40160	Approve the appointment of Manuel Grafia to the Board of Commissioners for Hays County Emergency Services District #4 for a term ending December 31, 2024 to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Ron Spangenberg.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40161	Authorize the County Judge to execute an agreement with Core Office Interiors for the purchase and installation of furniture for the Health Department lobby in the amount of \$6,308.33 and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40162	Ratify the submission of a grant application to the Office of The Governor, State Crisis Grant Program in the amount of \$531,547.00 related to fentanyl overdoses.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40163	Authorize the submission of a resolution and grant application to the Office of The Governor, Homeland Security Grant Program in the amount of \$56,615.00.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40164	Authorize the submission of a grant application to the Office of the Governor, Homeland Security Division, Urban Area Security Initiative - Regular Projects in the amount of \$7,300.00.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40165	Authorize the submission of a grant application to the Office of the Governor, Homeland Security Division, Urban Area Security Initiative - Regular Projects in the amount of \$50,755.10.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40166	Authorize the submission of a grant application to the Office of the Governor, Homeland Security Division, Urban Area Security Initiative - Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Act Projects in the amount of \$582,900.00.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40167	Authorize a waiver to the purchasing policy for the Constable, Pct. 4 Office, to purchase one (1) motor officer helmet valued at \$604.80 from Super Seer Corporation and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40168	Authorize the District Attorney to purchase one replacement Latitude 5540 Laptop for the Civil Division Legal Support Services Specialist and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40169	Authorize payment to SI Mechanical for repairs to the industrial freezer at the Juvenile Center in the amount of \$564.25 where no purchase order was issued as required per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40170	Authorize payment to Firetrol Protection Systems, Inc. in the amount of \$2,250.11 for repairs to broken sprinkler heads at the Government Center as requested by Building Maintenance in which no purchase order was issued as required per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40171	Authorize the Civil Division of the Hays County Criminal District Attorney's Office to purchase proclamation Folders for Commissioners Court use and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40172	Authorize payment to Security One, Inc. in the amount \$759.32 for the installation and programming of a new keypad to the security alarm panel of the Precinct 5 Building as requested by Building Maintenance in which no purchase order was issued as required per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40173	Authorize payment to Amazon in the amount of \$215.25 for the purchase of four wall art pieces for the Judicial Services Department and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40174	Approve the Hart Intercivic repair estimate in the amount of \$7,000.00 for ten Duo Touch and four Controllers that are no longer under warranty; authorize a discretionary exemption pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Chapter 262.024 (a)(7)(D) and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40175	Approve specifications for IFB 2024-B10 Road Building Materials - General Road Construction and authorize Purchasing to solicit bids and advertise.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40176	Approve extension of IFB 2019-B02 Road Building Materials - General Road Construction with Brauntex Materials, Inc. and Colorado Materials, Ltd. for a period not to exceed sixty-one (61) days (May 31, 2024).	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40177	Approve Amendment 1 for RFP 2022-P12 Pet Resource Center - Project Coordinator with Austin Pets Alive! for a period not to exceed three months, June 30, 2024 and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40178	Approve Utility Permits.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40179	Approve renewal of RFP 2020-P15 Traffic Counter Inspection and Maintenance with JM Engineering, LLC for two (2) additional years, with proposed price increases.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40180	Approve renewal of RFP 2023-P04 Countywide Electrical with CT Electric for one (1) additional year.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40181	Authorize the execution of rental agreements with Herc Rentals for three fuel tanks, valued at \$3,814.00, for the Sheriff's Office.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40182	Approve out-of-state travel for Emergency Communications Manager Megan Jones and Emergency Communications Officers Ashley Klemann, Beth Ball, Madison Wattenbarger, and Tori Tyler to attend the Navigator Conference on April 16-18, 2024, in National Harbor, MD.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40183	Ratify the acceptance of a \$1,000.00 donation to the Jr. Deputy Academy from the San Marcos Lions Club and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40184	Ratify the acceptance of donations totaling \$7,881.00 on behalf of the Sheriff's Office Honor Guard and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40185	Authorize the Commissioner Pct. 4 Office to convert the temporary Community Outreach Specialist, slot 1127-003 to full-time with benefits effective April 1, 2024 and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40186	Authorize the Sheriff's Office to purchase two 9mm Glock 17s valued at \$357.00 each.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40187	Ratify the acceptance of an Avata Pro Combo to the Sheriff's Office Drone Team valued at \$1,345.00 and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40188	Amend various departmental operating, special revenue and capital project budgets in preparation for the County's Fiscal Year 2023 year-end process.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40189	Authorize the Constable Pct. 3 Office to utilize Dana Safety Supply for the installation of three vehicle docking stations and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40190	Approve the selection of Cobb, Fendley & Associates, Inc. to provide utility coordination services for the Jacobs Well Curve project in Precinct 3; and authorize staff and counsel to negotiate a contract.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

Date	Res Number	Motion	Ingalsbe	Cohen	Shell	Smith	Becerra
3/26/2024	40191	Approve the selection of LJA Engineering, Inc. to provide right-of-way acquisition services for the Jacobs Well Curve project in Precinct 3; and authorize staff and counsel to negotiate a contract.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40192	Approve the selection of Pape-Dawson Engineers to study Right-of-Way requirements for the extension of Posey Road from CR 266 to Centerpoint Road; and authorize staff and counsel to negotiate a contract.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40193	Approve the selection of American Structurepoint, Inc. (ASI) to provide engineering design services for RM 150 Realignment from I-35 (at Yarrington Road) to RM 150 at Arroyo Ranch Road in Precinct 3; and authorize staff and counsel to negotiate a contract.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40194	Call for a public hearing on April 9,2024 to establish a "No Parking" zone along the south side (school side) of Vista Gardens Drive from Aura Drive to Sunbright Boulevard for Sunfield Elementary School.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40195	Release the subdivision bond #PB3010406555 in the amount of \$843,062.00 for Headwaters at Barton Creek Ph.4-Sec. 5 and accept roads and surface drainage improvements into the County Road Maintenance System.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40196	Approve the appointment of Stephen Seddig as Hays County Fire Marshal, with a salary exception up to step 9 effective March 26, 2024; and approve the official bond pursuant to Sections 352.011 and 352.012 of the Texas Local Government Code.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40197	Authorize the execution of the Hays County American Rescue Plan Recovery Donation Agreement between Hays County and Forever 15 and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40198	Award RFP 2024-P01 Delinquent Justice Court Fines and Fees Collection Services to McCreary Veselka Bragg & Allen P.C. (MVBA) and authorize staff and the District Attorney Civil Division to negotiate a contract.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40199	Authorize the Juvenile Center and Juvenile Probation Department to re-grade all Juvenile Supervision Officer positions (37 slots) Grade 115 to Grade 119; re-grade all Lieutenant positions (8 slots) Grade 119 to Grade 122; and re-grade the Training Coordinator position (1 slot) Grade 118 to Grade 123, at the requested step, effective April 1, 2024.	Y	Y	NO	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40200	Execute the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Hays County Office of Emergency Services and the City of San Marcos allowing the city access to WETmap data.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40201	Authorize the acceptance of a grant award from the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, Rural Law Enforcement Grant Program for the Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$500,000.00 and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40202	Authorize the acceptance of a grant award from the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, Rural Law Enforcement Grant Program for the District Attorney's Office in the amount of \$275,000.00; establishing one (1) new Chief Attorney VII position and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40203	Approve the 9-1-1 Addressing and Street Name Interlocal Agreement (ILA) between Hays County and the City of Wimberley.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40204	Approve the renaming of a private driveway in Precinct 4, from CF Ranch Road to Ledge-top Lane.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40205	Accept the resignation of Commissioner Debbie Gonzales Ingalsbe from the Capital Area Council of Governments (CAPCOG) General Assembly and approve the appointment of Commissioner Walt Smith to the CAPCOG General Assembly to replace her effective March 26, 2024.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40206	Accept the Fiscal Year 2023 Hays County Annual Comprehensive Financial Report as audited by ABIP, PC Certified Public Accountants.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40207	Award and execute a contract for IFB 2024-B07 Cemetery Maintenance to Primero TX LLC, dba Primero TX Landscaping.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40208	Award and execute a contract for IFB 2024-B06 Sentinel Peak - Asbestos Abatement & Building Demolition to Tasman Geosciences, Inc. dba Tasma, Inc. and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40209	Authorize the Mental Health Specialty Court to purchase consumable items for the Spring Mental Health Workshops to be held April 4th, 5th and 11th and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40210	Grant a variance from the governing 1977 On-Site Sewage Facility (OSSF) rules for the property located at 2850 Windy Hill Rd, Buda, TX.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40211	Authorize the County Judge to execute Contract Amendment No. 1 with Haitus Wellness, LLC. related to Trauma Conscious Yoga Therapy sessions for Mental Health Court participants.	Y	Y	NO	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40212	Adopt a resolution determining the necessity of, and authorizing the use of, Hays County's power of eminent domain to acquire fee simple title and the necessary property rights over, under and across land being Part 1: 0.0215 acres, Part 2: 0.0263 acres, and Part 3: 0.0156 acres out of that certain 247.559 acres owned by BCG Uhland, LP (Tract 35: Part 1, 2 and 3), and which is required for the construction of the proposed Cotton Gin roadway improvements and utility adjustments, and authorize County staff and consultants to take other appropriate action related therewith.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
3/26/2024	40213	Authorize negotiations related to cause numbers 22-0249-C, 22-0250-C, and 22-0251-C, as discussed in Executive Session, and proceed with condemnation matters related therewith, if necessary.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y