

HAYS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT MINUTES



OCTOBER 27, 2020

STATE OF TEXAS *
COUNTY OF HAYS *

ON THIS THE 27th DAY OF OCTOBER A.D., 2020, 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	COUNTY JUDGE
DEBBIE GONZALES INGALSBE	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 1
MARK JONES	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 2
LON A. SHELL	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 3
WALT SMITH	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 4
ELAINE H. CÁRDENAS	COUNTY CLERK

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THE FOLLOWING PROCEEDINGS WERE HAD, THAT IS:

Chaplain Javier Maldonado from Christus Hospice Central Texas 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 regarding Feral Hogs program, GSMP (Greater San Marcos Partnership) and disbursements. Jordan Buckley made a public comment regarding criminal justice. Samantha Benavides made a public comment regarding cite and divert. Joel Triplett made a public comment against the Rolling Oaks, Lot 7, Section 4 replat.

UPDATE FROM THE COUNTY JUDGE AND STAFF REGARDING THE LOCAL DISASTER DECLARATION AND COVID-19. POSSIBLE DISCUSSION AND ACTION MAY FOLLOW.

Alex Villalobos, Chief of Staff and Emergency Management Coordinator, gave an update on COVID-19 tests. Tammy Crumley, Director of Countywide Operations, stated a new Epidemiologist has been hired under a grant to maintain the workload. No action was taken.

RECOGNITION OF ORGANIZERS AND VOLUNTEERS FOR THE COUNTYWIDE LAW ENFORCEMENT AND COMMUNITY BARBECUE EVENTS HELD IN AUGUST OF 2020.

Commissioner Jones gave thanks all who helped. Constable Peterson stated the event turned out well. Judge Becerra mentioned he too participated in a food giveaway that had several participants. Alex Villalobos spoke on the food distributions and the assistance from the public safety responders. Commissioner Smith thanked the City of Dripping Springs for the use of Ranch Park. No action was taken.

35753 APPROVE PAYMENTS OF COUNTY INVOICES.

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

35754 APPROVE THE PAYMENT OF UNITED HEALTHCARE CLAIMS.

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

35755 APPROVE COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES OF OCTOBER 20, 2020.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to approve Commissioners Court Minutes of October 20, 2020. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.



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35756 APPROVE THE PAYMENT OF THE OCTOBER 31, 2020 PAYROLL DISBURSEMENTS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$3,930,000.00 EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 30, 2020 AND POST TOTALS FOR WAGES, WITHHOLDINGS, DEDUCTIONS AND BENEFITS ON THE HAYS COUNTY WEBSITE ONCE FINALIZED.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to approve the payment of the October 31, 2020 payroll disbursements in an amount not to exceed \$3,930,000.00 effective October 30, 2020 and post totals for wages, withholdings, deductions and benefits on the Hays County website once finalized. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

35757 AUTHORIZE ON-SITE SEWAGE FACILITY PERMIT FOR TWO MOBILE HOMES LOCATED AT 3075 FM 2001, BUDA TEXAS 78610.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to authorize On-Site Sewage Facility Permit for two mobile homes located at 3075 FM 2001, Buda Texas 78610. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

35758 AUTHORIZE THE JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PRECINCT 3 OFFICE TO INSTALL A SECURITY ACCESS POINT FOR COURTROOM ENTRANCE UTILIZING THE JUSTICE COURT TECHNOLOGY FUND AND AMEND THE BUDGET ACCORDINGLY.

A motion was made by Commissioner Shell, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize the Justice of the Peace Precinct 3 Office to install a security access point for Courtroom entrance utilizing the Justice Court Technology Fund and amend the budget accordingly. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

35759 AUTHORIZE THE ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT AWARD FROM THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR, HOMELAND SECURITY GRANTS DIVISION (HSGD) FOR THE HAYS COUNTY HAZMAT TEAM MONITOR MAINTENANCE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,000 AND AMEND THE BUDGET ACCORDINGLY.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Jones to authorize the acceptance of a grant award from the Office of the Governor, Homeland Security Grants Division (HSGD) for the Hays County HazMat Team Monitor Maintenance in the amount of \$20,000 and amend the budget accordingly. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

35760 AUTHORIZE THE ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT AWARD FROM THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR, CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION (CJD) FOR THE VICTIM ASSISTANCE FOR THE FAMILY JUSTICE CENTER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$45,534 AND AMEND THE BUDGET ACCORDINGLY.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Jones to authorize the acceptance of a grant award from the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division (CJD) for the Victim Assistance for the Family Justice Center in the amount of \$45,534 and amend the budget accordingly. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

Clerk's Note Agenda Item #11 RE: RATIFY THE PURCHASE OF FIVE (5) GLOCK 17 9MM HANDGUNS WITH ACCESSORIES FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION. - WAS PULLED.

35761 APPROVE SPECIFICATIONS FOR IFB 2021-B02 DACY LANE ROAD IMPROVEMENTS AND AUTHORIZE PURCHASING TO SOLICIT FOR PROPOSALS AND ADVERTISE.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Jones to approve specifications for IFB 2021-B02 Dacy Lane Road Improvements and authorize Purchasing to solicit for proposals and advertise. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.



35762 CALL FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON NOVEMBER 10, 2020 TO ESTABLISH A "NO PARKING" ZONE ON GARRISON ROAD JUST OUTSIDE OF THE CITY OF BUDA LIMITS.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to call for a public hearing on November 10, 2020 to establish a "No Parking" zone on Garrison Road just outside of the City of Buda limits. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

35763 CALL FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON NOVEMBER 10, 2020 TO ESTABLISH "YIELD" SIGNS ON THE FOUR LEGS OF A ROUNDABOUT AT THE INTERSECTION OF MESA VERDE DRIVE AND PRESCOTT DRIVE IN BELTERRA SUBDIVISION.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Shell to call for a public hearing on November 10, 2020 to establish "Yield" signs on the four legs of a roundabout at the intersection of Mesa Verde Drive and Prescott Drive in Belterra subdivision. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

35764 CALL FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON NOVEMBER 17TH, 2020 TO DISCUSS FINAL PLAT APPROVAL OF THE REPLAT OF LOT 35, LEA ACRES SUBDIVISION; PLN-1398-PC.

A motion was made by Commissioner Shell, seconded by Commissioner Smith to call for a Public Hearing on November 17th, 2020 to discuss final plat approval of the Replat of Lot 35, Lea Acres Subdivision; PLN-1398-PC. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

35765 APPROVE THE FINAL PLAT OF THE REPLAT OF LOT 7, ROLLING OAKS, SECTION FOUR SUBDIVISION; PLN-1470-PC.

Judge Becerra opened the public hearing at 9:42a.m. and closed the public hearing at 9:55a.m. Maxie Joel Triplett Jr. spoke on this matter. Caitlyn Strickland, Development Services, spoke on the timeline of the outgoing notice for the public hearing as well as statutory timelines. John Thompson spoke on behalf of the owners, Lindsey and Adam Pierce, and the delay that is common with certified mail. Commissioner Shell spoke regarding the timeline for which this process falls under. Judge Becerra requested both uncertified and certified mail notices be sent to citizens moving forward. A motion was made by Commissioner Shell, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve the final plat of the Replat of Lot 7, Rolling Oaks, Section Four Subdivision; PLN-1470-PC. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

35766 APPROVE A FUNDING AGREEMENT TO ASSIST INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICTS WITHIN HAYS COUNTY RELATED TO COVID-19 RESPONSE AND RECOVERY EFFORTS.

Mike Jones, Emergency Services Director, spoke to the court regarding the additional funding. A motion was made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to approve a Funding Agreement to assist Independent School Districts within Hays County related to COVID-19 response and recovery efforts. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

35767 AUTHORIZE THE TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT TO HIRE THE CONSTRUCTION INSPECTOR, SLOT 1045-003 AT THE 25TH PERCENTILE EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 2, 2020.

A motion was made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize the Transportation Department to hire the Construction Inspector, slot 1045-003 at the 25th percentile effective November 2, 2020. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

Clerk's Note: Executive Session began at 11:15 a.m. and resumed back into open court at 12:13 a.m.



35768 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 RECOIL. POSSIBLE DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION MAY FOLLOW IN OPEN COURT.

A motion was made by Commissioner Shell, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to accept and implement the ECAP Phase II proposal submitted to the Hays County Commissioners Court by the EXAP Awards Committee. Additional comments were added: Effective as soon as a committee can be implemented, request that staff ensure agreement by City of Kyle, request that Chamber of Commerce be engaged in a renewed informational campaign and these Phase II recommendations should be incorporated into the current ECAP Policy, which will remain in effect to the extent it is not contradicted by these changes. All present voted "Aye." MOTION PASSED.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION RELATED TO THE BURN BAN AND/OR DISASTER DECLARATION.

Judge Becerra announced the burn ban will remain in place. No action was taken.

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. The estimated cost for outsourcing was \$50,475 for the week of October 18 – October 25, 2020. The number of outsourced males was 141 inmates and females were 0 inmates. No action taken.

Clerk's Note Agenda Item #22 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 #23 RE: *DISCUSSION OF ISSUES RELATED TO ELECTRO PURIFICATION INCLUDING UPDATES ON THE FILED APPLICATION. POSSIBLE ACTION MAY FOLLOW. - WAS PULLED.*

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Judge Becerra, seconded by Commissioner Jones to adjourn court at 11:01 a.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 October 27, 2020.



Elaine H. Cardenas

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

