



HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS

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Commissioner, Precinct 4

March 8, 2011

To: County Judge Emmett and
Commissioners Lee, Morman,
Radack and Eversole

Re. **FY 2011-12 Budgets**

Enclosed are schedules and materials for the FY 2011-12 budgets which will be effective for the period of March 1, 2011 through February 29, 2012.

Expenditures from the county's general, public improvement contingency, and mobility funds for the year ending February 28, 2011 are projected to be \$1,380,983,133, a decrease of 3.4%, plus \$11,945,940 transfers out, for a total of \$1,392,929,073 compared to the previous year's expenditures of \$1,429,985,065 and transfers out of \$8,992,503, for a total of \$1,438,977,568.

The available cash balance in the general, public improvement, and mobility funds at February 28, 2011 is projected at \$244.4 million, with \$65.4 million encumbered and \$179.0 million, or 12.5% of expenditures in balance. The Auditor's Office will provide final adjustments at a later date for cash and modified accrual fund balances.

The estimate by the Auditor of available resources for FY 2011-12, including the above balance, as shown in the table on the next page is \$1,562,778,904, which is \$80,886,908, or 5.0%, less than estimated actual resources for FY 2010-2011 of \$1,643,665,812.

The following table shows the resources by category based on the Auditor's revenue estimates.

<u>(\$millions)</u>	FY 2010-11 Adjusted Estimate	FY 2010-11 Estimated Actual	FY 2011-12 Final Estimate
Beginning Cash-General Fund	\$ 168.6	\$ 148.7	\$ 38.8
Beginning Cash-PICF	34.5	34.7	36.4
Beginning Cash-Mobility Fund	94.9	94.9	169.2
Combined Beginning Cash	<u>\$ 298.0</u>	<u>\$ 278.3</u>	<u>\$ 244.4</u>
Taxes	\$ 889.5	\$ 917.3	\$ 879.9
Intergovernmental	40.3	40.2	36.8
Service Charges	196.2	196.7	199.6
Fines/Forfeitures	22.4	18.3	18.2
Reimbursements	31.2	35.0	32.9
Rentals/Concessions	4.5	4.3	4.6
Miscellaneous	10.7	16.7	11.8
Interest	1.6	1.1	0.6
Transfers/Property Sales	6.5	8.9	7.3
Revenues & Transfers-General	\$ 1,202.9	\$ 1,238.5	\$ 1,191.7
Revenues & Transfers-PICF	6.0	5.8	5.5
Revenues & Transfers-Mobility	120.9	121.0	121.2
Combined Revenues	<u>\$ 1,329.8</u>	<u>\$ 1,365.3</u>	<u>\$ 1,318.4</u>
Available Resources-General	1,371.5	1,387.2	1,230.5
Available Resources-PICF	40.5	40.5	41.9
Available Resources-Mobility	215.8	215.9	290.4
Total Available Resources	<u><u>\$ 1,627.8</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,643.6</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 1,562.8</u></u>

Flood Control

The revenue estimate for the Flood Control operations and maintenance fund for FY 2011-12 is \$175.5 million, an increase of \$0.5 million compared to last year's estimated actual.

Debt Service

Funds will be available for debt service expenditures for the fiscal year in the amount of \$127.5 million for the county, \$220.8 million for the Toll Road Authority, \$45.9 million for Flood Control, and \$53.6 million for the Port of Houston.

Departments and Policy Issues

The tables that follow show budget amounts for departments. Adjustments have been made as necessary to accommodate decisions of the court and to balance against the Auditor's final revenue estimate. A list of policy issues follows the budget materials.

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