

AGENDA

January 25, 2000

1:45 p.m.

Opening prayer by Pastor Peter Gantz of Bellaire Church of The Nazarene in Bellaire.

1. **Public Infrastructure Department**

a. **Public Infrastructure**

1. Recommendation that the County Judge be authorized to execute an agreement with Pierce, Goodwin, Alexander & Linville for architectural services in the amount of \$8,865,782 in connection with construction of a Civil Justice Center.
2. Recommendation that the Flood Control District be authorized to negotiate an agreement with Roy F. Weston, Inc., for engineering services to support the district and the county in various aspects of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System program and other water quality related items.
3. Recommendation that the Right of Way Section be authorized to sell surplus property, Tract HC-4184-003, along Haude Road in Precinct 4, and for the County Judge to take necessary action to complete the sale.
4. Recommendation that the court approve an order authorizing the Right of Way Section to acquire a specific property for FM 1960 in Precinct 4, and declaring the project a public necessity and convenience, and for the Executive Director, or his designated representative, County Auditor, County Clerk, County Attorney, and County Treasurer to take necessary actions to complete the transaction.
5. Recommendation that the court approve an order authorizing the Right of Way Section to acquire specific properties for the expansion of office parking facilities for the HCTRA, TR-4001, Tracts 001 and 002 in Precinct 4, and declaring the project a public necessity and convenience, and for the Executive Director, or his designated representative, County Auditor, County Clerk, County Attorney, and County Treasurer to take necessary actions to complete the transactions.

6. Recommendation that the Flood Control District be authorized to acquire right of way required for the Jackson Bayou improvements project on Unit R100-00-00-E002, Tracts 05-017.0, 05-018.0, 05-019.0, and 05-020.0 in Precinct 4, declaring a public necessity and convenience, authorizing acquisition activities, and for the Executive Director, or his designated representative, County Auditor, County Clerk, County Attorney, County Treasurer, and Purchasing Agent to take necessary actions to complete the transactions.
7. Recommendation that the Flood Control District be authorized to acquire right of way for channel improvements on Unit E101-18-00-E001, Tracts 02-001.0, 02-002.0, 02-003.0, 02-004.0, 02-005.0, 02-006.0, 02-007.0, and 02-008.0 in Precinct 1, declaring a public necessity and convenience, authorizing acquisition activities, and for the Executive Director, or his designated representative, County Auditor, County Clerk, County Attorney, County Treasurer, and Purchasing Agent to take necessary actions to complete the transactions.
8. Recommendation that the Flood Control District be authorized to issue a fixed moving expense payment of \$850 to Gary S. Dahmes as part of the floodplain buyout project in Precinct 2.
9. Recommendation that the Flood Control District be authorized to issue an incidental expense payment of \$2,002 to Ira C. Brackett, Jr., as part of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Cypress Creek flood damage prevention project in Precinct 3.
10. Transmittal of notices of road and bridge log changes.

b. **Flood Control District**

1. Recommendation that the County Judge be authorized to execute:
 - a. An agreement with Baseline Corporation to provide surveying services in the amount of \$150,000 in support of the district's engineering and maintenance programs in Precinct 1.
 - b. An agreement with Dannenbaum Engineering Corporation to provide on-call hydrologic and hydraulic engineering services in the amount of \$100,000 in support of district-sponsored projects.
 - c. An agreement with Ecology and Environment, Inc., to provide on-call environmental engineering services in the amount of \$30,000 in support of the district's engineering and maintenance programs.
 - d. An agreement with Epsilon Engineering, Inc., to construct channel improvements and corresponding detention improvements in the amount of \$127,000 to Unit E132-02-00 from Tower Oaks Boulevard to Marcia Drive, Phases 2 and 3, in Precinct 3.
 - e. An agreement with Foster Wheeler Environmental Corporation for environmental engineering services in the amount of \$30,000 for the Greens Bayou wetlands mitigation bank, Unit P700-01-00, including public information and educational services.
 - f. An agreement with Infrastructure Associates to provide on-call mechanical and electrical engineering services in the amount of \$150,000 in support of the district's engineering and maintenance programs in Precinct 1.
 - g. An agreement with Knudson & Associates to provide on-call landscape architectural services in the amount of \$50,000 in support of district projects.

- h. An amendment to an agreement with LJA Engineering & Surveying, Inc., to provide construction phase engineering services in the amount of \$90,000 in support of public works construction projects in the district.
 - i. An agreement with S & V Surveying, Inc., to provide surveying services in the amount of \$150,000 in support of the district's engineering and maintenance programs in Precinct 3.
 - j. An agreement with Southwestern Bell Telephone Company for right of way utility adjustments in the amount of \$71,901 for relocation of Southwestern Bell Telephone Company facilities in Precinct 2.
 - k. An amendment to an agreement with Turner Collie & Braden, Inc., for professional services in the amount of \$400,000 to continue demonstrating the advantages and effectiveness of local implementation of the federal flood control project on Hunting Bayou in Precincts 1 and 2.
2. Recommendation for approval of construction documents and authorization for bids to be taken for:
 - a. Concrete channel conveyance improvements, Phase 1, from Berry Bayou to Unit C106-08-01 in Precinct 2 for a three-week period at an estimated cost of \$960,000.
 - b. Channel conveyance improvements from Scarlet Drive to Orem Drive in Precinct 1 for a three-week period at an estimated cost of \$2,400,000.
 - c. Detention basin excavation compartment 4, Phase 1, discrete segment 6 in Precinct 3 for a three-week period at an estimated cost of \$4,680,000.
 - d. Channel modification from North Hill Estates to IH-45 in Precinct 4 for a three-week period at an estimated cost of \$350,000.
 - e. Bear Creek bypass channel excavation in Precinct 3 for a six-week period at an estimated cost of \$2,083,943.
3. Recommendation for authorization for:
 - a. An employee to attend a computer software training seminar February 10 in Houston at a cost of \$125.
 - b. An employee to attend the annual Land Use Law Conference January 27-28 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$745.
 - c. An employee to attend the annual Land Use Planning Law Conference February 24-25 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$850.
4. Recommendation for approval of contracts and bonds for G. Greenstreet, Inc., for selective clearing on channels in Precincts 3 and 4 in the total amount of \$1,797,600.
5. Recommendation for approval of a change in contract for Lindsey Construction Company, contractor for Brays Bayou detention excavation, completion of compartment 2 and discrete segment 5 in Precinct 3, resulting in an addition of \$2,365 to the contract amount (99/0665).
6. Recommendation that the district not acquire property at this time for a storm water detention basin in the Willow Waterhole watershed as requested in a petition and letters from a community organization known as Precinct 287, and that the district consult with the County Attorney and Right of Way Section regarding appropriate means to secure an interim interest in crucial properties to help ensure the ability to implement long-range projects in Precincts 1 and 3.

7. Recommendation that the court approve release of \$72,573 to Bean Construction Company for retainage withheld on the contract for the Buffalo Bayou linear detention excavation project in Precinct 3.
8. Recommendation that the district's policy for detention storage requirements for 10-acre sites be applied to a smaller site named We "B" Storage on FM 1960 in Precinct 4.
9. Recommendation for approval of repairs to certain maintained channels in Precincts 1, 2, 3, and 4 at an estimated total cost of \$258,052.

c. **Engineering**

1. Recommendation for approval to seek bids for:
 - a. Improvements to Spears Road from Antoine Drive to Spears-Gears Road at Rankin Road in Precinct 4 for a four-week period at an estimated cost of \$7,946,400.
 - b. Construction of Aldine-Westfield Road from south of Farrell Road to FM 1960 in Precinct 4 for a four-week period at an estimated cost of \$6,270,000.
 - c. Drainage improvements in Pecan Forest Subdivision in Precinct 4 for a three-week period at an estimated cost of \$142,000.
 - d. Replacement of a bridge on Hugh Road at HCFCD Unit P1460-00-00 with a box culvert in Precinct 4 for a three-week period at an estimated cost of \$180,000.
2. Recommendation for approval of the following plats:
 - a. Fairfield Village West, Section One in Precinct 3; Jones & Carter, Incorporated.
 - b. Coles Crossing, Section 10, Phase 1 in Precinct 3; Jones & Carter, Incorporated.
 - c. Coles Crossing, Section 10, Phase 2 in Precinct 3; Jones & Carter, Incorporated.
 - d. Copper Lakes, Section Four in Precinct 3; Jones & Carter, Incorporated.
 - e. Trails of Fairfield, Section Six in Precinct 3; Jones & Carter, Incorporated.
 - f. Plaza on the Park in Precinct 3; Turner Collie & Braden, Incorporated.
 - g. Stone Gate, Section Five in Precinct 3; Ferro-Saylors, Incorporated.
 - h. Boardwalk Carwash in Precinct 4; Sitech Engineering Corporation.
 - i. Harris County MUD No. 11, Water Well No. 2 in Precinct 4; Alexander Engineering, Incorporated.
 - j. Londonderry, Section Three in Precinct 4; Jones & Carter, Incorporated.
 - k. Martinez Place in Precinct 4; Terra Surveying Co., Incorporated.
 - l. Rays Tire and Brake No. 2 in Precinct 4; Jones & Carter, Incorporated.
 - m. American Plaza, Section Two in Precinct 4; Provident Engineers, Incorporated.
 - n. Inwood Club Estates in Precinct 4; Greg A. Parker, P.E.
 - o. Rock Creek, Section One in Precinct 4; Kimley-Horn and Associates, Incorporated.
3. Recommendation for acceptance, continuation, or cancellation of bonds for:
 - a. Etoco, Inc., executed by Hartford Casualty Insurance Company for Crosby Lynchburg and Pineview in Precinct 2 in the amount of \$15,000 (continuation).
 - b. Etoco, Inc., executed by Hartford Casualty Insurance Company for Highland Shore in Precinct 2 in the amount of \$15,000 (continuation).
 - c. Etoco, Inc., executed by Hartford Casualty Insurance Company for Pineview Road in Precinct 2 in the amount of \$25,000 (continuation).
 - d. Intercontinental Terminals Company executed by Western Surety Company for Tidal Road in Precinct 2 in the amount of \$5,000 (continuation).
 - e. Enron Oil & Gas Company executed by Seaboard Surety Company for Cypress Landing Street in Precinct 4 in the amount of \$10,000 (acceptance).

- f. Enron Oil & Gas Company executed by Seaboard Surety Company for Bammel North Houston in Precinct 4 in the amount of \$20,000 (acceptance).
 - g. HBC Engineering, Inc., executed by Employers Mutual Casualty Company for Cimarron Parkway and Mason Road in Precinct 3 in the amount of \$17,100 (acceptance).
 - h. E.P. Brady, Inc., executed by Continental Casualty Company for the north side of Cypresswood Drive, Mason Road, and Carolina Oaks Road with two crossings in Precinct 3 in the amount of \$15,000 (acceptance).
 - i. Harris County Fresh Water Supply District No. 1A executed by Hartford Casualty Insurance Company for the west side of Wade Road in Precinct 2 in the amount of \$20,000 (acceptance).
 - j. Steve Wier, Inc., dba Wier Enterprises, executed by Western Surety Company for Highland Cross with a crossing in Precinct 4 in the amount of \$5,000 (acceptance).
 - k. Williams Development & Construction, Inc., executed by Hartford Fire Insurance Company for Lakeview Haven Drive with a crossing in Precinct 3 in the amount of \$5,000 (acceptance).
 - l. Durwood Greene Construction Co., executed by Federal Insurance Company for Eldridge Parkway in Precinct 3 in the amount of \$18,750 (acceptance).
 - m. Park Village 1 Partners, L.P., executed by Gulf Insurance Company for Park Village at Mission Bend, Section One in Precinct 3 in the amount of \$10,000 (cancellation).
 - n. West/Hallbeck Investment, L.L.C., executed by Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Underwriters, Inc., for Lakewood Oaks Estates, Section Four in Precinct 4 in the amount of \$35,625 (cancellation).
4. Recommendation for approval of notices by:
- a. Time Warner Communications, Inc., of the authorized installation of buried telephone cable on Mill Dale, Lake Ridge, and Misty Moss Lane with three crossings in Precinct 4 (19614).
 - b. Reliant Energy-Entex, Inc., of the authorized installation of a natural gas distribution line serving residential property on Bamwood, Ella, Rolling Creek, Butte Creek, Sugarpine, Beaver Springs, and Kuykendahl with seven crossings in Precinct 4 (19617).
 - c. Mason/Cimarron LLC of the unauthorized installation of soil borings for environmental tests on Cimarron Parkway and Mason Road in Precinct 3 (19623).
 - d. MCI-World Communications of the authorized installation of buried fiber optic cable on the south side of W.W. Thorne Drive, the east side of Hardy Road, Richey Road, and Oil Center Boulevard with two crossings in Precinct 4 (19638).
 - e. MCI World Communications of the authorized installation of buried fiber optic cable on the west side of Aldine Westfield, W.W. Thorne Boulevard, Turkey Drive, Inez Road, and Farrell Road with five crossings in Precinct 4 (19639).
 - f. Southwestern Bell Telephone Company of the authorized installation of buried telephone cable on the northeast side of Grant Road with a crossing in Precinct 4 (19642).
 - g. Southwestern Bell Telephone Company of the authorized installation of conduit on Wheatland with a crossing in Precinct 4 (19644).
 - h. Southwestern Bell Telephone Company of the authorized installation of buried telephone cable on the north side of Richardson Road and Barrington Fairway with a crossing in Precinct 4 (19645).
 - i. Harris County MUD No. 358 of the authorized installation of a PVC sanitary sewer line on the north side of Cypresswood Drive, Mason Road, and Carolina Oaks Road with two crossings in Precinct 3 (19646).

- j. Southwestern Bell Telephone Company of the authorized installation of buried telephone cable on the west side of North Eldridge Parkway in Precinct 4 (19647).
 - k. Fort Bend Telephone Company of the authorized installation of buried telephone cable on the east side of Katy Hockley Cut-Off, the south side of Katy Hockley, and Longenbaugh with two crossings in Precinct 3 (19641).
 - l. Southwestern Bell Telephone Company of the authorized installation of buried telephone cable on the east side of Eldridge Parkway, Hastings Green, and Fall Brook Drive with two crossings in Precinct 3 (19648).
 - m. Southwestern Bell Telephone Company of the authorized installation of buried telephone cable on the north and east sides of Cypress Church Road, the west side of Lutheran Cemetery Road, Fenske Road, and Cypress Church Road with three crossings in Precinct 3 (19649).
 - n. Reliant Energy-Entex, Inc., of the authorized installation of a natural gas distribution line serving residential property on the east side of Crosby Eastgate and the north side of Lord Road in Precinct 4 (19650).
 - o. Southwestern Bell Telephone Company of the authorized installation of buried telephone cable on the south side of Colwell, Mahan, Kuykendahl Road, Jackson Pines, and Sandy Cliff with four crossings in Precinct 4 (19652).
 - p. Southwestern Bell Telephone Company of the authorized installation of buried telephone cable on the east side of Duncan with a crossing in Precinct 4 (19653).
 - q. Southwestern Bell Telephone Company of the authorized installation of buried telephone cable on the northwest side of Dallah Lane, Dallah Court, and the north side of Ballinger Drive with two crossings in Precinct 4 (19654).
 - r. Southwestern Bell Telephone Company of the authorized installation of buried telephone cable on the north side of Louetta Road in Precinct 4 (19655).
 - s. Time Warner Communications, Inc., of the authorized installation of buried telephone cable on the south side of Wallisville Road and the east side of North Main in Precinct 2 (19656).
 - t. Harris County Fresh Water Supply District No. 1A of the authorized installation of a PVC sanitary sewer line on the west side of Wade Road in Precinct 2 (19660).
 - u. Steven Wier, Inc., dba Wier Enterprises, of the unauthorized installation of a PVC water line on Highland Cross with a crossing in Precinct 4 (19661).
 - v. Albertsons, Inc., of the unauthorized installation of steel casing for pneumatic system and data cables on Lakeview Haven Drive with a crossing in Precinct 3 (19662).
 - w. Durwood Greene Construction Co., of the unauthorized installation of a left turn lane on the median of Eldridge Parkway in Precinct 3 (19663).
5. Recommendation for approval of changes in contracts for:
- a. Access & Video Integration Corporation, contractor for the access control system at the Forensic Center, resulting in an addition of \$313 to the contract amount (26583).
 - b. McLat Construction, Inc., contractor for water and sewer improvements to Pearland Morenci Street, resulting in an addition of \$24,581 to the contract amount (27633).
 - c. Arriola Asphalt Paving Company, contractor for resurfacing existing asphalt surface at Randolph Park in Precinct 1, resulting in an addition of \$5,719 to the contract amount (26639).
 - d. SER Construction, Inc., contractor for construction of sanitary sewers and lift stations at Deussen Park in Precinct 1, resulting in an addition of \$2,800 to the contract amount (26563).
 - e. Hubco, Inc., contractor for construction of Tidwell Road from Pearl Point Drive to Beltway 8 in Precinct 1, adding 15 calendar days and resulting in an addition of \$119,578 to the contract amount (26612).

- f. Angel Brothers Enterprises, Inc., contractor for construction of Orem Drive from Martin Luther King Boulevard to east of Foxton Street in Precinct 1, resulting in an addition of \$95,810 to the contract amount (26630).
 - g. Pavecon, Inc., contractor for resurfacing existing asphalt surface at Adair Park in Precinct 1, resulting in an addition of \$62,100 to the contract amount (26631).
 - h. Beyer Construction, Inc., contractor for construction of Franz Road from Avenue D to Katy-Hockley Cutoff in Precinct 3, resulting in a reduction of \$173,374 from the contract amount (26624).
 - i. Bill McDonald Construction Company, contractor for Mills Road roadway widening and signal installation from Jones Road to Millswalk Drive in Precinct 4 adding 10 calendar days and resulting in an addition of \$45,637 to the contract amount (26635).
6. Recommendation for authorization to negotiate with:
 - a. Huitt-Zollars, Inc., for professional services in connection with construction of Barker Cypress Road from FM 529 to West Little York Road in Precinct 3.
 - b. Pan Banki & Associates for professional services in connection with improvements for three pedestrian bridges along Poor Farm Ditch in West University Place in Precinct 3.
 7. Recommendation for deposit of funds received from:
 - a. City of South Houston for participation in construction of various roads in the City of South Houston in Precinct 2 in the amount of \$438,268.
 - b. ICF Kaiser International, Inc., for reimbursement for overpayment of engineering services on West Little York Road from west of Fairbanks-North Houston Road to the Houston city limits in Precinct 4 in the amount of \$17,028.
 8. Recommendation for authorization for an employee to attend a board of directors meeting and legislative conference of the National Association of County Park and Recreation Officials March 2-5 in Washington, D.C., at an approximate cost of \$600.
 9. Recommendation for authorization for four employees to attend a Texas conference of the Institute of Transportation Engineers January 27-29 in Arlington at an approximate cost of \$1,700, with travel by county vehicle.
 10. Recommendation for authorization for an employee to attend a women's conference February 9 in Houston at a cost of \$149.
 11. Recommendation for approval of a preliminary engineering report by Othon, Inc., for construction of the eastern lanes of Ella Boulevard from Gulf Bank Road to S.H. 249 in Precinct 1, and authorization to proceed with the design phase.
 12. Recommendation for authorization for the County Judge to execute an agreement with the City of Pearland to fund a study evaluating the mobility of various existing and planned roadways to define the principle access routes within the region including the South Belt, Bay Area, Hobby Airport, and the City of Pearland in Precinct 1 in the amount of \$20,363.
 13. Recommendation for authorization for the County Judge to execute an agreement with Lockwood, Andrews & Newnam, Inc., for engineering services in the amount of \$524,788 in connection with a study and report for Beamer Road from Dixie Farm Road to F.M. 528 in Precinct 1.

14. Recommendation for authorization for the County Judge to execute an agreement with R. W. Patrick and Associates, Inc., for engineering services in the amount of \$27,385 in connection with construction of various roads within the City of South Houston, Phase I in Precinct 2.
15. Recommendation for authorization for the County Judge to execute an agreement with Pierce Goodwin Alexander & Linville, Inc., for engineering services in the amount of \$302,676 in connection with construction of Gellhorn Drive from the east terminus of Gellhorn Drive to north of Wallisville Road in Precinct 2.
16. Recommendation that the award for pavement reconstruction for Mercury Drive from IH 10 to 18th Street, Main Street from 18th Street to Clinton Drive, and Clinton Drive from Fidelity Drive to Federal Road in Precinct 2 be made to SCI Constructors, Inc., lowest and best bid in the amount of \$1,424,212, and for the County Engineer, County Clerk, and County Judge to take necessary actions relating to the award.
17. Recommendation that the award for construction of various roads in the City of South Houston, Phase I, in Precinct 2, be made to SCI Constructors, Inc., lowest and best bid in the amount of \$1,359,864, and for the County Engineer, County Clerk, and County Judge to take necessary actions relating to the award.
18. Recommendation for authorization for the County Judge to execute an agreement with Wayne Smith & Associates, Inc., for engineering services in the amount of \$25,282 in connection with construction of Mercury Drive from I-10 to 18th Street, Main Street from 18th Street to Clinton Drive, and Clinton Drive from Fidelity Drive to Federal Road in Precinct 2.
19. Recommendation for authorization for the County Judge to execute an agreement with Huitt-Zollars, Inc., for engineering services in the amount of \$24,740 in connection with construction of Westgreen Boulevard from Westfork Drive to Franz Road in Precinct 3.
20. Recommendation for authorization for the County Judge to reduce the retainage from 5% to 1% for Conrad Construction Company, Inc., contractor for construction of Morton Road from Fry Road to Greenhouse Road in Precinct 3.
21. Recommendation for approval of a preliminary engineering report by Cobb, Fendley & Associates, Inc., for construction of Katy-Fort Bend County Road from Colonial Parkway to Franz Road in Precinct 3, and authorization to proceed with the design phase.
22. Recommendation that the award for improvements to Morton Road from Greenhouse Road to Barker-Cypress Road in Precinct 3 be made to Angel Brothers Enterprises, Inc., lowest and best bid in the amount of \$955,289, and for the County Engineer, County Clerk, and County Judge to take necessary actions relating to the award.
23. Recommendation for authorization for the County Judge to execute an agreement with Klotz Associates, Inc., for engineering services in the amount of \$17,770 in connection with construction of a storm sewer to serve Memorial Drive from Knipp Road to Clarendon Lane in Precinct 3.

24. Recommendation for authorization for the County Judge to execute an amendment to an agreement with the City of Bunker Hill Village for drainage improvements along Memorial Drive from Knipp Road to Claredon Lane in Precinct 3, increasing the contribution from the City of Bunker Hill Village to \$215,472.
25. Recommendation for authorization for the County Judge to execute an agreement with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc., for engineering services in the amount of \$38,284 in connection with a study and report to evaluate traffic flow and traffic safety issues for South Peak Road from Kingsland Boulevard to Highland Knolls Drive in Precinct 3.
26. Recommendation for authorization for the County Judge to execute an agreement with Klotz Associates, Inc., for engineering services in the amount of \$28,911 in connection with construction of traffic signalization at North Eldridge Parkway and Fallbrook Drive, North Eldridge Parkway and Foxburo Drive, and North Eldridge Parkway and Advance Drive in Precinct 3.
27. Recommendation that a job for 800 tons of lime slurry, type B, grade 2, furnished, delivered, and applied at various job sites in Precinct 3 be cancelled and the project be revised and readvertised.
28. Recommendation for authorization for the County Judge to execute an agreement with Copano Pipeline for right-of-way utility adjustments representing 100% reimbursement with a 25% contingency in connection with proposed reconstruction of Kuykendahl Road from Henney Lane to Cannon Gully in Precinct 4.
29. Recommendation for authorization for the County Judge to execute an agreement with S & B Infrastructure, LTD., for engineering services in the amount of \$28,238 in connection with construction of roadside ditches and culverts within Forest Cove Subdivision, Phase II, in Precinct 4.
30. Recommendation for authorization for the County Judge to execute an agreement with HNTB Corporation for engineering services in the amount of \$779,940 in connection with construction of the F.M. 1960/Kuykendahl Road intersection in Precinct 4.
31. Recommendation for authorization for the County Judge to execute an agreement with A.I. & Associates, Inc., for engineering services in the amount of \$62,449 in connection with construction of North Diamondhead Boulevard from Yacht Court to Port O-Call Drive in Precinct 4.
32. Recommendation for authorization for the County Judge to execute an amendment to an agreement with WSBC Civil Engineers, Inc., for construction of Spring-Cypress Road, Phase I, from S.H. 249 to west of Klein Cemetery Road in Precinct 4 in the additional amount of \$49,500 for a maximum of \$608,328.
33. Recommendation for authorization for the County Judge to execute an amendment to an agreement with WSBC Civil Engineers, Inc., for construction of Spring-Cypress Road, Phase II, from west of Klein Cemetery Road to F.M. 2920 in Precinct 4 in the additional amount of \$55,000 for a maximum of \$565,588.

34. Recommendation that the court approve a street name correction from Hedgewick Lane to Hedgewick Court in Bridgestone Ranch in Precinct 4.
35. Recommendation that the award for the addition to parking lot 1 for Jesse Jones Park in Precinct 4 be made to AAA Asphalt Paving, Inc., lowest and best bid in the amount of \$122,884, and for the County Engineer, County Clerk, and County Judge to take necessary actions relating to the award.
36. Recommendation for authorization for the County Judge to execute an agreement with Thompson Professional Group, Inc., for engineering services in the amount of \$278,210 in connection with construction of Grant Road from east of Copeland Road to S.H. 249 in Precinct 4.
37. Recommendation that the award for proposed asphalt overlay and drainage improvements in the pedestrian area of the girls softball field complex in A.D. Dyess Park in Precinct 4 be made to B.E.C. Construction Company, Inc., lowest and best bid in the amount of \$22,632, and for the County Engineer, County Clerk, and County Judge to take necessary actions relating to the award.

2. Management Services

- a. Request for approval of orders authorizing acceptance of payments in connection with settlement of damages to county equipment and property in the total amount of \$12,945 and 13 workers compensation recoveries in the total amount of \$7,829; settlement of eight tort claims in the total amount of \$18,038; denial of seven claims for damages; and transmittal of claims for damages received during the period which ended January 18.
- b. Request by the Houston 2012 Foundation for renewal of an agreement for the county to fund a position to assist in bid preparation for the 2012 Olympic Games.
- c. Request for authorization for three employees to attend a financial analysis seminar January 28 in Houston at a total cost of \$435.
- d. Request for authorization for two employees to participate in a career exposition of the University of Houston-Downtown March 1 at a cost of \$35.
- e. Request for authorization for two employees to attend a job fair of the Houston Area Consortium of Career Centers March 28 in Houston at a total cost of \$145.
- f. Request for authorization for an employee to attend the annual conference of the Society for Human Resource Management June 24-28 in Las Vegas at an approximate cost of \$1,800.
- g. Request for authorization for three employees to attend a training seminar of the American Association of Agents & Adjusters March 16 in Houston at a total cost of \$165.
- h. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a cash management seminar March 19-21 in San Antonio at an approximate cost of \$750.
- i. Request for approval of payments for interest due for commercial paper issuance, and for approval of an amendment to the program for certain equipment purchases; and for approval of an amended order for the program authorized for the Hospital District.

- j. Transmittal of the county's quarterly investment report.
- k. Transmittal of investment transactions for the period of January 5-19 and maturities for January 12-26, and request for authorization to change securities pledged for funds.
- l. Request for approval of authorized budget appropriation transfers for Flood Control and county departments.
- m. Request for approval of a clarification of the county's Personnel Regulations regarding the floating holiday provision as it relates to 32-hour-per-week employees.

3. **Central Technology Center**

- a. Request for authorization for two employees to attend an exchange server course February 14-17 in Houston at a total cost of \$2,034.
- b. Request for authorization to purchase two cargo vans for the Installation & Maintenance and Radio Communication Services sections at an approximate total cost of \$40,000.
- c. Request for approval of agreements with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and the Galveston County Emergency Communication District for use of the county's 800 MHz public radio system.

4. **Facilities & Property Management**

- a. Request for approval of a purchase order in the amount of \$23,147 for the Congress Plaza Garage management fee.
- b. Request for approval of a list of persons recommended for participation in the county's courthouse visitors badge program.

5. **Public Health & Environmental Services**

- a. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a water quality issues conference January 26 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$150.
- b. Request for authorization for an employee to attend an employee orientation training seminar February 15 in Houston at a cost of \$195.
- c. Request for authorization for five employees to attend a wastewater treatment plant operator course February 28-March 2 in Baytown at a total cost of \$575.
- d. Request for approval of payment in the total amount of \$1,625 to renew certified pesticide applicator licenses for 13 employees.
- e. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a meeting of the Health Resources and Services Administration February 9 in Dallas at an approximate cost of \$325.
- f. Request for authorization for the director to attend meetings of the Commissioners Council on Local Public Health February 11 and the Texas Association of Local Health Officers February 10 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$256.

- g. Request for authorization for six employees to attend the annual workshop of the Texas Mosquito Control Association February 23-24 in Corpus Christi at an approximate total cost of \$827.
- h. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a training workshop of the Food and Drug Administration February 8-10 in San Antonio at an approximate cost of \$400.
- i. Request for authorization for seven employees to attend a conference for HIV outreach workers March 19-22 in Austin at an approximate total cost of \$3,800.
- j. Request for approval of changes to the Animal Control fee and fine schedule effective April 1.

6. **Community Development**

- a. Request for authorization for three employees to attend a computer training class January 26-27 in Houston at a total cost of \$2,385.
- b. Request for approval of the quarterly travel budget in the amount of \$9,000 for employees of Gulf Coast Careers to attend training conferences and workshops of the Department of Labor, Texas Workforce Commission, and Houston Galveston Area Council.
- c. Request for authorization to accept a grant in the amount of \$679,333 from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to provide transitional housing for homeless women and children and single adults, and for approval of two regular positions and a model position to administer the program.
- d. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a lead inspector training course January 31-February 2 in Houston at a cost of \$395.
- e. Request for authorization for an employee to attend mortgage lending courses at Houston Community College February 28-April 12 at a cost of \$288.
- f. Request for approval of an agreement with Housing Opportunities of Houston, Inc., for a program that will provide down payment and closing cost assistance to low income families using Home Investment Partnerships HOME Program funds in the amount of \$266,975.
- g. Request for approval of an agreement with Northwest Community Development Corporation for development of the Great Northwest Affordable Housing Initiative using Home Investment Partnerships HOME Program funds in the amount of \$50,000.
- h. Request for approval of an amendment to an agreement with River Oaks Health Association to change the start date to October 1, 1999 for provision of sponsor-based rental assistance to disabled homeless citizens using Shelter Plus Care funds.

7. **Library Services**

- a. Request for approval of payment in the total amount of \$730 for expenses incurred by two employees of the County Library for travel to San Antonio to attend a conference of the American Library Association.

- b. Request for authorization for the County Library to accept two grant awards in the total amount of \$141,300 from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation for computer equipment for 11 branch libraries, and a computer lab program at the High Meadows branch.

8. **Youth & Family Services**

- a. Request by Domestic Relations for approval of a temporary investigator position.
- b. Request by Domestic Relations for authorization for the director and an employee to attend a board meeting of the Texas Association of Domestic Relations Offices January 28 in Austin at an approximate total cost of \$290.
- c. Request by Juvenile Probation for approval of the budget and salary schedules in connection with an agreement with HISD for the Safe Schools Healthy Student initiative program.
- d. Request by Juvenile Probation that the court notify the City of Baytown of the department's intent to establish a community service office at 807 W. Sterling in Baytown.
- e. Request by Children's Protective Services for authorization for an employee to attend an advisory panel meeting of the Council on Accreditation for Children & Family Services February 22 in New York City at an approximate cost of \$850.
- f. Request by CPS for authorization for two employees and three youth to attend meetings of the Texas Network of Youth Services Board and the Youth Advisory Board January 28 in Austin at an approximate total cost of \$350.
- g. Request by CPS for authorization for two employees to attend a first aid seminar February 7 in Houston at a total cost of \$100.
- h. Request by CPS for authorization for two employees to attend a workshop regarding dental care February 17 in Houston at a total cost of \$100.

9. **Constables**

- a. Transmittal of notice by Constable Abercia, Precinct 1, of the addition of two regular deputies and a reserve officer and the deletion of a regular deputy and a reserve officer in the department's authorized list.
- b. Request by Constable Moore, Precinct 4, for approval of a monthly car allowance in the amount of \$525 for a sergeant position and for authorization to increase the monthly car allowance for a deputy position from \$500 to \$525 in connection with an agreement for law enforcement services.
- c. Request by Constable Moore for approval of an amendment to an agreement with the Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 18 to change a sergeant position to deputy I with a monthly car allowance of \$525.
- d. Request by Constable Cheek, Precinct 5, for approval of agreements with Greentrails Phase II Homeowners Association, Inc., and Lancaster C.A.I. & Settlers Village Community Improvement Association for law enforcement services.

- e. Request by Constable Cheek for authorization for an employee to attend computer education classes at Houston Community College January 26-March 30 at a total cost of \$853.
- f. Request by Constable Trevino, Precinct 6, for approval of an agreement with the Housing Authority of the City of Houston for law enforcement services.
- g. Request by Constable Chambers, Precinct 7, for authorization to renew an agreement with Houston Independent School District for law enforcement services.
- h. Request by Constable Chambers for authorization to renew an agreement with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms for continuation of the Gang Resistance Education and Training program.

10. **Sheriff**

- a. Request for authorization to accept donations for the department.
- b. Request for approval of a salary correction for a sergeant position.
- c. Request for approval of annual salary increases for peace officers who have met requirements for the changes in accordance with the career development program.
- d. Request for approval of an annual agreement with the Houston-Galveston Area Council for the department to provide regional law enforcement training.
- e. Request for authorization to submit an application to the Criminal Justice Division of the Office of the Governor for continuation of the Violence Against Women Act grant program.
- f. Request for authorization to accept a grant in the amount of \$300,000 from the U.S. Department of Justice for purchase of emergency response equipment.
- g. Request for authorization for two employees to attend a conference of the Texas Tactical Police Officers Association January 29-February 1 in Clear Lake at a total cost of \$100.
- h. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a latent photography school February 7-11 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$190, with travel by county vehicle.
- i. Request for authorization for two employees to attend a stress reduction workshop February 8 in Houston at a cost of \$78.
- j. Request for authorization for four employees to attend an annual training seminar of the International Association of Marine Investigators February 20-23 in Galveston at an approximate total cost of \$900.
- k. Request for authorization for two employees to attend a tactical pistol course February 21-25 in Paulden, Ariz., at an approximate total cost of \$3,754.

11. **Fire & Emergency Services**

Request for authorization for five employees to attend a seminar regarding management of terroristic threats February 1 in Houston at a total cost of \$750.

12. **Medical Examiner**

- a. Request for authorization for an employee to attend the annual meeting of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences February 20-26 in Reno at an approximate cost of \$1,350.
- b. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a workshop of the National Institute of Justice March 6-7 in Washington, D.C., at no cost to the county.

13. **County Clerk**

- a. Request that the court approve and execute a resolution congratulating Margaret Sparks on the occasion of her retirement.
- b. Transmittal of the court's minutes for the meeting of December 21.
- c. Request for approval of agreements for use of the county's Subscriber Access Program.

14. **County Attorney**

- a. Request for approval of litigation expenses for cases in the 164th, 270th, and 311th District Courts, County Civil Courts Nos. 1 and 2, U.S. District Court, and U.S. Supreme Court.
- b. Request for approval of payment of a judgment in the amount of \$395,245 in connection with a case in County Civil Court No. 3 and the 14th Court of Appeals.
- c. Request for approval of orders authorizing settlement of cases in the 270th District Court and County Civil Court No. 4.
- d. Request for approval of an order authorizing suit and litigation expenses to compel compliance with flood plain management regulations at 13910 Forest Knoll.
- e. Request for approval of orders authorizing settlement of damages to county equipment and vehicles and execution of releases.
- f. Request for authorization for five employees to attend an annual investigators school February 7-11 in San Antonio at an approximate total cost of \$2,400.
- g. Request for approval of agreements for special counsel to assist with a case in U.S. District Court, Monsanto v. Harris County.

15. **District Attorney**

- a. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a rage and recovery seminar February 11-12 in Houston at a cost of \$120.
- b. Request for approval of payment in the amount of \$250 for expenses incurred by an employee for travel to Austin for a case before the Court of Criminal Appeals.
- c. Request for authorization for an employee to attend the annual Juvenile Law Conference February 16-18 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$375.

- d. Request for authorization to issue checks to the Houston Police Department in the amount of \$1,015,184, and the Texas Department of Public Safety in the amount of \$10,000.
- e. Request for authorization for eight employees to attend an annual investigators school February 7-11 in San Antonio at an approximate total cost of \$1,600.
- f. Request for authorization to destroy certain records in accordance with the records control schedule.

16. **Pretrial Services**

Request for approval of bilingual incentive pay adjustments for two employees who have met requirements for the increases.

17. **Justices of the Peace**

Request by Judge Ditta, JP 8.2, for authorization for four employees to attend a court personnel seminar March 20-22 in San Antonio at an approximate total cost of \$900.

18. **County Courts**

- a. Request for authorization for 19 judges and three employees to attend the annual conference of the Texas Center for the Judiciary February 9-11 in Galveston at an approximate total cost of \$5,500.
- b. Request for authorization for Judge Crowe, Civil Court No. 4, to attend an evidence and discovery course April 6-7 in Santa Fe at an approximate cost of \$1,180.
- c. Request for authorization for two employees to attend a computer seminar April 28 in Dallas at an approximate total cost of \$1,500.
- d. Request for authorization for two employees to attend a web site development conference February 23 in Houston at a total cost of \$500.

19. **Probate Courts**

- a. Request by Judge Wood, Court No. 2, for authorization for an employee to attend computer training classes February 28-29, March 29-31, and May 1-5 in Houston at a total cost of \$2,650.
- b. Request by Judge Wood for authorization for an employee to attend a caseflow management course April 3-5 in Chicago at an approximate cost of \$2,072.
- c. Request by Judge Olsen, Court No. 3, for authorization for an employee to attend a civil discovery course January 27-28 in Dallas at an approximate cost of \$830.

20. **District Courts**

- a. Request for authorization for associate judges of the 313th and 315th Courts and three employees to attend the annual Juvenile Law Conference February 16-18 in Austin at an approximate total cost of \$2,150.

- b. Request for authorization for Judge Galik, 245th Court, to attend a family law course of the National Judiciary College June 11-16 in San Francisco at an approximate cost of \$1,115.
- c. Request for authorization for Judge Brister, 234th Court, to attend a course of the Institute for Court Management February 23-25 in Phoenix at an approximate cost of \$1,475.
- d. Request for authorization for three employees to attend the GTC-Southwest Conference 2000 February 16-18 in Austin at an approximate total cost of \$2,955.
- e. Request for approval of an agreement with the DePelchin Children's Center, Inc., to provide mediation services.

21. **Courts of Appeals**

Request by Justice Wilson, First Court of Appeals, for authorization to attend a legal writing and editing workshop February 16 in Houston at a cost of \$295.

22. **Fiscal Services & Purchasing**

a. **Auditor**

- 1. Recommendation for approval of final payments to:
 - a. Angel Brothers for asphaltic concrete overlay and base repair of various roads in the Genoa Red Bluff Camp area in Precinct 2.
 - b. Lecon, Inc., for general repairs and maintenance to various channels in Precinct 4.
 - c. Ramex Construction for Allen-Genoa Road drainage and paving improvements from Spencer Highway to south of S. Shaver Street drain outfalls, New Vince Bayou to Old Vince Bayou, and Avenue G to Berry Bayou in Precinct 2.
 - d. Southwest Signal Supply for traffic signal installation for the intersection of Fry Road at Morton Road in Precinct 3.
 - e. T & C Construction for replacement of a water discharge system at the Washburn Tunnel in Precinct 2.
 - f. Triple B Services for construction of Barker Cypress Road offsite drainage area, Phase I, in Precinct 3.
- 2. Transmittal of certification of supplemental estimate of revenue for Memorial Trust Fund 617 in the total amount of \$18,016 for various concessions and donations.
- 3. Request for approval of an order to establish a petty cash fund for the Finnigan Park project in Precinct 1 in the amount of \$100.
- 4. Request for authorization for an employee to attend the Ethics and Regulation of Texas CPAs seminar January 21 in Houston at a cost of \$35.
- 5. Request by the Purchasing Agent and the Auditor that certain items be removed from inventory.
- 6. Transmittal of audited claims.

b. **Treasurer**

1. Request for authorization for the Treasurer to attend the annual GFOA Conference June 11-14 in Chicago at an approximate cost of \$1,800.
2. Request for authorization for the Treasurer to attend a government technology conference February 14-18 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$800, with travel by county vehicle.

c. **Tax Assessor-Collector**

1. Request for approval of a refund payment to City Councilman Michael J. Yarbrough in the amount of \$13 for overpayment for precinct lists.
2. Consideration of a resolution honoring Janice Donnelly on the occasion of her retirement.
3. Consideration of a resolution honoring Mary Ann Delbasty on the occasion of her retirement.

d. **Purchasing**

1. Transmittal of projects scheduled for advertisement:
 - a. Chemistry analyzer with closed tube sampler for Public Health & Environmental Services.
 - b. Carbonless paper for the county and the Flood Control District.
 - c. Thermal printer receipt paper for the Toll Road Authority.
 - d. Printed forms for the county and/or Community Supervision & Corrections.
 - e. Dictating and stenographic paper and supplies for the county.
 - f. Chemical dependency treatment for Juvenile Probation.
 - g. Cell cultures for mosquito control for Public Health & Environmental Services.
2. Transmittal of a list of computer-related equipment purchased through the State of Texas vendor program for Precinct 4, the Sheriff's Department, Tax Assessor-Collector, and Central Technology Center.
3. Request for approval of changes in contract with:
 - a. Stewart & Stevenson Services for preventive maintenance, inspection, and repair of emergency generators for Facilities & Property Management resulting in a reduction of \$1,436 from the contract amount (00400).
 - b. Northwest Pest Patrol, Inc., for pest control services for Facilities & Property Management resulting in an addition of \$2,160 to the contract amount (00401).
 - c. Hill & Hill Exterminators for pest control services for Facilities & Property Management resulting in a reduction of \$2,728 from the contract amount (00402).
 - d. Formcraft for printed and blank business envelopes for the county resulting in no change to the contract amount (00404).
4. Transmittal of notice of an award to Positive Adult Living Inc., and The Turning Point, Inc., for providing anger management treatment services for the Community Supervision & Corrections Department.

5. Recommendation by the Office of the Purchasing Agent that the award for integrated services digital network equipment, components, and related equipment for the county be made to Graybar Electric Company and Kent Datacomm.
6. Recommendation by the Office of the Purchasing Agent that the award for identification wristbands for the Sheriff's Department be made to IRIS Ltd., low bid in the amount of \$65,220 for the period beginning March 1.
7. Recommendation by the Office of the Purchasing Agent that the award for coin-operated photocopiers and computer printers for the county be made to Coin Copiers, Inc., in the amount of \$9,088 for the period beginning April 1.
8. Recommendation by the Office of the Purchasing Agent that the award for printing of standard business cards for the county be made to Visions in Printing, low bid in the amount of \$39,095 for the period beginning February 1.
9. Request for approval of an extension of a term contract with A Temps, Inc., for temporary personnel for the county and the Harris County Hospital District for the period of February 28-March 31, or until a new contract is awarded.
10. Request for approval of an extension of a term contract with Houston Landscape Development for nursery plants for Precinct 3 for the period of February 29-March 31, or until a new contract is awarded.
11. Request for approval of a fourth-year renewal option of a term contract with Hewlett-Packard for maintenance of Hewlett Packard equipment for the Medical Examiner's Office for the period of March 1-March 31, 2001.
12. Request for approval of a renewal option of a term contract with Chicago Title Insurance Company for abstract services for the county for the period of April 1-March 31, 2001.
13. Request for approval of a second-year renewal option of a term contract with Lason for maintenance of a Microfilm Scanner 100 and laser printers for the County Clerk's Office for the period of April 1-March 31, 2001.
14. Request for approval of a renewal option for a term contract with Houston Alternator, Inc., for generators, alternators, and starters for the Fleet Services Division for the period of May 1-April 30, 2001.
15. Transmittal of notice of the first-year renewal option of a term contract with ADE, Inc., for drug and alcohol evaluation services for the Community Supervision & Corrections Department for the period of November 1-October 31, 2000.
16. Request for approval of a renewal option of a term contract with Emergency & Safety Products, E.S.P., Inc., for push bumpers, siren speakers and lights, and electronic siren amplifiers for the county for the period of March 1-February 28, 2001.
17. Request for approval of a first-year renewal option of a term contract with Fisher Healthcare for various laboratory supplies for the county for the period of February 1-January 31, 2001.

18. Request for approval of a renewal option of a term contract with Graphic Designs Int., for decals for police vehicles for the county for the period of April 1-March 31, 2001.
19. Request for approval of a first-year renewal option of a term contract with Diagnostic Imaging for x-ray supplies for the Sheriff's Department for the period of April 1-March 31, 2001.
20. Request for approval of a renewal option of a term contract with Approved Remediation & Recycling of Oil Waste, Inc., for sale of surplus/salvage petroleum products and related items for the county for the period of June 1-May 31, 2001.
21. Request for approval of a renewal option of a term contract with Emergency & Safety Products, E.S.P., for repair parts for emergency lighting for police vehicles for the county for the period of June 1-May 31, 2001.
22. Request for approval of an order authorizing the County Judge to execute an agreement with Dave C. Morrell for computer related personal services for the First and 14th Courts of Appeals in the amount of \$20,000 for the period ending December 31.
23. Request for approval of an order authorizing the County Judge to execute an agreement with Laboratory Corporation of America for urinalysis testing services for probationers for the Juvenile Probation Department.
24. Request that Ernie Hulsey be granted a personal services exemption from the competitive bid process for polygraph services for the Sheriff's Department for the period of May 1-April 30, 2001.
25. Request that a list of appraisers and outsourcing agents be granted personal services exemptions from the competitive bid process for real estate appraisal services and acquisition outsourcing for the Public Infrastructure Department/Right of Way Section for the period of March 1-February 28, 2001.
26. Request that Gene Daniel be granted a personal services exemption from the competitive bid process for an amendment to an agreement for technical assistance and personal services for Children's Protective Services in the additional amount of \$4,995, for a maximum of \$20,280, and extending the expiration date from February 15 to March 1, and for the County Judge to take necessary actions to execute the amendment.
27. Request that Paul Damin, PhD., be granted a personal services exemption from the competitive bid process for a second amendment to an agreement for psychological evaluations and assessments for Children's Protective Services in the additional amount of \$21,250, for a maximum of \$40,800, and extending the expiration date from January 2 to June 30, and for the County Judge to take necessary actions to execute the amendment.
28. Request that Adapco, Inc., be granted a sole source exemption from the competitive bid process for the ULV spray unit/monitor combination system for Public Health & Environmental Services.

29. Request that Candle Corporation be granted a sole source exemption from the competitive bid process for maintenance of certain proprietary software products for Central Technology Center, and for approval of the fourth-year agreement in the amount of \$28,764 for the period of January 31-January 30, 2001.
30. Transmittal of notice of receipt of funds in the total net amount of \$240 from the sale of Harris County Hospital District miscellaneous medical and computer equipment.
31. Transmittal of notice of receipt of funds in total net amounts of \$12,000 and \$32,300 from the sale of county items at Houston Auto Auction December 15 and 22.
32. Request for authorization for a list of county surplus and/or confiscated property to be sold at auction, and for disposal of unsold surplus items.
33. Request for approval of property and equipment transfers within the county.
34. Request for approval of an order authorizing the County Judge to execute an agreement with the Harris County Hospital District to provide Ryan White Title I Services for the Public Health/HIV Services Division in the amount of \$1,400,000.
35. Request for approval of an order authorizing the County Judge to execute an agreement with the Harris County Hospital District to provide an AIDS medications program for Ryan White Title I Services for the Public Health/HIV Services Division in the amount of \$1,400,000 for the period of January 25-February 29.
36. Request for authorization to dispose of surplus items.

23. **Commissioners Court**

a. **County Judge**

1. Consideration of a resolution designating January 31 and February 1-2 as Harris County Employees' Year 2000 Blood Days sponsored by the Sheriff's Department.
2. Consideration of a resolution designating March 22-April 30 as Harris County March of Dimes Campaign Days and March 22 as Harris County Employees' Blue Jeans for Babies Day, and allowing employees to wear blue jeans with the purchase of a button.
3. Consideration of a resolution designating February 25 as James E. Moffatt Day as he is honored as Houston's Engineer of the Year.
4. Request for approval for two employees and a volunteer to attend a Texas Ryan White Title I meeting March 17 in Austin at an approximate total cost of \$400.
5. Request for approval of payment of \$25,000 for the 1999-2000 membership for the county in the Alliance for Interstate 69 Texas.
6. Request for approval of an agreement with Gene Mosley for personal services for the period of February 1-January 31, 2001.

7. Request for appointment of a Harris County representative to a committee in accordance with an agreement with the City of Houston and H.I.S.D. regarding sale of seized and tax foreclosed properties.

b. **Commissioner, Precinct 1**

1. Request for approval for two employees to attend a Texas Department of Agriculture course for receipt of pesticide applicators licenses, and for two employees to attend recertification training sponsored by the Texas Agriculture Extension Service January 26 in Houston at a total cost of \$60.
2. Request for approval to reappoint Kevin H. Hoffman to the Midtown Redevelopment Authority Board of Directors, Reinvestment Zone Number Two.
3. Request for approval of a resolution recognizing Eva and Walter K. Bulls, Sr., as Volunteers of the Year for Harris County 4-H Club Award that was presented by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.
4. Request for approval for the County Judge to execute an agreement with Alpha Kappa Alpha for cleanup along the roadsides of Ella Boulevard from Gulfbank to S.H. 249 in connection with the Adopt-a-County Road program.

c. **Commissioner, Precinct 2**

1. Request for approval for an employee to attend the Houston Women's Conference February 9 in Houston at a cost of \$149.
2. Request for approval for an employee to attend a receptionist skills seminar February 10 in Houston at a cost of \$169.
3. Request for approval for an employee to attend a time management seminar February 28 in Houston at a cost of \$169.
4. Request for approval to create five part-time positions and change the title of a position.

d. **Commissioner, Precinct 3**

1. Request for approval for an employee to attend an educational seminar February 7-11 in San Antonio at no cost to the county.
2. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a hydraulic systems maintenance training course of the National Fluid Power Institute February 8-10 in Houston at a cost of \$895.
3. Request for approval for an employee to attend a master/journeyman plumbers and plumbing inspectors continuing education course by Texas A&M University System March 25 in Houston at a cost of \$75.
4. Request for approval for an employee to attend a meeting with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers January 27 in Galveston, with travel by county vehicle.

5. Request for approval to reimburse the Texas Agricultural Extension Service in the total amount of \$180 for 12 employees who attended a continuing education course in Houston as required by the Structural Pest Control Board.
6. Request that the court accept a check in the amount of \$2,400 from G.O. Weiss, Inc., for the county to construct a dual driveway to serve the company's facility during construction of Greenhouse Road from Morton to Misty Cove.
7. Request that the court accept a check in the amount of \$28,350 from Jefferson Development Company for relocation of a median opening and construction of a left turn lane and associated median opening to serve the company's proposed commercial development during construction of Barker Cypress Road from US 290 to Cypress Creek.
8. Request for approval of a resolution opposing issuance by the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission of a permit by rule or standard exemption to Frontier Materials Concrete for operation of a concrete batch plant at 5300 Barker Cypress Road, and for the County Attorney's office to take all necessary action to oppose this permit.
9. Request for authorization for the County Judge to execute an agreement with Cub Scout Pack 337-Diane Winborn Elementary School for cleanup along the roadsides of Colonial Parkway from Mason Road to Peek Road in connection with the Adopt a County Road program.

e. **Commissioner, Precinct 4**

1. Request for approval for Spring Branch Community Center volunteers to hold a fund-raiser luncheon on March 29, and for permission to sell tickets at a cost of \$5 each.
2. Request for approval to appoint Joseph Anderson and Robert McBride to serve as commissioners for Harris County Rural Fire Prevention District No. 20.
3. Request for approval to submit a supplemental payroll for an employee to correct a clerical error for the pay period which ended December 3, 1999.
4. Request for authorization for an employee to attend an annual propane vehicle conference and exposition February 1-3 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$600.
5. Transmittal of notices of traffic sign installations.

24. **Miscellaneous**

- a. Transmittal of petitions filed with the 113th and 124th District Courts and County Civil Courts Nos. 1 and 4.
- b. Request for adoption of a resolution approving issuance of Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds by Harris County Housing Finance Corporation to finance acquisition and rehabilitation of Coolwood Oaks Apartments and Haverstock Hill Apartments by Commonwealth Texas No. 4, LLC, following a public hearing.

25. **Emergency items.**

26. **Appearances before court**

By court policy, speakers whose intended comments relate to an identifiable item of business on this agenda will be limited to three minutes (3). Speakers whose intended comments do not relate to an identifiable item of business on this agenda will be limited to three minutes (3) if they have not appeared at any of the four preceding court meetings, and to one minute (1) if they have appeared at any of the four preceding court meetings.

- a. Rita Ruth (3)
- b. Charles Hixon (1)
- c. Others

27. **Opening of bids and proposals.**

Bids and proposals will be opened by the Purchasing Agent and recommendations will be presented for action by the court.

28. **Executive Session**

- a. Request by Commissioner, Precinct 1 for an executive session for discussion and possible action regarding the appointment of fact-finders to deliberate and report findings through submittals to the Civil Service Commission as it relates to matters involving the Sheriff's Department, and for the County Attorney to appoint and execute the necessary documents to effect this appointment.
- b. Request by the County Attorney for an executive session to discuss proposed disposition of claims for delinquent personal property taxes in the Bankruptcy case of In re: DMZ, Debtor, and to authorize actions relating to those claims.
- c. Request by the County Attorney for an executive session to discuss pending litigation in the matter of Pyramid Constructors, Inc., v. Harris County, Texas in the 125th District Court.

Adjournment.