

AGENDA

July 25, 2000

1:45 p.m.

Opening prayer by Reverend Elbert White of Parkway Baptist Church in Houston.

1. **Public Infrastructure Department**

a. **Public Infrastructure**

1. Recommendation that the court consider the referral of trial implementation of ionization towers, an air pollution control measure, to the Purchasing Agent, Pollution Control, and the County Attorney.
2. Recommendation that the court approve an order authorizing the Right of Way Section to acquire specific properties, declaring 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 for:
 - a. Kuykendahl Road-1, Tract 001 in Precinct 4.
 - b. West Little York Road-2, Tract 004 in Precinct 3.
 - c. Kuykendahl Road, Tract 001 in Precinct 4.

3. Recommendation that the Flood Control District be authorized to acquire specific properties, declaring a public necessity and convenience, 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 for:
 - a. Mason Creek extension project, Unit T101-00-00-E003, Tract 09-001.0 in Precinct 3.
 - b. Willow Waterhole detention basin project, Unit D512-01-00-R001, Tracts 02-001.0 and 02-002.0 in Precinct 1.
 - c. Greens Bayou regional basin acquisition project, Unit P500-05-00-Y002, Tracts 35-002.0, 35-003.0, 35-004.0, and 35-005.0 in Precinct 4.
 - d. Armand Bayou detention basin project, Unit B500-04-00-Y001, Tracts 12-001.0 and 12-002.0 in Precinct 2.
 - e. Flood Control District's floodplain buyout program, Unit K100-00-00-H001, Tract 33-004.0 in Precinct 3.

4. Recommendation that the county be authorized to purchase, 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 for:
 - a. Tract 5 on E. Hardy Road in Precinct 4 for the negotiated purchase price of \$1,500.
 - b. Tracts 2 and 3 for the Bayland expansion project in Precinct 3 for the negotiated purchase price of \$40,000.
 - c. Tract 12 on Howell Sugarland Road in Precinct 3 for the negotiated purchase price of \$5,529.

5. Recommendation that the court establish just compensation for road widening projects for:
 - a. Spring Cypress Road, Phase 1 Section 3, Tract 35A in Precinct 4 in the amount of \$135,528.
 - b. Tanner Road, Segment A, Tract 5 in Precinct 4 in the amount of \$19,407.

6. Recommendation that the court authorize the Flood Control District to issue an incidental expense payment of \$3,061, an interest differential payment of \$905, and a housing supplemental payment of \$49,145 to Clarice Franke as part of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Cypress Creek flood damage prevention project in Precinct 3.

7. Recommendation that the court authorize the Flood Control District to issue an actual moving expense payment of \$2,659 to A-1 Advanced Moving & Storage, Inc., as part of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Cypress Creek flood damage prevention project in Precinct 3.

8. Recommendation that the court authorize the Flood Control District to issue a housing supplemental payment of \$22,500 to Barbara Burk and Timothy Thigpen as part of the hazard mitigation grant program, Unit G103-00-99-H002, Tract 11-802.0 in Precinct 4.
9. Recommendation that the court authorize the Flood Control District to issue a fixed moving expense payment of \$1,300 and a rental supplemental payment of \$5,250 to Julie Henry Hathcock as part of the hazard mitigation grant program in Precinct 4.
10. Recommendation that the Flood Control District be authorized to dedicate to the public Tract 01-601.0, Unit E535-01-00-R001 as a road easement in Precinct 4.
11. Recommendation that the Flood Control District be authorized to abandon its interest in a drainage easement, Tract 01-501.0, Unit E135-01-00 in Precinct 4.
12. Recommendation that the court accept a dedication to the public of an easement for right of way and road purposes, Tracts 3, 5, 22, 24, and 27 for the Howell Sugarland Road project in Precinct 3.
13. Recommendation that the court establish just compensation in the amount of \$112,000 for Unit G103-00-99-H001, Tract 37-827.0 as part of the Flood Control District's hazard mitigation grant program in Precinct 4, and for the County Judge to execute the purchase agreement.
14. Recommendation that the county be authorized to cancel a billboard lease agreement between Erwin Klein and Trans-State Advertising Company, Inc., affecting Tract 47S in Section 9, Phase 2, of the Spring Cypress Road project in Precinct 4, and for the Right of Way Section to take necessary actions to complete the cancellation.
15. Transmittal of notices of road and bridge log changes.

b. **Flood Control District**

1. Recommendation that the County Judge be authorized to execute agreements with:
 - a. ExxonMobil Pipeline Company for right of way utility adjustments for relocation of company facilities on Unit F101-00-00 in Precinct 2 in the amount of \$322,475.
 - b. L. N. McKean, Inc., for excavation of regional detention basin No. P545-01-00 in the Greens Bayou watershed in Precinct 4 in the amount of \$1,000.
 - c. William H. and Sherri G. Russell for the right to maintain the district's buyout lot at 1626 Cypress Street, Unit G103-00-00, Tract 13-722.0 in Precinct 2.

2. Recommendation for adoption of court orders affecting property rights for:
 - a. Conveyance of a sanitary sewer easement from the district to Alief Independent School District, Unit D122-00-00, Tract 05-602.0 in Precinct 3.
 - b. Grant of a sanitary control easement from the district to the Clear Lake City Water Authority, Unit A107-03-00 in Precinct 2.
3. Recommendation for approval of construction documents and authorization to take bids for a three-week period for the administration building replacement at Service Center 1 in Precinct 1 at an estimated cost of \$250,600.
4. Recommendation that the district be authorized to acquire right of way for regional detention in the upper Cypress Creek watershed, Unit K500-07-00 in Precinct 3.
5. Recommendation that Unit P500-07-00 in the Greens Bayou watershed in Precinct 4 be added to the district's stormwater management system for identification and acquisition purposes.
6. Request for authorization for seven employees to attend a management skills seminar August 16 in Houston at a total cost of \$1,393.

c. **Engineering**

1. Recommendation for approval to seek bids for:
 - a. Concrete repairs in Pheasant Run and Catalina Village Subdivisions in Precinct 3 for a three-week period at an estimated cost of \$107,000.
 - b. Furnishing, delivering and unloading traffic signal controller cabinets and related equipment in all precincts for a two-week period at an estimated cost of \$1,992,000.
 - c. Furnishing, delivering and unloading traffic signal controller units and related equipment for all precincts for a three-week period at an estimated cost of \$828,000.
2. Recommendation for approval of the following plats:
 - a. West Road One in Precinct 1; Texas Engineering and Mapping Company.
 - b. Tomorrow's Memories in Precinct 3; Pledger Kalkomey Surveying, Incorporated.
 - c. Kenwood Club at The Park Apartments in Precinct 3; Brown & Gay Engineers, Incorporated.
 - d. Harris County MUD No. 371 wastewater treatment plant in Precinct 3; Brown & Gay Engineers, Incorporated.
 - e. West Harris County MUD No. 2, Water Plant No. 1 in Precinct 3; Jones & Carter, Incorporated.
 - f. Fry-Franz Center in Precinct 3; Lederer-Miller & Associates, Incorporated.
 - g. Dorsey Subdivision in Precinct 3; Coon Surveying, Incorporated.
 - h. Blackhorse Ranch Section Two in Precinct 3; Brown & Gay Engineers, Incorporated.

- i. Coles Crossing South, Section 2 in Precinct 3; Jones & Carter, Incorporated.
 - j. Timberlakes Apartment Homes in Precinct 4; Karen Rose Engineering & Surveying.
 - k. Barbara Bush Library in Precinct 4; JNS Consulting Engineers, Incorporated.
 - l. Commons of Lake Houston, Section Eight in Precinct 4; Dannenbaum Engineering Corporation.
 - m. Lake Shadows Estates in Precinct 4; Halff Associates, Incorporated.
 - n. Kings River Village, Section Seven, second partial replat in Precinct 4; Turner Collie & Braden, Incorporated.
3. Recommendation for acceptance or cancellation of bonds for:
- a. Clearwater Utilities, Inc., executed by Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America for the north and south sides of Dowdell Road and the west side of Creek Willow Drive with two crossings in Precinct 4 in the amount of \$25,000 (acceptance).
 - b. T.I. Energy Services, Inc., executed by Mid-Continent Casualty Company for Jacinto Port Boulevard with two crossings in Precinct 2 in the amount of \$10,000 (acceptance).
 - c. Kimball Hill Texas Development, L.C., executed by Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Underwriters, Inc., for Woodforest North, Section 10 in Precinct 2 in the amount of \$20,215 (cancellation).
 - d. Cypress Northwest Association, Ltd., executed by Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America for Riata Ranch, Section Five in Precinct 3 in the amount of \$51,775 (cancellation).
 - e. Coventry Estates, Ltd., executed by Amwest Surety Insurance Company for Coventry Estates, Section One in Precinct 3 in the amount of \$30,000 (cancellation).
 - f. First General Realty Company executed by Universal Surety of America for Villages of Bear Creek, Section Six in Precinct 3 in the amount of \$33,600 (cancellation).
 - g. ZET Properties, Ltd., executed by Continental Casualty Company for Westfield, Section Seven in Precinct 3 in the amount of \$40,000 (cancellation).
 - h. Memorial Northwest Properties, Inc., executed by Universal Surety of America for Willowick Forest, Section Two in Precinct 4 in the amount of \$23,899 (cancellation).
4. Recommendation for approval of notices by:
- a. Southwestern Bell Telephone Company of the authorized installation of buried telephone cable on the median of Cypresswood Drive, the east side of Grant Road, and the east side of Lodgebrook Circle with six crossings in Precinct 4 (19945).
 - b. Southwestern Bell Telephone Company of the authorized installation of buried telephone cable on the south side of Addicks-Satsuma and Eagle Trail Drive with a crossing in Precinct 4 (19946).

- c. Southwestern Bell Telephone Company of the authorized installation of buried telephone cable on the east side of Huffmeister Road, the north side of Hearthstone Place, Covesville, and Laurel Run with three crossings in Precinct 3 (19948).
 - d. Southwestern Bell Telephone Company of the authorized installation of buried telephone cable on the north and south sides of Louetta Road with a crossing in Precinct 4 (19949).
 - e. Southwestern Bell Telephone Company of the authorized installation of buried telephone cable on the north and south sides of Cypress North Houston Road and the east side of Adams Run with a crossing in Precinct 3 (19950).
 - f. Southwestern Bell Telephone Company of the authorized installation of buried telephone cable on the west side of Fairbanks North Houston with a crossing in Precinct 4 (19951).
 - g. Southwestern Bell Telephone Company of the authorized installation of buried telephone cable on the south side of Cypress North Houston, Marcia Drive, Beverly Drive, Cathy Drive, and Cypress Trail with six crossings in Precinct 3 (19952).
 - h. Southwestern Bell Telephone Company of the authorized installation of buried telephone cable on the east and west sides of Hegar Road with a crossing in Precinct 3 (19953).
 - i. Reliant Energy-Entex, Inc., of the authorized installation of a natural gas distribution line serving commercial property on the north side of Brookvillage in Precinct 3 (19954).
 - j. Southwestern Bell Telephone Company of the authorized installation of buried telephone cable on the east and west sides of Aldine Westfield Road with a crossing in Precinct 4 (19955).
 - k. Dowdell Public Utility District of the authorized installation of a sanitary sewer force main and water line on the north and south sides of Dowdell Road and the west side of Creek Willow Drive with two crossings in Precinct 4 (20036).
 - l. Houston Fuel Oil Terminal of the unauthorized installation of steel crude oil pipelines on Jacinto Port Boulevard with two crossings in Precinct 2 (20038).
5. Recommendation for approval of changes in contracts for:
- a. Jebco, Inc., contractor for lighting project for Challenger 7, Sagemeadow, and Deussen Parks in Precinct 1, resulting in a reduction of \$13,883 from the contract amount (27118).
 - b. SCI Contractors, Inc., contractor for pavement reconstruction of Mercury Drive, Main Street, and Clinton Drive in Precinct 2, adding 15 calendar days and resulting in an addition of \$20,171 to the contract amount (26796).
 - c. JFT Construction, Inc., contractor for concrete pavement repairs/replacement and related items on Sterling Green South Drive in Precinct 2, resulting in an addition of \$18,569 to the contract amount (26793).
 - d. IGL Landscape Services, contractor for mowing and maintenance of various central parks in Precinct 2, resulting in an addition of \$14,294 to the contract amount (26792).

- e. J-Mac, Inc., contractor for construction on Bauer-Hockley Road Bridge over Little Cypress Creek in Precinct 3, adding four calendar days and resulting in an addition of \$8,235 to the contract amount (26840).
 - f. Hubco, Inc., contractor for Telge Road, Phase II from Pleasant Groves to Jarvis Road in Precinct 3, adding eight calendar days and resulting in an addition of \$24,082 to the contract amount (26776).
6. Recommendation for authorization to negotiate with:
 - a. ASD Consultants, Inc., for contract inspection services in support of the county's engineering and maintenance programs in lieu of on-call surveying services.
 - b. Robert Reid Consulting Engineer, Inc., for professional services in connection with construction of Huffmeister Road from Union Pacific Railroad tracks to south of U.S. 290 in Precinct 3.
 7. Recommendation for deposit of funds received from Metropolitan Transit Authority for participation in the construction of Gosling Road Bridge over Spring Creek in Precinct 4 in the amount of \$1,500,000.
 8. Recommendation for authorization for the County Judge to execute agreements with:
 - a. Dannenbaum Engineering Corporation for surveying services in connection with construction, maintenance and repair of various county facilities in Precinct 1 in the amount of \$100,000.
 - b. JNS Consulting Engineers, Inc., for engineering services in connection with construction of Miramar Drive from Baywood Drive to Fairfield Avenue, Seagrove Avenue from Sunrise Drive to Shoreacres Circle, and Shadylawn Avenue from Old Highway 146 to Byway Drive in Precinct 2 in the amount of \$13,501.
 - c. WSBC Civil Engineers, Inc., for engineering services in connection with construction of Spring-Cypress Road from west of Foster Road to F.M. 2920 in Precinct 4 in the amount of \$139,300.
 9. Recommendation for authorization for three employees to attend an urban storm water management engineering seminar August 8-11 in Houston at no cost to the county.
 10. Recommendation that the award for maintenance of traffic signals and related equipment in the county be made to Southwest Signal Supply, Inc., lowest and best bid in the amount of \$750,000, and for the County Engineer, County Clerk, and County Judge to take necessary actions relating to the award.

11. Recommendation for authorization for the Purchasing Agent to issue a purchase order in the amount of \$25,000 to Uretek, Inc., sole source vendor for concrete slab lifting and undersealing by injecting high density polyurethane at various locations in Precinct 1 and for the County Judge and County Clerk to take necessary actions relating to the award.
12. Recommendation for authorization for the County Judge to execute an interlocal agreement between the county, Flood Control District, and the City of Houston for drainage improvements for construction of Space Center Boulevard near Clear Lake City Boulevard to Genoa Red Bluff Road in Precinct 2, and for the County Judge and County Clerk to take necessary actions relating to the agreement.
13. Recommendation for approval of a preliminary engineering report by Sparks and Barlow, Inc., for construction of Jana Lane from Fairmont Parkway to north of Spencer Highway in Precinct 2, and authorization to proceed with the design phase.
14. Recommendation for the court to grant a request for waiver of certain requirements as a condition of plat approval for the Dorsey Subdivision in Precinct 3.
15. Recommendation for authorization to renew a contract with Champ's Utility Service for wastewater treatment plant operation maintenance in Precinct 3 in the amount of \$84,660, and for the County Engineer and County Clerk to take necessary actions relating to the contract.
16. Recommendation that the award for repairs/replacement of concrete pavement, curbs, driveways, sidewalks, and related items in the amount of \$200,000 in Precinct 3 be made to AAA Asphalt Paving, Inc., lowest and best bid, and for the County Engineer, County Clerk, and County Judge to take necessary actions relating to the award.
17. Recommendation for approval of payment in the amount of \$5,100 to Pierce, Goodwin, Alexander and Linville for additional services for the Juvenile Boot Camp facility at Westside Park in Precinct 3.
18. Recommendation for authorization for the County Judge to reduce the retainage amount from 5% to 2% for Mission Constructors, Inc., contractor for construction of the Juvenile Boot Camp at Westside Park in Precinct 3.
19. Recommendation that the court abandon a portion of an unaccepted road easement in Precinct 4.
20. Recommendation for authorization to renew a contract with Aqua Pure to operate and service wastewater treatment plants at Arthur Bayer Park, Baldwin-Boettcher Library, and Spring-Cypress maintenance facility in Precinct 4 in the amount of \$24,860, and for the County Engineer and County Clerk to take necessary actions relating to the contract.

21. Recommendation that a technical defect be waived and the award for Crosby Community Center in Precinct 4 be made to Firemen Construction Company, Inc., lowest and best bid in the amount of \$2,239,000, and for the County Engineer, County Clerk, and County Judge to take necessary actions relating to the award.
22. Recommendation that the award for refurbishing various roads by hot in-place recycling of existing asphalt surface and overlay in the Humble Camp area in Precinct 4 be made to Hubco, Inc., lowest and best bid in the amount of \$1,165,320, and for the County Engineer, County Clerk, and County Judge to take necessary actions relating to the award.

2. **Toll Road Authority**

- a. Request for approval of agreements with 12 firms for engineering services for the Westpark Tollway project.
- b. Request for authorization to waive the \$600 corporate account deposit for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice to open an EZ Tag account for TDCJ transport vehicles.

3. **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 \$7,753 and two workers compensation recoveries in the total amount of \$5,301; settlement of eight tort claims in the total amount of \$5,374; denial of six claims for damages; and transmittal of claims for damages received during the period which ended July 18.
- b. Transmittal of investment transactions for the period of July 5-18 and maturities for July 12-25.
- c. Request for approval of interest payments for commercial paper issues.
- d. Request for approval of an order affirming the sale and terms of Hospital District refunding revenue bonds and making other provisions regarding the bonds.
- e. Transmittal of quarterly reports for commercial paper notes and regarding the investment of county and flood control funds.
- f. Request for authorization to set a public hearing for August 8 to consider designation of a reinvestment zone for the purpose of entering into a tax abatement agreement with Alstom Power, Inc., and request that the County Attorney work with the staff of Management Services and Precinct 3 to prepare a tax abatement agreement.

- g. Request for approval of an agreement for termination of a tax abatement for Nabisco, Inc., and acceptance of \$681,377 from the company as full recapture of all taxes previously abated for the tax years 1995 through 1998.
- h. Request for approval of authorized budget appropriation transfers for flood control and county departments.

4. **Central Technology Center**

- a. Transmittal of an agreement with the City of Webster for use of the county's 800 MHz radio system.
- b. Request for authorization to add a van to the department's inventory for use by the Installation & Maintenance and Radio Communication Services Sections of the Telecommunications & Radio Services Division.
- c. Request for authorization for an employee to attend the CICS Roadshow July 18 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$219.

5. **Facilities & Property Management**

- a. Request for authorization to renew an annual agreement with Sam H. Hawkins for lease of space at 8080 El Rio for the County Library administration.
- b. Request for authorization to renew an annual agreement with Mayde Creek Emporium, Ltd., for lease of space at 2431 Fry Road for the Sheriff's Department.
- c. Request for authorization to destroy certain records of Facilities & Property Management, Constables of Precincts 3 and 5, and County Treasurer in accordance with records control schedules.
- d. Request for authorization to extend the term of a temporary summer intern position through August 25.
- e. Request for approval of an agreement with Professional Services Industries, Inc., for architectural/engineering services in the amount of \$77,700 in connection with a property condition and needs assessment for 15 annex courthouse facilities.
- f. Request for authorization for an employee to attend eight software training classes August 21 through October 27 in Houston at a cost of \$650.

6. **Public Health & Environmental Services**

- a. Request for approval of payment in the amount of \$250 for expenses incurred by an employee for travel to Austin to attend a screening guidelines meeting concerning the Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Project.

- b. Request for authorization for an employee to attend computer software training classes August 14 and 22-23 in Houston at a total cost of \$490.
- c. Request for authorization for two employees to attend a residency training advisory committee meeting August 2 in Galveston at an approximate cost of \$135.
- d. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a meeting of the American Mosquito Control Association September 8-10 in Dallas at an approximate cost of \$460.
- e. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a meeting concerning household hazardous wastes July 27 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$145.
- f. Request for authorization for three employees to attend a bioterrorism preparedness and response conference of the Texas Department of Health August 13-15 in Austin at an approximate total cost of \$1,500.
- g. Request for authorization for an employee to attend the Texas Nursing Law Update July 26 in Houston at a cost of \$64.
- h. Request for approval of an annual agreement with the Texas Department of Health for the reimbursement of maternal and child health care and family planning services, and for approval of the budget and extension of salary schedules through August 31, 2001.
- i. Request for authorization to reclassify two positions in connection with effective implementation of the Tobacco Pilot Project.
- j. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a printing workshop July 31 in Houston at a cost of \$179.
- k. Request for approval of additional mileage reimbursements in amounts of \$106 and \$162 for TB outreach workers who exceeded the monthly limit in May.
- l. Request for approval of a cost not to exceed \$10,000 for overtime payments July 29 through September 9 to certain employees working at five health centers in connection with administering immunizations.
- m. Request for authorization to waive the administration fee for individuals receiving vaccine during a special immunization drive July 29 in Barrett Station.
- n. Request for approval of mileage reimbursement for an employee to travel to Austin August 1-3 to attend a training session for the Volunteers In Service To America program.
- o. Request for authorization to accept donations in the total amount of \$648 for the Animal Control Shelter.

- p. Request for authorization for an employee to attend an organizational skills seminar August 11 in Houston at a cost of \$69.
- q. Request for authorization for two employees and 12 members of the Houston/Harris County Child Fatality Review Team to attend a meeting of the Texas Child Fatality Review Team Network August 9-11 in San Antonio at an approximate total cost of \$3,565.
- r. Request for approval of proposed changes to the county's regulations for control of dangerous wild animals.

7. **Community Development Services**

- a. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a computer technician certification class August 21-25 in Houston at a cost of \$1,275.
- b. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a web site development training class August 23-25 in Houston at a cost of \$1,295.
- c. Request for approval of amendments to annual action plans for Program Years 1996, 1997, 1998 and 1999 for submission to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.
- d. Request for approval of payment in the amount of \$532 for expenses incurred by the director for travel to Arlington, Va., to attend a conference of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.
- e. Request for authorization for two employees to attend the annual state conference of the National Association of Social Workers November 1-4 in Fort Worth at an approximate total cost of \$1,692.
- f. Request for authorization for the director to attend a technical assistance symposium of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development August 7-10 in Washington, D.C., at an approximate cost of \$1,021.
- g. Request for authorization for six employees to attend a computer software workshop August 28-29 in Houston at a total cost of \$1,734.
- h. Request for authorization for two employees to attend a computer software class August 14-18 in Houston at a total cost of \$1,990.
- i. Transmittal of notice that the department will initiate its annual heat relief program by distribution of 100 air conditioners for low-income county residents who have no air conditioner in the household.

- j. Request for authorization to participate in the Federal Emergency Management Agency program for utility assistance for qualifying applicants with grant funds in the amount of \$308,290.
- k. Request for approval of an application for incorporation of the Harris County Cemetery Corporation to aid in providing donated funds and private and public grant funds for operation, maintenance, and improvement of the county's public cemetery.
- l. Request for approval of an agreement with Houston Area Urban League for training Urban League staff to perform lead-safe work for reducing lead hazards in residences of low and moderate income persons using Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control Program grant funds in the amount of \$3,697.
- m. Request for approval of a utility allowance schedule for the FY 2000-2001 housing rental assistance program in accordance with federal regulations.
- n. Request for approval of the department's salary schedule effective August 1.
- o. Request for approval of payment in the amount of \$56 for an employee of Agricultural Extension to travel to College Station August 8 to judge and supervise at the Texas 4-H Record Book Contest.
- p. Request for approval of payment in the amount of \$2,000 for an employee of Agricultural Extension to attend monthly meetings of the Leadership Houston Class XIX for the period of August 25, 2000 through June, 2001.

8. **Library Services**

- a. Request for authorization to correct the payroll records for an employee of the County Library.
- b. Request by the director of the County Library for authorization for the County Judge to execute an application to the Texas Telecommunications Infrastructure Board for grant funds in the amount of \$599,831 to purchase communications hardware, additional personal computers, and equipment for training and distance learning activities at branch libraries.

9. **Youth & Family Services**

- a. Request by Domestic Relations for approval of a temporary senior investigator position for the period of July 29 through December 31.
- b. Request by Juvenile Probation for authorization to accept the donation of exercise equipment for Burnett-Bayland Home.

- c. Request by Juvenile Probation for authorization to purchase a trailer to transport equipment and related items between various locations on the Burnett-Bayland campus at an approximate cost of \$1,295.
- d. Request by Juvenile Probation for authorization for two employees to transport 15 Burnett-Bayland residents to Richmond August 7 and Brenham August 9 for education field trips at no cost to the county other than use of two county vehicles.
- e. Request by Community & Juvenile Justice Education for authorization for an employee to attend a training seminar of the Texas Juvenile Probation Commission July 31-August 1 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$250.
- f. Request by Children's Protective Services for authorization to renew an annual agreement with the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services for the state to reimburse the county for goods and/or services provided to meet the needs of certain children and families.
- g. Request by CPS for authorization for eight employees to travel to Marlin July 31 to visit the intake and assessment facility of the Texas Youth Commission at an approximate cost of \$116.

10. **Constables**

- a. Request by Constable Abercia, Precinct 1, for authorization for an employee to attend a crime prevention course September 18, seven employees to attend a supervisory course August 14-16, five employees to attend a supervisory course November 8-10, and an employee to attend an instructor's course October 9-13 in Houston at a total cost of \$350.
- b. Request by Constable Abercia for authorization to transfer a car allowance from one sergeant position to another.
- c. Request by Constable Cheek, Precinct 5, for authorization for an employee to attend a conference of the National Asian Police Officers Association August 22-26 in Houston at a cost of \$125.
- d. Request by Constable Cheek for authorization for four employees to attend a bicycle certification school August 16-20 in Houston at a total cost of \$100.
- e. Request by Constable Trevino, Precinct 6, for approval of a change in status of an officer from reserve to full-time to serve as a bailiff for the 310th District Court.
- f. Request by Constable Trevino for approval of an agreement with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for law enforcement services for Clayton Homes, Kelley Village, and the Kennedy and Irvington area.

- g. Request by Constable Bailey, Precinct 8, for approval of a lieutenant position and a sergeant position for the Patrol Division.
- h. Request by Constable Bailey for approval of payment in the amount of \$71 to reimburse an employee for shipping charges paid for office supplies.

11. **Sheriff**

- a. Transmittal of notice of changes in the department's list of authorized law enforcement personnel.
- b. Request for authorization to accept donations for the department.
- c. Request for authorization to apply for federal grant funds to continue the State Criminal Alien Assistance Program in connection with incarceration of undocumented criminal aliens.
- d. Request for approval of an agreement with Raintree Village for law enforcement services.
- e. Request for authorization for two employees to travel to Daytona Beach to interview a witness in connection with investigation of a homicide case at an approximate cost of \$1,135.
- f. Request for authorization for two employees to attend a Social Security disability investigation training seminar July 17-21 in Baton Rouge at an approximate total cost of \$650, with travel by county vehicle.
- g. Request for authorization for two employees to attend a management seminar August 14-16 in San Antonio at an approximate total cost of \$1,000, with travel by county vehicle.
- h. Request for authorization for two employees to attend a blood stain analysis training seminar August 8-10 in San Diego at an approximate total cost of \$1,482.
- i. Request for authorization for two employees to attend a crime scene photography seminar August 7-11 in Miami at an approximate total cost of \$2,974.
- j. Request for authorization for six employees to attend a report writing and legal issues seminar August 8-9 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$1,294, with travel by county vehicle.
- k. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a course regarding medical issues in jails August 7-9 in Ontario, Calif., at an approximate cost of \$1,433.

- l. Request for authorization to extend the ending date from September 1 to December 31 for the Resident Substance Abuse Grant, and to pay expenses from the general fund pending receipt of grant funds.
- m. Request for approval of annual agreements with Alief, Channelview, Crosby, Humble, Klein, Waller, and Sheldon Independent School Districts for Sheriff's deputies to provide services for the Drug Abuse Resistance Education Program for the period of September 1-August 31, 2001.

12. **Fire & Emergency Services**

- a. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a building design and code enforcement seminar September 25 in San Antonio at an approximate cost of \$300, with travel by county vehicle.
- b. Request for authorization for the Fire Marshal to attend a conference of the International Association of Fire Chiefs August 22-28 in Dallas at an approximate cost of \$250, with travel by county vehicle.
- c. Transmittal of treasurers' bonds for Emergency Services District No. 7 and Rural Fire Prevention Districts Nos. 20 and 48, and audit reports for Emergency Services District No. 9 and Rural Fire Prevention District No. 8.

13. **Medical Examiner**

Request for authorization for an employee to travel to Nashville September 24-29 to participate in an audit of a toxicology program at no cost to the county.

14. **County Clerk**

- a. Transmittal of affidavits of substantial interests filed by Commissioner Radack concerning items on the court's agenda of July 11, and Judge Eckels concerning an item on the June 27 agenda.
- b. Request for authorization for two employees to attend computer software classes August 30-September 1 in Houston at a total cost of \$2,610.
- c. Transmittal of the court's minutes for the meeting of June 13.
- d. Request for authorization for the County Clerk and an employee to attend legislative committee meetings and testify at legislative sessions as necessary at an approximate cost of \$250 each per trip.
- e. Request for authorization for an employee to attend election meetings August 8-13 in Washington, D.C., at an approximate cost of \$1,525.

15. **District Clerk**

- a. Request for approval of payment in the amount of \$101 to reimburse the District Clerk for business calls made on a personal cellular telephone.
- b. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a legislative committee meeting of the County & District Clerks' Association July 30-31 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$300.

16. **County Attorney**

- a. Request for approval of litigation expenses for cases in Probate Court No. 3, the 125th, 151st, 157th, and 164th District Courts, County Civil Courts Nos. 1 and 2, 14th Court of Appeals, and U.S. District Court.
- b. Request for approval of an order authorizing expenses and transfer of funds for expert consultants in connection with a case in the 133rd District Court.
- c. Request for approval of orders authorizing settlement of damages to county property and for authorization for the County Judge to execute releases.
- d. Request for authorization for an employee to attend an employment law seminar August 3-4 in Houston at a cost of \$325.
- e. Request for authorization for three employees to attend the Texas Environmental Superconference August 2-4 in Austin at an approximate total cost of \$781.
- f. Request for approval of an agreement with the South Texas College of Law for employment of students for off-campus projects under provisions of the Federal Work-Study Program of the Economic Opportunity and Higher Education Acts.

17. **District Attorney**

Request for authorization for 81 employees and two Texas Rangers to attend the annual criminal and civil law update September 20-22 at South Padre at an approximate total cost of \$18,675.

18. **Justices of the Peace**

- a. Request by Judge Polumbo, JP 3.2, for authorization for an employee to attend a business communications seminar September 19 in Houston at a cost of \$150.
- b. Request by Judge McElroy, JP 4.1, for authorization for an employee to attend an unclaimed property workshop August 10 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$200.

- c. Request by Judge McElroy for approval of payment in the amount of \$279 for expenses incurred for travel to Austin to attend justice of the peace training sessions.
- d. Request by Judge McElroy for authorization to reclassify three positions.
- e. Request by Judge Fury, JP 5.1, for authorization to correct the payroll records for an employee.

19. **County Courts**

- a. Request for authorization for Judge Fields, Court No. 14, Judge Brown, Court No. 12, Judge Wilkerson, Court No. 9, and Judge Jackson, Court No. 3, to attend a criminal law course July 16-20 in San Antonio at an approximate total cost of \$4,000.
- b. Request for authorization for the court manager to attend the annual conference of the National Association for Court Management August 13-18 in Atlanta at an approximate cost of \$1,400.

20. **Probate Courts**

Request by Judge McCulloch, Court No. 4, for authorization for an employee to attend a wills and probate seminar September 14-15 in Houston at a cost of \$295.

21. **District Courts**

- a. Request for approval of a revised payment schedule for language interpreter services to be effective September 18.
- b. Request for authorization for Associate Judge Morgan-Price, Juvenile Trial Division, to attend the annual conference of the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges July 16-19 in Snowbird, Utah at an approximate cost of \$1,420.
- c. Request for approval of payment in the total amount of \$752 for expenses incurred by Judge Ray, 165th Court and administrative judge, for travel to San Antonio to attend the annual meeting of the State Bar and for travel to Austin to attend a metropolitan courts meeting.
- d. Request for authorization for Judge Barr, 182nd Court, to attend a criminal law course July 17-20 in San Antonio at an approximate cost of \$1,000.
- e. Request for authorization for 90 employees of the district and county courts to participate in a leadership development program August 7-24 in Houston at a total cost of \$18,000.

22. Fiscal Services & Purchasing**a. Auditor**

1. Recommendation for approval of final payments to:
 - a. Apache Landscape for wetlands planting plan, Beltway 8 water quality project in the Greens Bayou drainage area system, Unit P700-01-00-Y001.
 - b. Hubco, Inc., for asphaltic concrete overlay and base repair of various roads in Precinct 1.
 - c. Hubco, Inc., widening of North Eldridge Parkway from Tanner Road to south of West Little York Road in Precinct 4.
 - d. Hubco, Inc., for asphaltic concrete overlay and base repairs of various roads in the E.A. Lyons Camp area in Precinct 4.
 - e. MICA Corporation for roadway signing on Hardy Toll Road and Sam Houston Tollway.
2. Transmittal of certification of supplemental estimates of revenue for Commercial Paper Series A Fund 395 and Commercial Paper Series C Fund 394.
3. Request for approval of an order for indemnification of Tax Assessor-Collector Paul Bettencourt for \$420 in connection with receipt of five counterfeit bills, and District Clerk Charles Bacarisse for \$500 in connection with a loss on March 9.
4. Request for approval of refunds in connection with overpayments by retirees for dependent health insurance premiums in amounts of \$108, \$746, and \$1,342.
5. Transmittal of audited claims.

b. Tax Assessor-Collector

1. Request for approval to submit notary public applications for 13 employees at a total cost of \$1,300.
2. Request for approval of tax refund payments.

c. Purchasing

1. Transmittal of projects scheduled for advertisement:
 - a. Bill counters and coin sorters/counters for the Toll Road Authority.
 - b. Furnish and deliver four-wheel drive trenchers with backhoe for Precinct 3.
 - c. Gas chromatographs/mass spectrometers and accessories for the Medical Examiner's Office.
 - d. Urinalysis collection, screening, and confirmation program for non-institutionalized probationers for the Juvenile Probation Department.
 - e. Janitorial services for various locations in Region No. 4 for the county.
 - f. Automated kitchen and laundry detergent and dispensing equipment for the Sheriff's Department.

- g. Public and inmate coin and coin-less long distance service for the county and the Harris County Hospital District.
 - h. Various employee benefits for the county, the Flood Control District, and the Harris County Hospital District.
 - i. Preservation, deacidification, encapsulation, and binding of historical civil records for the County Clerk's Office.
 - j. Purchase of media storage units for the Central Technology Center.
 - k. Janitorial services at the Brookhollow location for the Flood Control District.
2. Request for approval of changes in contracts with:
 - a. Litecomm Supply Company, contractor for jacks and associated apparatus for the Central Technology Center, resulting in no change to the contract amount (00457).
 - b. Air Liquide America Corp., contractor for welding supplies for the county, resulting in an addition of \$3,600 to the contract amount (00462).
3. Transmittal of a list of computer-related equipment purchased through the State of Texas vendor program for the Central Technology Center and the Toll Road Authority.
4. Transmittal of notice of a bid rejection by a standing committee for the Harris County Community Supervision and Corrections Department for residential substance abuse treatment services for pregnant clients.
5. Recommendation by the Office of the Purchasing Agent that bids for family planning products for Public Health & Environmental Services be rejected and the project readvertised at a later date.
6. Recommendation that a bid for sale of surplus plastic materials and related items for the county be rejected.
7. Recommendation by the Office of the Purchasing Agent that the award for an automated library system for the County Library be made to Epixtech, Inc., in the total amount of \$1,816,812, and for the County Judge to take necessary action relating to the award.
8. Recommendation by the Office of the Purchasing Agent that the award for processing clean wood material for the county be made to Living Earth Technologies and Novus Wood Group.
9. Recommendation by the Office of the Purchasing Agent that the award for purchase of printer and film processors for the Medical Examiner's Office be made to Rayco Photo Equipment Services, Inc., low bid in the amount of \$45,000.

10. Recommendation that the award for excess workers compensation and employer's liability insurance for the county and the Flood Control District be made to Wm., Rigg Company for the period beginning August 1.
11. Recommendation by the Office of the Purchasing Agent that the award for furnishing, delivering, installing, and make-ready for a new four-color offset press for the Sheriff's Department be made to Xpedx in the amount of \$228,798.
12. Recommendation by the Office of the Purchasing Agent that the award for janitorial services at the Chimney Rock Center for the county be made to Aztec Facility Services, Inc., low bid in the amount of \$25,728 for the period beginning September 1, and for the County Judge to take necessary action relating to the award.
13. Request for authorization for extension of a term contract with Communications Specialty for PBX Hybrid, electronic telephone systems, expansion replacement parts, and related equipment for the Central Technology Center through August 31, or until a new contract is awarded.
14. Request for approval of the second renewal option with Brother's Business Equipment, Century Business Equipment, Inc., Ikon Office Solutions, and Smarketing Business Systems, Inc., for facsimile maintenance for the county for the period of September 1-August 31, 2001.
15. Request for approval of the first-year renewal option with Career and Recovery Services, Inc., for independent living instruction for the Children's Protective Services/PAL Program for the period of September 1-August 31, 2001, and for the County Judge to take necessary actions relating to the award.
16. Request for approval of the first-year renewal option with ADAPT Counseling for sex offender counseling services for the Juvenile Probation Department for the period of September 1-August 31, 2001.
17. Request for approval of the first-year renewal option with Galaviz Academy, Inc., for an educational support program for the Juvenile Probation Department for the period of September 1-August 31, 2001.
18. Request for approval of a renewal option with Americana Business Consultants for microfilm for the county for the period of November 1-October 31, 2001.
19. Request for approval of a renewal option with Bio Energy Landscape & Maintenance for lawn care services for the county for the period of November 1-October 31, 2001.
20. Request for approval of a renewal option with QuestMark Information Management, Inc., for processing, printing, and mailing of jury summons for the District Clerk's Office for the period of November 1-October 31, 2001.

21. Request for approval of an order permitting assignment for Skaggs Public Safety Uniforms & Equipment, from the current contractor, R & R Uniforms, Inc., for winter jackets for the Sheriff's Department.
22. Request for approval of an order permitting assignment for Skaggs Public Safety Uniforms & Equipment, from the current contractor, R & R Uniforms, Inc., for uniforms and related items for Constable, Precinct 1.
23. Request for approval of an order authorizing the County Judge to execute an amendment to a food service provider agreement with Kuchenmeister, Inc., for food services for the period of June 1-May 31, 2001.
24. Request for authorization for the County Judge to execute an amendment to an agreement with Grolier Publishing Company, Inc., for an online license for the County Library for the period of August 1-July 31, 2001 in the amount of \$6,180.
25. Request for approval of orders authorizing the County Judge to execute amendments to agreements with Alyson Roberts, Gene Daniel, James Whitehead, and Regina Harris to convene and conduct permanency planning team meetings for children in custody of Children's Protective Services in the additional amounts of \$7,000, \$6,000, \$3,000, and \$8,000, respectively, with the total of each agreement not to exceed \$20,000.
26. Request for approval of an order authorizing the County Judge to execute an agreement with The Gale Group, Inc., for a subscription and license agreement for certain databases for the County Library in the amount of \$97,625 for the period ending June 30, 2001.
27. Request for approval of an order authorizing the County Judge to execute an agreement with Dell Marketing L.P., for a mobile data terminal network for the Central Technology Center at an approximate amount not to exceed \$98,374.
28. Request for approval of an order authorizing the County Judge to execute an addendum to an agreement with UUNET Technologies, Inc., for six additional T1 lines for the Central Technology Center for the period beginning August 1 at an approximate amount not to exceed \$100,000.
29. Request for approval of orders authorizing the County Judge to execute amendments to agreements with The Assistance Fund, Bering Omega Community Services, The Life Center, Inc., Montrose Clinic, Inc., Houston Area Community Services, and the Harris County Hospital District for Ryan White Title I Services for Public Health/HIV Services Division for the period ending February 28, 2001.

30. Request for approval of an order authorizing the County Judge to execute an agreement with Beverly Nelson to convene and conduct permanency planning team meetings for Children's Protective Services for children taken into custody for the period ending August 31 at an amount not to exceed \$5,000.
31. Request for approval of a revised set of rules and procedures for the Purchasing Agent in accordance with Local Government Code 262.011(o).
32. Request for authorization for two employees to attend a specification writing seminar September 7-8 in Austin at an estimated total cost of \$1,250.
33. 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.
34. Transmittal of notice of receipt of funds in total net amounts of \$64,601, \$63,360, and \$14,895 from the sale of items at Houston Auto Auction on May 31 and June 7 and 14.
35. Request for approval of property and equipment transfers within the county.
36. Recommendation by the Office of the Purchasing Agent that the award for furnishing, delivering, and installing five display/recording systems for the grand jury rooms for the District Attorney and District Courts be made to Taft Broadcasting Co., L.L.C., in the amount of \$51,195.
37. Request for approval of a renewal option with Mac Haik Ford for repair parts and labor for Ford trucks and vans with G.V.W.R. of 10,000 lbs. or greater for the county for the period of November 1-October 31, 2001.
38. Request that Jonathan Espejo be granted a personal services exemption from the competitive bid process for network consulting and support services for the County Auditor for the period through February 28, 2001 in the amount of \$80,000, and for the County Judge to take necessary action relating to the contract.
39. Request that John T. Peoples be granted a personal services exemption from the competitive bid process for consulting services for a security study for Facilities & Property Management for the period of July 25-November 15, 2001 in the amount of \$97,500, and for the County Judge to take necessary action relating to the contract.
40. Request for approval of an order authorizing the County Judge to execute a supplemental schedule order with Unisys Corporation for maintenance for the Central Technology Center at an approximate amount not to exceed \$182 per month or \$2,184 per year.

41. Request that Informix Software, Inc., be granted a sole source exemption from the competitive bid process for software maintenance for software required for the IFAS system for the County Auditor for the period of July 1-June 30, 2001 in the amount of \$25,640.

23. **Commissioners Court**

a. **County Judge**

1. Request for approval of a resolution designating July 28 as the 10th annual Willie Velasquez-Telemundo 48 Hispanic Excellence Award Day.
2. Request for approval of a resolution designating August 1 as the 17th annual National Night Out Day to promote community involvement in crime prevention and safety awareness.
3. Request for approval of a resolution designating August 1 as Downtown Crime Prevention Rally 2000 Day to promote community involvement in crime prevention and safety awareness.
4. Request for approval of a resolution designating August 5 as KTMD-TV 48 10th Annual Health Fair Day.
5. Request for approval of a resolution designating August 13 as Reverend Clarence George Wilkins Day in celebration of his 50th year in the ministry and an education building for Pilgrim Rest Missionary Baptist Church.
6. Request for approval of a resolution designating August 26 as Janmashtami Celebration Day.
7. Request for approval to submit an application for appointment of an employee as a notary public at an approximate cost of \$98.
8. Request that the court approve a declaration for a potential heat emergency prevention policy.

b. **Commissioner, Precinct 1**

Request for approval of a pedestrian crosswalk at 15422 Lillja Road pursuant to a traffic operation and safety analysis.

c. **Commissioner, Precinct 2**

1. Request for approval of a list of election judges and alternate judges for a one-year term.

2. Request for approval to budget \$20,000 for the SPARK program for parks development at four elementary schools for the 2000-01 school year.
3. Request for approval of the reappointment of Alfred H. Forsten to serve on the Mental Health and Mental Retardation Authority Board of trustees.
4. Request for approval for two employees to attend a printing and prepress seminar July 31-August 1 in Houston at a total cost of \$450.

d. **Commissioner, Precinct 3**

1. Request for approval to accept a check in the amount of \$18,739 from Be An Angel Fund, Inc., Angels in the Park, for 10% of ticket revenues in connection with a lease agreement.
2. Request for approval for an employee to attend a leadership skills seminar September 21-22 in Houston at a cost of \$750.
3. Request for approval for the County Judge to execute an agreement to reimburse the City of Bunker Hill Village in the amount of \$8,500 for road maintenance services.
4. Transmittal of traffic sign installations.
5. Request for discussion and possible action for adoption of a policy for air quality project investments.

e. **Commissioner, Precinct 4**

1. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a seminar on changes in the national electrical code August 1 and 3 in Houston a cost of \$65.
2. Request for approval for the Senior Adult Program to hold a fund-raiser September 28, with proceeds benefiting the program.
3. Request for approval for the County Judge to execute an approval form on behalf of Atascocita Volunteer Fire Department for a financing transaction with Commercial & Municipal Capital, LLC, in the principal amount not to exceed \$975,000 for construction of a fire station.
4. Request for approval to increase the maximum annual hours for four part-time positions to 1,600 hours.
5. Request for authorization for 10 employees to attend the Texas Association of Nurseryman Trade Show August 18 in Houston at a total cost of \$150.

6. Transmittal of notice of receipt of funds for donations in amounts of \$25 and \$55 for the Mercer Arboretum.
7. Transmittal of notice of receipt of funds in amounts of \$27 and \$61 for the Senior Adult Program.
8. Transmittal of notice of receipt of funds in the amount of \$377 in connection with a Doss Community Center Spring Festival fund-raiser in Precinct 4.
9. Request for approval to post signs prohibiting overnight parking of commercial motor vehicles in Willowick Forest Subdivision.

24. **Miscellaneous**

Transmittal of petitions filed with the 151st and 334th District Courts and County Civil Court No. 2.

25. **Emergency items.**

26. **Public Hearing**

Request by Public Infrastructure, Right of Way Section, for a public hearing to determine if Tract HC-2038-001, Old Jefferson Davis Hospital in Precinct 2, should be sold for private purposes.

27. **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. Rufus Brown (3)
- b. R.J. Bob Taylor (3)
- c. Jim Srenaski (3)
- d. Geoffrey Palter (3)
- e. Charles Hixon (1)
- f. Steve Williams (1)
- g. Others.

28. **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.

29. **Executive Session**

Request by Public Infrastructure for an executive session for review of trust information in connection with acquisition of Tract 4, Greens Road and offsite D/E widening project in Precinct 4.

Adjournment.