



HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS

COMMISSIONERS COURT

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Commissioner, Precinct 4

No. 01.07

AGENDA

April 3, 2001

1:45 p.m.

Opening prayer by Reverend Bobby Powell of Dell Dale Avenue Baptist Church in Channelview.

1. Public Infrastructure Department
 - a. Public Infrastructure
 - b. Flood Control District
 - c. Engineering
2. Toll Road Authority
3. Management Services
4. Central Technology
5. Facilities & Property Management
6. Public Health Services
7. Community Development Services
8. Library Services
9. Youth & Family Services
10. Constables
11. Sheriff
12. Fire & Emergency Services
13. Medical Examiner
14. County Clerk
15. District Clerk
16. County Attorney
17. District Attorney
18. Justices of the Peace
19. County Courts
20. District Courts
21. Fiscal Services & Purchasing
 - a. Auditor
 - b. Treasurer
 - c. Tax Assessor-Collector
 - d. Purchasing
22. Commissioners Court
 - a. County Judge
 - b. Commissioner, Precinct 1
 - c. Commissioner, Precinct 2
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28. Executive Session

The Commissioners Court may go into executive session, if necessary, pursuant to chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, for one or more of the following reasons: (1) consultation with the County Attorney to seek or receive legal advice or consultation regarding pending or contemplated litigation; (2) discussion about the value or transfer of real property; (3) discussion about a prospective gift or donation; (4) consideration of specific personnel matters; (5) discussion about security personnel or devices; or (6) discussion of certain economic development matters. The Commissioners Court may announce that it will go into executive session on any item listed on this agenda if the subject matter is permitted for a closed session by provisions of chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

1. **Public Infrastructure Department**

a. **Public Infrastructure**

1. Recommendation that the parks master plan, Phase I, be approved for use in seeking financial assistance from the State of Texas for further development of the county's parks system.
2. Recommendation for two employees to attend a storm water construction workshop of the Associated General Contractors of America April 2-3 in San Antonio at an approximate total cost of \$500.
3. Recommendation that the executive director be authorized to negotiate professional services agreements with the Thompson Design Group and Turner Collie & Braden for development of a Buffalo Bayou waterway plan for the reach of Buffalo Bayou between Shepherd Drive and the Ship Channel turning basin.
4. Recommendation that the County Judge be authorized to execute an amendment to an agreement with Michael J. Urban for additional real estate appraisal services in the amount of \$50,000.
5. Recommendation that the County Judge be authorized to execute amendments to agreements with S. Louis Smith and C.M. Euler for additional real estate appraisal services for the Flood Control District in amounts of \$50,000 each.
6. Recommendation that the court approve resolutions and orders authorizing the Flood Control District to issue payments for landowner relocation assistance and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete transactions for:
 - a. Baytown Moving & Storage in the amount of \$2,519 for the hazard mitigation grant program project in Precinct 2.
 - b. William and Sharon Van Der Vlist in the amount of \$177 for the hazard mitigation grant program project in Precinct 4.
 - c. Patricia Hardy in the amount of \$850 for the hazard mitigation grant program project in Precinct 2.
 - d. Mitchel W. and Vicki Ewell in the amount of \$1,000 for the Jackson Bayou improvements project in Precinct 4.
 - e. Deanna Phillips in the amount of \$550 for the hazard mitigation grant program project in Precinct 2.
 - f. Joel & Leah Jonas in the amount of \$2,903 for the hazard mitigation grant program project in Precinct 3.
 - g. Thomas C. and Joyce G. Sharpe in the amount of \$1,185 for the hazard mitigation grant program project in Precinct 4.

7. Recommendation that the court approve resolutions and orders authorizing the projects, decreeing public necessity and convenience, and directing Right of Way to acquire specific property on behalf of the county, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete transactions for:
 - a. Westpark Corridor project, Tract B001-011H in Precinct 3.
 - b. West Little York Road-3, Tracts 001DE through 005DE in Precinct 3.
 - c. Westpark Corridor project, Tracts B001-052 through B001-055 in Precinct 3.

8. Recommendation that the court approve resolutions and orders authorizing the county to accept donations of:
 - a. Warranty deed for Kuykendahl Road-1 at Hufsmith, Tract 001 in Precinct 4.
 - b. Conveyance of easement without warranty for Franz Road-7, Tract 007A in Precinct 3.
 - c. Grant of easement for Hardy Toll Road ramp, Tract 001 in Precinct 4.

9. Recommendation that the court approve resolutions and orders establishing just compensation for specific tracts:
 - a. Jackson Bayou improvement project, Tract 05-021.0 in the amount of \$165,249 and Tract 05-031.0 for \$5,908 in Precinct 4.
 - b. P118-19 reconstruction project, Tracts 02-005.0 and 02-006.0 in amounts of \$7,403 each, Tract 02-008.0 for \$20,853, Tract 02-009.0 for \$8,303, and Tract 02-011.0 for \$8,409 in Precinct 1.

10. Recommendation that the court approve resolutions and orders authorizing Right of Way on behalf of the county to purchase and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete transactions for:
 - a. P118-19 reconstruction project, Tract 02-004.0 in Precinct 1 in the amount of \$10,239.
 - b. P118-19 reconstruction project, Tract 02-007.0 in Precinct 1 in the amount of \$8,903.
 - c. Willow Waterhole detention basin project, Tract 02-042.0 in Precinct 1 in the amount of \$79,000.
 - d. Jackson Bayou-First Street project, Tracts 04-025.0 through 04-027.0 in Precinct 2 in the amount of \$12,528.
 - e. P545-01 expansion project, Tracts 03-003.0 and 03-005.0 in Precinct 4 in the amount of \$1,246,140.

11. Recommendation that the court approve a resolution and order authorizing the Flood Control District to issue an incidental expense payment of \$1,256 to James and Loretta Wildman for landowner relocation assistance provided in the district's floodplain buyout project in Precinct 3.

12. Recommendation that the court approve a resolution and order authorizing the Willow Waterhole detention basin project in Precinct 1, decreeing public necessity and convenience, directing Right of Way to acquire specific property on behalf of the Flood Control District, provide landowner relocation assistance, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the transactions.
13. Recommendation that the Flood Control District be authorized to cancel two billboard lease agreements between Dorothy Dow and SignAd, Inc., effecting tract 03-001.0 of the Crenshaw Road regional detention site in Precinct 2.
14. Recommendation that the court approve a resolution and order authorizing Right of Way to give the landowner a letter stating conditions and commitments for purchase of Tracts B001-022 through B001-024 of the Westpark Corridor project in Precinct 3.
15. Recommendations that the court approve a resolution and order authorizing notice of intent to issue a permit for geophysical exploration of Tract 001 of the Challenger Seven Park project in Precinct 1.
16. Recommendation that the court approve a resolution and order authorizing Right for Way on behalf of the county to purchase Tract 002 of the Hockley Community Center expansion project in Precinct 3 for the negotiated purchase price of \$36,913, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the transaction.
17. Recommendation for approval for 11 employees of Right of Way to attend a course of the International Right of Way Association in Houston, seven employees to attend a course in Bastrop, and two employees to attend a course in Dallas at an approximate total cost of \$5,565.
18. Recommendation that the court approve a resolution and order authorizing the County Auditor to issue a check to Dragon Product, Inc., for refund of the appraisal fee associated with the sale of Tract 002 of the county's LaPorte landfill project in Precinct 2.
19. Transmittal of notices of road and bridge log changes.

b. **Flood Control District**

1. Recommendation that the County Judge be authorized to execute amendments to agreements with:
 - a. Coastal Testing Laboratories, Inc., for additional materials engineering and testing services in the amount of \$75,000 in support of public works construction projects within the district.
 - b. Fugro South, Inc., for additional professional materials engineering and testing services in the amount of \$75,000 in support of certain public works projects.

- c. Geotest Engineering, Inc., for engineering services in the amount of \$75,000 in additional professional materials engineering and testing services for support of public works construction projects within the district.
 - d. Professional Service Industries, Inc., for additional materials engineering and testing services in the amount of \$75,000 in support of public works construction projects within the district.
 - e. Tapley Associates Architects, Inc., for assistance in developing feasibility plan layouts for a joint-use facility at Keith-Wiess Park in the amount of \$80,000 for flood storage volume and opportunities for joint-use park facilities on Halls Bayou in Precinct 1.
2. Recommendation for authorization for:
 - a. Three employees to attend the annual conference and workshop of the Texas Floodplain Management Association May 15-18 in Fredericksburg at an approximate total cost of \$2,100.
 - b. Three employees to attend the annual Region 6 Operators Conference of the Environmental Protection Agency June 5-7 in Metairie, La., at an approximate total cost of \$2,325.
 - c. An employee to attend an urban flooding and channel restoration workshop April 17-19 in Las Vegas at an approximate cost of \$920.
 3. Recommendation that the court acknowledge receipt of funds deposited for impact fees during the months of January and February.
 4. Recommendation that Units P148-00-00 and P148-01-00 in Precinct 4 be accepted as part of the district's maintenance system.
 5. Recommendation for approval of additional funds for special counsel in the matter of Edward A. Kerr v. Harris County in the 133rd District Court in connection with the White Oak Bayou flooding.
 6. Recommendation to reject all bids for the Brays Bayou channel repairs in Precincts 1, 2, and 3 and authorize the district to readvertise.
- c. **Engineering**
1. Recommendation for approval to seek bids for a three-week period for:
 - a. Elevator modernization at Annex 40 at an estimated cost of \$95,000.
 - b. Deussen Park pier repairs in Precinct 1 at an estimated cost of \$19,000.
 - c. Refurbishing various roads by hot in place recycling of existing asphalt surface and overlay in the Lyons area in Precinct 4 at an estimated cost of \$1,706,400.
 - d. Repairs/replacement of concrete pavement, curbs, driveways, sidewalks, and related items in the Humble Camp area in Precinct 4 at an estimated cost of \$350,000.
 - e. Spring Creek Park installation of erosion protection in Precinct 4 at an estimated cost of \$25,000.

2. Recommendation for approval of the following plats:
 - a. Minor plat of Richard J. Thomson, Jr., in Precinct 2; Bear Land Surveying Company.
 - b. Cypress Mill Park Section Two in Precinct 3; Dannenbaum Engineering Corporation.
 - c. Ferguson Park in Precinct 3; Miller & Associates.
 - d. Copperwood Regional Shopping Center, Section Four in Precinct 3; Terra Associates, Incorporated.
 - e. Site TX 2013 No. Three in Precinct 3; Terra Surveying, Company.
 - f. Eldridge at 1960 in Precinct 4; Brown & Gay Engineers, Incorporated.
 - g. Lo's Park in Precinct 4; Russ & Pape Surveying Company.
 - h. NS Office Park in Precinct 4; Clark-Geogram, Incorporated.
 - i. Silver Glen Section Five in Precinct 4; Provident Engineers, Incorporated.
 - j. Atascocita Clayton in Precinct 4; US Surveying Company, Incorporated.
 - k. Northridge Park Section One in Precinct 4; Van De Wiele Engineering Incorporated.
 - l. Northridge Park Section Three in Precinct 4; Van De Wiele Engineering Incorporated.
 - m. Woodbend Pines in Precinct 4; Alexander Engineering, Incorporated.

3. Recommendation for cancellation of bonds for:
 - a. 529 Partners, Ltd., executed by Independence Casualty and Surety Company for Westgate, Section One in Precinct 3 in the amount of \$34,725.
 - b. Aldine ISD executed by Hartford Casualty Insurance Company for Aldine ISD Fallbrook Elementary School on the south lane of Fallbrook Drive in Precinct 4 in the amount of \$5,310.
 - c. Lennar Homes of Texas Land and Construction, Ltd., executed by American Casualty Company of Reading, Pennsylvania for Pinecrest Forest, Section Three in Precinct 4 in the amount of \$19,050.

4. Recommendation for approval of changes in contracts for:
 - a. Angel Brothers Enterprises, Inc., for Genoa Red Bluff Camp area asphalt overlay and base repair in Precinct 2, resulting in an addition of \$105,685 to the contract amount (27233).
 - b. Beyer Construction, LLP, for Strawberry Road construction from Genoa-Red Bluff Road to north of Hernandez Road in Precinct 2, resulting in an addition of \$1,461 to the contract amount (27230).
 - c. Curb Planet, Inc., for storm sewer pipe replacement at 306 W. Wallisville Road in Precinct 2, resulting in an addition of \$3,801 to the contract amount (27236).
 - d. Infrastructure Services, Inc., for Federal Road bridge repair at Hunting Bayou Unit H100-00-00 in Precinct 2, resulting in an addition of \$543 to the contract amount (27241).
 - e. Pedko Paving, Inc., for reconstruction of Krampota Lane from F.M. 1942 to the east in Precinct 2, resulting in an addition of \$6,429 to the contract amount (27229).

- f. Southwest Signal Supply, Inc., for traffic signal installation at Spencer Highway and Dedman Street in Precinct 2, resulting in no change to the contract amount (27551).
 - g. Hubco, Inc., for Franz Road and Porter Road pavement widening and traffic signalization in Precinct 3, resulting in a reduction of \$13,054 from the contract amount (27244).
 - h. Hubco, Inc., for Telge Road, Phase II from Pleasant Groves to Jarvis Road in Precinct 3, resulting in a reduction of \$35,670 from the contract amount (27237).
 - i. Southwest Signal Supply, Inc., for traffic signal improvements to Kieth Harrow Boulevard at Cairnleigh Drive, Cairnvillage Drive, Queenston, and Windsong Trail Drive in Precinct 3, resulting in an addition of \$7,133 to the contract amount (26324).
 - j. Angel Brothers Enterprises, Inc., for reconstruction of six roads in the Crosby Camp area in Precinct 4, resulting in a reduction of \$45,638 from the contract amount (27218).
 - k. Hubco, Inc., for Hugh Road bridge replacement at Unit P146-00-00 in Precinct 4, resulting in an addition of \$9,479 to the contract amount (27228).
5. Recommendation for authorization to negotiate with Van De Wiele Engineering, Inc., for engineering services for the design of Cutten Road from FM 1960 to Greens Bayou in Precinct 4.
 6. Recommendation for deposit of funds received from:
 - a. Harris County Hospital District in the amount of \$2,508 for reimbursement for wage rate compliance services for January 2001.
 - b. Othon, Inc., in the amount of \$11,823 for reimbursement for overpayment of the design phase on Ella Boulevard from Gulf Bank Road to SH 249 in Precinct 1.
 - c. Metro in the amount of \$1,841,032 for participation in construction of Huffmeister Road from Cypress North Houston to Ravensway Drive in Precinct 3.
 7. Recommendation for authorization for the County Judge to execute engineering services agreements with:
 - a. Klotz Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$79,915 in connection with construction of drainage improvements to serve Rosehill Ranches Subdivision in Precinct 3.
 - b. Siemens Energy & Automation, Inc., in the amount of \$151,297 in connection with a comprehensive master plan for an advanced traffic management system in Precinct 3.
 8. Recommendation for authorization for an employee to attend a conflict resolution seminar April 10 in Houston at a cost of \$129.
 9. Recommendation for authorization for an employee to attend a seminar concerning diesel generators April 19-20 in Houston at no cost to the county.

10. Recommendation that the award for seventh floor renovations at 1001 Preston be made to G & Z Contracting, lowest and best bid in the amount of \$393,697, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions relating to the award.
11. Recommendation for acceptance of a rider and surety bond endorsement executed by Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America for Estates of Green Tee, Section One in Precinct 1.
12. Recommendation for approval of a preliminary engineering report by Binkley and Barfield, Inc., for construction of the Homestead Road overpass between East Mount Houston Road and Old Humble Road in Precinct 1, and authorization to proceed with the design phase.
13. Recommendation for authorization for the County Judge to reduce the retainage amount from 5% to 2% for Apache Services, Inc., contractor for construction of exterior renovations for the Washburn Tunnel ventilation building in Precinct 2.
14. Recommendation for authorization to renew a contract with IGL Landscape Services for mowing and maintenance of the central parks in Precinct 2 in the amount of \$100,758, and for appropriate officials to take necessary action relating to the renewal.
15. Recommendation for acceptance of substitute bonds executed by Employers Insurance of Wausau a Mutual Company for Clay Westfield, L.P., and Angel Brothers Enterprises, Ltd., in respective amounts of \$28,000 and \$29,000 for Westfield Sections 10 and 11 in Precinct 3.
16. Recommendation for acceptance of a substitute bond executed by Seaboard Surety Company for JAHO, Inc., and Windstone Development, Ltd., in the amount of \$32,138 for Windstone Colony, Section One in Precinct 3.
17. Recommendation for authorization for the County Judge to execute an agreement pertaining to encroachment of a public storm sewer easement in Tower Oak Bend in Precinct 3.
18. Recommendation that the court set a public hearing for April 24 to consider a street name change from Hurst Park Drive to Robins Forest Drive in Gleannloch Farms, Section 15 in Precinct 4.
19. Recommendation that the court accept five riders to bonds executed by Lumbermens Mutual Casualty Company for Eagle Springs, Sections One through Five in Precinct 4.
20. Recommendation that the court grant exception to driveway regulations for H. P. Riley for 14306 Bonney Brier, Champions Northwest, Section 00, Block 1, Lot 16 in Precinct 4.

21. Recommendation that the award for a renewable term contract for paint striping various roads in the Lyons Camp area in Precinct 4 be made to Batterson, Inc., in the amount of \$150,000, lowest and best bid, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions relating to the award.
22. Recommendation for an employee to attend a meeting of the Institute of Transportation Engineers April 18-20 in Washington, D.C., at no cost to the county.
23. Recommendation for two employees to attend a traffic control seminar April 10 in Houston at no cost to the county.
24. Recommendation that the award for 2,600 tons of two-sack cement stabilized sand for any plant or any jobsite for the Flood Control District be made to Gulf Coast Stabilized Materials, lowest and best bid in the amount of \$31,874, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions relating to the award.
25. Recommendation that a technical defect be waived and the award for Alexander Deussen Park, Phase Two, power distribution in Precinct 1 be made to Vossler Electrical Services, Inc., lowest and best bid in the amount of \$213,225, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions relating to the award.

2. **Toll Road Authority**

- a. Request for authorization for utility service to be connected for sign lighting at 10230½ Katy Freeway.
- b. Request for authorization to seek bids for construction of the Westpark Tollway from west of Chimney Rock Drive to east of Royalton Street at an estimated cost of \$8 million.
- c. Request for authorization to terminate an agreement with W.P. Engineering Consultants, Inc., for general engineering consultant services effective March 31.
- d. Request for authorization to allow the Jim Pruett Ranch for Children and Animals to use the Sam Houston Tollway April 28 between of 10:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. for an annual motorcycle ride benefit event.

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 \$10,591 and six workers compensation recoveries in the total amount of \$484; settlement of three tort claims in the total amount of \$3,787; denial of two claims for damages; and transmittal of claims for damages received during the period which ended March 27.

- b. Request for approval of safety awards presented by the Texas Safety Association for reduction of lost time injuries in 2000 to Harris County, Flood Control, Precinct 3, and the Sheriff's Department.
- c. Request for authorization for four employees to attend a regional meeting of the Public Risk Management Association April 27 in Beaumont at an approximate cost of \$125.
- d. Request for authorization for an employee to participate in an Americans with Disabilities Act roundtable discussion of the Texas Department of Human Services April 12 in Austin at no cost to the county.
- e. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a financial reporting and compliance conference April 19-20 in New Orleans at an approximate cost of \$900.
- f. Request for authorization for two employees to attend a symposium of the Institute for Regional Forecasting May 8 in Houston at a cost of \$90.
- g. Request for approval of guidelines for county participation in municipal tax increment reinvestment zones.
- h. Request for approval of orders finding default and terminating tax abatement agreements with Matrixx Marketing, Inc., and Stacliff (Milam) Associates, L.P., in Precinct 1, and Drilex Systems, Inc., in Precinct 4, and authorizing full recapture of all taxes previously abated.
- i. Request for approval of a variance to allow for construction of improvements to commence prior to execution and delivery of a tax abatement agreement with Septon Company of America in Precinct 2, and to set a public hearing for April 24 to consider designation of a reinvestment zone for the agreement, and request that the County Attorney work with the staff of Management Services and Precinct 2 to prepare the agreement.
- j. Transmittal of investment transactions for the period of March 14-27 and maturities for March 21-April 3, and request for approval of changes in securities pledged for county funds.
- k. Request for approval of debt service expenditures for the month of May; interest payment for commercial paper; extension of a note for the Toll Road renewal and replacement fund; orders authorizing an updated final official statement for Toll Road forward refunding bonds; and preparation and delivery of a preliminary official statement for tax anticipation notes.
- l. Request for approval of the total estimated cash flow projection of \$10,755,022 for payment of April invoices related to the Harris County Exposition Center, subject to adjustments for actual payments.

- m. Request for approval of an agreement with Melton & Melton for the annual audit of the District Clerk and County Clerk registry funds, and an agreement with Deloitte & Touche for annual audit of the county and Flood Control District for the year that ended February 28, 2001.
- n. Request for approval of authorized budget appropriation transfers for flood control and county departments.
- o. Request for approval of an agreement with Andrews & Kurth for services in connection with preparation, adoption, and approval of redistricting plans for commissioner and justice of the peace and constable precincts.

4. **Central Technology Center**

- a. Request for approval of an agreement with Montgomery County Constable of Precinct 3 for access to information maintained by the SouthEast Texas Crime Information Center.
- b. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a meeting of the Texas Law Enforcement Telecommunications System April 17 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$250.
- c. Request for authorization for the director to attend the annual conference of the National Association of State Information Resource Executives May 6-8 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$971.
- d. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a seminar for administrative assistants June 22 in Houston at a cost of \$149.
- e. Request for authorization for two employees to attend a conference of the Mobile Data Users Group May 14-17 in Indianapolis at an approximate cost of \$2,812.
- f. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a conference of the International DB2 Users Group May 13-17 in Orlando at an approximate cost of \$3,231.
- g. Request for authorization for the executive director to attend an Internet data center tour of Southwestern Bell April 16 in Dallas at an estimated cost of \$167.

5. **Facilities & Property Management**

- a. Request for authorization to destroy certain records of the Sheriff, Public Infrastructure Department, and Commissioner, Precinct 3 in accordance with records control schedules.
- b. Request for authorization to transfer utility services to the Octavia Fields Library at 1503 South Houston in Humble.

- c. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a historic preservation conference April 19-21 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$550.
- d. Request for authorization for two employees to attend a conference of the Houston Chapter of the Association of Records Managers and Administrators April 3-4 in Houston at a total cost of \$700.

6. **Public Health & Environmental Services**

- a. Request for authorization to accept donations in the total amount of \$742 for the Animal Control Shelter.
- b. Request for authorization to accept an annual grant award in the amount of \$1,034,000 from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for the Community Access Program and for approval of the budget and position schedule.
- c. Request for authorization for certain employees to travel to Galveston on a weekly basis to transport birds to the University of Texas Medical Branch to be tested for the West Nile virus, with travel by county vehicle.
- d. Request for authorization for an employee to attend the TexCare Partnership County Challenge Celebration April 4 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$150.
- e. Request for approval of payment in the amount of \$111 for expenses incurred by an employee for travel to Austin to testify before the House Subcommittee on Appropriations regarding tobacco settlement funds.
- f. Request for approval of two grant positions for the Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program.
- g. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a compost workshop of the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission April 5 in Kingwood at a cost of \$30.
- h. Request for authorization for eight employees to attend a trade fair of the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission April 30-May 2 in Austin at a total cost of \$940.
- i. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a personnel law seminar June 13-14 in Houston at a cost of \$399.
- j. Request for approval of two positions for the Pollution Control Division, a model position for Mosquito Control, maximum salary adjustments for two positions, and authorization to change the required hours of two grant positions.
- k. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a dental health meeting April 28-May 3 in Portland at an approximate cost of \$1,463.

- l. Request for authorization to correct payroll records for certain employees.
- m. Request for authorization for two employees to attend a TB control and prevention meeting April 17-19 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$419.
- n. Request for authorization for an employee to attend an executive board meeting of the Texas Association of Local WIC Directors April 17-20 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$457.
- o. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a federal grants workshop April 6 in Fort Worth at an approximate cost of \$600.
- p. Request for authorization to offer two-for-one cat adoptions during the months of April through September.
- q. Request for authorization for two employees to attend workshops of the American Birding Association April 20-22 in Beaumont at an approximate cost of \$410, with travel by county vehicle.

7. **Community Development Services**

- a. Request for approval of six grant positions to implement the Ryan White Urban Transportation Program.
- b. Request for approval of amendments to annual action plans for grant program years 1996 through 2000.
- c. Request for authorization for four employees to travel to Austin April 19 for a lead certification examination of the Texas Department of Health at an approximate cost of \$200, with travel by county vehicle.
- d. Request for authorization to submit an application to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for grant funds to continue a coordinator position to aid certain families in transition from public assistance to self-sufficiency.
- e. Request for authorization to accept \$451,953 from the Federal Emergency Management Agency to provide financial assistance to certain county residents with emergency utility needs.
- f. Request for approval of payment in the amount of \$114 for a notary commission for an employee.
- g. Request for approval of an agreement with Gulf Coast Regional Community Development Corporation to fund a predevelopment loan, operation expenses, and acquisition of lots for construction of 10 affordable single-family townhomes in La Porte using Home Investment Partnership Program funds in the amount of \$404,112,

- h. Request for approval of an amendment to an agreement with Melody Ellis for the Wealth Building Initiative for Self Enhancement program to assist certain low and moderate income individuals to become self-employed.
- i. Request for approval of an agreement with Jacinto City for partial funding of the relocation and replacement of deteriorated water lines and installation of six new fire hydrants using Community Development Block Grant funds in the amount of \$556,620.
- j. Request for approval of an agreement with Bread of Life, Inc., for funding of a homeless social services program to provide case management and transportation assistance to approximately 25 homeless individuals using Emergency Shelter Grant funds in the amount of \$28,600.
- k. Request for approval of 16 Lead Based Hazard Control Loan program applications in the total amount of \$192,504.
- l. Request for approval of five grant/loan applications for the Housing Construction Services Program in the total amount of \$198,505 using Community Development Block Grant funds.

8. **Library Services**

Request for authorization for an employee of the Law Library to attend the annual national conference of the Special Libraries Association June 9-14 in San Antonio at an approximate cost of \$1,200.

9. **Youth & Family Services**

- a. Request by Domestic Relations for authorization for an employee to attend a grammar seminar April 19 in Houston at a cost of \$135.
- b. Request for authorization for three employees of Agricultural Extension to attend agricultural and natural resource training seminars April 4-5 in Montgomery at an approximate total cost of \$330.
- c. Request for authorization for five employees of Agricultural Extension to travel to Navasota April 21 to supervise 4H members at the district 4H Roundup Contest at an approximate cost of \$260.
- d. Request for authorization for three employees of Agricultural Extension to travel to Conroe April 28 to supervise 4H members at a district 4H clothing project contest at an approximate cost of \$111.
- e. Request for authorization for an employee of Agricultural Extension to attend a grant preparations seminar April 23-27 in Houston at a cost of \$625.

- f. Request for authorization for an employee of Agricultural Extension to travel to Austin April 17 and Conroe April 17-19 to participate in 4-H workshops at an approximate total cost of \$274.
- g. Request for authorization for an employee of Agricultural Extension to travel to Austin April 24 to attend the Governor's volunteer recognition event at an approximate cost of \$114.
- h. Request for authorization for an employee of Agricultural Extension to attend a family and consumer sciences training seminar April 24 in Beaumont at an approximate cost of \$120.
- i. Request by Juvenile Probation for authorization to accept additional grant funds in the amount of \$91,122 from the Criminal Justice Division of the Office of the Governor for continuation of Project Spotlight to provide intensive supervision to juvenile and young adult offenders in the Alief area.
- j. Request by Juvenile Probation for authorization to delete car allowances from certain positions effective April 7.
- k. Request by Children's Protective Services for approval of an administrative position in connection with a grant from the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services for assessment services for abused and neglected children.
- l. Request by CPS for authorization for 150 youth of the Preparation for Adult Living Program to participate in a high school/GED reception June 1 and a Christmas celebration December 16 at an approximate cost of \$8,000, subject to reimbursement by the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services.
- m. Request by CPS for authorization for an employee to attend a transitional living conference April 19-20 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$666.
- n. Request by CPS for authorization for staff and 20 youth of the Preparation for Adult Living program to attend the annual Texas Teen Conference June 7-9 in Arlington at an approximate total cost of \$5,000 to be reimbursed by the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services.
- o. Request by CPS for authorization for 10 employees to attend a family counseling conference April 25-28 in Houston at a total cost of \$1,350.
- p. Request by CPS for authorization for an employee to attend a preparation for adult living conference April 18-20 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$906 to be reimbursed by the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services.
- q. Request by CPS for authorization for 18 employees to attend a workshop of the Texas Network of Youth Services April 27 in Houston at a cost of \$180.

- r. Request by CPS for authorization for an employee to attend a symposium of the Houston Human Resource Management Association April 10-11 in Houston at a cost of \$140.
- s. Request by CPS for authorization for two employees to attend a grief counseling workshop April 18 in Houston at a cost of \$20.
- t. Request by CPS for authorization for an employee to attend a quality service delivery workshop April 18-20 in St. Louis, Mo., at an approximate cost of \$695.
- u. Request by CPS for approval of payment in the amount of \$5,000 for Preparation for Adult Living Program graduation celebrations May 10 and December 7, with reimbursement by the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services.
- v. Request for approval of an amendment to an agreement with the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services for additional funds in the amount of \$74,222 for the Preparation for Adult Living Program and a youth service specialist position.
- w. Request by Children's Assessment Center for authorization for certain employees to travel outside of the county during the fiscal year to provide services for clients and court testimony.
- x. Request by CAC for authorization for five employees to travel to Washington, D.C., April 18-19 to attend activities associated with receiving the National Crime Victims Service Award, and for two employees to travel to Laredo April 3-4 to conduct training classes for the Webb County Children's Advocacy Center at no cost to Harris County.

10. **Constables**

- a. Request by the constables' systems manager for approval of educational incentive pay adjustments for officers who met requirements for the changes during the last quarter.
- b. Request by Constable Abercia, Precinct 1, for authorization for an employee to attend a board meeting of the Texas Criminal Justice Information Users Group May 8-11 in Corpus Christi at an approximate cost of \$625.
- c. Transmittal of notice by Constable Freeman, Precinct 2, of the addition of a reserve officer to the department's authorized list.
- d. Request by Constable Hickman, Precinct 4, for approval of corrections to the payroll records of four employees, and for approval of the appointment of a deputy for an available position.
- e. Request by Constable Cheek, Precinct 5, for authorization for two employees to attend a grants project management course April 24-27 in Austin at a total cost of \$480.

- f. Request by Constable Cheek for approval of the appointment of three deputies for available positions.
- g. Request by Constable Cheek for authorization for certain employees to travel to Montgomery County to review personnel files of prospective employees and for approval of mileage reimbursement.
- h. Request by Constable Trevino, Precinct 6, for authorization for six employees to attend a gang training seminar April 10 in Houston at a cost not to exceed \$150.
- i. Transmittal of notice by Constable Trevino of the addition of six reserve officers to the department's authorized list.
- j. Request by Constable Wooten, Precinct 7, for authorization to add a car allowance to a deputy position.
- k. Request by Constable Wooten for approval of the appointment of a deputy to an available position.
- l. Transmittal of notice by Constable Wooten of the addition of four reserve deputies and deletion of 21 reserve deputies in the department's authorized list.
- m. Request by Constable Bailey, Precinct 8, for authorization to renew the bond and oath of a reserve officer.
- n. Request by Constable Bailey for authorization for two employees to attend law enforcement training courses May 8-9 in Houston at a total cost of \$380.

11. **Sheriff**

- a. Request for authorization to reclassify a temporary clerk position to part-time effective June 2.
- b. Request for authorization to accept donations for the department.
- c. Transmittal of notice of changes in the department's authorized list of reserve officers.
- d. Request for authorization to accept annual High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area grant awards in the total amount of \$546,527 from the Office of National Drug Control Policy.
- e. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a law enforcement training seminar March 26-April 6 in Quantico, Va., at no cost to the county.
- f. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a personnel law seminar April 9-10 in Houston at a cost of \$599.

- g. Request for authorization for four employees to attend a crime analysis training seminar May 14-18 in Irving at a total cost of \$3,697.
- h. Request for authorization for six employees to attend a conference of the Texas Jail Association May 28-June 1 in San Antonio at an approximate cost of \$3,750, with travel by county vehicle.
- i. Request for authorization for 10 employees to attend the Texas D.A.R.E. Officers Conference June 12-15 in Amarillo at an approximate cost of \$4,100, with travel by county vehicle.
- j. Request for authorization for 10 employees to attend a crime prevention seminar July 15-20 in San Antonio at an approximate total cost of \$5,125, with travel by county vehicle.

12. **Fire & Emergency Services**

- a. Request for approval of payment in the amount of \$425 for expenses incurred by the Fire Marshal for travel to Austin to testify regarding legislation.
- b. Request for authorization to expand the co-op student program to include a part-time clerical position.

13. **Medical Examiner**

- a. Request for approval of payment in the amount of \$350 to participate in the annual residency fair at the University of Texas-Houston Medical School and Baylor College of Medicine.
- b. Request for approval of annual interlocal agreements for the department to perform autopsy services as requested for 17 counties.

14. **County Clerk**

- a. Transmittal of an affidavit of substantial interest filed by Commissioner Radack concerning items on the court's agenda of March 20.
- b. Request for authorization for four employees to attend the annual conference of the International Association of Clerks, Recorders, Election Officials, and Treasurers June 14-22 in Billings, Mont., at an approximate cost of \$6,645.
- c. Request for authorization for two employees to attend a management seminar May 1 in Houston at a total cost of \$400.

- d. Request for authorization for the County Clerk and an employee to attend a legal education conference for County and District Clerks April 25-27 in Austin at an approximate total cost of \$1,625.
- e. Request for authorization for an employee to attend computer software classes April 9-11, 16-20, and April 30-May 4 in Houston at a total cost of \$3,315.

15. **District Clerk**

- a. Request for approval of agreements for use of the county's Subscriber Access Program.
- b. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a conference of the Texas Criminal Justice Information Users Group May 9-11 in Corpus Christi at a cost of \$500.
- c. Request for authorization to correct the payroll records for two employees.

16. **County Attorney**

- a. Request for approval of litigation expenses for cases in County Civil Courts Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 4.
- b. Request for approval of an order authorizing hiring and retention of expert consultants in connection with a flood control case in the 133rd District Court and for approval of a transfer of funds to cover the expenses.
- c. Request for approval of an order authorizing settlement of damages to a county vehicle in connection with a case in County Civil Court No. 4.
- d. Request for approval of orders authorizing suits and litigation expenses to compel compliance with flood plain management regulations at 2811 North Houston Avenue in Humble and 1043 Veller in Houston.
- e. Request for approval of an order authorizing settlement of a civil rights claim in U.S. District Court, King, et al. v. Harris County, et al.
- f. Request for authorization for two employees to attend a real estate law conference of the South Texas College of Law May 3-4 in Houston at a cost of \$550.

17. **District Attorney**

- a. Request for authorization to transfer a car allowance from one position to another.
- b. Request for authorization for four employees to attend classes of the Texas District and County Attorneys Association April 29 and May 4 in Huntsville at a total cost of \$1,300.

- c. Request for authorization for an employee to attend the National Gang Conference August 15-17 in Chicago at an approximate cost of \$1,800.
- d. Request for approval of educational incentive pay adjustment for an employee who met requirements for the change.
- e. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a mental health symposium April 27 in Clear Lake at a cost of \$80.
- f. Request for authorization to add five forfeited vehicles to the department's fleet.

18. **Justices of the Peace**

- a. Request by Judge Parrott, JP 3.1, for approval of payment in the amount of \$284 to renew notary commissions for four employees.
- b. Request by Judge Parrott for authorization to reclassify two positions.

19. **County Courts**

- a. Request for authorization for Judge Peters, Criminal Court No. 2, to attend a course of the National Judicial College July 14-19 in West Yellowstone, Mont., at an approximate cost of \$2,020.
- b. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a justice of the peace seminar March 25-28 in San Antonio at an approximate cost of \$500.

20. **District Courts**

- a. Request for authorization for Judge Bland, 281st Court, to attend a conference May 10-11 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$800.
- b. Request for authorization for six employees to attend a criminal justice conference of Sam Houston State University June 4-7 in Galveston at a total cost of \$1,410.
- c. Request for authorization for Judge Craft and Associate Judge Longoria, 314th Court, and Judge Motheral, 257th Court, to attend a conflict resolution conference May 9-12 in Chicago at an approximate total cost of \$5,165.
- d. Request for approval of payment in the total amount of \$50 for expenses incurred by Judge Krockner, 184th Court, to attend a seminar of the South Texas College of Law in Houston.
- e. Request for approval of payments in the total amount of \$406 for expenses incurred by Judge Anderson, 262nd Court, and an employee for travel to Austin to attend legislative meetings.

- f. Request for approval of payment to the Harris County Department of Education for alternative dispute resolution services.
- g. Request for authorization for Judge Hill, 230th Court, and Judge Wallace, 263rd Court, to attend a family violence conference of the Texas Center for the Judiciary April 22-24 in Houston at a total cost of \$270.

21. **Fiscal Services & Purchasing**

a. **Auditor**

- 1. Request for approval of final payments to:
 - a. Abyss Const., Inc., for proposed Northway Drive outfall culvert repair in Northampton Subdivision, Section Five in Precinct 4.
 - b. Atarod dba Seyed for renovation of the first floor at the Toll Road Authority's Administration Building.
 - c. Harris Const., Co., for construction of paving and drainage for Kempwood Drive from Beltway 8 to Spring Shadows Subdivision in Precinct 3.
 - d. Total Cont., Ltd., for concrete repairs in Pheasant Run and Catalina Village in Precinct 3.
 - e. Traf-Tex, Inc., for traffic signal installation for the intersection of Fry Road at Westlake Place Drive in Precinct 3.
- 2. Request for approval of orders for new bank accounts for various county funds.
- 3. Transmittal of certification of supplemental estimates of revenue received for various funds and grants.
- 4. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a fraud seminar April 5 in Houston at an approximate cost of \$333.
- 5. Request for authorization for three employees to attend a series of IBM training classes beginning in May in Dallas at an approximate total cost of \$8,795.
- 6. Request for authorization for an employee to attend computer training classes beginning in May in Houston at an approximate cost of \$3,500.
- 7. Request for authorization for two employees to attend a series of Informix training classes beginning in May in Dallas at an approximate total cost of \$8,795.
- 8. Request for approval of payrolls for the periods ending May 4, 18, and 31.
- 9. Request by the Auditor and the Purchasing Agent that certain items be removed from inventory.
- 10. Transmittal of audited claims.

b. **Treasurer**

Transmittal of a report of monies disbursed for the month that ended February 28.

c. **Tax Assessor-Collector**

1. Request for approval of tax refund payments.
2. Request for approval for an employee to attend a property tax seminar April 10 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$100.

d. **Purchasing**

1. Transmittal of projects scheduled for advertisement:
 - a. 25,000 tons Hot Mix Hot Laid asphaltic concrete for any plant or any jobsite in Precinct 3.
 - b. Software modification for a mobile computing system message switch for the Central Technology Center.
 - c. A detection system for the County Library.
 - d. Various foods for the Sheriff's Department.
 - e. Miscellaneous telephone and data parts for the Central Technology Center.
 - f. A Direct recording electronic voting system, an optical scan voting system, and an election management system for the county.
2. Transmittal of a list of computer related equipment and software obtained through the State of Texas vendor program for Constable of Precinct 5, the Central Technology Center, and the Juvenile Justice Alternative Education Program.
3. Transmittal of changes in contracts with:
 - a. Northwest Pest Patrol, contractor for pest control services and related items for Community Supervision & Corrections, resulting in an addition of \$70 to the contract amount (00502).
 - b. Hill & Hill Exterminators, contractor for pest control services and related items for Facilities & Property Management, resulting in a reduction of \$4,353 from the contract amount (00504).
 - c. Waste Management of Texas, Inc., contractor for type IV, non-putrescible, non-compacted solid waste for the county and the Flood Control District, resulting in a reduction of \$2,500 from the contract amount (00505).
 - d. Mission Burritos, contractor for jury meal service for the county, resulting in no change to the contract amount (00506).
4. Recommendation that the award for bedding soil, mulch, gravel, and stone for Precinct One be made to Living Earth Technology Co., Inc., class I and class II, and to San Jacinto Stone Company, class III and class IV.

5. Request for approval of a month-to-month extension not to exceed 90 days for a contract with Skaggs Public Safety Uniforms and Equipment for uniforms and related items for Constable, Precinct 4 for the period beginning May 1.
6. Request for approval of a renewal option with Pinnacle Employee Testing Service, Inc., and Drug-Free Consortium, Inc., for drug and alcohol testing for the county for the period of July 1-June 30, 2002.
7. Request for approval of a renewal option with Pacific Concepts, Inc., for personal property security bags for the Sheriff's Department for the period of June 1-May 31, 2002.
8. Request for approval of a renewal option with Willamette Industries for computer paper for the county, the Flood Control District, and the Harris County Hospital District for the period of June 1-May 31, 2002.
9. Request for approval of a renewal option with Jack Roach Ford for repair parts, labor, and related items for Ford automobiles and light trucks for the county for the period of July 1-June 30, 2002.
10. Request for approval of a delay to May 1 for a contract with Ampco Systems Parking for management of Congress Plaza Garage.
11. Request for approval of an order authorizing the County Judge to execute an agreement between the county and Vivian Clark for counseling services for youth and their families for the Truancy Learning Camp for Children's Protective Services for the period of March 6-August 31, 2001 at a cost not to exceed \$1,800.
12. Request that Thuan Van Tran, M.D., be granted a professional services exemption from the competitive bid process for medical services for the Public Health & Environmental Services Department for the period ending March 31, 2002 in the amount of \$14,400.
13. Request for approval of an order authorizing the County Judge to execute an agreement between the county and Youth Advocate Programs, Inc., for a placement alternative program for the Juvenile Probation Department in the amount of \$737,100.
14. Request that Intermec Technologies Corporation, Amtech Systems Division, be granted a sole source exemption from the competitive bid process for software maintenance for the Toll Road Authority in the amount of \$216,000.
15. Request for authorization for an employee to attend the Municipal Procurement and Privatization Summit April 17-19 in Washington, D.C., at an estimated cost of \$300.

16. Request for approval of reimbursement in the amount of \$375 for the Purchasing Agent and an employee who traveled to Austin March 27-28 to testify on various purchasing legislation.
17. 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.
18. Request for approval of a renewal option with Motorola, Inc., for repair parts for Motorola radio equipment, including test equipment and specialized tools for the period of July 1-June 30, 2002.
19. Request for approval of an order authorizing the County Judge to execute an agreement between the county and the City of Houston for Ryan White Title I outreach services for Public Health/HIV Services Division in the amount of \$149,996 for the period of April 3-February 28, 2002.
20. Request for approval of a renewal option with Right-Way Sand, Inc., for a soil materials contract for Precinct 2 for the period of May 1-April 30, 2002.
21. Recommendation that the award for HVAC repair parts for the county be made to Johnson Supply, lowest complete bid in the amount of \$362,215 for the period beginning May 1.
22. Recommendation that the award for building material and related items for the county be made to Sam Bassett Lumber Company, lowest complete bid in the amount of \$711,229 for the period beginning May 1.

22. **Commissioners Court**

a. **County Judge**

1. Consideration of a resolution designating April 2-13 as Houston Bar Association Children's Clothing and Diaper Drive Days in the county.
2. Consideration of a resolution recognizing April 15-21 as National Medical Laboratory Week in the county and recognizing the Medical Examiner's laboratory personnel.
3. Consideration of a resolution recognizing the month of May as Harris County and Harris County Flood Control District Health and Safety Awareness Month in the county.
4. Consideration of a resolution designating May 12-18 as National Police Officers' Memorial Week and May 15 as Blue Ribbon National Police Officers' Memorial Day in the county.

5. Consideration of a resolution designating May 14-20 as Police Week and May 17 as Police Officers' Memorial Day in the county.
6. Transmittal of a letter of resignation from Dr. Thomas Hyslop, Director of Public Health & Environmental Services, effective May 31, 2001, and request for discussion and possible adoption of a process for filling the vacated position.
7. Recommendation for approval of an exception to Toll Road sign regulations for Lowe's Home Improvement Warehouse at 5400 Fairmont Parkway.
8. Request for discussion and possible authorization for the Harris County Toll Road Authority to negotiate with the Texas Department of Transportation for participation in the Katy Freeway expansion project.
9. Request by the Office of Emergency Management for authorization for two employees to attend a hydrologic warning council conference and exposition May 15-18 in Columbus, Ohio at an approximate total cost of \$1,700.
10. Request by the Office of Emergency Management for authorization for two employees to attend a basic emergency management workshop course April 17-19 in Austin at an approximate total cost of \$300, with travel by county vehicle.
11. Request for discussion of intervention in the case of Environmental Defense v. Environmental Protection Agency in the U.S. Court of Appeals, and for appropriate actions to be taken in the matter.

b. **Commissioner, Precinct 1**

1. Request for approval for reimbursement for annual service awards for Precinct 1 employees in the amount of \$2,200.
2. Request for approval to transfer a position to Community Development and change the title and salary effective April 7.
3. Request for approval for North Houston National Little League to conduct fund-raising activities March 31 at Dow Two Park, and transmittal of a price list for concession items.

c. **Commissioner, Precinct 2**

1. Request for approval for two employees to attend a notary public workshop April 20 in Houston at a total cost of \$190.
2. Request for approval of resolutions commending Sarah Smith and Denise McCammon.

d. **Commissioner, Precinct 3**

1. Request for approval to accept the donation of trees from Reliant Energy for parks and esplanades.
2. Request for approval for two employees to attend a commercial bus factory service training workshop April 23-27 in Fort Valley, Ga., at an approximate total cost of \$1,000.
3. Request for approval of an order to abate a public nuisance at 13307 Montaigne at an estimated cost of \$3,600.
4. Request for approval of an order opposing any legislation that would eliminate or diminish a citizen's right to use the contested case hearings process regarding permit matters under jurisdiction of the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission.

e. **Commissioner, Precinct 4**

1. Request for approval of an agreement with Tomball Amateur Softball Association for use of and improvements to a portion of Burroughs Park.
2. Request for approval for Humble Girls Softball League to extend water and electrical service at Lindsay/Lyons Sports Center.
3. Request for approval to reduce the hours assigned to a part-time position.
4. Transmittal of traffic sign installations.
5. Transmittal of notice of receipt of rent and concession fees for Klein, Collins, Bayer, Dyess, Collins, and Burroughs, Crosby, and Lindsay Lyons Parks in connection with rent and concession fees; and for authorization to accept donations for the senior adult program.
6. Request for approval for concession stand prices for various sports associations in Precinct 4 parks.
7. Request for approval to change the date of a Spring Festival fund-raiser event at Doss Community Center, from May 4 to May 18, to benefit the center and its programs.

23. **Miscellaneous**

- a. Transmittal of petitions filed with the 129th and 315th District Courts.

- b. Request for adoption of a resolution approving issuance of multifamily housing revenue bonds by the Harris County Housing Finance Corporation to finance acquisition and rehabilitation of Palomino Place Apartments.
- c. Transmittal of annexation ordinances that were adopted by the City of Houston.
- d. Request for approval of an amended agreement between the Harris County Hospital District and the Mental Health and Mental Retardation Authority for MHMRA to provide counseling, educational, and referral services for certain district patients.

24. **Emergency items.**

25. **Public Hearing**

Consideration of creation of a reinvestment zone for a tax abatement agreement that is to be prepared for Katoen Natie Gulf Coast, Inc., and Houston Polymers Terminal, LP, at the northeast corner of Hwy. 225 and Miller Cut-Off Road in Precinct 2.

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. Pat Powers (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 3 for an executive session for discussion and possible action to replace Bruce Oakley on the Children's Protective Services Board.
- b. Request by the County Attorney for an executive session for discussion of pending litigation in the matter of Daniel T. King, et al. v. Harris County, et al. in U.S. District Court.

Adjournment.