



# HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS

## COMMISSIONERS COURT

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Commissioner, Precinct 4

No. 01.12

### AGENDA

June 19, 2001

1:45 p.m.

Opening prayer by Rabbi Howard Segal of Congregation Brith Shalom in Bellaire.

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4. Central Technology
5. Facilities & Property Management
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7. Community Development Services
8. Library Services
9. Youth & Family Services
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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 for authorization to negotiate with the design and construction team for the Criminal Justice Center to evaluate, plan, and implement repairs to damages from Tropical Storm Allison, and that \$100,000 be approved for the initial evaluation and report.
2. Recommendation that the County Judge be authorized to execute an agreement with Thompson Design Group, Inc., for professional consulting services in the amount of \$282,000 for a Buffalo Bayou study in joint venture with the City of Houston and the Buffalo Bayou Partnership.
3. Recommendation that the County Judge be authorized to execute an agreement with Turner Collie & Braden, Inc., for professional environmental consulting services in the amount of \$68,000 for a Buffalo Bayou study in joint venture with the City of Houston and the Buffalo Bayou Partnership.
4. Recommendation that the court approve resolutions and orders authorizing Right of Way on behalf of the Flood Control District to purchase for negotiated purchase prices and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete transactions for:
  - a. Willow Waterhole detention basin project, Tract 02-033.0 in Precinct 1 in the amount of \$95,958.
  - b. Mason Creek channel extension project, Tract 08-004.0 in Precinct 3 in the amount of \$27,510.
  - c. Jackson Bayou-First Street project, Tracts 04-029.0 and 04-030.0 in Precinct 4 in the amount of \$5,000.
5. Recommendation that the court approve a resolution and order authorizing Right of Way on behalf of the county to purchase Tract B001-036 of the Westpark Corridor project in Precinct 3 for the negotiated purchase price of \$42,543, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the transaction.
6. Recommendation that the court approve a resolution and order authorizing the county to accept donation of drainage easement, Tract 002 at Franz Road-4 in Precinct 3.
7. Recommendation that the court approve a resolution and order authorizing the Flood Control District to issue a housing supplement payment in the amount of \$13,012 to Sam and Carolyn Tagliarino for landowner relocation assistance provided in the district's floodplain buyout project in Precinct 3, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the transaction.

8. Recommendation that the court approve a resolution and order authorizing the North Fork Greens Bayou regional detention basin project in Precinct 4, decreeing the project to be a public necessity and convenience, directing Right of Way to acquire specific property on behalf of the Flood Control District, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the transactions.
9. Recommendation that the court approve a resolution and order authorizing the Hardy Toll Road extension project in Precinct 1, decreeing the project to be a public necessity and convenience, directing Right of Way to acquire specific property on behalf of the county and to provide landowner relocation assistance, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the transactions.
10. Transmittal of notices of road and bridge log changes.

b. **Flood Control District**

1. Recommendation that the County Judge be authorized to execute escrow agreements with:
  - a. Southwest Bank of Texas, N.A., for deposit of funds for payment of sums due by the district under the local cooperation agreement between the district and the Department of the Army for the Clear Creek federal flood control project.
  - b. Southwest Bank of Texas, N.A., for deposit of funds for payment of sums due by the district under the local cooperation agreement between the district and the Department of the Army for the Sims Bayou federal flood control project.
2. Recommendation for authorization for:
  - a. An employee to attend an easements seminar July 20 in Houston at cost of \$185.
  - b. An employee to attend a team leadership skills seminar August 20-21 in Houston at a cost of \$399.
  - c. Three employees to attend a grammar and proofreading seminar July 24 in Galveston at an approximate cost of \$297.
  - d. An employee to attend the annual Environmental Systems Research Institute International User Conference July 7-8 in San Diego at an approximate cost of \$1,500.
3. Recommendation that the court approve amendments to contracts to extend the bid opening date to June 26 for:
  - a. Pearl Hall ditch channel rehabilitation from State Highway No. 3 to Shaver Street, Phase 1 in Precinct 2 in the amount of \$505,000.
  - b. Channel conveyance improvements from Sens Road to North P Street in Precinct 2 in the amount of \$945,000.
  - c. Channel rehabilitation of E121-00-00-X003 and P118-12-00-X002 in Precincts 1 and 4 in the amount of \$775,000, and to revise the unit price schedule.
  - d. Channel repairs in Cypress Creek watershed, K131-04-00-X001 and K142-00-00-X007 in Precinct 4 in the amount of \$510,000.

4. Recommendation for approval of a change in contract with G. Greenstreet, Inc., for selective clearing on channels in Precincts 3 and 4 resulting in an addition of 100 working days and no change to the contract amount (99/0798).
5. Recommendation for authorization for adoption for conveyance of a sanitary control easement, Unit C547-01-00 in Precinct 1.

c. **Engineering**

1. Recommendation for approval of the following plats:
  - a. Stonefield Manor, Section One in Precinct 1; Pate Engineers.
  - b. Stone Lake partial replat in Precinct 3; ESOR Consulting Engineers, Incorporated.
  - c. PRP Subdivision in Precinct 3; John W. Gilligan.
  - d. Global at Cypress North Houston in Precinct 3; Clark-Geogram, Incorporated.
  - e. Samuels Dodge Katy Freeway in Precinct 3; Civil-Surv Land Surveying, L.C.
  - f. Lakes of Bridgewater Section Five amending plat in Precinct 3; Brown & Gay Engineers, Incorporated.
  - g. Village of Northgate Forest in Precinct 4; Huitt-Zollars, Incorporated.
  - h. Horizon Center in Precinct 4; Rekha Engineering, Incorporated.
  - i. Postwood Green in Precinct 4; Lockwood, Andrews & Newnam, Incorporated.
  - j. Preserve Section One, amending plat in Precinct 4; JNS Consulting Engineers, Incorporated.
  - k. Chili's at 290 Commons in Precinct 4; Robert T. Deden, Services.
    - l. Elkin Carillon Kennel, Inc., in Precinct 4; Jones & Carter, Incorporated.
  - m. Spring Business Park North in Precinct 4; Sitech Engineering Corporation.
  - n. Harris County Courthouse Annex 17 in Precinct 4; JNS Consulting Engineers, Incorporated.
  - o. U-Haul Antoine in Precinct 4; Sitech Engineering Corporation.
  - p. Armstrong McCall I-45 North in Precinct 4; Mercer-Hardin Engineers, Incorporated.
2. Recommendation for cancellation of bonds for:
  - a. R.H. Development Company, Inc., executed by Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Underwriters, Inc., for Plantation at Woodforest, Section One in Precinct 2 in the amount of \$23,130.
  - b. MHI Partnership, Ltd., executed by Cumberland Casualty & Surety Company for Champions Point, Section Four in Precinct 4 in the amount of \$21,600.
  - c. Centex Homes executed by Safeco Insurance Company of America for Northwood Pines, Section One in Precinct 4 in the amount of \$22,205.
  - d. Northgate Crossing Partners, Ltd., executed by Hartford Fire Insurance Company for Villages of Northgate Crossing, Section Six in Precinct 4 in the amount \$10,277.

3. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a construction site erosion and sediment control seminar for NPDES storm water permit compliance July 26 in Austin at a cost not to exceed \$300.
4. Recommendation for authorization to amend an agreement with Richard Carter and Associates, Inc., for on-call engineering services in connection with flooding from Tropical Storm Allison in the additional amount of \$40,000.
5. Recommendation for authorization to waive permit fees from June 6-10 and modify permit requirements until December 31 for reconstruction of homes damaged from the Tropical Storm Allison flood.

## 2. Toll Road Authority

- a. Request for approval of a one-year option in connection with an agreement with ASTER Systems, Inc., for software maintenance of the toll collection computer system in the amount of \$310,855.
- b. Request for authorization to advertise for bids for construction of the Westpark Tollway project at Gessner Road at an estimated cost of \$16,000,000.
- c. Request for approval of an agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation for TRA's participation in connector projects for US 59 to Westpark Tollway and west bound to IH 610 south bound in the amount of \$14,250,777.
- d. Request for authorization for three employees to attend a team leader workshop July 17 in Houston at a total cost of \$198.
- e. Request for approval of an amendment to an agreement with AECOM Enterprises for additional engineering services to include a toll study for IH 10 from Katy to IH 610, resulting in an addition of \$745,585 to the contract amount.

## 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 \$19,191 and 13 workers compensation recoveries in the total amount of \$4,922; settlement of six tort claims in the total amount of \$16,988; denial of six claims for damages; and transmittal of claims for damages received during the period which ended June 12.
- b. Request for authorization for certain employees of Human Resources to attend a WorkSource job fair June 21 in Houston at no cost to the county.
- c. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a board meeting of the Public Risk Management Association June 28-29 in San Antonio at no cost to the county.

- d. Request for approval of debt service expenditures for the month of July, payments for commercial paper notes, and changes in securities pledged for county funds.
- e. Request for approval of orders approving proceedings to authorize Harris County Flood Control District contract revenue and Toll Road revenue commercial paper notes and related provisions regarding such notes.
- f. Request for approval of an order terminating a tax abatement agreement with PCS PrimeCo L.P., in Precinct 3, and authorizing full recapture of taxes previously abated in tax years 1996-98.
- g. Request for approval of authorized budget appropriation transfers for flood control and county departments.
- h. Consideration of a tri-party agreement between Harris County, the Harris County Hospital District, and the Harris County Hospital District Foundation for use of certain tobacco settlement funds for children's health services.
- i. Consideration of approval of an implementation report and additional recommendations regarding changes for the Children's Assessment Center and related organizations in connection with services for abused and neglected children in Harris County.
- j. Consideration of an order receiving draft plans and authorizing public hearings to be held regarding the plans for redrawing of boundaries of commissioners' precincts.
- k. Request for discussion and possible action relating to time reporting and payment of employees in connection with recent flooding in the downtown complex.
- l. Request for discussion and possible action regarding procedures and coordination for processing damage claims and seeking federal assistance for county facilities as a result of recent flooding.
- m. Request for approval of conditions to be used for reinstatement of group health and related benefits for retirees and/or their dependents after their benefits have been terminated for failure to make premium payments.

4. **Central Technology Center**

- a. Request for authorization for the director and an employee to attend a technology solutions conference July 23-27 in Chicago at an approximate total cost of \$1,261.
- b. Request for authorization for two employees to attend a GIS software users conference July 9-13 in San Diego at an approximate total cost of \$2,672.
- c. Request for authorization for an employee to attend the CA World 2001 Users Group Conference July 8-12 in Orlando at an approximate cost of \$2,436.

**5. Facilities & Property Management**

- a. Request for authorization to provide monetary compensation for employees who have been required to work additional shifts to address flooding and associated problems in county buildings and who have exceeded the 240-hour compensatory time limit.
- b. Request for authorization to renew an annual agreement with Smetana 8876 Associates for lease of space at 515 Atrium Drive for the Sheriff's Drug/Gang Intelligence Network Unit.
- c. Request for approval to renew an agreement with Houston Inwood Professional, Ltd., for lease of space at 5668 West Little York for a Health Department WIC clinic.

**6. Public Health & Environmental Services**

- a. Request for authorization for two employees to attend the annual tobacco education and prevention conference July 22-25 in the Woodlands at a cost of \$420.
- b. Request for approval of additional mileage reimbursements in amounts of \$61, \$115, and \$211 for TB outreach workers who exceeded the monthly limit in March, April, and May.
- c. Request for authorization for an employee to attend an adolescent health care seminar August 2-3 in Houston at a cost of \$200.
- d. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a pediatric assessment seminar July 30-August 1 in Houston at a cost of \$300.
- e. Request for authorization to accept donations for expenses associated with the annual Community Health Fair and the annual Allied Health Educational Program.
- f. Request for authorization to extend the Child Lead Poisoning Prevention Program past June 30 and pay expenses out of the general fund pending receipt of grant funds from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.
- g. Request for authorization for an employee to use a county vehicle for travel to Austin to attend a meeting of the Workers Compensation Board June 18.
- h. Request for approval of orders to abate nuisances at 1822 Hartwick, 1722 Cromwell, 11302 Allwood, 12003 Drifting Winds, 1907 Otterbury, 134 and 118 W. Helms, and 5934 Lauder in Precinct 1; 2438 Hopper, 2415 Broad, 2237 Kowis, 2318 Perry, 2423 Kowis, 2318 Hopper, 3415 Hartwick, 310 Park, 17702 Meadowbrook, 7123 and 7110 East, 207 Cypress, 13026 Elderberry, 7330 East, 14535 Corpus Christi, and 310 Park in Precinct 2; and 182 Cherry Laurel and 47, 32, and 35 Elm in Precinct 4 at an estimated total cost of \$81,000.

- i. Request for authorization for an employee to attend the National Hepatitis Coordinators' Conference July 29-August 2 in Richmond, Va., at an approximate cost of \$1,125.
- j. Request for authorization for an employee to attend an indoor air quality course July 30-31 in Tyler at a cost of \$275.
- k. Request for authorization to waive impoundment and board fees through June 30 for pets belonging to flood victims.
- l. Request for approval of an agreement with the City of Waller for the county to permit food establishments, collect fees, and regulate food establishments within the city.
- m. Request for approval of payment of \$220 for the maintenance deposit for the regular clean up fee at Harris County Bay Area Community Center which will be used June 29 to conduct an employee staff development program for the Community Health Service Division.

7. **Community Development Services**

- a. Request for approval of an interlocal agreement with Harris County Emergency Services District No. 1 to dispose of certain surplus property within 90 days.
- b. Request for approval of three grant/loan applications in the total amount of \$146,200 for the Housing Construction Services Program using Community Development Block Grant funds.
- c. Request for authorization for three employees to attend a fund accounting conference of the Texas Workforce Commission July 23-25 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$1,519.

8. **Library Services**

- a. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a meeting of the TexShare Advisory Board June 28 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$225.
- b. Request for approval of 11 positions for the LaPorte Branch Library effective June 30.

9. **Youth & Family Services**

- a. Request by Domestic Relations for authorization for the director to attend a family law practice seminar June 21-22 in Houston at a cost of \$335.
- b. Request by Juvenile Probation for authorization to submit an application to the U.S. Department of Justice for grant funds for the Comprehensive Approaches to Sex Offender Management Program.



- c. Consideration of a letter to court from the chairman of the Children's Protective Services Board stating that the board agrees with the revised plan regarding the Children's Assessment Center and related organizations, and request that a meeting be convened to consider how the state, CPS and CAC organizations might work together in the future in the most efficient and effective manner.
- d. Request by CPS for authorization to renew an interlocal agreement with the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services for reimbursement from the state for provision of emergency shelter care at Chimney Rock Center for youth taken into PRS conservatorship.
- e. Request by CPS for authorization for an employee to attend a conference of the Summer Institute for Intercultural Communication July 22-26 in Portland at an approximate cost of \$1,956.
- f. Request by CPS for authorization for an employee to attend a dental health conference August 17 in Houston at a cost of \$125.
- g. Request by CPS for authorization for an employee to attend a workshop concerning support group facilitator training July 21 in Houston at a cost of \$40.
- h. Request by CPS for authorization for two employees to travel to Dallas June 25 to attend a meeting with staff of the Greater Texas Community Partner at an approximate cost of \$400.
- i. Request by CPS for authorization for two employees to attend a computer training seminar July 30-August 3, and for an employee to attend a programming seminar August 27-31 in Houston at a total cost of \$3,187.
- j. Request by Children's Assessment Center for authorization for an employee to travel to Austin June 15 to attend a seminar concerning children's records law at a cost of \$280.
- k. Request by CAC for authorization for two employees to attend a training seminar of the Children's Advocacy Centers of Texas June 26-28 in Austin at no cost to the county.
- l. Request by CAC for authorization for an employee to attend a training seminar of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice July 9-10 in Austin at no cost to the county.
- m. Request by CAC for authorization for an employee to attend a conference on juvenile sex offenders July 22-23 in Austin at no cost to the county.
- n. Request by CAC for authorization for two employees to attend a conference of the Texas Child Fatality Review Team July 25-26 in San Antonio at no cost to the county.

- o. Request by CAC for authorization for two employees to attend a conference of the Center for the Prevention of Child Abuse August 16-17 in Mississippi at no cost to the county.
- p. Request by CAC for authorization to change the work schedule of an employee from 40 hours per week to 32 hours per week effective June 30.

10. **Constables**

- a. Request by Constable Abercia, Precinct 1, for authorization for employees to use county vehicles for travel outside of the county for county business on an as needed basis during the fiscal year.
- b. Transmittal of notice by Constable Abercia of changes in the department's authorized list of regular deputies.
- c. Request by Constable Freeman, Precinct 2, for authorization to attend the Justices of the Peace and Constables' Convention June 26-20 in Arlington at an approximate cost of \$800.
- d. Transmittal of notice by Constable Freeman of changes in the department's authorized list of regular deputies and reserve officers.
- e. Request by Constable Jones, Precinct 3, for approval of an agreement with Highlands Tractor & Kawasaki for use of two jet skis.
- f. Request by Constable Hickman, Precinct 4, for authorization to appoint two deputies for available open positions.
- g. Request by Constable Hickman for authorization for an employee to attend an explosive detection K-9 recertification training course June 25-29 in San Antonio at an approximate cost of \$500.
- h. Request by Constable Cheek, Precinct 5, for authorization to accept a forfeiture check in the amount of \$25,670.
- i. Transmittal of notice by Constable Cheek of changes in the department's authorized list of regular deputies.
- j. Request by Constable Wooten, Precinct 7, for authorization to transfer a regular deputy to the general fund because of expiration of an agreement with Willow Meadows Civic Club June 30.
- k. Request by Constable Wooten for authorization to transfer five A.S.A.P. deputies to the general fund effective June 20.

- l. Request by Constable Wooten for authorization to acquire five additional vehicles for the department's fleet.
- m. Request by Constable Wooten for approval of payment in the amount of \$117 for additional expenses incurred by an employee to attend a Gang Resistance Education and Training workshop.
- n. Transmittal of notice by Constable Wooten of the termination of a law enforcement services agreement with Willow Meadows Civic Club, Inc., effective June 30.
- o. Request by Constable Wooten for approval of payment in the amount of \$963 for additional expenses incurred by six employees to attend a weapons and tactics school in San Antonio.
- p. Request by Constable Wooten for authorization for three employees to attend a D.A.R.E. conference July 29-August 2 in Los Angeles at an approximate cost of \$4,482.
- q. Request by Constable Wooten for authorization for the County Judge to execute a general letter of agreement with Houston Community College for continuation of law enforcement education services for the department's deputies.
- r. Request by Constable Wooten for authorization for employees to use county vehicles for travel outside of the county for county business as necessary during the fiscal year.
- s. Request by Constable Wooten for authorization for an employee to attend a conference September 25 in Houston at a cost of \$149.
- t. Request by Constable Wooten for approval of payment in the amount of \$350 for expenses incurred by an employee to attend a town hall meeting in Houston.
- u. Request by Constable Wooten for authorization to add a monthly car allowance of \$525 to a deputy position.
- v. Request by Constable Wooten for authorization for the County Judge to execute an amendment to an agreement with the U.S. Department of the Treasury for the G.R.E.A.T. program to extend the period of performance through January 2002, and to provide additional funding in the amount of \$68,229.

11. **Sheriff**

- a. Transmittal of notice of name changes for personnel and changes to the department's authorized list of law enforcement officers.
- b. Request for authorization to reclassify nine positions for detention officers who have completed basic peace officer training.

- c. Request for approval of an agreement with Emerald Forest Utility District for law enforcement services.
- d. Request for authorization to accept donations for the department.
- e. Request for authorization to submit an application for the State Criminal Alien Assistance Program Grant.
- f. Request for authorization for five employees to attend a conference concerning crimes against children August 20-23 in Dallas at an approximate cost of \$3,890, with travel by county vehicle.
- g. Request for authorization for two employees to attend a police traffic radar instructor course August 20-24 in Jacksonville, Fla., at an approximate cost of \$2,745.
- h. Request for authorization for 48 employees to attend a seminar regarding execution of criminal warrants September 10-18 in Conroe at an approximate cost of \$6,100, with travel by county vehicles.
- i. Request for authorization for an employee to attend an office software training seminar in Houston at a cost of \$1,500.

12. **Fire & Emergency Services**

- a. Request for authorization to exchange an assigned vehicle for a vehicle in Fleet Services' inventory, and for approval of an additional vehicle for the department's fleet.
- b. Transmittal of annual audits for Rural Fire Prevention Districts Nos. 8, 16, and 24, and the treasurer's bond for Rural Fire Prevention District No. 20.
- c. Request for authorization for an employee to attend an interview techniques course July 16-18 in Houston at a cost of \$285.
- d. Request for authorization for the County Judge to execute an agreement with the Texas Engineering Extension Service regarding an employee's participation in the Texas Task Force-Federal Emergency Management Agency Urban Search and Rescue Team.
- e. Request for authorization to correct the address of the City of Webster in connection with an agreement for the county to pay \$3,525 for fire fighting and fire protection services for an unincorporated area of the county.
- f. Request for approval of a refund in the amount of \$100 for a fee paid for fire inspection for property located in the City of Houston.
- g. Request for approval of an agreement with Tom Petty for compensation to provide care and training for an accelerant detection canine assigned to the department.

13. **Medical Examiner**

Request for authorization for two employees to attend a forensic science course September 19-24 in Scottsdale, Ariz., at an approximate cost of \$2,700.

14. **County Clerk**

- a. Transmittal of an affidavit of substantial interest filed by Commissioner Radack concerning items on the court's agenda of June 5.
- b. Request for authorization for five employees to attend a management seminar August 2 in Houston at a total cost of \$825.
- c. Request for authorization for the County Clerk and three employees to attend the annual election law seminar July 28-31 in Austin at a total cost of \$1,908.
- d. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a computer maintenance workshop July 2-3 in Houston at a cost of \$900.

15. **District Clerk**

- a. Request for authorization for the County Judge to execute an annual letter to the Office of the Attorney General verifying that funds received under a payment processing reimbursement cooperative agreement are used to support and improve the county's IV-D child support case services.
- b. Request for authorization for two employees to travel to Fort Worth July 10 to observe the Tarrant County Child Support Monitoring Program at an approximate cost of \$400.

16. **County Attorney**

- a. Request for approval of litigation expenses for cases in the 189th District Court and County Civil Courts Nos. 1 and 2.
- b. Request for approval of orders authorizing suits and litigation expenses to compel compliance with regulations for construction of driveways and/or culverts on county easements at 13023 Old Richmond Road and 13107 Manison Court.
- c. Request for approval of an order authorizing settlement of a property damage claim in County Civil Court No. 1.
- d. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a building issues seminar June 29 in Houston at a cost of \$125.
- e. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a personal injury law course August 22-24 in Houston at a cost of \$505.

- f. Request for approval of an order authorizing resale by Spring Independent School District of property sold to the taxing unit pursuant to judgment in a delinquent tax suit.

17. **District Attorney**

Request for authorization to destroy certain records in connection with a records control schedule.

18. **Justices of the Peace**

- a. Request by Judge Patronella, JP 1.2, for authorization to contract with Omnibase in connection with a failure to appear program.
- b. Request by Judge Yeoman, JP 5.2, for approval of four additional clerk positions.

19. **County Courts**

Request for authorization for Judge Anderson, County Criminal Court No. 4, to attend a course of the American Academy of Judicial Education August 4-9 in Monterey, Calif., at an approximate cost of \$2,060.

20. **Probate Courts**

Request by Judge Austin, Court No. 1, for authorization for an employee to attend workshops on anger management and issues in treating the elderly June 21-22 in Houston at a cost of \$207.

21. **District Courts**

- a. Request for authorization for eight family district court judges and eight associate judges to attend an annual advanced family law conference August 6-9 in San Antonio at an approximate cost of \$14,400.
- b. Request for authorization for Judge Ray, administrative judge, to attend the State Bar's annual meeting and exposition June 14-16 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$750.
- c. Request for authorization for Judge Poe, 228<sup>th</sup> Court, to attend a training conference of the Texas Gang Investigators Association June 27-28 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$400.
- d. Request for approval of payment to the Houston Bar Association for alternative dispute resolution services.

22. **Fiscal Services & Purchasing**

a. **Auditor**

Request for approval of final payments in connection with completed construction and road projects and transmittal of audited claims.

b. **Tax Assessor-Collector**

1. Consideration of a resolution honoring Mary Lou Shields on the occasion of her retirement.
2. Request for approval of tax refund payments.

c. **Purchasing**

1. Recommendation that the award for processing, printing, and mailing of voter confirmation forms for the Tax Assessor-Collector's Office be made to Myriad Systems, Inc., in the amount of \$37,700 for the first year and \$30,900 for renewal years for the period beginning July 1.
2. Recommendation that the award for repair parts, labor, and related items for Navistar trucks and Cummins diesel engines for the county be made to International Trucks of Houston, lowest complete bid in the amount of \$56,757 for the period beginning July 1.
3. Recommendation that the award for maintenance and minor repair of water wells for the county be made to Gulf Utility Service, Inc., sole bid in the amount of \$29,640 for the period beginning June 20.
4. Request for approval of a renewal option with Emergency & Safety Products, E.S.P., Inc., for law enforcement vehicle partitions and related items for Fleet Services for the period of September 1-August 31, 2002.
5. Request for approval of a month-to-month extension not to exceed September 30 with Emergency & Safety Products for furnishing and delivering emergency lighting for police vehicles for the county.
6. Request for approval of a month-to-month extension with Air Liquide for welding supplies for the county for the period beginning July 1 and not exceeding September 30.
7. Recommendation to cancel a contract with Southwestern Camera Company for photographic film and cameras for the county and the Flood Control District.

8. Request for approval of a month-to-month extension with Charlie Thomas Houston, primary contractor, and Timmer's Chevrolet, secondary contractor for repair parts and labor for Chevrolet cars, trucks, and vans with GVWR less than 10,000 lbs., for the county and/or the Flood Control District for the period beginning July 1 and not exceeding September 30.
9. Request for authorization for the County Judge to execute agreements with Hart InterCivic for turnkey implementation of an election system for the county as prepared by the County Attorney's Office subject to equipment certification by the Secretary of State.
10. Recommendation that the award for operation of an emergency shelter and residential treatment program for youth of Children's Protective Services, Juvenile Probation, and TRIAD be made to Texas Center for Adolescent Rehabilitation and Education, Incorporated.
11. Recommendation that the award for batteries for automobiles, trucks, commercial and marine equipment for the county be made to Interstate Batteries of Houston, low bid meeting specifications in the amount of \$91,150.
12. Transmittal of cancellation of an agreement with Schott's Bakery on behalf of the Sheriff's Department effective July 31, leaving the ending date of December 31 effective for the Harris County Hospital District and all other county departments using this agreement.
13. Request for approval of a renewal option with Abbott Diagnostic Division for drug testing supplies for the Sheriff's Department for the period of September 1-August 31, 2002.
14. Request for approval of a renewal option with Career and Recovery Resources, Inc., for independent living instruction for the Children's Protective Services/PAL Program for the period of September 1-September 14, 2002.
15. Request for approval of a renewal option with All Professional Products, Inc., for odor control services for the Medical Examiner's Office for the period of September 1-August 31, 2002.
16. Request for approval of a renewal option with the Greater Houston Convention and Visitors Bureau for general promotion and tourist advertising for the county for the period of July 1-June 30, 2002 at a cost of \$795,000.
17. Request for approval of a renewal option with Motorola, Inc., for Motorola depot repair service for the Central Technology Center for the period of September 1-August 31, 2002.



18. Request for approval of a renewal option with National Window Cleaning Co., Inc., for exterior window cleaning services for the county for the period of October 1-September 30, 2002.
19. Request for approval of an order authorizing the County Judge to execute an agreement with ADAPT Counseling for sex offender counseling at Burnett-Bayland Reception Center for the Juvenile Probation Department for the period of June 1-May 31, 2002 in the amount of \$78,000.
20. Request that Ellyson F. Dyson, Jr., CPA, be granted a professional services exemption from the competitive bid process for H-GAC budgeting, reporting, training, and assistance services for the Community Development Department in the amount of \$72,000, and for the County Judge to take necessary action relating to the agreement, and authorization for payment of a purchase order for previous services provided by Mr. Dyson.
21. Request for approval of an order authorizing the County Judge to execute an amendment to an agreement with Cornelius D. Perry to convene and conduct permanency planning team meetings for children in the custody of Children's Protective Services in the additional amount of \$5,000 for a maximum of \$13,000.
22. Request that Gale Group, Inc., be granted a sole source exemption from the competitive bid process for GaleNet software including the database Literature Resource Center with Scribners Writers and Twayne's Authors modules for the County Library in the amount of \$94,590, and for the County Judge to take necessary action relating to the award.
23. Recommendation that bids for a digital voice dictation system for the Medical Examiner's Office be rejected and the revised specifications readvertised at a later date.
24. Request that Cerner Corporation be granted a sole source exemption from the competitive bid process for a software application upgrade for the Sheriff's Department Medical Division Pharmacy at an estimated total amount of \$28,770.
25. Request that BMC Software be granted a sole source exemption from the competitive process for the Control D & M, Best/1-datacenter and visualizer and capture/datacenter for the Central Technology Center in the amount of \$68,893.
26. Transmittal of notice of receipt of funds in the total amount of \$46,199 from the sale of recyclable materials, surplus and/or confiscated property items through the county's Internet Public Auction for the month of May.
27. Transmittal of a list of items to be sold via the county's Internet auction and to properly dispose of items not sold.

28. Transmittal of notice of receipt of funds in the total amount of \$22,096 for items sold at Houston Auto Auction on April 18 and 25 and May 2.
29. Recommendation for approval of a change in contract with Waste Management for Type IV non-putrescible, non-compacted solid waste for the county, the Flood Control District, the Harris County Hospital District, and Community Supervision & Corrections.
30. Recommendation that the award for paint and related items for the county and the Flood Control District be made to Paintco L.L.C., low bid in the amount of \$162,103 for the period beginning July 1.
31. Recommendation that bids for repair parts and labor for Chevrolet/GMC automobiles and trucks for the county be rejected and readvertsied at a later date.

23. **Commissioners Court**

a. **County Judge**

1. Consideration of a resolution designating June 22 as Kathleen Niemeyer Day in the county.
2. Consideration of a resolution designating June 20 as Monsignor Fred P. O'Connor Day in the county.
3. Request for approval for two employees and an assistant district attorney to travel to Dallas for one day to examine a juvenile justice database system during the last week of June at a total cost not to exceed \$1,800.

b. **Commissioner, Precinct 1**

1. Request for approval for an employee to attend a continuing education class of the National Safety Council July 9 in Dallas at an approximate cost of \$130.
2. Request for approval for an employee to attend an election law seminar July 29-31 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$600.

c. **Commissioner, Precinct 2**

d. **Commissioner, Precinct 3**

1. Request for authorization for the County Judge to execute a license renewal application to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Services, for animals exhibited in county parks.

2. Request for approval for the Houston Farm and Ranch Club to increase the price on certain concession stand items.
3. Request for approval to post signs prohibiting overnight parking of commercial motor vehicles in the Wingate Subdivision.

e. **Commissioner, Precinct 4**

1. Transmittal of notice of receipt of funds in amounts of \$80, \$93, and \$129 for reimbursement of personal telephone calls.
2. Transmittal of notice of receipt of funds in amounts of \$100, \$34, \$100, and \$38 for the senior adult program.
3. Transmittal of notice of receipt of funds in the amount of \$50 from Texas Department of Agriculture/State Comptroller for overpayment to the licensing system.
4. Request for authorization for an employee to attend an election law seminar July 29-August 1 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$585.
5. Request for authorization for two employees to attend a supervisory seminar July 5 in Stafford at an approximate cost of \$290.
6. Transmittal of traffic sign installations.

24. **Miscellaneous**

- a. Transmittal of petitions filed with the 269th and 280th District Courts.
- b. Transmittal by the Harris County Sports & Convention Corporation of a draft of an audit report for the fiscal year that ended February 28, 2001.
- c. Transmittal of annual financial statements for Rural Fire Prevention District No. 6.
- d. Request for approval of annual payments in connection with current interlocal agreements for participation in seven tax increment reinvestment zones.
- e. Request for approval of an order authorizing issuance of bonds by the Harris County Health Facilities Development Corporation for health facilities for St. Luke's Episcopal Hospital.

25. **Emergency items.**

26. **Appearances before court**

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

- a. Marshall Krops (3)
- b. Neal Massey (3)
- c. Charles Hixon (1)
- d. 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 Linebarger Heard Goggan Blair Graham Pena & Sampson for an executive session for discussion and possible action in the delinquent tax matter of TLC America, Inc., vs. Weston MUD, et al.
- b. Request by Public Infrastructure for an executive session for review of trust information in connection with purchase of Tracts N, P, Q, and R of the Hardy Toll Road extension project in Precinct 1.

Adjournment.