



# HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS

## COMMISSIONERS COURT

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Commissioner, Precinct 2

**Steve Radack**  
Commissioner, Precinct 3

**Jerry Eversole**  
Commissioner, Precinct 4

No. 02.12

### AGENDA

May 21, 2002

1:45 p.m.

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

1. Public Infrastructure Department
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  - b. Toll Road Authority
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  - d. Engineering
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4. Facilities & Property Management
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6. Social Services
7. Community Development Services
8. Youth & Family Services
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*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 submit a regional park grant application and a resolution to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for the Halls Bayou Greenway, Phase 1 Keith-Wiess Park project in Precinct 1.
2. Recommendation that the court approve an amendment to an agreement with Sander Engineering Corporation for professional engineering services in the amount of \$20,000 in connection with construction of measures to eliminate unallowable non-storm water discharges to various facilities in Precinct 3 to comply with the EPA NPDES permit requirements.
3. Recommendation that the award for maintenance vehicle/equipment wash facilities at George Bush and Bear Creek Parks in Precinct 3 be made to G & Z Contracting, Inc., in the amount of \$485,394, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions relating to the award.
4. Recommendation that the court approve a resolution and order authorizing the Flood Control District to issue a payment of \$1,950 for fixed moving expenses to Steve Boetcher for landowner relocation assistance for the Schiller Road detention site project in Precinct 3.
5. Recommendation that the court approve a resolution and order authorizing the Schiller Road detention site project in Precinct 3, decreeing the project to be a public necessity and convenience, and directing Right of Way on behalf of the Flood Control District to acquire Tracts 29-016.0, 29-027.0, 29-028.0, 29-030.0, 29-039.0, and 29-041.0, and to provide landowner relocation assistance, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the transactions.
6. Recommendation that the Flood Control District be authorized to sell an easement to the county for \$270,000 for roadway purposes for the Westpark Corridor project, Tract C001-002 in Precinct 3, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the transaction.
7. Recommendation that the court approve a resolution and order authorizing the Westpark Corridor project in Precinct 3, decreeing the project to be a public necessity and convenience, and directing Right of Way on behalf of the county to acquire Tract B001-058A, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the transaction.

8. 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, and directing Right of Way on behalf of the county to acquire Tracts 000 through 002, 004, 005, 007, 008, 011 through 013, 015 through 018, 020 through 023, 025 through 028, 030, 033 through 038 (Parts 1 and 2), 043, 044A, 047 through 054, and 058 through 061, and to provide landowner relocation assistance, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the transactions.
9. Transmittal of notices of road and bridge log changes.

b. **Toll Road Authority**

1. Recommendation for authorization for the County Judge and County Auditor to execute an agreement with Reliant Energy HL&P for reimbursement of right of way utility adjustments in the amount of \$22,300 for relocation of utility improvements for construction of the North Sam Houston Parkway direct connectors.
2. Recommendation for approval of payment in the amount of \$25,000 for the county to participate in sponsorship of the annual Texas 2002 Transportation Summit August 14-16 in Irving in support of a statewide effort to fund state transportation projects through equitable federal funding.
3. Recommendation for approval of an amendment to an agreement with A. I. & Associates, Inc., for additional engineering services for realignment of Westhollow Parkway, resulting in an addition of \$65,196 to the contract amount.
4. Recommendation that the award for the Westpark Tollway from west of Arc Road to Armstrong Road be made to Champagne Webber, Inc., Texas, in the amount of \$3,865,612 and for approval of payment of \$152,692 to AECOM Enterprises for construction management services; and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions relating to the award.
5. Request for authorization for the County Judge and County Auditor to execute an agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation for advanced funding of voluntary transportation improvement projects for construction of interchanges at Westpark Tollway and US 59, Beltway 8, and SH6 on the state highway systems.

c. **Flood Control District**

1. Recommendation that the County Judge be authorized to execute agreements with:
  - a. Julia A. Stevenson for livestock grazing purposes at Unit F101-06-02, Tract 01-701.0 in Precinct 2.

- b. Klotz Associates, Inc., for engineering services in the amount of \$224,855 for implementation of the Brays Bayou flood damage reduction plan for Unit D100-00-00 to prepare construction documents for Willow Waterhole Bayou detention facilities compartment 3, Unit D512-01-00 in Precinct 1.
2. Recommendation for approval of change in contracts for:
    - a. Champions Hydro-Lawn, Inc., for vegetation establishment and promotion in all precincts, resulting in an addition of \$137,540 to the contract amount (00/0417-01).
    - b. Cyrus Diversified, Inc., dba BonTerre Construction Company for general repairs in all precincts, resulting in an addition of \$15,000 to the contract amount (01/0077-01).
  3. Recommendation for authorization to negotiate interlocal agreements with the Texas Department of Transportation for design and construction of SH 288 over Brays Bayou in Precinct 1.
  4. Recommendation for approval of construction documents and authorization to seek bids for channel conveyance improvements and enclosure from Tower Oaks Boulevard to Mile Drive in the White Oak Bayou drainage area system in Precinct 3 at an estimated cost of \$2,190,000.
  5. Request for authorization for three employees to attend a public records research seminar June 4 in Houston at a total cost of \$125.
  6. Recommendation that the award for channel conveyance improvements from F101-06-00 to North L Street in Precinct 2 be made to Excalibur Construction Ltd., in the amount of \$158,784.
- d. **Engineering**
1. Recommendation for approval to seek bids for:
    - a. Furnishing and delivering of CGMP to Flood Control service center No. 3 for a two-week period at an estimated cost of \$26,000.
    - b. Replacement of bridge on Mohawk Lane at Unit P118-14-00 in Precinct 1 for a three-week period at an estimated cost of \$180,000.
    - c. Construction of Franz Road from Katy Hockley Cutoff Road to Grand Parkway in Precinct 3 for a three-week period at an estimated cost of \$5,985,891.
    - d. North Diamondhead Boulevard from Yacht Court to FM 2100 in Precinct 4 for a four-week period at an estimated cost of \$1,176,432.
    - e. Construction of paving drainage for Theiss Mail Route Road from Louetta Road to Champion Forest Drive and Theisswood Road from Theiss Mail Route Road to east of Theiss Mail Route Road in Precinct 4 for a three-week period at an estimated cost of \$2,673,100.

2. Recommendation for approval of the following plats:
  - a. Shapar & Sharon Razman in Precinct 4; HRS and Associates.
  - b. Northpointe Boulevard street dedication in Precinct 4; R.G. Miller Engineers.
  - c. Villages of Northpointe, Sections One through Three in Precinct 4; R.G. Miller Engineers.
  - d. Riata Ranch shopping center in Precinct 3; Texas Engineering and Mapping Company.
  - e. Sam Houston Center, Section One in Precinct 4; Cobourn Linseisen & Ratcliff, Incorporated.
  - f. Douglas E. Bundy Amenity Lake in Precinct 3; Brown & Gay Engineers, Incorporated.
  - g. Laurel Oaks, Section Seven in Precinct 4; Jones & Carter, Incorporated.
  - h. FM 1960 Inn Motel in Precinct 4; Surv-Tex Surveying Company.
  - i. United Methodist Church at Atascocita in Precinct 4; Hovis Surveying Company.
3. Recommendation for approval of a change in contract for Hubco, Inc., contractor for Howell-Sugarland Road from north of Empanada to Alief-Clodine Road and traffic signal installations at the intersections of Bellaire, Rio Bonito, and Alief-Clodine in Precinct 3, adding 11 calendar days and resulting in an addition of \$148,873 to the contract amount (27450).
4. Recommendation for authorization to negotiate with Van DeWiele Engineering, Inc., for engineering services for construction of Blackhawk Boulevard to southeast of Scarsdale Boulevard in Precinct 1.
5. Recommendation for deposit of funds received from:
  - a. Harris County Hospital District in the amount of \$463 for wage rate compliance services for March.
  - b. Pulte Homes in the amount of \$187,000 for construction of Ella Boulevard between Louetta Road and Spring Cypress Road in Precinct 4.
6. Recommendation for authorization for the County Judge to execute engineering services agreements with:
  - a. J.A. Costanza & Associates Engineering, Inc., in the amount of \$845,765 in connection with construction of Genoa-Red Bluff Road from Baywood Drive to east of Red Bluff Road in Precinct 2.
  - b. JNS Consulting Engineers, Inc., in the additional amount of \$71,280 in connection with construction of Clay Road from west of Elrod Road to west of Peek Road in Precinct 3 (amendment).
  - c. Parsons Brinckerhoff Quade & Douglas, Inc., in the amount of \$29,979 in connection with construction of West Little York Road to east of Queenston Boulevard in Precinct 3.
  - d. Van De Wiele Engineering, Inc., in the amount of \$356,989 in connection with construction of Kingsland Boulevard from the Grand Parkway to Katy-Fort Bend County Road in Precinct 3.

7. Recommendation that the award for Tom Bass Community Center roof renovation in Precinct 1 be made to Gulf Star Roofing and Sheetmetal, lowest and best bid in the amount of \$80,206, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions relating to the award.
8. Recommendation that the award for Greenhouse Road proposed paving and storm sewers from Morton Road to north of Clay Road in Precinct 3 be made to Hubco Construction, Ltd., lowest and best bid in the amount of \$3,065,418, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions relating to the award.
9. Recommendation that the award for intersection improvements to Pine Forest Lane at SH 6 in Precinct 3 be made to Hubco Construction, Ltd., lowest and best bid in the amount of \$196,618, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions relating to the award.
10. Recommendation that the court accept a substitute bond executed by Hartford Casualty Insurance Company on behalf of Harris County Fresh Water Supply District No. 61 for Hastings Green recreation area in Precinct 3.
11. Recommendation that the court accept an agreement for placement of private pavement over a public storm sewer easement within Villages of Langham Creek, Section One in Precinct 3.
12. Recommendation that the court approve the street name change of Hooper Road to Medical Complex Drive in Precinct 4.
13. Recommendation for authorization for two employees to attend the annual ESRI International User conference July 8-12 in San Diego at an approximate total cost of \$6,000.

2. **Management Services**

- a. Request for approval of orders authorizing acceptance of payments in connection with settlement of damages to county equipment and property in the total amount of \$4,877 and 13 workers compensation recoveries in the total amount of \$34,020; settlement of seven tort claims in the total amount of \$22,489; denial of three claims for damages; and transmittal of claims for damages received during the period which ended May 14.
- b. Request for approval of additional funds in the amount of \$8,000 for the annual Human Resources & Safety Training Conference for county employees May 22-23 at the Harris County Exposition Center at Reliant Park.
- c. Transmittal of investment transactions for the period of May 8-14 and maturities for May 15-21, and request for approval of changes in securities pledged for county funds.

- d. Request for approval of reimbursement by commercial paper to Fund 104 in connection with acquisition of property in Austin for the Conference of Urban Counties; approval of payments for interest due for commercial paper projects; and approval of quarterly remarketing fees for Toll Road variable rate bonds.
- e. Request for authorization for the director of Fleet Services to attend a meeting of the Southwest Chapter of the National Association of Fleet Administrators June 13-14 in Boerne at an estimated cost of \$150.
- f. Request for approval of authorized budget appropriation transfers for flood control and county departments.

3. **Central Technology Center**

- a. Request for authorization for an employee to attend an information storage capacity management conference June 9-13 in Las Vegas at an approximate cost of \$3,110.
- b. Request for authorization for an employee to attend the annual ESRI User Conference July 8-12 in San Diego at an approximate cost of \$1,900.

4. **Facilities & Property Management**

- a. Request for approval of an order authorizing purchase of a tract of land in the J.T. Harrell Survey and for the County Judge to execute on behalf of the county a special warranty deed that conveys to the county the property for Annex S at 9418 Jensen Drive.
- b. Request for authorization to renew an annual agreement with GAR Associates IX LLC for lease of space at 480 N. Sam Houston Parkway for the Fire Marshal.
- c. Request for approval of an agreement with the Harris County Department of Education for the Project Head Start Program to occupy a portion of Riley Chambers Park and Community Center at 808½ Magnolia in Crosby.
- d. Request for approval of a list of persons designated by an oversight committee for assignment of badges as part of the Frequent Courthouse Visitors Badge Program.

5. **Public Health & Environmental Services**

- a. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a convention of the American Nurses Association June 29-July 2 in Philadelphia at an approximate cost of \$1,785.
- b. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a funding committee meeting of the Texas Department of Health and the Texas Association of WIC Directors May 31 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$258.

- c. Request for authorization for four employees to attend a conference regarding transmissible diseases June 6-7 in Houston at a total cost of \$400.
- d. Request for approval of payment in the amount of \$220 for expenses incurred by two employees to attend a grant conference of the Texas Department of Health in Austin.
- e. Request for authorization for six employees to attend an infant nutrition training seminar July 22-24 in Houston at a total cost of \$360.

6. **Social Services**

Request for authorization for three employees to attend a law enforcement coordination workshop June 18-19 in New Orleans at an approximate total cost of \$1,650.

7. **Community Development Services**

- a. Request for approval of amendments to agreements with Hammersmith Financial, LP, and First Coastal Mortgage, LLC, to administer mortgage buydown, down payment, prepaid, and closing cost assistance programs for the benefit of low- and moderate-income residents to purchase homes.
- b. Request for approval of an agreement with Coalition for the Homeless of Houston/Harris County, Inc., to provide partial funding for a program of technical assistance for non-profit agencies who serve the homeless using Community Development Block Grant funds in the amount of \$175,000.
- c. Request for approval of an agreement with YMCA of the Greater Houston Area to provide partial funding for a one-week residential camping experience for low-to moderate-income children using Community Development Block Grant funds in the amount of \$20,000.
- d. Request for approval of orders authorizing deferred loans for low- and moderate-income mortgage buydown, down payment, prepaid, and closing cost assistance through Hammersmith Financial, Roberson Mortgage, and First Coastal Mortgage.

8. **Youth & Family Services**

- a. Request by Domestic Relations for authorization for an employee to attend a family law practice seminar June 20-21 in Houston at a cost of \$350.
- b. Request by Cooperative Extension for authorization for two employees to attend an extension agent training seminar May 28-29 in Kingsville at a total cost of \$530.
- c. Request by Cooperative Extension for authorization for two employees to travel to Brownwood June 26-29 to assist and supervise the 4-H delegation at the District 4H Leadership Lab at an approximate cost of \$300.



- d. Request by Cooperative Extension for authorization for two employees to travel to College Station June 11-13 to assist and supervise the 4-H delegation participating in the State 4-H Roundup Contests at an approximate cost of \$450.
- e. Request by Children's Protective Services for authorization for the director to attend a mental health training conference concerning children, adolescents, and their families July 12-14 in Washington, D.C., at an approximate cost of \$539.
- f. Request by CPS for authorization to provide food vouchers in increments of \$25 for youth of the Preparation for Adult Living Program at a total cost of \$2,000 to be reimbursed by the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services.
- g. Request by CPS for authorization for three employees to travel outside of the county as required during the fiscal year to provide independent living services to youth and to attend teen conferences and related events.
- h. Request by CPS for authorization for youth of the Preparation for Adult Living Program to travel outside of the county to attend conferences and training seminars during the fiscal year.
- i. Request by Children's Assessment Center for authorization to change the title of a position.
- j. Request by CAC for authorization for an employee to attend a special events planning workshop June 5 in Houston at a cost of \$50 plus mileage reimbursement.
- k. Request by CAC for authorization for an employee to attend luncheon sessions of the Houston Intown Chamber of Commerce July 11, September 12, and November 14 in Houston at a cost of \$75.
- l. Request by CAC for authorization for an employee to participate in the annual APSAC Colloquium May 29-June 1 in New Orleans at an approximate cost of \$842.

9. **Constables**

- a. Request by Constable Abercia, Precinct 1, for approval of changes in the department's authorized list of regular deputies.
- b. Request Constable Freeman, Precinct 2, for authorization for an employee to attend a computer data recovery class June 10-14 in Beaumont at a cost of \$550.
- c. Request by Constable Jones, Precinct 3, for approval of changes in the department's authorized lists of regular deputies and reserve officers.

- d. Request by Constable Hickman, Precinct 4, for authorization for an employee to attend a crisis management and violence prevention seminar June 5-7 in Galveston at a cost of \$195.
- e. Request by Constable Hickman for authorization for the County Judge to execute an acceptance notice for renewal of the Domestic Violence Unit grant from the Criminal Justice Division of the Office of the Governor.
- f. Request by Constable Cheek, Precinct 5, for authorization to appoint six deputies to fill vacant positions.
- g. Request by Constable Trevino, Precinct 6, for approval of payment in the amount of \$375 for three employees to attend an intoxilyzer operator certification course in Houston.
- h. Request by Constable Trevino for authorization to retain contract deputies of the H.I.S.D. Absent Student Assistance Program on the county payroll for the period of June 1-September 6.
- i. Transmittal of notice by Constable Bailey, Precinct 8, of renewal of an official bond and oath for a reserve officer.
- j. Request by Constable Bailey for authorization to retain a vehicle as a spare unit for the Toll Road Division.

10. **Sheriff**

- a. Request for authorization to change the title and general ledger code of a position.
- b. Request for authorization to accept grant funds in the amount of \$750,000 for the Community Oriented Policing Services Universal Hiring Program for 10 patrol officer positions.
- c. Request for authorization to submit an application to the Texas Department of Health for annual grant funds in the amount of \$385,187 to continue to provide HIV prevention services for jail inmates.
- d. Request for authorization to submit an application to the Automobile Theft Prevention Authority for annual grant funds in the amount of \$1,094,005 for continuation of the Auto Theft Division.
- e. Request for authorization for two employees to attend a training conference of the National Association of Extradition Officials June 9-12 in South Lake Tahoe, Calif., at an approximate cost of \$2,630.

- f. Request for authorization for seven employees to attend a leadership seminar for support staff in criminal justice June 10-13 in Galveston at a total cost of \$3,884.
- g. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a personnel law conference June 13-14 in Houston at a cost of \$420.
- h. Request for authorization for six employees to attend an educational training conference of the International Association for Identification June 13-15 in Abilene at a cost of \$1,815, with travel by county vehicle.
- i. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a rape aggression defense class June 17-19 in Austin at a cost of \$530, with travel by county vehicle.
- j. Request for authorization for 12 employees to attend the Texas D.A.R.E. Officers Conference June 18-21 in Beaumont at a cost of \$4,995, with travel by county vehicle.

11. **Fire & Emergency Services**

- a. Transmittal of the treasurer's bond and audit report for Rural Fire Prevention District No. 13.
- b. Request for authorization for the Fire Marshal to attend a committee meeting of the Texas Fire Chiefs Association May 23-24 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$290.
- c. Request for authorization to change a fire inspection fee schedule to allow partial cost recovery for inspections associated with fireworks retail sales; and for approval to change the schedule to clarify certain parts and the description of and inspection process for foster homes.
- d. Transmittal of the annual audits for calendar years 2000 and 2001 for Rural Fire Prevention District No. 16.

12. **Medical Examiner**

- a. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a security seminar for receptionists June 27 in Houston at a cost of \$212.
- b. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a management seminar June 3 in Houston at a cost of \$179.

13. **County Clerk**

- a. Transmittal of affidavits of substantial interest filed by Commissioners Radack concerning items on the court's agenda of May 14.
- b. Transmittal of the court's minutes for the meeting of April 16.

14. **District Clerk**

Request for authorization to provide an online service to allow the public to access judicial records from the department's homepage.

15. **County Attorney**

- a. Request for approval of orders authorizing litigation expenses in connection with cases in County Civil Courts Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 4, Probate Court No. 3, and U.S. District Court.
- b. Request for approval of an order authorizing suit and litigation expenses to compel compliance with the Texas Health & Safety Code by G and S Construction, Inc., in the 2700 block of Cypresswood, 600 block of Baker Road, 11900 block of Will Clayton Parkway, 18100 block of Noble Forest, and the 1900 block of Decker Drive.

16. **District Attorney**

- a. Request for authorization to pay a former assistant district attorney to review the organizational restructuring of the department for the period of June 1-December 31.
- b. Request for authorization to issue a check in the amount of \$45,000 to the Clerk of the Supreme Court for State Bar membership dues for 234 assistant district attorneys.

17. **County Courts**

Request for authorization to reclassify a regular clerk position to a model clerk position.

18. **Probate Courts**

- a. Request for authorization for Judge Austin, Court No. 1, and an employee to attend an estate planning and probate course June 5-7 in Dallas at a total cost of \$1,625.
- b. Request by Judge Austin for authorization for two employees to attend an anger management course June 10 in Houston at a total cost of \$288.

19. **District Courts**

- a. Request for authorization for Judge Craft, 11th Court, to attend a mediation training course July 11-13 in Dallas at a cost of \$1,650.
- b. Request for authorization for Judge Barr, 182nd Court, and Judge Huffman, 183rd Court, to attend a criminal law seminar June 6-8 in San Antonio at a cost of \$3,000.
- c. Request for authorization for Judge Krockner, 184th Court, to attend an assertive community treatment conference June 19-21 in Chicago at a cost of \$1,470.

- d. Request for authorization for Associate Judge Parks, 247th Court, to attend a family law practice seminar June 20-21 in Houston at a cost of \$35.
- e. Request for authorization for Juvenile Courts Associate Judge/Referee Malazzo to attend the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Conference July 14-17 in Boston at a cost of \$1,920.
- f. Request for approval of payment to the Houston Bar Association for alternative dispute resolution services.

20. **Courts of Appeals**

Request by Chief Justice Brister, 14th Court, for authorization for an employee to attend a conference on state and federal appeals June 5-7 in Austin at a cost of \$175.

21. **Fiscal Services & Purchasing**

a. **Auditor**

- 1. Request for approval of final payments to:
  - a. AAA Asphalt Paving for Grace Lane and Wallisville Road pavement and storm damage repairs in Precinct 2.
  - b. DCE Construction, Inc., for repairs/replacement of concrete pavement, curbs, driveways, sidewalks, and related items in the Lyons Camp area in Precinct 4.
  - c. J Mac, Inc., for bulkhead replacement at River Terrace Park in Precinct 2.
  - d. Lecon, Inc., for channel restoration of Langham Creek laterals.
- 2. Transmittal of certification of supplemental estimates of revenue received for various funds and grants.
- 3. Request for approval of orders establishing new bank accounts for the Office of Financial Services in connection with Flood Control refunding bonds.
- 4. Request for authorization for four employees to participate in a teleseminar sponsored by NALGA May 28 in Houston at an approximate cost of \$195.
- 5. Transmittal of audited claims.

b. **Tax Assessor-Collector**

- 1. Request for approval of a resolution congratulating James E. Browning on the occasion of his retirement.
- 2. Request for approval of resolutions and orders authorizing an added penalty under Sections 33.07 and 33.08 of the Texas Property Tax Code for delinquent 2001 taxes for Harris County and the Flood Control District.

3. Request for authorization for an employee to attend an election day workshop May 29 in San Antonio at no cost to the county, with travel by county vehicle.
4. Request for authorization for an employee to attend an annual conference of the International Association of Clerks, Recorders, Election Officials and Treasurers June 17-21 in Kansas City, Mo., at an approximate cost of \$1,500.
5. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a writing seminar July 26 in Houston at a cost of \$169.
6. Request for approval of tax refund payments.

c. **Purchasing**

1. Request for authorization to seek bids for:
  - a. Vacuum steam sterilizer for Public Health.
  - b. Rubber stamps and related items for the county.
  - c. Exterior cleaning of buildings for the county.
  - d. Inmate blankets for the Sheriff's Department.
  - e. Uniforms and related items for Constable, Precinct 3.
  - f. Public relations campaign for Tropical Storm Allison recovery project for the Flood Control District.
  - g. All risk property insurance for Reliant Stadium.
2. Transmittal of a list of computer-related items obtained through the State of Texas vendor program for Housing & Community Development.
3. Transmittal of a change in contract with Great Southwest Paper Co., contractor for janitorial and household products for the county, resulting in a reduction of \$6,717 from the contract amount (00581).
4. Recommendation that the award to furnish emergency response for hazardous material incident handling for the county be made to Eagle Construction and Environmental Services, L.P., in the amount of \$216,181 for the period beginning June 1.
5. Recommendation for authorization for the County Judge to execute an amendment to an agreement with Housing and Development Software, LLC, for software license, maintenance, and technical support for Community Development.
6. Recommendation that bids for repair and preventive maintenance of out-of-warranty computer equipment for the Sheriff's Department be rejected and readvertised.

7. Recommendation that the award for sod cutting and relocating of vegetation for the Flood Control District be made to Chipco Environmental Services, Inc., in the amount of \$431,250 beginning June 1.
8. Request for approval of a renewal option with Worldcom for two T3 Internet connectivity lines and firewall in the amount of \$204,829 for the period of June 1- May 31, 2003.
9. Request for approval of a renewal option with Engine Support Corporation for furnishing and delivering high performance oil filtration systems for the county in the amount of \$47,014 for the period of August 1-July 31, 2003.
10. Request for approval of orders authorizing the County Judge to execute amendments to agreements with Houston Area Community Services, The Block, Saint Hope Foundation, AIDS Foundation Houston, Bering Omega Community Services, Brentwood Community Foundation, Family Service Center, The Houston Challenge Foundation, Houston Volunteer Lawyers, Montrose Clinic, NAACP, Southeast Texas Legal Clinic, Harris County Social Services Dept., Bread of Life, Donald R. Watkins Memorial Foundation, The Life Center, Inc., Montrose Counseling Center, Amigos Volunteers in Education & Services, The Assistance Fund, New Hope Counseling Center, People With AIDS Coalition-Houston, Inc., UTHSC, Harris County Hospital District, and Veterans Administration Medical Center for Ryan White Title I Services for the county for the period ending February 28, 2003.
11. Request for approval of an order authorizing the County Judge to execute an amendment to an agreement with Houston Area Community Services for Ryan White Title I Services for Public Health/HIV Services Division in the amount of \$400,000.
12. Request that Marine Sonic Technology, Ltd., be granted a sole source exemption from the competitive bid process for a sea scan PC and side scan sonar system.
13. Request for authorization for the Purchasing Agent to attend the South Texas County Judges and Commissioners Association Conference as a speaker June 20-21 in Corpus Christi at an estimated cost of \$150.
14. Recommendation that the county adopt a set of standards recommended by the Law Enforcement Standardization Committee for equipment for law enforcement vehicles.
15. Request for authorization for a list of county surplus and/or confiscated property to be sold at Internet auction and for disposal of unsold surplus items.

16. Request that TransCore L.P., be granted a sole source exemption from the competitive bid process for EZ Tags for the Toll Road Authority in the amount of \$9,733,250.
17. Request for approval of a renewal option with Hart InterCivic, Inc., for software license, support and maintenance for the electronic voting system in the amount of \$496,600 for the period of June 19-June 18, 2003.

22. **Commissioners Court**

a. **County Judge**

1. Consideration of a resolution designating May 21 as Detective Elthmond 'Butch' Porter Day on the occasion of his retirement from the Sheriff's Department.
2. Consideration of a resolution designating May 21 as John Washington Day on the occasion of his retirement from the District Clerk's Office.
3. Consideration of a resolution designating the month of June as Harris County Employees Savings Bonds Month.
4. Transmittal of letters from Terry Julian, Executive Director of the Texas Commission on Jail Standards, concerning secure adult holding facilities located within a number of constables' offices, and request that the director of Facilities & Property Management work with the Texas Commission on Jail Standards and advise the court as to whether the holding facilities in question meet minimum jail standards.
5. Request for discussion and possible action regarding appointment of Colleen Morimoto to the Joint City/County Commission on Children.
6. Request by the Office of Emergency Management for approval to create three intern positions for the Precinct 1 Summer Work Program.

b. **Commissioner, Precinct 1**

1. Consideration of a resolution recognizing May 24 as Marlise Armstrong Day on the occasion of her retirement from the Houston Independent School District.
2. Consideration of a resolution recognizing May 24 as Reverend Homer D. Williams Day on the occasion of his retirement from the Blueridge United Methodist Church.

c. **Commissioner, Precinct 2**

1. Request for approval of mileage reimbursement in the amount of \$58 for an employee who traveled to Galveston on county business.



2. Request for approval to budget \$15,000 for the SPARKS program for the 2002-03 school year for parks development for Jackson Middle, Lyons Elementary, and Janowski Elementary Schools.
3. Request for approval for four employees to attend an emergency care attendant course at San Jacinto College beginning in June in Houston a total cost of \$1,075.
4. Request for approval of concession price lists for various leagues at parks in Precinct 2.

d. **Commissioner, Precinct 3**

1. Request for approval to accept the donation of a television and stand from the Houston Underwater Club to be used at Tracy Gee Community Center.
2. Request for approval to post signs prohibiting overnight parking of commercial motor vehicles in the Lancaster Subdivision.
3. Request for authorization for the County Judge to execute an agreement with Covenant Lutheran Church for cleanup along the roadsides of Hudson Oaks from Clay Road to Saums Road in connection with the Adopt a County Road program for the period of June 15-June 14, 2003.

e. **Commissioner, Precinct 4**

1. Consideration of a resolution commemorating May 2 as the opening day of the Thomas R. Wussow Park and the City View Park in the Greenspoint area.
2. Request for approval to use three county vans for field trips to Sea Center of Texas in Lake Jackson July 12, 19, and August 2 for students in the Summer Nature Camp Program at Jesse Jones Park.
3. Request for authorization to submit a supplemental payroll for an employee to correct an error.
4. Transmittal of notice of receipt of funds in the amount of \$420 donated from various organizations in connection with the Senior Adult Program.
5. Request for discussion and possible action regarding reappointment of Paul Bettencourt to the Harris County Appraisal District Board of Directors.
6. Request for approval to reappoint Jerald E. Redmon to the board of the Harris County Housing Finance Corporation.
7. Request for approval of a letter to the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission regarding recommended changes to state rules on recycling facilities.

23. **Miscellaneous**

- a. Transmittal of petitions filed with the 11th and 295th District Courts and County Civil Court No. 3.
- b. Transmittal of notice by Pinnacle Achievement Academy, Inc., of intent to apply for an open-enrollment charter school at 2918 San Jacinto Street.
- c. Transmittal of notice by Mt. Zion School and Daycare of intent to apply for an open-enrollment charter school at 9318 Homestead Road.

24. **Emergency items.**

25. **Public hearing**

Consideration of approval of a regional park grant application to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department for Halls Bayou Greenway, Phase 1 Keith-Wiess Park in the amount of \$1.5 million.

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. **Grievance Appeal:** Cheryl Norris, employee of Juvenile Probation, has requested an appeal in open court of a grievance heard by the Grievance Resolutions Committee on January 31, 2002.
- b. 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.*

Adjournment.