

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING

February 2, 2007

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Commissioners Court of Harris County, Texas, will be held on **Tuesday, February 6, 2007 at 10:00 a.m.** in the Courtroom of the Commissioners Court of Harris County, Texas, on the ninth floor of the Harris County Administration Building, 1001 Preston Avenue, Houston, Texas, for the purpose of considering and taking action on matters brought before the Court.

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No. 07.03

AGENDA

February 6, 2007

10:00 a.m.

Opening prayer by Pastor Juan Gutierrez of Iglesia Amistad Christian Church in South Houston.

1. Public Infrastructure Department
 - a. Public Infrastructure
 - b. Right of Way
 - c. Toll Road Authority
 - d. Construction Programs
 - e. Flood Control District
 - f. Engineering
 2. Management Services
 3. Information Technology
 4. Facilities & Property Management
 5. Public Health & Environmental Services
 6. Community & Economic Development
 7. Library Services
 8. Youth & Family Services
 9. Constables
 10. Sheriff
 11. Fire Marshal
 12. Medical Examiner
 13. County Clerk
 14. District Clerk
 15. County Attorney
 16. District Attorney
 17. District Courts
 18. Travel & Training
 - a. Out of Texas
 - b. In Texas
 19. Grants
 20. Fiscal Services & Purchasing
 - a. Auditor
 - b. Treasurer
 - c. Tax Assessor-Collector
 - d. Purchasing
 21. Commissioners Court
 - a. County Judge
 - b. Commissioner, Precinct 1
 - c. Commissioner, Precinct 2
 - d. Commissioner, Precinct 3
 - e. Commissioner, Precinct 4
 22. Miscellaneous
 23. Emergency items
 24. Public Hearing
 25. Executive Session
 26. Appearances before court
- Adjournment*

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.

The agenda is available on the internet at www.co.harris.tx.us/agenda.

1. **Public Infrastructure Department**

a. **Public Infrastructure**

1. Recommendation that the Flood Control District to be authorized to negotiate with TCB, Inc., for environmental consulting services for the district's federal projects.
2. Recommendation for approval of an amendment to a purchase order adding \$40,000 for the City of Houston water supply and groundwater reduction plan retail agreement for regulatory area 3 of the Harris-Galveston Coastal Subsidence District, and to make a prepayment of \$60,000 in lieu of monthly payments.
3. Recommendation for authorization to negotiate engineering services with the Science Applications International Corporation team including S&B Infrastructure, Ltd., and Shrader Engineering Co., for preparation of a preliminary engineering report covering installation and operation of a sophisticated surveillance system for the Houston Ship Channel.

b. **Right of Way**

1. Recommendation that the court approve resolutions and orders authorizing projects, decreeing public necessity and convenience, and directing acquisition of specific property on behalf of the county, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete transactions for:
 - a. Eight specific tracts from Woodforest Boulevard to north of Wallisville Road for the Dell Dale Road project in Precinct 2.
 - b. Two specific tracts at North Eldridge Parkway and West Little York Road for the North Eldridge Parkway at West Little York Road project in Precinct 4.
 - c. A specific tract from Cutten Road to future Hollister Road for the West Greens Road project in Precinct 4.
 - d. Two specific tracts at the northeast corner of East Sam Houston Parkway North and Highway 90 for the Beltway East detention sites project in Precinct 2.
 - e. Twelve specific tracts north of Ellis School Road to north of SH 330 for the Thompson Road-1 project in Precinct 2.
 - f. Seven specific tracts from US 290 to approximately one mile north for the Mueschke Road-3 project in Precinct 3.
2. Recommendation that the court approve resolutions and orders authorizing projects, decreeing public necessity and convenience, and directing acquisition of specific property in Precinct 4 on behalf of the Flood Control District, to provide landowner relocation assistance up to \$22,500, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete transactions for:
 - a. Six specific tracts in the Woodland Trails West and Woodland Oaks subdivisions for the DR-1606-040 project.
 - b. Eight specific tracts in the Ponderosa Forest and Norchester subdivisions for the FMAP-7 project.

3. Recommendation for authorization for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete transactions, and for the court to approve resolutions and orders authorizing purchases on behalf of the:
 - a. Flood Control District, Tracts 07-003.0 through 07-005.0 of the Spring Creek Greenway Carter project in Precinct 3 for the negotiated price not to exceed \$750,000, 100% of the appraised value.
 - b. County, Tracts 007 and 008 for the T.C. Jester Boulevard-2 project in Precinct 4 for the negotiated total price of \$2,420, \$605 over the appraised value of each tract.
 - c. Harris County Hospital District, Tract 001 for the Baytown Community Health Center expansion project in Precinct 2 for the negotiated price of \$490,000, 103% of the appraised value.
 4. Recommendation that the court approve a resolution and order authorizing the Cypress Creek land acquisition project, three specific tracts adjacent to and along the southern line of Cypress Creek in Precinct 4, decreeing the project to be a public necessity and convenience, and directing to acquire specific property on behalf of the Flood Control District, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the transactions.
 5. Recommendation that the court approve a resolution and order authorizing the county to accept donation of Tracts 001 and 002 for the West Richey Road-1 project in Precinct 4.
 6. Recommendation that the court approve a resolution and order declaring Tract 001 at 6425 Chimney Rock Road, Chimney Rock Center in Precinct 3, to be surplus property, and authorizing on behalf of the county sale of the tract by public auction for a minimum bid of \$4,310,000, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the transaction.
 7. Recommendation that the court approve a resolution and order authorizing the county to abandon its interest in Tract 001 from the west line of Henry Street for the Pear Avenue abandonment project in Precinct 1, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the transaction.
- c. **Toll Road Authority**
1. Recommendation for authorization to execute an agreement with PB Americas, Inc., dba Parsons Brinckerhoff Americas, Inc., for engineering services in the amount of \$287,000 for a drainage impact study for a portion of the Hardy Toll Road from North Loop 610 to the Greens Bayou watershed limit near Richey Road in Precincts 1, 2, and 4, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the transaction.

2. Request for authorization to seek bids for:
 - a. Installation of an emergency generator for Dairy Ashford EZ Tag Store, Westside Service Center, and Fort Bend Parkway toll plaza in Precincts 1, 2, and 4 at an estimated cost of \$1,166,550.
 - b. Replacement of existing pavement markings from south of US 59 to Jacintoport Boulevard in Precincts 1 and 2 at an estimated cost of \$4,006,426.
 - c. Rehabilitation of the Verdi Pump Station at 320 W. Sam Houston Parkway North in Precinct 3 at an estimated cost of \$1,326,930.
3. Request for approval of an amendment to a sublease agreement between the county and TransCore, LP, a Delaware limited partnership, in the amount of \$35,000 to expand the scope of the build-out and installation of additional improvements for the Westside Service Center at 2707 West Sam Houston Parkway North, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the transaction.
4. Request for approval of an amendment to a purchase order for Frank J. Dillard & Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$22,876 for additional engineering services for the 330 Meadowfern generator project.
5. Request for approval of a cellular phone allowance for an employee.

d. **Construction Programs**

1. Request for approval of changes in contracts with:
 - a. Jerdon Enterprise, LP, contractor for the Westpark Tollway extension project, resulting in an addition of \$7,363 to the contract amount.
 - b. Manhattan Construction Company, contractor for the Harris County parking garage expansion project, adding 10 calendar days and resulting in an addition of \$17,083 to the contract amount.
 - c. Texas Sterling Construction, LP, contractor for mainlane widening and entrance and exit ramp improvements to the Sam Houston Tollway, adding five days and resulting in no change to the contract amount.
 - d. Infrastructure Services, Inc., contractor for mainlane widening and concrete thin bonded overlay from south of Beechnut to south of Town Park for the Sam Houston Tollway, adding four days and resulting in no change to the contract amount.
2. Recommendation that the County Judge be authorized to execute an amendment to an agreement with Quadrant Consultants, Inc., in the additional amount of \$100,000 to continue construction management and/or inspection services in connection with various tollway projects.

e. **Flood Control District**

1. Recommendation that the County Judge be authorized to execute agreements with:
 - a. Carol A. Simmons for lease of Unit W100-00-00, Tract 20-007.0 along the western boundary lines of Lots 1 through 3 in the Buffalo Bayou Bend Subdivision in Precinct 3.
 - b. W. Gorman Morris dba Morris Tractor in the amount of \$3,000 for construction of regional detention basin No. M525-01-00 in the Willow Creek watershed in Precinct 4.
2. Recommendation that Units D500-09-00, D524-01-00, D532-02-00 through D532-04-00, D542-01-00, and D542-02-00 in the Brays Bayou watershed and Units W542-01-00 and W542-02-00 in the Buffalo Bayou watershed in Precinct 3 be added to the district's maintenance system for identification purposes.
3. Recommendation that the court approve contract and bonds for Lecon, Inc., in the amount of \$556,072 for channel restoration from the Hardy Airport connector to Rankin Road, Unit P140-00-00 in Precinct 4.
4. Recommendation for authorization to identify, investigate, and acquire right of way within the Halls Bayou watershed, Unit P118-00-00 in Precincts 1 and 2.
5. Recommendation for authorization to purchase two replacement cellular phones with continuing service.
6. Recommendation that corrections be made for awards approved January 23 to:
 - a. Excalibur Excavation, LP, for erosion repairs upstream of Lakeview Drive in Precinct 4 in the amount of \$158,605.
 - b. Lonnie Lischka Company, LP, for Morton Road channel modifications from Mason Road to South Mayde Creek in Precinct 3 in the amount of \$2,127,228.

f. **Engineering**

1. Recommendation for authorization to seek bids for:
 - a. Flood proofing of the county jail at 1301 Franklin Avenue for a three-week period at an estimated cost of \$383,000.
 - b. On-call slip lining in Precinct 1 for a three-week period at an estimated cost of \$400,000.
 - c. Proposed outfall replacement for Leming Court sinkhole in Precinct 2 for a three-week period at an estimated cost of \$30,000.

- d. Moving and maintenance contract for central parks in Precinct 2 for a two-week period at an estimated cost of \$202,000.
 - e. Reconstruction of eight roads in the Cypress N. Houston area in Precinct 3 for a three-week period at an estimated cost of \$650,000.
 - f. 500 tons of lime slurry for various jobsites in Precinct 3 for a two-week period at an estimated cost of \$55,000.
2. Recommendation for approval of the following plats:
- a. Tajian Development in Precinct 3; Doshi Engineering and Surveying Company.
 - b. Summerwood Woodson Park Drive-Summer Palmetto Drive from Sam Houston Tollway to Westlake Houston Parkway street dedication in Precinct 1; Costello, Incorporated.
 - c. Harris-Fort Bend Counties MUD No. 3 water plant site in Precinct 3; VanDeWiele Engineering Incorporated.
 - d. Houston Mission Office in Precinct 4; Hovis Surveying Company.
 - e. Nueces Park Place, Section One in Precinct 4; Jones & Carter, Incorporated.
 - f. Bridgewater Place, Section Two in Precinct 3; Provident Engineers, Incorporated.
 - g. Advance Auto Huffmeister Road Subdivision in Precinct 3; Carter & Burgess, Incorporated.
 - h. Auburn Lakes Reserve, Section One, amending plat in Precinct 4; Jones & Carter, Incorporated.
 - i. Cho Plaza Subdivision in Precinct 3; Billips Design Management.
 - j. Hessed Development No. 6 in Precinct 4; Eby Engineers, Inc., and Hovis Surveying Company.
 - k. Freeport Tech in Precinct 4; Lin Engineering, Incorporated.
 - l. Rover Oaks in Precinct 3; S&V Surveying, Incorporated.
 - m. Remington Ranch, Section 12, amending plat in Precinct 4; Edminster Hinshaw Russ and Associates.
 - n. Mount Royal Village, Section Two in Precinct 1; Edminster Hinshaw Russ and Associates.
 - o. Casa De Dios Y Puerta Del Cielo in Precinct 4; Edminster, Hinshaw, Russ and Associates.
 - p. Spring Cypress at Ella Blvd., in Precinct 4; Civil-Surv Land Surveying, L.C., and Lentz Engineering, L.C.
 - q. Boothe Development in Precinct 4; Thomas Land Surveying.
 - r. Hunters Terrace Drive street dedication in Precinct 4; Edminster Hinshaw Russ and Associates.
 - s. Tire Max of Spring in Precinct 4; Texas Engineering and Mapping Company.
 - t. Seven Oaks North Subdivision in Precinct 4; BHA Hutchison & Associates.
3. Recommendation for cancellation of bonds for:
- a. Genstar Summerwood, LP, executed by American Motorists Insurance Company in the amount of \$49,260 for Lake Forest Village, Section Three in Precinct 1.

- b. Genstar Summerwood, LP, executed by Arch Insurance Company in the amount of \$34,080 for Summerwood, Section 22 in Precinct 1.
 - c. George Wimpey of Texas, Inc., executed by Seaboard Surety Company in the amount of \$7,150 for Aberdeen Business Park, Section One in Precinct 3.
 - d. Eagle Ranch West Developers, Ltd., executed by Liberty Mutual Fire Insurance Company in the amount of \$39,725 for Eagle Ranch West, Section One in Precinct 3.
 - e. K. Hovnanian of Houston, LP, executed by St. Paul Fire and Marine Insurance Company in the amount of \$24,726 for Lakeville, Section One in Precinct 3.
 - f. K. Hovnanian of Houston, LP, executed by Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland in the amount of \$22,268 for Lakeville, Section Four in Precinct 3.
 - g. Triton Lots, Inc., executed by Safeco Insurance Company of America in the amount of \$43,200 for Mason Lakes, Section Two in Precinct 3.
 - h. Meadow Interests, Ltd., executed by Safeco Insurance Company of America in the amount of \$27,315 for Sunset Meadow, Section One in Precinct 3.
 - i. Woodmere Development Co., Ltd., executed by Western Surety Company in the amount of \$20,310 for Westfield Terra, Section Seven in Precinct 3.
 - j. KB Home Lone Star, LP, executed by Hartford Fire Insurance Company in the amount of \$34,360 for Kenswick Forest, Section Three in Precinct 4.
 - k. Woodmere Development Co., Ltd., executed by Western Surety Company in the amount of \$27,000 for Northview Place, Section Four in Precinct 4.
 - l. Beazer Homes Texas, LP, executed by Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America in the amount of \$30,196 for Sycamore Bend, Section One in Precinct 4.
4. Recommendation for approval of changes in contracts for:
- a. Preferred Technologies, Inc., contractor for maintenance of traffic signal communications systems and related improvements at various locations in the county, resulting in an addition of \$4,454 to the contract amount (060037-2).
 - b. Lucas Construction Company, Inc., contractor for proposed new concrete roadway and parking lots for El Franco Lee Park in Precinct 1, adding 27 calendar days and resulting in an addition of \$13,423 to the contract amount (060137-1).
 - c. Reytec Construction Resources, contractor for C.E. King Parkway from Tidwell Road to Beaumont Highway in Precinct 1, adding 39 calendar days and resulting in a reduction of \$378,711 from the contract amount (040178-3).
 - d. Angel Brothers Enterprises, Inc., contractor for reconstruction of Haden Road and Diamond Alkali in Precinct 2, adding three calendar days and resulting in an addition of \$135,130 to the contract amount (060138-1).
 - e. Southwest Signal Supply, Inc., contractor for traffic signal and related improvements at the intersection of Fry Road and Mound Road in Precinct 3, resulting in an addition of \$6,395 to the contract amount (060075-1).
 - f. Economic Construction, Inc., contractor for culvert extension on Huffsmith Kuykendahl and on Spring-Cypress in Precinct 4, adding 67 calendar days and resulting in an addition of \$14,616 to the contract amount (060048-1).

- g. John Reed and Company, Ltd., contractor for Dowdell Road realignment and Dowdell Gully bridge replacement in Precinct 4, adding four calendar days and resulting in a reduction of \$1,781 from the contract amount (060119-1).
 - h. Pace Services, LP, contractor for construction of paving, drainage, and traffic signal improvements on Greens Road in Precinct 4, resulting in an addition of \$102,183 to the contract amount (050388-1).
 - i. Triple B Services, Inc., contractor for proposed football/soccer fields and parking lots for Crosby Park in Precinct 4, adding 43 calendar days and resulting in an addition of \$40,450 to the contract amount (060134-1).
5. Recommendation for authorization for the County Judge to execute on-call environmental/engineering services agreements with:
- a. Corrigan Consulting, Inc., in the amount of \$11,826 in connection with the downtown fueling center at 1320 Preston.
 - b. Corrigan Consulting, Inc., in the amount of \$38,196 in connection with the Hardy Service Center in Precinct 1.
 - c. Crouch Environmental Services, Inc., in the amount of \$100,000 in connection with Hayden Road in Precinct 2.
 - d. Carter & Burgess, Inc., in the amount of \$500,000 in connection with upgrading an existing security system at the county jail at 701 North San Jacinto and replacing an existing intercom system at the county inmate processing center at 1201 Commerce.
 - e. LJA Engineering & Surveying, Inc., in the amount of \$231,788 in connection with construction of Hollister Road from West Greens Road to Bourgeois Road in Precinct 4.
6. Recommendation for authorization to negotiate with:
- a. Corrigan Consulting, Inc., for on-call environmental services in connection with Hardy Service Center in Precinct 1.
 - b. Clark Condon Associates for landscape architectural services in connection with design of improvements to the Lynchburg Ferry Park site in Precinct 2.
 - c. Crouch Environmental Services, Inc., for environmental services in connection with Haden Road and Diamond Alkali Road in Precinct 2.
 - d. Shaw Environmental & Infrastructure, Inc., for environmental services for proposed Leonel Castillo Community Center in Precinct 2.
 - e. Crouch Environmental Services, Inc., for proposed John R. Harris Park in Precinct 2.
 - f. Pepe Engineering, Inc., for engineering services in connection with construction of Cypress North Houston from Westgate Road to North Eldridge Parkway in Precinct 3.
 - g. Sander Engineering Corporation for engineering services in connection with construction of Holzwarth Road from Louetta Road to Spring-Cypress Road in Precinct 4.

7. Recommendation for authorization for the County Auditor to pay monthly utility bills and that the County Judge be authorized to execute service outlet location statements with CenterPoint Energy for installation of electrical meters to provide electrical power for traffic signals at:
 - a. 18528½ and 18910½ Morton Road for the intersections of Morton Road and Dulaney Road and Morton Road and Eagle Ridge Way in Precinct 3.
 - b. 25011 W. Hardy for Arthur Bayer Park in Precinct 4.
8. Recommendation for authorization to renew a contract with AHS Texas Enterprise, LP, in the amount of \$150,000 for guardrail repairs at various locations in Precinct 2, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the transaction.
9. Recommendation that the bid be rejected and the project readvertised for graphics and signage improvements at Independence Parkway Park in Precinct 2.
10. Recommendation that the court be authorized to approve a preliminary engineering report prepared by Sparks-Barlow-Barnett, Inc., for construction of Burke Road from Red Bluff Road to south of Southmore Street, and authorization to proceed with the design phase.
11. Recommendation that the court be authorized to execute amendments to agreements with TxDOT for construction of Mayde Creek pedestrian and bicycle facility and Terry Hershey Park pedestrian and bicycle trail in Precinct 3.
12. Recommendation that the award for paving and drainage improvements for Kuykendahl Road from Seals Gully to FM 2920 in Precinct 4, be made to Angel Brothers Ent., Ltd., lowest and best bid in the amount of \$4,822,818, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the transaction.
13. Recommendation that the County Judge be authorized to execute interagency agreements for construction or installation of traffic signal systems with:
 - a. Kuykendahl Development Company, LP, and related intersection improvements, including driveway relocation at the intersection of Kuykendahl Road and Country Pines Drive in Precinct 4.
 - b. Harris County MUD No. 230 at the intersection of Grant Road and Canyon Rose Drive in Precinct 4.
14. Transmittal of notices of road and bridge log changes.

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 \$45,711 and a workers compensation recovery in the amount of \$67; settlement of five tort claims in the total amount of \$15,388; denial of three claims for damages; and transmittal of claims for damages received during the period ending January 30.

- b. Request for authorization for the County Judge to execute a release in exchange for payment to the county in the amount of \$1,352 in connection with settlement of an accident claim.
- c. Recommendation that the court authorize continuation of the application process with Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services to ensure the county will be eligible for all options in providing retiree drug benefits for current and future years and that all future subsidy payments be deposited into the Insurance Trust Fund.
- d. Request for authorization for two employees to participate in the San Jacinto College job fair March 6 in Houston at a cost of \$40.
- e. Recommendation that implementation of a mandatory mail order program for maintenance prescriptions as part of renewal of group health benefits be postponed.
- f. Transmittal of the quarterly county employee training class schedule for March-May.
- g. Transmittal of investment transactions and maturities for the period of January 17-30.
- h. Request for authorization to extend a letter of credit and reimbursement agreement between the Harris County Hospital District and Bank of America through February 16, 2010 with a reduction in bank fee rate.
- i. Request for approval of Reliant Park construction project invoice amounts for December in the total amount of \$55,173.
- j. Request for authorization to pay the principal and interest due on Harris County Tax Anticipation Note Series 2006.
- k. Request for approval of changes in commercial paper funding in connection with surveillance cameras at the Juvenile Boot Camp, renovations in the Wilson Building at 49 San Jacinto, renovations for the HVAC system for the Baker Street Jail, drug program space in the Peden Building at 600 N. San Jacinto for Community Supervision, a generator for Annex 83 for Public Health, improvements at Reliant Park, and expansion of Animal Control facilities.
- l. Request for authorization to make a payment in connection with Harris County Tax and Subordinate Lien Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2004A and 2004B, in an amount not to exceed \$650,000.
- m. Request for approval of authorized budget appropriation transfers for flood control and county departments.

3. **Information Technology**

- a. Request for approval of an agreement with Texas Parks & Wildlife Department-Game Wardens for use of the county's 800 MHz public radio system.

- b. Request for authorization to increase a monthly cellular phone allowance from \$30 to \$40.

4. **Facilities & Property Management**

- a. Request for authorization to destroy certain records of Commissioner of Precinct 4 and Management Services, Financial Services Division, in accordance with records control schedules.
- b. Request for approval of funding in the amount of \$300,000 to expand the jail holding tank and provide adjacent space to conduct interviews for Pretrial Services.
- c. Request for authorization to relocate records of the County Clerk from the Coffee Pot Building to space in the new Civil Courthouse on a short-term basis, and for approval to demolish the Coffee Pot Building and use the site as an on-grade parking lot.
- d. Request for approval of additional space in the Wilson Building for the Sheriff and for authorization to use vacated space in the Criminal Justice Center as part of an expanded inmate processing center.
- e. Request for authorization to consolidate Records Archives in the Criminal Justice Center and to use vacated space to temporarily relocate files of the District Attorney, and to coordinate with all county departments to develop a master plan to relocate file and property storage out of the downtown complex and into warehouse space.

5. **Public Health & Environmental Services**

- a. Request for authorization to accept donations in the total amount of \$2,671 for the Animal Control Shelter.
- b. Request for approval of additional mileage reimbursement in the amount of \$47 for a TB outreach worker who exceeded the monthly limit in December.
- c. Request for authorization for the Veterinary Public Health Section to join with various area animal protection agencies in sponsoring a Valentine's Day Pet Adoption Event February 9-14 at each individual facility, and for authorization to lower the rate for adoption of county pets on those dates.
- d. Request for approval of documents regarding recertification and reappointment of Dr. Herminia Palacio as the Local Health Authority of Harris County and Dr. Umair Shah as Alternate Local Health Authority for terms that will expire December 31, 2008.

6. **Community & Economic Development**

- a. Request for approval of four deferred down payment assistance loans for low- and moderate-income homebuyers in Precincts 2 and 4 in the total amount of \$67,600.
- b. Request for approval of amendments to the 2005 and 2006 annual action plans.
- c. Request for approval of termination of an agreement with Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 50 for a sewer and water extension project in Precinct 2.
- d. Request for authorization to allocate TIRZ set-aside funds in the total amount of \$451,349 for certain affordable housing expenditures.
- e. Request for authorization to accept checks in the total amount of \$451,349 from three City of Houston Tax Increment Reinvestment Zones for use in providing affordable housing within the county.

7. **Library Services**

Request for authorization for the County Judge to execute agreements with the cities of Piney Point Village and Bunker Hill Village for the county to accept donations in the total amount of \$4,000 for the purchase of library materials and other items for the Spring Branch Memorial Library.

8. **Youth & Family Services**

a. **Domestic Relations**

Request for authorization for staff to travel outside of the county as necessary to conduct social study custody/visitation investigations for family courts during the fiscal year with parties residing outside of Harris County providing travel expenses.

b. **Juvenile Probation**

Request for authorization for the executive director or his designee to attend various meetings related to Texas Juvenile Probation Commission business and standards during the fiscal year.

c. **Protective Services for Children & Adults**

Request for authorization to renew an annual agreement with Houston Independent School District for assignment of service specialists for social services to youth and families who are in crisis.

d. **Children's Assessment Center**

Request for approval of payment in the amount of \$1,170 to the American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children for annual membership renewal for 10 employees.

9. **Constables**

- a. Request by Constables Abercia, Jones, Trevino, and Bailey, Precincts 1, 3, 6, and 8, for approval of changes to lists of regular deputies and reserve officers with oaths and/or bonds.
- b. Request by Constable Abercia, Precinct 1, for approval of an agreement with Near Northwest Management District and for authorization for the district to install eight Motorola radios in patrol vehicles.
- c. Request by Constable Hickman, Precinct 4, for authorization to:
 1. Appoint five deputies to fill vacant positions.
 2. Delete a deputy position in connection with cancellation of a law enforcement agreement with Lincoln Green.
- d. Request by Constable Walker, Precinct 7, for:
 1. Authorization to accept 14 shotguns donated to the department by Chevron Business & Real Estate Services and four bicycles with related equipment donated by Midtown Management Association.
 2. Approval of a law enforcement agreement with Braeburn Valley West Civic Association, Incorporated.

10. **Sheriff**

- a. Request for approval of changes to the authorized list of reserve officers with oaths and/or bonds.
- b. Request for authorization to renew an annual law enforcement agreement with Woodland Community Improvement Association.
- c. Request for approval of indemnification for loss of funds in the total amount of \$500.
- d. Request for authorization to accept used electronic surveillance equipment donated by the Social Security Administration for the Detective Bureau.
- e. Request for approval of interlocal agreements with 11 municipalities for housing city prisoners in the county jail.
- f. Request for authorization to accept a memorandum of agreement with Immigration and Customs Enforcement for reimbursement of joint operations expenses from the Treasury Forfeiture Fund.

- g. Request for authorization to reimburse certain employees for payment of expenses in connection with meals provided to representatives of the Texas Jail Commission during their annual jail inspection.
- h. Request for approval of travel by county vehicle during the fiscal year for:
 - 1. Employees of the Human Resources Bureau to attend job fairs at an approximate cost of \$100 to \$500 per event.
 - 2. The Sheriff and/or certain employees to attend law enforcement related meetings at an approximate annual cost of \$5,000.
 - 3. Certain employees to travel to Austin to attend Jail Commission meetings.
 - 4. Certain employees to travel outside of the county to attend Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officers Standards and Education meetings.
 - 5. Certain employees to travel outside of the county to receive training with costs reimbursed by the Social Security Administration.
 - 6. Employees of the Warrants Division to travel outside of the county and state to pick up prisoners.
 - 7. Employees of the Detective Bureau to travel outside of the county and state to conduct investigations.
 - 8. Certain employees of Field Operations Support Bureau, Firearms Laboratory, to travel outside of the county and state in support of firearms investigations.
 - 9. Certain employees to travel outside of the county and the state for Department of Justice Homeland Security Initiative training.
 - 10. Certain employees of the Emergency Response Team to travel outside of the county and the state to transport high risk prisoners and for training exercises.
 - 11. Certain employees to travel outside of the state to attend training sessions of the National Institute of Corrections.
 - 12. Certain employees of the Patrol Bureau to travel outside of the county to obtain statements from suspects and witnesses in criminal investigations.
 - 13. Employees of the Social Security Unit to travel outside of the state to receive training, with expenses reimbursed by the Social Security Administration.
 - 14. Certain employees to travel outside of the county to attend legislative meetings.
 - 15. Members of the Honor Guard to travel outside of the county to perform ceremonial duties at peace officer memorial services.
 - 16. Employees to attend the FBI National Academy in Quantico, Va., at a cost of \$2,000 per person.
 - 17. Employees of the Family Assistance Unit to travel outside of the county to perform family assistance duties.

11. **Fire Marshal**

- a. Request for authorization to accept a donation in the amount of \$2,000 from Sam's Club for the purchase of arson investigation equipment.

- b. Transmittal of the official treasurer's bond for Emergency Services District No. 100.
- c. Request for approval of payment in the amount of \$100 dues to the Harris County Fire Fighters Association for membership dues.

12. **Medical Examiner**

- a. Request for approval of payment in the amount of \$297 to reimburse Dr. J.R. Thogmartin for fees paid for tissue slides.
- b. Request for approval of payment in the amount of \$2,750 to the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education for the forensic pathology fellowship training program.

13. **County Clerk**

- a. Transmittal of the minutes of the court's meeting of January 23 and corrected copies of the minutes of the January 9 meeting.
- b. Transmittal of statements of officer and oaths of office received from county school board trustees.

14. **District Clerk**

Request for approval of agreements for e-Clerk and Subscriber Access services.

15. **County Attorney**

- a. Request for approval of orders authorizing litigation expenses in connection with cases in County Civil Courts Nos. 1 and 4 and the 11th, 113th, 127th, 165th, 234th, 245th, 246th, 247th, 257th, 270th, 281st, 308th, 310th, 311th, 312th, 313th, 314th, 315th, 333rd, and 334th District Courts.
- b. Request for approval of an order authorizing litigation expenses and suit to compel compliance with the Health & Safety Code, flood plain management regulations, and the Fire Code at 22565 IH 45 North in Precinct 4.
- c. Request for approval of an agreement with Kgriff Investigations and Civil Processing, Inc., for service of notices, subpoenas, and other matters relating to pending litigation.
- d. Consideration of changes, additions, and deletions to the county legislative platform.

16. **District Attorney**

- a. Request for approval to store various items seized through the Asset Forfeiture Division at an approximate annual cost of \$30,000.

- b. Request for authorization to destroy certain records in accordance with a records control schedule.

17. **District Courts**

Request for approval of payments to the Harris County Department of Education for alternative dispute resolution services.

18. **Travel & Training**

a. **Out of Texas**

| | Dept. | # Emp. | Purpose | Date(s) | Location | Cost | Fund |
|-----|-----------------|-----------|---|------------|-------------------|-----------------|---------|
| 1. | ITC | 1 | Computer Measurement Group forum (Appvd. 11/7) | 12/2-8/06 | Reno, NV | \$519 | General |
| 2. | PHES | 3 | Assn. of Comm. Health Improvement training conf. | 3/6-9 | New Orleans, LA | \$2,685 | General |
| 3. | PHES | 1 | National Tobacco Symposium | 3/20-24 | Denver, CO | \$1,875 | Grant |
| 4. | PHES | 1 | Emergency Response Stakeholders Conference | 4/12 | Bakersfield, CA | \$810 | Other |
| 5. | PHES | 1 | Natl. Assn. of Co. & City Health Officials Conference | 7/8-13 | Columbus, OH | \$2,488 | General |
| 6. | Coop. Ext. | 1 | Southeastern Flower Show | 2/5-7 | Atlanta, GA | \$870 | General |
| 7. | Coop. Ext. | 1 | Public Issues Leadership Development Conference | 4/22-26 | Washington, DC | \$1,630 | General |
| 8. | Juv. Prob. | 1 | Sustaining systems of care conference | 1/30-2/1 | Atlanta, GA | \$860 | Other |
| 9. | PSCA | 4 | Children Mental Health Conference (Appvd. 8/8) | 11/29-12/4 | St. Louis, MO | \$400 | Grant |
| 10. | Const. 4 | 2 | National Constables Convention | 4/17-21 | Las Vegas, NV | \$1,972 | General |
| 11. | Sheriff | 2 | American Jail Association seminar | 12/11-13 | Las Vegas, NV | \$3,160 | General |
| 12. | M.E. | 1 | Digital imaging & evidentiary photography training | 2/25-3/9 | Quantico, VA | \$1,500 | Other |
| 13. | Dist. Clk. | 1 | Natl. Association of Counties Legislative Conference | 3/3-7 | Washington, DC | \$1,890 | General |
| 14. | DA | 3 | Prosecuting homicide cases course | 2/25-3/1 | San Francisco, CA | \$6,550 | Other |
| 15. | Co. Cts. | 2 | Natl. Association for Court Mgt. Midyear Conference | 2/11-13 | New York, NY | \$3,400 | General |
| 16. | Prob. Ct. 4 | 1 | Advanced medical malpractice course | 3/15-16 | Santa Fe, NM | \$1,335 | General |
| 17. | Pur. Agt. | 1 | General Services Admin. Conference & Trade Show | 5/15-17 | Orlando, FL | \$1,408 | General |
| 18. | Com. 1 | 1 | Joint Conference on Aging | 3/7-10 | Chicago | \$1,805 | General |
| | Subtotal | 28 | Out of Texas average cost \$1,256 per employee | | | \$35,157 | |

b. **In Texas**

| | Dept. | # Emp. | Purpose | Date(s) | Location | Cost | Fund |
|-----|----------|--------|--|---------|----------|---------|---------|
| 1. | PID/ROW | 1 | International Right of Way Association seminar | 3/5-6 | Houston | \$400 | General |
| 2. | PID/ROW | 1 | Legal aspects of easements seminar | 3/9 | Houston | \$255 | General |
| 3. | PID/ROW | 1 | Principles of real estate engineering seminar | 2/22-23 | Austin | \$795 | General |
| 4. | PID/Eng. | 2 | Natl. Electrical Code continuing education class | 2/15 | Houston | \$90 | General |
| 5. | PID/Eng. | 1 | Engineering & Technical Career Fair | 2/20 | Houston | \$20 | General |
| 6. | PID/Eng. | 8 | Construction, geotechnical & flooding seminar | 3/2 | Houston | \$640 | General |
| 7. | MS/OFS | 2 | Texas Public Finance Conference | 2/12-13 | Austin | \$1,800 | General |
| 8. | MS/OHRRM | 10 | Employee productivity seminar | 3/13 | Houston | \$49 | Other |
| 9. | MS/OHRRM | 1 | Insurance regulation and markets meeting | 3/19-20 | Austin | \$435 | Other |
| 10. | ITC | 2 | San Jacinto College job fair | 2/7 | Houston | \$35 | General |

| | Dept. | # Emp. | Purpose | Date(s) | Location | Cost | Fund |
|-----|------------|--------|--|---|-----------------|---------|---------|
| 11. | ITC | 1 | Tx. Assn. of Pub. Safety Comm. Off. Conf. | 4/15-18 | Waco | \$657 | General |
| 12. | FPM | 2 | Commercial refrigeration training | 2/14 | Houston | \$30 | General |
| 13. | FPM | 1 | Defensive driving instructor course | 2/20-22 | Conroe | \$637 | General |
| 14. | PHES | 1 | Incident Mgt. Team train. mtg. (Appvd. 12/19) | 2/5-12 | San Antonio | \$300 | Grant |
| 15. | PHES | 1 | Tx. Assn. of Local WIC Dir. mtg. (Appvd. 1/23) | 2/5-7 | Austin | \$155 | Grant |
| 16. | PHES | 1 | Tx. Commission on Env. Quality Conf. | 2/7 | Austin | \$320 | General |
| 17. | PHES | 2 | Phlebotomy skills training | 2/13 | Pasadena | \$398 | Grant |
| 18. | PHES | 4 | Perinatal Hepatitis B Prevention Prog. Conf. | 2/22 | Austin | \$886 | Grant |
| 19. | PHES | 1 | Ten public health issues meetings | TBD | Various | \$3,532 | General |
| 20. | PHES | 3 | Twelve control of diseased mosquitoes mtgs.* | TBD | College Station | \$400 | General |
| 21. | PHES | 1 | Six Tx. Assn. of Local Health Officials mtgs. | Various | Round Rock | \$1,992 | General |
| 22. | CED | 6 | The Future of Homeless in Houston Conf.* | 2/2 | Houston | \$60 | Grant |
| 23. | CED | 3 | Management seminar | 3/6 | Houston | \$537 | General |
| 24. | CED | 1 | Environmental training | 3/6-8 | Fort Worth | \$840 | Grant |
| 25. | CED | 20 | Community Development Block Grant course | 3/7-9 | Houston | \$5,000 | Grant |
| 26. | CED | 1 | MapInfo software training | 3/11-13 | Dallas | \$1,555 | Grant |
| 27. | CED | 2 | ArcGIS software training | 3/18-20 | San Antonio | \$3,070 | Grant |
| 28. | CED | 3 | Grant management training* | 3/20-21 | Houston | \$20 | General |
| 29. | CED | 3 | Monitoring projects and programs training* | 4/10-12 | Houston | \$20 | Grant |
| 30. | CED | 1 | Effective grants management training | 4/29-5/2 | Austin | \$940 | Grant |
| 31. | CED | 2 | Meeting with Brazos Transit | TBD | Bryan | \$150 | General |
| 32. | Coop. Ext. | 1 | National 4-H Conference | 1/19 | College Station | \$100 | General |
| 33. | Coop. Ext. | 1 | Farm Bureau meeting | 1/26 | Navasota | \$75 | General |
| 34. | Coop. Ext. | 1 | Family and consumer sciences meeting | 2/22 | Bryan | \$104 | General |
| 35. | Coop. Ext. | 1 | 4-H Fashion Show | 2/24 | Brookshire | \$22 | General |
| 36. | Coop. Ext. | 1 | Texas Master Gardener Conference | 4/12-14 | Kerrville | \$520 | Other |
| 37. | Juv. Prob. | 7 | Management training | 3/19-20 | Houston | \$1,400 | Grant |
| 38. | PSCA | 1 | Jail Reentry Conference | 1/10-11 | Austin | \$335 | General |
| 39. | PSCA | 1 | Tx. Guardianship Certification board meeting | 1/19 | Austin | \$179 | General |
| 40. | PSCA | 2 | Cost report training | 2/8 | Austin | \$360 | General |
| 41. | PSCA | 3 | HISD State of the Schools Conference | 2/9 | Houston | \$120 | General |
| 42. | PSCA | 1 | Statewide public information officers meeting | 2/21-22 | Dallas | \$387 | General |
| 43. | PSCA | 1 | Turning the corner on collaboration seminar | 2/22 | Houston | \$25 | General |
| 44. | PSCA | 2 | Texas School of Social Work Conference | 2/22-23 | Austin | \$175 | General |
| | | | | | | \$856 | Other |
| 45. | PSCA | 8 | Systems of Care Symposium | 2/22-23 | Austin | \$1,666 | Grant |
| 46. | CAC | 2 | Children's Advocacy Ctrs. of Tx. Capitol Day | 2/20-21 | Austin | \$384 | Other |
| 47. | Const. 1 | 2 | Police canine seminar* | 1/29-2/2 | Angleton | \$925 | Other |
| 48. | Const. 1 | 4 | Officer survival training* | 3/26-30, 5/14-19, 6/11-16, 6/19-21 | Baytown | \$675 | Other |
| 49. | Const. 1 | 3 | Basic patrol rifle training* | 4/3-6 | Baytown | \$225 | Other |
| 50. | Const. 1 | 3 | Tactical shotgun training* | 4/3-6 | Baytown | \$90 | Other |

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| 51. | Const. 4 | 1 | TCLEOSE meeting | 3/1-2 | Austin | \$510 | Other |
| 52. | Const. 8 | 2 | Safe traffic stop training | 2/22-23 | Beaumont | \$200 | Other |
| 53. | Sheriff | 1 | Government Technology Conference | 2/1 | Austin | \$196 | General |
| 54. | Sheriff | 60 | Investigations with telephonic info. training | 2/19-21 | Humble | \$8,000 | Other |
| 55. | Sheriff | 2 | Police chaplains regional training conference* | 2/24-29 | Abilene | \$1,130 | Other |
| 56. | Sheriff | 160 | Arrest, search, and seizure training | 2/26-10/17 | Humble | \$7,500 | Other |
| 57. | Sheriff | 1 | Tx. Assn. of Collegiate Veteran Prog. Off. Conf. | 2/28-3/2 | Galveston | \$841 | Other |
| 58. | Sheriff | 8 | Dynamics of domestic violence training | 3/5-6 | Humble | \$2,360 | Other |
| 59. | Sheriff | 6 | Sexual assault invest. and rape typologies train. | 3/19-20 | Tomball | \$1,770 | Other |
| 60. | Sheriff | 15 | Crime scene techniques training | TBD | Humble | \$4,500 | Other |
| 61. | Fire M. | 5 | Gulf Coast Fire Prevention Conference | 2/5-9 | Houston | \$125 | General |
| 62. | Fire M. | 1 | Governor's first responder meeting* | 2/7 | Austin | \$75 | General |
| 63. | Fire M. | 3 | Industrial Fire, Safety & Security Conference | 2/12-16 | Galveston | \$930 | General |
| 64. | M.E. | 2 | Adobe software training | 2/19-20 & 3/21-22 | Houston | \$1,599 | General |
| 65. | Dist. Clk. | 1 | Tx. Criminal Justice Inf. Users Group Conf. | 4/30-5/4 | Corpus Christi | \$1,324 | General |
| 66. | Dist. Clk. | 2 | Texas Association of Counties Conference* | 8/15-17 | Austin | \$1,558 | General |
| 67. | CA | 3 | New keys to effective trial advocacy seminar | 2/23 | Houston | \$765 | General |
| 68. | CA | 4 | Sexual abuse allegations seminar | 2/23 | Galveston | \$200 | General |
| 69. | PTS | 2 | Performance management seminar | 3/19-20 | Houston | \$400 | General |
| 70. | JP 1.1 | 1 | Justice court training | 2/7-9 | Tyler | \$25 | General |
| 71. | JP 1.1 | 1 | Justice of the peace seminar | 4/29-5/2 | Galveston | \$25 | General |
| 72. | JP 1.1 | 1 | Justice of the peace workshop | 7/17 | Austin | \$25 | General |
| 73. | JP 1.2 | 1 | Legislative staff meeting | 2/1-8 | Austin | \$319 | General |
| 74. | JP 1.2 | 1 | Testify before legislative committee | 2/20 | Austin | \$415 | General |
| 75. | JP 4.1 | 4 | Managing employee behavior | 4/2 | Houston | \$891 | General |
| 76. | JP 4.1 | 3 | Records management workshop | 5/8-9 | Liberty | \$226 | General |
| 77. | Prob. Ct. 1 | 1 | Statutory probate judges meeting | 1/12 | El Paso | \$423 | General |
| 78. | Prob. Ct. 3 | 1 | How to handle and exclude evidence seminar | 3/1-2 | Houston | \$75 | General |
| 79. | Dist. Cts. | 7 | Juvenile Law Institute Conference | 2/22-24 | Houston | \$1,960 | General |
| 80. | Dist. Cts. | 25 | Civil Bench Bar Conference | 4/13-14 | Galveston | \$11,050 | General |
| 81. | Appeals Ct. 14 | 7 | Civil/Appellate Bench Bar Conference | 4/13-14 | Galveston | \$2,975 | Other |
| 82. | Auditor | 2 | Healthcare fraud seminar | 3/8-9 | Houston | \$1,190 | General |
| 83. | Auditor | 4 | Continuing professional education sessions | Monthly | Houston | \$1,500 | General |
| 84. | Tax A-C | 7 | Tax Assessor Collectors Association course | 2/27-3/2 | Houston | \$455 | General |
| 85. | Tax A-C | 8 | Tax Assessor Collectors Association course | 3/7-9 | Houston | \$520 | General |
| 86. | Tax A-C | 16 | Board of Tax Professional Examiners exam | 4/26 | Houston | \$1,300 | General |
| 87. | OHSEM | 40 | Weapons of mass destruction exercise | 1/23-24 | Houston | \$1,200 | General |
| 88. | OHSEM | 1 | Industrial Fire, Safety, & Security Conference* | 2/13-15 | Galveston | \$325 | General |
| 89. | Com. 1 | 10 | Mobile Air Conditioning Society cert. program | TBD | Houston | \$180 | General |
| 90. | Soc. Serv. | 1 | Veterans Services Officers Association | 2/8-9 | Waco | \$375 | General |

| | Dept. | # Emp. | Purpose | Date(s) | Location | Cost | Fund | |
|-----------------|--------|------------|---|----------|--------------|-----------------|------------|------------------|
| 91. | Com. 2 | 1 | Administrative Assistants Conference | 3/7 | Houston | \$199 | General | |
| 92. | Com. 3 | 1 | Troubleshooting hydraulics training | 2/28-3/2 | Houston | \$1,025 | General | |
| 93. | Com. 3 | 1 | Informal Science Educ. Assn. of Texas Conf. | 2/28-3/2 | Port Aransas | \$458 | General | |
| Subtotal | | 558 | In Texas average cost \$172 per employee | | | \$95,760 | | |
| Total | | | | | | | 586 | \$130,917 |

**Travel by county vehicle*

| General | Grant | Other | Total |
|----------|----------|----------|-----------|
| \$68,687 | \$18,565 | \$43,665 | \$130,917 |

| Cumulative | Out of Texas | In Texas | Total |
|------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|
| FY 2006-07 | \$896,173 | \$1,873,307 | \$2,769,480 |

19. Grants

- a. Request by **Public Health & Environmental Services** for authorization to:
 1. Accept an amendment to an agreement with the Texas Department of State Health Services for the Bioterrorism Preparedness Program for additional grant funds in the amount of \$1,564,237.
 2. Accept an amendment to an agreement with the Texas Department of State Health Services for additional grant funds in the amount of \$10,284 and extending the program end date through January 31, 2007.

- b. Request by **Protective Services for Children and Adults** for authorization to accept grant funds in the amount of \$1.5 million from the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services for the Harris County Alliance for Children and Families in collaboration with Juvenile Probation and Mental Health & Mental Retardation Authority for care of children and youth with serious emotional disturbances and their families.

- c. Request by the **Sheriff** for authorization to:
 1. Apply for the 2007 Anti-Gang Initiative Program grant from the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance.
 2. Accept grant funds in the amount of \$45,213 from the Texas Department of State Health Services for the Inmate Tuberculosis Elimination, Prevention and Control program.
 3. Accept an interlocal cooperation contract with the Texas Department of Public Safety for grant funds not to exceed \$4,262,449 for the Border Security Enhancement Operations project.

- d. Request by the **Medical Examiner** for authorization to accept an amendment to an agreement with the U.S. Department of Justice for the DNA Capacity Enhancement Program to extend the end date of the grant through October 31.

- e. Request by **Commissioner of Precinct 1** for authorization to accept grant funds in the amount of \$12,000 from the U.S. Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service, for habitat development and management activities for coastal prairie areas at Challenger Seven Memorial Park.
- f. Request by **Social Services of Precinct 1** for approval of an agreement with Reliant Energy Retail Services, LLC, for funds in the amount of \$245,000 to administer a part of its Energy Assistance Program for customers who are facing hardships.
- g. Request by **Commissioner of Precinct 2** for authorization to apply for Weed and Seed Communities Competitive Program funds from the U.S. Department of Justice in the amount of \$174,582.

20. **Fiscal Services & Purchasing**

a. **Auditor**

- 1. Request for approval of final payments to:
 - a. AAA Asphalt Paving, Inc., for a proposed parking lot and restroom for Matzke Park in Precinct 4.
 - b. AHS Texas Enterprise for a term contract for guardrail repairs at Genoa-Red Bluff, Miller Road, and Wade Road camps in Precinct 2.
 - c. Durwood Greene Construction for reconstruction of Runneburg Road from US 90 to Parish Road in Precinct 2.
 - d. Economic Construction, Inc., for a proposed playground for Lindsay Lyons Park in Precinct 4.
- 2. Transmittal of certification of supplemental estimates of revenue received for various funds and grants.
- 3. Request for approval of an order following policies and procedures for payment of authorized salaries, utilities, materials, supplies, and other claims prior to adoption of the budget for FY 2007-08.
- 4. Transmittal of an unaudited and unadjusted monthly financial report for December.
- 5. Transmittal of audited claims.

b. **Treasurer**

Request for authorization to add a monthly cellular phone allowance of \$50 for the County Treasurer effective January 20.

c. **Tax Assessor-Collector**

1. Request for authorization for two employees to attend the UH Downtown Career Expo February 28 in Houston at a cost of \$125.
2. Request for approval of tax refund payments.

d. **Purchasing**

1. Transmittal of projects scheduled for advertisement:
 - a. Pickup, transporting, and disposal of animal carcasses for Public Health & Environmental Services.
 - b. Off-site storage of magnetic media and retrieval services for Information Technology.
 - c. Furnish and deliver carpet for Facilities & Property Management.
 - d. Fabricate and deliver various signs and related items for the Toll Road Authority.
 - e. Furnish and deliver water quality monitoring equipment and related items for the Flood Control District.
 - f. Interior renovation of the Brookhollow building for the Flood Control District.
2. Transmittal of a list of computer-related items obtained through the State of Texas vendor program for the Toll Road Authority, Public Infrastructure, Information Technology, District Courts, and Juvenile Justice Alternative Education.
3. Transmittal of changes in contracts with:
 - a. Alanton Group, contractor for janitorial services at various locations in Region No. 2 for Facilities & Property Management, resulting in an addition of \$3,230 to the contract amount (01052).
 - b. Alanton Group, contractor for janitorial services at various locations in Region No. 3 for Facilities & Property Management, resulting in an addition of \$4,608 to the contract amount (01054).
 - c. The Arms, contractor for janitorial services for various community centers in Precinct 2, resulting in no change to the contract amount (01058).
4. Recommendation that awards be made to:
 - a. Corporate Express of Texas, Inc., low bid in the amount of \$2,404,500 for office supplies for the county for the period beginning April 1.
 - b. US Canvas & Awning Corp., low bid in the amount of \$28,698 for furnishing, delivering, and installing shade canopies for the county.
 - c. Applera Corporation through its Applied Biosystems Group in the amount of \$268,013 for profiler plus/cofiler PCR amplification kits for the Medical Examiner's Office.
 - d. Rae Systems, Inc., for items 1 through 4 in the amount of \$91,750 for a gas/radiation detector system for Public Health & Environmental Services.

- e. Trapeze Software Group for a transportation routing, scheduling, tracking, and management information software system for Social Services, and approval of an order authorizing the County Judge to execute an addendum to an agreement in the amount of \$92,350 for the period of February 6-February 5, 2008, and issuance of a purchase order in the amount of \$31,000 for the current fiscal year upon approval.
 - f. Schoenmann Produce Company in the amount of \$197,609 for produce for county jails for the period of February 1-May 31.
 - g. Premium Foods, Inc., in the amount of \$99,255 for boxed or prepackaged sandwich meals for county jails for the period through February 28, 2007.
 - h. Red River Specialties, Inc., low bid in the amount of \$214,571 for horticultural chemicals and related items for the county for the period beginning March 1.
5. Request for approval of renewal options with:
- a. Bailey's House of Guns, Inc., for leather goods and related items for the Sheriff's Department for the period of April 1-March 31, 2008 at an estimated cost of \$29,000.
 - b. Electritek/ATV, Inc., for battery packs for electronic voting equipment for the County Clerk for the period of March 30-March 29, 2008 at an estimated cost of \$145,000.
 - c. Houston Educational Consultants for psychological testing services for Protective Services for Children & Adults for the period of March 1-February 29, 2008 at an estimated cost of \$19,000.
 - d. Arthur J. Gallagher & Company for blanket crime coverage for the county and the Flood Control District for the period of March 1-February 29, 2008 at an estimated cost of \$47,931.
 - e. Hong Kong Diner Chinese Restaurant; Treebeards, Inc.; Frank's Pizza; Spaghetti Warehouse; Kuchenmeister, Inc., dba Travis Place; Craiganale's Italian Deli; Gotham Pizza; Hungry Mary Enterprises, Inc., dba Quiznos Sub; Irma's Southwest Grill; Chipotle Mexican Grill; El Rey Tacqueria II, Ltd.; and Rachel's Restaurant for jury meal service for the Sheriff's Department for the period of March 1-February 29, 2008 at an estimated total cost of \$200,000.
 - f. Abitibi Consolidated, Inc., to furnish recycling containers and purchase recyclable paper for the county for the period of April 1-March 31, 2008 at a total revenue of \$800.
 - g. Approved Remediation & Recycling of Oil Waste for sale of surplus/salvage petroleum products for the county for the period of April 1-March 31, 2008 at a total amount of \$5,000.
 - h. Laboratory Corporation of America for laboratory testing of jail inmates for the Sheriff's Department for the period of May 1-April 30, 2008 at an estimated cost of \$500,000.
 - i. Jim Brown Express Mobil X-Ray, Inc., for mobile x-ray services for Juvenile Probation for the period of May 1-April 30, 2008 at an estimated cost of \$50,000.

- j. Redwood Biotech, Inc., for point of collection urine drug screening supplies for Pretrial Services for the period of April 1-March 31, 2008 at an estimated cost of \$41,000.
 - k. Bio Landscape and Maintenance, Inc., for mowing and debris removal in the Clear Lake area for the Flood Control District, and approval of an annual increase of \$5,574 for an estimated total cost of \$190,698.
6. Request for authorization for the County Judge to execute agreements/amendments with:
 - a. Cities of Webster and Southside Place, allowing the cities to use the county's contract for debris removal and disposal services.
 - b. Louisiana Binding Service, Inc., for restoration and preservation of historical records for the County Clerk's Office, reducing the five-year cost from \$5,579,137 to \$5,578,977.
 - c. RCC Consultants, Inc., to correct the monthly installment payment amount for the period ending March 26 for the CAD/RMS project.
 - d. Harris County Department of Education for after-school educational programs in the amount of \$200,000 for the period ending August 31.
 - e. Tiburon, Inc., to incorporate five change proposals with no change in a total federal grant-funded expenditure for the Computer Aided Dispatch System.
7. Request for approval of orders permitting assignment of contracts from:
 - a. Dynix Corporation to Sirsi Corporation dba SirsiDynix, Inc., for a maintenance and support agreement for the County Library.
 - b. Rives Carlberg, LP, to Richards Carlberg, Inc., for public communications services for the urban stormwater management study for the Flood Control District for the term ending January 31, 2008.
8. Request for approval of sole, personal, and other exemptions from the competitive bid process and orders authorizing the County Judge to execute agreements with:
 - a. Applied Biosystems for certain products for the 3100 Avant genetic analyzer for the Medical Examiner's Office at an approximate cost of \$100,000.
 - b. Sirsi Corporation dba SirsiDynix, Inc., for purchase of maintenance and support services for the County Library, and renewal of a maintenance and support agreement at an approximate cost of \$171,504 for the period of April 1-March 31, 2008.
 - c. Joann Valverde for polygraph testing services for the Sheriff's Department in the amount of \$50,000 for the period ending November 30.
9. Request for approval of refunds to individuals who have deposits on file from the county's internet auction in the total amount of \$44,297.
10. 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.

11. Request for authorization to delete certain property from inventories of the District Clerk and Purchasing.
12. Transmittal of notice of receipt of funds in the amount of \$13,104 for county equipment sold at Houston Auto Auction December 27.
13. Transmittal of notice of receipt of funds in the total amount of \$27,709 from sale of recyclable materials and surplus and/or confiscated property items through the county's internet public auction for the period of January 2-25.
14. Transmittal of bids and proposals for advertised jobs that were opened January 29 and February 5 by the Office of the Purchasing Agent, and request for approval of recommendations for disposition.

21. **Commissioners Court**

a. **County Judge**

1. Request for approval of resolutions designating/honoring:
 - a. February 6 as Jana Reed Hughes Day on the occasion of her retirement from the Sheriff's Department.
 - b. March and April as Harris County Employees March of Dimes Campaign Months, and March 21 as Blue Jeans for Babies Day in the county.
 - c. Former Senator Jon Lindsay for his commitment to abused children of the county.
2. Consideration of the appointments of County Judge Robert Eckels and Art Storey as representatives, and Rose Hernandez and Jackie Freeman as alternates, to the Transportation Policy Council, and Andy Mao as representative and Charles Dean as alternate to the Technical Advisory Committee, of the Houston-Galveston Area Council for 2007.
3. Request for consideration of the appointment of two court members and two alternates to the board of directors of the Houston-Galveston Area Council for 2007.

b. **Commissioner, Precinct 1**

1. Consideration and approval of a resolution observing February as Black History Month and recognizing the Pearl C. Suel Association Branch of Houston for the study of African-American Life and History.
2. Request for discussion and approval of a resolution in support of the City of Pearland's participation under the TxDOT pass-through financing program in connection with expansion of Cullen Parkway from West Broadway Drive to Beltway 8 in Harris and Brazoria counties.

3. Request for approval and acceptance of a donation from J. Frank Dobie High School, J. Frank Dobie Booster Club, and Pasadena ISD of two baseball field dug-outs at El Franco Lee Park.

c. **Commissioner, Precinct 2**

1. Request for approval of the reappointment of Janet Stansbury to the board of Harris County Protective Services for Children & Adults for a two-year term ending December 31, 2008.
2. Request for approval of an agreement with Houston-Galveston Area Council for education and training services provided through FY07 Solid Waste Implementation grants in the amount of \$16,875 for the period of January 19-June 30.

d. **Commissioner, Precinct 3**

1. Request for authorization to accept donation of 250 metal tree stakes for Precinct 3 parks and esplanades.
2. Request for authorization to accept a check in the amount of \$10,000 from H-E-B Tournament of Champions for development of a new precinct park facility that will encourage family fitness.
3. Request for authorization to install a fatality marker on the service road of W. Sam Houston Parkway at Harwin Drive.
4. Recommendation for approval of the reappointment of Robert L. Silvers to the board of the Harris County Industrial Development Corporation for a term ending February 6, 2009.
5. Recommendation for approval of the appointment of Charles E. Pehl, Ph.D., to replace Ron Kapche on the board of the Harris County Health Facilities Development Corporation for a two-year term beginning February 6.
6. Request for authorization to accept a check in the amount of \$11,765 from Cy-Fair Federal Credit Union for reimbursement of construction of a left turn lane for the Skinner Road project.

e. **Commissioner, Precinct 4**

1. Request for approval of a resolution honoring Syble Missildine on her retirement from Memorial Hermann Northeast Hospital.
2. Request for authorization for the Jesse Jones Park Volunteers to sell food, non-alcoholic beverages, and memorabilia during NatureFest March 3 at Jesse H. Jones Park and Nature Center.

3. Request for authorization to correct the payroll record of an employee.
4. Request for authorization to post 20 MPH signs in the Mandolin Park Subdivision.
5. Request for authorization for the County Judge to execute agreements in connection with the Adopt a County Road program with:
 - a. Cub Scout Pack No. 321 for cleanup along the roadsides of Cutten Road from Louetta Road to Cypresswood Drive for the period of January 1-December 31.
 - b. Spring Masonic Lodge No. 1174 for cleanup along the roadsides of Lexington Road from Spring Cypress Road to Cypresswood Drive for the period of December 1-November 30, 2007.
 - c. Frank Willingham Insurance Agency for cleanup along the roadsides of Aldine Westfield Road from FM 1960 to Hirschfield Road for the period of March 1-February 28, 2008.
6. Transmittal of notice of traffic sign installations.

22. **Miscellaneous**

- a. Request by the Harris County Sports & Convention Corporation for the County Auditor to update the county's fixed asset records for Reliant Park for roof replacement for Reliant Arena that was completed September 27, 2006.
- b. Transmittal of proposed legislation for creation of Towne Lake Management District and Plum Creek Water Control and Improvement District No. 1, and Harris County Municipal Utility Districts Nos. 402, 416, 473, 480, and 494.
- c. Transmittal of documents in connection with a tax abatement agreement between Memorial Hermann Medical Plaza, LP, the City of Houston, and the county.

23. **Emergency items**

24. **Public Hearing**

Recommendation by Public Infrastructure for approval of street name changes and corrections in Precincts 3 and 4: Cross Creek Lane to Nicholas Pass Lane; Torry Yucca Drive to Tory Yucca Lane, and designation of the easterly stub street tying into future Section Seven as Katelyn Manor Drive; and designation of the unnamed right of way adjacent to Tall Meadow Lane as Tall Meadow Court.

25. **Executive Session**

- a. Request by the County Judge for an executive session for consideration and possible action for appointments to the board of the Harris County Sports & Convention Corporation.

- b. Request by Commissioner, Precinct 1 for an executive session for consideration and approval of reappointments of:
 - 1. Peter Jordan to the board of the Harris County Industrial Development Corporation for a term ending February 5, 2009.
 - 2. Michelle Clayton-Collier to the board of Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone No. 2, Position 8, for a term ending December 31, 2008.
 - 3. Tom Kvinta to the Memorial-Heights Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone No. 5 board, Position 7, for a term ending December 31, 2008.
 - 4. Michelle Clayton-Collier to the board of directors of the Harris County Cemetery Corporation for a term ending February 28, 2009.
 - 5. Jim Lemond to the board of South Post Oak Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone No. 9, Position 9, for a term ending December 31, 2008.
 - 6. Jane Cherry and Gerald Womack to the board of Mental Health-Mental Retardation Authority of Harris County for two-year terms ending February 7, 2009.
 - 7. Travis Cooper to the board of trustees of the Harris County Housing Finance Corporation for a two-year term ending January 24, 2009.

- c. Request by Commissioner, Precinct 4, for an executive session for consideration and approval of the reappointment of Bill Teague to the Harris County Sports & Convention Corporation board for the period of February 6, 2007-February 6, 2010.

26. **Appearances before court**

a. **3 minutes**

A speaker whose subject matter as submitted relates to an identifiable item of business on this agenda will be requested by the County Judge or other presiding court member to come to the podium where they will be limited to three minutes (3). A speaker whose subject matter as submitted does 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.

b. **1 minute**

A speaker whose subject matter as submitted does not relate to an identifiable item of business on this agenda and who has appeared at any of the four preceding court meetings will be limited to one minute (1).

Adjournment.

Commissioners Court

County Judge

Commissioners (4)

Services

- Public Infrastructure
- Management Services
- Information Technology
- Facilities & Property Management
- Public Health & Environmental Services
- Community & Economic Development
- Library Services
- Youth & Family Services

Administration of Justice

- Constables (8)**
- Sheriff**
- Sheriff's Civil Service
- Fire & Emergency Services
- Medical Examiner
- County Clerk**
- District Clerk**
- County Attorney**
- District Attorney**
- Community Supervision & Corrections
- Pretrial Services
- Justices of the Peace (16)**
- County Courts (19)**
- Probate Courts (4)**
- District Courts (59)**
- Courts of Appeals (2)**

Fiscal Services & Purchasing

- Auditor
- Treasurer**
- Tax Assessor-Collector**
- Purchasing

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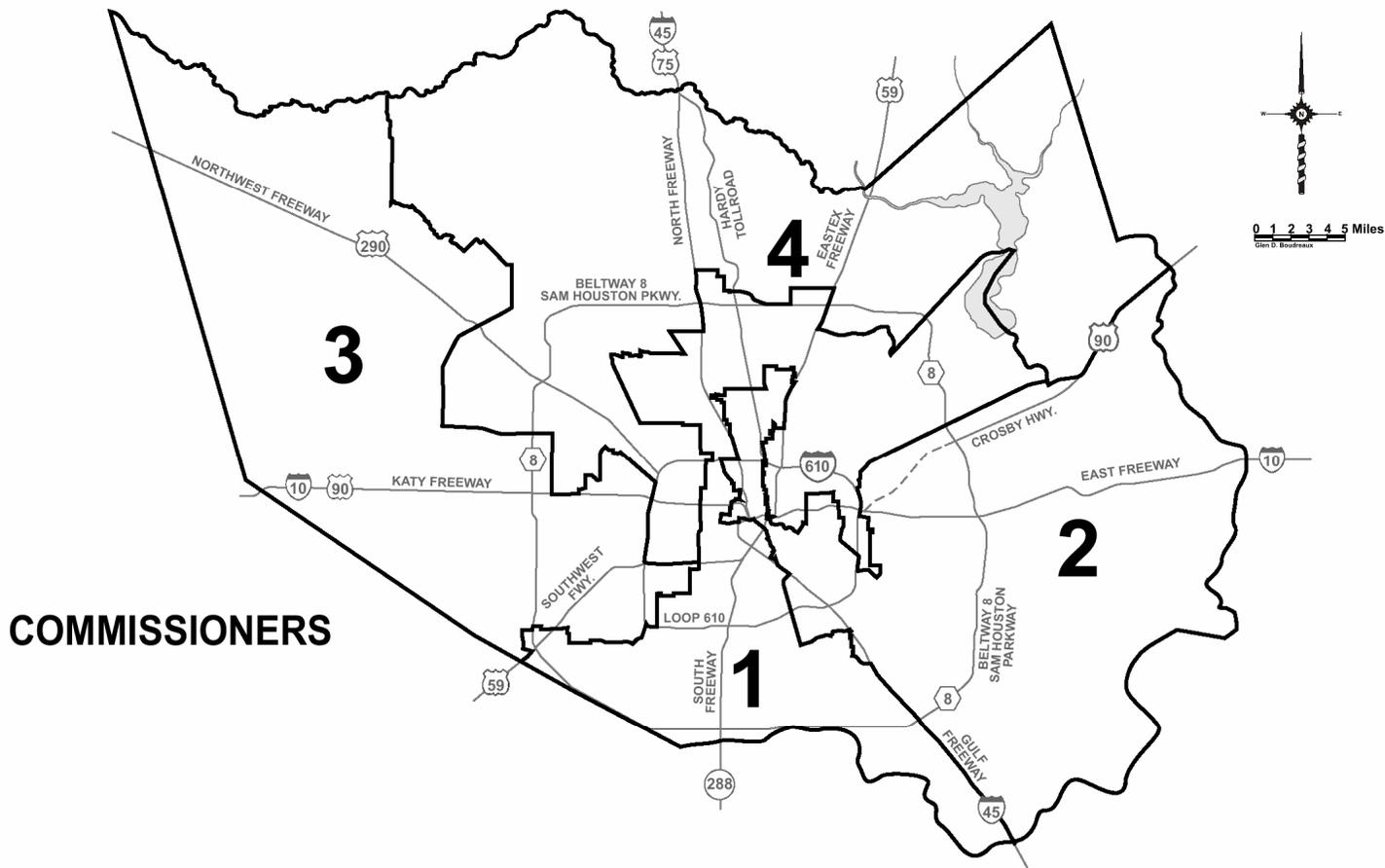
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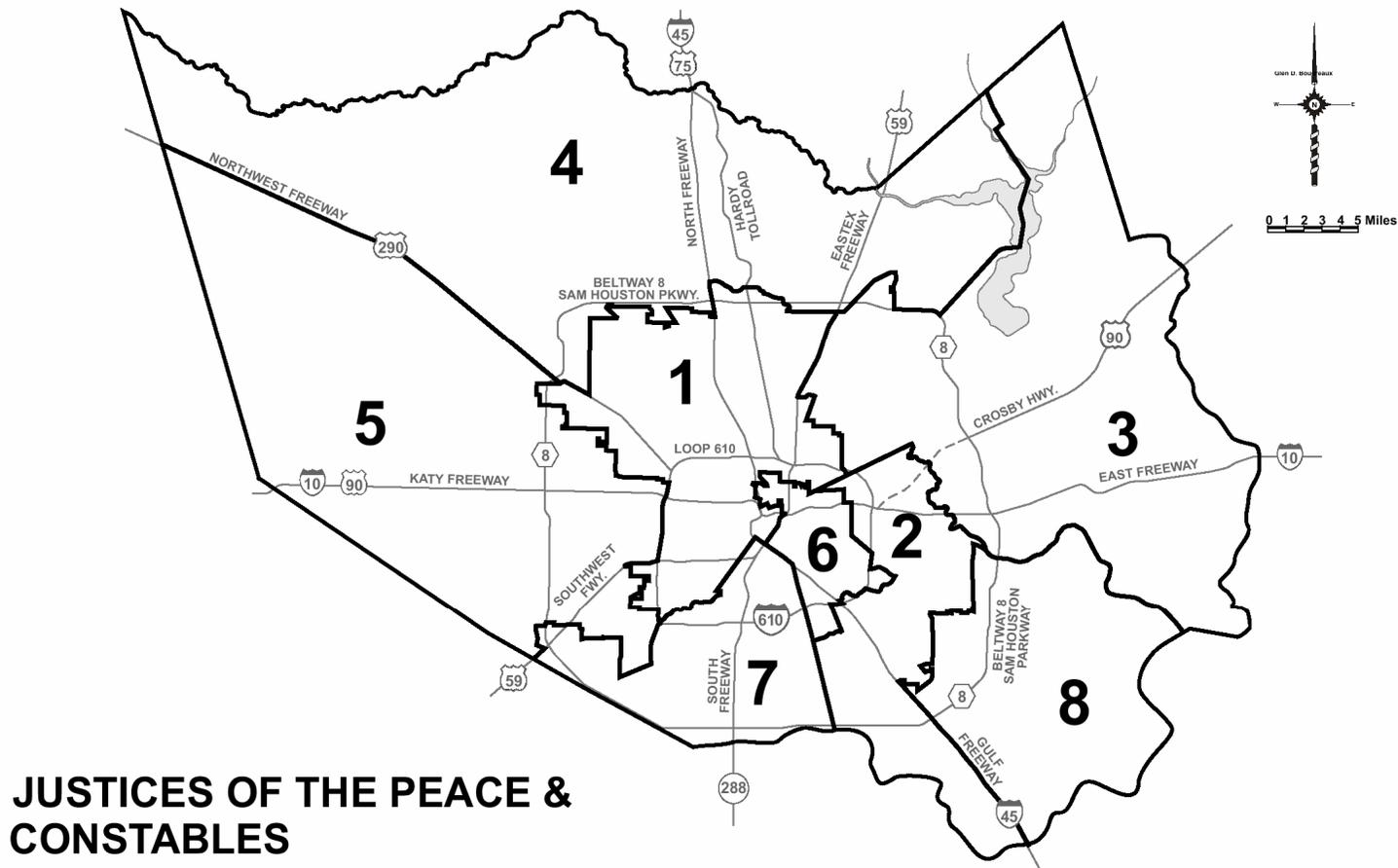
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