

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING

December 19, 2008

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Commissioners Court of Harris County, Texas, will be held on **Tuesday, December 23, 2008 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. 08.24

AGENDA

December 23, 2008

10:00 a.m.

Opening prayer by Reverend Clay Whitaker of Old River Terrace United Methodist Church in Channelview.

I. Departments

1. Public Infrastructure Department
 - a. Public Infrastructure
 - b. Right of Way
 - c. Construction Programs
 - d. Toll Road Authority
 - e. Flood Control District
 - f. Architecture & Engineering
 - g. Facilities & Property Management
2. Management Services
3. Legislative Relations
4. Information Technology
5. Public Health & Environmental Services
6. Community Services
7. Library Services
8. Youth & Family Services
9. Constables
10. Sheriff
11. Sheriff's Civil Service
12. Fire Marshal
13. Medical Examiner
14. County Clerk
15. County Attorney
16. District Attorney
17. Justices of the Peace
18. District Courts
19. Travel & Training
 - a. Out of Texas
 - b. In Texas
20. Grants
21. Fiscal Services & Purchasing
 - a. Auditor
 - b. Tax Assessor-Collector
 - c. Purchasing
22. Commissioners Court
 - a. County Judge
 - b. Commissioner, Precinct 1
 - c. Commissioner, Precinct 2
 - d. Commissioner, Precinct 3
 - e. Commissioner, Precinct 4
23. Miscellaneous

II. Emergency/supplemental items

III. Public Hearings

IV. Executive Session

V. 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.

I. Departments

1. Public Infrastructure Department

a. Public Infrastructure

1. Recommendation that the County Judge execute agreements with:
 - a. PGAL for architectural services in the amount of \$7.69 million in connection with a new Family Law Center and for the Budget Officer to appropriate the necessary funding.
 - b. WaterEngineers, Inc., for engineering services in the amount of \$70,000 for a sewage treatment plant at the Katy Juvenile Boot Camp for the Harris County Juvenile Detention Center.
 - c. Metro to allocate general mobility program designated project funds to the county in the amount of \$818,000 for improvements on Greenhouse Road from Rebel Yell to Caledonia in Precinct 3.
 - d. Metro to allocate general mobility program designated project funds to the county in the amount of \$2.058 million for improvements on Skinner Road from Jarvis to Spring Cypress roads in Precinct 3.
2. Recommendation for authorization to negotiate interlocal agreements with the City of Stafford and cities in the Houston-Galveston 13-county region authorizing the county to assist the cities in meeting new Texas Commission on Environmental Quality storm water permit requirements at the expense of each city.
3. Recommendation for authorization to purchase a mobile command vehicle and associated equipment from military surplus inventory to be used for emergency response purposes at a cost not to exceed \$25,000.
4. Recommendation that the County Judge execute the affected property assessment report for the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality for the county's participation in the Voluntary Cleanup Program and the TCEQ form amending the underground storage tank registration and self-certification for the facility at Gessner and US-290.
5. Recommendation for authorization to acquire transportation workers identification credential cards for 29 employees involved in the Ship Channel security project at a total cost of \$4,002.
6. Recommendation for authorization to finalize Hurricane Ike debris removal contracts effective January 3, 2009.
7. Recommendation for authorization to create an administrative assistant position and reclassify six regular positions in the Planning and Operations Division.

b. Right of Way

1. Recommendation that the court approve resolutions and orders authorizing certain projects, decrees of public necessity and convenience, and acquisition of specific properties on behalf of the county, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete transactions for:
 - a. One specific tract north of West Road to south of Houston National Boulevard for the Queenston Boulevard-2 project in Precinct 3.
 - b. Fourteen specific tracts from Gears Road to Rush Creek Drive for the Ella Boulevard-6 project in Precinct 4.
 - c. One revised and two specific tracts from Red Bluff Road to south of Southmore Street for the Burke Road project in Precinct 2.

2. Recommendation that the court approve resolutions and orders authorizing the county to purchase certain tracts for negotiated prices, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete transactions for:
 - a. Tract 012 between Spring Estates and Boudreaux Road for the Kuykendahl Road, Segment A project in Precinct 4 in the amount of \$22,417, \$1,000 over the appraised value.
 - b. Tract 046 on the Hardy Toll Road between Aldine Mail Route and Regena for the Aldine Mail Route project in Precinct 1 in the amount of \$41,939, \$3,000 over the appraised value.
 - c. Tract 051 at 13107 West Hardy Road for the Aldine Mail Route project in Precinct 1 in the amount of \$18,407, \$3,000 over the appraised value.
 - d. Tract 052 at 13111 West Hardy Road for the Aldine Mail Route project in Precinct 1 in the amount of \$18,484, \$3,000 over the appraised value.
 - e. Tract 045 at 12218 East Hardy Road for the Aldine Mail Route project in Precinct 1 in the amount of \$23,028, \$3,000 over the appraised value.
 - f. Tract 032 at 12932 Reeveston Road for the Aldine Mail Route project in Precinct 1 in the amount of \$93,201, \$3,000 over the appraised value.

3. Recommendation that the court approve resolutions and orders authorizing certain projects, decrees of public necessity and convenience, acquisition of specific properties on behalf of the Flood Control District, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete transactions for:
 - a. Sixty-two specific tracts in the J Waugh Survey, Abstract 831, and the Bayou Bend, Brookglen, C F Ramsey, Channelwood, Chateau Forest, Crest Haven Estates, Dorchester Place, Enchanted Oaks, Forest Manor, Glenbrook Valley, Glen Meadows, Greenbranch, Home Owned Estates, Inwood Forest, Jersey Village, Kirkmont, Lakewood Estates, Norchester, Northshire, Oakwilde, Ponderosa Forest, Ramblewood, Riviera East, Sagemont, Shadowglen, Shoreacres, Tammarack Woods, Ted Burger, Wimberly, Woodland Oaks, Woodland Trails North, Wood Shadows, and Wynnewood Acres subdivisions for the SRL 2008 project in Precincts 1, 2, and 4, and to provide landowner relocation assistance up to \$22,500.

- b. One specific tract at 711 Riley Fuzzell Road for the Spring Creek Greenway/YMCA project in Precinct 4.
4. Recommendation that the court approve a resolution and order authorizing the county to accept from White Oak Falls Homeowners Association, Inc., donation of a storm sewer easement across Tract 002 SSE between Sunny Ridge and Arched Oaks for the Tuckerton Road A and C project in Precinct 3, and for the County Judge to execute the donation form.
5. Recommendation that the court approve a resolution and order authorizing the county to execute an agreement for right of way procurement with the county receiving 90% reimbursement from the state for costs associated with acquiring right of way from Greenhouse Road to Fry Road for the FM-529 project in Precinct 3, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the transaction.

c. **Construction Programs**

1. Recommendation for approval of changes in contracts with:
 - a. Longhorn Excavators, Inc., contractor for Paul D. Rushing Park Chain of Lakes, Phase II and Hockley Soap Box Derby Track, Phase I in Precinct 3, resulting in a reduction of \$37,932 from the contract amount (07/0013-2).
 - b. Angel Brothers Enterprise, Inc., contractor for Kuykendahl Road, Phase II, paving and drainage improvements in Precinct 4, resulting in a reduction of \$116,972 from the contract amount (07/0017-6).
 - c. GLM Contracting, LP, contractor for repairs/replacement of concrete pavement in the Crosby Camp area in Precinct 4, resulting in no change to the contract amount (07/0143-2).
 - d. Pace Services, contractor for T.C. Jester Boulevard from Ivy Falls to Cypresswood Drive in Precinct 4, resulting in an addition of \$58,412 to the contract amount (07/0390-1).
 - e. Durwood Greene Construction, LP, contractor for reconstruction of various roads in the Crosby Camp area in Precinct 4, adding 84 calendar days and resulting in an addition of \$236,458 to the contract amount (07/0433-1).
 - f. TJ&T Enterprises, contractor for the West Lake Houston Parkway proposed sidewalk in Precinct 4, adding 10 calendar days and resulting in an addition of \$6,648 to the contract amount (08/0268-1).
2. Recommendation for authorization to issue purchase orders for testing and inspection services to:
 - a. HTS, Inc., in the amount of \$124,274 for Queenston Boulevard from Clay Road to Kieth Harrow Boulevard in Precinct 3.
 - b. Alliance Laboratories, Inc., in the amount of \$59,645 for paving and drainage of Cypress North Houston Road from Oak Plaza Drive/Marcia Drive to Jones Road in Precinct 3.

3. Recommendation for authorization to negotiate engineering services agreements with Brown & Gay Engineering, Inc., ESPA Corp., Inc., and HTS, Inc., consultants for the Sam Houston Tollway SW widening construction project.
4. Recommendation for authorization to negotiate an agreement with Morris Architects for design services for the razing of the Hogan Allnoch and Coffee Pot buildings and Lomas & Nettleton parking garage.
5. Recommendation that the award for the Sam Houston Tollway mainlane widening and toll plazas modifications from Fallbrook Drive to Gessner Road be made to Lone Star Road Construction, Ltd., lowest and best bid in the amount of \$17,057,041, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the transaction.
6. Recommendation for approval of the drawings and specifications for the 701 San Jacinto Jail security system upgrade and for authorization to seek bids for a four-week period at an estimated cost of \$7.5 million.
7. Recommendation for authorization to purchase two vehicles at an approximate total cost of \$40,000.
8. Recommendation for authorization to reclassify eight positions.

d. **Toll Road Authority**

1. Recommendation for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the transactions and for the County Judge to execute agreements/amendments with:
 - a. TxDOT for advance funding in the amount of \$5,476,620 for construction, operations, and maintenance of the mainlanes and entrance and exit ramps on a section of the Sam Houston Tollway from east of Old Humble Road to south of US-90 in Precincts 1, 2, and 4.
 - b. C. J. Hensch and Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$100,000 for traffic data collection in connection with various toll road projects.
 - c. Lockwood Andrews & Newnam, Inc., in the additional amount of \$253,500 to change the scope of services, increase the time of performance, and change raw salary rates for engineering services for Section One of the Beltway 8 East project in Precinct 2.
2. Recommendation for approval of requests to waive deposits required to establish EZ Tag accounts for Goose Creek CISD and the Waller County Road and Bridge Department and to allow them to be billed for tolls incurred.
3. Request for approval of payment of annual membership dues in the amount of \$21,000 to the International Bridge, Tunnel, and Turnpike Association.
4. Recommendation for approval of a cellular phone allowance.

5. Recommendation for authorization to negotiate with TSC Engineering Company for design of bridge facilities associated with the proposed Hardy Toll Road connector to downtown in Precincts 1 and 2.

e. **Flood Control District**

1. Recommendation that the County Judge execute agreements/amendments with:
 - a. Binkley & Barfield, Inc., for engineering services in the amount of \$70,000 for additional alternative analysis and public relations and other services in connection with Poor Farm Ditch in Precinct 3.
 - b. Geotech Engineering & Testing for materials engineering and testing services in the amount of \$80,000 in support of public works construction projects within the district.
 - c. Geotech Engineering & Testing for additional materials engineering and testing services in the amount of \$45,000 in support of public works construction projects within the district.
 - d. Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 105 in the total amount of \$2,103 for channel maintenance for the mowing of Unit U102-26-00 in the Bear Creek watershed in Precinct 3 for the period of December 1, 2008-November 30, 2011.
 - e. Marcia Mink for lease of property along the southern line of Lot 15, Block 2, in the Ashford Forest Subdivision, Unit W100-00-00, Tract 29-009.0 in the Buffalo Bayou watershed in Precinct 3.
 - f. Texas A&M University System in College Station by and through the Texas AgriLife Extension Service in the amount of \$75,000 to conduct agronomic research by establishing studies for assessing various products and practices and their effects on runoff, water quality, soil erosion, nutrient loading, and vegetation, and to develop specific recommendations for the district.
 - g. Tolunay-Wong Engineers, Inc., for materials engineering and testing services in the amount of \$125,000 in support of the Brays Bayou federal flood control project, Discrete Segment 102 from Lawndale to Old Spanish Trail in Precinct 2.
 - h. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Galveston District in the amount of \$165,000 to transfer funds for designation of a full-time position for prioritization of the district's regulatory activities.
2. Recommendation for approval of a change in contract with Lecon, Inc., contractor for stormwater detention basin and utility relocation for Brickhouse Gully at US-290 in Precinct 4, resulting in an addition of \$80,383 to the contract amount (07/0397-02).
3. Recommendation that Units K145-05-00 and U501-02-00, Tract 10-005.0 in the Cypress Creek and Langham Creek watersheds in Precinct 3 be added to the district's stormwater management system.

4. Recommendation that the court establish a public hearing date of January 27, 2009 to consider adoption of the Upper Langham Creek capital improvements and impact fee utilization plan for the Langham Creek watershed, Unit U100-00-00 in Precinct 3.
5. Recommendation for authorization to use district vehicles to travel to Brazoria, Brazos, Chambers, Fort Bend, Galveston, Liberty, Montgomery, Travis, and Waller counties during 2009 for meetings and project-related issues.
6. Request for approval of payment of annual membership dues to:
 - a. The Water Resources Coalition in the approximate amount of \$2,500, and to enroll as a steering committee member.
 - b. The National Hydrologic Warning Council in the approximate amount of \$250, and to enroll as a group member.
 - c. The Society of American Military Engineers as a public agency member in the approximate amount of \$250.
 - d. The Association of State Floodplain Managers in the approximate amount of \$250.
7. Recommendation for approval of two cellular phone allowances.

f. **Architecture & Engineering**

1. Recommendation for authorization to seek bids for:
 - a. A steel cable fence at Blueridge Park in Precinct 1 for a two-week period at an estimated cost of \$40,000.
 - b. Paving and drainage improvements to Greenhouse Road from Rebel Yell Drive to Caledonia Drive in Precinct 3 for a four-week period at an estimated cost of \$1,122,000.
 - c. Traffic signals, turn lane, and ADA pedestrian improvements at the intersections of Treaschwig Road at Banquo Drive and Will Clayton Parkway at Woodland Hills Drive in Precinct 4 for a four-week period at an estimated cost of \$532,000.
 - d. Outfall replacement at Theall Road in Precinct 4 for a four-week period at an estimated cost of \$155,000.
 - e. Refurbishing various roads in the Lyons Camp area in Precinct 4 for a four-week period at an estimated cost of \$1,757,000.
 - f. An annual contract to operate and maintain wastewater treatments plants at Arthur Bayer Park, A.D. Dyess Park, Spring Cypress maintenance facility at Klein Park, I.T. May Park, Burroughs Park, and Spring Creek Park in Precinct 4 for a four-week period at an estimated cost of \$40,000.
2. Recommendation for approval of the following plats:
 - a. Sheldon Ridge, Section Two in Precinct 1; Pate Engineers and Robert Doley, Planner.
 - b. Fairfield Village North, Section 11, two partial replats, and Section 14 in Precinct 3; Jones & Carter, Incorporated.

- c. Houston First Filipino American Church in Precinct 3; D T Maler & Associates.
 - d. Park at 290 in Precinct 3; LJA Engineering & Surveying, Incorporated.
 - e. Partnership Way at Grand Parkway street dedication in Precinct 3; Brown & Gay Engineers, Incorporated.
 - f. Clegg Subdivision in Precinct 4; Hovis Surveying Company.
 - g. Jamail's Auto and Truck Service in Precinct 4; S&V Surveying, Incorporated.
 - h. Liberty 10 at Central Green in Precinct 4; The Pinnell Group, LLC.
 - i. V H Machine Works, Inc., Subdivision in Precinct 4; The Interfield Group, LLC.
 - j. Waterstone, Section Five in Precinct 4; Brown & Gay Engineers, Incorporated.
 - k. The Woodlands Village of Creekside Park, Sections 14 and 19 in Precinct 4; Pate Engineers.
3. Recommendation for cancellation of bonds for:
- a. KB Home Lone Star, LP, executed by Farmington Casualty Company in the amount of \$29,010 for Liberty Lakes, Section Four in Precinct 2.
 - b. Pulte Homes of Texas, LP, executed by Safeco Insurance Company of America in the amount of \$41,326 for Rancho Verde, Section One in Precinct 2.
 - c. North Raintree Partners, Ltd., executed by First National Insurance Company of America in the amount of \$60,998 for Raintree Village, Section Five in Precinct 3.
 - d. KB Home Lone Star, LP, executed by American Manufacturers Mutual Insurance Company in the amount of \$50,475 for Kenswick Forest, Section One in Precinct 4.
 - e. Indian Trails, LP, executed by Arch Insurance Company in the amount of \$27,655 for Village of Indian Trails, Section Four in Precinct 4.
4. Recommendation for the County Judge to execute engineering services agreements/amendments with:
- a. Carter & Burgess, Inc., in the additional amount of \$250,000 for various county building projects.
 - b. Klotz Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$18,521 in connection with construction of the Park Avenue bridge over Unit F212-00-00 in Precinct 2.
 - c. Klotz Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$81,204 in connection with construction of Shaver Street from SH-225 to south of Southmore Avenue as a three-lane reinforced roadway with curb and gutter, storm sewer, outfalls, traffic signals, and all necessary appurtenances in Precinct 2.
 - d. Scientech Engineers, Inc., in the amount of \$45,554 in connection with construction of Kieth Harrow Boulevard from SH-6 to east of Tain Road in Precinct 3.
 - e. Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc., in the amount of \$135,000 to provide drawings, specifications, studies, reports, and other services as may be needed in connection with the design and construction of traffic signals and other traffic related improvements for various projects in Precinct 4.

- f. AEI Engineering, Inc., in the amount of \$41,832 in connection with construction of Ella Boulevard from Spring-Cypress Road to the northerly property line of the Klein Independent School District near Falvel Road in Precinct 4.
5. Recommendation for deposit of funds received from:
 - a. Harris County Toll Road Authority in the amount of \$324 for a closed EZ Tag account.
 - b. Westpark MUD in the amount of \$2,484,752 for the Greenhouse Project in Precinct 3.
 - c. Westpark MUD in the total amount of \$1,656,501 for the Park Row Project in Precinct 3.
 6. Recommendation for authorization to negotiate with:
 - a. InControl Technologies, Inc., for engineering and environmental services in connection with the permanent removal from service of an underground storage tank system at 601 Lockwood Drive in Precinct 2.
 - b. Post Buckley Schuh & Jernigan, Inc., for engineering and environmental services in connection with the permanent removal from service of an underground storage tank system at 6104 Dixie Drive in Precinct 2.
 - c. Terra Associates, Inc., for engineering services in connection with construction of Schiel Road from Mueschke Road to the west in Precinct 3.
 7. Recommendation for the County Judge to execute a service outlet location statement with CenterPoint Energy for installation of an electrical meter at 591½ Genoa Red Bluff Road to provide electrical power for traffic signals at the intersection of Genoa Red Bluff Road and Strawberry Road in Precinct 2, and authorization for the County Auditor to pay monthly utility bills.
 8. Recommendation for authorization to retain financial surety and repair and maintain infrastructure in Precinct 4 for:
 - a. Woodmere Development Co., Ltd., in the amount of \$5,360 for Claytons Park, Section One.
 - b. Champions Glen, LP, in the amount of \$2,400 for Gleannloch Farms, Section 38.
 - c. Lennar Homes of Texas Land and Construction, Ltd., in the amount of \$1,960 for Glen Abbey, Section Four.
 - d. Trophy Homes in the amount of \$6,560 for Saddlebrook Ranch, Section Two.
 - e. Villages of Senterra Lakes, LP, in the amount of \$5,760 for Villages of Senterra Lakes, Section One.
 9. Recommendation for release of financial surety for:
 - a. New Forest Properties, LP, in the amount of \$4,490 for New Forest, Section Two in Precinct 2.
 - b. Sydney Harbour Interest, Ltd., in the amount of \$4,560 for Sydney Harbour, Section Three in Precinct 3.

- c. Tuller Group One, LP, in the amount of \$1,760 for Darbydale Crossing, Section One in Precinct 4.
10. Recommendation that technical defects be waived and the award for guardrail repairs at various locations in Precinct 2 be made to ISI Contracting, Inc., lowest and best bid, for the County Auditor to make utility payments when applicable, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the transaction.
11. Recommendation that the County Judge execute agreements with:
 - a. Barker Cypress MUD regarding the submerged storm sewer system serving Lakes of Pine Forest, Sections Four through Six in Precinct 3.
 - b. CenterPoint Energy for reimbursement of costs associated with relocation and bracing of power poles for proposed construction of Greenhouse Road extension from IH-10 frontage road to Saums Road and Park Row Boulevard extension from west of Ricefield Drive to east of Unit U101-02-00 in Precinct 3.
12. Recommendation that the court approve a preliminary engineering report prepared by Amani Engineering, Inc., for pavement and drainage improvements of Becker Road from south of Union Pacific Railroad to north of Palo Dura in Precinct 3, and authorization to proceed with the design phase.
13. Recommendation that bids received be rejected and the project readvertised for an annual contract to operate and maintain wastewater treatment plants at Arthur Bayer Park, A.D. Dyess Park, Spring Cypress maintenance facility at Klein Park, I.T. May Park, Burroughs Park, and Spring Creek Park in Precinct 4.
14. Transmittal of notices of road and bridge log changes.

g. **Facilities & Property Management**

1. Request for the Purchasing Agent to issue a purchase order in the monthly amount of \$25,000 to Harris County Community Supervision & Corrections for lease of space at 1307 Baker Street for a jail facility.
2. Request for authorization to increase the monthly maximum salaries of four positions and decrease the salaries of two positions.
3. Request for authorization to renew annual agreements with:
 - a. Harris County Department of Education for lease of donated space in the J.D. Walker Multi-Service Center at 7613A Wade Road in Baytown in Precinct 2.
 - b. Greater Harris County 9-1-1 Emergency Network for lease of space at 1301 Franklin, and approval of the annual lease amount of \$15,660.

4. Request for authorization to renew an annual license agreement with American Towers, Inc., for the antenna site at 315 Happy Hollow in Dickinson for Information Technology's radio communications equipment, and approval of a purchase order for the monthly lease amount of \$3,150.

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 \$58,719 and eight workers compensation recoveries in the total amount of \$3,085; settlement of seven tort claims in the total amount of \$27,084; denial of 12 claims for damages; transmittal of claims for damages received during the period ending December 16, 2008; and disbursement of recovery of five claims from the county's insurance carrier in the total amount of \$12,475.
- b. Request for the County Judge to execute releases in exchange for four payments to the county in amounts of \$107 each in connection with settlement of accident claims.
- c. Request for approval of public official bonds for certain elected and appointed officials.
- d. Request for authorization for two employees to participate in collegiate job fairs of the University of Texas February 5, 2009 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$525 and San Jacinto College February 18, 2009 in Pasadena at a cost of \$45.
- e. Transmittal of investment transactions and maturities for the period of December 3-16, 2008.
- f. Request for approval of interest payments for commercial paper notes and approval of commercial paper funding for Reliant Park Complex improvements.
- g. Request for approval of an order to ratify and confirm the terms and provisions of Toll Road Unlimited Tax and Subordinate Lien Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2008A, and other related matters.
- h. Request for approval of authorized budget appropriation transfers for flood control and county departments.
- i. Consideration of and possible action regarding a report by the director of Human Resources & Risk Management on the impact of and response to Hurricane Ike.
- j. Request for authorization to correct the payroll record of an employee.

3. **Legislative Relations**

- a. Consideration of the Harris County legislative platform for the 81st session and interim for the period of January, 2009-January, 2011.

- b. Request for authorization to increase the maximum salary of a legislative coordinator position, change the title of an assistant county attorney position to Director, Legislative Relations, and increase the monthly car allowance for the director.
- c. Request for approval of one-time payments for the director and a legislative coordinator for incentive pay not received for the period of December 20, 2008-January 2, 2009.

4. **Information Technology**

Request for authorization to destroy certain records of the Constable of Precinct 1, Pretrial Services, Purchasing, and Facilities & Property Management in accordance with the records control schedule.

5. **Public Health & Environmental Services**

- a. Request for approval of additional mileage reimbursements in amounts of \$108, \$212, \$261, \$307, \$384, \$420, \$641, and \$750 for TB outreach workers who exceeded the monthly limit in October and November, 2008.
- b. Request for authorization to correct the payroll records of four employees.
- c. Request for approval of an agreement with the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for a CDC public health apprentice to work with the county for an 18-month period and for the county to provide in-kind support and \$2,500 for annual travel and other related expenses.
- d. Request for approval of agreements with Unificare, Ltd., to provide Title XIX federal reimbursement services for the third quarter of 2008 and for the period of October, 2008-September, 2009.

6. **Community Services**

- a. Request for approval of five deferred down payment assistance loans for low- and moderate-income homebuyers in Precinct 4 in the total amount of \$66,300.
- b. Request for approval of amendments to the annual action plan for Program Year 2008.
- c. Request for approval and certification of Emergency Shelter Grant Program project applications to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for:
 - 1. Harris County Community Services Department in the amount \$100,000 to provide 100 eligible families with rental, mortgage, and utility assistance.
 - 2. Westside Homeless Partnership in the amount of \$65,000 to provide 10 homeless families with case management, child care, tuition, transportation, operation administration, and rent and utility subsidies.
 - 3. Memorial Assistance Ministries in the amount of \$100,000 to provide 200 families with rent and utility assistance.

4. Mary's Miracles Outreach Program, Inc., in the amount of \$98,647 to provide 20 families with rent and utility subsidies and supportive services.
 5. The Non-Profit Housing Corporation of Greater Houston, Jackson Hinds Gardens Apartments in the amount of \$100,000 to provide 230 homeless individuals with residential and supportive services.
 6. The Women's Home in the amount of \$92,166 to provide 110 homeless women with residential and supportive services.
 7. The Salvation Army in the amount of \$100,000 to provide 40 homeless individuals with rent and utility assistance.
- d. Request for authorization for the County Judge to execute FY 2009 certifications and assurances associated with an application to the Texas Department of Transportation for Federal Transit Administration grant funds to provide non-emergency transportation services for the elderly and disabled.
 - e. Request for approval of an order to approve funding of transportation services for clients of the Public Health & Environmental Services Refugee Program.
 - f. Request for approval of a cellular phone allowance for an employee.
 - g. Request for authorization to increase the monthly salary maximum of a transportation coordinator position.

7. **Library Services**

Request for the County Judge to execute concession agreements with friends groups of certain branch libraries and that two percent of the gross receipts of funds received by the county be deposited into the individual branch library's memorial trust fund account for maintenance and operation purposes.

8. **Youth & Family Services**

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

1. Request for authorization to renew an annual agreement with Houston Independent School District for assignment of youth service specialists for social services to youth and families who are in crisis.
2. Request for approval of 41 positions for the Guardianship Program and an administrative support position for the Fiscal Services Program.

b. **Children's Assessment Center**

Request for approval of a memorandum of understanding between the county and the Children's Assessment Center Foundation to recognize the foundation's fiscal year 2010 budget and usage fee amount.

9. **Constables**

- a. Request by the constables' systems manager for:
 1. Authorization to upgrade a clerk position to senior clerk level for an employee who met requirements for the change.
 2. Authorization for constables and their personnel to use county vehicles for travel outside of the county for education and training, investigations, prisoner transport, law enforcement assistance, legislative matters, and to aid in the effective operation of constables' offices where only vehicle expenditures are involved during 2009.
 3. The County Judge to execute a management control agreement with the Department of Public Safety to amend a document executed in 1996 to add the signature of the current County Judge.
- b. Request by Constables Freeman and Bailey, Precincts 2 and 8, for approval of changes to the lists of regular law enforcement personnel and reserve officers with oaths and/or bonds.
- c. Request by Constable Abercia, Precinct 1, for approval of annual law enforcement agreements with various civic and homeowner associations and other entities.
- d. Request by Constable Freeman, Precinct 2, for approval of annual law enforcement agreements with Galena Park ISD, Clear Brook City MUD, and Harris County Department of Education.
- e. Request by Constable Jones, Precinct 3, for:
 1. Authorization to increase the hourly rate of a part-time clerk position.
 2. Approval of annual law enforcement agreements with various civic and homeowner associations and other entities.
- f. Request by Constable Hickman, Precinct 4, for:
 1. Authorization to appoint a deputy to fill a vacant position.
 2. Approval of annual law enforcement agreements with various civic and homeowner associations and other entities.
 3. Authorization to extend six deputy positions through January 2, 2009 in connection with positions deleted from law enforcement agreements with certain entities effective December 31, 2008.
 4. Authorization to upgrade two deputy positions to senior deputy level for employees who have met requirements for the change.
 5. Authorization to accept a forfeiture check in the amount of \$4,584.
- g. Request by Constable Camus, Precinct 5, for approval of annual law enforcement agreements with various civic and homeowner associations and other entities.

- h. Request by Constable Trevino, Precinct 6, for:
 - 1. Authorization to waive contract accounts receivable and late fees in connection with a law enforcement agreement with the Central City Industrial Park for services of two deputies for the period of February through December, 2007.
 - 2. Approval of law enforcement agreements with various civic and homeowner associations and other entities.

10. **Sheriff**

- a. Request for approval of law enforcement agreements with various civic and homeowner associations and other entities.
- b. Request for authorization to cancel deputy positions and law enforcement agreements with Atascocita Forest Community Association, Bear Creak Meadows Association, Inc., and Brenwood Park Civic Improvement Association, Inc., effective January 2, 2009.
- c. Request for approval of cellular phone allowances for 22 employees.
- d. Request for authorization to upgrade certain deputy positions to senior deputy level for employees who have met requirements for the change.
- e. Request for authorization to purchase 50 patrol vehicles, 10 trucks, two sport utility vehicles, and two passenger vans.
- f. Request for authorization to correct the payroll records of certain employees.

11. **Sheriff's Civil Service**

Request for approval of an agreement with Leroy Harvey for preparation of written civil service examinations for detention sergeants in the amount of \$5,000.

12. **Fire Marshal**

- a. Request for the County Judge to execute agreements with Champions, Klein, and Sheldon fire departments to allow the county to provide 800 MHz mutual aid radios in connection with the Homeland Security Grant Program.
- b. Request for the County Judge to execute an agreement to allow the county to assign structural collapse equipment to the City of Baytown.

13. **Medical Examiner**

- a. Request for authorization to upgrade an administrative assistant position and increase the monthly maximum salary.

- b. Request for approval of an agreement with the University of Tennessee to allow students and faculty use of designated facilities for forensic anthropology internship training purposes.

14. **County Clerk**

- a. Request for authorization to correct the payroll record of an employee.
- b. Request that the court set December 23, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. as the date and time to conduct the local canvass of the special runoff election for State Senate District 17.
- c. Request for approval of agreements with Alief, North Forest, and Humble Independent School Districts for certain election services and use of the county's voting system for their rollback elections.
- d. Request that the court ratify the location change of the polling place for each county election precinct for the December 16, 2008 special runoff election for State Senate District 17.
- e. Transmittal of statements of officer and oaths of office for various elected/appointed officials.

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, and the 11th, 80th, 125th, 152nd, 157th, 245th, 247th, 280th, 295th, 308th, 313th, 314th, and 334th District Courts.
- b. Request for approval of an order authorizing suit and litigation expenses to compel compliance with revised county rules for onsite sewerage facilities and the Texas Health & Safety and Water codes at 2323 Lauder Road and 215 Reidland Road in Precinct 1, and for suit and litigation expenses to settle a claim for recovery of damages to county property.
- c. Request for approval of a letter of engagement to name Andy Taylor & Associates, P.C., as special counsel to represent Paul Bettencourt in his capacity as Tax Assessor-Collector in connection with a lawsuit in U.S. District Court.
- d. Request for approval of an order authorizing settlement of a condemnation suit in County Civil Court No. 2 concerning the Cypress Rosehill Road-2 project in Precinct 3.
- e. Request for authorization to transfer a cellular phone allowance to the Office of Legislative Relations.

- f. Transmittal of a letter of advice regarding a request by the Constable of Precinct 5 for authorization to waive late fee charges incurred by Nottingham West Civic Club and Wilchester Owners Committee subdivisions due to adverse affects of Hurricane Ike.

16. **District Attorney**

- a. Request for authorization to destroy certain records in accordance with the records control schedule.
- b. Request for approval of an interlocal agreement with the Harris County District Clerk to convert paper archives into searchable digital records.

17. **Justices of the Peace**

Request by Judge Ridgway, JP 5.1, for approval of payment in the total amount of \$150 for renewal of court interpreter licenses for three employees.

18. **District Courts**

- a. Request for authorization to correct the payroll record of an employee.
- b. Request for approval of a payment to the Houston Bar Association for alternative dispute resolution services.
- c. Request for approval of a business process manager position to coordinate and direct court case management improvement projects.
- d. Transmittal of appointing order, oath, and bond and notice of action by the Board of District Judges for appointment of Barbara Schott as Harris County Auditor for a two-year term ending December 31, 2010.
- e. Request for authorization to accept a donation in the amount of \$500 from the Harris County Criminal Lawyers Association for support of the STAR Drug Court.

19. **Travel & Training**

a. **Out of Texas**

	Dept.	# Emp.	Purpose	Date(s)	Location	Cost	Fund
1.	PID/FPM	1	Facility maintenance software conference	10/20-24	Henderson, NV	\$707	General
2.	PID/FPM	2	Facility management training conference	2/22-25/2009	San Diego, CA	\$7,052	General
3.	PHES	5	Public Health Preparedness Summit	2/17-20/2009	San Diego, CA	\$1,895	General
						\$8,100	Grant
4.	PHES	1	Advanced analysis with ArcGIS software training	1/13-17/2009	Sacramento, CA	\$2,660	General
5.	Sheriff	2	Firearms information update	1/14-18/2009	Orlando, FL	\$2,890	General

Dept.	# Emp.	Purpose	Date(s)	Location	Cost	Fund
6.Sheriff	1	Basic technical services/video surveillance training*	1/25-2/7/2009	Meridian, MS	\$200 \$2,000	General Other
7.Sheriff	6	Regional Counterdrug Training Academy course*	1/27-31/2009	Meridian, MS	\$1,050 \$2,000	General Other
8.Dist. Cts.	1	Natl. Assn. for Court Management Midyear Conference	3/8-11/2009	Portland, OR	\$3,000	General
9.OHSEM	1	Homeland security grant management training	1/11-17/2009	New York, NY	\$4,495	General
Subtotal	20	Out of Texas average cost \$1,802 per employee			\$36,049	

b. In Texas

Dept.	# Emp.	Purpose	Date(s)	Location	Cost	Fund
1.PID/FCD	1	Presenting data & information training	1/28/2009	Houston	\$380	FCD
2.PID/A&E	3	Concrete overlay projects seminar	1/22/2009	Houston	\$18	General
3.PID/A&E	4	Understanding geotechnical reports & designs seminar	2/5/2009	Houston	\$1,636	General
4.PID/FPM	8	Code enforcement training for stationary engineers	12/31	Houston	\$320	General
5.PID/FPM	1	Backflow license renewal	1/3/2009	Houston	\$110	General
6.PID/FPM	1	Project management seminar	1/13/2009	Houston	\$179	General
7.PID/FPM	2	Ice machine repair training	1/19/2009	Houston	\$120	General
8.MS/OFS	1	Texas Transportation Forum	1/5-7/2009	Austin	\$1,300	General
9.MS/HRRM	5	Background check request for proposal site visits	1/5-3/31/2009	Various	\$5,000	Other
10.ITC	12	Voice over internet protocol training	1/5-7/2009	Houston	\$6,500	General
11.PHES	1	Texas School Health Advisory Council meetings (6)	TBD	Austin	\$1,200	General
12.PHES	1	Air & Waste Mgt. Assn. Hot Air Topics Conf. (<i>\$125 appvd. 9/23-date change</i>)	1/12/2009	Houston	\$0	General
13.PHES	1	Tuberculosis funding formula workgroup mtg.	1/12-13/2009	Austin	\$450	Grant
14.PHES	2	Management seminar (<i>\$398 approved 10/21-date change</i>)	1/13/2009	Houston	\$0	General
15.PHES	1	Texas Association of Local WIC Directors meeting	1/13-14/2009	Austin	\$380	Grant
16.PHES	1	Accident investigation seminar*	1/28-29/2009	San Antonio	\$688	General
17.PHES	7	Visible emissions evaluation training	2/3-5/2009	Webster	\$1,000	General
18.Library	2	Checkpoint firewall security class	1/12-16/2009	Friendswood	\$7,990	Other
19.Dom. Rel.	4	Texas Association of Domestic Relations Offices meeting	1/9/2009	Fort Worth	\$720	Grant
20.AgL Ext.	1	Beef cattle project selection	12/12	Hempstead	\$70	General
21.AgL Ext.	1	Educational workshops and prospect show	12/13-14	Bryan	\$230	General
22.AgL Ext.	1	Career Quest mtg. for 4-H youth programs	12/15	Rosenberg	\$70	General
23.AgL Ext.	2	4-H Food Show	12/6	Hempstead	\$170	General
24.AgL Ext.	1	Mtg. with Dr. Dale Fritz & Dr. Darryl Droomgoole	12/11	College Station	\$149	General
25.AgL Ext.	2	Texas Association of Extension 4-H Agents meeting	12/17	Conroe	\$100	General
26.Juv. Prob.	1	Texas Assn. of School Administrators training	1/26-28/2009	Austin	\$671	Grant
27.Juv. Prob.	2	Tx. Council of Administrators of Special Education Conf.	2/10-12/2009	Fort Worth	\$1,861	Grant
28.PSCA	2	Dept. of Family and Protective Services meeting	1/8-9/2009	Austin	\$537	General
29.PSCA	10	Children at Risk Annual Children's Summit	1/20/2009	Houston	\$280 \$70	General Grant
30.Sheriff	2	Forensic statement analysis training*	8/19	Brazos County	\$100	General
31.Sheriff	2	Hazardous materials technician training	12/1-12	Humble	\$700	General
32.Sheriff	10	Honor guard members performed funeral duty	12/2	Conroe	\$109	General
33.Sheriff	3	Grant writing workshop	12/15-16	Houston	\$1,275	General

	Dept.	# Emp.	Purpose	Date(s)	Location	Cost	Fund
34.	Sheriff	16	Crime Prevention Mid-Winter Conference*	1/9-15/2009	Kerrville	\$7,984	General
35.	Sheriff	4	Mandt system training for Mental Health Unit instructors*	1/12-16/2009	Victoria	\$8,100	General
36.	Sheriff	6	Forklift certification training	1/14/2009	Houston	\$1,425	General
37.	Sheriff	4	Crash Data Retrieval Users Conference	1/26-28/2009	Houston	\$3,100	General
38.	Sheriff	2	Realities of Law Enforcement Regional Workshop*	1/27/2009	College Station	\$200	General
39.	Sheriff	3	National Technical Investigators Conference*	2/3-7/2009	San Antonio	\$2,000	General
40.	Sheriff	50	Financial success seminar	2/10/2009	Houston	\$1,750	General
41.	Sheriff	50	Building wealth seminar	2/10/2009	Houston	\$1,000	General
42.	Sheriff	2	San Jacinto College Spring Career Day	2/18/2009	Houston	\$45	General
43.	Sheriff	6	Recruiting booth at Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo	3/3-22/2009	Houston	\$1,800	General
44.	Sheriff	2	University of Houston-Downtown Spring Career Expo	3/5/2009	Houston	\$165	General
45.	Sheriff	2	Texas Job Fair	3/31/2009	Houston	\$265	General
46.	Sheriff	12	Crime mapping seminar	4/27-5/1/2009	Houston	\$1,400	General
47.	Sheriff	5	Shotgun breaching instructor course	5/4-6/2009	Humble	\$2,000	General
48.	M.E.	50	Forensic DNA training	1/26-28/2009	Houston	\$1,065	Grant
49.	M.E.	120	Forensic ethics seminar (<i>\$997 appvd. 8/19 & \$633 appvd. 9/9-date change</i>)	1/13/2009	Houston	\$0	General
50.	Co. Clk.	2	Texas Assn. of Election Administrators Midwinter Conf.*	1/7-9/2009	San Antonio	\$1,365	General
51.	Co. Clk.	2	Local Government Technology Conference	1/26-29/2009	Austin	\$1,740	General
52.	Dist. Clk.	1	County & District Clerks education seminar	1/12-15/2009	College Station	\$870	General
53.	CA	1	Hot Air Topics Conference	1/12/2009	Houston	\$125	General
54.	CA	1	Evidence seminar	1/15-16/2009	Houston	\$465	General
55.	CA	1	Critical thinking for critical issues seminar	1/28-30/2009	Austin	\$901	General
56.	Co. Cts.	1	Justice court training	1/24-28/2009	Galveston	\$640	General
57.	Dist. Cts.	1	Texas Urban Court Administrators Group seminar	1/22/2009	Fort Worth	\$600	General
58.	Tax A-C	2	Appraisal of real property course	2/9-13/2009	Houston	\$335	General
59.	Tax A-C	2	Mass appraisal concepts course	2/16-20/2009	Houston	\$335	General
60.	Tax A-C	2	Appraisal of agriculture land course	3/2-4/2009	Houston	\$270	General
61.	Co. Judge	1	Texas Changing Economic Climate Conference	1/29/2009	Austin	\$480	General
62.	OHSEM	1	Municipal Fire School Planning Conference*	1/9-10/2009	College Station	\$170	General
63.	OHSEM	1	Safety officer training*	1/12-15/2009	College Station	\$140	General
64.	OHSEM	1	State Firemans & Fire Marshals Assn. Conf. mtgs.*	1/29-2/1/2009	McAllen	\$290	General
65.	OHSEM	24	Emergency management meetings*	Jan.-Dec. 2009	Various	\$10,800	General
66.	OHSEM	24	Governor's Division of Emergency Management courses*	Jan.-Dec. 2009	Various	\$9,600	General
67.	Com. 1	2	Tree pest and disease workshop	1/23/2009	Houston	\$150	General
68.	Com. 1	1	Texas Master Gardener weekly training courses	Jan.-Feb. 2009	Houston	\$160	General
69.	Com. 2	1	Texas Workforce Commission Conference	1/15-16/2009	Austin	\$396	General
70.	Com. 2	7	Pesticide applicators recertification training seminar*	1/21/2009	Baytown	\$175	General
71.	Com. 2	3	Industrial Fire, Safety, and Security Conference*	2/4-6/2009	Houston	\$847	General
72.	Com. 3	1	Grant writing class	12/15-16	Houston	\$425	General

	Dept.	# Emp.	Purpose	Date(s)	Location	Cost	Fund
73,	Com. 4	1	State Assn. of Fire & Emergency Districts Conference*	1/29-31/2009	Austin	\$511	General
	Subtotal	516	In Texas average cost \$191 per employee			\$98,472	
	Total	536				\$134,521	

*Travel by county vehicle

General	Grant	Other	Total
\$103,834	\$13,317	\$17,370	\$134,521

Cumulative	Out of Texas	In Texas	Total
FY 2008-09	\$1,287,700	\$2,156,184	\$3,443,884

20. **Grants**

- a. Transmittal of notice by the **PID Flood Control District** that an application was submitted to the Division of Emergency Management of the Office of the Governor for grant funds in the amount of \$3,535,106 for Hurricane Ike fast track funding under the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.
- b. Request by **Public Health & Environmental Services** for authorization to:
 1. Accept grant funds in amounts of \$150,000, \$125,000, \$103,675 and \$14,000 from the Texas Department of State Health Services for the HIV Prevention, Infectious Disease Surveillance, Tuberculosis Prevention and Control, and Flu–Internet-Based Web Portal programs.
 2. Submit a proposal to the National Association of Chronic Disease Directors for grant funds in the amount of \$50,000 for the ACHIEVE Initiative Program.
 3. Accept an amendment to an agreement with the University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston to extend the program end date through September 30, 2009 for surveillance and control of the West Nile virus.
 4. Accept an amendment to an agreement with the Texas Department of State Health Services to correct the name of the Harris County Public Health & Environmental Services Department as it appears on the contract for operation of the refugee grant.
- c. Request by **Community Services** for authorization to:
 1. Submit an application to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for Emergency Shelter Grant Program funds in the amount of \$100,000 to provide emergency mortgage and rental assistance to eligible low-income families.
 2. Accept an amendment to an agreement with the Houston-Galveston Area Council to extend the program end date through December 31, 2009 for the Harris County RIDES Program to provide transportation services in support of the Workforce Solutions Program.

- d. Request by the **County Library** for authorization to:
 - 1. Submit applications to the Vivian L. Smith, Comcast, Fondren, Strake, Simmons, and Edith and Robert Zinn foundations for grant funds in the total amount of \$36,000 for enrichment activities and appropriate paperback materials for local children involved in the Summer Reading Program.
 - 2. Submit an application to the Texas Commission of the Arts for grant funds in the amount of \$500 for library performances for the Summer Reading Program.
 - 3. Submit applications to Waste Management Charitable Foundation, Amegy Bank of Texas, and Hamman Foundation for grant funds in the total amount of \$8,000 for enrichment activities and paperback books for participants in the Big Read Program.
 - 4. Accept Community Development Block Grant funds in the amount of \$491,260 from the Harris County Community Services Department for the design phase of the new McNair Branch Library.
 - 5. Submit an application to the International City/County Management Association for grant funds in the amount of \$31,773 for the Public Library Innovation Grant Program.

- e. Request by **Domestic Relations** for authorization to accept an amendment to an agreement with the Texas Office of the Attorney General to extend the program end date through April 30, 2009 for the Court Order Parent Education Project.

- f. Request by **Protective Services for Children & Adults** for authorization to:
 - 1. Accept grant funds in the amount of \$320,000 from Casey Family Programs for continuation of the Houston Alumni & Youth Center EmPLOY Project.
 - 2. Accept Community Development Block Grant funds in the amount of \$58,829 for the Truancy Learning Camp Program.

- g. Request by **Constable Hickman, Precinct 4**, for authorization to submit an application to the Criminal Justice Division of the Office of the Governor for grant funds in the amount of \$49,017 for the Domestic Violence/Victim Assistance Program.

- h. Request by **Constable Camus, Precinct 5**, for authorization to submit applications to the Criminal Justice Division of the Office of the Governor for grant funds in amounts of \$66,354 and \$63,607 for the Victims of Crime Act and Violence Against Women Act programs.

- i. Request by **Constable Trevino, Precinct 6**, for authorization to submit applications to:
 - 1. The U.S. Department of Justice for grant funds in the amount of \$50,000 for the Gang Resistance Education and Training Program.
 - 2. The Criminal Justice Division of the Office of the Governor for grant funds in the amount of \$46,150 for the Violence Against Women Act Program.

- j. Request by **Constable Walker, Precinct 7**, for authorization to:
 - 1. Accept grant funds in the amount of \$44,565 from the Criminal Justice Division of the Office of the Governor for the Dowling Middle School Gang Free Zone Program.
 - 2. Submit an application to the Criminal Justice Division of the Office of the Governor for grant funds in the amount of \$69,036 for the Victims Assistance Coordinator Program.
 - 3. Submit an application to the U.S. Department of Justice for grant funds in the amount of \$125,000 for the Gang Resistance Education and Training Program.

- k. Request by the **Sheriff** for authorization to:
 - 1. Submit an application to the Criminal Justice Division of the Office of the Governor for grant funds in the amount of \$80,000 for the Police Training for Violence Against Women Program.
 - 2. Extend eight positions pending receipt of award documents from the Texas Department of State Health Services for the HIV Prevention Program.
 - 3. Accept grant funds in the amount of \$5,000 from the U.S. Department of Justice for the Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force.

- l. Request by the **Fire Marshal** for authorization to accept grant funds in the amount of \$2,000 from the Factory Mutual Global Foundation for digital cameras for use in documenting fire scenes for arson investigations.

- m. Request by the **District Attorney** for authorization to submit applications to the Criminal Justice Division of the Office of the Governor for grant funds in amounts of \$80,000, \$59,197, and \$80,000 for the Protective Order Prosecutor, Felony Family Violence Caseworker, and Caseworker Intervention Expansion projects.

- n. Request by the **District Courts** for authorization to submit an application to the Supreme Court of Texas for grant funds in the amount of \$226,900 for the Dedicated Multi-District Litigation Asbestos Court.

- o. Request by the **County Judge** for authorization to accept grant funds in the total amount of \$15,257,792 from the Division of Emergency Management of the Office of the Governor for the State Homeland Security Grant, Citizen Corps, and Urban Areas Security Initiative programs.

21. **Fiscal Services & Purchasing**

a. **Auditor**

1. Request for approval of final payments to:
 - a. Rozco Contracting, Inc., for Bretshire stormwater detention basin recreational amenities for the Flood Control District.
 - b. Shaw Environmental, Inc., for continuation of construction services for regional detention basin improvements for Greens Bayou at the confluence of Garners Bayou for the Flood Control District.
 - c. Slack & Company Contracting for a drainage and wetlands mitigation project for Grant Road and Kitzman Road in Precinct 4.
 - d. Spring Equipment Co., Inc., for slope failure repair downstream of Wallisville Road in the Carpenters Bayou watershed for the Flood Control District.
2. Transmittal of certification of supplemental estimates of revenue received for various funds and grants.
3. Request for approval of orders establishing two bank accounts for the Community Services Department.
4. Transmittal of an unaudited and unadjusted monthly financial report for October 2008.
5. Transmittal of audited claims.

b. **Tax Assessor-Collector**

Request for approval of tax refund payments.

c. **Purchasing**

1. Request for approval of projects scheduled for advertisement:
 - a. Personal computers for the Sheriff's Department.
 - b. Pick up, transport, and disposal of animal carcasses for Public Health & Environmental Services/Animal Control Division.
 - c. Radar units and related items for the Sheriff's Department.
 - d. Automotive paint and related items for the Commissioner of Precinct 4.
 - e. Fresh bakery products for county institutions.
 - f. Fabricate and deliver various signs and related items for the Toll Road Authority.
 - g. Pick up, processing, and delivery of mail for the county.
 - h. Website translation service for Public Health & Environmental Services.
 - i. Furnish and deliver de-ice/anti-ice spray trailer with tank, pump, and boom for the Toll Road Authority.
 - j. Glass reflective spheres for traffic paint, reflective and non-reflective pavement markers, and epoxy adhesive for the county.

- k. Battery packs for electronic voting equipment for the County Clerk.
2. Transmittal of a change in contract with Olmsted-Kirk Paper Company, contractor for office paper for the county, resulting in an addition of \$907 to the contract amount (08/0125).
 3. Transmittal of a list of computer-related items obtained through the State of Texas vendor program for the Sheriff's Department, Public Health & Environmental Services, Toll Road Authority, Fire Marshal, District Clerk, Public Infrastructure Department, and Information Technology.
 4. Recommendation that awards be made to:
 - a. La Ranchera, Inc., only bid in the amount of \$64,575 for supplemental resale items for county jail commissaries for the period of December 23, 2008-December 22, 2009.
 - b. Ohlin Sales, Inc., dba OSI Batteries, Inc., low bid meeting specifications in the amount of \$82,938 for two-way radio batteries for Information Technology for the period ending November 30, 2009.
 - c. Pumps of Houston, low bid in the amount of \$394,540 for inspection and preventive maintenance, and repair of storm water pump stations in the county for the period beginning January 1, 2009.
 - d. Applied Biosystems, Inc., only bid in the amount of \$363,199 for Profiler Plus/Cofiler and Identifiler PCR amplification kits for the Medical Examiner for the period of February 1, 2009-January 31, 2010, with a one-year renewal option.
 - e. SunGard Availability Services, LP, best proposal meeting requirements for a co-location facility for the Toll Road Authority, and for the County Judge to execute an agreement for the period of December 23, 2008-December 22, 2009, with three one-year renewal options.
 - f. Bay Medical Company, Inc., low bid in the amount of \$55,200 for examination gloves for the county for the period of December 23, 2008-November 30, 2009.
 - g. Bio Landscape and Maintenance, Inc., low bid in the amount of \$716,500 for mowing services for the Flood Control District for the period beginning January 1, 2009.
 - h. P-Ville, Inc., low bid in the amount of \$557,915 for mowing services for the Flood Control District for the period beginning January 1, 2009.
 - i. Body Shop Equipment, low bid meeting specifications in the amount of \$46,700 for vehicle frame correction rack and computerized measuring system equipment for the county, and for the County Judge to execute the agreement.
 - j. ADE, Inc., only proposal received for drug and alcohol evaluation services for Community Supervision & Corrections, and for approval of an agreement in the amount of \$54,000 for the period ending October 31, 2009.
 - k. Bamaco, Inc., overall low bid in the amount of \$743,000 for storm debris removal and disposal services for the Flood Control District for the period beginning January 1, 2009.

- b. Absolute Color, Ltd., to provide printed EZ Tag materials for the Toll Road Authority for the period of April 1, 2009-March 31, 2010 at an estimated cost of \$93,000.
 - c. The Exchange Club Center for the Prevention of Child Abuse of Houston, Texas, Inc., dba Escape Family Resource Center for parent education programs for the Youth & Family Services Division for the period of March 1, 2009-February 28, 2010 at an estimated cost of \$40,000.
 - d. Spring Equipment Company, Inc., for repair of various storm water pipes and related items for the Flood Control District for the period of February 1, 2009-January 31, 2010 at an estimated cost of \$762,319, and execution of bonds.
 - e. Devolve Corporation, class 1 primary and class 2 secondary, and NetVersant-Texas, Inc., class 1 secondary and class 2 primary for a Systimax VAR program for telephone and data cable labor, parts, materials, and related items for Information Technology for the period of January 1-December 31, 2009 at an estimated total cost of \$750,000.
 - f. DePelchin Children's Center for psychological services for Protective Services for Children & Adults for the period of March 1, 2009-February 28, 2010 at an estimated cost of \$127,500.
 - g. ICS for personal supplies and related items for Community Supervision & Corrections for the period of February 1, 2009-January 31, 2010 at an estimated cost of \$36,000.
 - h. Trapeze Software Group for a transportation routing, scheduling, tracking, and management information software system for Community Services for the period of February 6, 2009-February 5, 2010 at an estimated cost of \$8,500.
 - i. Hertz Equipment Rental Corporation for rental of commercial, industrial, and construction equipment and related items for the county for the period March 1, 2009-February 28, 2010 at an estimated cost of \$350,000.
 - j. Houston Mac Haik Dodge Chrysler Jeep for repair parts, labor, and related items for Daimler Chrysler automobiles and trucks for the county for the period of March 1, 2009-February 28, 2010 at an estimated cost of \$22,000.
 - k. DLT Solutions, Inc., for renewal of AutoCAD and Autodesk support services for PID/Architecture & Engineering Division for the period of November 17, 2008-November 16, 2009 at an estimated cost of \$35,736.
 - l. Grafikshop Corp., for printing of the "One to One" newsletter for the Commissioner of Precinct 1 for the period of April 1, 2009-March 31, 2010 at an estimated cost of \$33,600.
 - m. USA Mobility Wireless, Inc., formerly Metrocall, Inc., dba USA Mobility, Inc., for leasing wireless pagers, messaging services, and related items for Information Technology for the period of February 1, 2009-January 31, 2010 at an estimated cost of \$113,088.
12. Request for the County Judge to execute agreements/amendments with:
- a. Dell Marketing, LP, and Dell Government Leasing and Financing Program III for lease/purchase of Dell Optiplex computers and services for the County Library for the period of December 15, 2008-December 15, 2009 at an estimated cost of \$81,892.

- b. Sungard Public Sector Bi-Tech, LLC, fka Sungard Data Systems, Inc., and Bi-Tech Software, Inc., for IFAS-accounting and financial reporting system, software license, and maintenance fees for Information Technology for the period of January 1-December 31, 2009 at an estimated cost of \$148,115.
 - c. Legacy Community Health Services for primary medical care and medical case management services for Public Health & Environmental Services/HIV Services for the period of March 1, 2008-February 28, 2009 at an estimated cost of \$250,000.
 - d. Houston Area Community Services, Inc., for primary medical care and medical case management services in the amount of \$76,010; case management/service linkage services, \$38,010; and clinical case management targeting African Americans and Hispanics, \$38,000 for Public Health & Environmental Services/HIV Services for the period of March 1, 2008-February 28, 2009.
 - e. Legacy Community Health Services for a local medication program for Public Health & Environmental Services/HIV Services for the period of March 1, 2008-February 28, 2009 at an estimated cost of \$250,000.
 - f. Harris County Hospital District for primary medical care and contract home health care services for Public Health & Environmental Services/HIV Services for the period of March 1, 2008-February 28, 2009 at an estimated cost of \$97,900.
 - g. Sam Houston State University to provide immersion training sessions for the Sheriff's Department for the period of January 1-December 31, 2009 at an estimated cost of \$40,175.
 - h. Motorola, Inc., for purchase of a communications system for Information Technology for the period of December 23, 2008-December 22, 2009 at an estimated cost of \$3,121,970.
 - i. Networkfleet, fka Networkcar, Inc., to change the term from June 3, 2008-December 17, 2008 to July 10, 2008-July 9, 2009 for global positioning system and diagnostic tracking on vehicles for Facilities & Property Management.
 - j. Texas Archive of the Moving Image to digitize all or part of county archived films for Information Technology at no cost to the county beginning upon execution and continuing for a year.
13. Request for approval of sole source, personal and professional services, and other exemptions from the competitive bid process and for the County Judge to execute agreements/amendments with:
- a. Depelchin Children's Center for evaluation of the Systems of Hope Program for Protective Services for Children & Adults for the period of October 1, 2008-September 30, 2009 at an estimated cost of \$275,000.
 - b. Nancy Baird for juvenile detention alternatives initiatives site coordinator services for Juvenile Probation for the period of December 1, 2008-November 30, 2009 at an estimated cost of \$40,000.
 - c. William James Delmore, III, for jury charge bank project consultation services for the District Courts for the period of December 23, 2008-December 22, 2009 at an estimated cost of \$25,000.

- d. Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc., for maintenance of various software products for PID/Architecture & Engineering for the period of October 1, 2008-September 30, 2009 at an estimated cost of \$35,530.
 - e. Bill Schmidt, Ph.D., LPC, for therapeutic services in the areas of individual, group, family, and home-based therapy for the Children's Assessment Center for the period of March 1, 2008-February 28, 2009 at an estimated cost of \$30,000.
 - f. CI Technologies, Inc., to provide IAPro software license, installation, and training services for the Sheriff's Department for the period of December 23, 2008-December 22, 2009 at an estimated cost of \$89,600.
 - g. Savannah Family Institute, Inc., for Parenting with Love and Limits[®] Center of Excellence Program for Protective Services for Children & Adults for the period of March 7, 2009-March 7, 2010 at an estimated cost of \$50,000.
 - h. Cummins-Allison Corp., for Cummins JetScan currency scanners and JetSort coin sorter/counters for the Toll Road Authority for the period of December 23, 2008-December 22, 2009 at an estimated cost of \$107,000.
 - i. Unisys Corporation for the purchase of a Unisys Dorado 320 system for Information Technology for the period of December 1, 2008-November 30, 2009, in the amount of \$758,584, and for the County Judge to execute an amendment to an agreement between the county, Unisys Corporation, and Key Government Finance, Inc., for a 27-month lease of a system for the Sheriff's Department and the Tax Assessor-Collector for the period of December 1, 2008-February 28, 2011 at an estimated total cost of \$1,785,259.
 - j. Rush Equipment Center-Houston to provide sales of equipment, repair parts, service, and warranty for trucks manufactured by Peterbilt Motors Company a division of PACCAR.
14. Request for authorization for the county to use Harris County Hospital District contracts with LK Jordan and Associates, PeopleCorp, and Resource Staffing for temporary clerical personnel for the period ending September 30, 2009, and to issue purchase orders for the Toll Road Authority at an estimated cost of \$575,000.
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. Transmittal of notice of receipt of funds in the total amount of \$65,206 from the sale of surplus and confiscated property through the county's internet public auction and Houston Auto Auction for the period of November 1-30, 2008.
17. Transmittal of bids and proposals for advertised jobs that were opened December 15 and 22, 2008 by the Office of the Purchasing Agent, and request for approval of recommendations for disposition.

22. **Commissioners Court**

a. **County Judge**

1. Request for approval of resolutions designating:
 - a. December 23, 2008 as Jerome K. Booker Day on the occasion of his retirement from Management Services.
 - b. December 31, 2008 as Pamela S. Flores-Perez Day on the occasion of her retirement from the Sheriff's Department.
 - c. January 13-14, 2009 as Harris County Employees' Winter Blood Drive Days.
2. Request by the Office of Homeland Security & Emergency Management for authorization for the Flood Control District and OHS&EM to begin implementation of recommendations to improve the Harris County Flood ALERT System.

b. **Commissioner, Precinct 1**

Request for approval to install 20 MPH speed limit signs and post signs prohibiting overnight parking of commercial motor vehicles in the Fairgreen Subdivision.

c. **Commissioner, Precinct 2**

1. Request for approval of resolutions supporting/recognizing:
 - a. The Texas Nursing Workforce Shortage Coalition's efforts to double the number of nursing graduates by 2013 and urging the 81st Legislature to fund such efforts.
 - b. Joseph Ray Vara on the occasion of his retirement from the District Attorney's Office.
2. Request for authorization to create 15 positions.
3. Request for discussion and possible action to support legislation revising Chapter 572 of the Government Code related to a county elected official or employee subject to a revolving door prohibition.

d. **Commissioner, Precinct 3**

1. Request for authorization to post signs prohibiting overnight parking of commercial motor vehicles in the Villages of Barwood Subdivision.
2. Request for authorization to change the title and salary maximum of a position.
3. Request for authorization to accept checks from:
 - a. ASC Owners Group, LLC, dba American Shooting Centers in the amount of \$160,477 for FY 2008 rent commission.

- b. Harris County MUD No. 172 in the amount of \$31,735 for participation in the cost of a sidewalk installation from Aragon Middle School along West Road to Copper Village Homeowners Association lake amenity.
 4. Request for the County Judge to execute agreements with:
 - a. The Texas Department of Public Safety to update addresses and authorized signatures for purchase of gasoline from three precinct service centers.
 - b. Langham Creek Senior High School/Air Force Junior ROTC for cleanup along the roadsides of Telge Road from West Road to Highway 290 for the period of January 15, 2009-January 14, 2010.
 5. Request for approval of Cypress Top Historic Park usage fees for private functions and organizational meetings.
 6. Transmittal of notice of traffic sign installations and/or exchanges.
- e. **Commissioner, Precinct 4**
1. Request for approval for Precinct 4 vehicles to travel out of the county and within the state from January 1-December 31, 2009 in connection with day trips for the Senior Adult Program.
 2. Request for the County Judge to execute an agreement with Anadarko Petroleum Corporation for cleanup along the roadsides of Spring Cypress Road from IH-45 to Border Street in connection with the Adopt a County Road Program for the period of December 1, 2008-November 30, 2009.
 3. Transmittal of notice of traffic sign installations.

23. **Miscellaneous**

- a. Transmittal of petitions filed with the 157th District Court and U.S. District Court.
- b. Transmittal of notice of petition regarding creation of Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 416 received from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.
- c. Transmittal of notice of a public hearing at 6:30 p.m. on January 9, 2009 at 4420 Lyons Avenue regarding the intent of Lawrence House to provide a supportive transitional facility for women at 4409 Rawley Street.

II. Emergency/supplemental items

III. Public Hearings

Recommendation by Public Infrastructure for approval of street name changes and corrections in Precincts 1, 3, and 4: Park Meadow Drive to Little Hummingbird Lane, Timber Mist Drive to Timber Court Hollow, Iron Wind Lane to Ironwind Lane, Lindsey Hill Lane to Lindsey Creek Lane, and Glen Cheek Road to Tin Hall Road.

IV. Executive Session

1. Request by PID/Flood Control District for an executive session to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property in Precinct 2.
2. Request by PID/Facilities & Property Management for an executive session to deliberate the deployment of security personnel and devices at the Administration Building and for the court to take appropriate action upon return to open session, including authorization to approve the plan and funding.
3. Request by the County Judge for an executive session for:
 - a. Consideration and possible approval of the appointment of Graciela E. Martinez to the Harris County Housing Authority Board of Commissioners to fill an unexpired term ending February 28, 2009, and extending the appointment for an additional term ending February 28, 2011.
 - b. Discussion and possible action regarding a replacement for the Tax Assessor-Collector of Harris County for a partial term ending at the completion of the November, 2010 election certification.
 - c. Discussion and possible action on the appointment of a hearing examiner for the administrative adjudication hearings for Toll Road EZ Tag lanes violations.
4. Request by the Commissioner of Precinct 1 for an executive session for:
 - a. Corrections of expiration dates to three-year terms ending December 31, 2011 for the reappointments of Delsie Stoute to the Area Planning Advisory Council on Aging and Larry Litton to the Harris County Protective Services for Children & Adults board of directors.
 - b. Consideration and approval of the appointment of a hearing examiner for the administrative adjudication hearings for Toll Road EZ Tag lane violations.
5. Request by the Commissioner of Precinct 2 for an executive session for the reappointments of:
 - a. Mary Merci Hernandez and Terry Morales to the Harris County Housing Finance Corporation for terms of January 1, 2009-December 31, 2010.
 - b. Janet Stansbury and Frances Castañeda Dyess to the Harris County Protective Services for Children & Adults Board for terms of January 1, 2009-December 31, 2011.
 - c. Alfred Forsten to the Mental Health & Mental Retardation Authority Board for the term of January 1, 2009-December 31, 2010.

- d. Alice E. Valdez to the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone No. 13 Board for the term of January 1, 2009-December 31, 2010.
6. Request by the Commissioner of Precinct 4 for an executive session for approval of the reappointment of Dr. Ernest Frugé to the Harris County Protective Services for Children & Adults Board for the term of January 1, 2009-December 31, 2011.

V. Appearances before court

1. 3 minutes

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2. 1 minute

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Adjournment.

Commissioners Court

County Judge

Commissioners (4)

Services

- Public Infrastructure
- Management Services
- Legislative Relations
- Information Technology
- Public Health & Environmental Services
- Community Services
- Library Services
- Youth & Family Services

Fiscal Services & Purchasing

- Auditor
- Treasurer
- Tax Assessor-Collector
- Purchasing

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)

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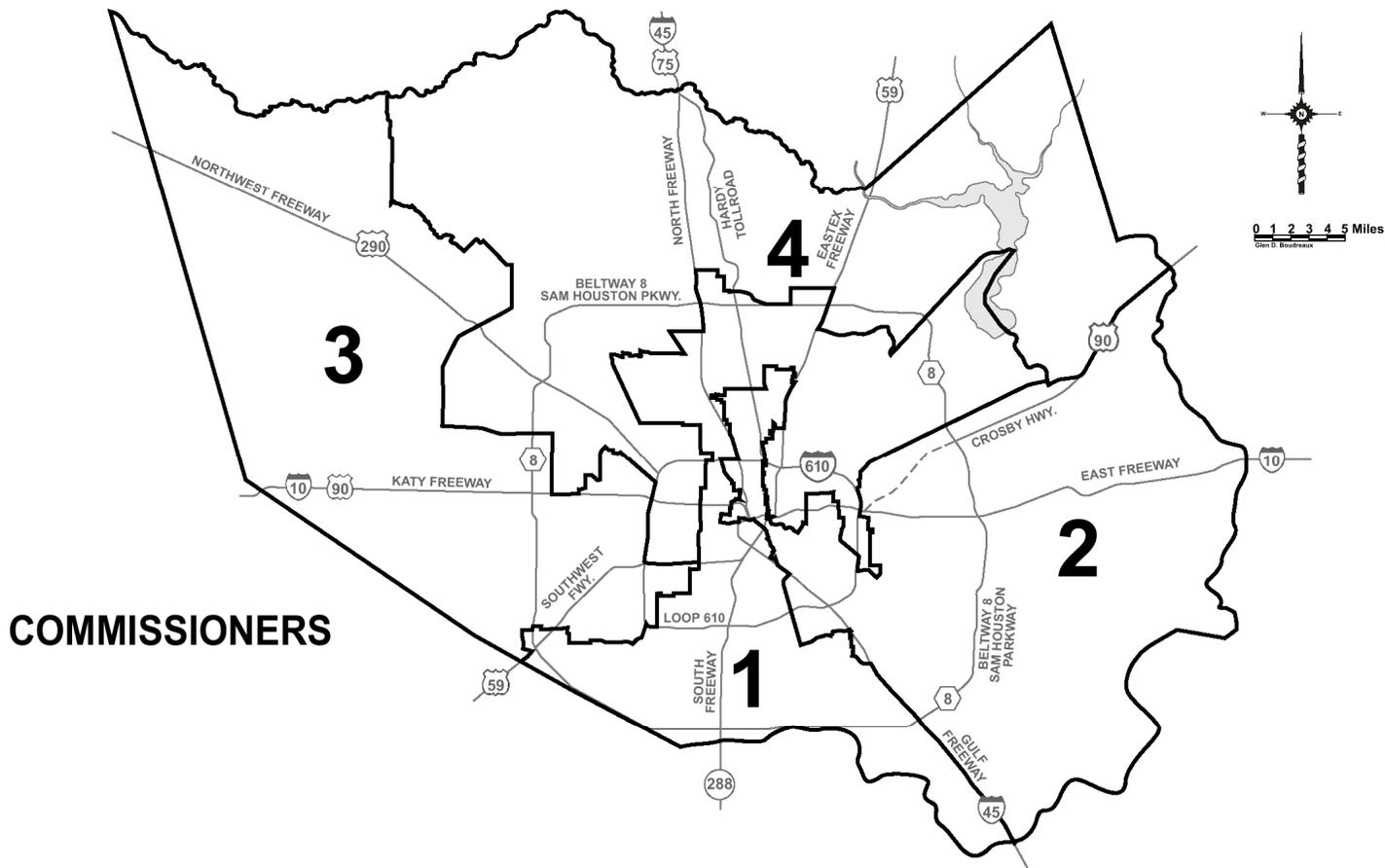
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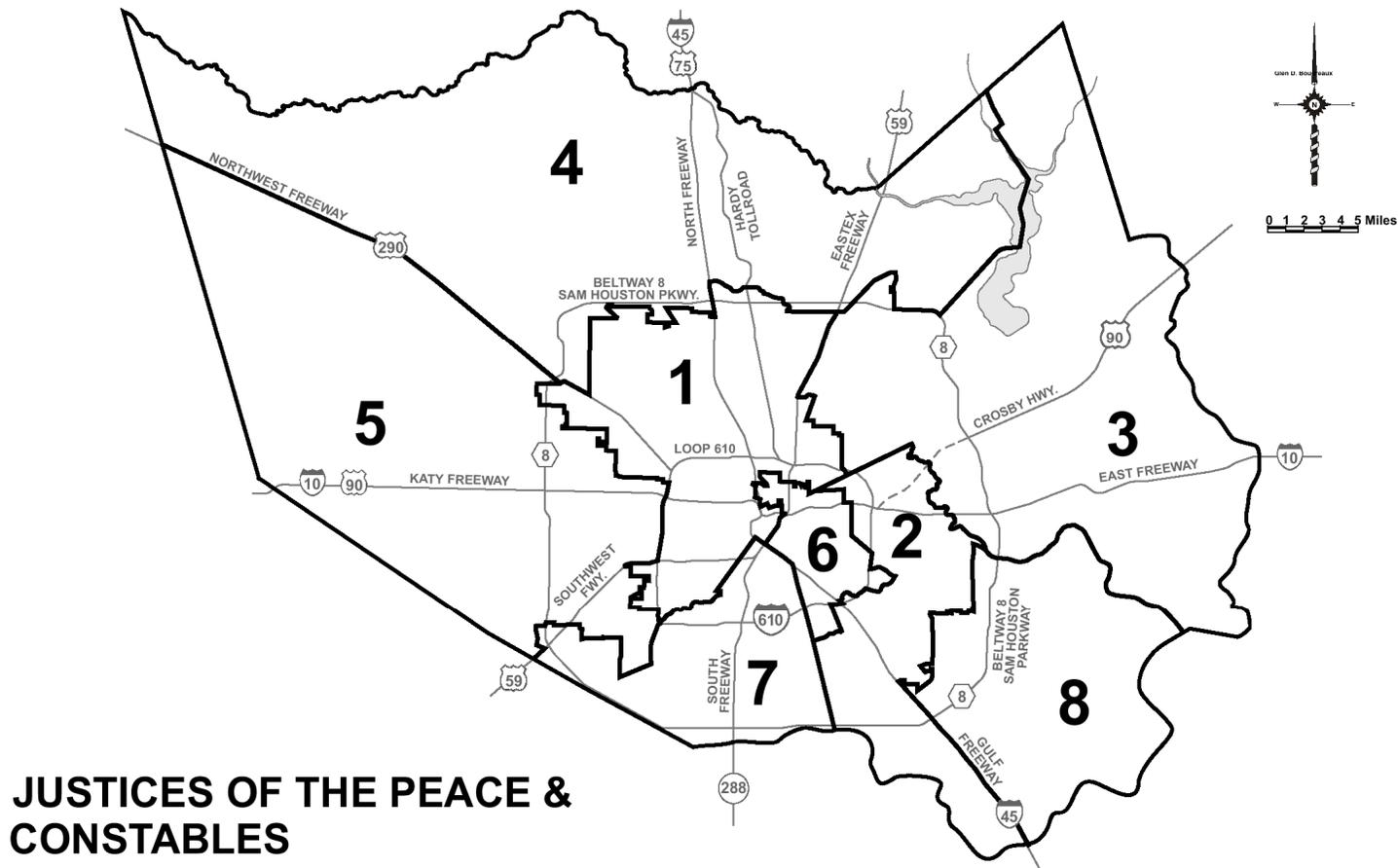
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