



# HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS

## COMMISSIONERS COURT

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Commissioner, Precinct 1

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Commissioner, Precinct 2

Steve Radack  
Commissioner, Precinct 3

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Commissioner, Precinct 4

No. 01.18

### AGENDA

September 18, 2001

1:45 p.m.

Opening prayer by Pastor Louis Osborne of the Apostolic Assembly of Love in Houston.

1. Public Infrastructure Department
  - a. Public Infrastructure
  - b. Flood Control District
  - c. Engineering
2. Toll Road Authority
3. Management Services
4. Central Technology
5. Public Health Services
6. Community Development Services
7. Youth & Family Services
8. Constables
9. Sheriff
10. Fire & Emergency Services
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19. Commissioners Court
  - a. County Judge
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20. Miscellaneous
21. Emergency items
22. Appearances before court
23. Opening of bids and proposals
24. Executive Session

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

1. **Public Infrastructure Department**

a. **Public Infrastructure**

1. Recommendation for authorization for the County Judge to execute a personal services agreement with Paul A. Heidaker on behalf of the county and the Flood Control District for relocation of owners and tenants in connection with the county's engineering and maintenance programs at a cost not to exceed \$50,000.
2. Recommendation for authorization to negotiate a professional services agreement with Reconstruction Management Company for assistance in restoring elevator services to the Criminal Justice Center.
3. Recommendation that the court approve resolutions and orders authorizing Right of Way on behalf of the county to purchase for negotiated purchase prices, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete transactions for:
  - a. Westpark Corridor project, Tract A100-024 in Precinct 3 in the amount of \$66,018.
  - b. Gosling Road project, Tract 001 in Precinct 4 in the amount of \$7,549.
4. Recommendation that the court approve a resolution and order authorizing the Telge Park expansion project, decreeing public necessity and convenience, and directing Right of Way to acquire Tracts 001 A through C in Precinct 3 on behalf of the county, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete transactions.
5. Recommendation that the court approve a resolution and order establishing just compensation in the amount of \$13,658 for Tract 03-007.0 of the North Fork Greens Bayou regional detention basin project in Precinct 4.
6. Recommendation that the county be authorized to cancel an agreement with Peter Terpstra and Foster & Kleiser for billboard lease in connection with Tract 23S of the Telge Road project in Precinct 3.
7. Transmittal of notices of road and bridge log changes.

b. **Flood Control District**

1. Recommendation that the County Judge be authorized to execute agreements with:
  - a. Aviles Engineering Corp., for on-call geotechnical engineering services in the amount of \$50,000 for the district's engineering and maintenance programs.
  - b. Crouch Environmental Services for environmental engineering services in the amount of \$100,000 for the district's engineering and maintenance programs.
  - c. Dannenbaum Engineering Corporation for engineering services in the amount of \$731,650 for implementation of the Brays Bayou flood damage reduction plan in Precincts 1, 2, and 3.

- d. HBC Engineering, Inc., for additional materials engineering and testing services in the amount of \$10,000 in support of public works construction projects within the district (amendment).
  - e. Moore Archeological Consulting for archeological services in the amount of \$100,000 for the district's engineering and maintenance programs.
  - f. Roy F. Weston, Inc., for additional environmental engineering services in the amount of \$50,000 for the district in various aspects of the NPDES program and other water quality related items (amendment).
  - g. Tolunay-Wong Engineers, Inc., for on-call geotechnical engineering services in the amount of \$50,000 for the district's engineering and maintenance programs.
2. Recommendation for approval of a change in contract with Excalibur Construction, Inc., contractor for improvements to a gated structure in the Clear Lake second outlet in Precinct 2, resulting in an addition of \$15,460 to the contract amount.
  3. Request for approval of a notary public license fee and bond for an employee in the amount of \$72.

c. **Engineering**

1. Recommendation for approval to seek bids for a three-week period for:
  - a. Asphalt overlay and base repairs of various roads in Precinct 1 at an estimated cost of \$1,029,505.
  - b. Spring-Cypress Road sections nine and 10 clearing from west of Falvel Road to FM 2920 in Precinct 4 at an estimated cost of \$255,155.
2. Recommendation for approval of the following plats:
  - a. Ed's Place in Precinct 2; L. Michael Huelsebusch, P.E.
  - b. Ameri-Car Estates in Precinct 3; Charles E. Bates.
  - c. Bent Tree Apartments in Precinct 3; Edminster, Hinshaw and Russ.
  - d. Windstone Colony Section Three in Precinct 3; Sherrington, Incorporated.
  - e. Canyon Gate at Northpointe Section Eight in Precinct 4; R.G. Miller Engineers.
  - f. Village Creek Section Nine in Precinct 4; Cobourn, Linseisen & Ratcliffe, Incorporated.
  - g. Five-O Subdivision in Precinct 4; HRS and Associates.
  - h. Villages at Lakepointe Section Four in Precinct 4; Benchmark Engineering Corporation.
  - i. Pinecrest Forest Section Eight in Precinct 4; Pate Engineers.
3. Recommendation for cancellation of bonds for:
  - a. Cypress-Fairbanks ISD executed by Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America for Cy-Fair ISD Millsap Elementary School on Ravencross Drive in Precinct 3 in the amount of \$1,275.
  - b. RH of Texas Limited Partnership executed by Reliance Insurance Company for Mandolin Village Section Two in Precinct 4 in the amount of \$9,195.

4. Recommendation for approval of change in contract for Ramos Industries, Inc., for Dell Dale Street from IH 10 to Woodforest Boulevard in Precinct 2, resulting in an addition of \$29,314 to the contract amount (27320).
5. Recommendation for authorization to negotiate with:
  - a. TSC Engineering Company for engineering services in connection with construction of the master site plan and facility development at Hardy Road Camp in Precinct 1.
  - b. QC Laboratories, Inc., for on-call engineering inspection services for various projects in Precinct 4.
6. Recommendation for authorization for the County Judge to execute an engineering services agreement with Wayne Smith and Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$298,005 in connection with construction of Hollister Road from Beltway 8 to West Greens Road in Precinct 4.
7. Recommendation that a technical defect be waived and the award for on-call repair of flex beam guard rails and appurtenances in Precinct 1 in the amount of \$75,000 be made to Infrastructure Services, Inc., and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions relating to the award.
8. Recommendation that a technical defect be waived and the award for West University Place pedestrian bridges over Poor Farm ditch at Plum Street, Tangley Road, and Robinhood Street in Precinct 3 be made to Infrastructure Services, Inc., lowest and best bid in the amount of \$147,359, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions relating to the award.
9. Recommendation that the County Judge be authorized to execute a joint participation agreement with Cypress Fields Civic Association to repair base failures and resurface Cypress Knee Drive, Cypress Glad Drive, and Little Cypress Drive in Precinct 3.
10. Recommendation that the award for construction of Gosling Road from FM 2920 to Spring-Stuebner Road in Precinct 4 be made to Hubco, Inc., lowest and best bid in the amount of \$918,000, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions relating to the award.

2. **Toll Road Authority**

- a. Request for authorization for four employees to travel to Dallas September 26 to visit the North Texas Turnpike Authority for review of toll collection software at an approximate total cost of \$1,000.
- b. Recommendation that the award for roof replacement for the Sam Houston North Toll Plaza Building and the Meadowfern Office Building be made to Sure Top Services, Inc., in the amount of \$170,000, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions relating to the award.

- c. Request for authorization to negotiate with the Westchase District and the Texas Department of Transportation for a joint project along the Sam Houston Tollway from US 59 to Briarforest Drive, and to negotiate with HNTB for services in connection with the Sam Houston-Westheimer interchange and added lanes for Sam Houston from Richmond to the tollway's south plaza and south of Beechnut.
- d. Request for approval of letters of engagement in amounts of \$350,000 each with Fulbright & Jaworski, LLP, Locke Liddell & Sapp, LLP, Winstead Sechrest & Minick, and Bracewell & Patterson, LLP, to represent the county in connection with acquisition of rights-of-way including condemnation proceedings for various toll road projects.

3. **Management Services**

- a. Request for approval of orders authorizing acceptance of payments in connection with settlement of damages to county equipment and property in the total amount of \$6,153; settlement of a tort claim in the amount of \$1,409; denial of four claims for damages; and transmittal of claims for damages received during the period which ended September 11.
- b. Request for authorization to accept \$6 million from Coregis Insurance Company for partial payment of property losses sustained as a result of Tropical Storm Allison.
- c. Request for authorization for two employees to participate in the International Employment Fairs with the City of Houston September 29 in Houston at a cost of \$498.
- d. Request for authorization for two employees to attend an employee benefits seminar October 10 in Houston at a cost of \$298.
- e. Request for authorization for two employees to attend a financial seminar September 25 in Houston at a total cost of \$640.
- f. Transmittal of investment transactions for the period of September 5-11 and maturities for September 12-18.
- g. Recommendation for approval of a resolution authorizing the Port of Houston Authority to issue unlimited tax improvement bonds in the total amount of \$87,300,000.
- h. Recommendation that the County Auditor issue payment in the amount of \$20,075 to Ellyson F. Dyson, Jr., CPA, for professional services for the Community Development Department on the basis of quantum meruit.
- i. Request for approval of authorized budget appropriation transfers for flood control and county departments.

4. **Central Technology Center**

- a. Request for authorization for an employee to attend the International Conference for Resource Management and Performance Evaluation of Enterprise Computing Systems December 2-7 in Anaheim, Calif., at an approximate cost of \$3,305.
- b. Request for approval of an agreement with Chambers County for use of the county's 800 MHz public radio system.

5. **Public Health & Environmental Services**

- a. Request for authorization to accept donations in the total amount of \$189 for the Animal Control Shelter.
- b. Request for authorization to conduct a low cost rabies vaccination clinic October 6 at 14350 Wallisville Road at a fee of \$5 per animal.
- c. Request for approval of payment of additional mileage reimbursements in amounts of \$171 and \$290 for immunization surveillance outreach workers who exceeded the monthly limit in August.
- d. Request for authorization for four employees to attend a conference of the Air and Waste Management Association October 4 in Houston at a total cost of \$360.
- e. Request for authorization for two employees to attend a dental health seminar October 19 in Houston at a cost of \$250.
- f. Request for authorization for an employee to attend an environmental crime investigations training program September 24-28 in Palm Beach Gardens, Fla., at no cost to the county.

6. **Community Development Services**

- a. Request for approval of a change in contractor from Ortho Construction to R&A Building Specialist to perform lead-based paint abatement services for a client.
- b. Request for approval of payment in the amount of \$114,220 to the Lead-Based Paint Detection Corporation for risk assessments and clearance testing for the Lead Hazard Control Program, and for approval of an exemption from the competitive bidding procedures.
- c. Request for approval of an agreement with Depelchin Children's Center for the partial funding of a program to provide family and parental counseling and services to low-and moderate-income persons using Community Development Block Grant funds in the amount of \$50,000.

- d. Request for approval of an agreement with YWCA of San Antonio for partial funding of the operation of the Self-Employment for Economic Development Program to provide micro-enterprise assistance, employment, and job training services to low and moderate-income residents using Community Development Block Grant funds in the amount of \$100,000.
- e. Request for approval of an agreement with FamilyTime Foundation, Inc., for partial funding of a program to provide shelter and case management services to homeless women fleeing domestic violence, using Emergency Shelter Grant funds in the amount of \$21,122.
- f. Request for approval of amendments to annual Action Plans for Program Years 1995 through 2001 to include implementation of the Homeownership Gap Financing Program for qualified homeowners affected by Tropical Storm Allison.

7. **Youth & Family Services**

- a. Request by Domestic Relations for authorization for 34 employees to attend the annual conference of the Texas Association of Domestic Relations Offices October 10-12 in Houston at a total cost of \$1,870.
- b. Request by Agricultural Extension for approval of a part-time secretary position.
- c. Request by Agricultural Extension for authorization for an employee to attend a meeting of the National Extension Association of Family & Consumer Sciences September 28-October 5 in Portland at an approximate cost of \$1,417.
- d. Request by Agricultural Extension for authorization for an employee to travel to College Station October 16 to pick up turkeys for 4-H members in connection with projects for the Houston and San Antonio Livestock Shows at a cost of \$65.
- e. Request by Agricultural Extension for authorization for seven employees to attend the 2001 Urban Extension Conference September 26-28 in Fort Worth at an approximate total cost of \$1,150.
- f. Request by Children's Protective Services for approval of interlocal agreements with Channelview, Clear Creek, Cypress-Fairbanks, Deer Park, Galena Park, Humble, and LaPorte Independent School Districts for youth service specialists.
- g. Request by CPS for authorization to designate TRIAD personnel as case managers to provide services in connection with juvenile offender cases before the JP Courts, and request for approval of three positions for the TRIAD Court Liaison Program.
- h. Request by CPS for authorization for an employee to attend a meeting of Children at Risk September 25 in Houston at a cost of \$75.

- i. Request by CPS for authorization to apply for and accept additional grant funds in the amount of \$38,000 from the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services for the Criminal Justice Act Program for the Tele-Legal Education Project.

8. **Constables**

- a. Request by the constables' systems manager for authorization for the court to approve mental health patient transportation cost recovery fees and civil process service fees to be charged by the offices of the Sheriff and Constables effective January 1, 2002.
- b. Request by Constable Abercia, Precinct 1, for authorization to reclassify a clerical position from full-time to part-time.
- c. Transmittal of notice by Constable Jones, Precinct 3, of changes in the department's authorized list of regular deputies and reserve officers.
- d. Request by Constable Hickman, Precinct 4, for authorization to accept \$17,000 donated to the department to purchase a vehicle and related items, \$7,410 from Southwest Texas State University for tobacco sales inspections, and computer equipment and related items from Compaq Computer.
- e. Request by Constable Wooten, Precinct 7, for approval of 14 new positions.

9. **Sheriff**

- a. Request for approval of an annual agreement with the U.S. Department of Justice for participation in the Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force to provide two deputies to assist with investigations on an overtime basis, and for creation of a model position.
- b. Request for authorization to accept grant funds in the amount of \$170,658 from the Criminal Justice Division of the Office of the Governor for the Crime Victim Assistance Program.
- c. Request for approval of educational incentive pay adjustments for employees who have met requirements for the changes.
- d. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a seminar concerning racial profiling and traffic stops September 30-October 2 in Chicago at a cost of \$1,267.
- e. Request for authorization for six employees to attend a conference of the Texas Jail Association October 2-4 in Huntsville at an approximate cost of \$1,944, with travel by county vehicle.

- f. Request for authorization for five employees to attend a legislative update for juvenile officer training October 17 in San Marcos at a cost of \$450, with travel by county vehicle.
- g. Request for authorization for two employees to attend a conference of the Forgery Investigators Association October 17-19 in Nassau Bay at a cost of \$550, with travel by county vehicle.
- h. Request for authorization for two employees to attend a meeting of the Southwestern Association of Forensic Scientists November 5-8 in San Antonio at an approximate cost of \$1,030, with travel by county vehicle.
- i. Request for authorization for an employee to attend the Project Spotlight Fall 2001 Forum November 11-14 in Galveston at a cost of \$417, with travel by county vehicle.
- j. Request for approval of a plan to electronically calculate and post payroll changes for the peace officer career development program, and to consolidate job codes to a generic code, and adjust the maximum hourly rate of a deputy classification level.
- k. Request for authorization to renew an annual interlocal agreement with the U.S. Secret Service for reimbursements to the county not to exceed \$70,000 for overtime, supplies, and equipment.
- l. Request for authorization to renew an annual interlocal agreement with the Department of Public Safety for reimbursement to the county for execution of warrants for targeted parole violators.
- m. Request for authorization to accept annual grant awards in the total amount of \$599,868 from the Criminal Justice Division of the Office of the Governor for continuation of the Runaway Investigative Unit, Regional Ballistics Lab, Domestic Terrorist Intelligence Unit, and the Cold Case Squad.

10. **Fire & Emergency Services**

- a. Request for approval of an increase in the education incentive pay for an employee.
- b. Request for authorization to begin a “Move Right for Sirens and Lights” public education campaign.

11. **Medical Examiner**

- a. Request for authorization for the Medical Examiner and an employee to attend the annual meeting of the National Association of Medical Examiners October 11-17 in Richmond, Va., at an approximate cost of \$3,100.

- b. Request for authorization to participate in the World Food Day Drive of the Texas Medical Center and Houston Food Bank October 16.
- c. Request for authorization for two employees to attend an inspector training seminar of the American Society of Crime Laboratory Directors/Laboratory Accreditation Board September 30-October 2 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$650, with travel by county vehicle.
- d. Request for authorization for an employee to attend the Waters 2001 Chemistry Educational Seminar Series October 2 in Houston at a cost of \$125.

12. **County Clerk**

Transmittal of an affidavit of substantial interest filed by Commissioner Radack concerning items on the court's agenda of September 11.

13. **District Clerk**

Request for authorization to correct the payroll records of two employees.

14. **County Attorney**

- a. Request for approval of litigation expenses for cases in the 80th, 164th, and 218th District Courts and County Civil Courts Nos. 1, 2, and 4.
- b. Request for approval of an order authorizing execution of a special warranty deed conveying certain land in the P.W. Rose Survey to the county from Cedarcrest Property LLC.
- c. Request for approval of an order authorizing a supplemental environmental project agreement between Harris County Pollution Control Division and the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission for funds in the amount of \$62,354 to purchase certain emergency response air monitoring equipment.

15. **District Attorney**

- a. Request for approval of an investigator position, a vehicle, and an assigned parking space in connection with new DNA testing requirements effective October 6.
- b. Request for authorization for an employee to travel to Austin September 19 for a case before the Court of Criminal Appeals at an approximate cost of \$275.
- c. Request for authorization to accept annual funds in the amount of \$46,639 from the Criminal Justice Division of the Office of the Governor for continuation of a grant for assignment of specialized prosecutors for the Children's Assessment Center.

16. **County Courts**

Request for authorization to reclassify a research analyst position and change the maximum salary.

17. **District Courts**

Request for authorization for Judge Hellums, 247th Court, to attend a conference of the National Association of Women Judges October 3-7 in New York City at an approximate cost of \$2,900.

18. **Fiscal Services & Purchasing**

a. **Auditor**

1. Request for approval of final payments to Hubco, Inc., for roadway improvements for Old Foltin Road at State Highway 249 in Precinct 4.
2. Transmittal of certification of supplemental estimates of revenue received for various funds and grants.
3. Request for approval of orders establishing four new bank accounts for the Auditor and the Office of Financial Services.
4. Request for approval to refund an employee in the amount of \$50 in connection with registration fees incurred for attending a financial seminar July 25.
5. Transmittal of audited claims.

b. **Tax Assessor-Collector**

1. Request for approval for five employees to attend a conference of The Society for Technical Communication October 11-13 in Houston at a total cost of \$770.
2. Request for approval for three employees to travel to Myriad Systems in Oklahoma City to deliver the tax tape and quality control of the 2001 tax statement in October at an approximate total cost of \$600.
3. Request for approval for the Tax Assessor-Collector and nine employees to attend the 19th Annual County Tax Assessor-Collectors' continuing education seminar November 12-14 in College Station at an approximate cost of \$2,900.
4. Request for approval of tax refund payments.

c. **Purchasing**

1. Transmittal of projects scheduled for advertisement:
  - a. Furnish, deliver, and install cafeteria-style chairs and tables for Facilities & Property Management.
  - b. Safety supplies and related items for the county.
  - c. Uniform hats for the county.
  - d. Processing, printing, and mailing of voter registration certificates for the Tax Assessor-Collector.
  - e. Repair parts and labor for brake, clutch, and suspension work for Precincts 3 and 4.
  - f. Spanish language library books for the County Library.
2. Transmittal of a list of computer-related equipment obtained through the State of Texas vendor program for Constable, Precinct 5 and the County Clerk.
3. Transmittal of changes in contract with:
  - a. League City Paving Co., contractor for trade services for Facilities & Property Management, resulting in no change to the contract amount (00546).
  - b. J & E Associates, contractor for janitorial services in Region No. 1 for Facilities & Property Management, resulting in a reduction of \$4,373 from the contract amount (00549).
  - c. Waste Management, contractor for refuse removal services for the Toll Road Authority, resulting in an addition of \$452 to the contract amount (00550).
4. Request for authorization to terminate an agreement with South Central-Navigant International for travel services for the county effective September 22.
5. Recommendation that the award for ballistic vests for the county be made to Trooper Supply, Inc., low bid in the amount of \$64,355 for the period beginning October 1.
6. Recommendation that the award for repair of magnetic automation motors and gears for the Toll Road Authority be made to North Side Electric Motors in the amount of \$61,280 for the period of November 1-October 31, 2002.
7. Request for approval of a renewal option with R & R Material Supply Company, Inc., for furnishing and delivering industrial batteries for the county for the period of January 1-December 31, 2002.
8. Request for approval of a renewal option with S & W Engines, Inc., for small gas engine repair parts for the county for the period of January 1-December 31, 2002.
9. Transmittal of notice of the extension of an agreement with Hendricks Polygraph, Inc., and John S. Swartz for clinical polygraph testing for sex offenders for Community Supervision & Corrections for the period through September 30, or until a new contract is awarded.

10. Request for approval of a renewal option with Syva Company for urine drug testing for the Medical Examiner for the period of October 1-September 30, 2002.
11. Request for approval of an order authorizing the County Judge to execute an amendment to an agreement with Baylor College of Medicine for Ryan White Title I medical care coordination services for Public Health/HIV Services Division at a unit cost of \$18 for the period of September 18-February 28, 2002.
12. Request for approval of an order authorizing the County Judge to execute an interlocal agreement with the Harris County Hospital District for telephone triage services in the amount of \$402,292 for the period ending August 31, 2002.
13. Request for approval of payment of an annual fee in the amount of \$3,358 to the General Services Commission to allow the county to participate in the State Travel Management Program and obtain state contract airline fares for county employees traveling on official county business for the period of September 1-August 31, 2002.
14. Request for approval of an order authorizing the County Judge to execute an amendment to an agreement with Suzette Marshall to convene and conduct permanency planning team meetings for children in the custody of Children's Protective Services in the additional amount of \$6,000 for a maximum of \$22,000.
15. Request for approval of an order authorizing the County Judge to execute an agreement with BindView for RMS bv-control for Microsoft Exchange server and mailbox software, and two years of maintenance on both products for Central Technology Center in the amount of \$35,008 for the period effective November 15.
16. Request that World Book, Inc., be granted a sole source exemption from the competitive bid process for World Book Online Global Edition Database for the County Library in the amount of \$33,255 for a one-year period, and for the County Judge to take necessary action relating to the agreement.
17. Request that Sirius Software, Inc., be granted a sole source exemption from the competitive bid process for renewal of maintenance fees for Fast/Reload, Fast/Unload, and Fast/Backup for the JIMS Division in the amount of \$37,600 for the period of August 12-August 11, 2002, and for the County Judge to take necessary action relating to the agreement.
18. Request for authorization for an employee to attend the annual Pharmacy Symposium on Cancer Chemotherapy September 30-October 2 in Houston at a cost of \$325.
19. 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.

19. **Commissioners Court**

a. **County Judge**

1. Request for approval of a resolution condemning deadly acts of terrorism against the United States, and supporting the President and encouraging Harris County citizens to donate blood and offer assistance for victims.
2. Request for authorization for a volunteer of the Ryan White Planning Council to attend meetings of Ryan White Title I and II representatives during the period of October-February in the East Texas region at a cost not to exceed \$150 per meeting.
3. Request by the Office of Emergency Management to modify the Harris County Basic Plan to allow six cities within the county to enter into a joint emergency management resolution with the county, and for authorization to submit the resolution to the Texas Department of Emergency Management.

b. **Commissioner, Precinct 1**

1. Request by the youth ministry at Morning Star Full Gospel Baptist Church to hold a five mile walk-a-thon fund-raiser at Hutcheson Park September 22.
2. Request for approval of the reappointment of Billy Burge to the board of the Harris County-Houston Sports Authority.

c. **Commissioner, Precinct 2**

1. Request for approval of appointment of election precinct judges and alternates.
2. Request that a change for the minutes of the court in connection with a vote on an item on the agenda of September 11 be approved in accordance with a recorder's memorandum of the County Clerk.

d. **Commissioner, Precinct 3**

1. Request that the court authorize four courtesy van technician positions and two vehicles for the Toll Road Authority effective October 6.
2. Request for approval to accept a check in the amount of \$500 from the Wal-Mart Foundation for beautification of precinct parks.
3. Request for authorization for the County Judge to execute an agreement with Albright Middle School-Student Council for cleanup along the roadsides of Alief-Clodine Road from Highway 6 to Winkleman in connection with the Adopt a County Road program.

4. Request for authorization for the County Judge to execute an agreement with Cypress Falls High School-FFA for cleanup along the roadsides of Huffmeister Road from Highway 6 to Hempstead Highway in connection with the Adopt a County Road program.

e. **Commissioner, Precinct 4**

1. Request for approval to transport palmettos by county vehicle from Montgomery County to Jesse H. Jones Park and the Nature Center October 12.
2. Transmittal of notice of traffic sign installations.
3. Request for authorization for the County Judge to execute an agreement with Nicole Williams for cleanup along the roadsides of Kenswick Drive from Jesse Jones Park to Old FM 1960 in connection with the Adopt a County Road program.
4. Request for authorization for the County Judge to execute an agreement with Spring Masonic Lodge No. 1174 for cleanup along the roadsides of Lexington Road from Spring Cypress Road to Cypresswood Drive in connection with the Adopt a County Road program.

20. **Miscellaneous**

- a. Transmittal of a petition filed with the 80th District Court.
- b. Request by the Harris County Housing Finance Corporation for approval of articles of amendment to the corporation's articles of incorporation to extend to officers of the corporation protection afforded by the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act relating to limitation on liability.
- c. Transmittal of notice by the City of Pearland of intent to annex certain properties in Harris, Fort Bend, and Brazoria Counties.
- d. Request for approval to continue an annual contract with North Harris College for technical supervisory services for 15 intoxilizer machines for the Alcohol Testing Program at a cost of \$238,132 effective October 1.

21. **Emergency items.**

22. **Appearances before court**

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

- a. Stephanie Cravens (3)
- b. Steve Williams (3)
- c. Charles Hixon (1)
- d. Others

23. **Opening of bids and proposals.**

*Bids and proposals will be opened by the Purchasing Agent and recommendations will be presented for action by the court.*

24. **Executive Session**

- a. Request by Public Infrastructure for an executive session to review trust information in connection with purchase of Tract B001-047 of Westpark Corridor in Precinct 3.
- b. Request by the County Attorney for an executive session for discussion in the matter of Ron Proler on behalf of himself and all other similarly situated v. Harris County, Charles Bacarisse, and Beverly Kaufman in the 234th District Court.

Adjournment.