



HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS

COMMISSIONERS COURT

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No. 02.21

AGENDA

September 24, 2002

1:45 p.m.

Opening prayer by Ron Cloutier of All Saints Catholic Church in Houston.

1. Public Infrastructure Department
 - a. Public Infrastructure
 - b. Toll Road Authority
 - c. Flood Control District
 - d. Engineering
2. Management Services
3. Central Technology
4. Public Health Services
5. Community Development Services
6. Youth & Family Services
7. Constables
8. Sheriff
9. Fire & Emergency Services
10. County Clerk
11. District Clerk
12. County Attorney
13. Justices of the Peace
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 - a. Auditor
 - b. Tax Assessor-Collector
 - c. Purchasing
16. Commissioners Court
 - a. County Judge
 - b. Commissioner, Precinct 1
 - c. Commissioner, Precinct 2
 - d. Commissioner, Precinct 3
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17. Miscellaneous
18. Public Hearing on Tax Rates
19. Emergency items
20. Appearances before court
21. Opening of bids and proposals

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 that the County Judge be authorized to execute amendments to agreements with Scott Stephens, Tom N. Edmonds, Michael J. Urban, and William D. Kvinta for appraisal services in support of real estate transactions on behalf of the county.
2. Recommendation that the County Judge be authorized to execute amendments to agreements with Scott Stephens, Tom Kvinta, and William D. Kvinta for appraisal services in support of real estate transactions on behalf of the Flood Control District.
3. Recommendation that the County Judge be authorized to execute interagency agreements between the county and Metro for construction of Ella Boulevard from Louetta Road to Spring Cypress Road and Theiss Mail Route Road from Louetta Road to Champions Forest Drive in Precinct 4 at estimated costs of \$880,837 and \$903,205, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the transactions.
4. Recommendation that the County Judge be authorized to execute an agreement between the county and Kellogg Brown & Root, Inc., for architectural and engineering project management services at a cost not to exceed \$185,874 for pre-construction activities for the Civil Justice Center.
5. Recommendation that the Flood Control District and/or County Engineer be authorized to negotiate an interlocal agreement with the Harris-Galveston Coastal Subsidence District to participate as a co-sponsor in the National Geodetic Survey State Advisor Program.
6. Recommendation for authorization for the Flood Control District to negotiate an agreement with Knudson & Associates, Inc., for professional landscape architectural services design and planning in support of construction of the P518-02-00 regional detention basin within Keith-Wiess Park in Precinct 1.
7. Recommendation that the court approve resolutions and orders authorizing the Flood Control District to issue payments for landowner relocation assistance expenses, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete transactions for:
 - a. Linda Joy Rodriguez and Candelario O. Luis in the amount of \$1,450 for the Halls Bayou flood damage reduction project in Precinct 1.
 - b. Elray and Clara Johnson in the amount of \$1,250 for the Sims Bayou project in Precinct 1.

8. Recommendation that the court approve resolutions and orders authorizing Right of Way on behalf of the Flood Control District to purchase Tracts 08-018.0 and 08-166.0 of the Halls Bayou flood damage reduction project in Precinct 1 for negotiated purchase prices of \$44,000 and \$6,500, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete transactions.
9. Recommendation that the court approve resolutions and orders authorizing the projects, decreeing public necessity and convenience, and directing Right of Way to acquire specific property on behalf of the county, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the transactions for:
 - a. Westpark corridor project, Tracts D001-033 through D001-046 in Precinct 3.
 - b. Bayer Park expansion project, Tract 005 in Precinct 4.
10. Recommendation that the court approve a resolution and order authorizing the TSA-district buyout project, decreeing the project to be a public necessity and convenience, and directing Right of Way to acquire Tract 13-831.0 in Precinct 1 on behalf of the Flood Control District, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the transaction.
11. Recommendation that the court approve a resolution and order authorizing the Brays project, decreeing the project to be a public necessity and convenience, and directing Right of Way to acquire Tract 03-018.0 in Precinct 2 on behalf of the Flood Control District, and to provide landowner relocation assistance, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the transaction.
12. Recommendation that the court approve a resolution and order authorizing Right of Way on behalf of the county to purchase Tract 019 of the Garth Road project in Precinct 2 for the negotiated purchase price of \$5,887, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the transaction.
13. Recommendation that the court approve a resolution and order authorizing Right of Way on behalf of the county to pay \$6,870 to Exxon Corporation for access easement rights across the county's easement acquired in the Spring Cypress Road-3 project, Tract 002 in Precinct 4, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the transaction.
14. Recommendation for authorization for an employee to attend an ethics seminar of the International Right of Way Association October 16 in Houston at a cost not to exceed \$200.
15. Recommendation that the court approve a resolution and order authorizing Right of Way on behalf of the Flood Control District to sell Tract 29-604.0 of the Twisted Oak storm sewer easement project in Precinct 3 to the City of Houston for the appraised value of \$5,155, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the sale.

16. Transmittal of notices of road and bridge log changes.

b. **Toll Road Authority**

1. Recommendation for approval of an agreement with Cobourn Linseisen & Ratcliff, Inc., for an additional capacity lane on the Sam Houston Tollway westbound from Ella Boulevard to Veterans Memorial in the amount of \$602,600, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions relating to the agreement.
2. Request for approval for an employee to attend a network seminar November 11-15 in Houston at a cost of \$2,495.
3. Request for approval for three employees to attend an intrastate toll agency meeting October 23-24 in San Antonio at an approximate cost of \$1,000.
4. Recommendation for approval of agreements with various engineering firms for services for the Fort Bend Parkway extension, Phase 1 at US 90A to Sam Houston Toll Road, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions relating to the agreements.

c. **Flood Control District**

1. Recommendation that the County Judge be authorized to execute agreements with:
 - a. Binkley & Barfield, Inc., for engineering services in the amount of \$100,000 in support of the district's engineering and maintenance programs.
 - b. Donald R. Ward for additional consulting services in the amount of \$300,000 in support of the district's buyout program of flood-damaged properties under grant programs from the State of Texas and/or the Federal Emergency Management Agency (amendment).
 - c. Harris County to construct and maintain a public hike and bike trail along Unit W165-00-00 from Buffalo Bayou at Terry Hershey Park south to Ashford Elementary School in Precinct 3.
 - d. Michael T. Persons for computer database management and programming services in the amount of \$18,810 in support of the district's computer program.
 - e. Texas Floodplain Management Association to participate in sharing the cost for printing and distributing the 2002 Quick Guide to understand floodplains and floodplain management in the amount of \$6,700.
2. Recommendation for authorization for:
 - a. An employee to attend a technical conference of the Texas Floodplain Management Association October 8-10 in Austin at a cost of \$575.
 - b. An employee to attend a finance and accounting seminar November 18 in Houston at a cost of \$159.
3. Recommendation that the court acknowledge receipt of impact fee funds deposited in July.

4. Recommendation that the award for channel conveyance improvements from Canino Road to Rittenhouse Road in the White Oak Bayou watershed in Precinct 1 be made to L. N. McKean, Inc., low bid in the amount of \$982,495.
5. Recommendation for authorization to negotiate with Ingrid Fairchild for personal services in support of the district's program to document the baseline environmental conditions of key watershed projects.
6. Recommendation for authorization to cancel a livestock grazing license agreement with Ken and Joanna Jasek Farms and issue a refund in the amount of \$240 for an imminent capital improvement project at Unit T501-01-00, Tract 09-001.0 in Precinct 3.

d. **Engineering**

1. Recommendation for approval to seek bids for a three-week period for:
 - a. Asphalt overlay for Bay Area Park in Precinct 2 at an estimated cost of \$192,400.
 - b. Traffic signal and roadway improvements for the intersection of Barker Cypress Road at Spring Cypress Road in Precinct 3 at an estimated cost of \$160,000.
2. Recommendation for approval of the following plats:
 - a. Atasca Woods, Section Four in Precinct 4; Pate Engineers.
 - b. 1960 T.C. Jester commercial tract in Precinct 4; Doucet & Associates, Incorporated.
 - c. Kmiec Acres in Precinct 3; E.I.C. Surveying Company.
 - d. Breckenridge Forest, Section Three in Precinct 4; VanDeWiele Engineering, Incorporated.
 - e. Manivong Subdivision in Precinct 4; South Texas Surveying Associates, Incorporated.
 - f. Branford Park, Section Three in Precinct 3; Sander Engineering Corporation.
 - g. Blue Creek, Section Two in Precinct 4; Edminster, Hinshaw, Russ, and Associates.
 - h. Crescent Park, Section Two in Precinct 3; Jones & Carter, Incorporated.
 - i. Creek Bend Estates, Section Five in Precinct 3; Sander Engineering Corporation.
 - j. Crosby Fire District-Station No. 4 in Precinct 4; Weisser Engineering Company.
3. Recommendation for cancellation of bonds for:
 - a. JDC/Greenleaf, Ltd., executed by Independence Casualty and Surety Company Insurance Company of the West for Coles Crossing, Section Five in Precinct 3 in the amount of \$23,025.
 - b. Precision Properties, Inc., executed by St. Paul Fire & Marine Insurance Company for Lakes at Cypress Hill, Section Two in Precinct Four in the amount of \$78,700.

4. Recommendation for approval of changes in contracts for:
 - a. Hubco, Inc., contractor for Binford Place Phase II, resulting in an addition of \$1,700 to the contract amount (27750).
 - b. Hubco, Inc., contractor for cemetery paving and drainage, resulting in an addition of \$5,212 to the contract amount (27753).
 - c. Champagne-Webber, Inc., contractor for construction of west lanes of West Lake Houston Parkway from a proposed bridge at Unit G103-15-00 to the south approach bridge in Precinct 1, resulting in a reduction of \$3,584 from the contract amount (27472).
 - d. Angel Brothers Enterprises, Inc., contractor for asphalt overlay and base repair of road and parking lot for Clear Lake Park in Precinct 2, resulting in an addition of \$979 to the contract amount (27758).
 - e. Angel Brothers Enterprises, Inc., contractor for roadway reconstruction of East 8th, 13th, and Center Streets in the City of Deer Park in Precinct 2, resulting in an addition of \$31,014 to the contract amount (27754).
 - f. Hubco, Inc., contractor for Westheimer Parkway from east of Fry Road to Buffalo Bayou in Precinct 3, resulting in an addition of \$1,200 to the contract amount (27765).
5. Recommendation for authorization to issue a purchase order for testing and inspection services to Associated Testing in the amount of \$56,829 for Katy Fort Bend County Road from Colonial Parkway to Franz Road in Precinct 3.
6. Recommendation for deposit of funds received from:
 - a. Harris County in the amount of \$4,368 for reimbursement for services in connection with the Vera May Community Center expansion project.
 - b. State of Texas in the amount of \$16,425 for reimbursement for construction of a left turn lane at FM 529 in Precinct 4.
7. Recommendation for authorization for the County Judge to execute agreements with:
 - a. Morris Architects, Inc., for architectural services in the additional amount of \$212,000 in connection with renovation of the existing Criminal Courts Building for the Juvenile Justice Center (amendment).
 - b. Klotz Associates, Inc., for engineering services in the amount of \$99,604 in connection with construction of a soap box derby racetrack in Hockley Park in Precinct 3.
 - c. Brown & Gay Engineers, Inc., for engineering services in the additional amount of \$58,213 in connection with Tanner Road from North Eldridge Parkway to west of Brittn Moore Park Drive in Precinct 4 (amendment).
 - d. AIA Engineers, Ltd., for engineering services in the amount of \$28,459 in connection with construction of North Diamondhead Boulevard from Yacht Court to FM 2100 in Precinct 4.
8. Recommendation that Cumberland Casualty and Surety Co., surety for the Annex 26 addition project in Precinct 2 forfeit their rights under the contract and that Facilities & Property Management be authorized to complete the project.

9. Recommendation that the award for a traffic signal system and left turn lane installation for the intersection of Red Bluff Road and Underwood Road in Precinct 2 be made to Hard Rock Construction, Inc., lowest and best bid in the amount of \$227,572, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions relating to the award.
10. Recommendation that the award for traffic signal installation for the intersection of Cedar Bayou-Lynchburg at Bush Road and left turn lane construction on Fairmont Parkway at Luella Drive in Precinct 2 be made to A&G Eberhardt Enterprises, Inc., lowest and best bid in the amount of \$226,575, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions relating to the award.
11. Recommendation that the award for repairs/replacement of concrete pavement, curbs, driveways, sidewalks, and related items in the Humble Road Camp area in Precinct 4 be made to DCE Construction, Inc., lowest and best bid in the amount of \$400,000, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions relating to the award.
12. Recommendation that the County Judge execute a joint participation agreement with Aldine Independent School District for construction of Fallbrook Drive from east of Ann Louise Road to the west approach of the Halls Bayou Bridge in Precinct 4.
13. Recommendation that the court establish a public hearing on October 8 to consider street name changes and corrections from Memorial Springs Drive to Steam Springs Drive in Memorial Creek Estates, Section One; from Tomlinson Trail to Tomlinson Trail Drive in Lincoln Green Place, Section One; and from Green Hollow Lane to Wooded Way Drive in August Pines, Section Three in Precinct 4.
14. Recommendation for authorization to create an inspector position in the Engineering Division.

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 \$12,490; settlement of four tort claims in the total amount of \$4,600; denial of four claims for damages; and transmittal of claims for damages received during the period which ended September 17.
- b. Request for authorization for the County Judge to execute releases in exchange for payments to the county in amounts of \$785, \$2,015, and \$104,505 in connection with settlement of claims.
- c. Request for authorization for two employees to attend a health care conference of the Texas Association of Business September 24 in Houston at no cost to the county.

- d. Request for authorization for two employees to attend job fairs of Houston Baptist University and the University of St. Thomas October 23 in Houston at a cost of \$100.
- e. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a state conference of the Public Risk Management Association November 13-15 in Corpus Christi at an approximate cost of \$700.
- f. Transmittal of investment transactions for the period of September 11-17 and maturities for September 18-24.
- g. Request for approval of payments for interest due on commercial paper projects.
- h. Request for approval of assignment of a cellular telephone allowance for an employee.
- i. Request for approval of authorized budget appropriation transfers for flood control and county departments.

3. **Central Technology Center**

- a. Request for approval of agreements with the Houston Community College System, North Harris Montgomery Community College District, Santa Fe Fire & Rescue, Spring Independent School District, University of Houston-Central Campus, and Westlake Volunteer Fire Department for use of the county's 800 MHz public radio system.
- b. Request for approval of four positions for the Communications and Radio Systems Divisions in place of contract support which will end in November.
- c. Request for authorization for two employees to attend the San Jacinto College North-2002 Job Expo October 29 in Houston at a cost of \$35.

4. **Public Health & Environmental Services**

- a. Request for approval of additional mileage reimbursement in the amount of \$184 for a TB outreach worker who exceeded the monthly limit in August.
- b. Request for approval of an annual agreement with the Texas Department of Health to fund the Family Planning Services and Women Infants & Children grants and for approval of budgets and position reclassifications, and for authorization to extend the salary schedule.
- c. Request for approval of payment in the amount of \$118 for expenses incurred by an employee for travel to Austin to conduct training sessions at an annual conference of the Texas School Food Service Association.

- d. Request for authorization for the interim director to attend an orientation workshop of the Texas Department of Health for local health authorities September 20 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$160.
- e. Request for authorization for an employee to attend an occupational safety and health standards course October 7-11 in Houston at a cost of \$795.
- f. Request for authorization for two employees to attend a health communications training program October 18 in Houston at a cost of \$230.
- g. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a seminar of the FBI National Academy Associates of Texas November 18-19 in Houston at a cost of \$75.
- h. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a wastewater treatment course October 7-11 in Humble at a cost of \$220.

5. **Community Development Services**

a. **Community Services**

- 1. Request for approval of an agreement with Child Advocates, Inc., for partial funding for a program for court appointed advocate volunteers for abused youth in protective custody of Children's Protective Services using Community Development Block Grant funds in the amount of \$66,379.
- 2. Request for approval of an agreement with The Bridge Over Troubled Water, Inc., for emergency shelter and supportive services to homeless victims of domestic violence using Emergency Shelter Grant funds in the amount of \$58,116.
- 3. Request for approval of amendments to agreements with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to extend grant terms for the Santa Maria Hostel, MHMRA, Volunteers of America, AIDS Foundation Houston, Inc., Wellsprings, Inc., and Veterans Affairs Medical Center projects.

b. **Housing & Economic Development**

- 1. Request for approval of agreements to provide funds for low-and moderate-income persons in connection with the Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control Loan Program.
- 2. Request for approval of an agreement with First Coastal Mortgage, LLC, to administer a mortgage buydown, down payment, and closing cost assistance program for low- and moderate-income residents to purchase homes.
- 3. Request for approval of two grant/loan applications in connection with the Housing Construction Services Program.

4. Request for approval of a subordination agreement with Conseco Mortgage Services to allow a homeowner to take advantage of refinancing at a lower interest rate.
5. Request for approval of an amendment to a HOME program agreement with Tejano Center for Community Concerns to allocate additional funding for a total allocated amount of \$670,841 for project delivery costs, down payment assistance, and construction of single-family homes.
6. Request for approval of additional relocation expenses in amounts of \$390, \$540, and \$7,500 for three housing rehabilitation clients.
7. Request for approval of positions and a service contract to accommodate the transfer of certain Community Development staff and programs for the Office of Housing & Economic Development.

6. **Youth & Family Services**

a. **Juvenile Probation**

Request for authorization to accept grant funds in the amount of \$643,847 from the Criminal Justice Division of the Office of the Governor for continuation of Project Spotlight in the Alief area for intensive supervision of juvenile and young adult offenders.

b. **Children's Protective Services**

1. Request for authorization for the director and two board members to attend a leadership summit of the Child Welfare League of America October 9-11 in San Diego at an approximate total cost of \$4,200.
2. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a dental education conference October 25 in Houston at a cost of \$79.
3. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a training conference of Texas Child Care Administrators October 29-30 in Dallas at a cost of \$685.
4. Request for authorization for five employees to attend a meeting of Children at Risk October 9 in Houston at a total cost of \$150.
5. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a stress disorder recovery workshop October 4 in Houston at a cost of \$99.
6. Request for authorization for three employees to attend a conference of the Community Resource Coordination Group September 30-October 3 in San Antonio at no cost to the county.

c. **Children's Assessment Center**

1. Request for approval of payment in the amount of \$714 for expenses incurred by three employees to attend a meeting of the Dallas Children's Advocacy Center.
2. Request for authorization for four employees to attend an international child trauma therapy conference October 7-12 in St. Louis at an approximate total cost of \$5,490.

7. **Constables**

- a. Request by the constables' systems manager for authorization to add to the list of civil fees approved by the court a fee for local background searches.
- b. Request by Constable Hickman, Precinct 4, for authorization to hire two deputies to fill vacant positions.
- c. Request by Constable Hickman for approval of a \$525 monthly car allowance for a deputy position.
- d. Request by Constable Hickman for approval of payment in the amount of \$13 to reimburse an employee for fuses purchased for the department.
- e. Request by Constable Cheek, Precinct 5, for authorization to hire a deputy to fill a vacant position.
- f. Request by Constable Cheek for approval of payments in amounts of \$446 and \$14 to reimburse two employees for purchases made for the department.
- g. Request by Constable Cheek for authorization for three employees to attend an accident training course December 2-6 in Houston at a total cost of \$600.
- h. Request by Constable Cheek for authorization for three employees to attend a personnel law seminar December 17 in Houston at a total cost of \$597.
- i. Request by Constable Butler, Precinct 7, for approval of a captain and two deputy positions.
- j. Request by Constable Butler for approval of changes in the department's authorized list of regular deputies.
- k. Request by Constable Bailey, Precinct 8, for authorization for an employee to attend a civil process class October 20-23 in Tyler at a cost of \$40, with travel by county vehicle.

- l. Request by Constable Bailey for approval of payment in the amount of \$300 for expenses incurred by an employee to attend a course of the Texas Justice Court Training Center in South Padre.

8. **Sheriff**

- a. Request for authorization for six employees to attend a criminal justice training seminar October 21-22 in Austin at a cost of \$1,020, with travel by county vehicle.
- b. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a supervisory seminar October 28 in Houston at a cost of \$149.
- c. Request for authorization for an employee to attend a juvenile justice conference December 1-4 in Memphis at a cost of \$1,410.

9. **Fire & Emergency Services**

- a. Request for authorization for five employees to attend a police instructors certification class November 2, 9, 16, and 23 in Houston at a total cost of \$500, with travel by county vehicle.
- b. Request for authorization for eight employees to attend an annual conference of state fire marshals October 29-November 1 in Austin at a cost not to exceed \$1,250, with travel by county vehicle.

10. **County Clerk**

Transmittal of the court's minutes for the meeting of August 20 and request for authorization for the County Judge to execute the minutes.

11. **District Clerk**

Request for approval of agreements for use of the county's Subscriber Access Program.

12. **County Attorney**

- a. Request for approval of orders authorizing litigation expenses in connection with cases in County Civil Court No. 1.
- b. Request for authorization for two employees to attend an open records law conference December 11-13 in Austin at a cost of \$1,380.

13. **Justices of the Peace**

Request by Judge Risner, JP 2.2, for authorization for two employees to attend a justice court training seminar October 2-4 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$200.

14. **District Courts**

- a. Request for authorization for Associate Judge Parks, 247th Court, to attend a family court conference September 27 in Irving at a cost of \$325.
- b. Request for approval of payment to the Houston Bar Association for alternative dispute resolution services.

15. **Fiscal Services & Purchasing**

a. **Auditor**

1. Request for approval of final payments to:
 - a. Champions Hydro for vegetation establishment and promotion in Terry Hershey Park for the Flood Control District.
 - b. Hubco, Inc., for construction of Ella Boulevard from Gulf Bank Road to SH 249 in Precinct 1.
 - c. Midwest Construction for detention basin excavation for the Flood Control District.
 - d. Pedko Paving, Inc., for paving and storm sewer repairs for Heritage Park, Section Four in Precinct 1.
 - e. Sure Top Services for roof replacements for the Sam Houston North Toll Plaza building and Meadowfern office building for the Toll Road Authority.
2. Transmittal of certification of supplemental estimates of revenue received for various funds and grants.
3. Request for approval of orders for indemnification of Judge Risner, JP 2.2, for \$29 and \$5,000 in connection with losses due to missing funds and theft.
4. Request for authorization for the Auditor to attend a conference of the Texas Association of County Auditors October 22-25 in Corpus Christi at a cost of \$1,200.
5. Transmittal of audited claims.

b. **Tax Assessor-Collector**

Request for approval of tax refund payments.

c. **Purchasing**

1. Transmittal of projects scheduled for advertisement:
 - a. Uniforms and related items for Constable, Precinct 5.
 - b. Letterhead and matching envelopes for the county and the Flood Control District.

- c. Sod cutting and relocating of vegetation for the Flood Control District.
2. Request for approval of changes in contracts for:
 - a. Boyd, Smith & Associates, Hendricks Polygraph, Inc., and Voir Dir Int'l Polygraph, contractors for clinical polygraph testing of sex offenders for Community Supervision & Corrections, resulting in no change to the contract amounts (00608-00610).
 - b. Ampco System Parking, contractor for parking facility management services for Facilities & Property Management, resulting in an addition of \$48,000 to the contract amount (00614).
3. Transmittal of a list of computer-related items obtained through the State of Texas vendor program for the Sheriff's Department.
4. Recommendation that the award for traffic paint and related items for the county be made to TMT-Pathway, LLC, low bid in the amount of \$65,127 for the period beginning November 1.
5. Recommendation that the award for pothole spray patching system for the county be made to Hi-Way Equipment Company, Inc., low bid in the amount of \$35,850.
6. Request for approval of a renewal option with The Keystone Group, Inc., for lease of office space at 330 Meadowfern Drive at a reduced rental price of \$619 monthly or \$7,432 annually for the period beginning November 1.
7. Request for approval of a renewal option with Duradex, Inc., for numbered and unnumbered case file folders for the county for the period of December 1-November 30, 2003.
8. Request for approval of a renewal option with Automatic Data Processing for computerized time and attendance system for the Tax Assessor-Collector's Office for the period of October 10-October 9, 2003.
9. Request for approval of payment of an annual fee in the amount of \$3,353 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, 2003.
10. Request for authorization for the County Judge to execute an agreement between the county and Inter-Tel Technologies, Inc., for maintenance of a telephone system for the Children's Assessment Center in the amount of \$19,243 for the period ending August 31, 2003.

11. Request that Mary Ann Whitfield be granted a personal services exemption from the competitive bid process to oversee the Children's Protective Services BEAR Program in the amount of \$25,000 for the period ending February 28, 2003.
12. Request for authorization for the County Judge to execute an interlocal agreement between the county and MHMRA for psychiatric services to youth in the custody of the Juvenile Probation Department in the amount of \$145,184 for the period ending August 31, 2003.
13. Request that Houston International Health Foundation be granted a professional services exemption from the competitive bid process for physical examinations and health screenings for certain refugees for Public Health & Environmental Services in the amount of \$150,000 for the period of October 1-September 30, 2003, and for the County Judge to execute the agreement.
14. Request for authorization for the County Judge to execute an amendment to an agreement with IBM for project support services and technical assistance for the County Criminal Courts to extend the termination date to July 23, 2003 and adding hours with a cost totaling \$31,790.
15. Request for authorization to issue a purchase order in the amount of \$20,000 for a five-month pilot program involving electronic filing of the Purchasing Department's job files and job tracking documents.
16. Transmittal of notice of receipt of funds in the total net amount of \$2,355 for county equipment sold at Houston Auto Auction August 21.
17. 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. **Commissioners Court**

a. **County Judge**

1. Consideration of a resolution designating the month of October as National Domestic Violence Awareness Month in the county.
2. Consideration of a resolution commending the Purchasing Department for receiving the 2002 Achievement of Excellence in Procurement Award from the National Purchasing Institute.
3. Consideration of a resolution designating the month of October as Harris County Employees' United Way Campaign Month.
4. Consideration of a resolution commending TREK on starting a new inter-regional bus service between Fort Bend County and Greenway Plaza.

5. Consideration for discussion and possible approval of an interlocal agreement and activity plan with Houston Galveston Area Council for administration of the low income repair, retrofit, and accelerated vehicle replacement program.
6. Consideration for discussion and possible action regarding the appointment of J. Art Morales to the Harris County Housing Authority.

b. **Commissioner, Precinct 1**

1. Request for approval for the County Judge to execute an amendment to an agreement with the City of Pearland for road improvements.
2. Request for approval to place fatality markers at the intersections of Aldine Mail Road near Lillja and Greenbriar at Bissonnet.

c. **Commissioner, Precinct 2**

Request for approval of a list of appointments of election and alternate judges for the 2002-03 term.

d. **Commissioner, Precinct 3**

1. Request for authorization for the County Judge to execute an agreement with Mayde Creek Junior High School-Student Council for cleanup along the roadsides of Ashley Road from Groscke Road to Greenhouse Road in connection with the Adopt a County Road program for the period of October 15-October 14, 2003.
2. Request for authorization for the County Judge to execute an agreement between the county and Spring Branch ISD for construction and maintenance of Housman Pocket Park.

e. **Commissioner, Precinct 4**

1. Request for authorization for two employees to attend the annual NPSOT symposium and meeting October 17-20 in Houston at a total cost of \$330.
2. Request for authorization for the County Judge to execute an agreement with Community Asset Management for cleanup along the roadsides of Farmingham Road from Nehoc Lane to FM 1960 in connection with the Adopt a County Road program for the period of August 1-July 31, 2003.
3. Request for approval of payment in the amount of \$8,706 to various vendors in connection with the annual Sunday afternoon in the park festival scheduled for October 20.

17. **Miscellaneous**

Transmittal of petitions filed with the 80th, 125th, 157th, and 164th District Courts and U.S. District Court.

18. **Public Hearing on Tax Rates**

- a. Consideration of a public hearing on a proposal to increase tax revenues from properties on the tax roll for the Port Authority.
- b. Consideration of a public hearing on proposed tax rates for 2002.

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| Harris County | .41866 | .41660 | .39483 | .35902 | .38393 | .38814 |
| Flood Control | .07967 | .08000 | .08000 | .06173 | .04758 | .04174 |
| Port Authority | .01959 | .02132 | .02040 | .01830 | .01826 | .01989 |
| Hospital District | <u>.12381</u> | <u>.12381</u> | <u>.14650</u> | <u>.20268</u> | <u>.19021</u> | <u>.19021</u> |
| Total | \$.64173 | \$.64173 | \$.64173 | \$.64173 | \$.63998 | \$.63998 |

19. **Emergency items.**

20. **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. Suzanne Salley (3)
- b. Adjua Umoja (3)
- c. Steve Williams (3)
- d. Others

21. **Opening of bids and proposals.**

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

Adjournment.

Commissioners Court

County Judge

Commissioners (4)

Services

- Public Infrastructure
- Management Services
- Central Technology
- Facilities & Property Management
- Public Health & Environmental Services
- Community Development 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
- Court Services
- Justices of the Peace (16)*
- County Courts (19)*
- Probate Courts (4)*
- District Courts (59)*
- Courts of Appeals (2)*

Elected

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Calendar 2002

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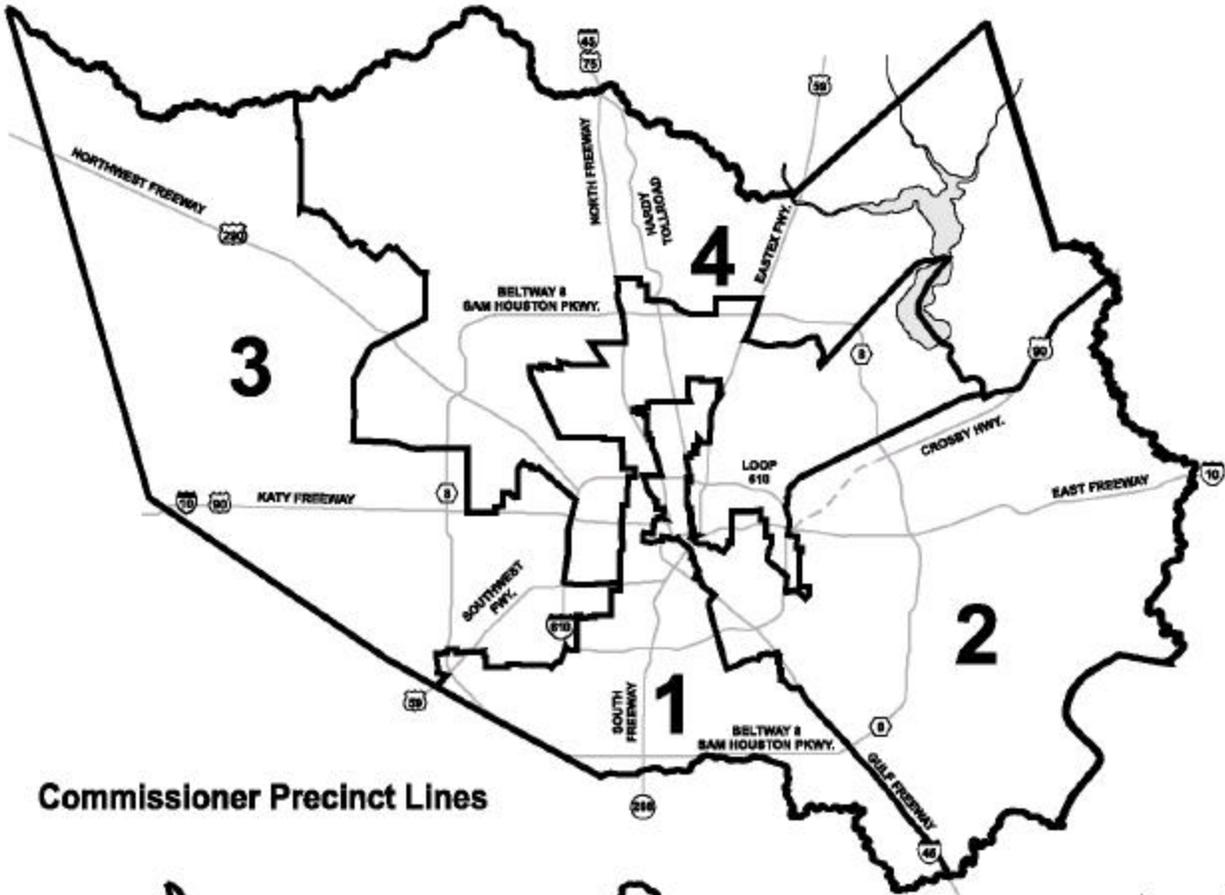
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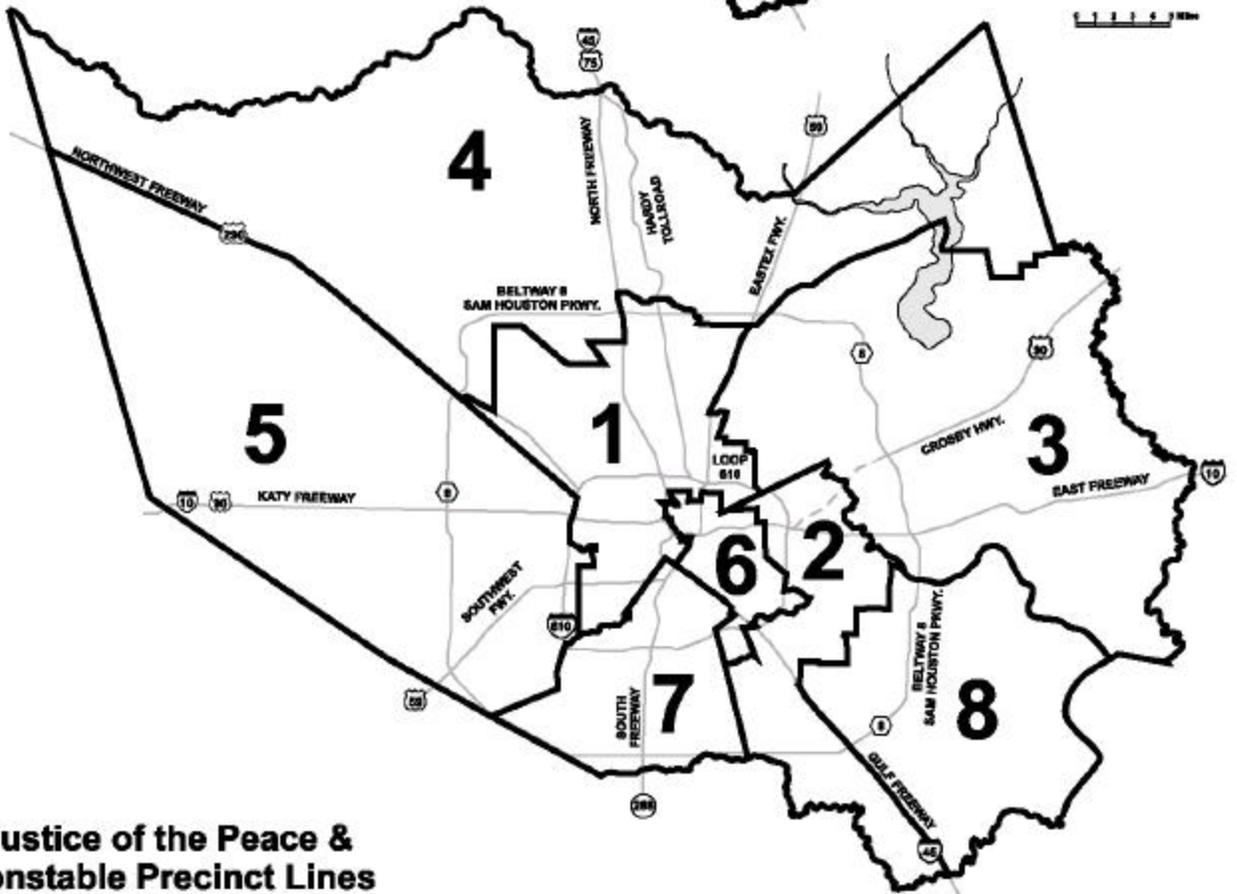
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Commissioner Precinct Lines



Justice of the Peace & Constable Precinct Lines