# APPROVAL OF MINUTES COMMISSIONERS COURT FORT BEND COUNTY

I, <u>Dianne Wilson</u> , dul	y elected County Clerk and Clerk of Court, Fort Bend County, Texas
do hereby submit the	Official Minutes of Commissioners Court held on the 13th day of
<u>August</u> , 2013.	Aurlo
	DIANNE WILSON, COUNTY CLERK
Now, therefore, be it r	esolved upon the motion of Commissioner seconded
by Commissioner	, duly put and carried, it is ordered to accept as
presented for record t	he attached minutes approved on this the <u>27th</u> day of
August , 2013.	
	Robert Deleur
	ROBERT E. HEBERT, COUNTY JUDGE

#### **MINUTES**

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 13th DAY of AUGUST, 2013, Commissioners Court of Fort Bend County, Texas, met at a regular meeting with the following present:

ROBERT E. HEBERT COUNTY JUDGE

RICHARD MORRISON COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 1

GRADY PRESTAGE COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 2

ANDY MEYERS COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 3

JAMES PATTERSON COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 4

SHERRY FISK for DIANNE WILSON COUNTY CLERK

When the following were heard and the following orders were passed:

#### 1. Call to Order.

Call to Order by Judge Hebert at 1:00 p.m.

# 2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance by Commissioner Meyers.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance by Commissioner Meyers.

#### 3. Approve minutes of regular meeting held on August 6, 2013.

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Patterson Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve the minutes of regular meeting held on August 6, 2013.

Judge HebertYesCommissioner MorrisonYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner PattersonYes

#### 4. Public Comments regarding the Agenda and Announcements.

Kim Janke, Fairchilds resident, is against the amount of increase on agenda item 17C.

No announcements.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS 5 - 14:**

- 5. OUT OF STATE TRAVEL: Approve out-of-state travel requests for County personnel:
  - A. <u>Community Development</u>: Marilynn Kindell and Carol Borrego to Tulsa, Oklahoma, October 8-11, 2013, to attend the National Community Development Association (NCDA) Region VI Annual Conference. (Fund: Community Development Block Grant)
  - B. <u>District Attorney</u>: Employee to Norman, Oklahoma, August 25-30, 2013, to attend Moot Court for Prosecutors at the National Center for Employee Development Conference Center, with airfare and lodging to be paid by Federal Bureau of Investigation, the sponsoring agency. (Fund: District Attorney, Travel)
  - C. <u>Health & Human Services Environmental Health</u>: John Tod Schneider to Raleigh, North Carolina, on or about, August 26, 2013 to provide State testimony in the General Court of Justice, Wake County Superior Court, regarding File No. 11 CRS 8656, with travel, lodging, and meals to be provided by the State of North Carolina.
  - D. <u>Sheriff's Office</u>: Ratify travel by J. Orlop and S. Mayle to Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, August 8-9, 2013, to extradite prisoner back to Fort Bend County. (Fund: Sheriff, Enforcement, Travel)
- 6. **COMMISSIONER, PCT. 1:**

Approve the appointment of William D. Kee to the Board of Directors of the Fort Bend Grand Parkway Toll Road Authority to fill the vacancy of Clifford Terrell, for a term effective through June 16, 2014.

# 7. BUDGET & FINANCE/BUDGET TRANSFERS:

- A. <u>Associate County Courts at Law</u>: Approve transfer in the amount of \$400 from Travel into Information Technology to allocate funds for the purchase of a replacement printer for Judge Kennedy.
- B. <u>County Court at Law No. 3</u>: Approve transfer in the amount of \$1,300 from Operating Supplies into Information Technology to allocate funds for the purchase of a replacement laptop for the bench.
- C. <u>District Attorney</u>: Approve transfer in the amount of \$25,000 from District Attorney, State Asset Forfeiture, Information Technology into Travel, to allocate additional funds needed for travel and training.
- D. <u>Elections Administration</u>: Approve transfer in the amount of \$11,000 from Election Services, Operating Supplies, into Information Technology to allocate funds for the purchase of memory upgrades to laptop computers used in election day polling places to be compatible with the Windows 7 operating system.
- E. <u>Facilities Management & Planning Operations</u>: Approve transfer in the amount of \$3,100 as detailed on Director's form dated August 02, 2013, to reallocate funds back to the Library due to Phonoscope upgrade not taking place.

#### Item 7 continued - Budget & Finance/Budget Transfers:

- F. <u>Health & Human Services</u>: Approve transfer in the amount of \$1,000 from Information Technology into Office Supplies to allocate funds needed for office supplies for the Pinnacle Senior Center of Fort Bend County.
- G. <u>Records Management</u>: Approve transfer in the amount of \$2,486 from Operating Supplies into Information Technology to allocate funds for the purchase of two computer workstations.

#### 8. CONSTABLE, PCT. 1:

Approve renewal of the Agreement for Additional Law Enforcement Services between Fort Bend County and Greatwood Community Association, effective through September 30, 2014.

#### 9. ENGINEERING:

- A. Accept Utility Easement from Heritage Grand Homeowners Association, Inc. for 0.005 acre tract of land for traffic signal power conduit at southeast corner of Cinco Ranch Blvd. and Cinco Crossing Lane, Precinct 3.
- B. Approve payment of Invoice No. 459301/2011 to Dannenbaum Engineering Corporation in the amount of \$10,273.89 regarding Phase I design extension of FM 1093, from State Highway 99 west of FM 359, Mobility Bond Project #748, Precinct 3. (Fund: 2007 Mobility Bonds)
- C. Approve payment of Invoice No. 42502017 in the amount of \$20,559.88 to Dow Pipeline Company, for final payment regarding West Bellfort Road, Phase II, from SH 99 to Harlem Road, Precinct 4. (Fund: Right of Way)
- D. Approve payment of Invoice No. 54499 in the amount of \$11,115.03 to Edminster, Hinshaw, Russ & Associates for Professional Engineering Consulting Services regarding scoping, prioritizing, and estimating construction costs of potential mobility roadway bond projects within Precincts 1, 2, 3, and 4. (Fund: 2007 Mobility Bonds)
- E. Approve payment of Invoice No. 713135 in the amount of \$45,362.61 to Klotz Associates regarding Administrative Support for Mobility Bond Projects within Precincts 1, 2, 3 and 4. (Fund: 2007 Mobility Bonds)
- F. Approve payment of Invoice No. 1534 (Pay Estimate No. 4) in the amount of \$39,903.75 to Reliable Signal & Lighting Solutions, LLC regarding signalization for Falcon Landing Blvd at Gaston Road, Phase 4, Mobility Bond Project #703(D), Precinct 3. (Fund: 2007 Mobility Bonds)
- G. Approve Application from Centerpoint Entex to bore under and bury an 8-inch plastic gas line along Gaston Road, Pct. 3.
- H. Approve Application from Chong Wei OOI/TRS Construction, Inc. to construct a driveway tie-in onto Cinco Terrace Drive, Pct. 3.
- I. Approve Application from Centerpoint Entex to bore under and bury a 6-inch plastic gas line along Meadow Ranch Parkway and Long Prairie Trace, Pct. 3.

### Item 9 continued - Engineering:

- J. Approve Application from Arch-Con Corporation to construct driveway tie-ins, three on Spring Green Boulevard and one driveway on Cinco Ranch Boulevard with a left turn lane, Pct. 3.
- K. Rescind Commissioners Court approval of Agenda Item 8 U on July 9, 2013, and return the incomplete Performance Bond # 5143245 in the amount of \$5,000.00 to Ronny Carroll Homes, Inc.; driveway is not to be installed for Permit #84388, Pct. 3.
- L. Approve plat for the roads within Del Webb-Richmond, Section 9B, Precinct 1.
- M. Approve plat for the lots within Del Webb-Richmond, Section 9B, Precinct 1.
- N. Approve plat for the roads within Del Webb-Richmond, Section 17, Precinct 1.
- O. Approve plat for the lots within Del Webb-Richmond, Section 17, Precinct 1.
- P. Approve plat for the roads within Sienna Village of Bees Creek, Section 22, Pct. 2.
- Q. Approve plat for the lots within Sienna Village of Bees Creek, Section 22, Precinct 2.
- R. Approve plat for the roads within Sienna Village of Bees Creek, Section 24, Pct. 2.
- S. Approve plat for the lots within Sienna Village of Bees Creek, Section 24, Precinct 2.
- T. Approve plat for the roads within Sienna Village of Bees Creek, Section 27, Pct. 2.
- U. Approve plat for the lots within Sienna Village of Bees Creek, Section 27, Precinct 2.
- V. Approve plat for the roads within Long Meadow Farms, Section 32, Precinct 4.
- W. Approve plat for the lots within Long Meadow Farms, Section 32, Precinct 4.
- X. Approve plat for the roads within Millwood at Riverstone, Section 2, Precinct 4.
- Y. Approve plat for the lots within Millwood at Riverstone, Section 2, Precinct 4.
- Z. Approve the plat for Fulshear Gaston Storage, Precinct 3.
- AA. Accept the streets in Waterview Estates, Section 9: Marsh Willow Way, 145.11 LF; Camelia Evergreen Lane, 646.22 LF; Bellflower Glen Drive, 492.00 LF; and Acacia Rose Court, 448.77 LF; for a total of 1,732.10 LF; and release bond #8228-33-22 in the amount of \$120,330.00; Pct. 4.
- BB. Set public hearing for acceptance of the traffic control plan for Waterview Estates, Section 9, Precinct 4. (Tuesday, September 10, 2013, at 1:00 p.m.)

- 10. FACILITIES MANAGEMENT & PLANNING: The Director of Facilities Management & Planning submits these invoices for approval and payment for projects that have been budgeted and funded by Facility Bond and/or Capital Projects:
  - A. Invoice No. IN-00116613 and Invoice No. IN-00116624 for an amount totaling \$111,722.63 to Priefert Ranch Equipment for equipment to be used in the Fairgrounds Renovation Project;
  - B. Pay Application No. Seven (7) in the amount of \$266,070.40 to Crain Group, LLC. for Design/Build services regarding the George Memorial Library Renovation project;
  - C. Invoice No. 2013-0704 in the amount of \$13,950.00 to UR International, Inc. regarding professional software services.

#### 11. OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:

Approve and sign the 2011 Grant Adjustment Notice (GAN) between Fort Bend County and the State of Texas Department of Public Safety to close out the State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) grant funding for the 2011 Grant Performance period.

#### 12. PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION:

Approve corrections to Application for Fiscal Year 2014 Grant Application Part 1 to the Texas Department of Transportation for Federal Transit Administration assistance with transportation programs, and authorize County Judge to sign corrected documents pertaining to the application.

#### 13. PURCHASING:

Authorize advertising for bids for Printing and Mailing of Voter Registration Cards.

# 14. TAX ASSESSOR/COLLECTOR:

- A. Record into Minutes Certification of 2013 Tax Year Anticipated Collection Rate for Fort Bend County General Fund.
- B. Record into Minutes Submission of 2013 Tax Year Appraisal Roll and New Property Value for the Fort Bend County General Fund.

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Patterson Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve consent agenda items 5 - 14.

Judge Hebert	Yes
Commissioner Morrison	Yes
Commissioner Prestage	Yes
Commissioner Meyers	Yes
Commissioner Patterson	Yes

#### 15. COUNTY JUDGE:

A. Take all appropriate action on Order Prohibiting Outdoor Burning in Fort Bend County, Texas, pursuant to Section 352.081 of the Texas Local Government Code.

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Morrison Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Order Prohibiting Outdoor Burning in Fort Bend County, Texas, pursuant to Section 352.081 of the Texas Local Government Code.

Judge HebertYesCommissioner MorrisonYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner PattersonYes

B. Take all appropriate action to adopt the Order Calling a Bond Election in the amount of \$184,900,000 on November 5, 2013.

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Prestage Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to adopt the Order Calling a Bond Election in the amount of \$184,900,000 on November 5, 2013.

Judge HebertYesCommissioner MorrisonYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner PattersonYes

C. Take all appropriate action on the Tax Abatement Agreement between Fort Bend County, Rich Products Corporation as Owner, and MCRPC II, LLC as Lessee, Precinct 2.

Moved by Commissioner Prestage, Seconded by Commissioner Morrison Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve the Tax Abatement Agreement between Fort Bend County, Rich Products Corporation as Owner, and MCRPC II, LLC as Lessee, Precinct 2.

#### 16. COMMISSIONER, PCT. 2:

A. Take all appropriate action on the Order Calling Election for Creation of the Fort Bend County Assistance District No. 6 and Imposition of a Sales and Use Tax, to be located generally along the State Highway 6 Corridor, north of U.S. Hwy 90A to the Fort Bend-Harris County line.

Moved by Commissioner Prestage, Seconded by Commissioner Patterson Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve the Order Calling Election for Creation of the Fort Bend County Assistance District No. 6 and Imposition of a Sales and Use Tax, to be located generally along the State Highway 6 Corridor, north of U.S. Hwy 90A to the Fort Bend-Harris County line.

Judge HebertYesCommissioner MorrisonYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner PattersonYes

B. Take all appropriate action to approve and authorize submission of the Petition to the City of Houston for its consent to the creation of Fort Bend County Assistance District No. 6 within the City's extraterritorial jurisdiction.

Moved by Commissioner Prestage, Seconded by Commissioner Patterson Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve and authorize submission of the Petition to the City of Houston for its consent to the creation of Fort Bend County Assistance District No. 6 within the City's extraterritorial jurisdiction.

Judge HebertYesCommissioner MorrisonYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner PattersonYes

#### 17. BUDGET & FINANCE:

A. Take all appropriate action on request to transfer the amount of \$5,800 as detailed on Director's form dated August 8, 2013, to allocate funds for the replacement of a multi-function printer that cannot be repaired.

Moved by Commissioner Prestage, Seconded by Commissioner Patterson Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to transfer the amount of \$5,800 as detailed on Director's form dated August 8, 2013, to allocate funds for the replacement of a multi-function printer that cannot be repaired.

#### Item 17 continued - Budget & Finance:

# B. Take all appropriate action to propose the 2013 Tax Rate for Fort Bend County and take a record vote.

• Proposed General Fund Tax Rate	\$ 0.38076
• Proposed Road & Bridge Fund Tax Rate	\$ 0.03100
• Proposed Interest & Sinking Fund Tax Rate	<u>\$ 0.07300</u>
• Total Proposed Tax Rate	\$ 0.48476

Moved by Commissioner Morrison, Seconded by Commissioner Patterson Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0) by a verbal vote, it is ordered that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.38076 for the General Fund, \$0.03100 for the Road & Bridge Fund and \$0.07300 for the Interest & Sinking Fund for a total Fort Bend County Tax Rate of \$0.48476 which is effectively a 4.6% increase in the tax rate.

Judge Hebert	Yes
Commissioner Morrison	Yes
Commissioner Prestage	Yes
Commissioner Meyers	Yes
Commissioner Patterson	Yes

Commissioner Meyers stated that the overall tax rate of the County and the Drainage District will remain the same as it has for the last several years. Judge Hebert stated that the overall tax rate for the County will remain flat.

# C. Take all appropriate action to propose the FY 2014 salaries for Fort Bend County Elected Officials.

Moved by Commissioner Prestage, Seconded by Commissioner Patterson Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve the FY 2014 salaries for Fort Bend County Elected Officials as presented with the addition of a \$3,000.00 increase in supplement pay each for the District Judges, Court at Law Judges and District Attorney as allowed by statute.

Judge Hebert	Yes
Commissioner Morrison	Yes
Commissioner Prestage	Yes
Commissioner Meyers	Yes
Commissioner Patterson	Yes

### Item 17 continued - Budget & Finance:

D. Take all appropriate action to set Public Hearings on the proposal to increase the 2013 Tax Rate for Fort Bend County to be conducted on Thursday, August 22, 2013, at 5:30 p.m. and on Tuesday, August 27, 2013 at 1:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Courtroom, 7th Floor, Wm. B. Travis Building in Richmond, Texas.

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Patterson Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to set Public Hearings on the proposal to increase the 2013 Tax Rate for Fort Bend County to be conducted on Thursday, August 22, 2013, at 5:30 p.m. and on Tuesday, August 27, 2013 at 1:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Courtroom, 7th Floor, Wm. B. Travis Building in Richmond, Texas.

Judge Hebert	Yes
Commissioner Morrison	Yes
Commissioner Prestage	Yes
Commissioner Meyers	Yes
Commissioner Patterson	Yes

E. Take all appropriate action to set Public Hearings for the FY 2014 Proposed Budget for Fort Bend County to be conducted on Monday, September 9, 2013, at 5:30 p.m. and on Tuesday, September 10, 2013, at 1:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Courtroom, 7th floor, Wm B. Travis Building in Richmond, Texas.

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Patterson Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to set Public Hearings for the FY 2014 Proposed Budget for Fort Bend County to be conducted on Monday, September 9, 2013, at 5:30 p.m. and on Tuesday, September 10, 2013, at 1:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Courtroom, 7th floor, Wm B. Travis Building in Richmond, Texas.

Judge Hebert	Yes
Commissioner Morrison	Yes
Commissioner Prestage	Yes
Commissioner Meyers	Yes
Commissioner Patterson	Yes

#### 18. ENGINEERING:

A. Take all appropriate action on Change Order No. 1 to the Agreement between Fort Bend County and Mar-Con Services, LLC, regarding the James Lane Bridge over Bessie's Creek, to increase the scope of services in the amount of \$3,367.12 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$698,430.05; Precinct 3. (Fund: Road & Bridge)

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Patterson Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Change Order No. 1 to the Agreement between Fort Bend County and Mar-Con Services, LLC, regarding the James Lane Bridge over Bessie's Creek, to increase the scope of services in the amount of \$3,367.12 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$698,430.05; Precinct 3. (Fund: Road & Bridge)

Judge HebertYesCommissioner MorrisonYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner PattersonYes

B. Take all appropriate action on payment of Invoice No. 6 in the amount of \$134,292.79 to Mar-Con Services, LLC for construction work on the James Lane Bridge at Bessie's Creek. (Fund: Road & Bridge)

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Patterson Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve payment of Invoice No. 6 in the amount of \$134,292.79 to Mar-Con Services, LLC for construction work on the James Lane Bridge at Bessie's Creek. (Fund: Road & Bridge)

Judge HebertYesCommissioner MorrisonYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner PattersonYes

C. Take all appropriate action on request for variance to the building set back line requirement, (Section 5.12 C of the Fort Bend County Regulations of Subdivisions), for Cambridge Falls, Section 4, on behalf of Fresno Lakes, Ltd., Precinct 2.

Moved by Commissioner Prestage, Seconded by Commissioner Morrison Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve variance to the building set back line requirement, (Section 5.12 C of the Fort Bend County Regulations of Subdivisions), for Cambridge Falls, Section 4, on behalf of Fresno Lakes, Ltd., Precinct 2.

Judge HebertYesCommissioner MorrisonYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner PattersonYes

Commissioner Patterson wants the set back line verified so there is room on the driveways to park.

## Item 18 continued - Engineering:

D. Take all appropriate action on plat for the roads within Cambridge Falls, Section 4, Pct. 2.

Moved by Commissioner Prestage, Seconded by Commissioner Morrison Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve plat for the roads within Cambridge Falls, Section 4, Precinct 2.

Judge HebertYesCommissioner MorrisonYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner PattersonYes

E. Take all appropriate action on plat for the lots within Cambridge Falls, Section 4, Pct. 2.

Moved by Commissioner Prestage, Seconded by Commissioner Morrison Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve plat for the lots within Cambridge Falls, Section 4, Pct. 2.

Judge HebertYesCommissioner MorrisonYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner PattersonYes

F. Take all appropriate action on Change Order No. 1 to the Agreement between Fort Bend County and Reliable Signal & Lighting Solutions, LLC, to increase the scope of services in the amount of \$2,002.65 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$149,819.65 regarding signalization for Gaston Road at Falcon Landing Boulevard, Phase 4, Mobility Bond Project #703(D), Precinct 3. (Fund: 2007 Mobility Bonds)

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Patterson Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Change Order No. 1 to the Agreement between Fort Bend County and Reliable Signal & Lighting Solutions, LLC, to increase the scope of services in the amount of \$2,002.65 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$149,819.65 regarding signalization for Gaston Road at Falcon Landing Boulevard, Phase 4, Mobility Bond Project #703(D), Precinct 3. (Fund: 2007 Mobility Bonds)

#### Item 18 continued - Engineering:

G. Take all appropriate action on Change Order No. 3 to the Agreement between Fort Bend County and Hassell Construction Company regarding the extension of Airport Avenue to FM 2218, to increase the scope of services in the amount of \$3,248.50 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$480,086.40, and to extend the completion date until December 31, 2013; Precinct 1. (Fund: Capital Improvement Project)

Moved by Commissioner Morrison, Seconded by Commissioner Prestage Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Change Order No. 3 to the Agreement between Fort Bend County and Hassell Construction Company regarding the extension of Airport Avenue to FM 2218, to increase the scope of services in the amount of \$3,248.50 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$480,086.40, and to extend the completion date until December 31, 2013; Precinct 1. (Fund: Capital Improvement Project)

Judge HebertYesCommissioner MorrisonYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner PattersonYes

H. Take all appropriate action to accept Special Warranty Deed conveying 10.3438 acres of land from 99 Grand Mission, LLC for right of way purposes and record same, along with related Partial Release and Acknowledgment, in the Official Public Records of Fort Bend County, Texas, Pct 4.

Moved by Commissioner Patterson, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to accept Special Warranty Deed conveying
10.3438 acres of land from 99 Grand Mission, LLC for right of way purposes and record same,
along with related Partial Release and Acknowledgment, in the Official Public Records of Fort
Bend County, Texas, Pct 4.

Judge HebertYesCommissioner MorrisonYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner PattersonYes

Note: This is taking West Belfort from Harlem Road tying in Morton Road.

I. Take all appropriate action on the Intergovernmental Agreement between Fort Bend County and Houston-Galveston Area Council for the Fort Bend County Major Thoroughfare Plan.

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Patterson Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement between Fort Bend County and Houston-Galveston Area Council for the Fort Bend County Major Thoroughfare Plan.

#### 19. FACILITIES MANAGEMENT & PLANNING:

A. Take all appropriate to rescind the agreement and understanding between Facilities Management and Planning and Information Technology, approved by Commissioners Court on August 31, 2006, pertaining to the management and administration of Telephone Services and Invoicing as well as the Datacom Services and Invoicing which have been added in the interim effective October 1, 2013.

Moved by Commissioner Patterson, Seconded by Commissioner Morrison Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to rescind the agreement and understanding between Facilities Management and Planning and Information Technology, approved by Commissioners Court on August 31, 2006, pertaining to the management and administration of Telephone Services and Invoicing as well as the Datacom Services and Invoicing which have been added in the interim effective October 1, 2013.

Judge HebertYesCommissioner MorrisonYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner PattersonYes

Don Brady, Director of Facilities, and Ray Webb, Director of I.T. explained that I.T. would now be taking care of telephone service and payments.

B. Take all appropriate action to accept a Water Line Easement and a Sanitary Sewer Easement from Grand Mission Partners, LLC, recorded under Instrument No. 2013093631 and Instrument No. 2013093632 respectively, in the Official Public Records of Fort Bend County, Texas, Precinct 3.

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Patterson Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to accept a Water Line Easement and a Sanitary Sewer Easement from Grand Mission Partners, LLC, recorded under Instrument No. 2013093631 and Instrument No. 2013093632 respectively, in the Official Public Records of Fort Bend County, Texas, Precinct 3.

Judge HebertYesCommissioner MorrisonYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner PattersonYes

Note: This is for a Park and Ride.

#### 20. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY:

Take all appropriate action on the Novation Agreement between Fort Bend County and Infor (US), Inc., acknowledging that Infor (US), Inc. is the successor in interest in and to all previous agreements between Fort Bend County and Lawson Software, Inc. effective as of July 1, 2012.

Moved by Commissioner Patterson, Seconded by Commissioner Morrison Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve the Novation Agreement between Fort Bend County and Infor (US), Inc., acknowledging that Infor (US), Inc. is the successor in interest in and to all previous agreements between Fort Bend County and Lawson Software, Inc. effective as of July 1, 2012.

Judge HebertYesCommissioner MorrisonYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner PattersonYes

#### 21. PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION:

A. Take all appropriate action on Shuttle Services Agreement between Fort Bend County and Lakewood Church effective October 1, 2013.

Moved by Commissioner Patterson, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Shuttle Services Agreement between Fort Bend County and Lakewood Church effective October 1, 2013.

Judge HebertYesCommissioner MorrisonYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner PattersonYes

Commissioner Patterson stated that Lakewood Church is paying for this service.

B. Take all appropriate action on Amendment #4 to the Public Transportation Project Grant Agreement #51212F7216 between Fort Bend County and the Texas Department of Transportation to approve the revised budget transfer and extend the time period of the grant from August 31, 2013 to May 31, 2014.

Moved by Commissioner Patterson, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Amendment #4 to the Public Transportation Project Grant Agreement #51212F7216 between Fort Bend County and the Texas Department of Transportation to approve the revised budget transfer and extend the time period of the grant from August 31, 2013 to May 31, 2014.

Judge Hebert	Yes
Commissioner Morrison	Yes
Commissioner Prestage	Yes
Commissioner Meyers	Yes
Commissioner Patterson	Yes

#### 22. PURCHASING:

A. Take all appropriate action on request to transfer the amount of \$4,955 from Non-Departmental Contingency into Purchasing, Information Technology, to allocate funds for the purchase of three (3) laptop computers and bar code scanner equipment for annual inventory.

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Patterson Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to transfer the amount of \$4,955 from Non-Departmental Contingency into Purchasing, Information Technology, to allocate funds for the purchase of three (3) laptop computers and bar code scanner equipment for annual inventory.

Judge HebertYesCommissioner MorrisonYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner PattersonYes

B. Take all appropriate action on Change Order 9 to the Agreement between Fort Bend County and Phonoscope, pursuant to Request For Proposal 10-086 for Ethernet Service, in an additional monthly amount not to exceed \$450.00. (Fund: Facilities Management & Planning)

Pulled.

C. Take all appropriate action on RFP 13-058 for an Inmate Phone System.

Moved by Commissioner Patterson, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to enter into contract negotiations with Securus on RFP 13-058 for an Inmate Phone System.

#### Item 22 continued - Purchasing:

D. Take all appropriate action on Agreement for Professional Materials Testing Engineering Services between Fort Bend County and Aviles Engineering Corporation, in an amount not to exceed \$122,402.05 for improvements to Mason Road, Mobility Project No. 735 A & B, Precinct 3. (Fund: 2007 Mobility Bonds)

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Patterson Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Agreement for Professional Materials Testing Engineering Services between Fort Bend County and Aviles Engineering Corporation, in an amount not to exceed \$122,402.05 for improvements to Mason Road, Mobility Project No. 735 A & B, Precincts 3 & 4. (Fund: 2007 Mobility Bonds)

Judge Hebert	Yes
Commissioner Morrison	Yes
Commissioner Prestage	Yes
Commissioner Meyers	Yes
Commissioner Patterson	Yes

E. Take all appropriate action on request to purchase in-car camera systems for various departments from L-3 Communications, utilizing Houston-Galveston Area Council Agreement EF04-13 for FY 2013. (Fund: Various Departments)

Moved by Commissioner Patterson, Seconded by Commissioner Morrison Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to purchase in-car camera systems for various departments from L-3 Communications, utilizing Houston-Galveston Area Council Agreement EF04-13 for FY 2013. (Fund: Various Departments)

Judge Hebert	Yes
Commissioner Morrison	Yes
Commissioner Prestage	Yes
Commissioner Meyers	Yes
Commissioner Patterson	Yes

#### 23. SHERIFF'S OFFICE:

A. Take all appropriate action on request to authorize payment by Invoice Transmittal in the amount of \$1,438.50 to Memorial Hospital for medical services provided to victim in Case #11-31136, and to victim in Case #12-18801 without a purchase order. (Fund: Sheriff, Enforcement, Professional Services)

Moved by Commissioner Morrison, Seconded by Commissioner Prestage Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to authorize payment by Invoice Transmittal in the amount of \$1,438.50 to Memorial Hospital for medical services provided to victim in Case #11-31136, and to victim in Case #12-18801 without a purchase order. (Fund: Sheriff, Enforcement, Professional Services)

Judge Hebert	Yes
Commissioner Morrison	Yes
Commissioner Prestage	Yes
Commissioner Meyers	Yes
Commissioner Patterson	Yes

#### Item 23 continued - Sheriff's Office:

B. Take all appropriate action on request to authorize reimbursement in the amount of \$162.38 to Jacqueline Johnston for t-shirts purchased for Explorer Post without a purchase order. (Fund: Sheriff, Forfeited Assets-State, Operating Supplies)

Pulled for further research.

C. Take all appropriate action on Interlocal Agreement between Fort Bend County and City of Houston to work with the Automobile Burglary Theft Prevention Authority Fund Grant Program, for which the City will reimburse fifty percent (50%) of the County Investigator expenses effective September 1, 2013 through August 31, 2014.

Moved by Commissioner Prestage, Seconded by Commissioner Patterson Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Interlocal Agreement between Fort Bend County and City of Houston to work with the Automobile Burglary Theft Prevention Authority Fund Grant Program, for which the City will reimburse fifty percent (50%) of the County Investigator expenses effective September 1, 2013 through August 31, 2014.

Judge HebertYesCommissioner MorrisonYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner PattersonYes

# 24. Approve Bills.

Moved by Commissioner Morrison, Seconded by Commissioner Prestage Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve bills in the amount of \$5,039,631.17.

Judge Hebert	Yes
Commissioner Morrison	Yes
Commissioner Prestage	Yes
Commissioner Meyers	Yes
Commissioner Patterson	Yes

#### **Recess:**

Recessed at 1:38 p.m.

- 25. Meet in Closed Session to deliberate the following matters as authorized by the Texas Government Code:
  - A. § 551.071. Consultation With Attorney. Commissioners Court will meet in Closed Session to seek the advice of its attorney about pending or contemplated litigation; a settlement offer; or on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to Commissioners Court under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with Texas Government Code Chapter 551.

Civil Action No. 2:12-CV-00131; Nueces County, Texas v. MERSCORP Holdings, Inc., Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., and Bank of America, N.A.; In the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas, Corpus Christi Division.

- B. § 551.074. Personnel Matters. Commissioners Court will meet in Closed Session to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee.
  - 1. Director, Facilities Management & Planning.
  - 2. Director of Public Transportation.
  - 3. Road & Bridge Commissioner.
  - 4. Director of Community Development.
  - 5. Parks Director.
  - 6. Director of Risk Management.
  - 7. Director of Human Resources.
  - 8. Director of Finance & Investments.
  - 9. County Librarian.
  - 10. Director of Information Technology.
  - 11. Director of Health & Human Services.
  - 12. County Engineer.
  - 13. Emergency Management Coordinator.
  - 14. Fire Marshal.

#### **Closed Session:**

Convened at 2:00 p.m. Adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

#### Reconvene:

Reconvened at 3:18 p.m.

## 26. Reconvene Open Session and consider taking action on the following matters:

#### A. § 551.071. Consultation With Attorney.

Civil Action No. 2:12-CV-00131; Nueces County, Texas v. MERSCORP Holdings, Inc., Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., and Bank of America, N.A.; In the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas, Corpus Christi Division.

Moved by Commissioner Morrison, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to authorize the County Attorney to file a
lawsuit on behalf of the County against Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc.,
MERSCORP Inc., Bank of America National Association and those acting in concert with them
(collectively the "Defendants") in claims arising out of these Defendants' recordation or failure to
record instruments related to promissory notes and/or mortgage obligations on real estate located
in Fort Bend County, Texas, and for all appropriate legal or equitable relief and also authorize the
County Attorney to retain outside legal counsel of his selection to assist in the prosecution of such
litigation under the terms and provisions of the proposed alternative contingent fee agreements
recommended for approval by the County Attorney which terms and provisions are hereby
approved or as amended, revised or modified by the County Attorney and ratified by
Commissioners Court.

# Item 26 continued - Reconvene Open Session and consider taking action on the following matters:

- B. § 551.074. Personnel Matters.
  - 1. Director, Facilities Management & Planning.
  - 2. Director of Public Transportation.
  - 3. Road & Bridge Commissioner.
  - 4. Director of Community Development.
  - 5. Parks Director.
  - 6. Director of Risk Management.
  - 7. Director of Human Resources.
  - 8. Director of Finance & Investments.
  - 9. County Librarian.
  - 10. Director of Information Technology.
  - 11. Director of Health & Human Services.
  - 12. County Engineer.
  - 13. Emergency Management Coordinator.
  - 14. Fire Marshal.

No action items 26B 1-14.

#### 27. Adjournment.

Commissioners Court adjourned at 3:21 p.m. on Tuesday, August 13, 2013.

#### **DRAINAGE DISTRICT BOARD MINUTES**

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 13th DAY of AUGUST, 2013, The Drainage District Board of Fort Bend County, Texas, met at a scheduled meeting with the following present:

ROBERT E. HEBERT COUNTY JUDGE

RICHARD MORRISON

COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 1

GRADY PRESTAGE

COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 2

ANDY MEYERS

COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 3

SHERRY FISK for DIANNE WILSON COUNTY CLERK

MARK VOGLER DRAINAGE DISTRICT MANAGER

**COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 4** 

When the following were heard and the following orders were passed:

#### 1. Call to Order.

Call to Order by Judge Hebert at 1:05 p.m.

JAMES PATTERSON

2. Take all appropriate action on the Tax Abatement Agreement between the Fort Bend County Drainage District, Rich Products Corporation as Owner, and MCRPC II, LLC as Lessee, Precinct 2.

Moved by Commissioner Prestage, Seconded by Commissioner Morrison Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve the Tax Abatement Agreement between the Fort Bend County Drainage District, Rich Products Corporation as Owner, and MCRPC II, LLC as Lessee, Precinct 2.

3. Take all appropriate action on request to reclassify Position Number 6201-0070, in the Drainage District, from Equipment Operator, Grade 5 of Operator Skilled Trade Policy Group to Laborer, Grade 3 of the Operator Skilled Trade Policy Group, effective August 17, 2013.

Moved by Commissioner Patterson, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to reclassify Position Number 6201-0070, in the Drainage District, from Equipment Operator, Grade 5 of Operator Skilled Trade Policy Group to Laborer, Grade 3 of the Operator Skilled Trade Policy Group, effective August 17, 2013.

Judge HebertYesCommissioner MorrisonYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner PattersonYes

4. Record into minutes Certification of 2013 Tax Year Anticipated Collection Rate for the Fort Bend County Drainage District.

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Patterson Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to record into minutes Certification of 2013 Tax Year Anticipated Collection Rate (100%) for the Fort Bend County Drainage District.

Judge HebertYesCommissioner MorrisonYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner PattersonYes

5. Record into Minutes Submission of 2013 Tax Year Appraisal Roll and New Property Value for Fort Bend Drainage District.

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Patterson Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to record into Minutes Submission of 2013 Tax Year Appraisal Roll and New Property Value for Fort Bend Drainage District.

Judge HebertYesCommissioner MorrisonYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner PattersonYes

Note: Taxable value of new property is \$1,572,865,495 appraised value of all property is \$56,473,429,864 and taxable value of all property is 41,438,304,253.

- 6. Take all appropriate action to propose the 2013 Tax Rate for Fort Bend County Drainage District and take a record vote.
  - Proposed Drainage District Tax Rate: \$0.01500

Moved by Commissioner Morrison, Seconded by Commissioner Prestage Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0) by a verbal vote, it is ordered that the property tax rate be decreased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.01500 which is effectively a 17.9% decrease in the tax rate.

Judge HebertYesCommissioner MorrisonYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner PattersonYes

7. Take all appropriate action to set Public Hearings for the FY 2014 Proposed Budget for Fort Bend County Drainage District to be conducted on Monday, September 9, 2013 at 5:30 p.m. and on Tuesday, September 10, 2013 at 1:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Courtroom, 7th floor, Wm B Travis Building in Richmond Texas.

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Morrison Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to set Public Hearings for the FY 2014 Proposed Budget for Fort Bend County Drainage District to be conducted on Monday, September 9, 2013 at 5:30 p.m. and on Tuesday, September 10, 2013 at 1:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Courtroom, 7th floor, Wm B Travis Building in Richmond Texas.

Judge HebertYesCommissioner MorrisonYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner PattersonYes

#### Recess:

Recessed at 1:09 p.m.

- 8. Meet in Closed Session to deliberate the following matters as authorized by the Texas Government Code:
  - § 551.074. Personnel Matters. Commissioners Court will meet in Closed Session to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee.

Chief Engineer - Drainage District.

# **Closed Session:**

Convened at 3:15 p.m. Adjourned at 3:16 p.m.

# Reconvene:

Reconvened at 3:17 p.m.

# 9. Reconvene Open Session and consider taking action on the following matters:

§ 551.074. Personnel Matters.

**Chief Engineer - Drainage District.** 

No action.

# 10. Adjournment.

The Drainage District Board adjourned at 3:18 p.m. on Tuesday, August 13, 2013.

# APPROVAL OF MINUTES COMMISSIONERS COURT FORT BEND COUNTY

I, <u>Dianne Wilson</u> , du	ly elected County Clerk and Clerk of Court, Fort Bend County, Texas
do hereby submit the	Official Minutes of Commissioners Court held on the 13th day of
<u>August</u> , 2013. (s	DIANNE WILSON, COUNTY CLERK
Now, therefore, be it	resolved upon the motion of Commissioner seconded
by Commissioner	duly put and carried, it is ordered to accept as
presented for record	the attached minutes approved on this the <u>27th</u> day of
<u>August</u> , 2013.	
	ROBERT E. HEBERT, COUNTY JUDGE
	RUDERI E. HEDERI, COUNTI JUDGE

#### **MINUTES**

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 13th DAY of AUGUST, 2013, Commissioners Court of Fort Bend County, Texas, met at a special budget meeting with the following present:

ROBERT E. HEBERT COUNTY JUDGE

RICHARD MORRISON COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 1

GRADY PRESTAGE COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 2

ANDY MEYERS COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 3

JAMES PATTERSON COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 4

SHERRY FISK for DIANNE WILSON COUNTY CLERK

When the following were heard and the following orders were passed:

#### 1. Call to Order.

Call to Order by Judge Hebert at 3:29 p.m.

#### 2. Conduct Budget Workshops.

Pamela Gubbels, Director of Finance & Investments, explained the Budget Finance Summary. The proposed budget is \$269,541,539. It includes a 5 million dollar placeholder for any salary adjustments for county employees. Final numbers have been certified by Central Appraisal District.

Employee salaries - several salary scenarios were presented

Associate Judge salaries - equal to County Judge salary (84% of District Judge)

Attorney I reclassifications - 14 positions in District Attorney office and 2 in Mental Health Public Defender. HR recommends from Grade 12 to Grade 13. Cost is \$117,067.

Health Insurance contribution - increase needed due to Affordable Healthcare Act

Retiree Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) - David Jalowy, representing the retirees, said the last COLA was in 2009. HR recommends 10% of CPI COLA paid in a lump sum.

New Associate District Judge - Judge Shoemake and Judge Elliott explained the increase in court cases. A courtroom is available for use.

Proposed budget is due September 3 and adopted budget is September 10.

# 3. Adjournment.

The special budget workshop adjourned at 4:26 p.m. on Tuesday, August 13, 2013.

# APPROVAL OF MINUTES COMMISSIONERS COURT FORT BEND COUNTY

I, <u>Dianne Wilson</u> , duly elected County Clerk and Clerk of Court, Fort Bend County, Texas
do hereby submit the Official Minutes of Commissioners Court held on the 22nd day of
August , 2013. (special meeting)  DIANNE WILSON, COUNTY CLERK
Now, therefore, be it resolved upon the motion of Commissioner <u>Meyers</u> seconded by Commissioner <u>Herson</u> , duly put and carried, it is ordered to accept as presented for record the attached minutes approved on this the <u>27th</u> day of <u>August</u> , 2013.
ROBERT E. HEBERT, COUNTY JUDGE

#### **MINUTES**

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 22nd DAY of AUGUST, 2013, Commissioners Court of Fort Bend County, Texas, met at a special meeting with the following present:

ROBERT E. HEBERT COUNTY JUDGE

GRADY PRESTAGE COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 2

ANDY MEYERS COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 3

JAMES PATTERSON COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 4

SHERRY FISK for DIANNE WILSON COUNTY CLERK

Commissioner Morrison absent.

When the following were heard and the following orders were passed:

#### 1. Call to Order.

Call to Order by Judge Hebert at 5:30 p.m.

# 2. Conduct a Public Hearing on the proposal to increase the 2013 Tax Rate for Fort Bend County.

Public hearing held.

Public comment - Dana Atkinson asked questions about the increase of tax income.

# 3. Adjournment.

The special meeting adjourned at 5:34 p.m. on Thursday, August 22, 2013.