

MINUTES

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 21ST DAY of SEPTEMBER, 2016, Commissioners Court of Fort Bend County, Texas, met at a special 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
LINDA WILLIS FOR LAURA RICHARD	COUNTY CLERK

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

1. **Call to Order.**

Call to Order by Judge Hebert at 10:05 a.m.

2. **Workshop to discuss Mobility Projects.**

Richard Stolleis, County Engineer gave an overview of the budget status for the Mobility Projects authorized for the Years of 2000, 2007 and 2013. The referendum total for the mobility bonds is \$426,900,000 and including added interest, etc, the total available resources is \$470,000,000. The expenditures to date are \$272,000,000. Currently the work in progress has about 25 engineering contracts underway and the cumulative uncompleted work within those authorizations are just over \$16,000,000, which leaves almost \$182,000,000 available to complete all of the projects. The projected expenditures are almost \$478,000,000, which will put the program about \$7.5 million over budget.

Item 2 continued - Workshop:

Judge Hebert stated the reason for this workshop is because of increase cost of acquiring right of way and the increase demand overtime to get the mobility projects out and some projects are still being worked on from 9 years ago. Judge Hebert will not, in good faith, try and fund significant mobility projects out of the operating fund, which could put a premium load on the tax rate. A report with an itemization on every mobility project that has ever been voted since 2000, with the first Mobility Bond Project in Fort Bend County should be presented at the next meeting in January. The report should include the projects completed, the projected cost, and the ultimate cost and a running total against voted Bonds to understand realistically the real deficit. Judge Hebert's intent is to work a solution into a Mobility Bond Project that addresses the Bond deficit either by reducing the projects or including additional monies to fund the projects and by adding necessary projects to move forward in the next 5 to 7 years. Also, there will be a discussion on the possibility of calling a mobility bond election for next May, which must be called by the last Friday in February. A rational program for Right of Way will need to be discussed.

Commissioner Prestage suggested the court have a quarterly workshop to talk about mobility projects in each Precinct.

Commissioner Patterson stated if a change is made or added to a mobility project, Engineering needs to bring this back to Commissioners Court.

3. **Adjournment.**

Commissioners Court Special Meeting adjourned at 11:01 a.m. on Wednesday, September 21, 2016.



I attest to the accuracy of the foregoing minutes.

Laura Richard

Laura Richard, County Clerk, Fort Bend County, Texas