

**MINUTES**

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 14TH DAY of MAY, 2018, Commissioners Court of Fort Bend County, Texas, met at a special meeting with the following present:

ROBERT E. HEBERT	COUNTY JUDGE
VINCENT MORALES	COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 1
GRADY PRESTAGE	COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 2
JAMES PATTERSON	COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 4
LINDA WILLIS FOR LAURA RICHARD	COUNTY CLERK

Commissioner Meyers absent.

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

1. **Call to Order.**

Call to Order by Judge Hebert at 9:33 a.m.

2. **Take all appropriate action on proposal from Tetra Tech for submission of Hurricane Harvey Hazardous Mitigation Grant Program applications utilizing Houston-Galveston Area Council Contract Number HP08-17.**

Moved by Commissioner Morales, Seconded by Commissioner Patterson  
Duly put and unanimously carried (4-0), it is ordered to approve proposal from Tetra Tech for submission of Hurricane Harvey Hazardous Mitigation Grant Program applications utilizing Houston-Galveston Area Council Contract Number HP08-17.

Judge Hebert	Yes
Commissioner Morales	Yes
Commissioner Prestage	Yes
Commissioner Meyers	Absent
Commissioner Patterson	Yes

**Item 2 continued - Hurricane Harvey Hazardous Mitigation Grant Program Applications:**

Judge Hebert gave a brief background on this agenda item before a motion was made. The governor's office has \$500 million and Fort Bend County has a Notice of Intent in the governor's office for \$88 million. As it was explained in the beginning, notices of intent were submitted and the governor's office would call out those projects they wanted to call out and would then send the County in return an application with guidance on how to apply. Guidance has not been received on how the governor's office would like the applications completed, therefore common sense is to follow the federal guidelines for the application. The June 1 deadline has now been extended to August 1 and the governor's office will review applications as received and will approve and award grants. The interpretation is the grants will be awarded on a first come, first serve basis. Therefore, the County needs Tetra Tech's expertise to complete the complex application forms in order to file correctly. Judge Hebert would like to get as many applications and get the highest priorities completed first in order to have a chance of receiving money. Initially, there were 15 projects and the Willow Fork Desilting project has been cut and is said to be a maintenance project. There are now 14 projects, which have been prioritized by Engineering and Drainage. The applications need to be sent to the governor's office as they are completed and not in mass. With the approval of this item, Tetra Tech will be able to file the applications for consideration.

Jeff Braun, Emergency Management Coordinator, indicated the June 1 deadline for filing an application has been extended to August 2018. Mr. Braun indicated a formal application for the 14 projects have not been made, at this time, because the benefit cost analysis must be done first.

Commissioner Patterson indicated LID 7 passed a bond issue for the Brazos River Erosion Barrier, which the County should have matching funds for this project.

3. **Adjournment.**

Commissioners Court Special Meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m. on Monday, May 14, 2018.



**I attest to the accuracy of the foregoing minutes.**

**Laura Richard, County Clerk, Fort Bend County, Texas**