

DRAINAGE DISTRICT BOARD MINUTES

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 22 DAY of SEPTEMBER, 2020, The Drainage District Board of Fort Bend County, Texas, met at a scheduled meeting with the following present:

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| KP GEORGE | COUNTY JUDGE |
| VINCENT MORALES | COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 1 |
| GRADY PRESTAGE | COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 2 |
| ANDY MEYERS | COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 3 |
| KEN R. DEMERCHANT | COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 4 |
| LAURA RICHARD | COUNTY CLERK |
| MARK VOGLER | DRAINAGE DISTRICT MANAGER |

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

1. Call to Order.

Call to Order by Judge KP George at 1:58 p.m.

2. Approve minutes of meeting held on September 8, 2020.

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Prestage
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve minutes of meeting held on September 8, 2020.

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| Judge George | Yes |
| Commissioner Morales | Yes |
| Commissioner Prestage | Yes |
| Commissioner Meyers | Yes |
| Commissioner DeMerchant | Yes |

3. Conduct Public Hearing on the proposal to increase the 2020 tax rate for Fort Bend County Drainage District.

Public Hearing held. No public comments.

4. Conduct Public Hearing on the Proposed Budget of Fort Bend County Drainage District for Fiscal Year 2021, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code § 111.067.

Public Hearing held. No public comments.

5. **Conduct Public Hearing regarding the submission of applications by the Fort Bend County Drainage District to the Texas General Land Office for a Texas Community Development Block Grant - Mitigation grant.**

Public Hearing held. No public comments.

6. **Authorize advertising for bids for Emergency Watershed Protection – Oyster Creek Channel Bank Stabilization Phase II.**

Moved by Commissioner DeMerchant, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to authorize advertising for bids for
Emergency Watershed Protection – Oyster Creek Channel Bank Stabilization Phase II.

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| Judge George | Yes |
| Commissioner Morales | Yes |
| Commissioner Prestage | Yes |
| Commissioner Meyers | Yes |
| Commissioner DeMerchant | Yes |

7. **Take all appropriate action on Agreement between Fort Bend County and Whitley Penn, LLP, pursuant to RFP 20-083 for audit services in an amount not to exceed \$13,500 effective August 1, 2020 through July 31, 2021. (Fund: Drainage District)**

Moved by Commissioner Prestage, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Agreement between Fort Bend
County and Whitley Penn, LLP, pursuant to RFP 20-083 for audit services in an amount not to
exceed \$13,500 effective August 1, 2020 through July 31, 2021. (Fund: Drainage District)

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| Judge George | Yes |
| Commissioner Morales | Yes |
| Commissioner Prestage | Yes |
| Commissioner Meyers | Yes |
| Commissioner DeMerchant | Yes |

8. **Take all appropriate action on Second Amendment to Agreement for Professional Engineering Services between Fort Bend County and M&E Consultants, LLC pursuant to SOQ 17-086 regarding repair of Willow Fork of Buffalo Bayou and Cane Island Branch, to extend the time of performance with no change in compensation.**

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner DeMerchant
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Second Amendment to
Agreement for Professional Engineering Services between Fort Bend County and M&E
Consultants, LLC pursuant to SOQ 17-086 regarding repair of Willow Fork of Buffalo Bayou
and Cane Island Branch, to extend the time of performance with no change in compensation.

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| Judge George | Yes |
| Commissioner Morales | Yes |
| Commissioner Prestage | Yes |
| Commissioner Meyers | Yes |
| Commissioner DeMerchant | Yes |

9. Take all appropriate action on Proposed Positions for Fort Bend County Drainage District for Fiscal Year 2021.

Moved by Commissioner Prestage, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Proposed Positions for Fort Bend County Drainage District for Fiscal Year 2021.

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| Judge George | Yes |
| Commissioner Morales | Yes |
| Commissioner Prestage | Yes |
| Commissioner Meyers | Yes |
| Commissioner DeMerchant | Yes |

10. Take all appropriate action on Fiscal Year 2021 Fleet Management for Fort Bend County Drainage District.

Moved by Commissioner Prestage, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Fiscal Year 2021 Fleet Management for Fort Bend County Drainage District.

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| Judge George | Yes |
| Commissioner Morales | Yes |
| Commissioner Prestage | Yes |
| Commissioner Meyers | Yes |
| Commissioner DeMerchant | Yes |

11. Take all appropriate action on list of Take Home Vehicles for Fiscal Year 2021, pursuant to County Employee Information Manual, Policy 612.

Moved by Commissioner Prestage, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve list of Take Home Vehicles for Fiscal Year 2021, pursuant to County Employee Information Manual, Policy 612.

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| Judge George | Yes |
| Commissioner Morales | Yes |
| Commissioner Prestage | Yes |
| Commissioner Meyers | Yes |
| Commissioner DeMerchant | Yes |

12. **Take all appropriate action to adopt the 2020 Tax Rate for Fort Bend County Drainage District, and take a record vote, pursuant to Property Tax Code 26.05, as follows:**

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| Proposed Drainage District Maintenance Tax Rate | \$0.013000 |
| Proposed Interest & Sinking Fund Tax Rate | \$0.004331 |
| Total Proposed Tax Rate | \$0.017331 |

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner DeMerchant
 Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered, by record vote, that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.0130 for the Drainage Maintenance & Operation Fund and \$0.004331 for the Drainage Interest & Sinking fund for a total Drainage Tax Rate of \$0.017331, which is effectively a 23.66 percent increase in the tax rate, which is two-tenths of a cent increase in the tax rate.

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| Judge George | Yes |
| Commissioner Morales | Yes |
| Commissioner Prestage | Yes |
| Commissioner Meyers | Yes |
| Commissioner DeMerchant | Yes |

MOTION PASSES

13. **Take all appropriate action to adopt the Fort Bend County Drainage District Budget for Fiscal Year 2021, and take a record vote, pursuant to Texas Government Code §111.068.**

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner DeMerchant
 Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered, by record vote, to adopt the Fort Bend County Drainage District Budget for Fiscal Year 2021, pursuant to Texas Government Code §111.068.

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| Judge George | Yes |
| Commissioner Morales | Yes |
| Commissioner Prestage | Yes |
| Commissioner Meyers | Yes |
| Commissioner DeMerchant | Yes |

Pamela Gubbels, Director of Finance & Investments stated the total Proposed Budget for Drainage District is \$9,464,598 which is a 12.02% decrease.

MOTION PASSES

14. **Adjournment.**

The Drainage District Board adjourned at 2:04 p.m. on Tuesday, September 22, 2020.

Moved by Commissioner Meyers,
 to adjourn.



I attest to the accuracy of the foregoing minutes.

Laura Richard, County Clerk, Fort Bend County, Texas