

MINUTES

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 3RD DAY of MAY, 2021, Commissioners Court of Fort Bend County, Texas, met at a special meeting with the following present:

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

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

1. Call to Order.

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

2. Conduct Budget Workshops.

Pamela Gubbels, Director of Finance & Investments stated Mr. Jordan Wise, Chief Appraiser, has suggested a 9.5% reduction in the preliminary values with the values received in April to when the values are certified in July. The estimated values for Fort Bend County and Drainage District are \$78.2 billion, with the County having a 2.27% increase and Drainage a 3.05% increase. The total Budget Request for 2022 is \$457.9 million, which is an 8.14% increase over the FY2021 adopted budget. The total request was \$27 million over target and does not include \$22.2 million for CIP and does not include salary increases. Included are 249 new positions for a total of \$23.6 million, 95 reclassifications and 107 replacement vehicle requests and 80 addition to fleet requests for a total of \$10 million.

Commissioner Meyers indicated, in regards to the reclassification requests, Human Resources will be doing a compensation study and suggests waiting to make a determination after the study is complete.

Commissioners Morales asked the court to consider that last year the County did not give a cost of living raise to County employees, which is justified for the kind of year it was. Before adding positions, Commissioner asks to take into consideration maintaining and keeping the employees the County currently has and consider an increase of cost of living over adding other positions.

The following county departments explained why their budget was over the target amount.

Elections Administration
Elections Services
Budget Office
Constable Pct 2
Constable Pct 1
Extension Office
Constable Pct 3

Recess: 2:59 p.m.

Reconvene: 3:05 p.m.

Constable Pct 4
Sheriff Enforcement
Sheriff Detention
Sheriff Bailiffs
Gus George Academy
Commissioner Pct 3
Commissioner Pct 1
County Judge

3. Adjournment.

The Special Meeting/Budget Workshop adjourned at 4:24 p.m. on Monday, May 3, 2021.

I attest to the accuracy of the foregoing minutes.



Laura Richard, County Clerk, Fort Bend County, Texas