

**DRAINAGE DISTRICT BOARD MINUTES**

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 14TH DAY of SEPTEMBER, 2021, The Drainage District Board of Fort Bend County, Texas, met at a scheduled 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

Mark Vogler, Drainage District Manager, absent.  
When the following were heard and the following orders were passed:

**1. Call to Order.**

Call to Order by Judge KP George at 2:04 p.m.

**2. Approve minutes of meeting held on September 7, 2021.**

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Morales  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve minutes of meeting held on September 7, 2021.

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

**3. Conduct Public Hearing on the Proposed Budget of Fort Bend County Drainage District for Fiscal Year 2022, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code §111.067.**

Public hearing held. No public comments.

**4. Take all appropriate action to assign vehicles to Drainage District as presented on FY2022 Fleet Management.**

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Morales  
 Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to assign vehicles to Drainage District as presented on FY2022 Fleet Management.

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

**5. Take all appropriate action on list of take home vehicles for Drainage District FY2022, pursuant to County Employee Information Manual, Policy 612.**

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Morales  
 Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve list of take home vehicles for Drainage District FY2022, pursuant to County Employee Information Manual, Policy 612.

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

**6. Take all appropriate action to adopt the 2021 Tax Rate for Fort Bend County Drainage District, and take a record vote, pursuant to Property Tax Code 26.05, as follows:**

<b>Proposed Drainage District Maintenance Tax Rate</b>	<b>\$0.0120</b>
<b>Proposed Drainage Interest &amp; Sinking Rate</b>	<b>\$0.0025</b>
<b>TOTAL DRAINAGE DISTRICT TAX RATE</b>	<b>\$0.0145</b>

Note: Total Drainage District Tax Rate should read Total Proposed Drainage District Tax Rate.

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Morales  
 Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered, by record vote, the property tax rate be decreased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.0120 for the Drainage Maintenance & Operation Fund and \$0.0025 for the Drainage Interest & Sinking fund for a total Drainage Tax Rate of \$0.0145, which is effectively a 14.01 percent decrease in the tax rate.

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

MOTION PASSES

**7. Take all appropriate action on Proposed Positions for Fort Bend County Drainage District for Fiscal Year 2022.**

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Morales  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Proposed Positions for Fort Bend County Drainage District for Fiscal Year 2022.

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

**8. Take all appropriate action to adopt the Fort Bend County Drainage District Budget for Fiscal Year 2022, and take a record vote, pursuant to Texas Government Code §111.068.**

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Morales  
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 2022, pursuant to Texas Government Code §111.068.

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 \$10,119,432, which is a 6.9% increase.

MOTION PASSES

**9. Take all appropriate action on Change Order No. 5 with NBG Constructors, Inc., pursuant to Bid 21-020, for additional services in an amount of \$51,725, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$5,293,457.97 for the Emergency Watershed Protection for Oyster Creek Channel Bank Stabilization Phase II. (Fund: Flood Bond and Grant)**

Moved by Commissioner DeMerchant, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Change Order No. 5 with NBG Constructors, Inc., pursuant to Bid 21-020, for additional services in an amount of \$51,725, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$5,293,457.97 for the Emergency Watershed Protection for Oyster Creek Channel Bank Stabilization Phase II. (Fund: Flood Bond and Grant)

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

- 10. **Take all appropriate action to rescind update for Drainage approval of Tax Abatement Agreement between Fort Bend County and API Realty, LLC, located within City of Sugar Land Reinvestment Zone 23 and consider approval of the same Tax Abatement Agreement between Fort Bend County and API Realty, LLC, located within the correctly identified City of Sugar Land Reinvestment Zone 2018-01.**

Moved by Commissioner DeMerchant, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers  
 Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to rescind update for Drainage approval of Tax Abatement Agreement between Fort Bend County and API Realty, LLC, located within City of Sugar Land Reinvestment Zone 23 and consider approval of the same Tax Abatement Agreement between Fort Bend County and API Realty, LLC, located within the correctly identified City of Sugar Land Reinvestment Zone 2018-01.

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

11. **Adjournment.**

The Drainage District Board adjourned at 2:09 p.m. on Tuesday, September 14, 2021.

Moved by Commissioner Meyers,  
 to adjourn.

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



*Laura Richard*

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