

**MINUTES**

**DUE TO EMERGENCY CONDITIONS, THIS MEETING WAS CONDUCTED BY TELEPHONE AND/OR VIDEO CONFERENCE**

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 2ND DAY of FEBRUARY, 2021, Commissioners Court of Fort Bend County, Texas, met at a regular 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
LINDA WILLIS FOR LAURA RICHARD	COUNTY CLERK

A roll call of the Commissioners was called by Linda Willis on behalf of Laura Richard, County Clerk with all present.

In addition, other ancillary attendees were confirmed present.

Office of the County Attorney Representative - Marcus Spencer

County Auditor - Ed Sturdivant

Director of Finance & Investments - Pamela Gubbels

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. Invocation and Pledges of Allegiance by County Judge KP George.**

Invocation and Pledges of Allegiance by County Judge KP George.

**3. Approve minutes of regular meeting held on January 26, 2021.**

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Morales

Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve minutes of regular meeting held on January 26, 2021.

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

#### 4. **Public Comments regarding the Agenda and Announcements.**

Judge George thanked the staff of the Office of Emergency Management and Facilities for working diligently in organizing yesterday's groundbreaking for the new OEM official site. The County should have a brand new state of the art building by the end of this year. Judge reminded everyone February is Black History month and encouraged everyone to participate in the many events and programs to celebrate the contributions of the African American communities. Judge also thanked Health and Human Services, IT, OEM/Fire Marshal, Auditing and Access Health for their hard work with the rollout of the vaccine distribution. A large shipment of the COVID vaccine arrived this morning from the state. Judge thanked Senator Kolkhorst for her leading efforts in bringing the vaccine shipment to Fort Bend County and making the County a HUB. This means the County will be receiving the vaccine on a regular basis. Judge asked everyone to be patient as the distribution process is being made to be as easy as possible. Currently, the County has one vaccine distribution location available and are in the process of opening other locations.

Dr. Jaqueline Minter, Health and Human Services Director updated the court on the vaccine distribution. The County had a rollout today and hopefully everyone was able to schedule an appointment themselves and did not have to worry about a call back. A large amount of the vaccines were received today and were split between the County and hospital partners. Dr. Minter stated the County will be opening multiple sites. The current site is at Fort Bend County Fairgrounds, a site is in Precinct 2 which opened today and a third site will be a drive thru site. Dr. Minter also stated the County has been identified as a HUB, and therefore will receive a regular supply of the vaccines. The County will continue to have partnerships in other locations throughout the County as the allotment and allocation of the vaccine increase.

Judge George stated that people should not end their pursuance of the vaccine with the County. The County has partners with Methodist Hospital and Memorial Herman, who are getting their share of vaccines beyond what the County is getting. He also mentioned there are rumors that some people could walk in and get their vaccine in Fort Bend County locations. This is a rumor. Judge George is excited to announce that Fort Bend County's new grant management software went live in December. This platform will help the grant seeking departments coordinate better and will make the process more efficient. For more information contact Frances Desmond in the County Judge's Office.

There were four public comments.

Seda Hambarchian, 8027 Ivy Bush Bend Lane, Richmond spoke on item 30A2 and 31A2. Ms. Hambarchian has concerns about not seeing information in the County about boosting immunity and the use and benefits of vitamins.

Surekha Patil, 1020 Brand Lane, Stafford was not able to speak due to not having an Agenda Item to reference.

Bonnie Anderson, 27722 Cold Sprint Trace, spoke on Item 27E. Ms. Anderson received some clarification on the funds for the rental program and believes it still does not justify destroying an economy and mandating that businesses shut down just to bail them out later.

Jim Preston, had questions and concerns on Item 30. Mr. Preston asked about the Cares Act program regarding how and when the money will be spent. Also, Mr. Preston asked why there is a need for the Epicenter complex and how much will the County spend on this project.

**5. PUBLIC HEARINGS: 1:23 p.m.: Conduct Public Hearings and take all appropriate action on the following matters:**

Public hearing held. No public comments.

- A. Acceptance of the traffic control plan for Southern Colony Expansion Phase 1, Section 1A, Precinct 1.**
- B. Acceptance of the traffic control plan for Jordan Ranch Street Dedication No. 6 and Jordan Ranch Section 22, Precinct 3.**
- C. Acceptance of the traffic control plan for Harvest Green, Section 30, Precinct 3.**
- D. Acceptance of the traffic control plan for Brazos Valley Drive and Stansberry Road, Pct. 3.**
- E. Acceptance of the traffic control plan for Aliana, Section 72, Precinct 4.**

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner DeMerchant  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Agenda Items 5A - 5E.

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

**CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS 6 - 18:**

**6. COUNTY JUDGE:**

- A. Approve CEO/Law Enforcement Certifications and Assurances Form required by the Office of the Governor Public Safety Office regarding updated terms and conditions to participate in Criminal Justice grants.**
- B. Set public hearing on the creation of Fort Bend County Reinvestment Zone No. 28 for tax abatement purposes pursuant to Section 312.201 and 312.401 of the Texas Property Code, to be conducted during Commissioners Court on Tuesday, February 23, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. Due to emergency conditions, the public hearing may be conducted by telephone or videoconference.**

**7. COMMISSIONER, PCT. 3:**

- A. Approve the reappointment of Valerie Gamble, Larry Gore, and Cheryl Stalinsky to the Board of Directors of Fort Bend County Levee Improvement District No. 12 for a term effective through October 31, 2022.**
- B. Approve renewal of Interlocal Agreement for Additional Law Enforcement Services between Fort Bend County and Harris/Fort Bend Counties Municipal Utility District No. 1, with services to be provided by the Office of Constable Precinct 3 effective through September 30, 2021.**

**8. BUDGET TRANSFERS:**

- A. Bail Bond Board: Approve transfer in the amount of \$330 from Travel into Information Technology to allocate funds for the purchase of one desktop printer.**
- B. Constable, Precinct 4: Approve transfer in the amount of \$88,000 from Salaries into accounts detailed on Constable's form dated January 28, 2021 to allocate funds for training, supplies, equipment, and information technology needs for the Constable's Office.**
- C. Facilities Management & Planning: Approve transfer in the amount of \$1,500 from Supplies & Maintenance into Information Technology to allocate funds for the renewal of AutoCAD software.**
- D. Sheriff's Office - Enforcement: Approve transfer in the amount of \$3,000 from Supplies & Maintenance into Capital Acquisitions to allocate additional funds for the purchase of dual purpose canines.**

**9. CONSTABLE, PCT. 1:**

**Record into the Minutes the 2020 Racial Profiling Full Report for the office of Constable Precinct 1, pursuant to the Code of Criminal Procedure Articles 2.121-2.138.**

**10. CONSTABLE, PCT. 4:**

**Approve Agreement for Additional Law Enforcement Services between Fort Bend County and First Colony Community Services Association, Inc. effective through September 30, 2021.**

**11. ENGINEERING-PAYMENTS:**

- A. Approve payment of Invoice No. 202026403 in the amount of \$1,515.00 to Berg-Oliver Associates, Inc. for professional environmental services regarding FM 521 South, Mobility Bond Project No. 17111, Precinct 1. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**
- B. Approve payment of Invoice No. 44108 in the amount of \$196,895.00 to Binkley & Barfield, Inc. for professional engineering services regarding FM 521, Mobility Bond Project No. 17111, Precinct 1. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**
- C. Approve payment of Invoice No. 10765-15 in the amount of \$38,585.59 to James Construction Group for construction of Old Needville Fairchilds Road, Mobility Bond Projects No. 13109 and No. 17109, Precinct 1. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**
- D. Approve payment of Invoice No. FTBC1400082.02-11 in the amount of \$1,409.44 to CP&Y for professional engineering services regarding Avenue J Extension, Mobility Bond Project No. 17115, Precinct 1. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**
- E. Approve payment of Invoice No. 479701/22/II in the amount of \$44,978.37 to Dannenbaum Engineering Corporation for plan, specification, and estimate design services of FM 521 Expansion Project, Mobility Bond Project No. 17113, Precinct 1. (Fund: FM 521 Project Account)**

**Item 11 continued - Engineering - Payments:**

- F. Approve payment of Invoice No. 1942467 in the amount of \$456.00 to Atkins North America, Inc. for professional engineering services regarding FM 762/FM 2759 (Crabb River Road), Mobility Bond Project No. x28, Precinct 1. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**
  - G. Approve payment of Invoice No. 14 Final in the amount of \$8,100.00 to HJ Consulting, Inc. for professional engineering services regarding Various Roads in Arcola, Mobility Bond Project No. 17120x, Precinct 1. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**
  - H. Approve payment of Invoice No. 32223 in the amount of \$14,122.00 to Terra Associates, Inc. for professional engineering services regarding Lake Olympia Segment 2, Mobility Bond Project No. 17201, Precincts 1 and 2. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**
  - I. Approve payment of Invoice No. 202026066 in the amount of \$2,927.50 to Berg-Oliver Associates, Inc. for professional environmental services regarding Lake Olympia, Segment 2, Mobility Bond Project No. 13217x, Precincts 1 and 2. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**
  - J. Approve payment of Invoice No. 1220038 in the amount of \$41,612.25 to RPS for project management services regarding 2017 Mobility Bond Projects within Precinct 2. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**
  - K. Approve payment of Invoice No. 288568R-7 in the amount of \$132,533.90 to Cobb, Fendley & Associates, Inc. for professional engineering services regarding Moore Road, Mobility Bond Project No. 17218x, Precinct 2. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**
  - L. Approve payment of Invoice No. 85552 in the amount of \$277.50 and Invoice No. 85937 in the amount of \$907.50 to Edminster Hinshaw Russ & Associates, Inc. dba EHRA for professional engineering services regarding Cane Island Segment 2, Mobility Bond Project No. 17308, Precinct 3. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**
  - M. Approve payment of Invoice No. 21998 in the amount of \$6,524.50 to CivilTech Engineering, Inc. for professional engineering services regarding Peek Road Segment 1, Mobility Bond Project No. 17307, Precinct 3. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**
  - N. Approve payment of Invoice No. 1068906 in the amount of \$1,120.00 to Neel-Schaffer, Inc. for professional engineering services regarding Pheasant Creek at Old Richmond Road, Mobility Bond Project No. 17415, Precinct 4. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**
  - O. Approve payment of Invoice No. 202026294 in the amount of \$26,388.45 to LJA Engineering, Inc. for project management services regarding 2017 Mobility Bond Projects within Precinct 4. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**
  - P. Approve payment of Invoice No. 289010 in the amount of \$427.50 to Cobb, Fendley & Associates, Inc. for professional engineering services regarding Clodine Road, Mobility Bond Project No. 17417, Precinct 4. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**
- 12. ENGINEERING-PERMITS:**
- A. Approve acceptance of Westchester Fire Insurance Company Perpetual Bond Rider for Crown Castle Fiber LLC previously Crown Castle NG Central LLC.**

**Item 12 continued - Engineering - Permits:**

- B. Approve permit application from CenterPoint Energy to relocate gas lines along Benton Road and Reading Road to resolve conflicts with future roadway improvements, Permit No. 2020-42037, Precinct 1.**
  - C. Approve permit application from Comcast of Houston, LLC to install fiber optic cable along Sienna Parkway, Permit No. 2021-42931, Precinct 1.**
  - D. Approve permit application from The Works of Houston, LLC for a residential driveway replacement at 18326 Austin Oak Lane, Permit No. 2021-42787, Precinct 2.**
  - E. Approve permit application from McKinney Construction, Inc. to install reclaimed waterlines along various roads within the Grand Lakes subdivision, Permit No. 2021-42936, Precinct 3.**
  - F. Approve permit application from Comcast of Houston, LLC to install fiber optic cable along Mason Road, Permit No. 2021-42932, Precinct 3.**
  - G. Approve permit application from Crown Castle Fiber LLC to install utility cable along Mason Road, Permit No. 2021-42917, Precinct 3.**
  - H. Approve permit application from Comcast of Houston, LLC to install fiber optic cable along Harlem Road and Grand Mission Boulevard, Permit No. 2021-42898, Precinct 3.**
  - I. Approve permit application from Comcast of Houston, LLC to install utility cable along Roesner Road and Bay Hill Boulevard, Permit No. 2021-42585, Precinct 3.**
  - J. Approve permit application from WFL Development LP/CMG Inc. to install two commercial driveways on Tollcross Avenue, Permit No. 2020-36143, Precinct 4.**
  - K. Approve release of performance bond from AG Construction LLC for work completed at 16443 Boss Gaston Road, Permit No. 2020-40773, Precinct 4.**
  - L. Approve permit application from CenterPoint Energy to install a gas line along W Grand Parkway S and Berkeley Knoll Circle, Permit No. 2020-42095, Precinct 4.**
- 13. ENGINEERING-DEVELOPMENT:**
- A. Approve the plat for the roads within Southern Colony Expansion Phase I Section 3, Precinct 1.**
  - B. Approve the plat for the lots within Southern Colony Expansion Phase I Section 3, Precinct 1.**
  - C. Set public hearing for acceptance of the traffic control plan for Jordan Ranch Section 24, Precinct 3. *(Tuesday, March 2, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.)***
  - D. Set public hearing for acceptance of the traffic control plan for Bellaire Boulevard at Chickory Woods Lane, Precinct 2. *(Tuesday, March 2, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.)***

14. **FACILITIES MANAGEMENT & PLANNING: The Director of Facilities Management & Planning submits these invoices for approval and payment for projects that are funded by 2015 Facility Bonds and by 2020 Certificates of Obligation:**
  - A. **Pay Application No. 9 in the amount of \$978,993.74 to Crain Group for construction services regarding the South Post Oak Football Complex;**
  - B. **Invoice No. 128196 in the amount of \$2,606.50 to Alpha Testing for materials testing regarding the South Post Oak Football Complex;**
  - C. **Invoice No. GB00396736 in the amount of \$160.66 to SHI Government Solutions for technology regarding the expansion of the Missouri City Branch Library.**
  - D. **Invoice No. 3281 and 3282 for a total amount of \$1,475.00 to Cornerstone Glass & Mirror for Glass installation services for the Community Supervision & Corrections Department.**
  - E. **Invoice No. IN0040795 in the amount of \$52,784.20 to Marathon Fitness for furniture fixtures and equipment regarding the Landmark Community Center;**
  - F. **Invoice No. 142616108001 in the amount of \$255.99 to Office Depot for furniture fixtures and equipment regarding the Landmark Community Center;**
  - G. **Invoice No. 162257 in the amount of \$450.00 to FireTron for fire alarm services regarding the Landmark Community Center.**
15. **PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION:**
  - A. **Approve payment of Invoice No. 915671 in the amount of \$40,400.70 to Audio Visual Technologies Group, Inc. for the installation of camera's regarding the Transit Center, Mobility Bond Project No. 13406. (Fund: 2013 Mobility Bonds)**
  - B. **Approve payment of Invoice No. 915670 in the amount of \$40,400.70 to Audio Visual Technologies Group, Inc. for the installation of camera's regarding the Transit Center, Mobility Bond Project No. 13406. (Fund: 2013 Mobility Bonds)**
  - C. **Approve payment of Invoice No. 915672 in the amount of \$40,400.70 to Audio Visual Technologies Group, Inc. for the installation of camera's regarding the Transit Center, Mobility Bond Project No. 13406. (Fund: 2013 Mobility Bonds)**
  - D. **Approve payment of invoice No. 5739036 in the amount of \$666.94 to CDW Government, Inc. for (2) Apple 10.2 inch iPads 32GB regarding the Transit Center, Mobility Bond Project No. 13406 (Fund: 2013 Mobility Bonds)**
16. **PURCHASING:**
  - A. **Authorize advertising for bids for term contract to purchase culverts.**
  - B. **Authorize advertising bids for Construction of Pheasant Creek at Old Richmond Road, Mobility Bond Project No. 17415.**

**Item 16 continued - Purchasing:**

- C. Approve renewal of Agreement between Fort Bend County and Texana Center in the amount of \$625,000 to provide Behavioral Health and Intellectual Development Disabilities Services effective through September 30, 2021. (Fund: Non-Departmental Fees)**
- D. Approve First Amendment to Work Authorization No. 6 between Fort Bend County and IDCUS, Inc. pursuant to SOQ 09-072 for park and ride facility planning and consulting services for Public Transportation, to revise the work schedule, at no additional contract cost.**

**17. ROAD & BRIDGE:**

**Vehicle Maintenance: Approve payment of Invoice No. MF054069, No. MF054131, No. MF054233, No. MF054427, No. MF054458, No. MF054502, No. MF054633, No. MF054701 and No. MF054900 for an amount totaling \$156,015.00 to Caldwell Country Chevrolet for vehicles for 2021. (Fund: Advance Funding Resolution)**

**18. TAX ASSESSOR/COLLECTOR:**

**Approve refunds over \$500 detailed in Tax Assessor/Collector's report submitted on January 27, 2021 for an amount totaling \$18,105.50 for the Office of Carmen P. Turner.**

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner DeMerchant  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Consent Agenda  
Items 6 - 18.

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

**19. COMMISSIONER, PCT. 3:**

**Take all appropriate action on Memorandum of Understanding between Fort Bend County, Fort Bend County Drainage District, and the Board of Directors of Willow Fork Drainage District, pursuant to Texas Water Code Section 15.005, Precinct 3.**

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner DeMerchant  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Memorandum of  
Understanding between Fort Bend County, Fort Bend County Drainage District, and the  
Board of Directors of Willow Fork Drainage District, pursuant to Texas Water Code Section  
15.005, Precinct 3.

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

**20. COMMUNITY SUPERVISION & CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT:**

**Take all appropriate action on Grant Application and Resolution to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division, for grant funding in the amount of \$123,500 for the Felony Drug Court (CARD) and the Misdemeanor Drug Court programs, with no matching funds required by Fort Bend County for the period of September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2022.**

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Prestage  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Grant Application and Resolution to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division, for grant funding in the amount of \$123,500 for the Felony Drug Court (CARD) and the Misdemeanor Drug Court programs, with no matching funds required by Fort Bend County for the period of September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2022.

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

**21. CONSTABLE, PCT. 4:**

**A. Take all appropriate action on Memorandum of Understanding between Fort Bend County and the City of Houston acting through the Houston Police Department on behalf of the Houston-Metro Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force to participate in the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Program.**

Moved by Commissioner DeMerchant, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Memorandum of Understanding between Fort Bend County and the City of Houston acting through the Houston Police Department on behalf of the Houston-Metro Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force to participate in the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Program.

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

**B. Take all appropriate action on request to assign one vehicle, 2013 Chevrolet Tahoe, Unit S074, as an addition to the fleet of the Office of Constable, Pct. 4 for patrol use.**

Moved by Commissioner DeMerchant, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve request to assign one vehicle, 2013 Chevrolet Tahoe, Unit S074, as an addition to the fleet of the Office of Constable, Pct. 4 for patrol use.

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

**22. DISTRICT ATTORNEY:**

- A. Take all appropriate action on Application and Resolution to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division, for grant funding in the amount of \$472,852.90 for the Human Trafficking Investigation and Prosecution Project, with no additional match required by Fort Bend County for the period of October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022.**

Moved by Commissioner DeMerchant, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Application and Resolution to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division, for grant funding in the amount of \$472,852.90 for the Human Trafficking Investigation and Prosecution Project, with no additional match required by Fort Bend County for the period of October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022.

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

- B. Take all appropriate action on Resolution in support of the District Attorney's Testing of Forensic Evidence Grant to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division in an amount not to exceed \$18,000 with no local match to continue support of accurate and timely forensic testing of seized controlled substances for the Expedited Narcotics Docket (END) Program.**

Moved by Commissioner DeMerchant, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Resolution in support of the District Attorney's Testing of Forensic Evidence Grant to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division in an amount not to exceed \$18,000 with no local match to continue support of accurate and timely forensic testing of seized controlled substances for the Expedited Narcotics Docket (END) Program.

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

**Item 22 continued - District Attorney:**

- C. Take all appropriate action on Application and Resolution to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division, for grant funding in the amount of \$182,607 for the Violence Against Women Prosecutor and Investigator Program, with a cash match of \$222,746 for a total budget of \$405,353, for the period of September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2022. (Fund: District Attorney)**

Moved by Commissioner DeMerchant, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Application and Resolution to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division, for grant funding in the amount of \$182,607 for the Violence Against Women Prosecutor and Investigator Program, with a cash match of \$222,746 for a total budget of \$405,353, for the period of September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2022. (Fund: District Attorney)

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

- D. Take all appropriate action on Application and Resolution to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division, for grant funding in the amount of \$206,661 for the Gangs/Organized Crime Prosecutor Grant Program, with no local match for the period of September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2022.**

Moved by Commissioner DeMerchant, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Application and Resolution to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division, for grant funding in the amount of \$206,661 for the Gangs/Organized Crime Prosecutor Grant Program, with no local match for the period of September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2022.

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

**Item 22 continued - District Attorney:**

- E. Take all appropriate action on Application and Resolution to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division, for grant funding in the amount of \$80,000 for the Violence Against Women Adult Sex Crimes Prosecutor Program, with a cash match of \$67,321 for a total budget of \$147,321, for the period of September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2022. (Fund: District Attorney)**

Moved by Commissioner DeMerchant, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Application and Resolution to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division, for grant funding in the amount of \$80,000 for the Violence Against Women Adult Sex Crimes Prosecutor Program, with a cash match of \$67,321 for a total budget of \$147,321, for the period of September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2022. (Fund: District Attorney)

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

- F. Take all appropriate action on Application and Resolution to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division, for grant funding in the amount of \$105,290 for the Victim Witness Staff Expansion program, with a cash match of at least \$86,895 for a total budget of \$192,185 for the period of October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022. (Fund: District Attorney)**

Moved by Commissioner DeMerchant, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Application and Resolution to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division, for grant funding in the amount of \$105,290 for the Victim Witness Staff Expansion program, with a cash match of at least \$86,895 for a total budget of \$192,185 for the period of October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022. (Fund: District Attorney)

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

**23. ENGINEERING:**

- A. Take all appropriate action on request for temporary road closure beginning February 15, 2021 until the end of the project, pursuant to Section 251.011 of the Texas Transportation Code for the following streets at their intersections with Old Richmond Road during construction, Richtowne Lane; Old Towne Lane; Kent Towne Lane; Towne Brooke Lane; Towne Tower Lane; Overview Drive; Marvin Lane; and Sugarbluff Lane, Mobility Bond Project No. 17208, Precincts 2 and 3.**

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Prestage  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve request for temporary road closure beginning February 15, 2021 until the end of the project, pursuant to Section 251.011 of the Texas Transportation Code for the following streets at their intersections with Old Richmond Road during construction, Richtowne Lane; Old Towne Lane; Kent Towne Lane; Towne Brooke Lane; Towne Tower Lane; Overview Drive; Marvin Lane; and Sugarbluff Lane, Mobility Bond Project No. 17208, Precincts 2 and 3.

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

- B. Take all appropriate action on Possession and Use Agreement between Fort Bend County and Juan Manuel Ibarra regarding Parcel 50 of South Post Oak Road Project, and record the same in official public records; Mobility Bond Project No. 13112, Precinct 1.**

Moved by Commissioner Morales, Seconded by Commissioner Prestage  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Possession and Use Agreement between Fort Bend County and Juan Manuel Ibarra regarding Parcel 50 of South Post Oak Road Project, and record the same in official public records; Mobility Bond Project No. 13112, Precinct 1.

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

**24. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES:**

**Social Services: Take all appropriate action on Application and Resolution to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division for grant funding in the amount of \$130,838.41 for Victim Assistance - The IRIS Women's Program, with a cash match by the County of twenty percent, for a total program budget not to exceed \$157,006.09 for the period of October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022. (Fund: Social Services)**

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner DeMerchant  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Application and Resolution to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division for grant funding in the amount of \$130,838.41 for Victim Assistance - The IRIS Women's Program, with a cash match by the County of twenty percent, for a total program budget not to exceed \$157,006.09 for the period of October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022. (Fund: Social Services)

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

**25. HOMELAND SECURITY & EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:**

**Take all appropriate action to purchase one property (File Number: BOFB2001774) under the 2016 Hazard Mitigation buyout grant (FEMA Project Number DR-4269-006 and FEMA Project Number DR-4269-007) in the amount of \$154,496 plus the necessary closing costs, with an overall project cost match by the County of twenty-five percent, and authorize County Judge to sign all closing documents. (Fund: 2016 Hazard Mitigation Grant)**

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Prestage  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to purchase one property (File Number: BOFB2001774) under the 2016 Hazard Mitigation buyout grant (FEMA Project Number DR-4269-006 and FEMA Project Number DR-4269-007) in the amount of \$154,496 plus the necessary closing costs, with an overall project cost match by the County of twenty-five percent, and authorize County Judge to sign all closing documents. (Fund: 2016 Hazard Mitigation Grant)

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

**26. JUVENILE PROBATION & DETENTION:**

**Take all appropriate action on application to the Office of the Governor for grant funds in the amount of \$124,091 for the Youth Community Outreach Program, with no cash match required by Fort Bend County for the term of September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2022, pending approval by the Juvenile Board at their meeting on February 3, 2021.**

Moved by Commissioner Morales, Seconded by Commissioner Prestage  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve application to the Office of the Governor for grant funds in the amount of \$124,091 for the Youth Community Outreach Program, with no cash match required by Fort Bend County for the term of September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2022, pending approval by the Juvenile Board at their meeting on February 3, 2021.

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

**27. PURCHASING:**

**A. Take all appropriate action on Bid 21-057 for the purchase and installation of overhead doors for outdoor kennels at Animal Services.**

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Morales  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to reject bid and re-advertise on Bid 21-057 for the purchase and installation of overhead doors for outdoor kennels at Animal Services.

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

Judge George thanked Commissioner Morales for his leadership and efforts to make this happen.

**Item 27 continued - Purchasing:**

- B. Take all appropriate action on First Amendment to Agreement between Fort Bend County and KONE, Inc. for Elevator Modernization and Maintenance Service, utilizing the US Communities KONE Cooperative Contract Number EV2516, for an additional amount of \$14,500 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$554,500 effective through May 31, 2021. (Fund: General Fund, Advance Funding Resolution)**

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Morales  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve First Amendment to Agreement between Fort Bend County and KONE, Inc. for Elevator Modernization and Maintenance Service, utilizing the US Communities KONE Cooperative Contract Number EV2516, for an additional amount of \$14,500 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$554,500 effective through May 31, 2021. (Fund: General Fund, Advance Funding Resolution)

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

- C. Take all appropriate action on First Amendment to Subrecipient Agreement between Fort Bend County and Fred & Mabel R. Parks Youth Ranch, Inc. in the amount of \$164,934 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$172,248, to provide emergency shelter and rapid re-housing through the emergency solutions grants program COVID-19, part of the FY 2019 Consolidated Annual Action Plan Substantial Amendment approved by Commissioners Court on November 10, 2020 and December 15, 2020. (Fund: Emergency Solutions Grant COVID-19)**

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Morales  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve First Amendment to Subrecipient Agreement between Fort Bend County and Fred & Mabel R. Parks Youth Ranch, Inc. in the amount of \$164,934 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$172,248, to provide emergency shelter and rapid re-housing through the emergency solutions grants program COVID-19, part of the FY 2019 Consolidated Annual Action Plan Substantial Amendment approved by Commissioners Court on November 10, 2020 and December 15, 2020. (Fund: Emergency Solutions Grant COVID-19)

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

**Item 27 continued - Purchasing:**

- D. Take all appropriate action on Agreement between Fort Bend County and Terra Associates, Inc. for Professional Design Services regarding Fulshear All Abilities Park for an amount not to exceed \$81,090 effective through September 30, 2021. (Fund: Advance Funding Resolution)**

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Morales  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Agreement between Fort Bend County and Terra Associates, Inc. for Professional Design Services regarding Fulshear All Abilities Park for an amount not to exceed \$81,090 effective through September 30, 2021.  
(Fund: Advance Funding Resolution)

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

- E. Take all appropriate action on Third Amendment to Agreement for Professional Engineering Services between Fort Bend County and RPS to increase the contract by \$102,650 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$472,050 pursuant to SOQ 14-025, regarding Trammel Fresno, Mobility Bond Project No. 746, Precincts 1 and 2. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**

Moved by Commissioner Morales, Seconded by Commissioner Prestage  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Third Amendment to Agreement for Professional Engineering Services between Fort Bend County and RPS to increase the contract by \$102,650 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$472,050 pursuant to SOQ 14-025, regarding Trammel Fresno, Mobility Bond Project No. 746, Precincts 1 and 2.  
(Fund: Mobility Bonds)

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

**Item 27 continued - Purchasing:**

- F. Take all appropriate action on Fourth Amendment to Project Management Agreement between Fort Bend County and RPS Infrastructure, Inc. to increase the contract by \$293,750 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$2,091,500 regarding project management services for 2017 Mobility Bond Projects within Precincts 1, 2, 3, and 4. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Morales  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Fourth Amendment to Project Management Agreement between Fort Bend County and RPS Infrastructure, Inc. to increase the contract by \$293,750 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$2,091,500 regarding project management services for 2017 Mobility Bond Projects within Precincts 1, 2, 3, and 4. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)

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

- G. Take all appropriate action on Amendment to Agreement for Professional Engineering Services between Fort Bend County and Cobb, Fendley & Associates, Inc. to increase the contract by \$46,745 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$552,069 pursuant to SOQ 14-025 regarding Moore Road, Mobility Bond Project No. 17218x, Precinct 2. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**

Moved by Commissioner Prestage, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Amendment to Agreement for Professional Engineering Services between Fort Bend County and Cobb, Fendley & Associates, Inc. to increase the contract by \$46,745 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$552,069 pursuant to SOQ 14-025 regarding Moore Road, Mobility Bond Project No. 17218x, Precinct 2. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)

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

**Item 27 continued - Purchasing:**

**H. Take all appropriate action on Amendment to Agreement for Professional Engineering Services between Fort Bend County and R.G. Miller Engineers, Inc. to increase the contract by \$91,955 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,427,913.88 pursuant to SOQ 14-025 regarding Beechnut Street, Mobility Bond Project No. 17410, Precinct 4. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**

Moved by Commissioner DeMerchant, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Amendment to Agreement for Professional Engineering Services between Fort Bend County and R.G. Miller Engineers, Inc. to increase the contract by \$91,955 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,427,913.88 pursuant to SOQ 14-025 regarding Beechnut Street, Mobility Bond Project No. 17410, Precinct 4. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)

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

**28. SHERIFF'S OFFICE:**

**Take all appropriate action on Interlocal Agreement for Law Enforcement Training between Fort Bend County and Houston-Galveston Area Council to receive funds in the amount of \$144,365 with no cash match required for the term ending August 31, 2021.**

Moved by Commissioner Morales, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Interlocal Agreement for Law Enforcement Training between Fort Bend County and Houston-Galveston Area Council to receive funds in the amount of \$144,365 with no cash match required for the term ending August 31, 2021.

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

**29. Approve Bills.**

Moved by Commissioner Morales, Seconded by Commissioner Prestage  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve bills in the amount of \$170,973,871.98 with total operating payments of \$10,598,313.95.

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

**Recess:**

Recessed at 1:46 p.m.

**30. Meet in Closed Session to deliberate the following matters as authorized by the Texas Government Code:**

- A. § 551.071. Consultation With Attorney. Commissioners Court will meet in Closed Session to seek the advice of its attorney about pending or contemplated litigation; a settlement offer; or on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to Commissioners Court under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with Texas Government Code Chapter 551.**
- 1. Cause No. 20-CCV-068006 Fort Bend County, Texas v. Vincent Morales, Jr., et al for Parcel 1 of the OEM Expansion Project, Precinct 1.**
  - 2. CARES Act Funding Distribution.**
  - 3. Development of the Fort Bend County Epicenter Complex.**
- B. § 551.076. Deliberation Regarding Security Devices. Commissioners Court will meet in Closed Session to deliberate the deployment or specific occasions for implementation of security personnel or devices.**

**Research Agreement for Security Studies.**

**Closed Session:**

Convened at 1:51 p.m.  
Adjourned at 2:56 p.m.

**Reconvene:**

Reconvened at 3:00 p.m.

**31. Reconvene Open Session and consider taking action on the following matters:**

**A. § 551.071. Consultation With Attorney.**

**1. Cause No. 20-CCV-068006 Fort Bend County, Texas v. Vincent Morales, Jr, et al for Parcel 1 of the OEM Expansion Project, Precinct 1.**

Commissioner Morales stated for the record there is no relationship with the Vincent Morales, Jr. that is referenced in the agenda item.

Moved by Commissioner Morales, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers

Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to authorize the County Attorney to pay to the Landowners a negotiated settlement in Parcel 1 of the OEM Expansion Project in the total amount of \$140,000.00 in addition to all costs and expenses necessary to effectuate such purchase without arranging for the purchase or acquisition of title insurance on the interest or partial interest to be acquired in accordance with this Court's prior order of 9/11/2019 regarding procedures for acquisition of certain real property with title concerns. That the County Judge and/or the County Attorney be authorized to execute and deliver any and all associated settlement documents, pleadings, and related instruments to effectuate such settlement. Fund: 2020 Certificates of Obligation.

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

**2. CARES Act Funding Distribution.**

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner DeMerchant

Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to authorize execution of agreement between Fort Bend County and Whitley Penn to provide an evaluation of an internal controls and analyze eligibility determination of disbursements for CARES Act Funding program with Whitley Penn reporting to the District Attorney.

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

**3. Development of the Fort Bend County Epicenter Complex.**

No Action.

**Item 31 continued - Reconvene Open Session:**

- B. § 551.076. Deliberation Regarding Security Devices. Commissioners Court will meet in Closed Session to deliberate the deployment or specific occasions for implementation of security personnel or devices.**

**Research Agreement for Security Studies.**

Moved by Commissioner Morales, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to authorize the execution of the Research Services Agreement between Fort Bend County and the Kay Bailey Hutchison Center for Security Studies at St. Angelo State University for the performance of a threat, risk and vulnerability assessment of certain Fort Bend County Buildings.

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

**32. Adjournment.**

Commissioners Court adjourned at 3:04 p.m. on Tuesday, February 2, 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