

MINUTES

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 2ND DAY of MARCH, 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
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. Invocation and Pledges of Allegiance by Commissioner Vincent Morales.

Invocation and Pledges of Allegiance by Commissioner Vincent Morales.

3. Approve minutes of regular meeting held on February 23, 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 February 23, 2021.

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

4. Public Comments regarding the Agenda and Announcements.

Dr. Jacquelyn Minter, Director of HHS updated the court on the COVID situation and the vaccine distribution in Fort Bend County. Dr. Minter stated this week marks the one year anniversary of the first laboratory confirmed case of COVID-19 being reported in Fort Bend County and in Texas. As of yesterday, March 1, there were over 50,000 laboratory confirmed cases of COVID-19, over 46,000 recoveries and over 500 deaths posted in Fort Bend County. Currently, the County is seeing the case growth and hospitalizations decrease. As expected, the County's deaths resulting from the holiday surge have peaked and are starting to decline. The County now has three safe effective vaccines that will help to speed the ability to interact with each other safely during work, school, recreation and worship. Each vaccine, that has received emergency use authorization in our country, has scientifically been demonstrated to affect the ability to decrease hospitalization and death. Both of these indicators are key as we advance towards physical, mental and economic recovery. There are four vaccine sites and a mobile pharmacy team being operated throughout the County and at hospitals, pharmacies and healthcare clinics. The County has increased supplies and are delivering to all segments of our community. With partners, the County has vaccinated over 120,000 people. This week and next, the second dose of the vaccine is being concentrated on and the County will have more residents fully vaccinated. Dr. Minter is looking forward to expanding access to more groups of people as the Texas expert vaccine allocation panel is considering lowering the eligibility age in the near future. The waiting list will remain open and accessible for all residents to be offered registration opportunities when the criteria changes and vaccine supply increases. This life changing experience has changed our commitment of caring for others with simple tried and true measures of wearing face coverings, distancing and staying away from our highest risk family and friends. We have a difficult year behind us; but a lot of hope ahead of us.

Mark Flathouse, Emergency Manager/Fire Marshal updated the court on the unprecedented weather and the recovery process of the aftermath. Mr. Flathouse stated during the recovery phase, OEM is making sure citizens get back to some normalcy. The state of Texas is supplying food and water and the County is partnering with the precincts and communicating with jurisdictions in order to get food and water to the citizens. Road and Bridge is being utilized for debris pickup in unincorporated areas of the County and the cities have their own debris pickup plan. Citizens can email WinterDebris@fortbendcountytexas.gov for debris from the winter event to be picked up. For more information go to fbcoem.org. Mr. Flathouse stated OEM is working with nonprofit organizations and United Way every day. By calling United Way's helpline @ 211, resources will be put together for individuals who experienced damage from the winter event.

Judge George announced today, March 2, marks the 185th anniversary of Texas Declaration of Independence from Mexico. This month is Women's History Month to celebrate honoring the contributions of women to history, culture and society. The theme of 2021 is Valiant Women of the Vote: Refusing to be Silenced.

There was one public comment.

Vishalaxi Magdum signed up to speak on Item 25. When called to speak, Ms. Magdum was not present.

Commissioner Meyers announced the distribution of water is extended to the North Annex, located on the NE corner of 1093 and 99, beginning at 9:00 a.m. tomorrow. Commissioner thanked Mark Flathouse and his staff and the County Judge's office for making this happen.

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS: 1:13 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 Bellaire Boulevard at Chickory Woods Lane, Precinct 2.

B. Acceptance of the traffic control plan for Jordan Ranch Section 24, Precinct 3.

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

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

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS 6 - 22:

6. OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL: Record into Minutes the out-of-state travel request by Elected Official:

Constable, Pct. 4: Constable Nabil Shike to Washington, D.C, May 10-18, 2021 to attend the National Police Week-Concerns of Police Survivors (C.O.P.S) events/memorial. (Fund: Constable, Pct. 4)

7. OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL: Approve out-of-state travel requests for County personnel:

Constable, Pct. 4: Veronica Martin to Washington, D.C, May 10-18, 2021 to attend the National Police Week-Concerns of Police Survivors (C.O.P.S) events/memorial. (Fund: Constable, Pct. 4)

8. COUNTY JUDGE:

A. Accept and record the generous donation by Carrie Calkins in the amount of \$ 100 in gift cards to be used for the Adopt-A-Family Fort Bend Program.

B. Accept and record the generous donation by Clint and Jennifer Pardo in the amount of \$ 100 to be used for the Adopt-A-Family Fort Bend Program.

C. Accept and record the generous donation by Julie Borne in the amount of \$ 50 gift card to be used for the Adopt-A-Family Fort Bend Program.

D. Accept and record the generous donation by Monique Mackay in the amount of \$ 25 gift card to be used for the Adopt-A-Family Fort Bend Program.

E. Accept and record the generous donation by Peter and Christine Mayes in the amount of \$ 100 to be used for the Adopt-A-Family Fort Bend Program.

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- F. **Accept and record the generous donation by Purvi Baron in the amount of \$ 50 gift card to be used for the Adopt-A-Family Fort Bend Program.**
- 9. **COMMISSIONER, PCT. 1:**

Accept the resignation of Jared Biermann as Director of Fort Bend County Levee Improvement District No. 20 and appoint Charles Gregory Baker to fill the term effective through August 28, 2023.
- 10. **BUDGET TRANSFERS:**
 - A. **Budget Office: Approve transfer in the amount of \$839,790 as detailed on Finance Director's form dated February 24, 2021 pursuant to First Quarter 2021 Salary Audit.**

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 - B. **Road & Bridge: Approve transfer in the amount of \$254,909 as detailed on Finance Director's form dated February 24, 2021 pursuant to the First Quarter 2021 Salary Audit.**
 - C. **Facilities Management & Planning: Approve transfer in the amount of \$10,000 from Supplies & Maintenance into Information Technology to allocate funds into the correct account for computer related expenses related to the office relocation and expansion of Behavioral Health, Public Defender, and Constable Precinct One offices.**
- 11. **CONSTABLE, PCT. 3:**

Record into Minutes the 2020 Racial Profiling Full Report for the Office of Constable, Precinct 3, pursuant to the Code of Criminal Procedure Articles 2.131-2.138.
- 12. **CONSTABLE, PCT. 4:**
 - A. **Record into Minutes the 2020 Racial Profiling Report for the Office of Constable Precinct 4, pursuant to Code of Criminal Procedure Articles 2.121-2.138.**
 - B. **Accept and record the generous donation by Walmart, Inc. of a TriStar Raptor 20 Gauge Shotgun for use by the Office of Constable Precinct 4.**
- 13. **COUNTY TREASURER:**

Approve Monthly Report submitted by the County Treasurer for January 2021, and authorize advertisement of Affidavit of the same, in accordance with Local Government Code Section 114.026.
- 14. **ENGINEERING-PAYMENTS:**
 - A. **Approve payment of Invoice No. 12 Final in the amount of \$260,627.38 to Conrad Construction Co., Ltd. for construction of Braxton Street, Mobility Bond Projects No. 13116x, Precinct 1. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**

Item 14 continued - Engineering-Payments:

- B. Approve payment of Invoice No. 20PV100-03 in the amount of \$78,877.25 to Isani Consultants, LP for professional engineering services regarding West Sycamore Road, Segment 3, Mobility Bond Project No. 17123x, Precinct 1. (Fund: Landfill Tipping Fee)**
- C. Approve payment of Invoice No. 8680 in the amount of \$2,191.46 to Gunda Corporation for professional engineering services regarding Humphrey Way, Mobility Bond Project No. x9, Precinct 1. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**
- D. Approve payment of Invoice No. 202100714 in the amount of \$10,329.90 to Berg-Oliver Associates, Inc. for professional environmental services regarding FM 521 South, Mobility Bond Project No. 17111, Precinct 1. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**
- E. Approve payment of Invoice No. 10045431 in the amount of \$1,293.65 to Halff Associates, Inc. for professional engineering services regarding Bamore Road Segment 2, Mobility Bond Project No. 17105, Precinct 1. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**
- F. Approve payment of Invoice No. 25-0154514 in the amount of \$9,737.76 to IDS Engineering Group for professional engineering services regarding Ransom Road, Mobility Bond Project No. 17103, Precinct 1. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**
- G. Approve payment of Invoice No. 4-00120-HJ in the amount of \$3,342.55 to HJ Consulting, Inc. for professional engineering services regarding Westenfeldt Road, Mobility Bond Project No. 17124x, Precinct 1. (Fund: Landfill Tipping Fees)**
- H. Approve payment of Invoice No. 4-00120-HJ in the amount of \$4,216.75 to HJ Consulting, Inc. for professional engineering services regarding West Sycamore Road, Segment 2, Mobility Bond Project No. 17122x, Precinct 1. (Fund: Landfill Tipping Fees)**
- I. Approve payment of Invoice No. 4 in the amount of \$367,235.97 to Allgood Construction Company, Inc. for construction of Old Richmond Road, Mobility Project No. 17208, Precinct 2. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**
- J. Approve payment of Invoice No. 4 in the amount of \$653,071.72 to Triple B Services, LLP for construction of Lake Olympia Parkway Extension Segment 1, Mobility Project No. 13207, Precinct 2. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**
- K. Approve payment of Invoice No. 1 in the amount of \$24,136.87 to RJ&M Utility Construction, LLC for construction of Precinct 2 Sidewalk Safety Program, Mobility Project No. 17206, Precinct 2. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**
- L. Approve payment of Invoice No. 32313 in the amount of \$2,955.00 to Terra Associates, Inc. for professional engineering services regarding Lake Olympia, Segment 1, Mobility Bond Project No. 13207, Precinct 2. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**
- M. Approve payment of Invoice No. 9 in the amount of \$231,711.44 to James Construction for construction of Cane Island Parkway Phase 2, Mobility Bond Project No. 17308, Precinct 3. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**

Item 14 continued - Engineering-Payments:

- N. Approve payment of Invoice No. 513601/20/II in the amount of \$10,026.56 to Dannenbaum Engineering Corporation for professional engineering services regarding Grand Parkway Segment 2, Mobility Bond Project No. 17304, Precinct 3. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**
 - O. Approve payment of Invoice No. 1 in the amount of \$136,692.63 to Allgood Construction Company, Inc. for construction of Katy Flewellen Road, Mobility Project No. 13316, Precinct 3. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**
- 15. ENGINEERING-PERMITTS:**
- A. Approve acceptance of RLI Insurance Company Perpetual Bond for Blue Indie Realty, Inc.**
 - B. Approve permit application from Comcast of Houston, LLC to install fiber optic cable along various roads within Horse Shoe Bend, Seabourne Creek Farms, Fair Park Village, Gunnison Bend, McClellan Acres, Coon Creek, Helga Estates, Myska Meadows, Shady Oaks Estates and Coon Acres subdivisions, Permit No. 2020-41611, Precinct 1.**
 - C. Approve permit application from Kansas City Southern Railway to extend Doris Road to connect to Pink Taylor Run Road, and extend Braxton Road to connect to West Tavenner Road, Permit No. 2020-35695, Precinct 1.**
 - D. Approve permit application from Tesinc, LLC/Southwestern Bell Telephone Company dba AT&T Texas to install fiber optic cable along Trammel Fresno Road, South Post Oak Boulevard and Indiana Street, Permit No. 2021-43165, Precinct 1.**
 - E. Approve permit application from Binkley & Barfield, Inc./ Comcast of Houston, LLC to install utility cable along Pleak Road, under Seaborne Creek and Big Creek, and over Cottonwood Creek and Fairchilds Creek Tributary No. 6, Permit No. 2020-36042, Precinct 1.**
 - F. Approve permit application from CenterPoint Energy to install a gas line along Renfrow Burford Road and Mistletoe Lane, Permit No. 2021-43462, Precinct 1.**
 - G. Approve permit application from King Construction Material Co. Inc./Simon's Tree Nursery to install a commercial driveway on Moore Ranch Road, Permit No. 2020-42096, Precinct 1.**
 - H. Approve permit application from Hector Rocha/Rocha Custom Homes LLC to install a residential driveway at 4605 Pine Meadow Drive, Permit No. 2020-41269, Pct. 1.**
 - I. Approve permit application from Blue Indie Realty, Inc to install residential culvert driveway on 4525 Polak Road, Permit No. 2021-43055, Precinct 1.**
 - J. Approve permit application from Blue Indie Realty, Inc to install a residential driveway on 4427 Polak Road, Permit No. 2021-43056, Precinct 1.**
 - K. Approve permit application from Blue Indie Realty, Inc to install a residential driveway on 4421 Polak Road, Permit No. 2021-43057, Precinct 1.**

Item 15 continued - Engineering-Permits:

- L. Approve permit application from Blue Indie Realty, Inc to install a residential driveway on 4327 Polak Road, Permit No. 2021-43058, Precinct 1.**
- M. Approve permit application from Blue Indie Realty, Inc to install a residential driveway on 14323 County Line Road, Permit No. 2021-43059, Precinct 1.**
- N. Approve permit application from Blue Indie Realty, Inc to install a residential driveway on 14209 County Line Road, Permit No. 2021-43060, Precinct 1.**
- O. Approve permit application from Blue Indie Realty, Inc to install a residential driveway on 14410 ½ BJ Dusek Road, Permit No. 2021-43066, Precinct 1.**
- P. Approve permit application from Blue Indie Realty, Inc to install a residential driveway on 4321 Polak Road, Permit No. 2021-43061, Precinct 1.**
- Q. Approve permit application from Blue Indie Realty, Inc to install a residential driveway on 14520 BJ Dusek Road, Permit No. 2021-43063, Precinct 1.**
- R. Approve permit application from Blue Indie Realty, Inc to install a residential driveway on 4215 Polak Road, Permit No. 2021-43062, Precinct 1.**
- S. Approve permit application from Blue Indie Realty, Inc to install a residential driveway on 14510 BJ Dusek Road, Permit No. 2021-43064, Precinct 1.**
- T. Approve permit application from Blue Indie Realty, Inc to install a residential driveway on 14420 BJ Dusek Road, Permit No. 2021-43065, Precinct 1.**
- U. Approve permit application from Blue Indie Realty, Inc to install a residential driveway on 14320 BJ Dusek Road, Permit No. 2021-43067, Precinct 1.**
- V. Approve permit application from Blue Indie Realty, Inc to install a residential driveway on 14210 BJ Dusek Road, Permit No. 2021-43068, Precinct 1.**
- W. Approve permit application from CenterPoint Energy to install a gas line crossing under Chimney Rock Road, Winfield Lakes Trail and Farrel Hill Street, Permit No. 2021-43218, Precinct 2.**
- X. Approve permit application from CenterPoint Energy to install gas line crossing under the Fort Bend Tollway, Permit No. 2021-43217, Precinct 2.**
- Y. Approve permit application from Triple B Services, LLP to install new pavement on Bellaire Boulevard and Harlem Road, including a bridge and outfall structures in Long Point Slough, Permit No. 2021-43311, Precinct 2.**
- Z. Approve permit application from Frontier Southwest Inc. dba/Frontier Communications of Texas to install fiber optic cable along Avenue E, Leisure Drive and various roads within the Applecreek Bend subdivision, Permit No. 2021-43472, Precinct 2.**

Item 15 continued - Engineering-Permits:

- AA. Approve permit application from CenterPoint Energy to install a gas line along Cinco Ranch Boulevard, Permit No. 2021-43289, Precinct 3.**
- BB. Approve permit application from Comcast of Houston, LLC to install fiber optic cable along Cinco Lakes Drive and Northmoor Drive, Permit No. 2021-43465, Precinct 3.**
- CC. Approve permit application from CenterPoint Energy to install a gas line along Fulbrook Road and Wendt Park Trace, Permit No. 2021-43288, Precinct 3.**
- DD. Approve permit application from Traf-Tex, Inc. to install traffic signals at West Bellfort and Waterview Meadow Drive, Permit No. 2021-43286, Precinct 4.**
- EE. Approve permit application from Comcast of Houston, LLC to install fiber optic cable along Long Prairie Trace, Permit No. 2021-43450, Precinct 4.**
- FF. Approve permit application from CenterPoint Energy to install a gas line along Harvest Corner Drive, Permit No. 2021-43449, Precinct 4.**
- 16. ENGINEERING-DEVELOPMENT:**
 - A. Release the bond for Avalon at Riverstone Section Nineteen in the amount of \$333,690.00. The streets are private and will be maintained by the Homeowners Association, Precinct 4.**
 - B. Accept the streets in Firethorne West Sec. 2: Weldons Forest Drive 912.00 LF, Belham Creek Drive 149.00 LF, Blue Finch Court 330.00 LF, Misty Laurel Court 528.00 LF, Erica Lee Court, 395.00 LF, McDonough Way 133.00 LF, and Davenport Drive 945.00 LF for a total of 3,392.00 LF, and release the bond in the amount of \$236,530.00, Precinct 3.**
 - C. Accept the streets in Firethorne West Sec. 8: Pinnacle Ridge Drive 467.00 LF, Crested Butte Drive 770.00 LF, Belham Creek Drive 724.00 LF, Oldfield Court 305.00 LF McDonough Way 915.00 LF for a total of 3,181.00 LF and release the bond and rider in the amount of \$111,335.00, Precinct 3.**
 - D. Accept the streets in Jordan Ranch Sec 13: Indigo Falls Drive 448.00 LF, Tulip Run Drive 402.00 LF, Liatrix Bend Lane 549.00 LF, Verbena Bend Drive 416.00 LF for a total of 1,815.00 LF and release the bond in the amount of \$175,085.00, Precinct 3.**
 - E. Approve the plat for Estates at Lakes of Williams Ranch Section 1 Partial Replat No. 2, Precinct 1.**
 - F. Approve the plat for Estates at Lakes of Williams Ranch Section 1 Partial Replat No. 4, Precinct 1.**
 - G. Approve the plat for Fort Bend County MUD No 24 Wastewater Treatment Plant No. 1, Precinct 2.**
 - H. Approve the plat for Tamarron Parkway Section 4 Street Dedication, Precinct 3.**

Item 16 continued - Engineering-Development:

- I. Approve the plat for Tamarron Crossing Section 2 Street Dedication, Precinct 3.**
- J. Approve the plat for Commons at Harvest Green, Precinct 4.**
- K. Approve the plat for Clan Rayo Plaza, Precinct 4.**
- L. Approve the plat for the roads within Kingdom Heights Section Six, Precinct 1.**
- M. Approve the plat for the lots within Kingdom Heights Section Six, Precinct 1.**
- N. Set public hearing for acceptance of the traffic control plan for Circle Seven Road Street Dedication, Precinct 1. *(Tuesday, April 6, 2021, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.)***
- O. Set public hearing for acceptance of the traffic control plan for Veranda, Section Twenty-Seven, Precinct 1. *(Tuesday, April 6, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.)***
- P. Set public hearing for acceptance of the traffic control plan for Sienna Plantation Section 34A, Precinct 1. *(Tuesday, April 6, 2021, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.)***
- Q. Set public hearing for acceptance of the traffic control plan for Sienna Section 35A, Precinct 1. *(Tuesday, April 6, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.)***
- R. Set public hearing for acceptance of the traffic control plan for Anserra Sec 7, Precinct 3. *(Tuesday, April 6, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.)***
- S. Set public hearing for acceptance of the traffic control plan for Firethorne West, Sec. 17, Precinct 3. *(Tuesday, April 6, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.)***
- T. Set public hearing for acceptance of the traffic control plan for Candela Sec 1, Precinct 3. *(Tuesday, April 6, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.)***
- 17. 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. Invoice No. 307, Fees in the amount of \$58,403.00 to City of Richmond for fees regarding the Emergency Operations Center.**
 - B. Pay Application No. 5 in the amount of \$363,715.90 to Crain Group for construction services regarding the Precinct 3 Public Safety Annex.**
- 18. FIRE MARSHAL:**

Approve the reappointment of Mark Flathouse as Fort Bend County Fire Marshal for a two-year term commencing March 2, 2021, subject to the conditions of employment and employment policies of all Fort Bend County employees, pursuant to Local Government Code Section 352.011 (b).

19. **GRANTS ADMINISTRATION:** The grant application for the below item has been approved by Commissioners Court; the Grants Coordinator has reviewed the acceptance documents and makes the following recommendation to Commissioners Court:

District Attorney: Accept grant funds in the amount of \$4,000 from the Texas Council on Family Violence to retain Texas Forensic Nurse Examiners for forensic examinations under the current Texas Council on Family Violence grant with no cash match required by Fort Bend County.

20. **PARKS & RECREATION:**

Accept the generous donation of fishing equipment from Fishings Future to Jones Creek Ranch Park.

21. **PURCHASING:**

- A. Authorize advertising bids for Construction of Dog Park and Pickleball Court at Harlem Road Park.
- B. Approve Amendment No. 2 to Agreement between Fort Bend County and ImageSoft, Inc. utilizing DIR-TSO-3734 and DIR-TSO-4392 for renewal of master and system maintenance regarding OnBase solutions for an amount not to exceed \$134,248.21 effective January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021. (Fund: Information Technology)
- C. Approve correction of the bid number to renew a term contract for Item 15D approved on February 23, 2021 by revising the bid number from B20-017 to B20-014, term contract for on-site clearing, grubbing, demolition and debris removal services for various Fort Bend County road projects, with TFR Enterprises, Inc. as primary, and D&M Excavating, LLC as secondary.

22. **TAX ASSESSOR/COLLECTOR:**

Approve refunds over \$500 detailed in Tax Assessor/Collector's report submitted on February 24, 2021 for an amount totaling \$39,913.18 for the Office of Carmen P. Turner.

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Morales
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Consent Agenda Items 6 - 22, excepting 10A.

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

23. COUNTY JUDGE:

A. Take all appropriate action on Order Authorizing the Issuance of Fort Bend County, Texas Tax Note, Series 2021.

Moved by Commissioner Morales, Seconded by Commissioner Prestage
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Order Authorizing the Issuance of Fort Bend County, Texas Tax Note, Series 2021.

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

B. Take all appropriate action on request to transfer the amount of \$200,000 from Non-Departmental Contingency into account to be determined as detailed on the Auditor's form dated February 25, 2021 to allocate funds for debris removal due extreme weather event.

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Morales
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to transfer the amount of \$200,000 from Non-Departmental Contingency into account to be determined as detailed on the Auditor's form dated February 25, 2021 to allocate funds for debris removal due to extreme weather event.

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

24. ENGINEERING:

A. Take all appropriate action on acceptance of a 0.33-acre tract of land conveyed by Donation Deed from City of Richmond to Texas Department of Transportation; authorize payment of title policy fees related to such conveyance regarding parcel 100 of Front Street, Mobility Bond Project No. x18, Precinct 1; authorize County Clerk to record in the Official Public Records at no cost. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)

Moved by Commissioner Morales, Seconded by Commissioner Prestage
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to accept a 0.33-acre tract of land conveyed by Donation Deed from City of Richmond to Texas Department of Transportation; authorize payment of title policy fees related to such conveyance regarding parcel 100 of Front Street, Mobility Bond Project No. x18, Precinct 1; authorize County Clerk to record in the Official Public Records at no cost. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)

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

Item 24 continued - Engineering:

- B. Take all appropriate action on request to purchase Parcel 10 in the amount of \$51,612.95 plus the necessary costs, and authorize the County Judge to sign all closing documents regarding said parcel for Bamore Road Segment 2, Mobility Bond Project No. 17105, Precinct 1. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**

Moved by Commissioner Morales, Seconded by Commissioner Prestage
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to purchase Parcel 10 in the amount of \$51,612.95 plus the necessary costs, and authorize the County Judge to sign all closing documents regarding said parcel for Bamore Road Segment 2, Mobility Bond Project No. 17105, Precinct 1. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)

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

- C. Take all appropriate action on request to purchase Parcel 113 in the amount of \$9,325.95 plus necessary costs and authorize County Judge to sign all closing documents regarding said parcel for FM 521 (North), Mobility Bond Project No. 17113, Precinct 1. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**

Moved by Commissioner Morales, Seconded by Commissioner Prestage
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to purchase Parcel 113 in the amount of \$9,325.95 plus necessary costs and authorize County Judge to sign all closing documents regarding said parcel for FM 521 (North), Mobility Bond Project No. 17113, Precinct 1. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)

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

Item 24 continued - Engineering:

- D. Take all appropriate action on request to purchase Parcel 4 in the amount of \$1,841 and Parcel 50 in the amount of \$3,234.66 plus necessary costs, and authorize County Judge to sign all closing documents regarding said parcels for South Post Oak, Mobility Bond Project No. 13112, Precinct 1. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**

Moved by Commissioner Morales, Seconded by Commissioner Prestage
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to purchase Parcel 4 in the amount of \$1,841 and Parcel 50 in the amount of \$3,234.66 plus necessary costs, and authorize County Judge to sign all closing documents regarding said parcels for South Post Oak, Mobility Bond Project No. 13112, Precinct 1. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)

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

- E. Take all appropriate action on acceptance of a 0.0629-acre tract of land conveyed by Donation Deed from Cinco Residential Property Association, Inc. to Fort Bend County; authorize payment of title policy fees related to such conveyance regarding Parcel 201 of Grand Parkway (SH 99) Frontage Roads Segment 1, Mobility Bond Project No. 17303, Precinct 3; authorize County Clerk to record in the Official Public Records at no cost. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner DeMerchant
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to accept a 0.0629-acre tract of land conveyed by Donation Deed from Cinco Residential Property Association, Inc. to Fort Bend County; authorize payment of title policy fees related to such conveyance regarding Parcel 201 of Grand Parkway (SH 99) Frontage Roads Segment 1, Mobility Bond Project No. 17303, Precinct 3; authorize County Clerk to record in the Official Public Records at no cost. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)

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

Item 24 continued - Engineering:

- F. Take all appropriate action on Local On-System Agreement between Fort Bend County and Texas Department of Transportation in an amount not to exceed \$21,454 regarding Cinco Ranch Turn Lanes, Mobility Bond Project No. 17314x, Precinct 3. (Fund: Fort Bend County Assistance District No. 1)**

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner DeMerchant
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Local On-System Agreement between Fort Bend County and Texas Department of Transportation in an amount not to exceed \$21,454 regarding Cinco Ranch Turn Lanes, Mobility Bond Project No. 17314x, Precinct 3. (Fund: Fort Bend County Assistance District No. 1)

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

- G. Take all appropriate action on Amendment to Development Agreement between Fort Bend County and TC Pursuit Services, Inc. regarding Harlem Road and West Bellfort, Mobility Bond Project No. 13415x, Precinct 4.**

Moved by Commissioner DeMerchant, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Amendment to Development Agreement between Fort Bend County and TC Pursuit Services, Inc. regarding Harlem Road and West Bellfort, Mobility Bond Project No. 13415x, Precinct 4.

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

- H. Take all appropriate action on Right of Way Consent Agreement between Fort Bend County and ExxonMobil Pipeline Company regarding County's request to encroach upon an easement owned by ExxonMobil Pipeline Company on LJ Parkway, Precinct 4.**

Moved by Commissioner DeMerchant, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Right of Way Consent Agreement between Fort Bend County and ExxonMobil Pipeline Company regarding County's request to encroach upon an easement owned by ExxonMobil Pipeline Company on LJ Parkway, Precinct 4.

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

Item 24 continued - Engineering:

- I. Take all appropriate action on request for variance to the sidewalk requirement as stated in Section 5.8 of the Fort Bend County Regulations of Subdivisions for Willow Fork Grove Section 1 on behalf of EHRA Inc. for HT Flewellen LP, Precinct 3.**

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner DeMerchant
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve request for variance to the sidewalk requirement as stated in Section 5.8 of the Fort Bend County Regulations of Subdivisions for Willow Fork Grove Section 1 on behalf of EHRA Inc. for HT Flewellen LP, Precinct 3.

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

- J. Take all appropriate action on request for variance to the block length requirements as stated in Section 5.5.A.2 of the Fort Bend County Regulations of Subdivisions for Tamarron Section 21 on behalf of D.R. Horton – Texas LTD and Fort Bend County MUD No. 182, Precinct 3.**

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner DeMerchant
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve request for variance to the block length requirements as stated in Section 5.5.A.2 of the Fort Bend County Regulations of Subdivisions for Tamarron Section 21 on behalf of D.R. Horton – Texas LTD and Fort Bend County MUD No. 182, Precinct 3.

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

- K. Take all appropriate action on plat for the roads within Tamarron Section 21, Precinct 3.**

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner DeMerchant
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve plat for the roads within Tamarron Section 21, Precinct 3.

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

Item 24 continued - Engineering:

L. Take all appropriate action on plat for the lots within Tamarron Section 21, Precinct 3.

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner DeMerchant
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve plat for the lots within
Tamarron Section 21, Precinct 3.

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

25. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY:

Take all appropriate action on request for new vehicle, one Ford Explorer as an addition to fleet for Information Technology Department, and designate as a take home vehicle for the purpose of transporting computer equipment to vaccination and testing sites across the county. (Fund: Advance Funding Resolution)

Moved by Commissioner DeMerchant, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve request for new vehicle, one
Ford Explorer as an addition to fleet for Information Technology Department, and designate as
a take home vehicle for the purpose of transporting computer equipment to vaccination and
testing sites across the county. (Fund: Advance Funding Resolution)

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

Ed Sturdivant, County Auditor stated the vehicle does have some FEMA reimbursement. The hours of the staff driving the vehicle and the hours of the equipment usage will be reimbursable at 100% from FEMA during our response to the pandemic and as it relates to the specific use to support our vaccination sites. Of note, it is likely the capital piece of the recovery will not fully cover the cost of the vehicle; but since the staff driving it is currently funded within the County budget the two components together could get close.

26. JUSTICES OF THE PEACE:

Take all appropriate action on request to transfer the amount of \$4,720 from Non-Departmental Contingency into Justice Courts as detailed on Finance Director's form dated February 24, 2021 to allocate funds for use of WestLaw/O'Connor that was not included in annual budgets.

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner DeMerchant
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to transfer the amount of \$4,720 from Non-Departmental Contingency into Justice Courts as detailed on Finance Director's form dated February 24, 2021 to allocate funds for use of WestLaw/O'Connor that was not included in annual budgets.

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

27. PARKS & RECREATION:

Take all appropriate action on request to reclassify vacant position number 6601-0004 in the Parks and Recreation Department from Lead Parks Operator, Grade 6 of the Operator Skilled Trade Policy Group to Turf Manager, Grade 9 of the Operator Skilled Trade Policy Group, effective March 2, 2021. (Fund: Parks)

Moved by Commissioner Prestage, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve request to reclassify vacant position number 6601-0004 in the Parks and Recreation Department from Lead Parks Operator, Grade 6 of the Operator Skilled Trade Policy Group to Turf Manager, Grade 9 of the Operator Skilled Trade Policy Group, effective March 2, 2021. (Fund: Parks)

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

28. PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION:

Take all appropriate action on Second Amendment to Agreement for Transportation Services between Fort Bend County and Fort Bend Seniors Meals on Wheels & Much, Much, More.

Moved by Commissioner DeMerchant, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Second Amendment to Agreement for Transportation Services between Fort Bend County and Fort Bend Seniors Meals on Wheels & Much, Much, More.

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

29. PURCHASING:

A. Take all appropriate action on RFP 21-024, Professional Assistance for Public Transportation Financial and Transportation Planning.

Moved by Commissioner DeMerchant, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to negotiate on RFP 21-024, Professional Assistance for Public Transportation Financial and Transportation Planning with the most highly qualified respondent, Tindale Oliver & Associates, Inc.

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

B. Take all appropriate action on RFP 21-041, Janitorial Services for Fort Bend County Park Facilities and Pinnacle Senior Center.

Moved by Commissioner Prestage, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to negotiate on RFP 21-041, Janitorial Services for Fort Bend County Park Facilities and Pinnacle Senior Center with the most highly qualified respondent, High Quality Cleaning Services.

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

Item 29 continued - Purchasing:

C. Take all appropriate action on RFP 21-042 for Transportation Services of Decedents.

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Morales
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to negotiate on RFP 21-042 for Transportation Services of Decedents with the most highly qualified respondent, Caring Transports, LLC.

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

D. Take all appropriate action on Third Amendment to Lease Agreement between Fort Bend County and Realco TX 001, LLC in the amount of \$88,409.17 for rental of space to accommodate all COVID-19 response operations effective March 1, 2021 through March 31, 2021. (Fund: CARES-ERA)

Moved by Commissioner DeMerchant, Seconded by Commissioner Prestage
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Third Amendment to Lease Agreement between Fort Bend County and Realco TX 001, LLC in the amount of \$88,409.17 for rental of space to accommodate all COVID-19 response operations effective March 1, 2021 through March 31, 2021. (Fund: CARES-ERA)

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

Dr. Minter stated the Call Centers, PPE storage, Epidemiologist and Social Services are at the facility. The County will be leasing this facility while these services are continuing.

Ed Sturdivant, County Auditor stated the County received \$23.3 million to get through June and are anticipating additional funding. Mr. Sturdivant expects this will continue through the summer.

Item 29 continued - Purchasing:

- E. Take all appropriate action on Amendment to Software License and Maintenance Agreement between Fort Bend County and Zoll Data Systems, Inc., a sole source provider as authorized by Section 262.024 (a)(7) Texas Local Government Code, for annual maintenance patient care reporting and billing software used by Emergency Medical Service for an amount not to exceed \$351,659.81 effective March 2, 2021 through March 1, 2024. (Fund: Information Technology)**

Moved by Commissioner DeMerchant, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Amendment to Software License and Maintenance Agreement between Fort Bend County and Zoll Data Systems, Inc., a sole source provider as authorized by Section 262.024 (a)(7) Texas Local Government Code, for annual maintenance patient care reporting and billing software used by Emergency Medical Service for an amount not to exceed \$351,659.81 effective March 2, 2021 through March 1, 2024. (Fund: Information Technology)

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

- F. Take all appropriate action on request to purchase fleet vehicles, utilizing Bid 21-018 as indicated on Purchasing Agent form.**

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner DeMerchant
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve request to purchase fleet vehicles, utilizing Bid 21-018 as indicated on Purchasing Agent form.

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

Jaime Kovar, Purchasing Agent stated this request is to purchase fleet vehicles for Juvenile, EMS, Constable Precinct 3 and IT. The vehicles will be purchased from Parkway Chevrolet and Helfman Dodge.

Item 29 continued - Purchasing:

- G. Take all appropriate action on Second Amendment to Agreement for Professional Engineering Services between Fort Bend County and Terra Associates, Inc. to increase the contract by \$26,400 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,427,055 pursuant to SOQ 14-025 regarding Lake Olympia Segment 2, Mobility Bond Project Nos. 13217x and 17201, 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 Second Amendment to Agreement for Professional Engineering Services between Fort Bend County and Terra Associates, Inc. to increase the contract by \$26,400 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,427,055 pursuant to SOQ 14-025 regarding Lake Olympia Segment 2, Mobility Bond Project Nos. 13217x and 17201, Precincts 1 and 2. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)

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

- H. Take all appropriate action on Agreement for Construction Materials Testing between Fort Bend County and Geotest Engineering, Inc for an amount not to exceed \$105,606 regarding Beechnut Street, Mobility Bond Project No. 17204, Precincts 2 and 3. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**

Moved by Commissioner Prestage, Seconded by Commissioner Morales
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Agreement for Construction Materials Testing between Fort Bend County and Geotest Engineering, Inc for an amount not to exceed \$105,606 regarding Beechnut Street, Mobility Bond Project No. 17204, Precincts 2 and 3. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)

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

Item 29 continued - Purchasing:

- I. Take all appropriate action on Second Amendment to Agreement for Professional Engineering Services between Fort Bend County and S&B Infrastructure, Ltd. to increase the contract by \$7,839 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$231,538 pursuant to SOQ 14-025 regarding Old Needville-Fairchilds Road, Mobility Bond Project No. 17108, Precinct 1. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**

Moved by Commissioner Morales, Seconded by Commissioner Prestage
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 S&B Infrastructure, Ltd. to increase the contract by \$7,839 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$231,538 pursuant to SOQ 14-025 regarding Old Needville-Fairchilds Road, Mobility Bond Project No. 17108, Precinct 1. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)

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

30. 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 \$39,423,760.29 with operating payments totaling \$20,377,704.93.

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

Recess:

Recessed at 1:36 p.m.

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

§ 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.

A. Claim of Waldorf Publishing, LLC.

Item 31 continued - Closed Session:

- B. Joining other Counties to investigate ERCOT system failures to the electric grid experienced during the Winter Storm and also evaluating legal remedies.**
- C. Texas Tax Code Chapter 312. Property Redevelopment and Tax Abatement Act.**

Closed Session:

Convened at 1:58 p.m.
Adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

Reconvene:

Reconvened at 2:47 p.m.

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

§ 551.071. Consultation With Attorney.

- A. Claim of Waldorf Publishing, LLC.**

No action.

- B. Joining other Counties to investigate ERCOT system failures to the electric grid experienced during the Winter Storm and also evaluating legal remedies.**

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner DeMerchant
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to authorize the Fort Bend County Attorney's office to act in the name of the County and submit Amicus Briefs insuring accountability to the residents of Fort Bend County regarding recent failures in the reliable provision of electric services including Case No. 18-0792 in Re Panda Power Infrastructure Fund LLC, et al, now pending in the Supreme Court of Texas and in any other litigation that may be appropriate to ensure the reliable provision of electric services to the residents of Fort Bend County and/or the structure of Chapter 39 of the Texas Public Utility Regulatory Act.

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

- C. Texas Tax Code Chapter 312. Property Redevelopment and Tax Abatement Act.**

No action.

33. Adjournment.

Commissioners Court adjourned at 2:48 p.m. on Tuesday, March 2, 2021.

Moved by Commissioner Meyers,
to adjourn.



I attest to the accuracy of the foregoing minutes.

Laura Richard, County Clerk, Fort Bend County, Texas