THE STATE OF TEXAS

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COUNTY OF FORT BEND

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## ORDER AUTHORIZING SPECIAL COUNSEL AGREEMENT

The Commissioners Court of Fort Bend County, Texas, met in regular session at its regular term at the Fort Bend County Courthouse in the City of Richmond, Texas, on March 8, 2022, with all members present except
A quorum was present. Among other business, the following was transacted:
ORDER AUTHORIZING COUNTY ATTORNEY TO NEGOTIATE A FEE AGREEMENT WITH THE COKINOS YOUNG LAW FIRM, TO SERVE AS SPECIAL COUNSEL IN CONNECTION WITH ANTICIPATED CONSTRUCTION LITIGATION AND AUTHORIZE COUNTY JUDGE TO EXECUTE SUCH AGREEMENT UPON NEGOTIATION BY COUNTY ATTORNEY FOR A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$40,000.00. (FUND: MOBILITY BONDS)
Commissioner Prestage introduced an order and moved that Commissioners Court adopt the order.
Commissioner seconded the motion for adoption of the order. The motion, carrying with it the adoption of the order, prevailed by the following vote:

	Yes	No	Abstain
Judge KP George	V		
Comm. Vincent Morales, Jr.	V		
Comm. Grady Prestage	V		
Comm. Andy Meyers	V.		
Comm. Ken DeMerchant	/		

The County Judge thereupon announced that the motion had duly and lawfully carried and that the order had been duly and lawfully adopted. The order adopted follows:

The Court finds that the County Attorney is hereby authorized to negotiate necessary terms to select counsel to serve as Special Counsel ("Special Counsel").

## IT IS ORDERED that:

- 1. Commissioners Court grants an exemption from competitive bidding and proposal procedures in accordance with Texas Local Government Code Section 262.024(a)(4).
- 2 The Court authorizes the County Attorney to select Special Counsel and to negotiate the terms and conditions of the employment of such counsel.
- 3. The Court authorizes the County Attorney and Special Counsel to file and/or defend such claims and litigation as the County Attorney deems necessary regarding anticipated construction claims. This resolution authorizes exercise of the power granted local governments in Chapter 7 of the Texas Water Code.

All Fort Bend County officials and employees are authorized to do any and all things necessary or convenient to accomplish the purposes of this order.

FORT BEND COUNTY

KP George, County Judge

ATTEST:

Laura Richard, County Clerk