MINUTES

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 9TH DAY of AUGUST, 2022, 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 Ken DeMerchant.

Invocation led by Father Orrin Halepeska, Holy Rosary Catholic Church, Beasley, TX and Pledges of Allegiance by Commissioner Ken DeMerchant.

3. Approve minutes of regular meeting held on August 2, 2022.

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 August 2, 2022.

4. Public Comments regarding the Agenda and Announcements.

Judge George spoke on the AW Jackson High school formerly known as The Rosenberg Colored High School, which officially opened its doors on September 15, 1941 until 1967.

Tami Frazier, Communications Director for the Office of the County Judge presented a Proclamation on behalf of Commissioners Court to the alumni of the AW Jackson High School who are celebrating 81 years.

There was one public comment.

Rodrigo Carreon, 1122 Avenue C, Fresno spoke in favor of Item 24C. Mr. Carreon asked the court to place an overpass over the railroad crossing on the FM 521 expansion to keep the traffic moving.

Commissioner DeMerchant thanked Father Orrin, Holy Rosary Catholic Church, for leading the court in prayer.

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS: 1:09 p.m.: Conduct Public Hearings and take all appropriate action on the following matters:

Public hearing held.

There was one public comment.

Curt Beasley, D.R. Horton Homes spoke on Item 5A regarding the signage.

- A. Proposed street name change from Tayrns Way to West Firethorne Road north of Tamarron Crossing, Precinct 1.
- B. Acceptance of traffic control plan for Cross Creek West Section 4, Precinct 1.
- C. Acceptance of traffic control plan for Sunset Crossing Section 5, Precinct 2.
- D. Acceptance of traffic control plan for Caldwell Ranch Section 1, Precinct 2.
- E. Acceptance of traffic control plan for Grand Vista Section 24, Precinct 4.

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

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS: 6-16

- 6. OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL: Approve out-of-state travel requests for County personnel:
 - A. <u>Sheriff's Office:</u> Approve out-of-state travel for T. Chesser, W. Pailes and R. El-Mahmoud to Seminole, Florida, August 23, 2022 through August 25, 2022, to attend the Smart Communications Leader's Technology Summit. (Fund: Sheriff Detention)
 - B. <u>Sheriff's Office:</u> Approve out-of-state travel for S. Minyard to Chicago, Illinois, August 31, 2022 through September 2, 2022, to interview a homicide suspect on a cold case that is on parole in Illinois. (Fund: Sheriff Enforcement)

7. AUDITOR:

Approve Monthly Financial Report prepared by County Auditor for the eight months ended May 31, 2022, pursuant to Local Government Code Section 114.0.

8. **BUDGET TRANSFER(s):**

- A. <u>Bail Bond Board:</u> Approve transfer in the amount of \$200 from Travel into Information Technology to allocate funds for the purchase of two (2) desktop printers.
- B. <u>Constable Precinct 2:</u> Approve transfer in the amount of \$125 from Property and Equipment into Information Technology to allocate funds for the purchase of one (1) printer.
- C. <u>County Clerk:</u> Approve transfer in the amount of \$664 from Salaries & Labor into Overtime to allocate funds to cover deficit in Overtime.
- D. <u>Information Technology:</u> Approve transfer in the amount of \$15,800 from Travel and Training into Information Technology to allocate funds for additional hardware for Election locations.
- E. <u>Library:</u> Approve transfer in the amount of \$10,991 from Travel & Training into Capital Acquisitions to allocate funds for the purchase of one (1) compressor for Administration Building.
- F. <u>Parks:</u> Approve transfer in the amount of \$11,500 from Temporary/Part-Time into Overtime to allocate funds to Overtime for the remaining budget year.
- G. <u>Sheriff's Office:</u> Approve transfer in the amount of \$27,650 from Sheriff Enforcement Fees into Capital Acquisitions to allocate funds for the painting of Helicopter N259FB.
- H. <u>Texas A&M AgriLife (Extension):</u> Approve transfer in the amount of \$428 from Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Fees into Information Technology to allocate funds for the purchase of an IP camera for property surveillance.

9. ENGINEERING-PAYMENTS:

- A. Approve payment of Invoice No. 20318x-5 in the amount of \$164,795.50 to HJ Consulting, Inc. for professional engineering services regarding Precinct 3 Library Access Road, Mobility Bond Project No. 20318x, Precinct 1. (Fund: Certificates of Obligation)
- B. Approve payment of Invoice No. 3582 in the amount of \$76,214.70, Invoice No. 3597 in the amount of \$51,017.50, and Invoice No. 3615 in the amount of \$66,087.80 to CivilCorp, LLC for professional engineering services regarding Wallis Street, Mobility Bond Project No. 20305, Precinct 1. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)
- C. Approve payment of Invoice No. 3593 in the amount of \$3,016.16 to CivilCorp for professional engineering services regarding Katy Flewellen, Mobility Bond Project No. 13316, Precinct 1. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)
- D. Approve payment of Invoice No. 3 in the amount of \$11,041.50 to Zarinkelk Engineering Services, Inc. for professional engineering services regarding Fulshear-Gaston, Mobility Bond Project No. 20312, Precinct 1. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)
- E. Approve payment of Invoice No. 202215562 in the amount of \$43,399.96 to LJA Engineering, Inc. for professional engineering services regarding Bowser Road, Mobility Bond Project No. 20306, Precinct 1. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)
- F. Approve payment of Invoice No. 14 in the amount of \$16,762.40 and Invoice No. 15 in the amount of \$21,642.80 to Brian Smith Construction Inspection, Inc. for construction inspection services regarding Mobility Bond Projects within Precincts 1, 2, 3, and 4. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)
- G. Approve payment of Invoice No. 2106-11 in the amount of \$5,083.17 and Invoice No. 2106-12 in the amount of \$9,873.32 to AIG Technical Services, LLC for professional engineering services regarding Fort Bend Parkway Southbound Ramp at Hillcroft, Mobility Bond Project No. 20219x, Precinct 2.
- H. Approve payment of Invoice No. 2113503-05 in the amount of \$8,072.13 to Earth Engineering, Inc. for construction material testing regarding Rohan Road Intersection Improvements, Mobility Bond Project No. 17114, Precinct 2. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)
- I. Approve payment of Invoice No. FTBC1900939.02-07 in the amount of \$36,576.00 to CP&Y, Inc. for professional engineering services regarding Watts Plantation Road, Mobility Bond Project No. 20209, Precinct 2. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)
- J. Approve payment of Invoice No. FTBC2000489.00-9R in the amount of \$1,216.00 to Chiang, Patel and Yerby, Inc. for professional engineering services regarding Packer Lane Lift Station No. 3, Mobility Bond Project No. 13219x, Precinct 3. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)
- K. Approve payment of Invoice No. 3095000127 in the amount of \$1,670.00 to Huitt-Zollars, Inc. for professional engineering services regarding Old Richmond Road, Mobility Bond Project No. 17208, Precincts 3 and 4. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)

Item 9 continued - Engineering - Payments:

L. Approve payment of Invoice No. 302383-14 in the amount of \$50,874.67 to CobbFendley regarding FM 762/10th St., Mobility Bond Project No. 13106, Precinct 4. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)

10. ENGINEERING-PERMITS:

- A. Approve acceptance of Perpetual Bond Rider from Liberty Mutual Insurance Company for Hurtado Construction Company to increase the bond amount to \$65,000.
- B. Approve permit application from Hurtado Construction Company to install a left-turn lane along Gaston Road for Wheatfall subdivision, Permit No. 2022-56267, Precinct 1.
- C. Approve permit application from Crown Castle Fiber LLC to install an equipment cabinet and fiber optic cable along Fry Road, Permit No. 2022-56553, Precinct 1.
- D. Approve permit application from CenterPoint Energy to install a gas line crossing under Westheimer Parkway to provide service to 23660 Westheimer Parkway, Permit No. 2022-56520, Precinct 1.
- E. Approve permit application from Crown Castle Fiber LLC to install an equipment cabinet and fiber optic cable along Falcon Landing Boulevard, Permit No. 2022-56554, Precinct 1.
- F. Approve permit application from Crown Castle Fiber LLC to install an equipment cabinet and fiber optic cable along Pine Mill Ranch Drive, Permit No. 2022-56555, Precinct 1.
- G. Approve permit application from Crown Castle Fiber LLC to install an equipment cabinet and fiber optic cable along Grandwood Lane, Permit No. 2022-56552, Precinct 1.
- H. Approve permit application from Crown Castle Fiber LLC to install an equipment cabinet and fiber optic cable along Center Village Drive, Permit No. 2022-56551, Precinct 1.
- I. Approve permit application from Southwestern Bell Telephone Company dba AT&T Texas/Debauche Communications to install fiber optic cable along Blaisdale Road, DRS Road, and various streets within the Rivers Edge and Shadow Grove Estates subdivisions, Permit No. 2022-56594, Precinct 1.
- J. Approve permit application from Southwestern Bell Telephone Company dba AT&T Texas/Debauche Communications to install an equipment cabinet along Blaisdale Road, Permit No. 2022-56593, Precinct 1.
- K. Approve permit application from Northtex Construction, LLC to install a roadway connection to an existing roundabout at Sienna Oaks Drive as part of the Heritage Park Drive Phase 4 project, Permit No. 2022-56518, Precinct 2.
- L. Approve release of Performance Bond from Octavian Rahaian Jr. dba JESKE RV LLC/Jeske RV LLC for work completed along Jeske Road, Permit No. 2022-55545, Precinct 2.

Item 10 continued - Engineering - Permits:

- M. Approve permit application from Flock Group Inc. dba Flock Safety/Congruex to install surveillance cameras along Post Road, Coen Road, E Palm Street, E Sycamore Street, and W Sycamore Street, Permit No. 2022-56266, Precinct 2.
- N. Approve permit application from Frontier Southwest Inc. dba/Frontier Communications of Texas/Ridgeline Telecom to install fiber optic cable along Royal Bend Lane, Bridgeton Place Lane, Vista Blue Lane, Skipping Stone Lane, Star Creek Court, Amys Way, Winding Waters Lane, Juniper Landing Boulevard, Birch Falls Lane, Auburn Brook Lane, Monarch Bluff Court, Aliso Ridge Court, Belle Manor Lane and Tamara Heights Lane, Permit No. 2022-56516, Precinct 3.
- O. Approve permit application from Frontier Southwest Inc. dba/Frontier Communications of Texas/Ridgeline Telecom to install fiber optic cable along Rockton Hills Lane, Belle Manor Lane, Stoney Ridge Court, Rippling Meadows Lane, Windermere Falls Lane, Regal Shadow Lane and Birch Falls Lane, Permit No. 2022-56556, Precinct 3.
- P. Approve permit application from Frontier Southwest Inc. dba/Frontier Communications of Texas/Ridgeline Telecom to install fiber optic along Serrano Valley Lane, Rising Walk Lane, Bending Crest Court, Granite Falls Lane, Creekstone Crossing Drive, Fairwind Lane, Tea Grove Lane, Canton Hills Lane, Sage Stone Lane, Chandler Hollow Lane, Aubrey Oaks Court, Maverick Bend Lane, Piper Glen Lane, Peralta Hills Lane, and Shadow View Lane, Permit No. 2022-55260, Precinct 3.
- Q. Approve permit application from Drymalla Construction Company, LLC/Pacheco Koch Consulting Engineers for sidewalk improvements and to install three commercial driveways and a left-turn lane along Thompson Ferry Road, Permit No. 2022-56491, Precinct 3.
- R. Approve permit application from Flock Group Inc. dba Flock Safety/Congruex to install surveillance cameras along Evergreen Street, Bissonnet Street, Beechnut Street, Bellaire Boulevard, and Harlem Road, Permit No. 2022-56394, Precinct 4.
- S. Approve permit application from CenterPoint Energy to install a gas line along S Waterlily Drive, Permit No. 2022-56584, Precinct 4.
- T. Approve permit application from Gonzalez Construction Enterprises, Inc. to install a temporary construction entrance on Powerline Road for Arabella on the Prairie Phase I Detention, Permit No. 2022-56468, Precinct 4.
- U. Approve permit application from Southwestern Bell Telephone Company dba AT&T Texas/Cobb Fendley & Associates to relocate fiber optic cable along Beechnut Street, Mason Road, and Bulbine Valley Drive for Beechnut Street Mobility Bond Project No. 17410, Permit No. 2022-56396, Precinct 4.

11. ENGINEERING-DEVELOPMENT:

- A. Release the bond for Bonbrook Plantation South Section Ten in the amount of \$8,500.00, Precinct 2.
- B. Accept the streets in Anserra Sec 4: Buffalo Fork Lane 524.93 LF, Wheatley Hill Lane 973.40 LF, Moonstring Lane 246.00 LF, Willow Orchard Lane 449.12 LF, Prairie Leaf Lane 180.00 LF, Kingsland Boulevard 876.32 LF for a total of 3,249.77 LF and release the bond in the amount of \$295,375.00, Precinct 1.
- C. Accept the streets in Veranda Section Thirty-One: McElroy Meadows Lane 150.22 LF, Barnett Overlook 388.64 LF, Henrietta Lamar Lane 242.77 LF, Ayers Smith Trail 732.31 LF for a total of 1,513.94 LF and release the bond in the amount of \$111,230.00, Precinct 4.
- D. Approve the plat for Kumar Acres, Precinct 2.
- E. Approve the plat for the roads within Windstone on the Prairie Section Three, Precinct 4.
- F. Approve the plat for Saint Paul Presbyterian Church, Precinct 4.
- G. Approve the plat for Marcel Town Center at Harvest Green, Precinct 4.
- H. Approve the plat for the lots within Windstone on the Prairie Section Three, Precinct 4.
- I. Set public hearing for acceptance of traffic control plan for Tamarron Point Section 3 Street Dedication, Precinct 1. (Tuesday, September 6, 2022 at 1:00 p.m.)
- J. Set public hearing for acceptance of traffic control plan for Tamarron Section 52, Precinct 1. (Tuesday, September 6, 2022 at 1:00 p.m.)
- 12. 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 Certificates of Obligation:
 - A. Approve payment of Invoice No. E116781-006 in the amount of \$206.15 to Windrose Land Surveying for platting services regarding the future Precinct 4 Community Center, formerly Precinct 1;
 - B. Approve payment of Pay Application No. 12 in the amount of \$171,385.70 to Teal Construction, for construction services regarding the 1979 Linear Jail Renovation;
 - C. Approve payment of Pay Application No. 2 in the amount of \$62,692.57 to Crain Group, for construction services regarding the Medical Examiner Expansion;
 - D. Approve payment of Invoice No. 254969749001 in the amount of \$64.79 to Office Depot for a cork board regarding the Emergency Operations Center;

Item 12 continued - Facilities Management & Planning:

- E. Approve payment of Invoice No. 9390518026 in the amount of \$341.62 to Grainger for furniture regarding the Emergency Operations Center.
- 13. GRANTS ADMINISTRATION: The grant application for the below item(s) has been approved by Commissioners Court; the Grants Coordinator has reviewed the acceptance documents and makes the following recommendation(s) to Commissioners Court:

<u>County Judge</u>: Ratify acceptance of grant funds on The Texas General Land Office for the CDBG-MIT Regional Mitigation Program, in the amount of \$56,030,000.00, with no cash match required by Fort Bend County.

14. HUMAN RESOURCES:

Approve the rehire of former employee, Amelia Ybarbo, who terminated employment on September 23, 2021, and who will be rehired effective August 15, 2022.

15. PURCHASING:

- A. Authorize advertising for bids for term contracts for Tires and Tubes and Law Enforcement Uniforms.
- B. Authorize advertising of bids for Construction of California Street for Fort Bend County Mobility Bond Project No. 20221X.
- C. Authorize renewal of Bid 21-002, term contract for Ford motor repair parts with Helfman Ford, Inc.
- D. Authorize renewal of Bid 21-003, term contract for Auto Body Repairs with Berryman Racing LLC dba Sports Performance Collision Center.
- E. Authorize renewal of Bid 21-005, term contract for newspaper publications of legal notices with The Fort Bend Independent, LLC.
- F. Authorize renewal of Bid 21-009, term contract for triweekly newspaper publications of legal notices, with Hartman Newspapers, L.P. dba The Fort Bend Herald.

16. ROAD & BRIDGE:

- A. <u>Road & Bridge:</u> Approve payment of Invoice No. 36196639 to Martin Marietta in the amount of \$6,396.33 for material used on Powell Point Road.
- B. <u>Road & Bridge:</u> Approve payment of Invoice No. 36227359 to Martin Marietta in the amount of \$28,439.95 for materials used on Reata.

Item 16 continued - Road & Bridge:

- C. <u>Road & Bridge:</u> Approve payment of Invoice No. 36244154 to Martin Marietta in the amount of \$21,617.48 for materials used on Powell Point, Sombra and Drachenberg Road.
- D. <u>Road & Bridge:</u> Approve payment of Invoice No. 36244161 to Martin Marietta in the amount of \$404.28 for materials used on Sun Ranch Road.
- E. <u>Road & Bridge:</u> Approve payment of Invoice No. 36291494 to Martin Marietta in the amount of \$1,874.09 for materials used on Sun Ranch Road.
- F. Road & Bridge: Approve payment of Invoice No. 22668 to Lone Star Pavement Services in the amount of \$1,555.64 for striping done on Brinkmeyer and Thuesen Road.

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Prestage Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Consent Agenda Items 6 - 16.

Judge GeorgeYesCommissioner MoralesYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner DeMerchantYes

17. COUNTY JUDGE:

Take all appropriate action on the collection of optional County Fees for vehicle registration pursuant to Transportation Code Section 502.172-173, commencing on January 2023.

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Prestage Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve the collection of optional County Fees for vehicle registration pursuant to Transportation Code Section 502.172-173, commencing on January 2023.

Judge GeorgeYesCommissioner MoralesYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner DeMerchantYes

Ed Sturdivant, County Auditor explained this item is setting the fees for the County Road and Bridge fee, the child safety fee and the transportation project fee, which have been part of the County's fee structure.

18. COMMISSIONER, PCT. 4:

Take all appropriate action on Project Agreement between Fort Bend County and the Village of Pleak to provide assistance by asphalt overlaying of Pleak Crossing, Mulberry Circle, and Cotton Circle within the Village of Pleak; County expenditure not to exceed \$48,030; with reimbursement by Village of Pleak in the amount of \$4,235, Precinct 4. (Fund: Road & Bridge)

Moved by Commissioner DeMerchant, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Project Agreement between Fort Bend County and the Village of Pleak to provide assistance by asphalt overlaying of Pleak Crossing, Mulberry Circle, and Cotton Circle within the Village of Pleak; County expenditure not to exceed \$48,030; with reimbursement by Village of Pleak in the amount of \$4,235, Precinct 4. (Fund: Road & Bridge)

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

19. BUDGET & FINANCE:

A. Take all appropriate action to set public hearings for the FY2023 Proposed Budget for Fort Bend County to be conducted on September 12, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. and September 13, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Courtroom, 2nd Floor, of the Historical Courthouse located in 401 Jackson Street in Richmond, Texas.

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Morales Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to set public hearings for the FY2023 Proposed Budget for Fort Bend County to be conducted on September 12, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. and September 13, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Courtroom, 2nd Floor, of the Historical Courthouse located in 401 Jackson Street in Richmond, Texas.

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

Item 19 continued - Budget & Finance:

B. Take all appropriate action to propose the 2022 Tax Rate for Fort Bend County and take a record vote.

Proposed General Fund Tax Rate	\$0.3260
Proposed Road & Bridge Fund Tax Rate	\$0.0185
Proposed interest & Sinking Fund Tax Rate	\$0.0938
TOTAL PROPOSED TAX RATE	\$0.4383

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner DeMerchant Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered, by record vote, the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.32600 for the General Fund, \$0.0185 for the Road & Bridge Fund, and \$0.0938 for the Interest & Sinking Fund for a total Fort Bend County Tax Rate of \$0.4383, which is effectively a 14.25 percent increase in the tax rate.

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

MOTION PASSES

Ed Sturdivant, County Auditor explained setting the tax rate with the higher debt service allocation will allow the County to retire, in general terms, \$18 million worth of debt for \$15 million. The County is taking advantage of an opportunity for available funds to reduce the debt service burden of the County with a 16% savings, which is to the benefit of the taxpayers.

Pamela Gubbels, Director of Finance and Investments stated the total tax rate just proposed is equal to that of the 2021 tax rate. The tax rate is not increasing or decreasing.

C. Take all appropriate action to set public hearings on the proposal to increase the 2022 tax rate for Fort Bend County to be conducted on September 13, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Courtroom, 2nd Floor, of the Historical Courthouse located at 401 Jackson Street in Richmond, Texas.

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner DeMerchant Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to set public hearings on the proposal to increase the 2022 tax rate for Fort Bend County to be conducted on September 13, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Courtroom, 2nd Floor, of the Historical Courthouse located at 401 Jackson Street in Richmond, Texas.

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

Item 19 continued - Budget & Finance:

D. Take all appropriate action to propose the FY 2023 salaries for Fort Bend County Elected Officials.

Moved by Commissioner Prestage, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve as presented the FY 2023 salaries for Fort Bend County Elected Officials.

Judge GeorgeYesCommissioner MoralesYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner DeMerchantYes

Commissioner Prestage stated the salary increase is 4%.

20. BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES:

Take all appropriate action to allocate 1115 Waiver funds in the amount of \$1,752, to Advanced Metrics for payment of Invoice No. 1141 for existing Case Management Software.

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner DeMerchant Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to allocate 1115 Waiver funds in the amount of \$1,752, to Advanced Metrics for payment of Invoice No. 1141 for existing Case Management Software.

21. CONSTABLE, PCT. 1

Take all appropriate action on request to retain two (2) fleet vehicles: W051 (2017 Chevy Tahoe) and V021 (2016 Ford F150) as Grand Lakes Municipal Utility District No. 2 contract vehicles until budgeted and approved vehicles arrive.

Moved by Commissioner Morales, Seconded by Commissioner Prestage Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve request to retain two (2) fleet vehicles: W051 (2017 Chevy Tahoe) and V021 (2016 Ford F150) as Grand Lakes Municipal Utility District No. 2 contract vehicles until budgeted and approved vehicles arrive.

Judge GeorgeYesCommissioner MoralesYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner DeMerchantYes

22. COUNTY TREASURER:

Take all appropriate action on request to transfer the amount of \$178,228 as detailed on Treasurer's form dated August 3, 2022, to amend the budget pursuant of Local Government Code Section 111.07075 and allocate funds received from earning credit with Cadence Bank.

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner DeMerchant Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve request to transfer the amount of \$178,228 as detailed on Treasurer's form dated August 3, 2022, to amend the budget pursuant of Local Government Code Section 111.07075 and allocate funds received from earning credit with Cadence Bank.

23. ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATION:

Take all appropriate action on the appointment of persons to serve as Judges and Alternate Judges for elections conducted by the County for a two-year term effective through June 30, 2024 in various countywide polling places of Fort Bend County as required upon the timely receipt of lists provided to the Elections Administrator by the County Chairs of the Republican and Democratic parties.

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner DeMerchant Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve the appointment of persons to serve as Judges and Alternate Judges for elections conducted by the County for a two-year term effective through June 30, 2024 in various countywide polling places of Fort Bend County as required upon the timely receipt of lists provided to the Elections Administrator by the County Chairs of the Republican and Democratic parties.

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

24. ENGINEERING:

A. Take all appropriate action on additional relocation expenses for Parcel R103253 in the amount of \$80,000 plus the necessary costs, and authorize the County Judge to sign all closing documents, regarding 10th Street, Mobility Bond Project No. 20106, 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 additional relocation expenses for Parcel R103253 in the amount of \$80,000 plus the necessary costs, and authorize the County Judge to sign all closing documents, regarding 10th Street, Mobility Bond Project No. 20106, Precinct 4. (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 Letter of No Objection between Fort Bend County and DOW Pipeline Company, regarding Katy Flewellen Road, Mobility Bond Project No. 13316, Precinct 1.

Moved by Commissioner Morales, Seconded by Commissioner Prestage Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Letter of No Objection between Fort Bend County and DOW Pipeline Company, regarding Katy Flewellen Road, Mobility Bond Project No. 13316, Precinct 1.

Judge GeorgeYesCommissioner MoralesYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner DeMerchantYes

C. Take all appropriate action on a Reimbursement Agreement between Fort Bend County and Union Pacific Railroad in an initial amount not to exceed \$65,000, in which Fort Bend County will be responsible for one-hundred percent of the railroad's actual costs, regarding FM 521 South, Mobility Bond Project No. 17111, Precinct 2. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)

Moved by Commissioner Prestage, Seconded by Commissioner Morales Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve a Reimbursement Agreement between Fort Bend County and Union Pacific Railroad in an initial amount not to exceed \$65,000, in which Fort Bend County will be responsible for one-hundred percent of the railroad's actual costs, regarding FM 521 South, Mobility Bond Project No. 17111, Precinct 2. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)

Item 24 continued - Engineering:

D. Take all appropriate action on submittal of the plat ratification of Fort Bend County Precinct Annex.

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner DeMerchant Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve submittal of the plat ratification of Fort Bend County Precinct Annex.

Judge GeorgeYesCommissioner MoralesYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner DeMerchantYes

Stacy Slawinski, County Engineer stated this Annex is in Precinct 3. The reason the Precinct number is not included is because the legal name of the plat is Fort Bend County Precinct Annex.

E. Take all appropriate action on Architectural Barriers Designated Agent Form by Fort Bend County to Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation regarding Beechnut Road, Mobility Bond Project No. 17204, Precinct 4.

Moved by Commissioner DeMerchant, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Architectural Barriers Designated Agent Form by Fort Bend County to Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation regarding Beechnut Road, Mobility Bond Project No. 17204, Precinct 4.

Judge GeorgeYesCommissioner MoralesYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner DeMerchantYes

25. FACILITIES MANAGEMENT & PLANNING:

Take all appropriate action to authorize the use of Certificates of Obligation for additional funding for the Battalion 604 HVAC replacement in an amount not to exceed \$27,981.

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Morales Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to authorize the use of Certificates of Obligation for additional funding for the Battalion 604 HVAC replacement in an amount not to exceed \$27,981.

26. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES:

A. Environmental Health: Take all appropriate action on request to reclassify vacant Position No. 6381-0019, in the Health & Human Services -Environmental Health Office, from Environmental Code Inspector, Grade 9 of the Public Health Policy Group to Sanitarian, Grade 10 of the Public Health Policy Group, effective August 9, 2022. (Fund: Environmental Services)

Moved by Commissioner DeMerchant, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve request to reclassify vacant Position No. 6381-0019, in the Health & Human Services -Environmental Health Office, from Environmental Code Inspector, Grade 9 of the Public Health Policy Group to Sanitarian, Grade 10 of the Public Health Policy Group, effective August 9, 2022. (Fund: Environmental Services)

Judge GeorgeYesCommissioner MoralesYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner DeMerchantYes

B. <u>Health & Human Services Department</u>: Take all appropriate action on request to reclassify Position Nos. 6351-0027 and 6351-0094 from Laboratory Services Coordinator, in the Health & Human Services Department, from Grade 9 of the Public Health Policy Group to Grade 8 of the Public Health Policy Group, effective August 9, 2022. (Fund: COVID-19 Vaccination Capacity Contract)

Moved by Commissioner DeMerchant, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve request to reclassify Position Nos. 6351-0027 and 6351-0094 from Laboratory Services Coordinator, in the Health & Human Services Department, from Grade 9 of the Public Health Policy Group to Grade 8 of the Public Health Policy Group, effective August 9, 2022. (Fund: COVID-19 Vaccination Capacity Contract) (corrected to read: Health & Human Services Cares 3 Grant)

27. PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION:

Take all appropriate action on Project Grant Agreement No. RUR 2302 (11) between Fort Bend County and Texas Department of Transportation for Fiscal Year 2023 Section 5311 State funds in the amount of \$333,994 with no local match required. (Fund: Public Transportation)

Moved by Commissioner DeMerchant, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Project Grant Agreement No. RUR 2302 (11) between Fort Bend County and Texas Department of Transportation for Fiscal Year 2023 Section 5311 State funds in the amount of \$333,994 with no local match required. (Fund: Public Transportation)

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

28. PURCHASING:

A. Take all appropriate action on Bid 22-072, HVAC Replacement for Emergency Medical Services Battalion 604.

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner DeMerchant Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to award bid 22-072, HVAC Replacement for Emergency Medical Services Battalion 604 to low bidder, Rincon Air and Heat Company, LLC.

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

B. Take all appropriate action on Agreement for Payroll Validation Consulting Services between Fort Bend County and Hagerty Consulting, Inc., pursuant to RFP 19-041 Contingency All Hazards Consulting Services in an amount not to exceed \$862,005.53, effective upon notice to proceed through November 30, 2023. (Fund: American Rescue Plan Act)

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Morales Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Agreement for Payroll Validation Consulting Services between Fort Bend County and Hagerty Consulting, Inc., pursuant to RFP 19-041 Contingency All Hazards Consulting Services in an amount not to exceed \$862,005.53, effective upon notice to proceed through November 30, 2023. (Fund: American Rescue Plan Act)

Judge GeorgeYesCommissioner MoralesYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner DeMerchantYes

Ed Sturdivant, County Auditor stated there is a significant volume of timesheets that are necessary to support what was paid out of the federal funding sources, since the beginning of the pandemic. It's been identified there could be potential issues, therefore an extensive effort is needed from the consulting team. This firm will take all the timesheets from March of 2020 and reconcile them through the payroll records so that we can demonstrate to our auditors the timesheets directly correlate to amounts paid out to recipients and the recent addition of the Summer Youth Program.

C. Take all appropriate action on Addendum between Fort Bend County, TX and Swagit Productions, LLC utilizing TIPS Contract 220105 for Court Rooms and Election Ballots Video Streaming Services, in the amount not to exceed \$51,055. (Fund: Information Technology)

Moved by Commissioner Morales, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Addendum between Fort Bend County, TX and Swagit Productions, LLC utilizing TIPS Contract 220105 for Court Rooms and Election Ballots Video Streaming Services, in the amount not to exceed \$51,055. (Fund: Information Technology)

Judge GeorgeYesCommissioner MoralesYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner DeMerchantYes

John Oldham, Elections Administrator explained the Senate Bill 1 requires live streaming when there is central count and tabulation. When the ballots are delivered to the check-in station by the Election Day Judges, they should remain on camera, as well as, where the ballots are stored should remain on camera, until canvassing.

D. Take all appropriate action on Agreement between Fort Bend County and Comprehensive Communication Services, LLC, utilizing DIR-TSO-3915 for the purchase of an awning for the mobile command unit for Homeland Security & Emergency Management, in an amount not to exceed \$52,032. (Fund: Homeland Security Grant Program)

Moved by Commissioner Prestage, Seconded by Commissioner Morales Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Agreement between Fort Bend County and Comprehensive Communication Services, LLC, utilizing DIR-TSO-3915 for the purchase of an awning for the mobile command unit for Homeland Security & Emergency Management, in an amount not to exceed \$52,032. (Fund: Homeland Security Grant Program)

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

Jaime Kovar, Purchasing Agent explained the awning is an inflatable shelter system that can be attached to the command unit and includes HVAC, lighting and et cetera.

Mark Flathouse, Emergency Manager and Fire Marshal, stated these are mobile units that were used during Harvey. These are called zoom room awnings, which is a room that expands out the mobile command center.

E. Take all appropriate action on First Amendment to Agreement between Fort Bend County and IDG Architects for additional Professional Architectural Design Services regarding South Post Oak Sportsplex Baseball Fields Improvements in an additional amount of \$43,650 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$223,650. (Fund: 2020 Parks Bond)

Moved by Commissioner Prestage, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve First Amendment to
Agreement between Fort Bend County and IDG Architects for additional Professional
Architectural Design Services regarding South Post Oak Sportsplex Baseball Fields
Improvements in an additional amount of \$43,650 for a total contract amount not to exceed
\$223,650. (Fund: 2020 Parks Bond)

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

F. Take all appropriate action on First Amendment to Agreement for Professional Engineering Services between Fort Bend County and Kavi Consulting, Inc., to increase the contract by \$168,443 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$735,592 pursuant to SOQ 14-025 regarding Cartwright Road, Mobility Bond Project No. 20406, Precincts 2 and 3. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)

Moved by Commissioner Prestage, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve First Amendment to
Agreement for Professional Engineering Services between Fort Bend County and Kavi
Consulting, Inc., to increase the contract by \$168,443 for a total contract amount not to
exceed \$735,592 pursuant to SOQ 14-025 regarding Cartwright Road, Mobility Bond Project
No. 20406, Precincts 2 and 3. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)

Judge GeorgeYesCommissioner MoralesYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner DeMerchantYes

G. Take all appropriate action on First Amendment to Agreement for Construction Materials Testing between Fort Bend County and Paradigm Consultants, Inc., to increase the contract by \$33,185 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$93,575, pursuant to SOQ 14-025 regarding Ransom Road, Mobility Bond Project No. 17103, 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 First Amendment to
Agreement for Construction Materials Testing between Fort Bend County and Paradigm
Consultants, Inc., to increase the contract by \$33,185 for a total contract amount not to exceed
\$93,575, pursuant to SOQ 14-025 regarding Ransom Road, Mobility Bond Project
No. 17103, Precinct 4. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)

H. Take all appropriate action on Third Amendment to Agreement for Professional Engineering Services between Fort Bend County and BGE, Inc., to increase the contract by \$35,148.80 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$341,436.43, pursuant to SOQ 14-025 regarding Voss Road Intersections, Mobility Bond Project No. 17404 and 17413, Precincts 2 and 3. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, 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 BGE, Inc., to increase the contract by \$35,148.80 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$341,436.43, pursuant to SOQ 14-025 regarding Voss Road Intersections, Mobility Bond Project No. 17404 and 17413, Precincts 2 and 3. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)

Judge GeorgeYesCommissioner MoralesYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner DeMerchantYes

I. Take all appropriate action on Addendum between Fort Bend County and Jetty Communications Solutions, LLC for Office of Emergency Management Software Subscription renewal in the amount of \$69,500. (Funding: Emergency Management Grant)

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner DeMerchant Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Addendum between Fort Bend County and Jetty Communications Solutions, LLC for Office of Emergency Management Software Subscription renewal in the amount of \$69,500. (Funding: Emergency Management Grant)

Judge GeorgeYesCommissioner MoralesYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner DeMerchantYes

J. Take all appropriate action on RFP 22-091 for Check Print Software Replacement.

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner DeMerchant Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to negotiate on RFP 22-091 for Check Print Software Replacement, with MHC Software Holding, the most highly qualified respondent.

K. Take all appropriate action on RFQ 22-089 for Engineering Services for the Brazos River Project for Fort Bend County.

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner DeMerchant Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to negotiate on RFQ 22-089 for Engineering Services for the Brazos River Project for Fort Bend County with Huitt-Zollars, Inc., the most highly qualified respondent.

Judge GeorgeYesCommissioner MoralesYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner DeMerchantYes

L. Take all appropriate action on RFP 22-090 for Grant Administration Services for Fort Bend County.

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner DeMerchant Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to negotiate on RFP 22-090 for Grant Administration Services for Fort Bend County with Public Management, Inc., the most highly qualified respondent.

Judge GeorgeYesCommissioner MoralesYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner DeMerchantYes

29. SHERIFF'S OFFICE:

A. Take all appropriate action on request to authorize the use of Certificates of Obligation to purchase a portable x-ray machine in an amount not to exceed \$47,000 once the solicitation is made. (Fund: Advance Funding/Certificates of Obligation)

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner DeMerchant Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve request to authorize the use of Certificates of Obligation to purchase a portable x-ray machine in an amount not to exceed \$47,000 once the solicitation is made. (Fund: Advance Funding/Certificates of Obligation)

Item 29 continued - Sheriff's Office:

B. Take all appropriate action on ratification of Application to the U.S. Department of Justice Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) FY2022 Law Enforcement Mental Health and Wellness Act (LEMHWA) Implementation Projects for grant funding in the amount of \$152,648, with no matching funds required by Fort Bend County, for the term of September 1, 2022, through August 31, 2024.

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner DeMerchant Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve ratification of Application to the U.S. Department of Justice Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) FY2022 Law Enforcement Mental Health and Wellness Act (LEMHWA) Implementation Projects for grant funding in the amount of \$152,648, with no matching funds required by Fort Bend County, for the term of September 1, 2022, through August 31, 2024.

Judge GeorgeYesCommissioner MoralesYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner DeMerchantYes

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 \$6,478,012.84, with routine disbursements of \$3,633,327.97.

Judge GeorgeYesCommissioner MoralesYesCommissioner PrestageYesCommissioner MeyersYesCommissioner DeMerchantYes

31. Authorize County Auditor to pay and release time-sensitive disbursements on August 18, 2022, to be ratified by Commissioners Court on August 23, 2022.

Moved by Commissioner Morales, Seconded by Commissioner Prestage Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to authorize County Auditor to pay and release time-sensitive disbursements on August 18, 2022, to be ratified by Commissioners Court on August 23, 2022.

Recess:

Recessed at 1:44 p.m.

- 32. 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.

Case No. 22-CCV-070475, Fort Bend County, Texas vs. Vertical Capital Holdings LLC, et. al., In the County Court at Law No. 3 of Fort Bend County, Texas.

B. § 551.074. Personnel Matters. Commissioners Court will meet in Closed Session to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee; or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee.

Executive Manager Evaluations

- 1.) Chief Public Defender
- 2.) County Engineer

Closed Session:

Convened at 2:00 p.m. Adjourned at 2:33 p.m.

Reconvene:

Reconvened at 2:36 p.m.

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

A. § 551.071. Consultation With Attorney.

Case No. 22-CCV-070475, Fort Bend County, Texas vs. Vertical Capital Holdings LLC, et. al., In the County Court at Law No. 3 of Fort Bend County, Texas.

Moved by Commissioner Prestage, Seconded by Commissioner Morales Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to authorize County Attorney to negotiate settlement in the amount of \$3,346,047.58 to resolve the following eminent domain proceedings: Case No. 22-CCV-070475, Fort Bend County, Texas vs. Vertical Capital Holdings LLC, et. al.; In the County Court at Law No. 3 of Fort Bend County, Texas. (Rohan Road Project #20105, Parcel 3A & 3B). And, the County Attorney be authorized to present this negotiated amount to the Special Commissioners appointed to preside over the above-referenced eminent domain proceeding and execute final judgement in that amount. It is further moved that Mobility Bonds be designated as the funding source.

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

B. § 551.074. Personnel Matters.

Executive Manager Evaluations

1.) Chief Public Defender

The evaluation has been completed by Commissioners Court and will be part of the Chief Public Defender personnel file.

2.) County Engineer

The evaluation has been completed by Commissioners Court and will be part of the County Engineer personnel file.

34. Adjournment.

Commissioners Court adjourned at 2:38 p.m. on Tuesday, August 9, 2022.

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, to adjourn.

I attest to the accuracy of the foregoing minutes.

Thura Kichard

Laura Richard, County Clerk, Fort Bend County, Texas