

**MINUTES**

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 13TH DAY of SEPTEMBER, 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
LINDA WILLIS FOR 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 1:03 p.m.
- 2. Invocation and Pledges of Allegiance by Judge KP George.**  
Invocation led by Dr. Taylor Sandlin, Sugar Land Baptist Church and Pledges of Allegiance by Judge KP George.
- 3. Approve minutes of regular meeting held on September 6, 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 September 6, 2022.

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

- 4. Public Comments regarding the Agenda and Announcements.**  
No public comments and no announcements.

5. **PUBLIC HEARINGS: 1:08 p.m.: Conduct Public Hearings and take all appropriate action on the following matters:**  
Public hearing held. No public comments.
  - A. Conduct Public Hearing on the proposal to increase the FY2022 tax rate for Fort Bend County.
  - B. Conduct Public Hearing on the proposed FY2023 budget for Fort Bend County, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Section 111.067.

**CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS: 6-17**

6. **OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL: Approve out-of-state travel requests for County personnel:**
  - A. **District Attorney: Approve out of state travel for one (1) District Attorney employee to Washington, District of Colombia, September 22, 2022 through September 24, 2022, to attend the United States Advisory Council on Human Trafficking. (Fund: Travel)**
  - B. **Emergency Medical Services: Approve out-of-state travel for D. Heppner to Orlando, Florida, October 9, 2022 through October 15, 2022, to attend EMS World EXPO. (Fund: Travel)**
7. **COMMISSIONER, PCT. 4:**  
  
Set public hearing on the creation of Fort Bend County Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone No. 1 (“TIRZ”) within Fort Bend County (the “County”).
8. **BUDGET TRANSFER(s):**  
  
**Justice of the Peace, Pct. 4: Approve transfer in the amount of \$30 from Temporary or Part-Time into Overtime to allocate funds to cover overtime fees.**
9. **ENGINEERING-PAYMENTS:**
  - A. **Approve payment of Invoice No. 19 in the amount of \$232,315.82 to Allgood Construction Company, Inc. for construction of Katy Flewellen Road, Mobility Project No. 13316, Precinct 1. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**
  - B. **Approve payment of Invoice No. 2 in the amount of \$311,434.83 to Main Lane Industries, Ltd. for construction of Cinco Ranch Turn Lanes at SH 99, Mobility Bond Project No. 17314x, Precinct 1. (Fund: Fort Bend County Assistance District No. 1)**
  - C. **Approve payment of Invoice No. 2 in the amount of \$220,320.00 to Wadecon, LLC regarding Peek Road at Buffalo Bayou, Mobility Bond Project No. BR20301x, Precinct 1. (Fund: Drainage Bonds)**
  - D. **Approve payment of Invoice No. 28802 in the amount of \$9,026.00 to Geotest Engineering, Inc. for construction materials testing services regarding Peek Road at Buffalo Bayou, Mobility Bond Project No. BR20301x, Precinct 1. (Fund: Drainage Bonds)**

**Item 9 continued - Engineering - Payments:**

- E. Approve payment of Invoice No. FBC2203-3 in the amount of \$12,707.10 to AIG Technical Services, LLC for professional construction management services regarding Peek Road at Buffalo Bayou, Mobility Bond Project No. BR20301x, Precinct 1. (Fund: Drainage Bonds)**
- F. Approve payment of Invoice No. 12428-12 in the amount of \$2,668.50 to Othon, Inc. for professional engineering services regarding NB 99 Frontage Road, Mobility Bond Project No. 20303b, Precinct 1. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**
- G. Approve payment of Invoice No. 3621 in the amount of \$47,965.90 to CivilCorp, LLC for professional engineering services regarding Wallis Street, Mobility Bond Project No. 20305, Precinct 1. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**
- H. Approve payment of Invoice No. 202218905 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)**
- I. Approve payment of Invoice No. 202521 in the amount of \$60,103.58 to TEDSI Infrastructure Group for professional engineering services regarding SH 99 Frontage Road, Mobility Bond Project No. 20307, Precinct 1. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**
- J. Approve payment of Invoice No. 16 in the amount of \$15,978.40 to Brian Smith Construction Inspection, Inc. for construction inspection services regarding Mobility Bond Projects within Precincts 1, 2, 3, and 4. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**
- K. Approve payment of Invoice No. 21-14 in the amount of \$19,680.80 to Sowell's Construction Management & Inspection, LLC for construction inspection services regarding Mobility Bond Projects within Precincts 1, 2, 3, and 4. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**
- L. Approve payment of Invoice No. 2022-FB-2 in the amount of \$74,352.50 to Kavi Consulting, Inc. for professional engineering services regarding Sidewalk Improvements, Mobility Bond Project No. 20308, Precincts 1 and 4. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**
- M. Approve payment of Invoice No. 59251 in the amount of \$22,445.00 and Invoice No. 59580 in the amount of \$7,760.50 to Pacheco Koch Consulting Engineers, Inc. for professional engineering services regarding Church Street, Mobility Bond Project No. 20119, Precinct 2. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**
- N. Approve payment of Invoice No. 722022 in the amount of \$169.22 to RPS Infrastructure, Inc. for professional engineering and design services regarding Trammel Fresno, Mobility Bond Project No. 20221x, Precinct 2. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**
- O. Approve payment of Invoice No. 622032 in the amount of \$16,112.55 and Invoice No. 722023 in the amount of \$10,036.48 to RPS Infrastructure, Inc. for professional engineering services regarding Witney Way, Mobility Bond Project, No. 20223x, Precinct 2. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**

**Item 9 continued - Engineering - Payments:**

- P. Approve payment of Invoice No. 5 Final in the amount of \$16,507.83 to Antwi Industries, LLC for construction of driveways and side street drainage for Alice Street and South Post Oak Boulevard, regarding Trammel Fresno, Mobility Bond Project No. 746, Precinct 2. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**
- Q. Approve payment of Invoice No. 722075 in the amount of \$70,287.35 to RPS Infrastructure, Inc. for professional engineering services regarding Belknap Road, Mobility Bond Project No. 17211, Precinct 3. (Fund: Mobility Projects)**
- R. Approve payment of Invoice No. 302913R in the amount of \$25,781.80 and Invoice No. 303534 in the amount of \$14,676.80 to Cobb, Fendley & Associates, Inc. regarding SH 6 at Cullinan Park, Mobility Bond Project No. 20407, Precinct 3. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**
- S. Approve payment of Invoice No. 7-221442 in the amount of \$24,899.03 to BGE, Inc. for professional engineering services regarding Lexington Boulevard, Mobility Bond Project No. 20405, Precinct 3. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**
- T. Approve payment of Invoice No. 14 in the amount of \$117,474.75 to DVL Enterprises, LLC for construction of Ransom Road, Mobility Bond Project No. 17103, Precinct 4. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**

**10. ENGINEERING-PERMITS:**

- A. Approve permit application from Paskey Incorporated to install a temporary construction driveway for slope repair along Hunt Road for Vanbrooke subdivision, Permit No. 2022-57087, Precinct 1.**
- B. Approve permit application from Frontier Southwest Inc. dba/Frontier Communications of Texas to install fiber optic cable along S Post Oak Boulevard, W Sycamore Road, Jasmine Street, Colorado Street and Trammel Fresno Road, Permit No. 2022-56583, Precinct 2.**
- C. Approve permit application from Anchor Excavators, Inc. to make channel improvements within Dry Creek and install two temporary construction driveways along A. Myers and Stonecreek Village Drive as part of Stonecreek Estates Phase IV mass grading and detention, Permit No. 2022-56946, Precinct 2.**
- D. Approve permit application from Harris Construction Company, LTD. to install a street tie-in extension for Sienna Parkway, Permit No. 2022-56863, Precinct 2.**
- E. Approve permit application from Frontier Southwest Inc. dba/Frontier Communications of Texas/Ridgeline Telecom to install fiber optic cable along various streets within Creekstone Village at Riverstone subdivision, Permit No. 2022-57027, Precinct 3.**
- F. Approve permit application from Southwestern Bell Telephone Company dba AT&T Texas/DeBauche Communications to install fiber optic cable along W Grand Parkway S, Permit No. 2022-56528, Precinct 4.**

**Item 10 continued - Engineering - Permits:**

- G. Approve permit application from CenterPoint Energy/Midtown Engineers, LLC to install underground duct bank along Beasley West End Road, Permit No. 2022-56953, Precinct 4.**
  - H. Approve permit application from CenterPoint Energy to install a transmission line across Snake Creek, Permit No. 2022-57013, Precinct 4.**
- 11. ENGINEERING-DEVELOPMENT:**
- A. Approve request for Fort Bend County to sponsor a Texas Department of Transportation project on behalf of Astro Rosenberg LP and FBC MUD 250 to expedite the construction of a public road connection for Doris Road tie-in to IH 69/US 59 at no cost to the County, Precinct 4.**
  - B. Accept the streets in Katy Creek Ranch Sec 10: Palm Ranch Drive 137.50 LF, Orchid Ranch Drive 762.94 LF for a total of 900.44 LF and release the bond in the amount of \$58,000.00, Precinct 1.**
  - C. Approve the plat for Park at Anserra Sec 1, Precinct 1.**
  - D. Approve the plat for Park at Anserra Sec 2, Precinct 1.**
  - E. Approve the plat for Westpark Springs Hospital, Precinct 4.**
  - F. Approve the plat for DML Grand Mission Plaza, Precinct 4.**
- 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.'s 2263790 and 2266254 for a total amount of \$6,656.02 to Gulf Coast Paper for trash cans regarding the Emergency Operations Center;**
  - B. Approve payment of Invoice No. S220504-3 in the amount of \$2,378.50 to Amani Engineering for surveying services regarding EMS Medic 614;**
  - C. Approve payment of Invoice No. PC020740 in the amount of \$19,500.00 to Project Control, for project management services regarding the EpiCenter Project;**
  - D. Approve payment of Invoice No. I1892342 in the amount of \$67,500.00 to Armko Industries, for consulting services regarding the 2022 Roof Replacement Project.**

**13. HUMAN RESOURCES:**

- A. Approve the rehire of former employee, Brittany Sanders, who terminated employment on January 18, 2011, and who will be rehired effective September 19, 2022.**
- B. Approve the rehire of former employee, Diana Martinez, who terminated employment on July 29, 2022, and who will be rehired effective September 19, 2022.**

**14. PARKS & RECREATION:**

- A. Approve payment of Invoice No. JC60079 in the amount of \$10,235 to Highlights Electrical for Harlem Road Scoreboard Project. (Fund: 2020 Park Bonds)**
- B. Approve payment of Invoice No. 194771A-IN in the amount of \$10,249 to Spectrum Scoreboards, for installation of Scoreboard at Harlem Road Park. (Fund: 2020 Park Bonds)**

**15. PURCHASING:**

- A. Authorize advertising for bids for term contract for rotary cutters.**
- B. Authorize advertising for proposals for Fort Bend County Commissioners Courtroom audio-visual system upgrade, utilizing American Rescue Plan Act funding.**
- C. Approve Third Amendment to Professional Services Agreement between Fort Bend County and The Reserves Network, Inc. to include medical assistants regarding Directly Observed Therapy (DOT) services with no change in compensation.**

**16. ROAD & BRIDGE:**

- A. Road & Bridge: Approve payment of Invoice No. 22493 to P Squared Emulsions in the amount of \$15,723.52 for materials used on Powell Point Road. (Fund: Advanced Funding/Certificates of Obligation)**
- B. Road & Bridge: Approve payment of Invoice No. 31881 to Paradigm in the amount of \$88,950.00 for traffic cabinets. (Fund: Advanced Funding/Certificates of Obligation)**

**17. TAX ASSESSOR/COLLECTOR:**

**Approve & record into Minutes tax payment refunds in the amount of \$19,454.78 for the Office of Carmen P. Turner.**

**Consent Agenda Items 6 - 17 continued:**

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Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Morales  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Consent Agenda  
Items 6 - 17.

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

**18. COUNTY JUDGE:**

**Take all appropriate action to establish the regular meeting schedule of Fort Bend County Commissioners Court, pursuant to Local Government Code Section 81.005(a) for Fiscal Year 2023, meeting every Tuesday except the third and fifth Tuesday of each month, at 1:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Courtroom located on the second floor of the Courthouse 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 establish the regular meeting  
schedule of Fort Bend County Commissioners Court, pursuant to Local Government Code  
Section 81.005(a) for Fiscal Year 2023, meeting every Tuesday except the third and fifth  
Tuesday of each month, at 1:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Courtroom located on the second  
floor of the Courthouse at 401 Jackson Street in Richmond, Texas.

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

Judge George stated the schedule has two changes. The court will meet on the first, second and third Tuesday in December and in July 2023, the first Tuesday is a holiday, therefore, the court will meet on the second, third and fourth Tuesday.

**19. BUDGET & FINANCE:**

**A. Take all appropriate action to adopt the FY2023 Proposed Positions for Fort Bend County.**

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner DeMerchant  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to adopt the FY2023 Proposed Positions for Fort Bend County.

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

**B. Take all appropriate action to set the FY2023 Salaries for Elected Officials of Fort Bend County, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Section 152.011.**

Moved by Commissioner Prestage, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to set the FY2023 Salaries for Elected Officials of Fort Bend County, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Section 152.011, with one addition that the county supplement for the District Attorney be \$51,000.

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

**C. Take all appropriate action to assign vehicles to Fort Bend County departments and offices as presented on FY2023 Fleet Management.**

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Prestage  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to assign vehicles to Fort Bend County departments and offices as presented on FY2023 Fleet Management.

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 on list of take-home vehicles for FY2023, pursuant to County Employee Information Manual, Policy 612.**

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner Prestage  
 Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve list of take-home vehicles for FY2023, pursuant to County Employee Information Manual, Policy 612.

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

**E. Take all appropriate action to adopt the FY2022 Tax Rate for Fort Bend County, and take a record vote, pursuant to Property Tax Code 26.05, as follows:**

<b>Proposed General Fund Tax Rate:</b>	<b>\$0.3260</b>
<b>Proposed Road &amp; Bridge Fund Tax Rate:</b>	<b>\$0.0185</b>
<b>Proposed Interest &amp; Sinking Fund Tax Rate:</b>	<b>\$0.0938</b>
<b>Total Proposed Tax Rate:</b>	<b>\$0.4383</b>

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 14.41 percent increase in the tax rate.

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

Commissioner Meyers noted the County is not actually increasing the Tax Rate, it will stay the same.

Commissioner Morales commented Commissioners Court had a two cent excess over the Voter Approval Rate for the Maintenance and Operating Rate for Fiscal Years 2023 and 2022. To provide the most benefit to the taxpayers, the court moved this excess rate to the debt service to retire debt totaling \$18 million for reduced costs of \$15 million. The \$3 million savings is passed to the taxpayers over the life of the debt service for that series. This continued approach will allow the court to meet the capital demand of the residents of Fort Bend County faster while reducing the debt service over time.

MOTION PASSES

**Item 19 continued - Budget & Finance:**

**F. Take all appropriate action to adopt the FY2023 Budget for Fort Bend County, and take a record vote, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Section 111.068.**

Moved by Commissioner Prestage, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to adopt the FY2023 Budget for Fort Bend County, and take a record vote, pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Section 111.068.

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

Commissioner Prestage commended the Human Resources Department and County staff involved in the salary survey. Some of the increases that are slated to happen for certain employees will happen on April 1. The first 10% for those individuals will happen October 1, 2022. This two-tier implementation allows the County to take a good hard look for the next six months at some of those numbers and could possibly make some adjustments on April 1 if they are warranted.

Pamela Gubbels, Director of Budget and Finance added the total costs for the compensation study was \$18 million and is included in the Non Departmental Budget. When departments receive their adopted budgets today, they will not see an increase in their salaries account, because it is in Non Departmental, which will be transferred in October to their departments.

Judge George stated the County is retiring almost \$18 million in debt which puts citizens future of Fort Bend County in better shape. Also, the County continues to keep our tax rate either where it is or reduced.

Commissioner Morales thanked the Budget Office and the Auditor’s Office for their hard work on putting this budget together.

MOTION PASSES

**20. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:**

**Take all appropriate action to allow use of \$125,000 and interest in expiring FY2015 Community Development Block Grant Program funds for prepayment required on the Section 108 Loan Guarantee regarding the Arcola Water Treatment Plant.**

Moved by Commissioner Prestage, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to allow use of \$125,000 and interest in expiring FY2015 Community Development Block Grant Program funds for prepayment required on the Section 108 Loan Guarantee regarding the Arcola Water Treatment Plant.

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

**21. DISTRICT ATTORNEY:**

**Take all appropriate action on Interlocal Agreement between Fort Bend County and City of Houston to participate in the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Program: Houston Metropolitan Area effective through September 30, 2022.**

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner DeMerchant  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Interlocal Agreement between Fort Bend County and City of Houston to participate in the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Program: Houston Metropolitan Area effective through September 30, 2022.

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

**22. ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATION:**

**Take all appropriate action to approve presiding Central County Judges of Election for the November 8, 2022 Election to serve at the County's four collection sites as proposed by the Chairs of the Republican and Democratic Parties.**

Moved by Commissioner Morales, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve presiding Central County Judges (**corrected to: Central Count Judges**) of Election for the November 8, 2022 Election to serve at the County's four collection sites as proposed by the Chairs of the Republican and Democratic Parties, based on the recent submittal by the Elections Office.

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

John Oldham, Elections Administrator explained this item relates to the appointment of the presiding judge and alternate judge at each of our collection sites. Election Code 85.009 enables the Chair to appoint the presiding early voting clerk at each of our 28 early voting sites.

**23. ENGINEERING:**

**A. Take all appropriate action to rescind Agenda Item 27I approved by Commissioners Court on March 23, 2021 pertaining to the conveyance of land to the City of Fulshear, regarding Texas Heritage Parkway, Mobility Bond Project No. 13309, Precinct 1 (formerly Precinct 3).**

Moved by Commissioner Morales, Seconded by Commissioner Prestage  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to rescind Agenda Item 27I approved by Commissioners Court on March 23, 2021 pertaining to the conveyance of land to the City of Fulshear, regarding Texas Heritage Parkway, Mobility Bond Project No. 13309, Precinct 1 (formerly Precinct 3).

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

**Item 23 continued - Engineering:**

**B. Take all appropriate action on request for variance to the lot size requirements as stated in Section 5.14.E.4 of the Fort Bend County Regulations of Subdivisions for Jordan Ranch Section 42 on behalf of IDS Engineering Inc., Precinct 1.**

Moved by Commissioner Morales, Seconded by Commissioner Prestage  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve variance to the lot size requirements as stated in Section 5.14.E.4 of the Fort Bend County Regulations of Subdivisions for Jordan Ranch Section 42 on behalf of IDS Engineering Inc., Precinct 1.

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

**C. Take all appropriate action on the plat for the roads within Jordan Ranch Sec 42, Precinct 1.**

Moved by Commissioner Morales, Seconded by Commissioner Prestage  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve the plat for the roads within Jordan Ranch Sec 42, Precinct 1.

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

**D. Take all appropriate action on the plat for the lots within Jordan Ranch Sec 42, Precinct 1.**

Moved by Commissioner Morales, Seconded by Commissioner Prestage  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve the plat for the lots within Jordan Ranch Sec 42, Precinct 1.

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

**24. HUMAN RESOURCES:**

**Take all appropriate action on the proposed 2023 Holiday Schedule as submitted by Human Resources.**

Moved by Commissioner DeMerchant, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve the proposed 2023 Holiday Schedule as submitted by Human Resources.

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

**25. PURCHASING:**

**A. Take all appropriate action on Agreement for Professional Property Acquisition Services between Fort Bend County and Guess Group, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$326,735 regarding 2020 Mobility Projects within Precinct 2. (Fund: Right of Way)**

Moved by Commissioner Prestage, Seconded by Commissioner Morales  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Agreement for Professional Property Acquisition Services between Fort Bend County and Guess Group, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$326,735 regarding 2020 Mobility Projects within Precinct 2.  
(Fund: Right of Way)

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

**B. Take all appropriate action on Bid 23-002, term contract for Pest Control Services.**

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner DeMerchant  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to award Bid 23-002, term contract for Pest Control Services to low bidder Gillen Pest Control.

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

**Item 25 continued - Purchasing:**

- C. **Take all appropriate action on the following Agreements between Fort Bend County and the Non-Profit American Rescue Plan Act Partnership Grant Program recipients for Fiscal Year 2021 funding, as approved by Commissioners Court on December 21, 2021; Agenda Item 20B, and authorize County Judge to sign all necessary documents upon receipt from each non-profit grant recipient. (Fund: American Rescue Plan Act)**

	<b>Non-Profit Grant Recipient:</b>	<b>Total Amount Granted:</b>	<b>2022 Allocation:</b>	<b>2023 Allocation:</b>
1.	<b>Sugar Land Heritage Foundation</b>	<b>\$75,000</b>	<b>\$75,000</b>	<b>\$0.00; and</b>
2.	<b>Cullinan Park Conservancy</b>	<b>\$450,000</b>	<b>\$225,000</b>	<b>\$225,000.</b>

Moved by Commissioner DeMerchant, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers  
 Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve the following Agreements between Fort Bend County and the Non-Profit American Rescue Plan Act Partnership Grant Program recipients for Fiscal Year 2021 funding, as approved by Commissioners Court on December 21, 2021; Agenda Item 20B, and authorize County Judge to sign all necessary documents upon receipt from each non-profit grant recipient. (Fund: American Rescue Plan Act)

	<b>Non-Profit Grant Recipient:</b>	<b>Total Amount Granted:</b>	<b>2022 Allocation:</b>	<b>2023 Allocation:</b>
1.	<b>Sugar Land Heritage Foundation</b>	<b>\$75,000</b>	<b>\$75,000</b>	<b>\$0.00; and</b>
2.	<b>Cullinan Park Conservancy</b>	<b>\$450,000</b>	<b>\$225,000</b>	<b>\$225,000.</b>

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

**Item 25 continued - Purchasing:**

- D. Take all appropriate action on Fifth Amendment to Agreement between Fort Bend County and Whitley Penn, LLP, pursuant to RFP 20-083 for additional audit services in an additional amount of \$65,000 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$730,550 effective through December 31, 2022. (Fund: American Rescue Plan Act)**

Moved by Commissioner Prestage, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers  
 Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Fifth Amendment to Agreement between Fort Bend County and Whitley Penn, LLP, pursuant to RFP 20-083 for additional audit services in an additional amount of \$65,000 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$730,550 effective through December 31, 2022. (Fund: American Rescue Plan Act)

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

- E. Take all appropriate action on Agreement between Fort Bend County and CMC Development & Construction Corporation, LLC, pursuant to RFP 22-069, for Construction of the Arboretum Cricket Complex, in an amount not to exceed \$850,000. (Fund: 2020 Parks Bond)**

Moved by Commissioner DeMerchant, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers  
 Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Agreement between Fort Bend County and CMC Development & Construction Corporation, LLC, pursuant to RFP 22-069, for Construction of the Arboretum Cricket Complex, in an amount not to exceed \$850,000. (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 request to donate surplus property, specifically hologram machines and accessories, to The Black Cowboy Museum as requested, and permitted by Texas Local Government Code Section 263.152(4)(A).**

Moved by Commissioner DeMerchant, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers  
 Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve request to donate surplus property, specifically hologram machines and accessories, to The Black Cowboy Museum as requested, and permitted by Texas Local Government Code Section 263.152(4)(A).

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

**Item 25 continued - Purchasing:**

**G. Take all appropriate action on Agreement between Fort Bend County and Public Management, Inc. pursuant to RFP 22-090 for grant administration services. (Fund: Houston Galveston Area Council Grant)**

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner DeMerchant  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Agreement between Fort Bend County and Public Management, Inc. pursuant to RFP 22-090 for grant administration services. (Fund: Houston Galveston Area Council Grant)

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

**H. Take all appropriate action on request to purchase one (1) milling machine from Nueces Power Equipment for the Road & Bridge Department, utilizing BuyBoard Contract No. 597-19 in an amount not to exceed \$650,835.40 (Fund: Certificates of Obligation)**

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner DeMerchant  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to purchase one (1) milling machine from Nueces Power Equipment for the Road & Bridge Department, utilizing BuyBoard Contract No. 597-19 in an amount not to exceed \$650,835.40 (Fund: Certificates of Obligation)

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

**Item 25 continued - Purchasing:**

- I. Take all appropriate action on Agreement for Construction Materials Testing Services between Fort Bend County and Geotest Engineering, Inc., for a total contract amount not to exceed \$26,246.65 pursuant to SOQ 14-025, regarding Humphrey Way, Mobility Bond Project No. x9, Precinct 1. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)**

Moved by Commissioner DeMerchant, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers  
 Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Agreement for Construction Materials Testing Services between Fort Bend County and Geotest Engineering, Inc., for a total contract amount not to exceed \$26,246.65 pursuant to SOQ 14-025, regarding Humphrey Way, Mobility Bond Project No. x9, Precinct 1 (**corrected to: Precinct 4**).  
 (Fund: Mobility Bonds)

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

- J. Take all appropriate action on Third Amendment to Agreement for Professional Engineering Services between Fort Bend County and S&B Infrastructure, Ltd., to increase the contract in the amount of \$91,355.95 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$748,553.55 and extend the contract time through December 31, 2026, pursuant to SOQ 14-025, regarding Reading Road, Mobility Bond Project No. 13117x, 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 Third Amendment to Agreement for Professional Engineering Services between Fort Bend County and S&B Infrastructure, Ltd., to increase the contract in the amount of \$91,355.95 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$748,553.55 and extend the contract time through December 31, 2026, pursuant to SOQ 14-025, regarding Reading Road, Mobility Bond Project No. 13117x, Precinct 2. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)

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

**Item 25 continued - Purchasing:**

- K. Take all appropriate action on Amendment to Agreement for Professional Engineering Services between Fort Bend County and LJA Engineering, Inc., to increase the contract in the amount of \$525,122.25 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,811,398.06, pursuant to SOQ 14-025, regarding Bowser Road, Mobility Bond Project No. 20306, 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 Amendment to Agreement for Professional Engineering Services between Fort Bend County and LJA Engineering, Inc., to increase the contract in the amount of \$525,122.25 for a total contract amount not to exceed \$1,811,398.06, pursuant to SOQ 14-025, regarding Bowser Road, Mobility Bond Project No. 20306, Precinct 1. (Fund: Mobility Bonds)

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

- L. Take all appropriate action on Agreement between Fort Bend County and Library Interiors of Texas LLC, pursuant to Choice Partners Cooperative Contract No. 19/033MJ-16, for furniture at the New Fulshear Library, in an amount not to exceed \$642,571.68. (Fund: Precinct 3 North Library)**

Moved by Commissioner Morales, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers  
 Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Agreement between Fort Bend County and Library Interiors of Texas LLC, pursuant to Choice Partners Cooperative Contract No. 19/033MJ-16, for furniture at the New Fulshear Library, in an amount not to exceed \$642,571.68. (Fund: Precinct 3 **corrected to: Precinct 1** North Library)

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

**Item 25 continued - Purchasing:**

- M. Take all appropriate action on request to purchase one (1) Kenworth T480 oil truck to include an Etnyre 3500 gallon distributor from Performance Truck for the Road & Bridge department, utilizing BuyBoard Contract No. 601-19 and 597-16 in an amount not to exceed \$327,507.64. (Fund: Certificates of Obligation)**

Moved by Commissioner Meyers, Seconded by Commissioner DeMerchant  
 Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to purchase one (1) Kenworth T480 oil truck to include an Etnyre 3500 gallon distributor from Performance Truck for the Road & Bridge department, utilizing BuyBoard Contract No. 601-19 and 597-16 in an amount not to exceed \$327,507.64. (Fund: Certificates of Obligation)

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

**26. SHERIFF'S OFFICE:**

**Take all appropriate action on Application to the FY2023 Office of the Governor, Public Safety Office Bullet-Resistant Shield Grant Program for grant funds in the amount of \$783,151.20 for the Fort Bend County Sheriff Office's Bullet-Resistant Shield Regional Collaboration, for the period of October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023, with no cash match required by Fort Bend County.**

Moved by Commissioner DeMerchant, Seconded by Commissioner Meyers  
 Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to approve Application to the FY2023 Office of the Governor, Public Safety Office Bullet-Resistant Shield Grant Program for grant funds in the amount of \$783,151.20 for the Fort Bend County Sheriff Office's Bullet-Resistant Shield Regional Collaboration, for the period of October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023, with no cash match required by Fort Bend County.

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

**27. 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 \$18,569,344.64, with routine disbursements of \$17,197,449.08.

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

**28. Authorize County Auditor to pay and release time-sensitive disbursements on September 22, 2022, to be ratified by Commissioners Court on September 27, 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 September 22, 2022, to be ratified by Commissioners Court on September 27, 2022.

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

**A. Recess:**

Recessed at 1:41 p.m.

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

**A. § 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.**

**1. Executive Manager Evaluation:**

- 1.) Chief Medical Examiner**
- 2.) Facilities Management and Planning Director**

**2. Director of Economic Opportunity & Development.**

**Item 29 continued - Meet in Closed Session:**

- B. § 551.087. Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations. Commissioners Court will meet in Closed Session to discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information that Commissioners Court has received from a business prospect that Commissioners Court seeks to have locate, stay or expand in or near Fort Bend County and with which Commissioners Court is conducting economic development negotiations; or to deliberate the offer of a financial or other incentive to a business prospect that Commissioners Court seeks to have locate, stay or expand in or near Fort Bend County.**

**Proposed Agreement and establishment of a program for economic development and infrastructure improvements in accordance with Article III, Section 52-a of the Texas Constitution and Chapter 381, Texas Local Government Code.**

**Closed Session:**

Convened at 1:57 p.m.  
Adjourned at 3:16 p.m.

**Reconvene:**

Reconvened at 3:22 p.m.

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

- A. § 551.074. Personnel Matters.**

**1. Executive Manager Evaluation:**

**1.) Chief Medical Examiner**

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

**2.) Facilities Management and Planning Director**

The evaluation has been completed by Commissioners Court and will be part of the Facilities Manager and Planning Director personnel file.

**2. Director of Economic Opportunity & Development.**

Moved by Commissioner Prestage, Seconded by Commissioner DeMerchant  
Duly put and unanimously carried (5-0), it is ordered to appoint Carlos Guzman as Fort Bend County Director of Economic Opportunity & Development upon successful negotiation of employment terms.

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

**Item 30 continued - Reconvene Open Session:**

**B. § 551.087. Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations.**

**Proposed Agreement and establishment of a program for economic development and infrastructure improvements in accordance with Article III, Section 52-a of the Texas Constitution and Chapter 381, Texas Local Government Code.**

No action.

**31. Adjournment.**

Commissioners Court adjourned at 3:24 p.m. on Tuesday, September 13, 2022.

Moved by Commissioner Meyers,  
to adjourn.



I attest to the accuracy of the foregoing minutes.

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Laura Richard, County Clerk, Fort Bend County, Texas