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STATE OF TEXAS *
 COUNTY OF HAYS *

ON THIS THE 10TH DAY OF MAY A.D., 2016, THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF HAYS COUNTY, TEXAS, MET IN REGULAR MEETING. THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT, TO-WIT:

ALBERT H. COBB, JR	COUNTY JUDGE
DEBBIE GONZALES INGALSBE	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 1
MARK JONES	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 2
WILL CONLEY	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 3
RAY O. WHISENANT, JR.	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 4
LIZ Q. GONZALEZ	COUNTY CLERK

AND THE FOLLOWING PROCEEDINGS WERE HAD, THAT IS:

Judge Cobb gave the invocation. Judge Cobb led the court in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags. Judge Cobb called the meeting to order.

31517 ADOPT A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING THE POSITIVE IMPACT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT IN THE ECONOMIC HEALTH OF THE UNITED STATES, TEXAS, THE GREATER SAN MARCOS REGION AND THE COUNTY OF HAYS

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Jones to adopt a Proclamation recognizing the positive impact of Economic Development in the Economic Health of the United States, Texas, The Greater San Marcos Region and the County of Hays. All voting "Aye".
MOTION PASSED

31518 ADOPT A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING SATURDAY, MAY 14, 2016 AS ROSEMARY BURKE CAMPISE DAY

A motion was made by Commissioner Whisenant, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to adopt a Proclamation recognizing Saturday, May 14, 2016 as Rosemary Burke Campise Day. All voting "Aye".
MOTION PASSED

31519 APPROVE PAYMENTS OF COUNTY INVOICES

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Whisenant to approve payments of county invoices in the amount of \$324,665.95 as submitted by the County Auditor. All voting "Aye".
MOTION PASSED

31520 APPROVE COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES OF MAY 3, 2016

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Whisenant to approve Commissioners Court Minutes of May 3, 2016 as presented by the County Clerk. All voting "Aye".
MOTION PASSED

31521 APPROVE SPECIFICATIONS FOR BID #2016-B04 A/C & HEATING COUNTYWIDE AND AUTHORIZE PURCHASING TO SOLICIT FOR BID AND ADVERTISE

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Whisenant to approve specifications for Bid #2016-B04 A/C & Heating Countywide and authorize Purchasing to solicit for bid and advertise. All voting "Aye".
MOTION PASSED

31522 APPROVE UTILITY PERMITS

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Whisenant to approve permit #974 on McGregor Lane issued to PEC; permit #975 on McGregor Lane issued to PEC; permit #976 on Belterra Drive issued to Weigeit Enterprises; permit #977 on Centerpoint Rd. issued to Time Warner Company, as submitted by the Transportation Department. All voting "Aye".
MOTION PASSED



31523 AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY JUDGE TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS FOR UP TO \$ 56,425.00 TO ASSIST WITH THE PURCHASE OF BULLETPROOF VESTS FOR COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL

The grant application is for assistance in the purchase of bulletproof vests for County law enforcement officers. The grant program provides a reimbursement for 50% of the cost of each vest and the County must pay the remainder of the cost. The application includes needs for both new officers and the replacement of existing bulletproof vests. Vests are replaced based on a five-year usable protective wear cycle. The current request involves a two year period rather than one year as done previously, with a total of 61 vests included. The current cost of each vest is about \$925.00. The grant amount - if awarded - will be 50% of the total listed above, or \$ 28,212.50. Matching funds may be allocated accordingly. Submission of the application is done electronically and is due on or before May 16, 2016. Amount \$28,212.50. **A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Whisenant to authorize the County Judge to submit a Grant Application to the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs for up to \$56,425.00 to assist with the purchase of bulletproof vests for County Law Enforcement Personnel. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED**

31524 APPROVE OUT OF STATE TRAVEL FOR LINDA DURAN AND CHRISTINE RODRIGUEZ OF THE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE TO ATTEND THE PIONEER TECHNOLOGY USERS GROUP EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE IN LAKE MARY, FLORIDA ON MAY 23RD THROUGH MAY 26TH

Linda Duran and Christine Rodriguez will attend the Pioneer Technology Users Group Educational Conference with County Clerk, Liz Gonzalez. There is no cost to the County. **A motion was made by Commissioner Whisenant, seconded by Commissioner Conley to approve out of state travel for Linda Duran and Christine Rodriguez of the County Clerk's Office to attend the Pioneer Technology Users Group Educational Conference in Lake Mary, Florida on May 23rd through May 26th. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED**

31525 AMEND THE LINE ITEM NUMBER FOR THE PURCHASE OF 10 NEW RADAR SPEED NOTIFICATION SIGNS ALREADY APPROVED IN COURT ON APRIL 19, 2016 AND AMEND THE BUDGET ACCORDINGLY

The wrong line item number was used in the original agenda item. Budget amendment is needed. Amount required \$45,150; Increase Miscellaneous Equipment Operating Expense 020-710-00.5719_400 - \$45,150; Decrease Road Material and Supplies 020-710-00.5351 - (45,150). **A motion was made by Commissioner Whisenant, seconded by Commissioner Conley to amend the line item number for the purchase of 10 new radar speed notification signs already approved in court on April 19, 2016 and amend the budget accordingly. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED**

31526 RATIFY THE COUNTY JUDGE'S EXECUTION OF A TRAILER LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN HAYS COUNTY AND U.S. FOODS, RELATED TO THE SHORT-TERM LEASE OF A REFRIGERATED TRAILER DURING REPAIRS TO THE KITCHEN AREA OF THE HAYS COUNTY JAIL

As mentioned by Counsel in Court on May 3, 2016, ratification is being requested to accommodate an immediate need for a refrigerated trailer, to continue uninterrupted operations at the Hays County Jail. Amount required not to exceed \$1,000.00; line item number 001-618-03.5451. **A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Conley to ratify the County Judge's execution of a Trailer Lease Agreement between Hays County and U. S. Foods, related to the Short-Term Lease of a refrigerated trailer during repairs to the kitchen area of the Hays County Jail. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED**

31527 RATIFY AND AUTHORIZE THE PUBLICATION OF LEGAL NOTICE BY THE OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL, RELATED TO PUBLIC HEARINGS UNDER CHAPTER 253 OF THE TEXAS TRANSPORTATION CODE

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Conley to ratify and authorize the publication of legal notice by the Office of General Counsel, related to public hearings under Chapter 253 of the Texas Transportation Code. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED



31528 APPROVE OUT OF STATE TRAVEL, CONTINGENT UPON FINAL FUNDING APPROVAL FROM THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION OF THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE-VETERANS COURT GRANT ADMINISTRATION, FOR MILES NELSON (VETERANS SERVICE OFFICE), ARMANDO VEGA (PROBATION), KATIE MCVANEY (DA) AND BRENDA JARDEN-HOLTER (VETERANS TREATMENT COURT-CCL). TO ATTEND THE ANNUAL DRUG COURT TRAINING CONFERENCE AND VETERANS COURT CONVENTION IN ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Conley to approve out of state travel, contingent upon final funding approval from the Criminal Justice Division of the Governor's Office-Veterans Court Grant Administration, for Miles Nelson (Veterans Service Office), Armando Vega (Probation), Katie McVane (DA) and Brenda Jarden-Holter (Veterans Treatment Court-CCL). To attend the Annual Drug Court Training Conference and Veterans Court Convention in Anaheim, California. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

31529 AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY JUDGE TO EXECUTE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH HALFF ASSOCIATES, INC. TO PREPARE A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD FOR FLOOD PROTECTION ASSISTANCE FUNDING IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$7,000, WITH THE MONEY COMING OUT OF CONTINGENCIES AND AMEND THE BUDGET ACCORDINGLY

Emergency Management Coordinator Kharley Smith and Grants Director, Jeff Hauff spoke. The Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) has recently issued a call for applications for Flood Protection Assistance grants, with a relatively short deadline for submission of June 17, 2016. The purpose of these grants is to provide assistance to political subdivisions to implement preventive and/or corrective measures for reducing loss of life and property, such as early warning systems and the development of response plans to protect life and property from floodwaters. As a result of the 2015 Flood Disasters, Hays County has determined a need to enhance our warning system capabilities and has placed a high priority on deploying such systems. Specifically, this would include technology upgrades for existing, and the installation of new, road low water crossing warning systems, possible stream/rainfall gaging sites at select locations, and dam water level monitoring systems. The preparation of the application for funding would benefit from a consultant well-versed in flood planning and management and with the technical knowledge of what warning systems would entail, as well as familiarity with specific site conditions within Hays County. Halff Associates has been actively involved with flood protection planning efforts in Hays County, having been contracted directly to assist the County in flood/drainage studies as well as being involved in the partnership between Hays County, the LCRA, GBRA, and the USACOE in conducting studies associated with flooding potential and mitigation alternatives. They have previously also prepared two successful applications for Hays County to the TWDB for Flood Protection Planning assistance grants. They are also on the list of pre-qualified engineering firms for Hays County per RFQ 2016-P02. The Professional Services Agreement is to enlist the services of Halff Associates for the timely preparation of the application to the TWDB for funding to support the proposed project. The Hays County Emergency Services Department and Grants Administration Office find the proposed services and cost to be reasonable considering the scope and scale of the proposed project and recommend the approval of the Professional Services Agreement with Halff Associates. Amount required NTE \$7,000.00; contingencies. **A motion was made by Commissioner Conley, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to authorize the County Judge to execute a Professional Services Agreement with Half Associations, Inc. to prepare a Grant Application to the Texas Water Development board for Flood Protection Assistance Funding in an amount not to exceed \$7,000, with the money coming out of contingencies and amend the budget accordingly. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED**

31530 AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY JUDGE TO EXECUTE A BAILMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN HAYS COUNTY AND WIMBERLEY FIRE AND RESCUE (HAYS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT #4), RELATED TO POSSESSION AND USE OF IDENTIFIED PERSONAL PROPERTY OWNED BY HAYS COUNTY

General Counsel Mark Kennedy spoke. Pursuant to discussions between the Hays County Emergency Services Coordinator and representatives from Wimberley Fire and Rescue, it is proposed that ESD#4 should possess and use 2 items: a used vehicle and an unmanned aircraft (see backup) that could be utilized during Search and Rescue and/or Search and Recovery efforts. **A motion was made by Commissioner Conley, seconded by Commissioner Whisenant to authorize the County Judge to execute a Bailment Agreement between Hays County and Wimberley Fire and Rescue (Hays County Emergency Services District #4), related to possession and use of identified personal property owned by Hays County. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED**



31531 AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY JUDGE TO EXECUTE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN GSC ARCHITECTS AND HAYS COUNTY FOR ARCHITECTURAL AND PRE-CONSTRUCTION SERVICES RELATED TO MODIFICATIONS TO THE PRECINCT 2 TAX OFFICE IN THE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$7,000.00 AND AMEND THE BUDGET ACCORDINGLY

Luanne Caraway, Hays County Tax Assessor/Collector spoke. The Tax Office has experienced a large increase in demand for services in the Precinct 2 building in Kyle. In order to efficiently serve Hays County Citizens an expansion to the customer service area is needed. Renovations will include the addition of a work station as well as other improvements to work flow and functionality. GSC Architects designed the facility and will be able to provide cost effective architectural and pre-construction services. **A motion was made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to authorize the County Judge to execute a Professional Services Agreement between GSC Architects and Hays County for architectural and pre-construction services related to modifications to the Precinct 2 Tax Office in an amount not to exceed \$7,000.00 and amend the budget accordingly. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED**

31532 APPROVE TEXAS A&M AGRILIFE EXTENSION SERVICE'S HIRING OF KATE BLANKENSHIP AS A FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES (FCS) EXTENSION AGENT FOR HAYS COUNTY

The estimated start date in Hays County is July 1, 2016. **A motion was made by Judge Cobb, seconded by Commissioner Jones to approve Texas A&M Agrilife Extension Service's hiring of Kate Blankenship as a Family and Consumer Sciences (FCS) Extension Agent for Hays County. All voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED**

CLERK'S NOTE AGENDA ITEM #17 RE: *EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 551.071 AND 551.072 OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE; CONSULTATION WITH COUNSEL AND DELIBERATION REGARDING THE PURCHASE, EXCHANGE, OR VALUE OF REAL PROPERTY INCLUDING THE MARKETING AND POTENTIAL SALE OR LEASE OF COUNTY OWNED PROPERTIES. POSSIBLE ACTION MAY FOLLOW IN OPEN COURT – was pulled*

DISCUSSION OF ISSUES RELATED TO THE HAYS COUNTY JAIL, AND THE PLANNING OF PROJECTS PERTAINING TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITIES NEEDS WITHIN THE COUNTY

Judge Cobb gave the Hays County Jail Report. Hays County's current maximum jail capacity is 362 inmates. Jail Standards recommends holding approximately 10% of capacity open. That lowers our capacity to 311. The jail's daily average was 294 and peak was 304 on May 6th for the week of May 1 to May 7, 2016. The maximum female capacity is 76 inmates. Last week's average was 61 and peak was 62 on 5/6/2016. The maximum male capacity is 256 inmates. Last week's average was 233 and peak was 242 on 5/6/2016. Inmate at Guadalupe County: 41; Inmate at Bastrop County: 0; Inmate at Caldwell County: 33; Inmate at Walker County: 0.

ACTION RELATED TO THE BURN BAN AND/OR DISASTER DECLARATION

Today's Drought Index is 115. Burn Ban will remain lifted.

CLERK'S NOTE AGENDA ITEM #20 RE: *DISCUSSION OF ISSUES RELATED TO THE ROAD BOND PROJECTS, INCLUDING UPDATES FROM MIKE WEAVER, PRIME STRATEGIES, LAURA HARRIS, HNTB AND ALLEN CROZIER, HDR – was pulled*

A motion was made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Whisenant to adjourn at 10:12 a.m.

I, LIZ Q. GONZALEZ, COUNTY CLERK and EXOFFICIO CLERK OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT, do hereby certify that the foregoing contains a true and accurate record of the proceedings had by the Hays County Commissioners' Court on MAY 10, 2016.



**LIZ Q. GONZALEZ, COUNTY CLERK AND EXOFFICIO
CLERK OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF
HAYS COUNTY, TEXAS**