

HAYS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES



FEBRUARY 27, 2024

STATE OF TEXAS *
COUNTY OF HAYS *

ON THIS THE 27th DAY OF FEBRUARY A.D., 2024, THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF HAYS COUNTY, TEXAS, MET IN REGULAR MEETING. THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT, TO-WIT:

RUBEN BECERRA	COUNTY JUDGE
DEBBIE GONZALES INGALSBE	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 1
MICHELLE COHEN	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 2
LON A. SHELL	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 3
WALT SMITH	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 4
LILLIAN GILLESPIE	DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK

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THE FOLLOWING PROCEEDINGS WERE HAD, THAT IS:

Judge Becerra called the meeting to order. Pastor Darius Todd, Hays County Chaplain, gave the invocation. Judge Becerra led the court in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Eva Ann Luckey made a public comment thanking David Peterson, Constable Precinct 1, for 35 years of service to Hays County. Dan Lyon made a public comment against change orders. Raymond Whisenant Jr. made a public comment thanking Constable Peterson for his service to Hays County. Rodrigo Amaya made a public comment concerning the county's hiring process.

Clerk's Note: Commissioner Smith arrived at 9:19 a.m. for the following proceedings:

Presentation of Hays County Employee Service and Retirement Awards.

Kim Jeter, Hays County Human Resources Manager, presented employees with service milestone and retirement awards. Eva Luckey and the court honored David Peterson, Constable Precinct 1, for 35 years of service to Hays County.

40017 Adopt a Proclamation recognizing Dorothy June Paddison as the 2024 Hays Youth Poet Laureate.

Dorothy June Paddison read two of her poems to the court.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to adopt a Proclamation recognizing Dorothy June Paddison as the 2024 Hays Youth Poet Laureate.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

Presentation regarding the 2023 Hays County Judicial Services report.

Albert Sierra, Hays County Assistant Judicial Services Director, presented the July - December 2023 Bond Supervision report to the court and spoke about the progress of the program, including extended hours, a new website, home visits, grant applications, and the Pretrial Diversion Program. Jason Facundo, Hays County Judicial Services Supervisor, reviewed highlights from the report, including inmate release numbers, jail population numbers, and costs for housing inmates. The court thanked Sierra, Facundo, and all involved with this department for their work. Commissioner Cohen asked about the safety of home visits, and Sierra spoke about safety measures practiced. Commissioner Shell spoke about improvements in the jail population. Commissioner Smith thanked Commissioner Ingalsbe and Commissioner Shell for all the work they have put into this effort over the years. Judge Becerra spoke about the importance of pretrial services and the need to keep inmates housed in the county.

**40018** Approve payments of County invoices.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve payments of County invoices.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40019 Approve the payment of Juror checks.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve the payment of Juror checks.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40020 Approve the payment of United Healthcare claims.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve the payment of United Healthcare claims.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40021 Approve Commissioners Court Minutes of February 6, 2024.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve Commissioners Court Minutes of February 6, 2024.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40022 Approve Amended Commissioners Court Minutes of January 9, 2018 through October 30, 2018.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve Amended Commissioners Court Minutes of January 9, 2018 through October 30, 2018.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40023 Approve the payment of the February 29, 2024 payroll disbursements in an amount not to exceed \$5,200,000.00 effective February 29, 2024 and post totals for wages, withholdings, deductions and benefits on the Hays County website once finalized.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve the payment of the February 29, 2024 payroll disbursements in an amount not to exceed \$5,200,000.00 effective February 29, 2024 and post totals for wages, withholdings, deductions and benefits on the Hays County website once finalized.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40024 Approve and confirm the appointment of Albert Herrera III as a regular full-time Deputy Constable in the Hays County Constable Precinct 1 Office.

David Peterson, Constable Precinct 1, spoke about Deputy Herrera's background and qualifications.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to approve and confirm the appointment of Albert Herrera III as a regular full-time Deputy Constable in the Hays County Constable Precinct 1 Office.



AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40025 Accept the 2023 Racial Profiling Report and the 2023 Annual Activity Report from the Hays County Constable's Office, Precinct 4.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to accept the 2023 Racial Profiling Report and the 2023 Annual Activity Report from the Hays County Constable's Office, Precinct 4.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40026 Accept the 2023 Racial Profiling Report and the 2023 Annual Activity Report from the Hays County Constable's Office, Precinct 3.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to accept the 2023 Racial Profiling Report and the 2023 Annual Activity Report from the Hays County Constable's Office, Precinct 3.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40027 Accept the 2023 Racial Profiling Report and the 2023 Annual Activity Report from Hays County Constable's Office, Precinct 5.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to accept the 2023 Racial Profiling Report and the 2023 Annual Activity Report from Hays County Constable's Office, Precinct 5.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40028 Approve out of state travel for Senior Deputy Anne Medina and Senior Deputy Madison Gish to attend the Pria Conference on March 4 - March 7, 2024 in Charleston, South Carolina.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve out of state travel for Senior Deputy Anne Medina and Senior Deputy Madison Gish to attend the Pria Conference on March 4 - March 7, 2024 in Charleston, South Carolina.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40029 Approve out of state travel for Abigail Hajovsky and Joseph Bodin in the Information Technology Department to attend the Tyler Connect Conference on May 19-22, 2024 in Indianapolis, IN.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve out of state travel for Abigail Hajovsky and Joseph Bodin in the Information Technology Department to attend the Tyler Connect Conference on May 19-22, 2024 in Indianapolis, IN.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40030 Approve the Cinco de Mayo Menudo Throwdown event on the courthouse grounds sponsored by Hill Country Cook-Off Association to be held on May 4, 2024, that shall include commercial vendors.

Dan Lyon made a public comment concerning the impact of events on the courthouse grounds.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve the Cinco de Mayo Menudo Throwdown event on the courthouse grounds sponsored by Hill Country Cook-Off Association to be held on May 4, 2024, that shall include commercial vendors.



AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40031 Authorize expenditures of up to \$1,500.00 for a public Easter Egg Hunt Event to be held on the Courthouse Grounds on March 29, 2024 and amend the budget accordingly.

Dan Lyon made a public comment concerning event safety and its cost.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize expenditures of up to \$1,500.00 for a public Easter Egg Hunt Event to be held on the Courthouse Grounds on March 29, 2024 and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40032 Authorize payment to Teddy Morse's Cowboy Harley-Davidson in the amount of \$588.56 related to maintenance on the 2020 Harley Davidson for the Constable, Pct. 4 Office, in which no purchase order was issued as required per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.

Rodrigo Amaya made a public comment against the item. Commissioner Smith explained the additional cost of the item is for repairs, and the work is not being done in-county due to staff shortages.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize payment to Teddy Morse's Cowboy Harley-Davidson in the amount of \$588.56 related to maintenance on the 2020 Harley Davidson for the Constable, Pct. 4 Office, in which no purchase order was issued as required per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40033 Authorize Building Maintenance to have Security One install a new alarm security system at the Hays County Precinct 2 Building and authorize the County Judge to execute the Alarm System Monitoring Agreement authorizing a waiver to the purchasing policy.

Rodrigo Amaya made a public comment requesting clarification on the item and language in the backup. Tammy Crumley, Director of Countywide Operations, corrected a grammatical error in the backup documents.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize Building Maintenance to have Security One install a new alarm security system at the Hays County Precinct 2 Building and authorize the County Judge to execute the Alarm System Monitoring Agreement authorizing a waiver to the purchasing policy.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40034 Authorize Building Maintenance to have Security One update the alarm system located at 2171 Yarrington with a wireless communicator and authorize the County Judge to execute the monitoring agreement authorizing a waiver to the purchasing policy.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize Building Maintenance to have Security One update the alarm system located at 2171 Yarrington with a wireless communicator and authorize the County Judge to execute the monitoring agreement authorizing a waiver to the purchasing policy.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40035 Authorize the Building Maintenance Department to purchase one (1) replacement Dell Latitude 5540 Laptop with Docking valued at \$1,668.00 for the Facility Maintenance Manager and amend the budget accordingly.



A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize the Building Maintenance Department to purchase one (1) replacement Dell Latitude 5540 Laptop with Docking valued at \$1,668.00 for the Facility Maintenance Manager and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40036 Authorize the execution of an Interlocal Cooperation Contract between Hays County and the Department of Public Safety, related to the FTA program conducted pursuant to Chapter 706 of the Texas Transportation Code.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize the execution of an Interlocal Cooperation Contract between Hays County and the Department of Public Safety, related to the FTA program conducted pursuant to Chapter 706 of the Texas Transportation Code.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40037 Accept delivery of the Auditor's Office Quarterly and Annual Internal Examination Reports.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to accept delivery of the Auditor's Office Quarterly and Annual Internal Examination Reports.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40038 Amend various departmental operating, special revenue and capital project budgets in preparation for Fiscal Year 2024 quarterly financial reporting.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to amend various departmental operating, special revenue and capital project budgets in preparation for Fiscal Year 2024 quarterly financial reporting.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40039 Approve an increase of \$600.00 to the County Clerk Office change fund as recommended by the County Auditor pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Chapter 130.902 (d).

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve an increase of \$600.00 to the County Clerk Office change fund as recommended by the County Auditor pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Chapter 130.902 (d).

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40040 Authorize the Commissioner Pct. 2 Office to support Lehman High School within the Hays Consolidated Independent School District for expenses related to Run With The Pack 5k.

Dan Lyon made a public comment against the item. Rodrigo Amaya made a public comment concerning an error in the item backup. Commissioner Cohen stated this supports student athletes at Lehman High School and the funds come from her community budget.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize the Commissioner Pct. 2 Office to support Lehman High School within the Hays Consolidated Independent School District for expenses related to Run With The Pack 5k.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously



40041 Approve out-of-state travel for CECC Director Stephanie Robinson to attend the Tyler Connect Conference and Advisory Board Meetings on May 19-24, 2024 in Indianapolis, Indiana.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve out-of-state travel for CECC Director Stephanie Robinson to attend the Tyler Connect Conference and Advisory Board Meetings on May 19-24, 2024 in Indianapolis, Indiana.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40042 Approve the filing of Tax Assessor-Collector Jenifer O'Kane's Continuing Education Transcript as required by Section 6.231 (d) of the Texas Property Tax Code.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve the filing of Tax Assessor-Collector Jenifer O'Kane's Continuing Education Transcript as required by Section 6.231 (d) of the Texas Property Tax Code.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40043 Approve payment to AMG Printing & Mailing in the amount of \$48,458.22 for the Tax Office related to annual tax statements in which no purchase order was issued as required per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.

Rodrigo Amaya made a public comment against the item. Jenifer O'Kane, Hays County Tax Assessor-Collector, explained this was overlooked and there is a waiver to the purchasing policy for AMG Printing & Mailing.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve payment to AMG Printing & Mailing in the amount of \$48,458.22 for the Tax Office related to annual tax statements in which no purchase order was issued as required per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40044 Approve payment to Nemo-Q in the amount of \$775.00 for the Tax Office related to Kiosk printer paper in which no purchase order was issued as required per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve payment to Nemo-Q in the amount of \$775.00 for the Tax Office related to Kiosk printer paper in which no purchase order was issued as required per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40045 Ratify the execution of a resolution and submission of a grant application to the Office of the Governor (OOG) for the Project Safe Neighborhoods Grant Program in the amount of \$940,718.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to ratify the execution of a resolution and submission of a grant application to the Office of the Governor (OOG) for the Project Safe Neighborhoods Grant Program in the amount of \$940,718.00.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40046 Authorize Commissioner Precinct 3 to execute a letter of support for the Great Springs Project's grant application to the US Economic Development Agency's Planning and Local Technical Assistance Program.

Rodrigo Amaya made a public comment asking how this will improve evacuation routes. Commissioner Shell noted trails could increase routes. Judge Becerra stated he is working with the Emergency Services Director, Mike Jones, on emergency evacuation routes.



A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize Commissioner Precinct 3 to execute a letter of support for the Great Springs Project's grant application to the US Economic Development Agency's Planning and Local Technical Assistance Program.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40047 Authorize the ratification of a grant application to the Texas Health and Human Services, Community Mental Health Grant Program in the amount of \$627,132.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize the ratification of a grant application to the Texas Health and Human Services, Community Mental Health Grant Program in the amount of \$627,132.00.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40048 Ratify a grant application to the Office of the Governor requiring matching funds for a FY25 grant related to a Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Grant program in the amount of \$281,250.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to ratify a grant application to the Office of the Governor requiring matching funds for a FY25 grant related to a Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Grant program in the amount of \$281,250.00.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40049 Authorize the acceptance of an additional \$50,000.00 in grant funding from the Texas Veterans Commission, General Assistance Program to support the Veterans County Service Office and amend the budget accordingly.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize the acceptance of an additional \$50,000.00 in grant funding from the Texas Veterans Commission, General Assistance Program to support the Veterans County Service Office and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40050 Authorize the submission of a grant application to the U.S. Department of Justice, The Bureau of Justice Assistance, Body-Worn Camera Grant Program for small, rural, and tribal law enforcement agencies. (SRT) in the amount of \$9,479.40.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize the submission of a grant application to the U.S. Department of Justice, The Bureau of Justice Assistance, Body-Worn Camera Grant Program for small, rural, and tribal law enforcement agencies. (SRT) in the amount of \$9,479.40.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40051 Amend the Transportation Department's budget for road-building materials valued at \$24,941.25 to receive approximately 225 tons of Limestone Rock Asphalt, Type II, Grade DS material from the Texas Department of Transportation through their FY 2024 County Assist Surplus Program and add to the department's inventory.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to amend the Transportation Department's budget for road-building materials valued at \$24,941.25 to receive approximately 225 tons of Limestone Rock Asphalt, Type II, Grade DS material from the Texas Department of Transportation through their FY 2024 County Assist Surplus Program and add to the department's inventory.



AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40052 Approve out-of-state travel for Records Program Administrator Kelsie Pina and Emergency Communications Manager Megan Jones to attend the Tyler Connect Conference on May 19-22, 2024, in Indianapolis, Indiana.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve out-of-state travel for Records Program Administrator Kelsie Pina and Emergency Communications Manager Megan Jones to attend the Tyler Connect Conference on May 19-22, 2024, in Indianapolis, Indiana.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40053 Approve out-of-state travel for Corporal Garrett Dominguez to attend Hostage Crisis Negotiations Level II on May 20-24, 2024, in Jacksonville, Florida.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve out-of-state travel for Corporal Garrett Dominguez to attend Hostage Crisis Negotiations Level II on May 20-24, 2024, in Jacksonville, Florida.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40054 Authorize the acceptance of a donation to the Sheriff's Office of \$4,278.10 for the purchase of law enforcement equipment and amend the budget accordingly.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize the acceptance of a donation to the Sheriff's Office of \$4,278.10 for the purchase of law enforcement equipment and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40055 Authorize payment to Panoramic Software Inc. in the amount of \$1,980 for Vetpro software licenses for the Veteran's Administration Office in which no purchase order was issued as required per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize payment to Panoramic Software Inc. in the amount of \$1,980 for Vetpro software licenses for the Veteran's Administration Office in which no purchase order was issued as required per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40056 Authorize the Jail Facility to replace a backflow enclosure where insurance proceeds were received totaling \$7,581.53 and amend the budget accordingly.

Rodrigo Amaya made a public comment requesting clarification on the item. Commissioner Ingalsbe explained this is for a protective cover to prevent equipment from freezing.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize the Jail Facility to replace a backflow enclosure where insurance proceeds were received totaling \$7,581.53 and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40057 Authorize the execution of the FY 2024 Grant Agreement with the U.S. Department of Justice, Drug Enforcement Administration for overtime reimbursements related to the Sheriff's Office Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force (OCDETF) and amend the budget accordingly.



A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize the execution of the FY 2024 Grant Agreement with the U.S. Department of Justice, Drug Enforcement Administration for overtime reimbursements related to the Sheriff's Office Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force (OCDETF) and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40058 Authorize the execution of an agreement with LeadsOnline to purchase CellHawk a Cell Phone Mapping & Analysis System used by the Sheriff's Office for investigative purposes valued at \$4,579.00 and amend the budget accordingly.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize the execution of an agreement with LeadsOnline to purchase CellHawk a Cell Phone Mapping & Analysis System used by the Sheriff's Office for investigative purposes valued at \$4,579.00 and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40059 Approve Utility Permits.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve Utility Permits.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40060 Approve Specifications for RFP 2024-P08 Generator - Preventative Maintenance and Repair Services and authorize Purchasing to solicit for proposals and advertise.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve Specifications for RFP 2024-P08 Generator - Preventative Maintenance and Repair Services and authorize Purchasing to solicit for proposals and advertise.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40061 Accept the company name change for WSB & Associates Inc. dba WSB Engineers and Surveyors Inc. to WSB LLC.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to accept the company name change for WSB & Associates Inc. dba WSB Engineers and Surveyors Inc. to WSB LLC.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40062 Authorize the Bail Bond Board to utilize budgeted funds to pay for Bail 101 Training and consumable items and amend the budget accordingly.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize the Bail Bond Board to utilize budgeted funds to pay for Bail 101 Training and consumable items and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40063 Approve payment in the amount of \$593.37 to AMG Printing & Mailing related to inspection forms for the Development Services Department where no purchase order was obtained per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.



A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve payment in the amount of \$593.37 to AMG Printing & Mailing related to inspection forms for the Development Services Department where no purchase order was obtained per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40064 Authorize payment to Truck City Ford in the amount of \$2,470.41 for the Constable Pct. 2 Office related to needed repairs on the 2018 Ford Explorer in which no purchase order was issued as required per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.

Rodrigo Amaya made a public comment concerning the invoice date. Commissioner Cohen explained more repairs were needed than expected, which caused the delay.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize payment to Truck City Ford in the amount of \$2,470.41 for the Constable Pct. 2 Office related to needed repairs on the 2018 Ford Explorer in which no purchase order was issued as required per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40065 Authorize the Constable Pct. 5 Office to utilize \$14,886.53 in insurance proceeds to replace a totaled 2016 Ford Explorer with a leased vehicle and amend the budget accordingly.

Rodrigo Amaya made a public comment requesting further information. Vickie Dorsett, Hays County Budget Officer, stated information on the other party involved in an accident would not be included in the agenda item backup. Commissioner Shell asked for clarification on the purchasing policy in situations where more funds are needed than initially expected. Stephanie Hunt, Hays County Purchasing Agent, explained a purchase order should always be done when costs exceed \$500. Judge Becerra noted the purchasing policy is currently being updated. Marisol Villarreal-Alonzo, Hays County Auditor, explained the auditing process for purchase orders and why they sometimes must go to Commissioners Court for approval.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize the Constable Pct. 5 Office to utilize \$14,886.53 in insurance proceeds to replace a totaled 2016 Ford Explorer with a leased vehicle and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40066 Accept the Fiscal Year 2022 Hays County Emergency Services District #7 Internal Examination Report per Texas Health and Safety Code 775.082 (e).

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to accept the Fiscal Year 2022 Hays County Emergency Services District #7 Internal Examination Report per Texas Health and Safety Code 775.082 (e).

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40067 Adopt the attached Jury Selection Plan as recommended by the Hays County District Judges pursuant to Texas Government Code, Section 62.011.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to adopt the attached Jury Selection Plan as recommended by the Hays County District Judges pursuant to Texas Government Code, Section 62.011.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40068 Approve the appointment of Jack Wylie to the board of the Hays County Child Protective Board, three-year term ending December 31, 2026.



A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve the appointment of Jack Wylie to the board of the Hays County Child Protective Board, three-year term ending December 31, 2026.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40069 Authorize the execution of quotes with Axon Enterprise, Inc. related to the Fleet in-car camera system and Body Worn camera program for the Constable Pct. 5 Office and amend the budget accordingly.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize the execution of quotes with Axon Enterprise, Inc. related to the Fleet in-car camera system and Body Worn camera program for the Constable Pct. 5 Office and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40070 Discussion and possible action to authorize the execution of Contract Amendment No. 4 in the amount of \$40,000.00 to the Professional Services Agreement between Hays County and Doucet & Associates, Inc. for the Darden Hill Road at Sawyer Ranch Roundabout project in Precinct 4, as part of the 2016 Road Bond Program, utilizing a discretionary exemption pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Ch. 262.024(a)(4) and amend the budget accordingly.

Commissioner Smith explained this project is in front of the new Cypress Springs Elementary and will accommodate for the construction of the second high school planned for Dripping Springs. Dan Lyon made a public comment against the item. Commissioner Smith spoke about the importance of truck aprons and the potential for future expansion around this roundabout.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize the execution of Contract Amendment No. 4 in the amount of \$40,000.00 to the Professional Services Agreement between Hays County and Doucet & Associates, Inc. for the Darden Hill Road at Sawyer Ranch Roundabout project in Precinct 4, as part of the 2016 Road Bond Program, utilizing a discretionary exemption pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Ch. 262.024(a)(4) and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40071 Discussion and possible action to authorize the execution of Contract Amendment No. 7 in the amount of \$25,000.00 to the Professional Services Agreement between Hays County and LJA Engineering, Inc. for professional design services on the FM 110 North project in Precinct 1, as part of the TxDOT/Hays County Partnership Program, utilizing a discretionary exemption pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Ch. 262.024(a)(4).

Commissioner Ingalsbe explained this will provide drainage mitigation alternatives which were determined necessary after flooding in the area. Dan Lyon made a public comment asking for the original contract price and completion date.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize the execution of Contract Amendment No. 7 in the amount of \$25,000.00 to the Professional Services Agreement between Hays County and LJA Engineering, Inc. for professional design services on the FM 110 North project in Precinct 1, as part of the TxDOT/Hays County Partnership Program, utilizing a discretionary exemption pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Ch. 262.024(a)(4).

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40072 Discussion and possible action to consider the release of the maintenance bond #800131704 in the amount of \$159,343.74 for Headwaters at Barton Creek Ph.4-Sec. 2, Ph.4-Sec. 4, and Ph.5-Sec. 1 and the acceptance of roads and surface drainage improvements into the County Road Maintenance System.



A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Shell to release the maintenance bond #800131704 in the amount of \$159,343.74 for Headwaters at Barton Creek Ph.4-Sec. 2, Ph.4-Sec. 4, and Ph.5-Sec. 1 and accept roads and surface drainage improvements into the County Road Maintenance System.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40073 Discussion and possible action to consider the release of the maintenance bond #800131707 in the amount of \$21,617.40 for Headwaters at Barton Creek Ph.4-Sec. 6 and the acceptance of roads and surface drainage improvements into the County Road Maintenance System.

A motion was made by Commissioner Smith, seconded by Commissioner Shell to release the maintenance bond #800131707 in the amount of \$21,617.40 for Headwaters at Barton Creek Ph.4-Sec. 6 and accept roads and surface drainage improvements into the County Road Maintenance System.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40074 Discussion and possible action to call for a public hearing on March 12, 2024, to establish a 3-way stop at the intersection of Crosswinds Parkway and Backstays Loop.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to call for a public hearing on March 12, 2024, to establish a 3-way stop at the intersection of Crosswinds Parkway and Backstays Loop.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40075 Discussion and possible action to call for a public hearing on March 12, 2024, to establish a 4-way stop at the intersection of Crosswinds Parkway and Bay Breeze Drive.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to call for a public hearing on March 12, 2024, to establish a 4-way stop at the intersection of Crosswinds Parkway and Bay Breeze Drive.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40076 Discussion and possible action to call for a public hearing on March 12, 2024, to install 2 new stop signs on Dacy Lane at the intersection with McCormick Avenue.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cohen, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to call for a public hearing on March 12, 2024, to install 2 new stop signs on Dacy Lane at the intersection with McCormick Avenue.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40077 PLN-2413-PC; Hold a Public Hearing, followed by discussion and possible action regarding The Cliffs of Onion Creek, Lot 1, Replat.

Judge Becerra opened the Public Hearing at 12:00 p.m. No comments were made. Judge Becerra closed the Public Hearing at 12:00 p.m. Marcus Pacheco, Director of Development Services, provided background on the property and stated staff recommends disapproval due to deficiencies listed in the agenda item backup. Once the deficiencies are addressed, an administrative approval will be given before the item is brought back to court for certification.

A motion was made by Commissioner Shell, seconded by Commissioner Smith to disapprove The Cliffs of Onion Creek, Lot 1, Replat (PLN-2413-PC).

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously



40078 Discussion and possible action to authorize the County Judge to execute an Interlocal Agreement between Hays County, Texas; City of Dripping Springs, Texas; City of Woodcreek, Texas; The Watershed Association, and The Meadows Center for Water and the Environment, for the implementation of the Blanco Cypress Watershed Protection Plan (BCWPP).

Commissioner Shell explained the Cypress Creek Watershed Protection Plan was previously funded by grants, and moving forward the Blanco River can be added to it. Tucker Furlow, Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division, noted the agenda item should read "City of Wimberly, Texas", not Dripping Springs. David Baker, Executive Director of the Watershed Association, spoke about the importance of monitoring and conserving water and collaboration between local governments. Jenna Walker, Meadows Center Director of Watershed Services, spoke in support of the item. Commissioner Shell spoke about the county's contribution to this partnership, including a new Watershed Coordinator position. Commissioner Ingalsbe thanked Commissioner Shell and the court for their dedication to conservation.

A motion was made by Commissioner Shell, seconded by Commissioner Smith to authorize the County Judge to execute an Interlocal Agreement between Hays County, Texas; City of Wimberly, Texas; City of Woodcreek, Texas; The Watershed Association, and The Meadows Center for Water and the Environment, for the implementation of the Blanco Cypress Watershed Protection Plan (BCWPP).

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40079 Discussion and possible action to establish one (1) new Watershed Coordinator position with equipment in the Hays County Parks Department effective April 1, 2024 and amend the budget accordingly.

Commissioner Shell stated Human Resources and partners have given input on the position, and this will allow water issues across the entire county to be addressed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Shell, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to establish one (1) new Watershed Coordinator position with equipment in the Hays County Parks Department effective April 1, 2024 and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40080 Discussion and possible action to accept a Proposal from Water & Earth Technologies (WET) related to the repair and reinstallation of the Windy Hill Master and Remote Flasher Pole; authorize a discretionary exemption pursuant to Texas Local Government Code 262.024 (a)(7)(D) and amend the budget accordingly.

Dan Lyon made a public comment asking about the county's financial responsibility for this and how to avoid future damage. Mike Jones, Director of Emergency Services, stated they are working to relocate some flasher poles and install guardrails around poles that cannot be moved.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cohen, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to accept a Proposal from Water & Earth Technologies (WET) related to the repair and reinstallation of the Windy Hill Master and Remote Flasher Pole; authorize a discretionary exemption pursuant to Texas Local Government Code 262.024 (a)(7)(D) and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40081 Discussion and possible action to approve a new Purchasing Specialist II, grade 118 with equipment in the Hays County Purchasing Office effective April 1, 2024 and amend the budget accordingly.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cohen, seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve a new Purchasing Specialist II, grade 118 with equipment in the Hays County Purchasing Office effective April 1, 2024 and amend the budget accordingly.



AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40082 Discussion and possible action to authorize the County Clerk's Office to re-grade the Probate Auditor I, grade 120 to a Probate Auditor III, grade 124 effective March 1, 2024.

Shari Miller, Director of Human Resources, stated the position classification has been reviewed by the Compensation Committee, and it was determined it needed to be re-graded due to the job duties.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize the County Clerk's Office to re-grade the Probate Auditor I, grade 120 to a Probate Auditor III, grade 124 effective March 1, 2024.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

Discussion regarding establishing an exemption from Hays County Ad Valorem taxation, for all or part of the appraised value of real property used to operate a qualifying and licensed Child-Care Facility, pursuant to Texas Senate Bill 1145.

Edward Bradley made a public comment in support of a tax exemption for child care facilities and spoke about the importance of early childhood education. Commissioner Ingalsbe shared information on Senate Bill 1145 and the requirements facilities must meet to qualify. Commissioner Cohen gave support for the exemption. The item will be brought back to court in March for possible action.

40083 Discussion and possible action to execute a Participation Agreement between Hays County and Choice Partners Cooperative related to participating in Food/Cafeteria related contract with Choice Partners Cooperative for the 2024-2025 school year.

Stephanie Hunt, Hays County Purchasing Agent, corrected the year to 2024-2025 and noted this is a yearly contract for food at the jail.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to execute a Participation Agreement between Hays County and Choice Partners Cooperative related to participating in Food/Cafeteria related contract with Choice Partners Cooperative for the 2024-2025 school year.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40084 Discussion and possible action to award a contract for RFP 2024-P07 Employee Benefits Financial Consulting Services to NFP Corporate Services (TX), LLC and authorize staff and the District Attorney, Civil Division to negotiate a contract.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cohen, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to award a contract for RFP 2024-P07 Employee Benefits Financial Consulting Services to NFP Corporate Services (TX), LLC and authorize staff and the District Attorney, Civil Division to negotiate a contract.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

40085 Discussion and possible action to approve the 9-1-1 Addressing and Street Name Interlocal Agreement (ILA) between Hays County and the City of Niederwald.

Commissioner Ingalsbe stated this will provide 9-1-1 Addressing services to Niederwald.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to approve the 9-1-1 Addressing and Street Name Interlocal Agreement (ILA) between Hays County and the City of Niederwald.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously



40086 Discussion and possible action to authorize the execution of the Hays County American Rescue Plan Recovery Donation Agreement between Hays County and San Marcos Youth Services Bureau and amend the budget accordingly.

Commissioner Ingalsbe gave support for the San Marcos Youth Services Bureau, which provides education, mentorship, and life skill training to children ages 11-17.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize the execution of the Hays County American Rescue Plan Recovery Donation Agreement between Hays County and San Marcos Youth Services Bureau and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

Clerk's Note Agenda Item #K-11 RE: *Discussion and possible action to authorize the County Judge to execute a Participation Agreement and Resolution with TexPool Investment Pools designating the District Clerk as an Authorized Representative for related trust accounts as authorized pursuant to Texas Local Government Code, Section 117.053. - WAS PULLED.*

40087 Discussion and possible action to authorize the County Judge to execute Task Order #5 to the Interlocal Master Agreement between Hays County and Texas State University executed on or about August 18, 2020 and amend the budget accordingly.

Dan Lyon made a public comment against the agreement. Commissioner Shell spoke about the agreement and budget details he added to the backup information.

A motion was made by Commissioner Shell, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to authorize the County Judge to execute Task Order #5 to the Interlocal Master Agreement between Hays County and Texas State University executed on or about August 18, 2020 and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

Clerk's Note: Judge Becerra called for a recess that began at 11:05 a.m. and resumed back into open court at 11:13 a.m.

Clerk's Note: Executive Session began at 12:11 p.m. and resumed back into open court at 1:16 p.m.

Clerk's Note Agenda Item #M-1 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, lease and/or value of real property associated with Parks and Open Space Projects being considered by Hays County. Possible discussion and/or action may follow in open court. - WAS PULLED.*

Executive Session Pursuant to Sections 551.071 and 551.087 of the Texas Government Code: Consultation with counsel and deliberation regarding economic development negotiations associated with Project Journey. Possible discussion and/or action may follow in open court.

Those present in Executive Session were the Commissioners Court, Jordan Powell, First Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division, Tucker Furlow, Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division, Janice Jones, Legal Support Services Specialist, Vickie Dorsett, Hays County Budget Officer, Emily Mathes, Greater San Marcos Partnership Director of Business Development, and Mike Kamerlander, Greater San Marcos Partnership President/CEO. No action taken.

Executive Session Pursuant to Sections 551.071 and 551.087 of the Texas Government Code: Consultation with counsel and deliberation regarding economic development negotiations associated with Project Forward Motion. Possible discussion and/or action may follow in open court.



Those present in Executive Session were the Commissioners Court, Jordan Powell, First Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division, Tucker Furlow, Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division, Janice Jones, Legal Support Services Specialist, Vickie Dorsett, Hays County Budget Officer, Emily Mathes, Greater San Marcos Partnership Director of Business Development, and Mike Kamerlander, Greater San Marcos Partnership President/CEO. No action taken.

40088 Executive Session pursuant to Sections 551.071 and 551.074 of the Texas Government Code: consultation with counsel and deliberation regarding employment and duties of all individual positions within the Hays County Tax Assessor Collector's Office. Possible discussion and/or action may follow in open court.

Those present in Executive Session were the Commissioners Court, Tucker Furlow, Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division, Jordan Powell, First Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division, Janice Jones, Legal Support Services Specialist, Shari Miller, Director of Human Resources, Vickie Dorsett, Hays County Budget Officer, Jenifer O'Kane, Hays County Tax Assessor-Collector, and Theresa Cruz, Assistant Tax Assessor-Collector.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cohen, seconded by Commissioner Shell to establish one new Tax Application Specialist, Grade 120, effective April 1, 2024, authorize Building Improvements to add work space in the Government Center Tax Office as discussed in Executive Session, and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

Executive Session pursuant to Sections 551.071 and 551.072 of the Texas Government Code consultation with counsel and deliberation regarding the purchase, exchange, lease and /or value of real property located in Precinct 2. Possible discussion and/or action may follow in open court.

Those present in Executive Session were the Commissioners Court, Jordan Powell, First Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division, Tucker Furlow, Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division, Janice Jones, Legal Support Services Specialist, Vickie Dorsett, Hays County Budget Officer, and Tammy Crumley, Director of Countywide Operations. No action taken.

40089 Executive Session pursuant to Sections 551.071 and 551.076 of the Texas Government Code regarding the deployment of security devices located at the Hays County Jail Facility. Possible discussion and/or action may follow in open court.

Those present in Executive Session were the Commissioners Court, Tucker Furlow, Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division, Jordan Powell, First Assistant Criminal District Attorney - Civil Division, Janice Jones, Legal Support Services Specialist, Shari Miller, Director of Human Resources, Gary Cutler, Hays County Sheriff, Mike Davenport, Hays County Sheriff's Office Chief Deputy, John Saenz, Captain of the Hays County Corrections Bureau, Vickie Dorsett, Hays County Budget Officer, and Stephanie Hunt, Hays County Purchasing Agent.

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Cohen to authorize the Sheriff's Office to accept proposals from Cornerstone Inc. related to upgraded security devices at the Hays County Jail, authorize a discretionary exemption pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Chapter 262.024(a)(7)(D), as discussed in Executive Session, and amend the budget accordingly.

AYE: Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Cohen, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Smith, Judge Becerra

5 - 0 Passed - Unanimously

Clerk's Note Agenda Item #N-1 RE: Discussion and possible action related to the burn ban. - WAS PULLED.

Discussion related to the Hays County inmate population, to include current population counts and costs.



Judge Becerra read the Sheriff's update of the inmate population. Current maximum jail capacity is 410 inmates. Jail Standards recommends holding 10% open, lowering current capacity to 368 inmates. The jail's daily average was 521 for the week of February 18, 2024, with a peak of 534 inmates on February 21, 2024. The estimated cost for outsourcing inmates this week was \$167,644. The average number of outsourced males is 250 and females is 7. This week's inmates were housed in the following counties: Comal, Haskell, and Maverick. The number of "paper-ready" inmates who are now wardens of the state is 36.

Clerk's Note Agenda Item #N-3 RE: Discussion of issues related to the Hays County Jail, and the planning of projects pertaining to the public safety facilities needs within the County. Possible action may follow. - **WAS PULLED.**

Clerk's Note Agenda Item #N-4 RE: Discussion and possible action regarding Hays County's use of federal or other grant funding related to COVID-19 response including but not limited to the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and the Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP). - **WAS PULLED.**

Clerk's Note Agenda Item #N-5 RE: Discussion and possible action related to proposed bills in the 87th Regular Session of the Texas Legislature and to consider adoption of resolution(s) regarding proposed bills. The Court may opt to withdraw to Executive Session during this item to consult with legal counsel pursuant to Texas Government Code 551.071. - **WAS PULLED.**


Clerk's Note Agenda Item #N-6 RE: Updates on measurable advancement of Judicial Services to include the areas of staffing, equipment, training, operations and policy, by Assistant Director of Judicial Services Albert Sierra. - **WAS PULLED.**

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Shell, seconded by Judge Becerra to adjourn court at 1:19 p.m.

I, ELAINE H. CÁRDENAS, 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 FEBRUARY 27, 2024.




 ELAINE H. CÁRDENAS, COUNTY CLERK AND EXOFFICIO
 CLERK OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF
 HAYS COUNTY, TEXAS



Date	Res Number	Motion	Ingalsbe	Cohen	Shell	Smith	Becerra
2/27/2024	40017	Adopt a Proclamation recognizing Dorothy June Paddison as the 2024 Hays Youth Poet Laureate.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40018	Approve payments of County invoices.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40019	Approve the payment of Juror checks.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40020	Approve the payment of United Healthcare claims.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40021	Approve Commissioners Court Minutes of February 6, 2024.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40022	Approve Amended Commissioners Court Minutes of January 9, 2018 through October 30, 2018.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40023	Approve the payment of the February 29, 2024 payroll disbursements in an amount not to exceed \$5,200,000.00 effective February 29, 2024 and post totals for wages, with-holdings, deductions and benefits on the Hays County website once finalized.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40024	Approve and confirm the appointment of Albert Herrera III as a regular full-time Deputy Constable in the Hays County Constable Precinct 1 Office.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40025	Accept the 2023 Racial Profiling Report and the 2023 Annual Activity Report from the Hays County Constable's Office, Precinct 4.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40026	Accept the 2023 Racial Profiling Report and the 2023 Annual Activity Report from the Hays County Constable's Office, Precinct 3.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40027	Accept the 2023 Racial Profiling Report and the 2023 Annual Activity Report from Hays County Constable's Office, Precinct 5.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40028	Approve out of state travel for Senior Deputy Anne Medina and Senior Deputy Madison Gish to attend the Pria Conference on March 4 - March 7, 2024 in Charleston, South Carolina.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40029	Approve out of state travel for Abigail Hajovsky and Joseph Bodin in the Information Technology Department to attend the Tyler Connect Conference on May 19-22, 2024 in Indianapolis, IN.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40030	Approve the Cinco de Mayo Menudo Throwdown event on the courthouse grounds sponsored by Hill Country Cook-Off Association to be held on May 4, 2024, that shall include commercial vendors.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40031	Authorize expenditures of up to \$1,500.00 for a public Easter Egg Hunt Event to be held on the Courthouse Grounds on March 29, 2024 and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40032	Authorize payment to Teddy Morse's Cowboy Harley-Davidson in the amount of \$588.56 related to maintenance on the 2020 Harley Davidson for the Constable, Pct. 4 Office, in which no purchase order was issued as required per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40033	Authorize Building Maintenance to have Security One install a new alarm security system at the Hays County Precinct 2 Building and authorize the County Judge to execute the Alarm System Monitoring Agreement authorizing a waiver to the purchasing policy.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40034	Authorize Building Maintenance to have Security One update the alarm system located at 2171 Yarrington with a wireless communicator and authorize the County Judge to execute the monitoring agreement authorizing a waiver to the purchasing policy.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40035	Authorize the Building Maintenance Department to purchase one (1) replacement Dell Latitude 5540 Laptop with Docking valued at \$1,668.00 for the Facility Maintenance Manager and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40036	Authorize the execution of an Interlocal Cooperation Contract between Hays County and the Department of Public Safety, related to the FTA program conducted pursuant to Chapter 706 of the Texas Transportation Code.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40037	Accept delivery of the Auditor's Office Quarterly and Annual Internal Examination Reports.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40038	Amend various departmental operating, special revenue and capital project budgets in preparation for Fiscal Year 2024 quarterly financial reporting.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40039	Approve an increase of \$600.00 to the County Clerk Office change fund as recommended by the County Auditor pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Chapter 130.902 (d).	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40040	Authorize the Commissioner Pct. 2 Office to support Lehman High School within the Hays Consolidated Independent School District for expenses related to Run With The Pack 5k.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40041	Approve out-of-state travel for CECC Director Stephanie Robinson to attend the Tyler Connect Conference and Advisory Board Meetings on May 19-24, 2024 in Indianapolis, Indiana.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40042	Approve the filing of Tax Assessor-Collector Jenifer O'Kane's Continuing Education Transcript as required by Section 6.231 (d) of the Texas Property Tax Code.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40043	Approve payment to AMG Printing & Mailing in the amount of \$48,458.22 for the Tax Office related to annual tax statements in which no purchase order was issued as required per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40044	Approve payment to Nemo-Q in the amount of \$775.00 for the Tax Office related to Kiosk printer paper in which no purchase order was issued as required per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40045	Ratify the execution of a resolution and submission of a grant application to the Office of the Governor (OOG) for the Project Safe Neighborhoods Grant Program in the amount of \$940,718.00.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40046	Authorize Commissioner Precinct 3 to execute a letter of support for the Great Springs Project's grant application to the US Economic Development Agency's Planning and Local Technical Assistance Program.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40047	Authorize the ratification of a grant application to the Texas Health and Human Services, Community Mental Health Grant Program in the amount of \$627,132.00.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40048	Ratify a grant application to the Office of the Governor requiring matching funds for a FY25 grant related to a Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Grant program in the amount of \$281,250.00.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40049	Authorize the acceptance of an additional \$50,000.00 in grant funding from the Texas Veterans Commission, General Assistance Program to support the Veterans County Service Office and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40050	Authorize the submission of a grant application to the U.S. Department of Justice, The Bureau of Justice Assistance, Body-Worn Camera Grant Program for small, rural, and tribal law enforcement agencies. (SRT) in the amount of \$9,479.40.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40051	Amend the Transportation Department's budget for road-building materials valued at \$24,941.25 to receive approximately 225 tons of Limestone Rock Asphalt, Type II, Grade DS material from the Texas Department of Transportation through their FY 2024 County Assist Surplus Program and add to the department's inventory.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40052	Approve out-of-state travel for Records Program Administrator Kelsie Pina and Emergency Communications Manager Megan Jones to attend the Tyler Connect Conference on May 19-22, 2024, in Indianapolis, Indiana.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40053	Approve out-of-state travel for Corporal Garrett Dominguez to attend Hostage Crisis Negotiations Level II on May 20-24, 2024, in Jacksonville, Florida.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40054	Authorize the acceptance of a donation to the Sheriff's Office of \$4,278.10 for the purchase of law enforcement equipment and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40055	Authorize payment to Panoramic Software Inc. in the amount of \$1,980 for Vetpro software licenses for the Veteran's Administration Office in which no purchase order was issued as required per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

Date	Res Number	Motion	Ingalsbe	Cohen	Shell	Smith	Becerra
2/27/2024	40056	Authorize the Jail Facility to replace a backflow enclosure where insurance proceeds were received totaling \$7,581.53 and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40057	Authorize the execution of the FY 2024 Grant Agreement with the U.S. Department of Justice, Drug Enforcement Administration for overtime reimbursements related to the Sheriff's Office Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force (OCDEF) and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40058	Authorize the execution of an agreement with LeadsOnline to purchase CellHawk a Cell Phone Mapping & Analysis System used by the Sheriff's Office for investigative purposes valued at \$4,579.00 and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40059	Approve Utility Permits.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40060	Approve Specifications for RFP 2024-P08 Generator - Preventative Maintenance and Repair Services and authorize Purchasing to solicit for proposals and advertise.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40061	Accept the company name change for WSB & Associates Inc. dba WSB Engineers and Surveyors Inc. to WSB LLC.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40062	Authorize the Bail Bond Board to utilize budgeted funds to pay for Bail 101 Training and consumable items and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40063	Approve payment in the amount of \$593.37 to AMG Printing & Mailing related to inspection forms for the Development Services Department where no purchase order was obtained per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40064	Authorize payment to Truck City Ford in the amount of \$2,470.41 for the Constable Pct. 2 Office related to needed repairs on the 2018 Ford Explorer in which no purchase order was issued as required per the Hays County Purchasing Policy.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40065	Authorize the Constable Pct. 5 Office to utilize \$14,886.53 in insurance proceeds to replace a totaled 2016 Ford Explorer with a leased vehicle and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40066	Accept the Fiscal Year 2022 Hays County Emergency Services District #7 Internal Examination Report per Texas Health and Safety Code 775.082 (e).	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40067	Adopt the attached Jury Selection Plan as recommended by the Hays County District Judges pursuant to Texas Government Code, Section 62.011.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40068	Approve the appointment of Jack Wylie to the board of the Hays County Child Protective Board, three-year term ending December 31, 2026.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40069	Authorize the execution of quotes with Axon Enterprise, Inc. related to the Fleet in-car camera system and Body Worn camera program for the Constable Pct. 5 Office and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40070	Authorize the execution of Contract Amendment No. 4 in the amount of \$40,000.00 to the Professional Services Agreement between Hays County and Doucet & Associates, Inc. for the Darden Hill Road at Sawyer Ranch Roundabout project in Precinct 4, as part of the 2016 Road Bond Program, utilizing a discretionary exemption pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Ch. 262.024(a)(4) and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40071	Authorize the execution of Contract Amendment No. 7 in the amount of \$25,000.00 to the Professional Services Agreement between Hays County and LJA Engineering, Inc. for professional design services on the FM 110 North project in Precinct 1, as part of the TxDOT/Hays County Partnership Program, utilizing a discretionary exemption pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Ch. 262.024(a)(4).	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40072	Release the maintenance bond #800131704 in the amount of \$159,343.74 for Headwaters at Barton Creek Ph.4-Sec. 2, Ph.4-Sec. 4, and Ph.5-Sec. 1 and accept roads and surface drainage improvements into the County Road Maintenance System.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40073	Release the maintenance bond #800131707 in the amount of \$21,617.40 for Headwaters at Barton Creek Ph.4-Sec. 6 and accept roads and surface drainage improvements into the County Road Maintenance System.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40074	Call for a public hearing on March 12, 2024, to establish a 3-way stop at the intersection of Crosswinds Parkway and Backstays Loop.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40075	Call for a public hearing on March 12, 2024, to establish a 4-way stop at the intersection of Crosswinds Parkway and Bay Breeze Drive.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40076	Call for a public hearing on March 12, 2024, to install 2 new stop signs on Dacy Lane at the intersection with McCormick Avenue.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40077	Disapprove The Cliffs of Onion Creek, Lot 1, Replat (PLN-2413-PC).	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40078	Authorize the County Judge to execute an Interlocal Agreement between Hays County, Texas; City of Wimberley, Texas; City of Woodcreek, Texas; The Watershed Association, and The Meadows Center for Water and the Environment, for the implementation of the Blanco Cypress Watershed Protection Plan (BCWPP).	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40079	Establish one (1) new Watershed Coordinator position with equipment in the Hays County Parks Department effective April 1, 2024 and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40080	Accept a Proposal from Water & Earth Technologies (WET) related to the repair and reinstallation of the Windy Hill Master and Remote Flasher Pole; authorize a discretionary exemption pursuant to Texas Local Government Code 262.024 (a)(7)(D) and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40081	Approve a new Purchasing Specialist II, grade 118 with equipment in the Hays County Purchasing Office effective April 1, 2024 and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40082	Authorize the County Clerk's Office to re-grade the Probate Auditor I, grade 120 to a Probate Auditor III, grade 124 effective March 1, 2024.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40083	Execute a Participation Agreement between Hays County and Choice Partners Cooperative related to participating in Food/Cafeteria related contract with Choice Partners Cooperative for the 2024-20252 school year.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40084	Award a contract for RFP 2024-P07 Employee Benefits Financial Consulting Services to NFP Corporate Services (TX), LLC and authorize staff and the District Attorney, Civil Division to negotiate a contract.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40085	Approve the 9-1-1 Addressing and Street Name Interlocal Agreement (ILA) between Hays County and the City of Niederwald.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40086	Authorize the execution of the Hays County American Rescue Plan Recovery Donation Agreement between Hays County and San Marcos Youth Services Bureau and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40087	Authorize the County Judge to execute Task Order #5 to the Interlocal Master Agreement between Hays County and Texas State University executed on or about August 18, 2020 and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40088	Establish one new Tax Application Specialist, Grade 120, effective April 1, 2024, authorize Building Improvements to add work space in the Government Center Tax Office as discussed in Executive Session, and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
2/27/2024	40089	Authorize the Sheriff's Office to accept proposals from Cornerstone Inc. related to upgraded security devices at the Hays County Jail, authorize a discretionary exemption pursuant to Texas Local Government Code Chapter 262.024(a)(7)(D), as discussed in Executive Session, and amend the budget accordingly.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y