NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING

January 5, 2006

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Commissioners Court of Harris County,
Texas, will be held on **Tuesday**, **January 10**, **2006**, **at 10:00 a.m.** in the Courtroom of the
Commissioners Court of Harris County, Texas, on the ninth floor of the Harris County
Administration Building, 1001 Preston Avenue, Houston, Texas, for the purpose of considering and taking action on matters brought before the Court.

The agenda may be obtained in advance of the meeting in the office of the Commissioners Court Coordinator, Suite 938, Administration Building, 1001 Preston Avenue, Houston, Texas, and in the Commissioners Court Courtroom on the day of the meeting.

Beverly B. Kaufman, County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk of Commissioners Court of Harris County, Texas

Patricia Jackson, Director Commissioners Court Records Robert Eckels County Judge El Franco Lee Commissioner, Precinct 1 Sylvia R. Garcia Commissioner, Precinct 2 Steve Radack Commissioner, Precinct 3 Jerry Eversole Commissioner, Precinct 4

No. 06.01

AGENDA

January 10, 2006

10:00 a.m.

Opening prayer by Pastor George Curry with Mt. Pilgrim Baptist Church in Houston.

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 - e. Engineering
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- 4. Facilities & Property Management
- 5. Public Health & Environmental Services
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 - e. Commissioner. Precinct 4
- 22. Miscellaneous
- 23. Emergency items
- 24. Public Hearing
- 25. Appearances before court

Adjournment

The Commissioners Court may go into executive session, if necessary, pursuant to chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, for one or more of the following reasons: (1) consultation with the County Attorney to seek or receive legal advice or consultation regarding pending or contemplated litigation; (2) discussion about the value or transfer of real property; (3) discussion about a prospective gift or donation; (4) consideration of specific personnel matters; (5) discussion about security personnel or devices; or (6) discussion of certain economic development matters. The Commissioners Court may announce that it will go into executive session on any item listed on this agenda if the subject matter is permitted for a closed session by provisions of chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

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1. Public Infrastructure Department

a. Public Infrastructure

- 1. Recommendation that the County Judge be authorized to execute an amendment to an agreement with Gary Brown for professional services in support of real estate transactions on behalf of the county.
- 2. Recommendation for authorization to negotiate an interlocal agreement between Sunbelt Freshwater Supply District and Aldine Water and Sewer Authority to provide water and sanitary sewer services to the North Houston Heights area, a project funded through Harris County Community & Economic Development in Precinct 1.
- 3. Recommendation for authorization to negotiate with Urban Architecture for continuation of on-call services.

b. Right of Way

- 1. Recommendation that the court approve resolutions and orders authorizing the projects, decreeing public necessity and convenience, and directing Right of Way to acquire specific property on behalf of the county, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete transactions for:
 - a. CenterPoint Energy utility aerial easement tract at the southeast corner of Beltway 8 and US 90 in Precinct 2.
 - b. A John Pundt Park tract at John Pundt Park and Domino Road in Precinct 4.
- 2. Recommendation that the court approve resolutions and orders authorizing the projects, decreeing public necessity and convenience, and directing Right of Way to acquire specific property on behalf of the Flood Control District, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete transactions for:
 - a. Barrett Station acquisition project, 20 tracts in the Arcadian Gardens Subdivision in Precinct 2.
 - b. Lot donation tract in the Castlewood Subdivision, Section 2 in Precinct 1.
- 3. Recommendation that the court approve a resolution and order authorizing Right of Way on behalf of the Flood Control District to purchase Tract 01-013.0 on North Eldridge between Cypress Creek and Cypress North Houston for the Cypress North Houston outfall project in Precinct 3 for the negotiated purchase price of \$21,550, \$3,000 over the appraised value, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the transaction.

- 4. Recommendation that the court approve a resolution and order authorizing Right of Way on behalf of the county to purchase Tract 001 at the southwest corner of Elrod Road and Clay Road for the Clay Road-9 project in Precinct 3 for the negotiated purchase price of \$1,000, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the transaction.
- 5. Recommendation that the court approve a resolution and order approving a Casa de Amigos Health Care expansion project tract at the northwest corner of North Main and Harrington Streets in Precinct 2, approving declaration by the Harris County Hospital District that such project is a public necessity, approving acquisition and condemnation by the district of property for the project, authorizing Public Infrastructure and other county departments to act on behalf of the district to accomplish such acquisition and for payment of compensation, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the transactions.

c. Toll Road Authority

- 1. Request for authorization to correct the payroll records of 13 employees.
- 2. Request for approval of payment in the amount of \$2,600 to participate in the annual Spring Texas Home and Garden Show February 10-12 at Reliant Center to promote the EZ Tag Program.
- 3. Request for authorization to purchase a replacement cellular phone for an employee.
- 4. Request for approval of an interlocal agreement with the City of Houston for airport customers to use EZ tags to pay parking and ground transportation fees at city airports.
- 5. Request for authorization to seek bids for walkway canopies for various toll plazas for the Hardy Toll Road and Sam Houston Tollway at an estimated cost of \$73,576.

d. Flood Control District

- 1. Recommendation that the County Judge be authorized to execute agreements with:
 - a. City of Pasadena for voluntary acquisition of five flood prone properties under the hazard mitigation grant program in Precinct 2 in the amount of \$230,950.
 - b. MUD No. 202 for mowing grass along ditches and detention basins within, adjacent to, or downstream of MUD No. 202 boundaries, Unit P552-02-00 in Precinct 4, in the amount of \$761 for the period of February 1, 2006-January 31, 2009.
 - c. Post, Buckley, Schuh & Jernigan, Inc., for environmental consulting services in the amount of \$250,000 in support of the district's water quality monitoring program.

- d. Richard B. and Raquel S. Fallon for lease of land, Unit W100-00-00, Tract 32-001.0 in Precinct 3.
- e. WFGV, Section, LP, by its general partner, Tyee Management, LLC, and Woodcreek MUD to acknowledge a contribution to the district for development of Westfield Glen Village, Section 2, and to establish system capacity in the Cypress Creek watershed, Unit K111-00-00 in Precinct 4.
- 2. Recommendation that the County Judge be authorized to execute 11 deeds of dedication to the public as utility easements of Unit E121-00-00, Tracts 01-602.0, 01-605.0, 01-607.0 through 01-612.0, and 01-614.0 through 01-616.0 in Precinct 1.
- 3. Recommendation for authorization to negotiate an agreement with Carolyn White for management and coordination services involving stormwater quality treatment, fluvial geomorphology, and natural vegetation restoration designs.
- 4. Request for authorization to reduce the percentage of retainage withheld to 2% of the total amount of work completed to date, and to release the difference of \$115,576 for payment to the contractor, NBG Constructors, Inc., for the Martin Luther King Blvd., bridge replacement at Sims Bayou in Precinct 1, leaving \$77,050 retainage on the contract.
- 5. Recommendation that Unit T106-00-00 in Precinct 3 be added to the district's stormwater management system for identification purposes only.
- 6. Recommendation for authorization to purchase a replacement cellular phone without airtime service.

e. **Engineering**

- 1. Recommendation for authorization to seek bids for a three-week period for:
 - a. On-call contract for installation and modification of traffic signal systems and related improvements at various locations in the county at an estimated cost of \$900,000.
 - b. Asphalt overlay and base repair of various roads in the Cypress area in Precinct 3 at an estimated cost of \$1,049,000.
 - c. Construction of Will Clayton Parkway from Atasca Oaks Drive to West Lake Houston Parkway, and Aerobic Drive from Will Clayton Parkway to the north in Precinct 4 at an estimated cost of \$2,730,000.
 - d. Gosling Road outfall channel and detention basin from FM 2920 to Seals Gully in Precinct 4 at an estimated cost of \$2,682,230.
- 2. Recommendation for approval of the following plats:
 - a. Bridgewater Place, Section One in Precinct 3; Provident Engineers, Incorporated.
 - b. Rock Creek, Section Three partial replat in Precinct 4; Edminster Hinshaw Russ and Associates.

- c. Insite Bluff Point in Precinct 4; Lin Engineering, Incorporated.
- d. Westlake Shopping Center in Precinct 3; Texas Engineering and Mapping Company.
- e. Eagle Springs, Section 27 in Precinct 4; Turner Collie & Braden and Kerry R. Gilbert & Associates, Incorporated.
- f. Majors Acre in Precinct 3; Hughes-Southwest Surveying Company.
- g. Kleinwood Shopping Center, Section Two in Precinct 4; Bury + Partners Engineering Solutions.
- h. The Woodlands Carlton Woods Creekside, Section Seven in the Village of Creekside Park in Precinct 4; Pate Engineers.
- i. Darren Raines Subdivision in Precinct 4; Hovis Surveying Company.
- j. Beltway 8 at Veterans Reserve in Precinct 4; Final Design and Accurate Surveys of Texas, Incorporated.
- k. Cypress-Fairbanks ISD Elementary School No. 44 in Precinct 3; West Belt Surveying, Inc., and Broods & Sparks, Incorporated.
- 1. F.A.I.T.H. Subdivision in Precinct 3; Reno & Associates and Ace Consulting Engineers, Incorporated.
- m. West Road and Greenhouse Road street dedication in Precinct 3; West Belt Surveying, Inc., and Brooks & Sparks, Incorporated.
- n. Cypress Pines Estates in Precinct 3; South Texas Surveying Associates, Incorporated.
- o. Imperial Garden, Section Two in Precinct 4; Century Engineering, Incorporated.

3. Recommendation for cancellation of bonds for:

- a. Apogee Investments, Inc., executed by Hartford Fire Insurance Company in the amount of \$3,075 for Cascade Creek, Section One in Precinct 3.
- b. MNC Realty, LP, executed by Independence Casualty and Surety Company in the amount of \$28,875 for Stablewood Farms, Section One in Precinct 3.
- c. MNC Realty, LP, executed by Independence Casualty and Surety Company in the amount of \$22,500 for Stablewood Farms, Section Two in Precinct 3.
- d. Country Community Timberlake, LP, executed by Western Surety Company in the amount of \$23,942 for Timberlake Village, Section One in Precinct 3.
- e. KB Home Lone Star, LP, executed by the American Insurance Company in the amount of \$18,000 for Blue Creek, Section One in Precinct 4.
- f. DRHI, Inc., executed by General Insurance Company of America in the amount of \$31,553 for Copper Falls, Section One in Precinct 4.
- g. Centex Homes executed by Safeco Insurance Company in the amount of \$11,333 for Northwood Pines, Section Six in Precinct 4.

4. Recommendation for approval of changes in contracts for:

- a. Angel Brothers Enterprises, Inc., contractor for Bayridge Road from the west limits of Morgan's Point to Vinsonia in Precinct 2, adding 91 calendar days and resulting in no change to the contract amount (040447-1).
- b. Traf-Tex, Inc., contractor for traffic signal installation at the intersection of Franz Road and Primewest Parkway in Precinct 3, resulting in an addition of \$5,017 to the contract amount (050095-01).

- c. Traf-Tex, Inc., contractor for traffic signal improvements on West Road at Queenston Boulevard at Lake Crystal Drive/Sunny Ridge Drive and at Pebble Lake Drive in Precinct 3, resulting in an addition of \$39,612 to the contract amount (040387-02).
- d. Traffic System Construction, Inc., contractor for traffic signal installation at the intersection of Park Row Boulevard at Price Plaza Drive in Precinct 3, resulting in an addition of \$9,214 to the contract amount (040476-02).
- e. ACM Contractors, Inc., contractor for traffic signal installation and related improvements at the intersections of Spring-Cypress Road and Grant Road and at Spring-Cypress Road and Telge Road in Precinct 4, adding 30 calendar days and resulting in an addition of \$15,135 to the contract amount (040477-02).
- f. Statewide Traffic Signal Co., contractor for proposed traffic signals and left turn improvements for various locations in Precinct 4, resulting in a reduction of \$2,210 from the contract amount (040244-01).
- 5. Recommendation for authorization for the County Judge to execute an engineering services agreement with CLR, Inc., in the amount of \$160,216 in connection with a study and eport to determine the feasibility of constructing Tidwell Road from Beltway 8 to Pineland Drive or to US 90 in Precinct 1.
- 6. Recommendation for authorization to negotiate with Environmental Consultants and Management Services, Inc., for remediation studies associated with a leaking petroleum storage tank site at 1117 Franklin Street.
- 7. Recommendation that the court declare a default by Atek Construction, Inc., contractor for proposed sidewalk installation on Queenston Boulevard from Royal Gardens to Birkes Elementary School in Precinct 3, and authorization to notify and request the surety company to assume control of the contract.
- 8. Recommendation for appropriate officials to take necessary actions and that the County Judge be authorized to execute agreements with:
 - a. Clay/Peek 640, LP, to construct an offsite diversion ditch in connection with improvements on Clay Road from west of Elrod to west of Peek in Precinct 3.
 - b. MUD No. 397 for the submerged storm sewer system serving Fairfield Place Drive/Cumberland Ridge Drive in Precinct 3.
 - c. MUD No. 400 for the submerged storm sewer systems serving Canyon Village at Park Lakes, Sections One and Four through Six in Precinct 4.
- 9. Transmittal of notices of road and bridge log changes.

2. Management Services

- a. Request for approval of orders authorizing acceptance of payments in connection with settlement of damages to county equipment and property in the total amount of \$161,180 and a workers compensation recovery in the amount of \$20; settlement of four tort claims in the total amount of \$7,298; denial of six claims for damages; and transmittal of claims for damages received during the period ending January 3.
- b. Request for authorization for the County Judge to execute releases in exchange for payments to the county in amounts of \$104, \$647, and \$2,261 in connection with settlement of accident claims.
- c. Transmittal of investment transactions and maturities for the period of December 14-January 3, and request for approval of changes in securities pledged for county funds.
- d. Request for approval of an agreement with Deloitte & Touche for fiscal year audit services for the county and Flood Control District.
- e. Request for approval of interest payments for commercial paper projects; an increase in funding for improvements to Reliant Park facilities; and transmittal of quarterly commercial paper and county investment reports.
- f. Request for approval of actual Reliant Park construction project invoice amounts for October the amount of \$80,455.
- g. Request for approval of authorized budget appropriation transfers for flood control and county departments.

3. **Information Technology**

Request for approval of an agreement with the City of Kemah for use of the county's 800 MHz public radio system.

4. Facilities & Property Management

- a. Request for approval of a list of persons designated by an oversight committee for assignment of badges as part of the Frequent Courthouse Visitors Badge Program, and for authorization to amend the program's policy to reduce the cost of the initial application fee from \$100 to \$50 effective immediately.
- b. Request for approval of an annual agreement with the American Red Cross for lease of space at 2700 Southwest Freeway for the Harris County Coordinated Transportation Program at a cost of \$600 per month.
- c. Request for authorization to accept donations of maps and plat books for the county archives.

5. Public Health & Environmental Services

- a. Request for authorization for Animal Control to conduct a rabies vaccination clinic January 28 at 612 Canino Road at a cost of \$5 per animal.
- b. Request for approval of an agreement with Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center School of Nursing for student interns to work in clinics at no cost to the county.
- c. Request for approval of an amendment to an agreement with the Department of State Health Services to fund Title X Family Planning and HIV Services.
- d. Request for approval of additional mileage reimbursements in amounts of \$155, \$382, and \$499 for TB outreach workers who exceeded the monthly limit in October and November.
- e. Request for authorization to appoint Dr. Carolyn Fruthaler as Alternate Health Authority of Harris County for a term of two years.

6. Community & Economic Development

- a. Request for approval of an order finding default and terminating a tax abatement agreement with R&L Carriers, Inc., for a trucking terminal in Precinct 2.
- b. Request for approval of amendments to the 2004 annual action plan.
- c. Request for approval of eight deferred down payment assistance loans for low- and moderate-income homebuyers in Precincts 1, 2, 3, and 4 in the total amount of \$109,100.
- d. Request for approval of a resolution for issuance of multifamily housing revenue bonds by Harris County Housing Finance Corporation to finance acquisition and construction by H.C. Crosby, L.P., of Bayview Apartments, a multifamily residential rental development at 6900 North Main Street in Baytown in Precinct 2.
- e. Transmittal of agreements with Star of Hope, Living Word Community Church, Ultimate Changes, Operation Homecoming, and Calvary Way for disaster relief services related to Hurricane Katrina.

7. Youth & Family Services

a. Juvenile Probation

1. Consideration of a resolution approved by the Juvenile Board supporting the proposition that the Juvenile Justice Center be reserved solely for juvenile justice and related agencies.

2. Request for authorization to proceed with replacement of the West Dallas detention center.

b. Protective Services for Children & Adults

- Request for authorization to renew an annual agreement with Goose Creek ISD for assignment of youth service specialists for social services to youth and families who are in crisis.
- 2. Request for approval of an amendment to an agreement with the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services to increase the contract amount by \$24,161 for the purchase of additional program services for the Preparation for Adult Living and Aftercare Room and Board Programs.
- 3. Request for authorization to increase the hours of a youth counselor position and an administrative model position.
- 4. Request for approval of a resolution authorizing payment of \$2,500 for work with child welfare boards throughout the state to promote awareness of child abuse issues through a license plate project.

8. Constables

- a. Request by the constables' systems manager for approval of educational incentive pay and career development increases for peace officers who have met requirements for the changes.
- b. Request by Constable Freeman, Precinct 2, for approval of renewal bonds for reserve officers.
- c. Request by Constable Hickman, Precinct 4, for:
 - 1. Authorization to accept donations in the total amount of \$3,500 from the Wal-Mart Foundation.
 - 2. Authorization to appoint eight deputies to fill vacant positions.
 - 3. Approval of a deputy position with a car allowance to provide continued law enforcement coverage during an employee's period of active military duty.
- d. Request by Constable Cheek, Precinct 5, for approval of:
 - 1. Changes in a list of regular officers.
 - 2. A monthly car allowance for a sergeant position.
 - 3. A cellular phone allowance for an employee.
- e. Request by Constable Trevino, Precinct 6, for approval of an amendment to an agreement with CCIP Security Association, Inc., to add five deputies.

f. Request by Constable Bailey, Precinct 8, for approval of a change in the department's authorized list of regular deputies.

9. **Sheriff**

- a. Request for approval of cellular phone allowances for two employees.
- b. Request for approval of career development pay increases for law enforcement personnel who have met requirements necessary for the changes.
- c. Request for approval of annual law enforcement agreements with civic and homeowner associations and other entities.

10. Fire Marshal

- a. Transmittal of the treasurer's bond for Emergency Services District No. 47.
- b. Request for authorization to purchase a rescue truck and a pumper on behalf of the Cypress Creek Volunteer Fire Department and Emergency Services District No. 13.

11. Medical Examiner

Request for approval of corrections to the payroll records of two employees.

12. County Clerk

Transmittal of the minutes of the court's meetings of December 19 and 20.

13. **District Clerk**

Request for approval of applications and agreements for use of the county's eClerk program.

14. County Attorney

- a. Request for approval of orders authorizing litigation expenses in connection with cases in County Civil Courts Nos. 3 and 4, and the 11th, 133rd, 164th, 165th, 190th, 215th, 269th, 270th, and 281st District Courts.
- b. Request for approval of orders authorizing suits and litigation expenses to compel compliance with flood plain management regulations at 11611 Red Bluff Road in Pasadena in Precinct 2 and 5602 Brunswick Street in Precinct 4.
- c. Request for approval of a memorandum of understanding with Texas Engineering Extension Services to designate Michael McClendon as a Texas Task Force One member as recommended by the Public Health & Environmental Services Department.

- d. Request for approval of orders authorizing settlement of cases in County Civil Court No. 1 and the 164th District Court.
- e. Request for approval of an order authorizing deposit of \$300,000 with Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P., pending final determination of a lawsuit in the 189th District Court regarding relocation of utilities at Cutten Road and Bourgeois Road.

15. Justices of the Peace

- a. Request by Judge Gorczynski, JP 1.1, for authorization to reclassify five clerk positions.
- b. Request by Judge Patronella, JP 1.2, for authorization to purchase a replacement cellular phone.

16. County Courts

Request for appointment of Judge Jackson, Criminal Court No. 3, to the Harris County Bail Bond Board to replace Judge Fields, Criminal Court No. 14, effective January 1.

17. **District Courts**

Request for approval of payments to the Houston Bar Association and the Harris County Department of Education for alternative dispute resolution services.

18. Travel & Training

a. Out of Texas

- 1. Request by **Management Services** for authorization for an employee to attend the annual conference of the Society for Human Resource Management June 25-28 in Washington, D.C., at an approximate cost of \$2,000.
- 2. Request by **Public Health & Environmental Services** for authorization for:
 - a. Two employees to attend a meeting of the Health Resources and Services Administration January 29-31 in Washington, D.C., at a total cost of \$2,300.
 - b. An employee to attend an annual meeting of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences February 20-25 in Seattle, Wash., at a cost of \$1,500.
- 3. Request by **Constable Hickman, Precinct 4,** for authorization for an employee to attend computer software training January 9-13 in San Diego at no cost to the county.
- 4. Request by the **Sheriff** for authorization for:
 - a. Two employees to attend computer software training January 17-20 in Seattle, Wash., at an approximate total cost of \$3,273.

- b. Two employees to attend a conference of the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies March 22-25 in Jacksonville, Fla., at an approximate total cost of \$4,000.
- 5. Request by the **Fire Marshal** for authorization for an employee to attend an annual composting conference January 21-27 in Albuquerque, N.M., at a cost of \$1,200.
- 6. Request by the **Auditor** for authorization for an employee to attend the annual National Association of Local Governmental Auditors Conference May 22-23 in San Jose, Ca., at an approximate cost of \$300.
- 7. Request by the **Office of Homeland Security & Emergency Management** for authorization for an employee to attend an annual regional local emergency planning committee conference January 23-25 in Little Rock, Ark., at an approximate cost of \$450.

b. <u>In Texas</u>

- 1. Request by the **PID Flood Control District** for authorization for:
 - a. An employee to attend geographical information system training January 26-27 in Houston at a cost of \$100.
 - b. An employee to attend geographical information system training January 26 in Houston at a cost of \$100.
 - c. Two employees to attend an annual meeting of the Interstate Council on Water Policy January 31 in Austin at an approximate total cost of \$500.
 - d. An employee to attend a seminar concerning negotiation strategies March 2 in Houston at a cost of \$180.
- 2. Request by **PID Engineering** for authorization for:
 - a. Five employees to attend an AutoCAD training seminar February 6-9 in Houston at a total cost of \$2,975.
 - b. Seven employees to attend a computer software training seminar February 14-15 in Houston at a total cost of \$3,465.
 - c. Five employees to attend a Civil 3D training seminar January 25-27 in Houston at a total cost of \$3,475.
 - d. Certain employees to travel to Austin during the year for meetings with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.
- 3. Request by **Management Services** for authorization for two employees to attend the Texas Public Finance Conference February 5-7 in Austin at a cost of \$1,600.
- 4. Request by **Information Technology** for authorization for:
 - a. An employee to attend computer software training January 26-27 in Houston at a cost of \$100.
 - b. An employee to attend an integrated justice information systems continuing education seminar January 24 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$245.

- 5. Request by **Public Health & Environmental Services** for authorization for:
 - a. An employee to attend job fairs January 27 and March 28 in Houston at a total cost of \$300.
 - b. An employee to attend computer software training January 11-13 and April 10-12 in San Antonio at a cost of \$3,000, with travel by county vehicle.
 - c. Four employees and other health department staff to travel to Austin and San Antonio January 15-August 31 for implementation of a community health grant at an approximate total cost of \$3,000.
 - d. Use of county vehicles by Mosquito Control Division employees to travel to Galveston and College Station weekly and monthly for coordinated research projects, at no additional cost to the county.
 - e. Sixteen employees to attend a hazardous waste materials operations training seminar January 31 in Houston at a total cost of \$1,600.
 - f. Two employees to attend a meeting of the Texas Aggregate and Concrete Association January 12 in Thompsons at an approximate total cost of \$40.
 - g. Three employees to attend hazardous materials training January 31 in Houston at a total cost of \$300.
 - h. The director to attend meetings of the Texas Association of Local Health Officials April 12-13, June 7-8, August 9-10, October 11-12, and December 6-7 in Round Rock at an approximate cost of \$2,481.
 - i. Three employees to attend an annual Statewide BioWatch Tabletop exercise January 11 in El Paso at an approximate total cost of \$400.
 - j. An employee to attend chronic disease training of the Texas Department of State Health Services January 8-10 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$583.
- 6. Request by **Community & Economic Development** for authorization for two employees to attend geographical information system and community analysis training March 16 in Houston at a total cost of \$798.
- 7. Request by the **County Library** for authorization for reimbursement of \$55 for expenses incurred by two employees to attend a TLA District 8 annual meeting November 12 in Katy.
- 8. Request by **Domestic Relations** for authorization for an employee to attend a board of directors meeting of the Association of Family & Conciliation Courts January 27 in Round Rock at an approximate cost of \$225.
- 9. Request by **Protective Services for Children & Adults** for authorization for:
 - a. Four employees to attend the State of the Schools Conference February 7 in Houston at a total cost of \$160.
 - b. An employee to attend a meeting of the Department of Family and Protective Services in February in Austin at an approximate cost of \$280.
 - c. Payment in the amount of \$2,500 to host the Texas Alliance for Drug Endangered Children Training Initiative February 17 in Houston for approximately 400 participants.

10. Request by the **Children's Assessment Center** for authorization for certain employees, county agencies, and partner agencies to attend an onsite training seminar concerning juvenile and adult sex offenders January 17 in Houston at a cost of \$340.

11. Request by **Constables** for authorization for:

- a. An employee of **Precinct 1** to attend crime scene training November 15-18 in Houston at a cost of \$50.
- b. An employee of **Precinct 4** to attend a TCLEOSE meeting January 11-13 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$400.
- c. An employee of **Precinct 5** to attend crisis intervention training January 23-27 in Houston at a cost of \$125.
- d. Payment by **Precinct 5** to Houston Community College System for TCLEOSE mandated biennium training at a cost of \$1,350.

12. Request by the **Sheriff** for authorization for:

- a. An employee to attend a life safety code seminar March 13-15 in Houston at a cost of \$960.
- b. Three employees to attend a media relations training seminar December 1-2 in Arlington at an approximate cost of \$1,466, with travel by county vehicle.
- c. Two employees to attend a digital video review January 5-6 in San Antonio with travel by county vehicle and no additional cost.
- d. Twelve employees to attend a seminar concerning traumas in law enforcement January 9-11 in Dallas at a total cost of \$3,060, with travel by county vehicle.

13. Request by the **Fire Marshal** for authorization to attend:

- a. The annual Municipal School Instructors Training Conference January 6-7 in College Station at a cost not to exceed \$175, with travel by county vehicle.
- b. The SAFE-D Conference February 10-11 in San Antonio at a cost not to exceed \$650, with travel by county vehicle.

14. Request by the **Medical Examiner** for authorization for:

- a. Dr. William Lee Hearn, crime lab director of Dade County, Fla., and professor at Miami School of Medicine, to host a staff workshop January 18 in Houston at an estimated cost of \$700.
- b. Dr. Darshan Phatak, forensic pathologist at the Southwestern Institute of Forensic Sciences, to present a medical lecture for staff January 13 in Houston at a cost of \$1,000.
- c. Payment of annual fees to the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education in the amount of \$2,750 for the fellowship training program.
- 15. Request by the **District Attorney** for approval of expenses incurred to attend the annual Elected Prosecutors Conference that was held December 7-9 in San Antonio in the amount of \$275.

- 16. Request by the **District Courts** for authorization for:
 - a. Seven juvenile court judges and two employees to attend the annual Juvenile Law Institute February 22-24 in Dallas at an estimated total cost of \$8,200.
 - b. Eight judges to attend a regional conference of the Texas Center for the Judiciary February 12-14 at Horseshoe Bay at an estimated cost of \$2,680.
 - c. Twenty-two district court judges and an employee to attend the Houston Bar Association's Criminal Bench Bar Conference April 7-8 in Galveston at an approximate total cost of \$8,648.
- 17. Request by the **Tax Assessor-Collector** for authorization for two employees to attend geographical information system training February 8-10 in Houston at a total cost of \$2,400.
- 18. Request by the **Joint City County Commission on Children** for authorization for an employee to attend board meetings of the Center for Public Policy Priorities January 27, May 19, and September 15-17, and board meetings of the Texas Network of Youth Services January 6, February 23, March 24, and June 16 in Austin at no cost to the county.
- 19. Request by the **Office of Homeland Security & Emergency Management** for authorization for certain employees to attend required courses of the Governor's Division of Emergency Management during FY 2006-07 at a cost not to exceed \$200 per trip, per person.
- 20. Request by **Commissioner of Precinct 3** for authorization for:
 - a. Four employees to attend an annual course of the American Public Works Association February 5-7 in Killeen at an approximate total cost of \$1,600, with probable travel by county vehicle.
 - b. An employee to attend annual site meetings of the Texas Environmental Education Advisory Committee January 20 in Austin at an approximate cost of \$150.

19. **Grants**

- a. Request by **Public Health & Environmental Services** for authorization to:
 - 1. Accept additional grant funds in the amount of \$452,531 from the Texas Department of State Health Services to provide nutrition and counseling services to low-income women, infants and children.
 - 2. Accept an agreement with the Texas Department of State Health Services to administer Title V Population-Based Services in the amount of \$246,048 for health services for women and children.
- b. Request by **Protective Services for Children & Adults** for authorization to accept additional grant funds in the amount of \$24,161 from the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services for the Preparation for Adult Living program.

c. Request by the **Sheriff** for authorization to accept an addendum to a Memorandum of Understanding with the United States Secret Service for funds in an amount not to exceed \$15,000 per officer per year for overtime work with the Houston Area Fraud Task Force.

d. Request by **Social Services of Precinct 1** for authorization to:

- 1. Accept an amendment to an agreement with the Houston-Galveston Area Council for employment opportunities for persons who were displaced by Hurricane Katrina in the added amount of \$56,563 in grant funds.
- 2. Submit application to the Texas Department of Transportation for grant funds in the amount of \$1.2 million for non-emergency medical transportation services in the four counties Social Services currently serves as part of the Houston-Galveston Area Council region.

20. Fiscal Services & Purchasing

a. **Auditor**

- 1. Request for approval of final payment to Williams Bros., Construction for Fort Bend Parkway extension north of West Orem Drive to Main Street for the Toll Road Authority.
- 2. Transmittal of certification of supplemental estimates of revenue received for various funds and grants.
- 3. Transmittal of the unaudited and unadjusted monthly financial report for November.
- 4. Transmittal of audited claims.

b. Treasurer

Transmittal of a report of monies received and disbursed for the month of November.

c. Tax Assessor-Collector

Request for approval of tax refund payments.

d. Purchasing

- 1. Transmittal of projects scheduled for advertisement:
 - a. Profiler plus/cofiler PCR amplification kits for the Medical Examiner.
 - b. Temporary motor vehicle drivers for Social Services.
 - c. Sale of scrap metal materials for the county, the Flood Control District, and the Harris County Hospital District.
 - d. Food services products for the county.
 - e. Bathroom and kitchen paper products for the county.

- f. Furnish and deliver carpet for the county.
- g. Leather goods and related items for the county.
- h. Integrated and electronic recording system for the County Clerk.
- i. Janitorial services for the county.
- j. Full web press printing of tabloid size report for the Flood Control District.
- k. Organic fertilizer and related items for the Flood Control District.
- l. Moving services for Public Infrastructure.
- m. Court-related family violence and child abuse prevention and intervention for the county.

2. Transmittal of changes in contracts with:

- a. J & B Computer Maintenance, contractor for maintenance of ITT Courier and IBM equipment for Information Technology, resulting in an annual reduction of \$4,872 to the contract amount (00910).
- b. Texas Maintenance Systems, contractor for janitorial services at the Brookhollow location for the Flood Control District, resulting in an addition of \$5,652 to the contract amount (00912).
- 3. Transmittal of a list of computer-related items obtained through the State of Texas vendor program for the County and District Clerks, Information Technology, Criminal Courts, and the Flood Control District.
- 4. Recommendation that awards be made to:
 - a. Carnes Funeral Home, overall low bid in the amount of \$344,450 for interment services for the county for the period beginning February 1.
 - b. Amtech Elevator Services, only bid in the amount of \$835,800 for maintenance and repair of elevator equipment for the county for monthly service items I, IV, VII, and XI for the period beginning February 1, and for the County Judge to execute the agreement after bonds have been received.
- 5. Request for authorization to cancel a contract with Correctional Services Corporation for secure residential services for Juvenile Probation, and approval of an order authorizing the County Judge to execute an agreement with Colorado County for the services in the amount of \$140,000 for the period ending August 31, 2006.
- 6. Transmittal of notice of awards to:
 - a. RCC Consultants, Inc., in the amount of \$641,149 for band reconfiguration of the 800 MHz radio system for Information Technology.
 - b. Schoenmann Produce Company in the amount of \$59,008 for produce for county institutions for the period of January 1-April 30, 2006.
 - c. Mrs. Baird's Bakeries in the amount of \$181,234 for bakery items for county institutions for the period of January 1-December 31, 2006.

- 7. Request for approval of renewal options with:
 - a. Centennial Contractors Enterprises, Inc., as primary vendor and Kellogg Brown & Root Services, Inc., as secondary vendor for job order contracting for small and large projects for the county at an approximate cost of \$8 million for the period of April 1-March 31, 2007.
 - b. Best Equipment Services for thermal printer receipt paper for the Toll Road Authority at an estimated cost of \$59,940 for the period of April 1-March 30, 2007.
 - c. Alanton Group for janitorial services at various locations in Region No. 3 for the county at a monthly increase of \$1,994 with an estimated annual total cost of \$693,702 for the period of April 1-March 31, 2007.
 - d. Novasys Technologies, Inc., for application development, maintenance, and support for the Ryan White CARE Act Title I centralized patient care data management system for Public Health & Environmental Services, and approval of an order authorizing the County Judge to execute an agreement at an approximate cost of \$150,000 for the period of March 1-February 28, 2007.
- 8. Request for approval of extensions to contracts with:
 - a. Certain agencies for registered and state certified radiography temporary personnel for the county and the Harris County Hospital District for the period ending March 31, or until a new contract is in place.
 - b. Certain agencies for temporary therapists for the county for the period ending March 31, or until a new contract is in place.
 - c. Certain agencies for various healthcare temporary personnel for the county and the Harris County Hospital District for the period ending March 31, or until a new contract is in place.
- 9. Request for approval of a performance bond submitted by K & K Best Care Ambulance Services, Inc., in the amount of \$80,000 for ambulance services for the Sheriff's Department.
- 10. Request for approval of orders authorizing the County Judge to execute agreements/amendments with:
 - a. Sentinel Offender Services, LLC, and Pretrial Services and Community Supervision & Corrections for electronic monitoring equipment and services to replace existing Dual Track ACU equipment with BI9000 monitoring equipment for the same daily rate as the original contract.
 - b. Computer Generated Solutions to extend the term of the contract to February 28, 2006 at an approximate cost of \$7,000 for transition of the District Clerk to a new vendor for call center services.
 - c. Vital Records Storage for Information Technology at an approximate cost of \$38,723 for the period ending December 26, 2006, with one renewal option.
 - d. Fourteen vendors for non-secure residential services with facilities that are licensed by the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services for the period ending August 31, 2006, with one renewal option remaining.

- 11. Request for approval of an order permitting assignment of a contract from Signet Services, Inc., dba Frank's Pizza, to Frank's Pizza, Inc., for jury meal services.
- 12. Request for approval of sole source, personal, professional, and other exemptions from the competitive bid process for:
 - a. TransCore, LP, for purchase of certain sticker tags and associated distribution kits for the Toll Road Authority at an approximate cost of \$5,211,200.
 - b. netLibrary, a division of OCLC Online Computer Library Center, Inc., for purchase of electronic books and services for the County Library, and authorization to renew the Library eBook agreement at an approximate cost of \$14,493 for the period of January 21-January 20, 2007.
 - c. International Business Machines for maintenance of various Omegamon and AF software products for Information Technology, and approval of a renewal option at an approximate cost of \$58,000 for the period of January 31-January 30, 2007.
 - d. Exigen (USA), Inc., for purchase of VisiFlow software support services for Juvenile Probation, and approval of the renewal of an agreement at an approximate cost of \$13,000 for the period of January 1-December 31, 2006.
 - e. Westlaw for on-line database services for the Law Library at an approximate cost of \$56,000.
 - f. Applied Biosystems for certain products for the Medical Examiner at an approximate cost of \$100,000.
 - g. Ernie Hulsey for polygraph testing services for the county at an approximate cost of \$50,000 for the period of May 1-April 30, 2007.
 - h. Tony Shelton through Shelton & Caudle for communications training services for the Flood Control District, and approval of an order authorizing the County Judge to execute an agreement in the amount of \$27,750 effective upon execution for 90 days.
 - i. Robert H. Barr, M.D., R.Ph., for pharmacy services for Public Health & Environmental Services, and approval of an order authorizing the County Judge to execute an agreement in the amount of \$28,997 for the period of April 1-March 31, 2007.
- 13. Request for approval of a cellular phone allowance for an employee.
- 14. Transmittal of bids and proposals for advertised jobs that were opened January 9 by the Office of the Purchasing Agent, and request for approval of recommendations for disposition.
- 15. Recommendation that an award for non-emergency transportation services be made to Social Services of Precinct 1, and for approval of an order authorizing the County Judge to execute an agreement for the period of January 1-December 31, 2006, with two one-year renewals.
- 16. Request that the court cancel a request for proposals for property insurance for the Washburn Tunnel, and that the county be on self-insured status until market conditions allow coverage to be obtained after readvertisement.

21. Commissioners Court

a. County Judge

- 1. Request for approval of resolutions designating:
 - a. February as Black History Month and commending Pearl C. Suel Association for the Study of African-American Life & History Branch of Houston for contributions and service.
 - b. January 24-25 as Harris County Employees' Winter Blood Drive Days and January 26 as Dress Down Day, allowing county employees to wear blue jeans for donating blood.
 - c. February 11 as Harris County Night with the Houston Rockets.
- 2. Request for authorization to execute an amendment to an agreement with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality for extension of the Low Income Vehicle Repair Assistance Program in the county.
- 3. Request by the Office of Homeland Security & Emergency Management for authorization to delete an assigned cellular telephone.

b. Commissioner, Precinct 1

Request for approval of reappointments to Emergency Service Districts for the period ending December 31, 2007 of:

- 1. Helen Laursdorf and James Collins to ESD No. 6.
- 2. Xiyoshi Okabayshi and Robin Hayslip to ESD No. 17.
- 3. Leonard Patterson and Moses Bismark Lovick to ESD No. 19.

c. Commissioner, Precinct 2

- 1. Request for approval to accept a donation from Highlands Sports Association in the amount of \$2,659 for renovations and additions to Fields 2, 3, and 4.
- 2. Request for approval of the reappointment of Janet Stansbury to the Joint City/County Commission on Children board for the period ending December 31, 2007.
- 3. Request for approval of reappointments to Emergency Service Districts for the period ending December 31, 2007 of:
 - a. Thomas Odom, Sonya Roberts, and Charles Anthony to ESD No. 2.
 - b. Jim Strouhal and Alton Neatherlin to ESD No. 14.
 - c. Daron McCaslin to ESD No. 60.

d. Commissioner, Precinct 3

Request for authorization to accept reimbursement in an amount not to exceed \$7,000 from Houston-Galveston Area Council for the cost of removing and planting trees at Zube Park.

e. Commissioner, Precinct 4

- 1. Request for approval to accept donations from:
 - a. Global New Millennium Partners, Ltd., in the amount of \$10,898 for construction of a median opening opposite the existing driveway to the Burger King/Shell station on the southwest corner of Aldine-Westfield Road at Beltway 8.
 - b. Joan Robbins of a tropical plant, and Jim Bellinghausen, of Abbott IPCO, of a bulb collection for Mercer Arboretum and Botanic Gardens.
- 2. Request for approval for Jesse Jones Park Volunteers to sell food, non-alcoholic beverages and small memorabilia items during Texas Heritage Day February 18 at Jesse H. Jones Park and Nature Center.
- 3. Request for authorization to replace a damaged cellular telephone.

22. Miscellaneous

- a. Transmittal of petitions filed with County Civil Courts Nos. 1 and 2.
- b. Request by the Harris County Hospital District for approval of an agreement with the City of Houston for the district to provide medical services at La Nueva Casa de Amigos Community Health Center.

23. Emergency items.

24. **Public Hearing**

Request by Public Infrastructure for a public hearing to consider certain street name changes and corrections: Jordan Faye Lane to Blanco Trails Lane, Sandria Court to Llano Pass Court, and Rose Glade Drive to Roseglade Drive in Precincts 3 and 4.

25. Appearances before court

a. 3 minutes

A speaker whose subject matter as submitted relates to an identifiable item of business on this agenda will be requested by the County Judge or other presiding court member to come to the podium where they will be limited to three minutes (3). A speaker whose subject matter as submitted does not relate to an identifiable item of business on this agenda will be limited to three minutes (3) if they have not appeared at any of the four preceding court meetings.

b. <u>1 minute</u>

A speaker whose subject matter as submitted does not relate to an identifiable item of business on this agenda and who has appeared at any of the four preceding court meetings will be limited to one minute (1).

Adjournment.

Commissioners Court County Judge Commissioners (4)

Services

Public Infrastructure
Management Services
Information Technology
Facilities & Property Management
Public Health & Environmental Services
Community & Economic Development
Library Services
Youth & Family Services

Fiscal Services & Purchasing

Auditor Treasurer Tax Assessor-Collector Purchasing

Administration of Justice

Constables (8)

Sheriff

Sheriff's Civil Service

Fire & Emergency Services

Medical Examiner

County Clerk

District Clerk

County Attorney

District Attorney

Community Supervision & Corrections

Pretrial Services

Justices of the Peace (16)

County Courts (19)

Probate Courts (4)

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