NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING

August 3, 2007

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Commissioners Court of Harris County, Texas, will be held on **Tuesday, August 7, 2007 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.

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No. 07.15

<u>A G E N D A</u>

August 7, 2007

10:00 a.m.

Opening prayer by Dr. Jeff Berger of South Avenue Baptist Church in Pasadena.

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 - a. Public Infrastructure
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 - e. Flood Control District
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- 2. Management Services
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- 4. Public Health & Environmental Services
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- 15. District Courts
- 16. Travel & Traininga. Out of Texasb. In Texas
- 17. Grants
- 18. Fiscal Services & Purchasing
 - a. Auditor
 - b. Treasurer
 - c. Tax Assessor-Collector
 - d. Purchasing
- 19. Commissioners Court
 - a. County Judge
 - b. Commissioner, Precinct 1
 - c. Commissioner, Precinct 2
 - d. Commissioner, Precinct 3
 - e. Commissioner, Precinct 4
- 20. Miscellaneous
- II. <u>Emergency/supplemental items</u>
- III. Public Hearings
- IV. Executive Session
- V. 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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I. **Departments**

1. Public Infrastructure Department

a. **<u>Public Infrastructure</u>**

- 1. Recommendation for authorization to instruct the county's downtown master plan consultant, PGAL Architects, to update the downtown courthouse master plan in accordance with the actions taken by court during the Capital Improvements Program meeting.
- 2. Recommendation for approval of two cellular phone allowances.

b. Right of Way

- 1. Recommendation that the court approve resolutions and orders authorizing certain projects, decreeing public necessity and convenience for acquisition of specific properties on behalf of the county, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the transactions for:
 - a. Four revised tracts from Franz Road to north of Morton Road for the Katy-Fort Bend County Road-2 project in Precinct 3.
 - b. A revised tract from Cypress Mill Park Drive to north of Manor Bend for the Cypress Rose Hill Road-3 project in Precinct 3.
 - c. Four specific tracts from Barker Cypress Road to Island Shore Drive for the Cypress North Houston Road-1 project in Precinct 3.
 - d. One specific and one revised tract on Barbers Hill Road between Garth Road and North Main Street for the East Harris County Soccer Complex project in Precinct 2.
 - e. A specific tract from Spring Cypress Road to Huffmeister Road for the Skinner Road-1 project in Precinct 3.
- 2. Recommendation that the court approve resolutions and orders authorizing the county to purchase certain tracts for the Cypress Rose Hill Road-3 project in Precinct 3 for negotiated prices, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete transactions for:
 - a. Tracts 011 and 012 on the west side of Cypress Rose Hill Road between Manor Bend and Lakes of Rosehill Drive in the amount of \$26,839, \$3,000 over the appraised value.
 - b. Tract 017 along the west side of Cypress Rosehill Road between Manor Bend and Emrose in the amount of \$26,586, \$3,000 over the appraised value.

- 3. Recommendation that the court approve resolutions and orders authorizing the county to accept donations and for the County Judge to execute donation forms for:
 - a. Tract 01-013.1 on the north side of Carby Road between Carby and Hopper for the Walden Place extension donation project in Precinct 1.
 - b. Tract 001 from Vintage Lakes Drive to Pillot Gully for the Louetta Road at Vintage Park traffic signal project in Precinct 4.
- 4. Recommendation that the court approve a resolution and order authorizing the county to convey to the City of Houston an easement, Tract 001, for a water meter for the county natatorium Aquatics Center project in Precinct 1.
- 5. Recommendation that the court approve a resolution and order authorizing the Flood Control District to dedicate a roadway easement to the public, Tract 004, Part 2, for the Hollister Road project in Precinct 4, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the transaction.
- 6. Recommendation that the court approve a resolution and order authorizing the county to purchase and the Flood Control District to sell Tract 004, Parts 1, 3, and 4 for approximately \$117,612 for the Hollister Road project in Precinct 4, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the transaction.
- 7. Recommendation that the court approve a resolution and order declaring Tract 004, Parts 3 and 4, and Tracts 007 and 008 to be surplus property and authorizing an exchange of land owned by the county for land owned by Hollister Business Park, LP, and/or TNRG Hollister, LP, plus approximately \$43,324 to achieve parity of value for the Hollister Road project in Precinct 4, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the transaction.

c. Toll Road Authority

- 1. Recommendation for authorization to negotiate with:
 - a. Klotz Associates, Inc., for engineering services for the Collingsworth grade separation project for the Hardy Toll Road downtown connector project in Precinct 1.
 - b. Cobb Fendley & Associates, Inc., for engineering services for utility relocation work on the Hardy Toll Road downtown connector project in Precinct 1.
 - c. Berg Oliver Associates, Inc., for engineering services for Phase Two environmental site assessment for the Hardy Toll Road downtown connector project in Precinct 1.

- d. TCB, Inc., for engineering services for design of mainlane and ramp plazas for the Hardy Toll Road downtown connector project in Precinct 1.
- e. PBS&J for on-call surveying services in Precinct 3.
- f. PBS&J for high-definition surveying services in Precinct 3.
- 2. Recommendation for authorization to seek bids for construction of widening of existing northbound Sam Houston Tollway mainlanes from three to five lanes from the South Toll Plaza to south of Boheme Drive in Precinct 3 at an estimated cost of \$4,602,413.
- 3. Recommendation for authorization to execute an agreement with H2B, Inc., for engineering services in the amount of \$54,985 to remedy, either by repair or replacement, concrete pavement separation and cracking associated with slotted drains installed in concrete pavement on the Westpark Tollway in Precinct 3.
- 4. Recommendation for authorization to initiate negotiations with Traffic Engineers, Inc., for professional services to develop transportation improvement alternatives and traffic impact mitigation solutions for the Westpark Toll Road Corridor.
- 5. Recommendation for authorization to delete three cellular phones and add three phone allowances.

d. Construction Programs

- 1. Recommendation for approval of changes in contracts with:
 - a. Manhattan Construction Company, contractor for the county parking garage, resulting in an addition of \$22,992 to the contract amount (06/0243-9).
 - b. Basic Industries, Inc., contractor for selective demolition and abatement, Phase One for the 1910 Courthouse project, resulting in an addition of \$2,317 to the contract amount (06/0316-6).
 - c. Economic Construction, Inc., contractor for replacement of erosion protection for a bridge on John Ralston Road in Precinct 1, resulting in an addition of \$6,390 to the contract amount (06/0315-2).
 - d. ISI Contracting, Inc., contractor for guardrail repairs at various locations in Precinct 1, resulting in no change to the contract amount (06/0345-1).
 - e. Angel Brothers Enterprises, Inc., contractor for paving and drainage for Kirby Road from Clear Lake to Red Bluff Road in Precinct 2, adding five days and resulting in an addition of \$24,162 to the contract amount (05/0166-2).
 - f. Angel Brothers Enterprises, Inc., contractor for paving and drainage for Garth Road from IH 10 to Wallisville Road in Precinct 2, resulting in a reduction of \$138,221 from the contract amount (05/0188-4).
 - g. Angel Brothers Enterprises, Inc., contractor for North P and North H streets in the Genoa Red Bluff Camp area in Precinct 2, resulting in an addition of \$123,213 to the contract amount (06/0365-1).
 - h. Crosby Road Trucking and Timber, contractor for the North Channel hike and bike trail along Carpenter's Bayou in Precinct 2, adding 46 days and resulting in an addition of \$162,467 to the contract amount (06/0413-2).

- i. Bio Landscape, contractor for mowing and maintenance of various roads in Precinct 3, resulting in an addition of \$2,126 to the contract amount (05/0010-3).
- j. Total Contracting Limited, contractor for repairs/replacement of concrete pavement in Precinct 3, resulting in no change to the contract amount (05/0311-1).
- k. Durwood Greene Construction, LP, contractor for Clay Road from west of Peek Road to West Elrod Road in Precinct 3, resulting in an addition of \$173,587 to the contract amount (06/0202-1).
- 1. Angel Brothers Enterprises, Inc., contractor for Clay Road from West Elrod Road to west of Bridgewater Drive in Precinct 3, adding one day and resulting in an addition of \$1,618 to the contract amount (06/0279-6).
- m. Angel Brothers Enterprises, Inc., contractor for Clay Road from West Elrod Road to west of Bridgewater Drive in Precinct 3, adding 21 days and resulting in an addition of \$34,484 to the contract amount (06/0279-7).
- n. C & D Constructors, Inc., contractor for Tallforest Drive storm sewer and paving repairs in Precinct 3, adding eight days and resulting in a reduction of \$5,659 from the contract amount (06/0359-1).
- o. AAA Asphalt Paving, Inc., contractor for Mason Road and Park Row Colonial Parkway left turn lane in Precinct 3, adding six days and resulting in an addition of \$11,166 to the contract amount (06/0361-1).
- p. D. J. Civil Engineering, contractor for Cypress Rosehill Road erosion repairs for the bridge at Unit M128-00-00 in Precinct 3, resulting in a reduction of \$5,689 from the contract amount (06/0363-1).
- q. Pace Services, LP, contractor for Huffmeister Road from north of Ravensway to Telge Road in Precinct 3, resulting in an addition of \$184,320 to the contract amount (07/0014-1).
- r. TJ&T Enterprises, Inc., contractor for paving and drainage improvements for Jarvis Road from Skinner Road to Barker Cypress in Precinct 3, resulting in a reduction of \$101,415 from the contract amount (07/0015-1).
- s. TJ&T Enterprises, Inc., contractor for paving and drainage improvements for Jarvis Road from Skinner Road to Barker Cypress, resulting in an addition of \$22,400 to the contract amount (07/0015-2).
- t. L.N. McKean, Inc., contractor for bridge replacement on Castlerock Road at Unit K129-00-00 in Precinct 4, resulting in an addition of \$7,233 to the contract amount (06/0203-3).
- u. Main Lane Industries, Ltd., contractor for Spring Creek asphalt overlay with base repairs and proposed parking area in Precinct 4, resulting in an addition of \$44,867 to the contract amount (06/0416-1).
- v. Excalibur Excavation, LP, contractor for additional erosion protection to the bridge on Westmount Houston at Vogel Creek in Precinct 4, adding 10 days and resulting in an addition of \$14,400 to the contract amount (06/0445-1).
- w. Spring Equipment Company, contractor for reconstruction of outfall from Waycreek to Cypress Creek in Precinct 4, adding 45 days and resulting in a reduction of \$10,690 from the contract amount (06/0447-1).

- 2. Recommendation for authorization to issue purchase orders for testing and inspection services to:
 - a. HTS, Inc., in the amount of \$49,973 for construction of improvements at David G. Burnet Park in Precinct 2.
 - b. Alliance Laboratories, Inc., in the amount of \$29,798 for Keith Harrow Boulevard from Mountain Forest Drive to Fry Road in Precinct 3.
 - c. Associated Testing Laboratories, Inc., in the amount of \$100,053 for Jarvis Road from Skinner Road to west of Barker-Cypress Road and bridge improvements in Precinct 3.
 - d. Alliance Laboratories, Inc., in the amount of \$148,704 for a detention facility, and Brittmoore Road from Clay to south of Tanner Road in Precinct 4.
- 3. Recommendation for authorization to negotiate with:
 - a. Alliance Laboratories, Inc., for material testing services for IH 10 managed lanes in Precinct 3.
 - b. Walter P. Moore and Associates, Inc., for construction management and inspection services for beam repair of the Sam Houston West bridge over Buffalo Bayou in Precinct 3.
- 4. Recommendation for authorization to negotiate an on-call service agreement with RODS Surveying, Inc., for surveying services in support of toll road construction activities in Precinct 3.
- 5. Recommendation that D. J. Civil Engineering, LLC, be declared in default on Job No. 06/0234 for bridge railing repairs along Woodforest Boulevard and Wallisville Road in Precinct 2, and that Public Infrastructure be authorized to take necessary steps to terminate the contract and pursue other means to complete the project.
- 6. Recommendation that Public Infrastructure be authorized to pay an additional \$83 to an employee who exceeded the monthly maximum reimbursement allowance for in-county travel mileage while performing duties as a county inspector.

e. Flood Control District

- 1. Recommendation that the County Judge be authorized to execute agreements/amendments with:
 - a. Harris County MUD No. 365 in the amount of \$3,075 to increase the maintenance area by adding Unit K169-00-00, Tract 01-005.0; Unit K169-01-00, Tract 01-001.0; and Unit K169-03-00, Tract 01-001.0 in the Cypress Creek watershed in Precinct 3.
 - b. Hermann and Joan Buschor for landscaping maintenance of property at 1920 Stoney Brook Drive, Woodway Bend, Section One, Unit W100-00-00, Buffalo Bayou watershed, Tract 20-007.0 in Precinct 3.

- c. LJA Engineering & Surveying, Inc., for additional engineering services in the amount of \$120,000 in support of implementation of the Brays Bayou flood damage reduction plan in Precincts 1, 2, and 3.
- d. Northampton Municipal Utility District for turf establishment on a tract of land, Unit M102-00-00 in the Willow Creek watershed in Precinct 4.
- e. Paul and Gail Helmore for lease of property adjacent to 1127 Ivy Wall Drive, Lot 36, Block 3, Fleetwood Subdivision, Section Five, Unit W100-00-00, Tract 32-001.0 in Precinct 3.
- 2. Request for approval of construction documents and authorization to seek bids for a three-week period, and for authorization for the director to issue addenda as necessary prior to the date bids are to be received for:
 - a. Earthen channel desilt from Tanner Road to the upstream end in the Buffalo Bayou watershed in Precinct 4 at an estimated cost of \$282,000.
 - b. General repairs of White Oak, Vince, and Little Vince bayous in Precincts 1, 2, and 4 at an estimated cost of \$650,000.
- 3. Recommendation for authorization to delete airtime service for a cellular phone, restore airtime service for a cellular phone, add two cellular phone allowances, delete a cellular phone allowance, and retain Nextel devices as replacements for defective phones.
- 4. Recommendation that the court acknowledge deposit receipts for impact fees for June.

f. Architecture & Engineering

- 1. Recommendation for authorization to seek bids for a four-week period for:
 - a. Storm sewer repairs for Avenue C east of Beltway 8 and north of IH 10 in Precinct 2 at an estimated cost of \$148,000.
 - b. Replacement of bearing pads for bridges on Westpark Drive at Brays Bayou in Precinct 3 at an estimated cost of \$50,000.
 - c. Bellaire Boulevard outfall in Precinct 3 at an estimated cost of \$202,000.
 - d. Grant Road from SH 249 to Copeland in Precinct 4 at an estimated cost of \$8.2 million.
- 2. Recommendation for approval of the following plats:
 - a. Hidden Falls Subdivision in Precinct 4; West Belt Surveying, Incorporated.
 - b. Gosling Development, partial replat in Precinct 4; Windrose Land Services, Incorporated.
 - c. Smokey Estates Subdivision in Precinct 3; C&C Surveying, Incorporated.
 - d. Northcrest Village, Sections Six and Seven in Precinct 4; Jones & Carter, Incorporated.
 - e. Diamond Plaza in Precinct 3; BM Design, LLC, and Gullett & Associates, Incorporated.

- f. Cole Creek Business Park, Section Four in Precinct 4; Cobb, Fendley & Associates, Inc., and Prejean & Company, Incorporated.
- g. Houston Premium Outlets Subdivision in Precinct 3; Bury & Partners.
- h. Baker Hughes BOT Center in America Plaza Subdivision, replat and extension in Precinct 4; Carter & Burgess, Incorporated.
- i. Advance Auto Barker Lake Subdivision in Precinct 3; Carter & Burgess, Inc., and Geo Solutions, Limited.
- j. Central Nolen Subdivision in Precinct 4; Pinnell Survey, Incorporated.
- k. Rancho Verde Detention Reserve in Precinct 2; Huitt-Zollars, Incorporated.
- 1. Cypress-Fairbanks ISD Elementary School No. 49 in Precinct 3; West Belt Surveying, Inc., and Brooks & Sparks, Incorporated.
- m. Fall Creek Recreational Center in Precinct 4; Brown & Gay Engineers, Incorporated.
- n. Fall Creek, Section 26 in Precinct 4; Brown & Gay Engineers, Inc., and Kerry R. Gilbert & Associates.
- o. Farmingham Place in Precinct 4; Apollo Surveying.
- p. Cossey Road Park in Precinct 4; E.I.C. Surveying Company.
- 3. Recommendation for cancellation of bonds for:
 - a. JDC/Greenleaf, Ltd., executed by Independence Casualty and Surety Company in the amount of \$44,685 for Coles Crossing, Section 20 in Precinct 3.
 - b. JDC/Greenleaf, Ltd., executed by Independence Casualty and Surety Company in the amount of \$68,175 for Coles Crossing, Section 27 in Precinct 3.
 - c. Park Lake Communities, LP, executed by Hartford Fire Insurance Company in the amount of \$24,501 for Lakes of Bellaire, Section Two in Precinct 3.
 - d. Park Lake Communities, LP, executed by Fidelity and Guaranty Insurance Underwriters, Inc., in the amount of \$20,000 for Lakes of Bellaire, Section Three in Precinct 3.
 - e. Franz Road, Ltd., executed by Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America in the amount of \$24,450 for Lakecrest, Section Nine in Precinct 3.
 - f. K. Hovnanian of Houston, LP, executed by Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland in the amount of \$9,695 for Lakeville, Section Seven in Precinct 3.
 - g. Woodland Pines, LP, executed by Travelers Casualty and Surety Company of America in the amount of \$34,700 for Woodland Pines, Section Four in Precinct 4.
- 4. Recommendation for approval of changes in contracts for:
 - a. LandPro, Inc., contractor for underground sprinkler systems at five community centers in Precinct 2, resulting in a reduction of \$1,467 from the contract amount (070008-1).
 - b. Statewide Traffic Signal Co., contractor for traffic signal installation at the intersections of Morton Road at Dulaney Road, at Eagle Ridge Way, and at Deermoss Drive in Precinct 3, resulting in an addition of \$8,728 to the contract amount (060360-2).

- c. Statewide Traffic Signal Co., contractor for traffic signals and related improvements at the intersections of North Eldridge Parkway at Emmett Road and Fallbrook Drive at Harvest Sun Drive in Precinct 4, resulting in a reduction of \$3,837 from the contract amount (060077-2).
- 5. Recommendation for authorization for the County Judge to execute engineering services agreements/amendments with:
 - a. Binkley & Barfield, Inc., in the additional amount of \$150,000 in connection with development and implementation of a county asset management system as well as development and test methodologies for electronic review of submittals.
 - b. Van De Wiele Engineering, Inc., in the amount of \$64,387 in connection with construction of Kingsland Boulevard from Falcon Point Drive to Ernstes Road in Precinct 3.
- 6. Recommendation for deposit of funds received from the Bank of New York, Jae and Beverly Moore, Vista Equities Group, and Bing Family Associates, Bing Paul General Partner, in amounts of \$38,092, \$22,398, \$25,000, and \$15,693, respectively, for Kingsland Boulevard in Precinct 3.
- 7. Recommendation for authorization to negotiate with C.J. Hensch, Inc., for on-call traffic engineering services for traffic data collection in connection with various county projects.
- 8. Recommendation for authorization for the County Auditor to pay monthly utility bills and the County Judge to execute a service outlet location statement with CenterPoint Energy for installation of an electrical meter at 9231¹/₂ West Road to provide electrical power for traffic signals at the intersection of West Road and Willowbridge Park Boulevard in Precinct 4.
- 9. Recommendation for appropriate officials to take necessary actions and awards be made to:
 - a. TJ&T Enterprises, Inc., lowest and best bid in the amount of \$168,965 for a proposed left turn lane for Wallisville Road at Northshore Park in Precinct 2.
 - b. GLM Contracting, LP, second lowest and best bid for repairs/replacement of concrete pavement, curbs, driveways, sidewalks, and related items in the Crosby Camp area in Precinct 4.
 - c. Conrad Construction Co., Ltd., lowest and best bid in the amount of \$5,366,613 for a 4.75 acre detention facility at Brittmoore Road from Clay Road to south of Tanner Road, Segment A in Precinct 4.
- 10. Recommendation that the only bid received for a renewable term contract to furnish and deliver \$70,000 worth of various sizes of reinforced concrete pipes, saddle inlet risers, and related items for Precinct 2 be rejected and the project readvertised for a two-week bid period.

- 11. Recommendation that the court grant an exception under Texas Local Government Code to exempt from the competitive bidding requirements for a contract to repair a section of roadway pavement on Space Center Boulevard from south of Genoa-Red Bluff northward to Genoa Red Bluff in Precinct 2, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the transaction.
- 12. Recommendation that a technical defect be waived and the award for construction of paving, drainage, and traffic signal improvements for Kingsland Boulevard from Falcon Point Drive to Ernstes Road in Precinct 3 be made to Hassell Construction Co., Inc., lowest and best bid in the amount of \$3,143,886, and for appropriate officials to take necessary actions to complete the transaction.
- 13. Recommendation that the court approve the preliminary engineering report prepared by Metyko & Associates, Inc., for construction of Tuckerton Road B from Arched Oak Drive to Huffmeister Road in Precinct 3, and authorization to proceed with the design phase.
- 14. Recommendation that the court establish a public hearing date of August 21 to consider a street name change: Winding Springs Lane to Winding Springs Drive in Precinct 4.
- 15. Transmittal of notices of road and bridge log changes.

g. Facilities & Property Management

- 1. Request for authorization to renew an annual agreement with Houston Small Business Development Corporation for lease of space at 5290 Griggs for Constable, Precinct 7, at a monthly cost of \$25,775.
- 2. Request for approval of an annual agreement with Paschall North Main, Ltd., for lease of space at 2103 North Main Street for Protective Services for Children & Adults for employment, training, and related services for current and former foster care youth at a cost of \$9,000 per month.
- 3. Request for authorization to destroy certain records of Justice of the Peace 8.1 and Community & Economic Development in accordance with records control schedules.
- 4. Request for authorization to submit annual requests to the State Comptroller of Public Accounts for unclaimed capital credits received from electric cooperatives for selected counties.

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 \$31,615 and a workers compensation recovery in the amount of \$6,809; settlement of two tort claims in the total amount of \$4,644; denial of two claims for damages; and transmittal of claims for damages received during the period ending July 31.
- b. Request for authorization for the County Judge to execute releases in exchange for payments to the county in amounts of \$107, \$311, \$510, \$520, and \$1,458 in connection with settlement of accident claims.
- c. Request by Human Resources & Risk Management and Public Health & Environmental Services for authorization for two employees to participate in the Employment Guide job fair August 15 in Houston at a cost of \$385.
- d. Request for authorization for two employees to participate in the University of Texas School of Public Health job fair October 24 in Houston at a cost of \$100.
- e. Transmittal of investment transactions and maturities for the period of July 18-31.
- f. Request for approval of interest payments for commercial paper projects, and funding changes in connection with Reliant Park improvements and architectural services for the Atascocita jail.
- g. Request for approval of Reliant Park construction project invoice amounts for June in the total amount of \$10,215.
- h. Request for approval of payment in an amount not to exceed \$700,000 in connection with Harris County Tax and Subordinate Lien Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2004A and 2004B.
- i. Request for approval of an order authorizing issuance of Harris County Hospital District Senior Lien Refunding and Revenue Bonds, Series 2007A and 2007B, with financial management products agreements, preparation of financing documents, terms and conditions, award of sale, and other provisions.
- j. Request for approval of authorized budget appropriation transfers for flood control and county departments.
- k. Consideration of and possible actions regarding capital improvement plans and proposals in connection with a November 6, 2007 bond election.

3. Information Technology

a. Request for approval of an agreement with Clay Road Municipal Utility District for use of the county's 800 MHz pubic radio system.

b. Request for approval to delete four assigned cell phones and four multi-user phones.

4. Public Health & Environmental Services

- a. Request for approval of a data use agreement between the Michigan Public Health Institute and the Houston-Harris County Child Fatality Review Team to allow the team to electronically transmit all data collected during the review process to the State Child Fatality Review Program at the Texas Department of State Health Services.
- b. Request for authorization to accept donations in the total amount of \$2,154 for the Animal Control Shelter.
- c. Request for authorization to extend certain positions funded by the Texas Department of State Health Services for the HIV/STD Prevention Safe Talk Program and the Family Planning HIV Integration Grant through August 31, 2007.
- d. Request for authorization to extend certain positions funded by the Texas Department of State Health Services for the Tobacco Prevention & Control Program, and the Local Public Health Services contract pending receipt of grant contracts.

5. Community & Economic Development

- a. Request for approval of three deferred down payment assistance loans for low- and moderate-income homebuyers in Precincts 3 and 4 in the total amount of \$53,400.
- b. Request for approval of agreements/amendments with:
 - 1. Harris County Precinct Three to add \$510,000 in Community Development Block Grant funds for construction and related activities for the Westside Senior Education Center project.
 - 2. Harris County Precinct Two Parks Department to partially fund construction of an outdoor amphitheater in Riley Chambers Park using \$125,000 in Community Development Block Grant funds.
 - 3. Volunteers of America, Texas to provide rental assistance and supportive services for homeless and disabled persons using Shelter Plus Care Program funds in the amount of \$125,880.

6. Youth & Family Services

a. Protective Services for Children & Adults

- 1. Request for authorization for staff to host a retreat for the Community Resource Coordination Group August 16 in Houston at an approximate cost of \$500.
- 2. Request for authorization to purchase gift cards for basic needs for Systems of Hope Project families with emotionally disturbed children using Substance Abuse Mental Health Services Administration grant funds in the total amount of \$6,050.

b. Children's Assessment Center

Request for approval of memorandums of understanding between the county and the Children's Assessment Center Foundation to recognize income from various grants and their budget allocations.

7. Constables

- a. Request by Constables Camus, Trevino, and Bailey, Precincts 5, 6, and 8, for approval of changes to lists of regular law enforcement personnel and reserve officers with oaths and/or bonds.
- b. Request by Constable Jones, Precinct 3, for:
 - 1. Deletion of a car allowance from a deputy position and addition of a monthly car allowance to another deputy position.
 - 2. Approval of an amendment to a law enforcement agreement with Channelview Independent School District for services of an additional deputy.
- c. Request by Constable Hickman, Precinct 4, for authorization to:
 - 1. Appoint four deputies to fill vacant positions.
 - 2. Amend a law enforcement agreement with Cy-Champ Public Utility District to upgrade two deputy positions to senior deputy level for employees who have met requirements for the change.
 - 3. Accept donations in the total amount of \$9,850.
- d. Request by Constable Camus, Precinct 5, for:
 - 1. Authorization to extend a sergeant position through August 31 in connection with the Crime Victim Assistance Grant.
 - 2. Approval of a cellular phone allowance for an assistant chief position and deletion of an assigned cellular phone.
- e. Request by Constable Trevino, Precinct 6, for authorization to:
 - 1. Increase the hourly pay for a clerk position.
 - 2. Add a seized vehicle to the department's fleet.
- f. Request by Constable Walker, Precinct 7, for:
 - 1. Approval of a law enforcement agreement with Houston Independent School District for the Absent Student Assistance Program for services of two deputies with county vehicles and equipment.
 - 2. Authorization to fill a grant position through September 30, 2007 while an employee is out on Family Medical Leave of Absence.

8. Sheriff

a. Request for authorization to correct the payroll records of certain employees.

- b. Request for approval of cellular phone allowances for 10 employees.
- c. Request for approval of name changes for personnel and deletion of certain regular deputies from the department's authorized list.
- d. Request for authorization to accept a donation for the Patrol Bureau.
- e. Request for approval to extend certain positions pending receipt of grant funds.

9. Fire Marshal

- a. Request for authorization to purchase five cellular phones and seven vehicle power charges at a cost not to exceed \$1,000.
- b. Transmittal of financial reports for Emergency Service Districts Nos. 10 and 48.

10. Medical Examiner

- a. Request for authorization to correct the payroll record of an employee.
- b. Request for approval of payment of relocation expenses for a forensic pathologist from New York City for a position of assistant medical examiner.

11. County Clerk

- a. Transmittal of minutes of the court's meeting of July 24.
- b. Request for authorization to change the titles of two positions and reclassify two positions in connection with reorganization of the Public Affairs Division.
- c. Request for authorization to purchase a cellular phone with airtime and a replacement phone.

12. District Clerk

- a. Request for authorization to purchase a Blackberry cell phone device for use by an employee.
- b. Request for approval of agreements for e-Clerk and Subscriber Access services.

13. County Attorney

a. Request for approval of orders authorizing litigation expenses in connection with cases in County Civil Court No. 1, the 311th, 313th, and 314th District Courts, and U.S. District Court.

- b. Request for approval of an order authorizing suit and litigation expenses to compel compliance with driveway/culvert and flood plain regulations at 409 Heather Gate Lane in Crosby in Precinct 4, and for suits and expenses for various cases for recovery of damages.
- c. Request for approval of an order authorizing settlement in connection with a claim by Kaver Limited Partnership concerning Fairmont Parkway in La Porte in Precinct 2.
- d. Request for approval of a special counsel agreement with Andrews Kurth, LLP, to represent the county in connection with certain toll road matters.
- e. Request for approval of an order authorizing settlement in connection with a condemnation suit concerning property at Lawndale and N. MacGregor Way for Brays Bayou channel improvements.
- f. Request for approval of a letter of engagement with Michael P. Fleming P.C. Attorneys at Law as special counsel to represent the county and Flood Control District in a lawsuit pending in County Civil Court No. 1.

14. District Attorney

- a. Request for authorization to destroy certain records in accordance with a records control schedule.
- b. Request for approval of payment in the amount of \$14,850 to Central Transportation Systems to disassemble, relocate, and reassemble file shelving and move boxes from the sixth floor to the 13th floor of the Criminal Justice Center.
- c. Request for approval to extend a position from July 15, 2007 to August 17, 2007.

15. District Courts

Request for approval of payment to the Houston Bar Association for alternative dispute resolution services.

16. Travel & Training

a. Out of Texas

Dept.	# Emp.	Purpose	Date(s)	Location	Cost	Fund
1.PID	1	National Conference on Asset Management	11/5-8	New Orleans, LA	\$1,450	General
2.MS/OHRRM	1	Aetna Client Advisory Group meeting	9/16-18	Boston, MA	\$1,350	Other
3.PHES	1	Annual Pollution Prevention through Nanotechnology Conf.	9/23-25	Washington, DC	\$1,600	General
4.Const. 7	1	Gang Resistance Education & Training course	8/19-31	Portland, OR	\$909	Grant
5.Sheriff	1	Correctional mental health training	7/13-18	Las Vegas, NV	\$1,300	General
6.Sheriff	2	Jail facility inspection*	7/29-31	Epps, LA	\$610	General

	Dept.	# Emp.	Purpose	Date(s)	Location	Cost	Fund
7.S	heriff	1	Weapons of mass destruction training	8/18-26	Anniston, AL	\$5,075	Other
8.S	heriff	1	Western States Vice Investigators Assn. Conference	8/26-9/1	Anaheim, CA	\$2,090	Other
9.S	heriff	1	FBI National Academy training*	9/30-12/14	Quantico, VA	\$2,000	Other
10.S	heriff	2	Video surveillance basic technical services training	10/14-27	Meridian, MS	\$340	General
						\$1,100	Other
11.F	ïre M.	2	National Fire Academy courses	10/8-19	Emmetsburg, MD	\$600	General
12.N	1 .Е.	1	American Society of Crime Laboratory Directors course	9/10-12	Buffalo, NY	\$1,510	Grant
13.M	1 .Е.	3	International Association of Forensic Nurses cont. educ.	10/16-20	Salt Lake City, UT	\$4,187	General
14.D	Dist. Clk.	1	National Court Collections Conference	9/24-26	Las Vegas, NV	\$1,304	General
15.D	DA	1	National District Attorneys Assn. Summer Conference	7/31-8/2	Portland, OR	\$701	Other
16.D	DA	7	Natl. Invest. & Prosecution of Child Fatalities & Abuse Conf.	8/19-24	Indianapolis, IN	\$12,054	Other
17.D	DA	2	International Homicide Investigators Symposium	9/16-21	Las Vegas, NV	\$3,850	Other
18.P	rob. Ct. 1	1	National College of Probate Judges continuing education	11/14-17	San Diego, CA	\$1,592	General
19.C	Com. 3	1	Project and facility research site visits	8/8-11	Los Angeles, CA	\$1,440	General
S	ubtotal	31	Out of Texas average cost \$1,454 per employee			\$45,062	

b. In Texas

Dept.	# Emp.	Purpose	Date(s)	Location	Cost	Fund
1 PID/FCD	3	Developing Applications with ArcGIS training	8/21-23	Houston	\$4,197	FCD
2.PID/A&E	1	Hazardous waste operations training	9/17-20	Houston	\$550	General
3.PID/A&E	1	Tx. Assn. of County of Engineers & Road Admin. Conf.	10/30-11/1	San Antonio	\$350	General
4.ITC	1	Texas Radio Coalition meetings	Aug-Dec	Austin	\$1,850	Grant
5.ITC	1	National Information Exchange Model meeting	8/10	Conroe	\$15	General
6.ITC	2	Environmental Systems Research Institute training	8/21-23	Houston	\$2,798	General
7.ITC	1	Dell Information Technology learning series	8/29-30	Austin	\$548	General
8.ITC	1	Implementing a Microsoft SQL Server Database class	8/20-24	Houston	\$1,100	Other
9.PHES	1	Fundamentals of Iron Speed Designer Online class	8/14-16	Houston	\$399	General
10PHES	15	Annual Pandemic Influenza table top exercise conference	8/16	Conroe	\$900	Grant
11 PHES	2	Ft. Bend County Health & Well-Being Project	8/21-22	Ft. Bend	\$100	General
12 PHES	1	Pharmaceutical inventory control system training*	8/22-23	Beaumont	\$60	Grant
13 PHES	1	Annual Texas Nurse Practitioners Conference	9/6-9	Dallas	\$1,975	General
14 PHES	2	Geographical information system server training	10/1-2	Houston	\$1,900	General
15 PHES	9	Vision & hearing certification workshop	9/10-11	Houston	\$900	Grant
16 PHES	18	Principles of Lactation Management training	11/8-9	Clear Lake	\$1,080	Grant
17.CED	4	Manufactured housing licensing education class*	8/14	Austin	\$629	Grant
18 CED	1	Building Codes in Texas training*	8/21	Houston	\$339	Grant
19 CED	1	Transit cost allocation workshop	8/30	Fort Worth	\$425	Other
20 CED	1	Introduction to ArcGIS training*	9/10-11	Houston	\$110	Grant
21 CED	1	Annual Preventing Elder Abuse Conference	9/14	Houston	\$75	General
22 CED	2	Annual Tx. Veterans Commission Statewide Training Conf.	10/8-12	Dallas	\$1,254	General
23.Dom. Rel.	3	Assn. of Family & Conciliation Courts annual conference	10/5-6	Austin	\$1,750	General
24 Coop. Ext.	1	Agricultural Communications planning meeting	7/19	College Station	\$120	General
25.Coop. Ext.	1	H.S. Estelle 4-H Camp board meeting	7/24	Huntsville	\$100	General
26 Coop. Ext.	1	District 9 marketing plan meeting	7/26	College Station	\$91	General
27 Coop. Ext.	1	Beef cattle short course	8/6-8	College Station	\$610	General

	Dept.	# Emp.	Purpose	Date(s)	Location	Cost	Fund
28.	Coop. Ext.	1	Texas Training & Texas Nursery & Landscape Assn. Expo.	8/15-18	Victoria &Dallas	\$1,081	General
29.	Coop. Ext.	8	South Region-Tx. Extension accountability system training	8/17	Houston	\$56	General
30.	Coop. Ext.	2	Regional new extension agent training & orientation	8/28-29	Rosenberg	\$128	General
31.	Coop. Ext.	1	New extension agent training	10/30-11/2	College Station	\$221	Other
32.	Juv. Prob.	21	Female placement program field trip*	9/12	Brenham	\$100	General
33.	PSCA	1	Texas Network of Youth Services Conference	8/15-17	Austin	\$730	General
34.	Const. 2	1	Prevention of police misconduct training techniques	8/21-23	Houston	\$295	Other
35.	Const. 4	5	First Responder Class-emergency care attendant training	8/6-13	Needham	\$1,625	Other
36.	Sheriff	1	Human trafficking training conference*	7/30-8/2	Laredo	\$396	Other
37.	Sheriff	15	Taser instructor certification training	9/24-25	Humble	\$3,300	Other
38.	Sheriff	2	University of Houston Fall Career Expo & job fair	9/26	Houston	\$125	General
39.	Sheriff	2	National Cruelty Investigation School	11/5-9	Houston	\$1,000	Other
40.	Fire M.	2	Agency collaborative meeting*	8/1	Austin	\$50	General
41.	Fire M.	1	Introduction to ArcGIS II course	8/8-10	Houston	\$215	General
42.	M.E.	2	Basic public information officer training	9/18-21	Austin	\$1,068	General
43.	DA	1	Annual Tx. District & County Attorneys Assn. board mtg.	9/25-27	Corpus Christi	\$225	General
44.	JP 1.1	5	Licensed court interpreter continuing legal education	9/24	Spring	\$1,000	General
45.	JP 1.2	1	Real estate law course seminar	8/14-17	Dallas	\$787	General
46.	JP 5.1	1	Texas Justice Court Judges Association training	7/17-20	Austin	\$755	General
47.	Co. Cts.	1	Legislative update	4/18	Houston	\$50	General
48.	Co. Cts.	1	DWI Conference	8/21-24	Fort Worth	\$100	General
49.	Dist. Cts.	59	National Center for State Courts workshop	8/20	Houston	\$500	General
50.	Auditor	1	Internal auditing and financial reporting training	8/20	Dallas	\$727	General
51.	Auditor	1	Governmental and non-profit fraud training	9/27	Houston	\$285	General
52.	Auditor	1	Institute of Internal Auditors Southern Regional Conference	10/7-10	Austin	\$1,210	General
53.	Auditor	1	Texas Association of County Auditors Conference	10/16-19	Waco	\$850	General
54.	OHSEM	2	Texas Preparedness Scheduling Workshop*	9/20-21	Corpus Christi	\$500	General
55.	Com. 1	1	Tx. Engineering Extension Service continuing educ. course	8/7-9	Pearland	\$155	General
56.	Com. 1	1	Tx. Engineering Extension Service continuing educ. course	8/14-16	Rosenberg	\$195	General
57.	Com. 1	1	Annual election law seminar	8/15-17	Austin	\$645	General
58.	Com. 3	1	ArcPad training	8/7-8	Houston	\$850	General
	Subtotal	221	In Texas average cost \$197 per employee			\$43,449	
	Total	252				\$88,511	
	*Travel by		vehicle	General	Grant	Other	Total
				\$39,445	\$8,287	\$40,779	\$88,511

Cumulative	Out of Texas	In Texas	Total
FY 2007-08	\$604,954	\$1,185,142	\$1,790,096

17. Grants

- a. Request by **PID Architecture & Engineering** for authorization to:
 - 1. Accept an amendment to an agreement with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department to extend a project through July 31, 2008 for development of the Halls Bayou regional park system in Precincts 1 and 2.
 - 2. Accept an amendment to an agreement with the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department to extend a project through July 15, 2008 for development of Bane Park in Precinct 4.
- b. Request by **PID Facilities & Property Management** for approval of an amendment to a grant from the National Historical Publications and Records Commission to extend the grant period and an archivist position through August 31, 2007.
- c. Request by **Public Health & Environmental Services** for:
 - 1. Authorization to accept additional grant funds in the amount of \$14,000 from the Texas Department of State Health Services to provide nutrition and counseling services for the WIC Program.
 - 2. Continuation of positions and approval of agreements with the Texas Department of State Health Services for:
 - a. Grant funds in the amount of \$691,574 for the Tuberculosis Control and Prevention Program.
 - b. Grant funds in the amount of \$339,945 for the Cities Readiness Initiative to prepare for public health emergencies.
 - c. Grant funds in the amount of \$347,216 for administration of the Title V Population-Based Services Program for women and children.
 - d. Grant funds in the amount of \$732,441 to provide immunization services for children.
 - e. Grant funds in the amount of \$1,353,597 for the Bioterrorism Preparedness Program.
- d. Request by the **County Library** for authorization to:
 - 1. Accept a donation in the amount of \$8,000 from the Comcast Foundation to purchase books for the Summer Reading Program.
 - 2. Apply for grant funds in the amount of \$490 from Amegy Bank of Texas for cultural performances and activities for the Hispanic Heritage Kick Off Festival September 15 at the Jacinto City branch.
- e. Request by **Juvenile Probation** for approval of Harris County Juvenile Board budgets for grant funds from various sources in the total approximate amount of \$30 million in support of the juvenile justice system.
- f. Request by Protective Services for Children & Adults for:
 - 1. Continuation of related positions and authorization to accept grant funds in the amount of \$950,000 from the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services to support permanency planning services at the Children's Crisis Care Center.

- 2. Continuation of related positions and authorization to accept grant funds in the amount of \$1,397,175 from the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services for the Preparation for Adult Living and Aftercare programs.
- 3. Authorization to renew an interlocal cooperation contract with the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services for Title IV-E foster care and adoption services in the amount of \$1,475,000.
- 4. Continuation of related positions and authorization to renew an agreement with the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services for grant funds in the amount of \$375,000 to support family assessment services at the Children's Crisis Care Center.
- 5. Approval of an amendment to an agreement with the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services to reallocate line items of the budget and change the contract period for the Preparation for Adult Living and Aftercare programs.
- g. Request by **Constable Hickman, Precinct 4** for approval of an amendment to an agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation to reduce grant funds by \$96,646 for the DWI Selective Traffic Enforcement Program.
- h. Request by **Constable Trevino, Precinct 6**, for approval of an amendment to an agreement with the Fifth Ward Community Redevelopment Corporation for additional grant funds in the amount of \$700 for the Public Housing Safety Initiative Program.
- i. Request by **Constable Walker, Precinct 7**, for authorization to accept grant funds in the amount of \$12,000 from the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts for the Tobacco Education & Prevention Program.
- j. Request by the **Sheriff** for authorization to:
 - 1. Accept additional grant funds in the amount of \$3,506 from the Office of National Drug Control Policy for the Houston Money Laundering Initiative.
 - 2. Continue an annual agreement with the Texas Military Forces for members of the National Guard to work with the Detective Bureau in connection with counter-drug activities.
- k. Request by the **Medical Examiner** for approval of amendments to cooperative agreements with the U.S. Department of Justice to extend the end dates through March 31, 2008 for the Forensic Casework DNA Backlog Reduction and DNA Capacity Enhancement programs.
- 1. Request by the **County Judge** for authorization to:
 - 1. Accept an amendment to an agreement with the Houston-Galveston Area Council to extend the program end date to November 30, 2007 for non-emergency transportation for individuals who were affected by Hurricane Katrina and/or Hurricane Rita.

- 2. Accept amendments to agreements with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality to extend the program end date through August 31, 2008 with additional funds in the amount of \$1,355,456 for the Low-Income Vehicle Repair and Replacement Program.
- 3. Submit a proposal to the Texas State Energy Conservation office for grant funds in the amount of \$200,000 for an initiative on clean energy and clean air.

18. Fiscal Services & Purchasing

a. Auditor

- 1. Request for approval of final payment to South Coast Construction for widening of Sam Houston Tollway from north of Richmond to the south toll plaza for the Toll Road Authority.
- 2. Transmittal of certification of supplemental estimates of revenue received for various funds and grants.
- 3. Request for approval of summary of expenses to be sent to counties of the First and 14th appellate districts with statements of their proportionate shares of annual billable expenses.
- 4. Transmittal of the unaudited and unadjusted monthly financial report for June.
- 5. Transmittal of audited claims.

b. <u>Treasurer</u>

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

c. <u>Tax Assessor-Collector</u>

- 1. Request for approval for two employees to attend job fairs of the University of St. Thomas and Houston Baptist University October 9 in Houston at an approximate cost of \$125.
- 2. Request for approval of tax refund payments.

d. Purchasing

- 1. Transmittal of projects scheduled for advertisement:
 - a. Refuse removal services for the county, Harris County Hospital District, Flood Control District, and Community Supervision & Corrections.
 - b. Janitorial services at various locations for the Flood Control District.
 - c. Medical interpreter services for Public Health & Environmental Services.
 - d. UPS replacement batteries and services for Information Technology.
 - e. Pavement markings and striping services for the Toll Road Authority.

- f. Transportation services for elderly, handicapped, and low income individuals for Community & Economic Development.
- g. Temporary nursing personnel for the county and the Harris County Hospital District.
- 2. Transmittal of a list of computer-related items obtained through the State of Texas vendor program for the Flood Control District, Facilities & Property Management, County Clerk, and Juvenile Probation.
- 3. Request for approval of a change in contract with J&B Computer Maintenance, contractor for maintenance of ITT Courier and IBM equipment for Information Technology, resulting in a reduction of \$25,908 from the contract amount (01088).
- 4. Recommendation that awards be made to:
 - a. The Exchange Club Center for the Prevention of Child Abuse of Houston, Texas, Inc., dba Escape Family Resource Center, sole proposal for parent education programs for the Youth & Family Services Division, and approval of an order authorizing the County Judge to execute an agreement in the amount of \$35,900 for the period ending February 29, 2008.
 - b. Youth Advocate Programs, Inc., best proposal meeting specifications for advocacy services for youth and families serviced under the Harris County Alliance/Community Resource Coordination Group for the TRIAD Consortium, and approval of an order authorizing the County Judge to execute an agreement in the amount of \$50,000 for the period ending February 29, 2008.
 - c. Apple Glass Company, Ltd., low bid in the amount of \$218,500 for automotive glass and related items for the county for the period beginning October 1, 2007.
 - d. H.D.E.-Electric, Inc., overall low bid in the amount of \$64,163 for repair parts and labor for wastewater lift station pumps for the county for the period beginning October 1, 2007.
 - e. D.F. Sales, sole bid in the amount of \$24,900 for screw fasteners and related items for the county for the period beginning October 1, 2007.
 - f. Bailey's House of Guns, Inc., in the amount of \$28,716; GT Distributors, Inc., \$75,992; and Precision Ammunition, \$64,846, low bids meeting specifications for ammunition and related items for the county for the period ending July 31, 2008, with renewal options beginning August 1, 2008.
 - g. Motorola, Inc., sole bid in the amount of \$175,000 for Motorola radio depot repair services for Information Technology for the period ending July 31, 2008.
 - h. FLIR Systems, Inc., sole bid in the amount of \$117,850 for thermal imaging and measurement camera for Public Health & Environmental Services.
 - i. Forward Edge, Inc., best proposal meeting specifications for drug and alcohol testing for Human Resources & Risk Management, and approval of an order authorizing the County Judge to execute an agreement in the amount of \$200,000 for the period ending June 30, 2008.

- 5. Request for approval of renewal options with:
 - a. H.D.I.S., for debris removal and disposal services for the Flood Control District for the period of November 1, 2007-October 31, 2008 at an estimated cost of \$140,000.
 - b. Green Acres Lawn Care for landscape maintenance services for Facilities & Property Management for the period of November 1, 2007-October 31, 2008 at an estimated cost of \$265,000.
 - c. Bob Barker Company to furnish and deliver wholesale clothing, dry goods, and notions for Juvenile Probation for the period of September 1, 2007-August 31, 2008 at an estimated cost of \$70,000.
 - d. Arena Counseling Center, Breakthrough, Greater Houston Psychological Institute, and O'Brien Counseling Services, Inc., for sex offender treatment services for Community Supervision & Corrections for the period of September 1, 2007-August 31, 2008 at an estimated total cost of \$115,000.
 - e. Lone Star Uniforms for work uniforms and related items for Precinct 2 for the period of November 1, 2007-October 31, 2008 at an estimated cost of \$42,000.
 - f. All About Recovery, Inc., Institute for Psychological Services, Inc., The Turning Point, Inc., and Wholistic Counseling Services, Inc., for anger management treatment services for Community Supervision & Corrections for the period of September 1, 2007-August 31, 2008 at an estimated total cost of \$25,000.
 - g. Fleet Safety Equipment to furnish and deliver light bars and related items for the county for the period of October 1, 2007-September 30, 2008 at an estimated cost of \$354,000.
 - h. Mac Haik Ford, Ltd., and Tommie Vaughn Motors, Inc., for repair parts, labor, and related items for Ford medium trucks for the county for the period of November 1, 2007-October 31, 2008 at an estimated total cost of \$89,000.
 - i. Environmental Tree and Design, Inc., dba Environmental Design for tree spading services for the Flood Control District for the period of November 1, 2007-October 31, 2008 at an estimated cost of \$50,000.
 - j. Northwest Pipe Company, Vulcan, Inc., dba Vulcan Signs, Roadrunner Traffic Supply, Inc., and Osburn Associates, Inc., for sign material and related items for the county for the period of November 1, 2007-October 31, 2008 at an estimated total cost of \$429,000.
 - k. Ozarka Spring Water for steam distilled drinking water and rental of water coolers for the county for the period of November 1, 2007-October 31, 2008 at an estimated cost of \$75,000.
 - 1. ADE Incorporated for drug and alcohol evaluation services for Community Supervision & Corrections for the period of November 1, 2007-October 31, 2008 at an estimated cost of \$54,000.
- 6. Request for approval of orders authorizing the County Judge to execute agreements/amendments with:
 - a. West Group for access to computer-assisted legal research services for the 14th Court of Appeals in the amount of \$25,000 for the period ending February 29, 2008.

- b. Mercury Associates, Inc., for Chevin Fleetwave[™] software for Fleet Services in the amount of \$276,300 for the period ending February 29, 2008.
- c. AIDS Foundation Houston, Inc.; AIDS Research Consortium of Houston; Bering Omega Community Services; City of Houston; Family Services of Greater Houston; Harris County Hospital District; Houston Area Community Services, Inc.; Houston Volunteer Lawyers Program, Inc.; Legacy Community Health Services; Montrose Counseling Center, Inc.; N.A.A.C.P.; Nonprofit Consulting Services, LLC; Saint Hope Foundation; Southeast Texas Legal Clinic; The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston; Veterans Affairs Medical Center Houston; and Christus Visiting Nurse Association of Houston, Inc., for Ryan White Title I Services for the county for the period ending February 29, 2008.
- d. Kroll Laboratory Specialists for drug testing kits and confirmation of urinalysis samples for Community Supervision & Corrections in the additional annual amount of \$50,000 for a maximum total of \$1,450,000.
- 7. Request for approval of sole source, professional services, and other exemptions from the competitive bid process and orders authorizing the County Judge to execute agreements/amendments with:
 - a. AudienceCentral, Inc., for PIER communications software for Public Health & Environmental Services in the amount of \$37,843 for the period of August 7, 2007-August 6, 2008.
 - b. David Umansky, DDS, for dental services for Juvenile Probation in the amount of \$51,600 for the period ending June 30, 2008.
 - c. Steven Lai, O.D., for optometry and ophthalmology services for inmates for the Sheriff's Department in the amount of \$28,750 for the period of September 18, 2007-September 17, 2008.
 - d. R. Craig Bales for medical services for Community Supervision & Corrections in the amount of \$110,000 for the period of August 1, 2007-July 31, 2008.
- 8. Request for authorization for a list of county surplus and/or confiscated property to be sold at internet auction and for disposal of unsold surplus items.
- 9. Transmittal of notice of receipt of funds in the amount of \$72,066 for county equipment sold at Houston Auto Auction June 27 and July 3 and 7.
- 10. Transmittal of notice of receipt of funds in the total amount of \$25,798 from sale of surplus and confiscated property through the county's internet public auction for the period of July 2-27, 2007.
- 11. Request for authorization to transfer property from Constable, Precinct 1 to Constables, Precincts 2 through 7, and from Commissioner, Precinct 3 to Constable, Precinct 5.

- 12. Request for approval of second year funding of an agreement with Electronic Transaction Consultants Corporation which includes a task order process that upgrades software for toll rates for the term through July 23, 2008.
- 13. Transmittal of bids and proposals for advertised jobs that were opened July 30, 2007 and August 6, 2007 by the Office of the Purchasing Agent, and request for approval of recommendations for disposition.

19. Commissioners Court

a. County Judge

- 1. Request for approval of resolutions designating:
 - a. August 7 as East End Day in recognition of a recently completed strategic vision plan.
 - b. August 7 as E. I. and Irene Smith Day in recognition of their badership and commitment to Cottage Grove and the community.
 - c. August 21-23 as Harris County Employee's Summer Blood Drive Days and further recognizing August 30 as Dress Down Day, allowing county employees to wear blue jeans for donating blood.
- 2. Request that Public Infrastructure and Management Services review the cost impact of incorporating greenbuilding practices and energy efficiency measures, including but not limited to Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design certification, for buildings and renovations connected to the proposed bond package, and recommendation that the court adopt greenbuilding and energy efficient measures into building plans wherever possible.

b. Commissioner, Precinct 1

- 1. Request for consideration and approval of resolutions recognizing the:
 - a. Opening ceremonies of the Gulf Coast Community Services Association's Early Head Start Center in the Historic Fifth Ward Community on August 16.
 - b. 2008 U.S. Olympic Team Trials-Boxing at the Houston host site of the George R. Brown Convention Center August 19-26.
- 2. Request for authorization for the South Belt Youth Soccer Club to host fundraising activities August 10-12 at El Franco Lee Park, and transmittal of a list of items to be sold.
- 3. Request for approval to replace two cellular phones.
- 4. Request for approval of a list of election judges and alternates for a one-year term.

c. <u>Commissioner, Precinct 2</u>

- 1. Request for approval of resolutions commending:
 - a. Harris County Clerk Beverly Kaufman as the 2007 recipient of the Linda S. Carter Award for Excellence in Government by the National Association of County Recorders, Election Officials and Clerks.
 - b. Sylvia K. Brooks, President and CEO of the Houston Area Urban League, upon her retirement.
- 2. Request for authorization to allow county employees to make payroll deductions for the United Way of Baytown Area, the United Way of the Texas Gulf Coast, and Community Health Charities Texas charitable campaigns.

d. Commissioner, Precinct 3

- 1. Request for approval of a list of election judges and alternates for a term ending July 31, 2008.
- 2. Request for authorization to accept donation of a check in the amount of \$577 from Bullion Coatings for expansion of a driveway on the West Little York project.

e. <u>Commissioner, Precinct 4</u>

- 1. Request for authorization for the County Clerk and the Tax Assessor-Collector to prepare legal documents creating the new voting Precinct 0876 as indicated on the Precinct 0323 map.
- 2. Request for authorization to accept an interlocal agreement with Montgomery County for participation and cooperation in the administration of Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Program for the Spring Creek Greenway project, Phase One.
- 3. Request for authorization for the May Center Volunteer Advisory Council to hold a fund-raising event on October 6.
- 4. Request for authorization to accept donations of various items from the Doss Advisory Council for the Mangum-Howell Center.
- 5. Request for authorization to correct the payroll record of an employee.
- 6. Request for authorization for the County Judge to execute an agreement with Powder Mills Estates for cleanup along the roadsides of Brown Road from Powder Mill Drive to SH 249 in connection with the Adopt a County Road program for the period of July 1, 2007-June 30, 2008.
- 7. Transmittal of notice of traffic sign installations.

20. Miscellaneous

- a. Transmittal of petitions filed with County Civil Courts Nos. 1 and 4.
- b. Transmittal of a quarterly activity report from the Greater Houston Convention and Visitors Bureau.

II. <u>Emergency/supplemental items</u>

Request by County Judge Ed Emmett for acceptance of an amended statement of agreement, which extends the timeline for completion from November 30, 2007 to August 15, 2008 for a previously approved \$99,970 grant to the Joint City/County Commission on Children from the Hogg Foundation for Mental Health, to support the development of a comprehensive, long-range mental health plan for children and Families in Houston/Harris County.

III. <u>Public Hearings</u>

Recommendation by Public Infrastructure for approval of street name changes and corrections in Precincts 3 and 4: Cypress Trace Lane to Cypress Trace Drive and Green Seam Lane to Braybend Lane.

IV. <u>Executive Session</u>

- 1. Request by the County Judge for an executive session for reappointment of Evans Attwell to the Harris County Hospital District Board of Managers for a term ending November 1, 2008.
- 2. Request by Commissioner, Precinct 1 for an executive session for appointment of a board member of Harris County Protective Services for Children & Adults for a term of August 7, 2007-August 6, 2010.
- 3. Request by Commissioner, Precinct 2 for an executive session for appointment of Robert Ballew to the board of Harris County Emergency Services District No. 50 to fill the unexpired vacated term of Tom Tasma for a term ending December 31, 2008.
- 4. Request by Commissioner, Precinct 4 for an executive session for consideration and approval for Lori Wallace to fill the unexpired term of Pat Bailey as a commissioner for Harris County Emergency Services District No. 8 for a term ending December 31, 2007.

V. Appearances before court

1. <u>3 minutes</u>

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.

2. <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)

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Public Infrastructure Management Services Information Technology 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) District Courts (59) Courts of Appeals (2)

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