NOTICE OF A SPECIAL MEETING

May 14, 2021

Notice is hereby given that a special meeting of the Commissioners Court of Harris County, Texas, will be held on **Thursday, May 20, 2021** at **12:30 p.m.** virtually, to advance the public health goal of limiting face-to-face meetings to slow the spread of the Coronavirus (COVID-19), and for the purpose of holding a meeting of the Harris County Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC) to consider the matters brought before the CJCC as shown on the posted agenda. No action by the Harris County Commissioners Court will be taken at this meeting.

On March 16, 2020, Governor Greg Abbott granted a request by the Texas Attorney General to waive certain requirements of the Texas Open Meetings Act to reduce face-to-face contact relating to government meetings while maintaining government transparency during government meetings in accordance with Section 418.016 of the Texas Government Code. Governor Abbott suspended various statutory provisions requiring government officials and members of the public to be physically present at a specified meeting location. The temporary suspension of these statutory provisions remains in effect. Accordingly, this meeting will be held by videoconference.

Members of the public are still entitled to participate and address governmental bodies during any telephonic or videoconference meeting. The public may virtually access the meeting through the following link: https://agenda.harriscountytx.gov. In accordance with the Governor's order, the public may make comments by signing up to speak by no later than Thursday, May 20, 2021 at 8:00 a.m. at https://justiceinnovation.harriscountytx.gov/CJCC-Appearance-Request-Form. You will be placed in a queue and will receive a phone call when it is your time to speak. It is the intention of the Harris County Commissioners Court to provide open access to all members of the public of Harris County to express themselves on issues addressed by County government. However, members of the public are reminded that the Harris County Commissioners Court is a constitutional court, created by the State with judicial, administrative and legislative powers. As such, the Harris County Commissioners Court possesses authority to issue Contempt of Court citations. Accordingly, persons shall conduct themselves with proper respect and decorum in addressing the Court, in participating in public discussions before the Court, and in all actions in the presence of the Court, whether in a regular or a special meeting. Profane, insulting or threatening language, and racial, ethnic or gender slurs or epithets will not be tolerated. Those persons who do not conduct themselves in an orderly and appropriate manner will be ordered to leave the meeting and recognition to speak may be refused at subsequent meetings of the Court. Refusal to abide by the Court's Order may result in a Contempt of Court Citation. The agenda is attached to this notice. Agendas may also be obtained in advance of the court meeting via the internet at the following link: https://agenda.harriscountytx.gov.

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Agenda		
12:30	1.	Call to Order by Chair Judge Hidalgo
	2.	Approval of previous Meeting Minutes 03.11.21
	3.	Election of the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council Chair and Vice-Chair. (10 min.)
		County Judge Lina Hidalgo
	4.	Discussion and possible action on recommendations for the Racial and Ethnic Equity Committee members; Next Steps for the Committee (20 min.)
		Karen Evans, Community Engagement Manager, Justice Administration Department
	5.	Presentation on the Victimization in Harris County: An Initial Survey of Data and Services (20 min.)
		Suzanne Brown-McBride, Impossible6,LLC
	6.	Overview of District Attorney's Office Felony/Misdemeanor Triage Program to address the criminal case backlog (10 min.)
		Vivian King, First Assistant/Chief of Staff
	7.	Open discussion regarding recent jail population trends and the continued impacts of COVID-19 on our criminal justice system operations. (10 min.)
	8.	Presentation on the Office of Managed Assigned Counsel Program (20 min.)
		Kenneth Hardin, Executive Director
2:00	9.	Adjournment



Appearances before CJCC

Justice Staff, or another person designated by the Chair, shall keep the time for speakers. Those persons who do not conduct themselves in an orderly and appropriate manner will be ordered to leave the meeting and recognition to speak may be refused at subsequent meetings of the Council. Refusal to abide by the Council's order may result in removal from the meeting.

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 to come to the podium where they will be limited to three minutes. 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 if they have not appeared at any of the three preceding Council meetings on the same issue.

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 three preceding council meetings on the same issue will be limited to one minute.