



## **MINUTES**

### **TARRANT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT**

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Minutes of Commissioners Court, Special Term – REGULAR Meeting  
Tuesday, March 28, 2023

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**All items have been so ordered. Official documents on file with the County Clerk.**

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On Tuesday, March 28, 2023 at 10:00 AM, the Honorable Commissioners Court of Tarrant County, Texas met for Special Term – Regular Meeting in the Commissioners Courtroom at the Courthouse in the City of Fort Worth.

#### **I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

The Commissioners Court Clerk having called roll and a quorum being presented, Tim O'Hare, County Judge, called the meeting to order with members present:

##### **PRESENT**

Presiding - County Judge - Tim O'Hare  
Commissioner Precinct 1 - Roy Brooks  
Commissioner Precinct 2 - Alisa Simmons  
Commissioner Precinct 3 - Gary Fickes  
Commissioner Precinct 4 -Manny Ramirez

##### **ABSENT**

None

and County Clerk Mary Louise Nicholson, represented by her duly appointed Deputy April Hanks, when the following orders were made.

#### **II. INVOCATION**

The Invocation was given by Chaplain McDuffie with Tarrant County.

#### **III. PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE UNITED STATES AND THE STATE OF TEXAS**

**IV. AGENDA ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Items IX A5, IX F3, IX G2 were removed from the Consent Agenda.  
Item IX A6 was held.

**V. COMMISSIONERS COURT ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**VI. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

- A. Court Order Number: 140565 - Minutes for Regular Meeting of March 21, 2023**

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 4 – Manny Ramirez and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 3 – Gary Fickes to Approve Minutes for Regular Meeting of March 21, 2023  
Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

**VII. PROCLAMATIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

- A. Court Order Number: 140566 - Proclamation – Katey “Junebug” June Kirkland Day (Commissioner Ramirez)**

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 4 – Manny Ramirez and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 1 – Roy Brooks to Approve Proclamation – Katey “Junebug” June Kirkland Day (Commissioner Ramirez)  
Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

- B. Court Order Number: 140567 - Recognition of Tarrant County Departments for the 2022 United Way Campaign**

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 1 – Roy Brooks and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 2 – Alisa Simmons to Receive and File Recognition of Tarrant County Departments for the 2022 United Way Campaign  
Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

**VIII. CONSENT AGENDA**

All items with asterisks (\*\*) are a part of the Consent Agenda. Public hearing and review are held collectively unless opposition is presented, in which case the contested item will be heard separately.

- A. Court Order Number: 140568 - Approval of Consent Agenda**

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 1 – Roy Brooks and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 2 – Alisa Simmons to Approve Consent Agenda with changes made.  
Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

**IX. REPORTS AND BUSINESS**

- A. Administrator (G.K. Maenius)**

1. **Court Order Number: 140569** - Discussion and Possible Action Concerning the Operations of the Mental Health Jail Diversion Center

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 1 – Roy Brooks and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 2 – Alisa Simmons to Approve Recommendations made in the letter to the Mental Health Jail Diversion Center Advisory Committee from Tarrant County Sheriff Bill Waybourn.  
 Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Merl Glasscock, Doreen Geiger, Becky Delaune, and Harriet Harral spoke in favor about the recommendations with the Mental Health Jail Diversion Center.  
 One public speaker did not wish to address court but wanted their comments read about the Mental Health Jail Diversion Center.

2. **Court Order Number: 140570** - Approval of an Advance Funding Agreement between Tarrant County and the Texas Department of Transportation for Funding Related to Texas Department of Transportation IH 20: Tarrant and Parker County Line to Markum Ranch Road Construction Project

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 4 – Manny Ramirez and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 1 – Roy Brooks to Approve Advance Funding Agreement between Tarrant County and the Texas Department of Transportation for Funding Related to Texas Department of Transportation IH 20: Tarrant and Parker County Line to Markum Ranch Road Construction Project  
 Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

3. **Court Order Number: 140571** - Approval of Out-of-State Travel Requests

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 4 – Manny Ramirez and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 1 – Roy Brooks to Approve Out-of-State Travel Requests, excluding the travel request for Community Development  
 Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

LaVonne Cockerell spoke about the sheriff's travel request.

4. **Court Order Number: 140572** - \*\*Approval of Fiscal Year 2023 Public Assistance Contracts with Arts Council of Fort Worth and Tarrant County; Arts Council Northeast; Sixty and Better, Inc.; Downtown Fort Worth, Inc.; Community Action Partners Program – City of Fort Worth; and Tarrant County Black Historical and Genealogical Society, Inc.
5. **Court Order Number: 140573** - Approval of Fiscal Year 2023 Professional Services Contracts for Various Services to the Residents of Tarrant County with ACH Child and Family Services;

Alliance for Children, Inc.; Challenge, Inc.; Guardianship Services, Inc.; One Safe Place; Tarrant Youth Recovery Campus – MHMR of Tarrant County; and Women’s Center of Tarrant County, Inc. - Rape Crisis Center

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 1 – Roy Brooks and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 2 – Alisa Simmons to Approve Fiscal Year 2023 Professional Services Contracts for Various Services to the Residents of Tarrant County with ACH Child and Family Services; Alliance for Children, Inc.; Challenge, Inc.; Guardianship Services, Inc.; One Safe Place; Tarrant Youth Recovery Campus – MHMR of Tarrant County; and Women’s Center of Tarrant County, Inc. - Rape Crisis Center  
 Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Item removed from the Consent Agenda.

Daniel Bennett spoke on item regarding Professional Service Contracts for Various Services to the Residents of Tarrant County

- 6. \*\* Approval of First Amendment to the 2022 Urban Area Security Initiative Homeland Security Grant Program Grant Award for Tarrant County Emergency Management Program Enhancement

Item held.

- 7. **Court Order Number: 140574** - \*\*Approval to Apply to the Tarrant County Historical Society, Inc. Grant to Preserve Historical Sites and Increase Access to Historical Materials Relating to Tarrant County – Archives
- 8. **Court Order Number: 140575** - \*\* Approval of Change Order No. 1 with McClendon Construction Company, Inc. for the Reconciliation of Quantities for the City of Bedford, Texas 47th Year Community Development Block Grant Project – Community Development
- 9. **Court Order Number: 140576** - \*\* Approval of Program Year 2022 Continuum of Care Grant Contract between Tarrant County and Center for Transforming Lives for the 3CP Rapid Rehousing Program – Community Development
- 10. **Court Order Number: 140577** - \*\* Approval to add the HOME - American Rescue Plan Allocation Plan to the Program Year 2021 Action Plan – Community Development
- 11. **Court Order Number: 140578** - \*\* Approval of Amendment No. 1 to the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Health Resources and Services Administration Ryan White Part D Contract with CAN

## Community Health, Inc. – HIV Administrative Agency

12. **Court Order Number: 140579** - \*\* Approval of Amendment No. 4 to the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Health Resources and Services Administration Ryan White Treatment Extension Act Part A Subrecipient Contracts with Tarrant County Preventive Medicine Clinic and Tarrant County Samaritan Housing, Inc. – HIV Administrative Agency
13. **Court Order Number: 140580** - \*\* Approval of Amendment No. 5 to the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Health Resources and Services Administration Ryan White Treatment Extension Act Part A Subrecipient Contract with AIDS Outreach Center – HIV Administrative Agency
14. **Court Order Number: 140581** - \*\* Receive and File the Financial Audit Report of the Tarrant County Emergency Services District No. 1
15. **Court Order Number: 140582** - \*\* Receive and File Briefing Agenda

**B. Auditor (Renee Tidwell)**

1. **Court Order Number: 140583** - Receive and File the Auditor's Report for the Cash Counts of the Sheriff's Office

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 1 – Roy Brooks and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 4 – Manny Ramirez to Receive and File the Auditor's Report for the Cash Counts of the Sheriff's Office  
 Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

2. **Court Order Number: 140584** - \*\* Receive and File the Auditor's Report for the Cash Count of the Domestic Relations Office

**C. Budget and Risk Management (Helen Giese)**

1. **Court Order Number: 140585** - \*\*Approval of Fiscal Year 2023 Appropriation Adjustments
2. **Court Order Number: 140586** - \*\* Approval of Claims Recommended by the Risk Management Board
3. **Court Order Number: 140587** - \*\* Receive and File Risk Management Board Minutes – March 15, 2023

**D. Criminal Courts Administration (J. Gregory Shugart)**

1. **Court Order Number: 140588** - \*\* Approval of Subcontract between Tarrant County, d/b/a Tarrant County Criminal Courts and Community Resources for Justice, Inc.

**E. Criminal District Attorney (Phil Sorrells)**

1. **Court Order Number: 140589** - \*\* Approval to Replace the Tarrant County Sheriff’s Office and the Fort Worth Police Department’s Designees for Tarrant County’s Sexual Assault Response Team

**F. Facilities Management (Michael Amador)**

1. **Court Order Number: 140590** - \*\* Approval to Display Pinwheels and Signs for Child Abuse Prevention Month on the North Lawn of the Administration Building
2. **Court Order Number: 140591** - \*\* Approval of Change Order No. 1 to the Holt Construction Corp. Construction Services Contract Related to the Elections Mercantile Lease Space Finish Out Project
3. **Court Order Number: 140592** - Approval of Change Order No. 11 to the Steele & Freeman, Inc. and Post L Group, LLC, Construction Management Contract Related to the Juvenile Center Project Included in the 2006 Capital Improvement Program

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 1 – Roy Brooks and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 2 – Alisa Simmons to Approve Change Order No. 11 to the Steele & Freeman, Inc. and Post L Group, LLC, Construction Management Contract Related to the Juvenile Center Project Included in the 2006 Capital Improvement Program  
 Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Item removed from the Consent Agenda.

**G. Human Resources (Tina Glenn)**

1. **Court Order Number: 140593** - Receive and File the Personnel Agenda

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 1 – Roy Brooks and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 4 – Manny Ramirez to Receive and File the Personnel Agenda  
 Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

2. **Court Order Number: 140594** - Approval of Changes to the Table of Organization – Public Health

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 1 – Roy Brooks and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 2 – Alisa Simmons to Approve Changes to the Table of Organization – Public Health

Passed 4-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (Commissioner Precinct 4 – Manny Ramirez)

Commissioner Manny Ramirez stepped out of meeting at 11:10 a.m.

Item removed from the Consent Agenda.

- 3. **Court Order Number: 140595** - \*\* Approval of Services Agreement between Tarrant County and Tarrant County Hospital District, d/b/a JPS Health Network, for Prostate Cancer Screening and Testing
- 4. **Court Order Number: 140596** - \*\* Receive and File the Tarrant County Civil Service Meeting Report of Monday, March 13, 2023

**H. Juvenile Services (Bennie Medlin)**

- 1. **Court Order Number: 140597** - \*\*Approval of Amendment No. 1 to the Contract with Lena Pope Home, Inc. for a Police Officer at the Tarrant County Juvenile Justice Alternative Education Program

**I. Public Health (Vinny Taneja)**

- 1. **Court Order Number: 140598** - Approval to Apply to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Response to the Grant Funding Opportunity - Overdose Data to Action: Limiting Overdose through Collaborative Actions in Localities

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 1 – Roy Brooks and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 4 – Manny Ramirez to Approve Applying to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Response to the Grant Funding Opportunity - Overdose Data to Action: Limiting Overdose through Collaborative Actions in Localities  
Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Commissioner Manny Ramirez entered back into meeting at 11:12 a.m.

Four public speakers wished to have their comments read regarding the Grant Funding – Overdose Data.

- 2. **Court Order Number: 140599** - \*\* Approval to Post a Request for Application for Community Partner Sub-Awards to the Texas Department of Family and Protective Services Community Youth Development Program

**J. Purchasing (Melissa Lee)**

1. **Court Order Number: 140600** - Bid No. 2023-068 - Criminal District Court Renovations General Contractor Work - Facilities Management-Construction Services - Falkenberg Construction Co., Inc.

- a) Award Recommendation
- b) Contract Approval
- c) Acceptance of Payment Bond
- d) Acceptance of Performance Bond

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 1 – Roy Brooks and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 4 – Manny Ramirez to Approve Bid No. 2023-068 - Criminal District Court Renovations General Contractor Work - Facilities Management-Construction Services - Falkenberg Construction Co., Inc. Award Recommendation, Contract Approval, Acceptance of Payment Bond & Acceptance of Performance Bond.  
Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

2. **Court Order Number: 140601** - RFP No. 2023-004 - Annual Contract for Insurance Eligibility Software - Public Health

- a) Reject All Bids
- b) Rebid with Revised Specifications

Motion made by Presiding - County Judge – Tim O'Hare and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 2 – Alisa Simmons to Approve RFP No. 2023-004 - Annual Contract for Insurance Eligibility Software - Public Health. Reject All Bids & Rebid with Revised Specifications.  
Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

3. **Court Order Number: 140602** - Approval of Third Amendment - RFP No. 2021-123 - Covid-19 Needs and Resources Assessment and Related Support - County Administrator’s Office - Innovative Emergency Management, Inc.

- a) Contract Approval

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 1 – Roy Brooks and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 2 – Alisa Simmons to Approve Third Amendment - RFP No. 2021-123 - Covid-19 Needs and Resources Assessment and Related Support - County Administrator’s Office - Innovative Emergency Management, Inc.  
Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

4. Approval of Amendment No. 3 to Pricing Schedule - RFP No. 2021-132 - Annual Contract for Metropolitan Ethernet and Software-Defined Network Services - Information Technology - AT&T

- a) Contract Approval

Item held.
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5. **Court Order Number: 140603** - \*\* Bid No. 2021-067 - Annual Contract for Cisco Network Equipment, Software and Maintenance - Information Technology - Various Vendors - Exercise Second and Final Option for Renewal - Same Discount From List Price
  - a) Contract Renewal
6. **Court Order Number: 140604** - \*\* RFP No. 2021-082 - Annual Contract for Ground-Based Mosquito Control and Surveillance Activities - Public Health - Various Vendors - Exercise Second and Final Option for Renewal - Same Contract Terms
  - a) Contract Renewal
7. **Court Order Number: 140605** - \*\* RFP No. 2022-058 - Annual Contract for Applicant Tracking Software System - Sheriff's Office - Miller Mendel, Inc. - Exercise First Option for Renewal - Same Contract Terms
  - a) Contract Renewal
8. **Court Order Number: 140606** - \*\* RFO No. 2022-113 - Purchase of Adobe Licenses - OMNIA Partners #R220803 - Information Technology - Emergent, LLC - Exercise First Option for Renewal
  - a) Contract Renewal
9. **Court Order Number: 140607** - \*\* Approval of Interlocal Agreement between Tarrant County and Crocket ISD for Cooperative Purchasing of Goods and Services
10. **Court Order Number: 140608** - \*\* Annual Contracts Eligible for Renewal Within Ninety Days
11. **Court Order Number: 140609** - \*\* Permission to Take Bids/RFPs

**K. Sheriff's Department (Bill Waybourn)**

- 1. **Court Order Number: 140610** - Approval to Indemnify a Loss and Authorize the County Auditor to Replenish the Sheriff's Office Travel Fund Used for Extradition Trips

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 3 – Gary Fickes and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 4 – Manny Ramirez to Approve Indemnify a Loss and Authorize the County Auditor to Replenish the Sheriff's Office Travel Fund Used for Extradition Trips  
 Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

**L. Tax Assessor-Collector (Wendy Burgess)**

- 1. **Court Order Number: 140611** - \*\* Approval of Property Tax Refunds

**M. County Judge and Commissioners**

Interlocal Agreement, Precinct 4 (Commissioner Ramirez)

- a) **Court Order Number: 140612** - Approval of Interlocal Agreement with the City of White Settlement for the Construction and Asphalt Overlay of a new parking lot at the Facilities Building

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 4 – Manny Ramirez and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 1 – Roy Brooks to Approve Interlocal Agreement with the City of White Settlement for the Construction and Asphalt Overlay of a new parking lot at the Facilities Building  
 Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

- b) **Court Order Number: 140613** - Approval to Begin Interlocal Agreement with the City of White Settlement for the construction and asphalt overlay of a new parking lot at the Facilities Building

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 4 – Manny Ramirez and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 1 – Roy Brooks to Approve Beginning Interlocal Agreement with the City of White Settlement for the construction and asphalt overlay of a new parking lot at the Facilities Building  
 Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

- c) **Court Order Number: 140614** - Approval of Interlocal Agreement with the Eagle Mountain Saginaw Independent School District to perform minor parking lot repairs such as Crack Sealing and Pothole patching at various ISD locations

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 4 – Manny Ramirez and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 1 – Roy Brooks to Approve Interlocal Agreement with the Eagle Mountain Saginaw Independent School District to perform minor parking

lot repairs such as Crack Sealing and Pothole patching at various ISD locations  
 Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

- d) **Court Order Number: 140615** - Approval to Begin Interlocal Agreement with the Eagle Mountain Saginaw Independent School District to perform minor parking lot repairs such as Crack Sealing and Pothole patching at various ISD locations

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 4 – Manny Ramirez and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 1 – Roy Brooks to Approve Beginning Interlocal Agreement with the Eagle Mountain Saginaw Independent School District to perform minor parking lot repairs such as Crack Sealing and Pothole patching at various ISD locations  
 Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

**N. Appointments to Various Boards**

- 1. **Court Order Number: 140616** - Action Concerning Appointments to Various Boards, Commissions, Committees, or Tax Increment Finance District Boards

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 3 – Gary Fickes and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 1 – Roy Brooks to Approve Appointment of Commissioner Alisa Simmons as Second Alternate Representative to the Regional Transportation Council.  
 Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

**X. APPROVAL OF BONDS AND CERTIFICATES OF SELF-INSURANCE**

Setting of the official bond of self-insurance amounts and/or approval of bond or certificate of self-insurance for person elected or appointed in the past 60 days.

**XI. VARIOUS CLAIMS AND ADDENDUM**

- A. **Court Order Number: 140617** - Approval of Claims and Addendum

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 1 – Roy Brooks and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 2 – Alisa Simmons to Approve Claims and Addendum  
 Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

**XII. BRIEFING**

- A. **JPS Health Network 2018 Capital Improvement Program - Central Utility Plant**

The Commissioners Court will hear a presentation from Jacobs Engineering Group Inc. concerning RFQ/RFP No. 22-1216 for Engineering and Architectural Design Services – Central Utility Plant related to the JPS Health Network 2018 Capital Improvement Program.

**B. Tarrant County Criminal Courts**

The Commissioners Court will view a presentation on the findings and recommendations made by the National Center for State Courts related to case-flow management practices in the misdemeanor and felony criminal courts.

**XIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMENTS**

Judge O'Hare asked G.K. which court day the TechShare Briefing will be discussed and also requested that they have a briefing discussion at the next meeting about the agenda.

**XIV. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Daniel Bennett spoke about TAD.

Commissioners Court recessed into Closed Session at 12:04 p.m.

**XV. CLOSED MEETING**

**A. Pending or Contemplated Litigation**

1. Gregory Cater - CLAIM
2. Malcolm Moffett v. Tarrant County, Texas

**B. Real Estate Matters**

**C. Personnel Matters**

1. Position No. 20002111 (Tina Glenn, Human Resources Director)

**D. Advice of Counsel**

**E. Security Related Issues**

**F. Contract Deliberations**

**G. Economic Development Prospects**

**XVI. COMMISSIONERS COURT RECONVENED**

Commissioners Court Reconvened at 12:32 p.m.  
Honorable Tim O'Hare, County Judge, Presiding  
Roy Charles Brooks, Commissioner Precinct #1, Present  
Alisa Simmons, Commissioner Precinct #2, Present  
Gary Fickes, Commissioner Precinct #3, Present  
Manny Ramirez, Commissioner Precinct #4, Present

**XVII. ADJOURNMENT**

**Court Order Number: 140618 - Adjournment**

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 1 – Roy Brooks and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 3 – Gary Fickes to Approve Adjournment.  
Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Commissioners Court was adjourned at 12:32 p.m.

**APPROVED BY:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Tim O'Hare, County Judge**

**SUBMITTED BY: Mary Louise Nicholson, County Clerk**

**BY:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**April Hanks, Deputy**