



MINUTES

TARRANT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

Minutes of Commissioners Court, Regular Term – REGULAR Meeting
Tuesday, April 04, 2023

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

On Tuesday, April 04, 2023 at 10:00 AM, the Honorable Commissioners Court of Tarrant County, Texas met for Regular 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 Iliana Cantu, when the following orders were made.

II. INVOCATION

Invocation was given by Pastor Joshua Scarborough with Countryside Bible Church in Southlake, Texas.

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

IV. AGENDA ANNOUNCEMENTS

Items X, A7, X, C4, X, G4 were removed from the Consent Agenda.

V. COMMISSIONERS COURT ANNOUNCEMENTS

VI. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

- A. Court Order Number: 140619** - Minutes for Regular Meeting of March 28, 2023

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 1 – Roy Brooks and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 4 – Manny Ramirez to Approve Minutes for Regular Meeting of March 28, 2023
Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

VII. PROCLAMATIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

- A. Court Order Number: 140620** - Employee Recognition (Judge O’Hare)

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 1 – Roy Brooks and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 4 – Manny Ramirez to Receive and File Employee Recognition (Judge O’Hare)
Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

- B. Court Order Number: 140621** - Proclamation - National Crime Victims Rights Week (Commissioner Brooks)

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 1 – Roy Brooks and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 2 – Alisa Simmons to Approve Proclamation - National Crime Victims Rights Week (Commissioner Brooks)
Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

- C. Court Order Number: 140622** - Resolution of Appreciation - Lori Clarida (Commissioner Brooks)

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 1 – Roy Brooks and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 2 – Alisa Simmons to Approve Resolution of Appreciation - Lori Clarida (Commissioner Brooks)
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: 140623 - Approval of Consent Agenda

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 4 – Manny Ramirez and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 2 – Alisa Simmons to Approve Consent Agenda with changes made.
Passed 4-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (Commissioner Precinct 1 – Roy Brooks)

Commissioner Brooks stepped out of meeting at 10:35a.m.

IX. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Court Order Number: 140624 - ** Request for Public Hearing - Tuesday, April 18, 2023, 10:00AM - to Consider the Draft Program Year 2023 Annual Action Plan – Community Development

X. REPORTS AND BUSINESS

A. Administrator (G.K. Maenius)

1. Court Order Number: 140625 - Approval of Purchase and Sale Agreements between Tarrant County Hospital District, d/b/a JPS Health Network and Preferred Real Estate Investment, INC.

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 1 – Roy Brooks and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 4 – Manny Ramirez to Approve Purchase and Sale Agreements between Tarrant County Hospital District, d/b/a JPS Health Network and Preferred Real Estate Investment, INC.
Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Commissioner Brooks returned into the meeting at 10:36 a.m.

2. Court Order Number: 140626 - Approval of Out-of-State Travel Requests

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 2 – Alisa Simmons and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 1 – Roy Brooks to Approve Out-of-State Travel Requests
Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

3. Court Order Number: 140627 - ** Approval to Release Emergency Rental Assistance Payments in Advance of Claims Addendum

4. Court Order Number: 140628 - ** Approval of First Amendment to the 2022 Urban Area Security Initiative Homeland

Security Grant Program Grant Award for Tarrant County
Emergency Management Program Enhancement

5. **Court Order Number: 140629** - ** Bid No. 2022CD-007 – Approval of Construction Contract between Tarrant County and Excel 4 Construction, LLC for the City of Grapevine, Texas 46th Year Community Development Block Grant Project (CDBG) – Community Development
6. **Court Order Number: 140630** - ** Bid No. 2022CD-028 – Approval of Construction Contract between Tarrant County and Atkins Brothers Equipment Company, Inc. for the City of Kennedale, Texas 46th Year Community Development Block Grant Project – Community Development
7. **Court Order Number: 140631** - Approval of the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Texas Department of State Health Services Ryan White Treatment Extension Act Part B Subrecipient Contract Renewal with AIDS Outreach Center – HIV Administrative Agency

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 1 – Roy Brooks and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 3 – Gary Fickes to Approve Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Texas Department of State Health Services Ryan White Treatment Extension Act Part B Subrecipient Contract Renewal with AIDS Outreach Center – HIV Administrative Agency
Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Daniel Bennett spoke about AIDS Outreach Center Contract.

Item removed from the Consent Agenda

8. **Court Order Number: 140632** - **Approval of Agreement for Access to Electronic Medical Record System between Tarrant County Hospital District, d/b/a JPS Health Network and Tarrant County, on Behalf of Tarrant County Medical Examiner’s Office – Medical Examiner’s Office
9. **Court Order Number: 140633** - ** Approval of HAP Contracts and/or Contract Amendments between Landlords and Tarrant County, d/b/a Tarrant County Housing Assistance Office
10. **Court Order Number: 140634** - ** Approval of Certain Expenses and Findings of a Direct Public Purpose - Commissioner, Precinct 2
11. **Court Order Number: 140635** - **Receive and File Meeting Attendance Roster for the North Central Texas Council of

Governments Regional Transportation Council - April 2022 through March 2023

12. **Court Order Number: 140636** - ** Receive and File Open Meetings Act Certificates of Course Completion
13. **Court Order Number: 140637** - ** Receive and File Briefing Agenda

B. Auditor (Renee Tidwell)

1. **Court Order Number: 140638** - Approval of Release of Depository Collateral

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 3 – Gary Fickes and seconded by Presiding - County Judge – Tim O'Hare to Approve Release of Depository Collateral
Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

C. Budget and Risk Management (Helen Giese)

1. **Court Order Number: 140639** - **Approval of Fiscal Year 2023 Appropriation Adjustments
2. **Court Order Number: 140640** - ** Approval of Exceptions to Fee Schedule for Court Interpreters
3. **Court Order Number: 140641** - ** Approval to Submit the Fiscal Year 2023 Bureau of Justice Assistance Missing and Unidentified Human Remains Program Grant Application for the Tarrant County Medical Examiner's Office
4. **Court Order Number: 140642** - Approval to Submit the Fiscal Years 2024 and 2025 Grant Application and Resolution to the Office of The Attorney General for the Bilingual Victim Assistance Coordinator Position for the Criminal District Attorney's Office

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 1 – Roy Brooks and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 4 – Manny Ramirez Approval to Submit the Fiscal Years 2024 and 2025 Grant Application and Resolution to the Office of The Attorney General for the Bilingual Victim Assistance Coordinator Position for the Criminal District Attorney's Office
Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Daniel Bennett spoke about the 4% increase for the Bilingual Victim Assistance Coordinator position.

Item removed from the Consent Agenda.

D. Facilities Management (Michael Amador)

1. **Court Order Number: 140643** - ** Approval of Budget Reallocation No. 11 to the Steele & Freeman, Inc. and Post L Group, LLC Guaranteed Maximum Price for the Juvenile Center Project Included in the 2006 Capital Improvement Program
2. **Court Order Number: 140644** - ** Approval of a Building Renovation at the Precinct 2 Maintenance Facility to Create an Office for the Business Manager
3. **Court Order Number: 140645** - ** Approval of Professional Services Contract for Air Balancing Company Inc., related to the replacement of the Roof Top Unit Project at the Green Bay Jail

E. Human Resources (Tina Glenn)

1. **Court Order Number: 140646** - Receive and File the Personnel Agenda

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 1 – Roy Brooks and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 3 – Gary Fickes to Receive and File the Personnel Agenda
Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

2. **Court Order Number: 140647** - Approval of a Waiver of Terminal Benefits – Probate Court 1

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 4 – Manny Ramirez and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 1 – Roy Brooks to Approve Waiver of Terminal Benefits – Probate Court 1
Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

F. Public Health (Vinny Taneja)

1. **Court Order Number: 140648** - Approval for Acceptance of Scholarship Award from National Association of County and City Officials in Relation to Costs Associated with Certification in Infection Control

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 1 – Roy Brooks and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 4 – Manny Ramirez to Approve Acceptance of Scholarship Award from National Association of County and City Officials in Relation to Costs Associated with Certification in Infection Control
Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

2. **Court Order Number: 140649** - ** Approval to Terminate the Subrecipient Contract between Tarrant County and Fatherhood Coalition of Tarrant County for Services Related to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Grant for COVID-19 Health Disparities

G. Purchasing (Melissa Lee)

1. **Court Order Number: 140650** - Bid No. 2023-087 - Annual Contract for Cement Slurry and Cementitious Slurry Products - Countywide - Martin Marietta - Per Unit Price

a) Award Recommendation

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 1 – Roy Brooks and seconded by Presiding - County Judge – Tim O'Hare to Approve Bid No. 2023-087 - Annual Contract for Cement Slurry and Cementitious Slurry Products - Countywide - Martin Marietta - Per Unit Price
Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

2. **Court Order Number: 140651** - Approval of Invoice Payment - Intellidact Licenses and Professional Services - County Clerk's Office - SHI Government Solutions, Inc.

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 4 – Manny Ramirez and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 1 – Roy Brooks to Approve Invoice Payment - Intellidact Licenses and Professional Services - County Clerk's Office - SHI Government Solutions, Inc.
Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

3. **Court Order Number: 140652** - Approval of Invoice Payment - Service Call - Sheriff's Office - Texas Towing Wrecker Service, Inc.

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 4 – Manny Ramirez and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 3 – Gary Fickes to Approve Invoice Payment - Service Call - Sheriff's Office - Texas Towing Wrecker Service, Inc.
Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

4. **Court Order Number: 140653** - RFO No. 2023-106 - Purchase of Partner Support Premium for BIG-IP (7x24) - BuyBoard #661-22 - Information Technology - GovConnection, Inc. d/b/a Connection Public Sector Solutions

a) Award Recommendation

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 4 – Manny Ramirez and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 3 – Gary Fickes to Approve RFO No. 2023-106 - Purchase of Partner Support Premium for BIG-IP (7x24) - BuyBoard #661-22 - Information Technology - GovConnection, Inc. d/b/a Connection Public Sector Solutions
Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Item removed from the Consent Agenda.

5. **Court Order Number: 140654** - ** Bid No. 2022-094 - Annual Contract for Purchase of Checkpoint X-Ray Systems - Sheriff's Office and Facilities Management - Various Vendors - Exercise First Option for Renewal - Same Firm Fixed Prices

a) Contract Renewal

6. **Court Order Number: 140655** - ** RFQ No. 2022-098 - Annual Contract for Professional Architectural/ Engineering Services - Facilities Management - Various Vendors - Exercise First Option for Renewal - Same Contract Terms

a) Contract Renewal

7. **Court Order Number: 140656** - ** Bid No. 2022-102 - Annual Contract for Lawn and Small Engine Equipment, Parts, Repairs and Maintenance - Facilities Management - Various Vendors - Exercise First Option for Renewal - Same Hourly Rate and Markup for Parts

a) Contract Renewal

8. **Court Order Number: 140657** - ** RFO No. 2020-127- Purchase of Microsoft Enterprise Volume Licenses - Information Technology - SHI Government Solutions

a) Contract Approval

9. **Court Order Number: 140658** - ** Approval of Purchase of Intellidact AI Licenses, Fees, and Related Services - BuyBoard #661-22 - County Clerk's Office - SHI Government Solutions

10. **Court Order Number: 140659** - ** Authorization to Submit Procurement Card Account Application Form to JPMorgan Chase Bank for Tarrant County Procurement Card - Sheriff's Office
11. **Court Order Number: 140660** - ** Approval of Request for Fleet Fuel Card - County Administrator's Office
12. **Court Order Number: 140661** - ** Annual Contracts Eligible for Renewal Within Ninety Days
13. **Court Order Number: 140662** - ** Permission to Take Bids/RFPs

H. Sheriff's Department (Bill Waybourn)

1. **Court Order Number: 140663** - ** Approval of Fiscal Year 2023 Memorandum of Understanding between Tarrant County and Pathfinders for Community-Based Re-entry Program

I. Tax Assessor-Collector (Wendy Burgess)

1. Approval of Interlocal Agreement between Tarrant County and the North Texas Tollway Authority Related to Automobile Registrations and Outstanding Toll Fees

Item held / No action taken.

2. **Court Order Number: 140664** - **Approval of WebDealer Motor Vehicle License Agreement between Tarrant County, d/b/a Tarrant County Tax Assessor-Collector and Fort Worth-CJD, LLC., d/b/a Meador Dodge Chrysler Jeep Ram to process Motor Vehicle Registrations
3. **Court Order Number: 140665** - ** Receive and File the Tax Office Deputization for Fort Worth CJD, LLC., d/b/a Meador Dodge Chrysler Jeep Ram
4. **Court Order Number: 140666** - ** Approval of Property Tax Refunds

J. County Judge and Commissioners

Interlocal Agreement, Precinct 3 (Commissioner Fickes)

- a) **Court Order Number: 140667** - Approval of Interlocal Agreement between Tarrant County and the City of Keller to Rehabilitate and Resurface Whitley Road located within the City of Keller and Tarrant County Commissioner Precinct 3 from Rapp Road to North Tarrant Parkway approximately 6,379 linear feet

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 3 – Gary Fickes and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 4 – Manny Ramirez to Approve Interlocal Agreement between Tarrant County and the City of Keller to Rehabilitate and Resurface Whitley Road located within the City of Keller and Tarrant County Commissioner Precinct 3 from Rapp Road to North Tarrant Parkway approximately 6,379 linear feet
Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

- b) **Court Order Number: 140668** - Approval to Begin Interlocal Agreement between Tarrant County and the City of Keller to Rehabilitate and Resurface Whitley Road located within the City of Keller and Tarrant County Commissioner Precinct 3 from Rapp Road to North Tarrant Parkway approximately 6,379 linear feet

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 3 – Gary Fickes and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 4 – Manny Ramirez to Approve Beginning Interlocal Agreement between Tarrant County and the City of Keller to Rehabilitate and Resurface Whitley Road located within the City of Keller and Tarrant County Commissioner Precinct 3 from Rapp Road to North Tarrant Parkway approximately 6,379 linear feet
Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

K. Appointments to Various Boards

1. **Court Order Number: 140669** - Action Concerning Appointments to Various Boards, Commissions, Committees, or Tax Increment Finance District Boards

Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 4 – Manny Ramirez and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 1 – Roy Brooks to Approve Appointment of Donnie Davis to the Emergency Service District.
Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Court Order Number: 140670 – Action Concerning Appointments to Various Boards, Commissions, Committees, or Tax Increment Finance District Boards

Motion made by Presiding - County Judge – Tim O'Hare and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 4 – Manny Ramirez to Approve Appointment of Rachel Berndt to the Tarrant County Historical Commission.
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: 140671 - 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. Legislative Issues

The Commissioners Court will receive a weekly update concerning legislative activities of the Texas Legislature, along with Federal Government initiatives. Staff will provide materials that summarize the previous week's activities, county legislative initiatives and other issues relating to legislative activities. If needed, the Commissioners Court may take action regarding pending legislative issues.

B. Discussion concerning Homestead Exemptions for County residents

The Commissioners Court will be briefed on Homestead Exemptions for County Residents.

C. Discussion Concerning the Commissioners Court Agenda Process and Other System Improvement Activities

Commissioners Court will discuss the agenda, associated timelines and best practices.

XIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMENTS

XIV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

LaVonne Cockerell – Spoke about Steve Miller and her son arrested experience.
6 Public Speakers – Expressed their concerns about Robert Miller's autopsy report and Robert Miller's death.
Jeralyhnn Jackee Cox – Spoke about Contract with MTC for rent-a-jail space.

Reed K. Bilz – Wished to have comments read regarding Robert Miller’s death.

Commissioner Court recessed into Closed Session at 11:57 a.m.

XV. CLOSED MEETING

A. Pending or Contemplated Litigation

B. Real Estate Matters

C. Personnel Matters

1. Position No. 20002053 (Tina Glenn, Human Resources Director)

2. Position No. 20007912 (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 12:56 p.m.
Honorable Tim O’Hare, County Judge, Presiding
Roy Charle 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: 140672 - Adjournment

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Motion made by Commissioner Precinct 2 – Alisa Simmons and seconded by Commissioner Precinct 4 – Manny Ramirez to Approve Adjournment.
Passed 5-0 (None); Abstain: (None); Absent: (None)

Commissioners Court was adjourned at 12:57 p.m.

APPROVED BY: _____
Tim O'Hare, County Judge

SUBMITTED BY: Mary Louise Nicholson, County Clerk

BY: _____
Iliana Cantu, Deputy