



# Minutes for the Travis County Commissioners Court Tuesday, May 9, 2017 Voting Session

Minutes Prepared by the Travis County Clerk  
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## Call to Order

Meeting called to order on May 9, 2017, in the Travis County Administration Building, Commissioners Courtroom, 700 Lavaca Street, 1st Floor, Austin, TX, Dana DeBeauvoir, County Clerk, was represented by Deputy Robert Resnick.

Sarah Eckhardt	County Judge	Present
Jeffrey W. Travillion, Sr.	Precinct 1, Commissioner	Present
Brigid Shea	Precinct 2, Commissioner	Present
Gerald Daugherty	Precinct 3, Commissioner	Present
Margaret J. Gómez	Precinct 4, Commissioner	Present

## Public Communication

Members of the Court heard from:  
Carlos León, Travis County resident  
Dr. Koo-Hyun Kim, Travis County resident

## County Announcements

*Clerk's Note: There were no County Announcements.*

## Public Hearings

1. Receive comments regarding the issuance of a mass gathering permit for Copa Univision 2017 Soccer Tournament to be held on June 3 & 4, 2017, at Northeast Metropolitan Park, 15500 Sun Light Near Way, Pflugerville, Texas 78660. (Action Item 7) (Commissioner Shea)

**MOTION:** Open the Public Hearing.

*Clerk's Note: The Court, without objection, opened the Public Hearing.*

Members of the Court heard from:  
Tony Callaway, Travis County Fire Marshal

**MOTION:** Close the Public Hearing.  
**RESULT:** **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**  
**MOVER:** Brigid Shea, Commissioner  
**SECONDER:** Gerald Daugherty, Commissioner  
**AYES:** Eckhardt, Travillion Sr, Shea, Daugherty, Gómez

## Resolutions and Proclamations

2. Approve proclamation recognizing the week of May 7–13, 2017, as “Arson Awareness Week” in Travis County. (Judge Eckhardt)

Members of the Court heard from:

Tony Callaway, Travis County Fire Marshal  
Aurora Perez, Assistant District Attorney

**MOTION:** Approve the Proclamation in Item 2.  
**RESULT:** **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**  
**MOVER:** Brigid Shea, Commissioner  
**SECONDER:** Margaret J. Gómez, Commissioner  
**AYES:** Eckhardt, Travillion Sr, Shea, Daugherty, Gómez

3. Approve proclamation recognizing the week of May 7–13, 2017, as “National Correctional Officers and Employees Week” in Travis County. (Judge Eckhardt)

Members of the Court heard from:

Wes Priddy, Major, Corrections Bureau, Travis County Sheriff’s Office (TCSO)

**MOTION:** Approve the Proclamation in Item 3.  
**RESULT:** **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**  
**MOVER:** Margaret J. Gómez, Commissioner  
**SECONDER:** Jeffrey Travillion Sr, Commissioner  
**AYES:** Eckhardt, Travillion Sr, Shea, Daugherty, Gómez

4. Approve proclamation recognizing the week of May 14–20, 2017, as “Salvation Army Week” in Travis County. (Judge Eckhardt)

**RESULT:** **ADDED TO CONSENT**

5. Approve proclamation from the Purchasing Office regarding the 2017 Central Texas Small Business Partnership Conference. (Commissioner Travillion).

*Clerk’s Note: The Court recessed briefly to take photographs with the recipients of the Proclamations.*

**RESULT:** **ADDED TO CONSENT**

## Consent Items

- C1. Receive bids from the County Purchasing Agent. (Judge Eckhardt)
- C2. Approve payment of claims by the County Treasurer. (Judge Eckhardt)
- C3. Authorize the County Treasurer to invest County funds. (Judge Eckhardt)
- C4. Approve the minutes for the Commissioners Court Voting Session of April 25, 2017. (Judge Eckhardt)

**MOTION:** Approve Consent Items C1–C4 and Agenda Items 4, 5, 12, 17.a, 19, 20, 21, and 22.  
**RESULT:** **ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**  
**MOVER:** Margaret J. Gómez, Commissioner  
**SECONDER:** Gerald Daugherty, Commissioner  
**AYES:** Eckhardt, Travillion Sr, Shea, Daugherty, Gómez

### Emergency Services

6. Consider and take appropriate action on an order concerning outdoor burning in the unincorporated areas of Travis County. (Judge Eckhardt)

Members of the Court heard from:  
Tony Callaway, Travis County Fire Marshal

**RESULT:** **DISCUSSED**

*Clerk's Note: The County Judge announced that by taking no action, the prohibition against outdoor burning remains lifted.*

7. Consider and take appropriate action regarding the issuance of a mass gathering permit for Copa Univision 2017 Soccer Tournament to be held on June 3 & 4, 2017, at Northeast Metropolitan Park, 15500 Sun Light Near Way, Pflugerville, Texas 78660. (Public Hearing 1) (Commissioner Shea)

**MOTION:** Approve Item 7.  
**RESULT:** **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**  
**MOVER:** Jeffrey Travillion Sr, Commissioner  
**SECONDER:** Brigid Shea, Commissioner  
**AYES:** Eckhardt, Travillion Sr, Shea, Daugherty, Gómez

8. Consider and take appropriate action regarding the sale of fireworks by retail fireworks permit holders during the Memorial Day fireworks season beginning the Wednesday before the last Monday in May and ending at midnight on the last Monday in May. (Commissioners Travillion & Gómez)

Members of the Court heard from:  
Tony Callaway, Travis County Fire Marshal  
Julie Joe, Assistant County Attorney

**MOTION:** Approve Item 8.  
**RESULT:** **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**  
**MOVER:** Margaret J. Gómez, Commissioner  
**SECONDER:** Jeffrey Travillion Sr, Commissioner  
**AYES:** Eckhardt, Travillion Sr, Shea, Daugherty, Gómez

9. Consider and take appropriate action regarding authorizing the Fire Marshal to develop and implement an annual fire inspection program for mobile food vendors, including implementation of a fee for performing fire inspection services. (Judge Eckhardt)

Members of the Court heard from:  
Josh Davies, County Executive, Emergency Services  
Tony Callaway, Travis County Fire Marshal  
Alan Miller, Assistant Budget Director, Planning and Budget Office (PBO)

**MOTION:** Approve Item 9.  
**RESULT:** **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**  
**MOVER:** Gerald Daugherty, Commissioner  
**SECONDER:** Margaret J. Gómez, Commissioner  
**AYES:** Eckhardt, Travillion Sr, Shea, Daugherty, Gómez

### Justice Planning

10. Approve proclamation honoring the 10th Anniversary of the Travis County Mental Health Public Defender Office. (Commissioner Gómez)

**MOTION:** Approve the Proclamation in Item 10.  
**MOVER:** Brigid Shea, Commissioner  
**SECONDER:** Jeffery W. Travillion, Sr. Commissioner

**WITHDRAWAL  
OF MOTION**

**MADE BY:** Brigid Shea, Commissioner  
**RESULT:** **NO VOTE TAKEN**

**RESULT:** **DISCUSSED**

11. Receive briefing from the Indigent Defense Working Group regarding:
- a. Staffing needs and fiscal cost of fully staffing the Office of Child Representation and the Office of Parental Representation to full scale
  - b. Staffing needs and fiscal cost of fully staffing the Mental Health Public Defender Office to full scale (Commissioner Gómez)

Members of the Court heard from:

Roger Jefferies, County Executive, Justice and Public Safety (JPS)  
Kimberly Pierce, Planning Manager, Justice Planning  
Valerie Hollier, Planning Project Manager, Justice Planning  
Efrain Davila, Senior Planner, Justice Planning  
David Shelton, Planner, Justice Planning

**RESULT:** **DISCUSSED**

### Planning and Budget

12. Consider and take appropriate action on budget amendments, transfers, and discussion items. (Commissioner Gómez)

**RESULT:** **ADDED TO CONSENT**

13. Consider and take appropriate action on the following grant programs, applications, contracts & related special budgets, and permissions to continue: Status report for the Local Initiatives Project with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality in the Transportation and Natural Resources Department. (Commissioner Gómez)

Members of the Court heard from:

Alan Miller, Assistant Budget Director, PBO  
Adele Noel, Environmental Project Manager, Transportation and Natural Resources (TNR)

Stacy Suits, Constable, Precinct 3  
Deece Eckstein, Intergovernmental Relations Officer, Intergovernmental Relations Office  
(IGR)  
John Sisson, Sergeant, Constable Pct. 3 Office

**MOTION:** Approve Item 13.  
**RESULT:** **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**  
**MOVER:** Margaret J. Gómez, Commissioner  
**SECONDER:** Jeffery W. Travillion, Sr. Commissioner  
**AYES:** Eckhardt, Travillion Sr, Shea, Daugherty, Gómez

14. Consider and take appropriate action on recommendations regarding grant programs previously funded by the Office of the Governor. (Commissioner Gómez)

Members of the Court heard from:

Travis Gatlin, Budget Director, PBO  
Katie Gipson, Senior Planning and Budget Analyst, PBO  
Alan Miller, Assistant Budget Director, PBO  
Rodolfo Perez, Director, Adult Probation, Community Supervision and Corrections  
Department (CSCD)  
Aerin-Renee Pfaffenberger, Senior Planning and Budget Analyst, PBO  
Caitlyn Wan, Planning and Budget Analyst, PBO

**MOTION:** Authorize the County Judge to write a letter, on behalf of the Commissioners Court, to the Board of Travis County Stronger Together, requesting a one-time contribution of \$133,000.00 to retain the employees of threatened programs from October 1, 2017 through November 15, 2017.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**  
**MOVER:** Jeffrey Travillion Sr, Commissioner  
**SECONDER:** Margaret J. Gómez, Commissioner  
**AYES:** Eckhardt, Travillion Sr, Shea, Daugherty, Gómez

**MOTION:** Approve all of the actions listed on Page 36 of the backup document, as requested by PBO staff.

**RESULT:** **ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**  
**MOVER:** Jeffrey Travillion, Sr., Commissioner  
**SECONDER:** Brigid Shea, Commissioner  
**AYES:** Eckhardt, Travillion Sr, Shea, Daugherty, Gómez

15. Consider and take appropriate action on an interlocal agreement with City of Austin to analyze feasibility of co-location opportunities for County and City services. (Commissioner Gómez)

Members of the Court heard from:

Diana Ramirez, Director, Economic Development & Strategic Investments, PBO  
Mark Gilbert, Director, Economic and Strategic Planning, PBO

*Judge Eckhardt announced that Item 15 would be considered in Executive Session pursuant to Gov't. Code Ann. 551.071, Consultation with Attorney and Gov't. Code Ann. 551.072, Real Property.*

**MOTION:** Approve Item 15.  
**RESULT:** **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**  
**MOVER:** Brigid Shea, Commissioner  
**SECONDER:** Margaret J. Gómez, Commissioner  
**AYES:** Eckhardt, Travillion Sr, Shea, Daugherty, Gómez

16. Consider and take appropriate action on the Civil & Family Courts Capacity Project. (This item may be taken into Executive Session under the Consultation with Attorney, Real Property, and Security exceptions.) (Judge Eckhardt)

**RESULT: NO ACTION NECESSARY**

### Operations Management

17. Consider and take appropriate action on:
- a. Routine personnel actions
  - b. Non-routine personnel action (Commissioner Gómez)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

Members of the Court heard from:

Tracey Calloway, Director, Human Resources Management Department (HRMD)  
Todd Osburn, Compensation Manager, Human Resources Management Department (HRMD)

**MOTION:** Approve Item 17.b.  
**RESULT:** **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**  
**MOVER:** Margaret J. Gómez, Commissioner  
**SECONDER:** Brigid Shea, Commissioner  
**AYES:** Eckhardt, Travillion Sr, Shea, Daugherty, Gómez

18. Recognize Travis County employees who have completed 20, 25, 30, and 35 years of service during calendar year 2016. (Commissioners Travillion & Gómez)

Members of the Court heard from:  
Tracey Calloway, Director, HRMD

**RESULT: DISCUSSED**

19. Consider and take appropriate action regarding the potential transfer of approximately 9.46 acres of County-owned property at Tannehill Lane in East Austin to the City of Austin. (Commissioner Travillion)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

### Transportation and Natural Resources

20. Consider and take appropriate action on a plat for recording: Landmark Subdivision (Final Plat – two lots – 10.99 acres – Pedernales Canyon Trail – Travis County) in Precinct Three. (Commissioner Daugherty)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

21. Consider and take appropriate action on the following requests in Precinct Three:
- a. Plat for recording: Ring Tract, Phase Two – Final Plat (long form plat – 90 total lots – 38.60 acres – Goldilocks Lane at Larrys Lane – City of Austin two-mile ETJ)
  - b. Subdivision construction agreement between Travis County and Milestone Development, Inc. (Commissioner Daugherty)

**RESULT:           ADDED TO CONSENT**

**Purchasing Office Items**

22. Approve termination of Contract No. 4400002517, Allegiance Power Systems, Inc., for Emergency Generator Preventative Maintenance Services and Load Bank Testing. (Commissioner Travillion)

**RESULT:           ADDED TO CONSENT**

**Other**

23. Consider and take appropriate action on legislative matters, including:
- a. Update on legislative activities
  - b. Modifications to the Priorities, Policy Positions, and Positions on Other Proposals sections of the Travis County Legislative Agenda (Commissioners Shea & Daugherty)

Members of the Court heard from:  
Deece Eckstein, Intergovernmental Relations Officer, IGR  
Julie Wheeler, Administrative Associate, IGR  
Taylor Hunt, Legislative Associate, IGR

**RESULT:           DISCUSSED**

24. Receive update regarding "Sanctuary City" policies at the state and federal levels, and take appropriate action. (This item may be taken into Executive Session under the Consultation with Attorney exception.) (Judge Eckhardt)

*Judge Eckhardt announced that Item 24 would be considered in Executive Session pursuant to Gov't. Code Ann. 551.071, Consultation with Attorney.*

**RESULT:           DISCUSSED**

25. Receive presentation by the County Auditor on the results of the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA) Audits. (Judge Eckhardt)

Members of the Court heard from:

Nicki Riley, Travis County Auditor  
David Jungerman, Chief Auditor, Internal Audit Division, County Auditor's Office  
James Marlett, Financial Auditor Analyst, County Auditor's Office  
Tracey Calloway, Director, HRMD  
Barbara Wilson, Assistant County Attorney  
Tina Salazar, Human Resources Manager, TNR

**RESULT: DISCUSSED**

26. Consider and take appropriate action on issues related to the North Campus Development Project at 5325–5335 Airport Boulevard. **(This item may be taken into Executive Session under the Consultation with Attorney and Real Property exceptions.)** (Judge Eckhardt)

**RESULT: NO ACTION NECESSARY**

### **Executive Session**

The Commissioners Court will consider the following items in Executive Session. The Commissioners Court may also consider any other matter posted on the agenda if there are issues that require consideration in Executive Session and the Commissioners Court announces that the item will be considered during Executive Session.

*Note 1: Gov't Code Ann 551.071, Consultation with Attorney*

*Note 2: Gov't Code Ann 551.072, Real Property*

*Note 3: Gov't Code Ann 551.074, Personnel Matters*

*Note 4: Gov't Code Ann 551.076, Security*

*Note 5: Gov't Code Ann 551.087, Economic Development Negotiations*

### **Adjourn**

### **Minutes approved by the Commissioners Court**

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Date of Approval

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Sarah Eckhardt, Travis County Judge