

**MINUTES OF THE WILLIAMSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT  
MEETING  
JULY 22, 2008**

STATE OF TEXAS )(

COUNTY OF WILLIAMSON )(

BE IT REMEMBERED that at 9:33 A.M. on TUESDAY, JULY 22, 2008, a REGULAR SESSION of the Commissioners' Court of Williamson County, Texas, was held with the following being present, to-wit:

Present: Dan A. Gattis, County Judge  
Lisa Birkman, Commissioner Precinct 1  
Cynthia Long, Commissioner Precinct 2  
Valerie Covey, Commissioner Precinct 3  
Ron Morrison, Commissioner Precinct 4  
Nancy E. Rister, County Clerk

Attendees: Hal Hawes, Assistant County Attorney  
Dale Rye, County Attorney General Counsel  
Connie Singleton, Deputy County Clerk

**1. Read and approve the minutes of the last meeting.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison ***Motion: To approve the minutes of the last meeting.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis  
Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman  
Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long  
Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey  
Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

**2. Consider noting in minutes any off right-of-way work on any County road done by Road & Bridge Unified System.**

URS Road Administrator Greg Bergeron addressed the Court.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long ***Motion: To note in minutes off right-of-way work:***

***CR105 - Permission to enter the property of Ernest W. Kimbro for the purpose of clearing the ROW and reshaping drainage for fence construction and to provide working room for equipment to work while replacing culvert under CR 105. Pct.3 - DP***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis  
Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long  
Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey  
Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

3. Hear County Auditor concerning invoices, bills, Quick Check Report, and Wire Transfers submitted for payment and take appropriate action including, but not limited to approval for payment provided said items are found by the County Auditor to be legal obligations of the county.

First Assistant County Auditor Julie Kiley addressed the Court.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison ***Motion: To authorize the payment of bills totaling \$2,833,257.07 from computer printout, Addendum, Wire Transfer, Quick Check Report from the proper line items, if found by the County Auditor to be legal expenses as appropriated in the 2006-07 and 2007-08 County budgets.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman  
Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long  
Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey  
Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

4. Citizen comments.

Liberty Hill citizen Jim Dillon, Kenneth Craven of Leander, Lance Jobson of Liberty Hill, Howard Falkenberg Chairman of Capital Area Transportation Coalition and Bruce Byron Executive Director of Capital Area Transportation Coalition addressed the Court.

#### CONSENT AGENDA

***The Consent Agenda includes routine items that the Court may act on with one single vote. The Judge or a Commissioner may pull any item from the Consent Agenda in order that the Court discuss and act upon it individually as part of the Regular Agenda.  
(Items 5 - 15)***

5. Discuss and consider approving a line item transfer for ITS.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

***Motion: To approve a line item transfer for ITS:***

From	0100-0503-003120	Printer Supplies	\$250.00
To	0100-0503-004969	Freight	\$250.00

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman  
Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long  
Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey  
Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

6. Discuss and consider approving a line item transfer for Constable Pct. #2.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

**Motion: To approve a line item transfer for Constable Pct. #2:**

From	0100-0552-003003	Radio Equipment<\$5,000	\$6,000.00
To	0100-0552-003010	Computer Equipment<\$5,000	\$6,000.00
From	0100-0552-003003	Radio Equipment<\$5,000	\$1,500.00
To	0100-0552-004209	Cellar Phone/Pager	\$1,500.00
From	0100-0552-003005	Office Furniture<\$5,000	\$300.00
To	0100-0552-004209	Cellar Phone/Pager	\$300.00
From	0100-0552-003008	Law Enforcement Equipmt <\$5,000	\$300.00
To	0100-0552-004209	Cellar Phone/Pager	\$300.00
From	0100-0552-004999	Miscellaneous	\$150.00
To	0100-0552-004705	Pre-Employment Screening	\$150.00
From	0100-0552-003003	Radio Equipment<\$5,000	\$300.00
To	0100-0552-004212	Postage	\$300.00

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis  
Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman  
Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long  
Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey  
Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

**7. Discuss and consider approving a line item transfer for Commissioner Pct #1.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

**Motion: To approve line item transfer for Commissioner Pct #1:**

From	0100-0211-004100	Professional Services	\$400.00
To	0100-0211-004621	Copier Rental and Supplies	\$400.00

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis  
Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman  
Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long  
Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey  
Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

**8. Discuss and consider approving a line item transfer for the Sheriff's Office.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

**Motion: To approve a line item transfer for the Sheriff's Office:**

From	0100-0570-004999	Miscellaneous	\$500.00
From	0100-0570-004705	Pre-Employment Screenings	\$3,000.00
To	0100-0570-004231	Travel	\$3,500.00

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis  
Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman  
Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long  
Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

9. **Discuss and consider approving a line item transfer for the District Court.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

***Motion: To approve a line item transfer for the District Court:***

From	0100-0435-001107	Temporary Labor/seasonal	\$5,187.22
To	0100-0435-001102	Part Time Salaries<20hrs/wk	\$5,187.22

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

10. **Consider granting request by Westwood High School for road closures on Thursday, October 9th for their 2008 Homecoming Parade.**

This item was moved to regular session.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey ***Motion: To approve road closures on Thursday, October 9th for Westwood High School's 2008 Homecoming Parade.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

11. **Consider approving Property Tax Refunds - Over \$2,500.00 for the month of June 2008 for the Williamson County Tax Assessor/Collector.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey ***Motion: To approve Property Tax Refunds - Over \$2,500.00 for the month of June 2008 for the Williamson County Tax Assessor/Collector.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

12. **Consider and take appropriate action on authorizing the transfer of various items to multiple departments through inter-office transfer to County departments and/or auction/donation. (Complete list filed with official minutes)**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey ***Motion: To authorize the transfer of various items to multiple departments through inter-office transfer to County departments and/or auction/donation.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman  
Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long  
Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey  
Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

**13. Consider and take appropriate action on acceptance of donation for memorial tree for Mr. Charles W. Space.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey ***Motion: To accept a donation for a memorial tree for Mr. Charles W. Space.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis  
Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman  
Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long  
Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey  
Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

**14. Discuss and consider final plat approval to Harmony Forest, Pct #3.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey ***Motion: To approve final plat for Harmony Forest, Pct #3.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis  
Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman  
Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long  
Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey  
Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

**15. Discuss and consider final plat approval of Summerlyn, Phase P-3B, Pct #2.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey ***Motion: To approve final plat for Summerlyn, Phase P-3B, Pct #2.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis  
Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman  
Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long  
Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey  
Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

**16. Hear presentation on the Summit at Rivery Park.**

Project Manager for Ledgestone Dan Clark and Consultant Marlene McMichael addressed the Court.

**17. Hear presentation given by Lonestar Circle of Care.**

Lonestar Circle of Care Chair Jack Hunnicutt addressed the Court.

18. **To hear a presentation from HR Director, John Willingham, on proposed salary increases for 2008-2009.**

Director of Human Resources John Willingham and Budget Manager Ashlie Koenig addressed the Court.

19. **Discuss and take appropriate action on road bond program.**

Richard Ridings of HNTB addressed the Court.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey ***Motion: To authorize County Judge to send letter (with typo correction) to Bob Daigh in regards to ramp project from Blue Springs to SH 29; for construction to be in two phases, with the southern section being first, followed by the northern section.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis  
Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman  
Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long  
Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey  
Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

20. **Discuss and consider approving Halff Associates, Inc. Supplemental #2 to their BUS 79 Improvements project Professional Service Agreement (PSA) to allow for PS&E development.**

Mike Weaver of Prime Strategies addressed the Court.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman ***Motion: To approve Halff Associates, Inc. Supplemental #2 to their BUS 79 Improvements project Professional Service Agreement (PSA) to allow for PS&E development.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis  
Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman  
Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long  
Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey  
Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

21. **Consider approving an Interlocal Agreement between Williamson County and the City of Taylor regarding the rehabilitation/reconstruction expansion of Business 79 (2nd Street) in Taylor, Texas, and assumption of operation and maintenance of same from Texas Department of Transportation.**

Mike Weaver of Prime Strategies addressed the Court.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman ***Motion: To approve an Interlocal Agreement between Williamson County and the City of Taylor regarding the rehabilitation/reconstruction expansion of Business 79 (2nd Street) in Taylor, Texas, and assumption of operation and maintenance of same from Texas Department of Transportation.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis  
Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman  
Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey  
Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

**22. Consider approving \$908.36 for additional services for Moman Architect.**

Building Projects Manager Gary Wilson addressed the Court.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison ***Motion: To approve \$908.36 for additional services for Moman Architect.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

**23. Consider approving \$1,000 in additional services for Fugro Consultants Inc.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison ***Motion: To approve \$1,000 in additional services for Fugro Consultants Inc.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

**24. Discuss and consider acceptance of the Williamson County Regional Habitat Conservation Plan quarterly report to Williamson County Commissioners' Court for the second quarter of 2008 (period ending 6/30/08).**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison ***Motion: To agree to accept the Williamson County Regional Habitat Conservation Plan quarterly report to Williamson County Commissioners' Court for the second quarter of 2008 (period ending 6/30/08).***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey

Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

**25. Discuss and take appropriate action on a modification to that certain Intergovernmental Agreement between Williamson County and Immigration Customs Enforcement relating to Low Cost Telephone Services.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey ***Motion: To approve a modification to that certain Intergovernmental Agreement between Williamson County and Immigration Customs Enforcement relating to Low Cost Telephone Services.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long  
Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey  
Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

**26. Discuss and take appropriate action regarding space for District Office for State Representative.**

State Representative Dan Gattis addressed the Court.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey ***Motion: To authorize Commissioner Covey to work with State Representative Dan Gattis and Senator Steve Ogden and bring back a proposal to the Court.***

Aye: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman  
Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long  
Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey  
Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison  
Other: County Judge Dan A. Gattis (Abstain)

**27. Discuss and take appropriate action on addendum to the contract with Bluebonnet Trails MHMR for crisis services provided by the Mobile Outreach Team.**

Executive Assistant to Commissioner of Precinct 2 Kathy Grimes, First Assistant County Auditor Julie Kiley and Assistant County Attorney Hal Hawes addressed the Court.

Motion By: County Judge Dan A. Gattis

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long ***Motion: To approve an addendum to the contract with Bluebonnet Trails MHMR for crisis services provided by the Mobile Outreach Team.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis  
Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman  
Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long  
Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey  
Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

**28. Discuss and take appropriate action on new Special Event Road Closure request procedure.**

Chief of Operations for Emergency Communications Patrick Cobb and Public Information Officer Connie Watson addressed the Court.

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison ***Motion: To table this item.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis  
Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman  
Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long  
Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey  
Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

**29. To discuss and consider authorizing advertising and setting a date for a Public Hearing on the 2008-2009 County Budget for August 19th, 2008.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman



Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey ***Motion: To authorize advertising and set a date for a Public Hearing on the 2008-2009 County Budget for August 19th, 2008 at 10:00 a.m.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis  
Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman  
Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long  
Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey  
Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

**30. Discuss and set Public Hearing on revised Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey ***Motion: To set the date of August 26, 2008 at 10:00 A.M. for a Public Hearing on revised Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis  
Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman  
Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long  
Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey  
Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

**31. Consider canceling date of July 31, 2008 to receive bids for Body Armor for Williamson County Law Enforcement.**

Motion By: Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman

Second By: Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey ***Motion: To approve canceling date of July 31, 2008 to receive bids for Body Armor for Williamson County Law Enforcement.***

Aye: County Judge Dan A. Gattis  
Commissioner Precinct 1 Lisa Birkman  
Commissioner Precinct 2 Cynthia Long  
Commissioner Precinct 3 Valerie Covey  
Commissioner Precinct 4 Ron Morrison

**COMMISSIONERS' COURT ADJOURNED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 12:06 P.M. ON TUESDAY, JULY 22, 2008.**

**32. Discuss real estate (EXECUTIVE SESSION as per VTCA Govt. Code sec. 551.0721 deliberation regarding real property.)**

No action was taken in Executive Session.

**33. Discuss pending or contemplated litigation (EXECUTIVE SESSION as per VTCA Govt. Code sec. 551.071 consultation with attorney.)**

No action was taken in Executive Session.

**34. Discuss County Landfill (EXECUTIVE SESSION as per VTCA Govt. Code sec. 5551.071 consultation with attorney.)**

No action was taken in Executive Session.

35. **Deliberation regarding economic development negotiations (EXECUTIVE SESSION as per VTCA Govt. Code sec. 551.087 deliberation regarding economic development negotiations.)**

No action was taken in Executive Session.

36. **Deliberation regarding economic development negotiations relating to a proposed Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ) between Williamson County, the Summit at Rivery Park and the City of Georgetown (EXECUTIVE SESSION as per VTCA Govt. Code sec 551.087 deliberation regarding economic development negotiations).**

No action was taken in Executive Session.

**COMMISSIONERS' COURT RECONVENED FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 5: 06 P.M. ON TUESDAY, JULY 22, 2008.**

37. **Discuss and take appropriate action on real estate.**

No action was taken.

38. **Discuss and take appropriate action on pending or contemplated litigation.**

No action was taken.

39. **Discuss and take appropriate action on the County Landfill.**

No action was taken.

40. **Discuss and take appropriate action concerning deliberation regarding economic development negotiations.**

No action was taken.

41. **Discuss and take action on the deliberation regarding economic development negotiations relating to a proposed Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone (TIRZ) between Williamson County, the Summit at Rivery Park and the City of Georgetown.**

No action was taken.

42. **Comments from Commissioners.**

There were not comments.

**COMMISSIONERS' COURT ADJOURNED AT 5:07 P.M. ON TUESDAY, JULY 22, 2008.**

THE FOREGOING MINUTES had at a Regular Session of Commissioners' Court of Williamson County, Texas, having been read are hereby approved this 29th day of July, 2008.

ATTEST: Nancy E. Rister, Clerk of Commissioners' Court, Williamson County, Texas

By: Connie Singleton, Deputy