Results of the Commissioners Court Meeting of 09-12-23 All agenda items approved as presented with the following exceptions: Harris County Commissioners Court Exceptions to September 12, 2023 Agenda

Page	Item	Department	Exception
Page 2	Item 1	Department Management and Budget	To set a public hearing on September 19, 2023 at 10:00 am to consider the following 2023 tax rates per \$100 of taxable value: For Harris County, the rate of \$.30281 for maintenance and operations and the rate of \$.04726 for debt service, for a total tax rate of \$.35007; For the Harris County Flood Control District, the rate of \$.02010 for maintenance and operations and the rate of \$.01095 for debt service, for a total tax rate of \$.03105; For the Harris County Hospital District, the rate of \$.14206 for maintenance and operations and the rate of \$.00137 for debt service, for a total tax rate of \$.14343; For the Port of Houston Authority of Harris County, a debt service rate of \$.00574; and For all Harris County entities, a total tax rate of \$.53029. ***********************************
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			To decrease the Jail Medical budget by 4.3 million.

			To update the SCAAP Grant award.

			To reduce the CLS adjustment for the County Library for book circulation by \$500,000 and reduce the CLS adjustment for Pretrial Services by \$500,000.

			To move the La Salle inmate outsourcing contract to ARPA for \$14,000,000.

To move the MTC contracts to ARPA for \$14,000,000.

To deobligate \$35,500,000 from the Harris Health System ARPA portfolio to cover Fiscal Year 24 budget needs.

To deobligate \$9,900,000 from Water and Sewer ARPA Infrastructure portfolio to cover Fiscal Year 24 budget needs.

To deobligate \$3,000,000 in ARPA funding to fund Fiscal Year 24 General Fund needs.

To direct the Director of Management and Budget to work with Leah Barton to identify \$14,000,000 in additional ARPA savings.

To increase the County Attorney's Office budget by \$285,196 for Probate Court 5 positions; to increase the Office of the District Clerk's budget by \$1,387,950 for juror payments costs; and to reduce the proposed budget by \$198,105 to match the budget transmitted to Commissioners Court.

To increase HCTRA Fund 5302 funding by \$19,533,803 for a total of \$385,361,003; and to increase HCTRA Fund 5310 funding by \$529,279 for a total of \$12,354,979.

To allocate \$11,185,000 in new FY24 mobility funding to Engineering Department 035 and allocate \$34,515,000 in new FY24 mobility funding to Engineering Department 208 to streamline Engineering operations.

To allocate \$1 million of Hotel Occupancy Tax to the Sheriff's Department to fund security for special events in Harris County.

To allocate \$500,000 of Hotel Occupancy Tax to each Commissioner precinct for Public Art for a total of \$2 million.

To allocate \$145,000 from Constable Pct 2 to the Sheriff's Office to provide security services at the Phelps Annex.

That the FY24 budget include a full Cost of Living Adjustment for all employees beginning at the start of Fiscal Year 24 on October 1, 2023. The COLA shall be seven (7) percent for civilian and non-deputy sworn employees, and four (4) percent for deputies who already received an adjustment in prior years, at a cost of \$21,414,120.

To increase the Harris County Sheriff's Office Detention Officer pay by 5% (in addition to the Fiscal Year 2024 Cost of Living Adjustment, for 12% total) effective at the beginning of Fiscal Year 2024.

To increase Commissioner Precinct budgets to \$42,285,500 per precinct inclusive of \$514,000 for the County Judge's Office.

To approve funding Public Health and the Sheriff's Office to expand the Holistic Assistance Response Team program to begin expansion in at least one district by the end of FY24 and to fund an evaluation of the HART program for \$2,200,000.

To increase Community Services Department's budget by \$2,100,000, with \$740,000 being subcontracted to the Sheriff's Department, for the Employ2Empower program.

Failed motion to fund Public Health Violence Prevention Program up to two additional zip codes by the end of FY2024 by \$1,000,000.

Failed motion to increase District Attorney's budget by \$1,500,000 to fund overtime costs for the Police Intake department for weekend positions for \$1,500,000. ***** To increase the County Library's budget by \$1,100,000 for the GRAD Café expansion countywide. Two libraries per precinct plus one location decided by Commissioners Court, for \$1,100,000. ****** To fund the County Attorney's Office with an additional \$500,000 for litigation expenses. ****** For a \$750,000 increase for the Office of Sustainability. ****** To fund the Department of Economic Equity and Opportunity to improve programing and policies for workers, small businesses, and economic development opportunities in the amount of \$383,000. ***** To increase the Office of County Court Management (OCCM) budget by \$658,767 for three Magistrate Hearing Officers. ****** To increase the Intergovernmental and Global Affairs budget by \$483,369 to cover additional labor and nonlabor costs, as requested by IGA. ***** To increase General Administration budget by \$340,000 to create an interpreting licensing and stipend programs in Harris County. ***** To fund Pollution Control for additional emergency responders and air monitoring and surveillance for \$326,116. *****

To fund the Harris County Sheriff's Office Behavioral Health Division to maintain positions previously funded through grants for \$240,000. ****** To provide \$195,127 to Constable Precinct 4 for three Communications Officer (Dispatch) positions. ****** To increase JP 6-1's budget by \$155,450 for additional clerk support. ****** To increase the District Clerk's budget by 1.2 million to implement increased juror pay. ****** To allocate up to \$2 million to PHS for a county wide implementation of health pods/health delivery system, to be funded equitably with a specific funding formula to be developed by the OMB and brought back to Court for approval. ***** To keep \$1,154,000 in reserve for future OCA and IGA restructuring.