

Results of the Commissioners Court Meeting of 07-15-24

All agenda items approved as presented with the following exceptions:

Harris County Commissioners Court

Exceptions to July 15, 2024 Agenda

Page	Item	Department	Exception
3	16	County Administration	No Action
3	19	County Administration	To amend the Policy section of proposed Standard Operating Procedures to read “During the annual budget process, the Office of Sustainability along with OMB will present recommendations to the Commissioners Court on a REEF budget for the following fiscal year for the 50% balance of savings to be return to the general fund to fund services and initiatives that align with and advance the County’s goal of minimizing the impacts of climate change and disasters and related objectives, and to approve the item as amended.
4	22	Management and Budget	To authorize OMB to access the Public Contingency Fund as necessary for Hurricane Beryl response and recovery.
4	27	Management and Budget	No Action
5	32	Management and Budget	Change to “and sell Harris County, Texas Hotel Occupancy Tax Revenue Bonds”  Change to “with the issuance of the Harris County, Texas, Hotel Occupancy Tax Revenue Bonds”
5	34	Human Resources and Risk Management	No Action
6	37	County Engineer	To approve the Interim-Major Thoroughfare and Freeway Plan for the unincorporated area of Harris County, including all 10 Cities as presented in Map 1, and authorization to submit the plan to the Texas Department of Transportation to negotiate and execute an agreement concerning future transportation corridors affecting roadways and transportation projects in Harris County.
10	67	County Engineer	No Action
13	97	County Engineer	No Action
15	121	Flood Control District	To direct the Office of Management and Budget and the Tax Assessor Collector to provide possible Tax Year 2024 tax rates to inform the Harris County Flood Control District FY2025 and future budgets based on the 100, 67, 50 year infrastructure rehabilitation cycle scenarios both including and not including the projected cost of maintenance for the 2018 bond and CDBG investments, for consideration at the August 6, 2024 Commissioners Court, and to direct Flood Control to return on August 6th with proposed budgets for those scenarios.
16	130	Intergovernmental and Global Affairs	No Action
16	133	Universal Services	For approval of the Harris County Fleet Vehicle Policy.
16	137	Public Health Services	No Action

19	160	Constables	<b>Failed motion</b> for approval of a retention incentive program for all full-time department employees.
21	181	Probate Courts	No Action
22	183	Travel & Training	No Action taken on Item 16; all other items approved.
25	194	Grants	No Action
36	278	County Judge	<p>To direct Engineering and HRRM to engage FEMA and TDEM to obtain pre-approval for debris removal on private property and roads, and to work with relevant County departments to accomplish the purpose of this directive; to also consider whether non-profits would qualify to do the removal as well.</p> <p>*****</p> <p>To direct the Flood Control District and the Office of Management and Budget to work with relevant offices to move up to \$10,000,000 from the Flood Control District 2890 reserve funds into the Flood Control District Maintenance Fund (2891) for disaster recovery expenses.</p> <p>*****</p> <p>To authorize for employees to cash out compensatory time earned through the pay period ending August 9, 2024, for response and recovery efforts in connection to Hurricane Beryl.</p> <p>*****</p> <p>To authorize funding from the Public Contingency Fund for Hurricane Beryl relief efforts in the following amounts: \$24,000,000 for debris removal and \$6,000,000 for monitoring activities for a total amount not exceed \$30,000,000.</p> <p>*****</p> <p>To approve the order to continue the current disaster declaration until August 6, 2024.</p> <p>*****</p> <p>To bring in a second hauler vendor and a second monitor vendor to pick up the debris from Derecho and Beryl and if necessary to bring in a third of each one.</p> <p>*****</p> <p>For authorization to execute approved contracts for disaster response, debris removal, and recovery pursuant to Chapter 418 of the Texas Government Code, including ratification of such expenditures for actions taken out of public necessity and to alleviate suffering.</p>

36	283	Commissioner, Precinct 1	Change to “Request that the County Judge execute a Chapter 381 mural agreement with Street Art for Mankind in an amount not to exceed \$230,000 for up to five (5) murals to be placed on County facilities at a cost of \$30,000 per mural, and not more than \$80,000 for general installation expenditures.”
37	286	Commissioner, Precinct 3	No Action
37	287	Commissioner, Precinct 3	No Action
37	292	Commissioner, Precinct 4	No Action
38-41	303-332	Transmittals	Accepted
41	333	Executive Session	To reappoint Roberto Treviño, a nominee from the Commissioner of Precinct 2, to the METRO Board of Directors for a term beginning July 29, 2024, and ending July 29, 2026.
41	334	Executive Session	To appoint Kevin Nguyen to the Harris County LGBTQIA+ Commission, for a term ending July 15, 2025, as recommended by the commission.