



TEXAS GENERAL LAND OFFICE
GEORGE P. BUSH, COMMISSIONER

April 9, 2018

The Honorable Bert Cobb, M.D.
County Judge
Hays County
111 E. San Antonio Street, Suite 300
San Marcos, TX 78666

Re: Hays County's Method of Distribution Amendment No. 1 – 2015 Floods and Storms CDBG-DR Funds

Dear Judge Cobb:

The Texas General Land Office Community Development and Revitalization division (GLO-CDR) has completed its review of all materials submitted to date in support of the Hays County's (the County) Method of Distribution (MOD) Amendment No.1 for the 2015 Floods and Storms Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funds. We are happy to inform you that the MOD amendment has been approved.

GLO-CDR approves the County's formula-based allocation of non-housing and housing funds to the identified entities. The terms of the approval are noted below:

1. Acceptance of the MOD amendment does not indicate the eligibility or approval of funding for any proposed projects.
2. The County's allocation must meet the requirement that 70 percent of the funds benefit low- to moderate-income persons. Projects that do not meet HUD's national objective for benefitting low- to moderate-income persons may not be approved until the County's allocation requirement is met.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Alexandra Gamble, Manager, at alexandra.gamble@glo.texas.gov or (512) 475-5021.

Sincerely,

Martin Rivera, Deputy Director
Community Development and Revitalization

cc: Lindsay McClune, Hays County Grant Coordinator

Non-Housing Allocation

City, County or Eligible Entity	First Distribution Factor: Disaster Impact as Reflected by FEMA PA Total Projected Amount for DR4223 & DR4245 on 9/15/16				Second Distribution Factor: LMI Population Count				Entity Weighted Factor Total (EWFtot)	Weighted Factor Total (WFtot)	Proportional Weighted Factor (PWF) EWFtot/WFtot	Non-Housing Allocation for Formulaic Distribution (NHA)	Proportional Distribution FWF x NHA	Meets GLO Required Threshold of \$100,000?	Final Allocation (Sub-\$100000 Rolled Up Into Hays County)		
	Maximum Factor Measure: \$3,418,475.00		Maximum Factor Measure: 18835		Maximum Factor Measure: 18835		Maximum Factor Measure: 30										
	Factor Measure (FM)	Factor Measure Maximum (FMmax)	Weight (W)	Weighted Factor (FM/FMmax)	Factor Measure (FM)	Factor Measure Maximum (FMmax)	Weight (W)	Weighted Factor (FM/FMmax)									
																Sum < 100000	\$57,722.11
Hays County Unincorporated	\$3,418,475.00	3418475.00	70	70	18835	18835	30	30	100	175.12755016	0.571012384	\$7,869,851.00	\$4,493,782.38	Yes	5,003,005.78		
Bear Creek Village	\$0.00	3418475.00	70	0.0000000	50	18835	30	0.07963897	0.079638970	175.12755016	0.000454748	\$7,869,851.00	\$3,578.80	No	0.00		
Buda	\$340,139.00	3418475.00	70	6.9650151	1640	18835	30	2.612158216	9.577173318	175.12755016	0.054686846	\$7,869,851.00	\$430,377.33	Yes	430,377.33		
Dripping Springs*	\$426,489.00	3418475.00	70	8.7332012	825	18835	30	1.314043005	10.047244213	175.12755016	0.057371009	\$7,869,851.00	\$451,501.29	Yes	-		
Hays City	\$0.00	3418475.00	70	0.0000000	70	18835	30	0.111494558	0.111494558	175.12755016	0.000636648	\$7,869,851.00	\$5,010.32	No	0.00		
Kyle	\$1,451,975.00	3418475.00	70	29.7320443	7150	18835	30	11.38837271	41.120416970	175.12755016	0.234802673	\$7,869,851.00	\$1,847,862.05	Yes	1,847,862.05		
Mountain City	\$0.00	3418475.00	70	0.0000000	55	18835	30	0.087602867	0.087602867	175.12755016	0.000500223	\$7,869,851.00	\$3,936.68	No	0.00		
Niederwald	\$0.00	3418475.00	70	0.0000000	170	18835	30	0.270772498	0.270772498	175.12755016	0.001546144	\$7,869,851.00	\$12,167.93	No	0.00		
Uhland	\$252,054.00	3418475.00	70	5.1613015	635	18835	30	1.011414919	6.172716377	175.12755016	0.035246975	\$7,869,851.00	\$277,388.44	Yes	277,388.44		
Wimberley	\$279,094.00	3418475.00	70	5.7149986	760	18835	30	1.210512344	6.925510991	175.12755016	0.039545525	\$7,869,851.00	\$311,217.39	Yes	311,217.39		
Woodcreek	\$6,724.00	3418475.00	70	0.1376871	375	18835	30	0.597292275	0.734979402	175.12755016	0.004196823	\$7,869,851.00	\$33,028.37	No	0.00		
									175.12755016		1.00		\$7,869,851.00		7,869,851.00		

*Dripping Springs declined funding. Funding returned to county.

Housing Allocation

City, County or Housing Authority	First Distribution Factor: FEMA Verified Loss				Second Distribution Factor: LMI Population Count											
	Maximum Factor Measure: \$5,248,065.96				Maximum Factor Measure: 18835						Sum < 500000		\$596,750.32			
	Factor Weight: 70				Factor Weight: 30											
	Factor Measure (FM)	Factor Measure Maximum (FMmax)	Weight (W)	Weighted Factor (FM/FMmax)	Factor Measure (FM)	Factor Measure Maximum (FMmax)	Weight (W)	Weighted Factor (FM/FMmax)	Entity Weighted Factor Total (EWFtot)	Weighted Factor Total (WFtot)	Proportional Weighted Factor (PWF) EWFtot/WFtot	Housing Allocation for Formulaic Distribution (NHA)	Proportional Distribution FWF x NHA	Meets GLO Required Threshold of \$500,000?	Final Allocation (Sub-\$100000 Rolled Up Into Hays County)	
Hays County Unincorporated	\$4,664,366.08	5248065.96	70	62.214467	18835	18835	30	30	92	194.81637091	0.473340441	\$3,703,459.00	\$1,752,996.91	Yes	2,349,747.24	
Bear Creek Village	\$0.00	5248065.96	70	0.0000000	50	18835	30	0.07963897	0.079638970	194.81637091	0.00040879	\$3,703,459.00	\$1,513.94	No	0.00	
Buda	\$189,191.52	5248065.96	70	2.5234832	1640	18835	30	2.612158216	5.135641438	194.81637091	0.026361447	\$3,703,459.00	\$97,628.54	No	0.00	
Dripping Springs	\$4,837.32	5248065.96	70	0.0645214	825	18835	30	1.314043005	1.378564374	194.81637091	0.007076224	\$3,703,459.00	\$26,206.51	No	0.00	
Hays City	\$0.00	5248065.96	70	0.0000000	70	18835	30	0.111494558	0.111494558	194.81637091	0.000572306	\$3,703,459.00	\$2,119.51	No	0.00	
Kyle	\$813,373.58	5248065.96	70	10.8489777	7150	18835	30	11.38837271	22.237350416	194.81637091	0.114145184	\$3,703,459.00	\$422,732.01	No	0.00	
Mountain City	\$1,770.25	5248065.96	70	0.0236120	55	18835	30	0.087602867	0.111214899	194.81637091	0.00057087	\$3,703,459.00	\$2,114.20	No	0.00	
Niederwald	\$3,554.31	5248065.96	70	0.0474083	170	18835	30	0.270772498	0.318180763	194.81637091	0.001633234	\$3,703,459.00	\$6,048.62	No	0.00	
Uhland	\$15,135.62	5248065.96	70	0.2018826	635	18835	30	1.011414919	1.213297557	194.81637091	0.006227903	\$3,703,459.00	\$23,064.79	No	0.00	
Wimberley	\$5,248,065.96	5248065.96	70	70.0000000	760	18835	30	1.210512344	71.210512344	194.81637091	0.365526326	\$3,703,459.00	\$1,353,711.76	Yes	1,353,711.76	
Woodcreek	\$15,647.97	5248065.96	70	0.2087165	375	18835	30	0.597292275	0.806008764	194.81637091	0.004137274	\$3,703,459.00	\$15,322.23	No	0.00	
									194.81637091		1.00		\$3,703,459.00		3,703,459.00	

County:	Hays County						
Required	Non-Housing	\$ 7,869,851	Housing	\$ 3,703,459	Total	\$ 11,573,310	
	<i>Required</i>	<i>Required</i>	<i>Required</i>	<i>Required</i>	<i>Required</i>	<i>Required</i>	<i>Required</i>
City, County or Public Housing Authority	Non-Housing	Percentage of County Non-Housing Allocation	Housing	Percentage of County Housing Allocation	Total Allocation	Percentage of Total Regional Allocation	70% Low-to-Moderate Income Benefit Requirement
Hays County Unincorporated	\$5,003,006	63.57%	\$2,349,747	63.45%	\$7,352,753	63.53%	\$5,146,927
Buda	\$430,377	5.47%		0.00%	\$430,377	3.72%	\$301,264
Kyle	\$1,847,862	23.48%		0.00%	\$1,847,862	15.97%	\$1,293,503
Uhland	\$277,388	3.52%		0.00%	\$277,388	2.40%	\$194,172
Wimberley	\$311,217	3.95%	\$1,353,712	36.55%	\$1,664,929	14.39%	\$1,165,450
	\$7,869,851	100.00%	\$3,703,459	100.00%	\$11,573,310	100.00%	\$8,101,317
	Non-Housing Percentage of Total Allocation:	68.00%	32.00%		Low-to-Moderate Income Benefit Requirement	70.00%	\$ 8,101,317.00

Action taken by Commissioners Court on Page 13 for Revised MOD

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STATE OF TEXAS *
COUNTY OF HAYS *

ON THIS THE 30TH DAY OF JANUARY A.D., 2018, THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF HAYS COUNTY, TEXAS, MET IN REGULAR MEETING. THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS WERE PRESENT, TO-WIT: **CALL TO ORDER ROLL CALL**

DEBBIE GONZALES INGALSBE	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 1
MARK JONES	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 2
LON A. SHELL	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 3
RAY O. WHISENANT JR.	COMMISSIONER, PCT. 4
LIZ Q. GONZALEZ	COUNTY CLERK

WITH COUNTY JUDGE, ALBERT H. COBB, JR., BEING ABSENT AND THE FOLLOWING PROCEEDINGS WERE HAD, THAT IS:

INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag & Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag

Murray Cask of CTMC gave the invocation. Commissioner Ingalsbe led the court in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags. Commissioner Ingalsbe called the meeting to order.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Harvey Jenkins, San Marcos resident, Rodrigo Amaya, San Marcos resident, Dan Lyon, San Marcos resident and David Crowell, Kyle resident all made public comments.

1. **Presentation of Hays County Service Awards. INGALSBE/MILLER**

Service Awards

Human Resources Department Director, Shari Miller, gave presentation of Hays County Service Awards. 5-Year Service Awards – Constable Pct. 4 – Jimmy Zuehlke, Health Department – Michael Jones, County Clerk – Carol Josephson, District Court – Richard Boyer. 10-Year Service Award – IT – Mark Lane. 20-Year Service Award – JP Pct. 2 – Rhonda Nix. 25-Year Award – Rhonda Nix. Retirement – Sheriff's Office – Terence Carter, County Clerk – Rosanna Ramirez.

2. **Recognition of Deputies Abbot, Bedingfield, Gieselman, McLeod, and Sergeant Craigmile, of the Hays County Sheriff's Office, for their steadfast commitment to public safety and selfless service in the line of duty. SHELL/WHISENANT**

Recognition of HCSO Officers

Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Whisenant, Commissioner Ingalsbe and Sheriff Cutler spoke of Thanksgiving night, early morning of Black Friday, this past year when some of our deputies were

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ambushed and one was shot. The Commissioners thanked all those that were involved and for their service and dedication to Hays County.

CONSENT ITEMS

32303 3. Approve payments of County invoices. VILLARREAL-ALONZO

32303

A motion was made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve payments of county invoices in the amount of \$1,578,144.60 as submitted by the County Auditor. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

32304 4. Approve payments of Juror checks. VILLARREAL-ALONZO

32304

A motion was made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve payments of juror checks in the amount of \$1,906.00 as submitted by the County Auditor. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

32305 5. Approve the payment of Humana and United Healthcare claims. VILLARREAL-ALONZO

32305

A motion was made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve the payment of Humana Claims in the amount of \$153,969.18 as submitted by the County Auditor. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

32306 6. Approve Commissioners Court Minutes of January 23, 2018. INGALSBE/GONZALEZ

32306

A motion was made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve Commissioners Court Minutes of January 23, 2018, as presented by the County Clerk. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

32307 7. Approve and accept the 2017 Racial Profiling Report for the Hays County Sheriff's Office. INGALSBE/CUTLER

32307

A motion was made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve and accept the 2017 Racial Profiling Report for the Hays County Sheriff's Office. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

32308 8. Approve Utility Permits. COBB/BORCHERDING

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32308

A motion was made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve utility permit #1063 on Huck Finn Trail issued to SLP Cable Comm. LLC and #1064 on Sawyer Ranch Road issued to PEC as submitted by the Department of Transportation. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

32309

9. Approve out of state travel for the 911 Database Coordinator and two County Planners for the ESRI User Conference. July 9th through July 13th, 2018 in San Diego, CA. COBB/GARZA

32309

During budget, the department allocated funds to send the above mentioned to the annual ESRI GIS Conference. Prior to booking flights and accommodations staff is seeking official approval for out of state travel. The conference is offered at no cost to attendees. A motion was made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Whisenant to approve out of state travel for the 911 Database Coordinator and two County Planners for the ESRI User Conference. July 9th through July 13th, 2018 in San Diego, CA. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

32310

10. Approve the cancellation of Hays County Commissioners Court on the following dates in 2018: February 20, March 13, June 12, October 9, November 6, November 27 and December 25, and in 2019: January 1. INGALSBE

32310

Court dates have been presented for cancellation due to Holidays or County Association Conferences. A motion was made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Whisenant to approve the cancellation of Hays County Commissioners Court on the following dates in 2018: February 20, March 13, June 12, October 9, November 6, November 27 and December 25, and in 2019: January 1. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

32311

11. Approve and confirm the appointments of Ramiro Almendarez as Deputy Constable and Javier Jaime Castro as Reserve Deputy Constable in the Hays County Constable Precinct 1 Office, effective date January 30, 2018. INGALSBE/PETERSON

32311

Constable Pct. 1, David Peterson, gave the Court a list of the Deputy's credentials. Commissioner Ingalsbe performed the swearing-in of Ramiro Almendarez and Javier Castro. Pursuant to Local Government Code Chapter 86 Subchapter B 86.011 (a) The Commissioner's Court shall approve and confirm the appointment of a Deputy Constable. Sec. 86.011. APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY CONSTABLE. (a) An elected constable who desires to appoint a deputy must apply in writing to the Commissioners court of the county and show that it is necessary to appoint a deputy in order to properly handle the business of the constable's office that originates in the constable's precinct. The application must state the name of the proposed deputy. The Commissioners court shall approve and confirm the

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appointment of the deputy only if the Commissioners court determines that the constable needs a deputy to handle the business originating in the precinct. (b) Each deputy constable must qualify in the manner provided for deputy sheriffs. (c) The constable is responsible for the official acts of each deputy of the constable. The constable may require a deputy to post a bond or security. A constable may exercise any remedy against a deputy or the deputy's surety that a person may exercise against the constable or the constable's surety. (d) A person commits an offense if the person: 3B(1) serves as a deputy constable and the person has not been appointed as provided by Subsection (a); or 3B(2) is a constable and issues a deputyship without the consent and approval of the commissioners court. (e) An offense under Subsection (d) is punishable by a fine of not less than \$50 or more than \$1,000. **A motion was made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Whisenant to approve and confirm the appointments of Ramiro Almendarez as Deputy Constable and Javier Jaime Castro as Reserve Deputy Constable in the Hays County Constable Precinct 1 Office, effective Date January 30, 2018. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED**

32312 12. Authorize the execution of a renewal service agreement with Shred-It for shredding at the Local Health Department. COBB/BARRON

32312

Per HIPAA regulations, all documents containing personal health information must be shredded. This contract will facilitate shredding the documents that are no longer needed by the department as it transitions into paperless recordkeeping. The service will eliminate the need to use staff hours for shredding. **A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize the execution of a Renewal Service Agreement with Shred-It for shredding at the Local Health Department. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED**

32313 13. Accept a grant contribution on behalf of the Hays County Child Protective Board and amend the budget accordingly. COBB/GARZA

32313

The Hays County Child Protective Board has received grant funding from the City of San Marcos utilizing the county federal tax identification number as authorized. The total awards received are as follows; City of San Marcos - \$12,500 City of Buda - \$375 (remainder of prior year) The HCCPB will deposit these funds with the county as their pass through agency. The funds will be allocated back to the agency to be utilized for the following expenses; >Basic clothing >Participation in extracurricular school activities and scholastic achievements >Equipment and services to encourage and assist academic success and improve graduation rates >Recognition of significant milestones >Provide for physical and mental health services not covered by governmental programs >Provide support for CPS case workers participation in professional training >Increase public awareness of child abuse. Funds will be released to HCCPB in incremental payments once the granting municipality has deposited their funds with the county. Budget Amendment: Increase Contributions: .4610. Increase Social Service Grant Funding: .5800. **A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to accept a grant contribution on behalf of the Hays County Child Protective Board and amend the budget accordingly. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED**

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- 32314** **14. Approve specifications for RFP 2018-P10 Countywide Electrical Services and authorize Purchasing Manager to solicit for proposals and advertise. INGALSBE/GARZA/LAPOINTE/VILLARREAL-ALONZO**

32314

A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to approve specifications for RFP 2018-P10 Countywide Electrical Services and authorize Purchasing Manager to solicit for proposals and advertise. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

- 32315** **15. Authorize the County Court at Law Office to purchase one new Bullet Proof Vest for a Bailiff position and amend the budget accordingly. INGALSBE/GLICKLER**

32315

The County Court at Law has one new hire filling a vacant slot that requires a fitted Bullet Proof Vests for officer safety. Bullet Proof Vests are fitted per specific measurements of the officer, therefore, previous employee's vests are not usable for the new hire. Potential funding source Co-Wide contingencies. Budget Amendment: Decrease County Wide Contingencies 001-645-00.5399 Increase DOJ BPV Grant LE Eqpt .5717_400. A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize the County Court at Law Office to purchase one new bullet proof vest for a Bailiff position and amend the budget accordingly. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

- 32316** **16. Authorize the execution of a maintenance agreement with Touch Legal Inc. for the law library kiosk located at the Jail. COBB/CUTLER**

32316

The Hays County Jail is in need of an extended maintenance agreement with Touch Legal DBA Touch Sonic Technologies for the law library kiosk. Funding for the agreement is budgeted in the Jail. A motion was made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Whisenant to authorize the execution of a Maintenance Agreement with Touch Legal Inc. for the Law Library Kiosk located at the jail. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

- 32317** **17. Authorize the submittal and filing of a Local Government Records Control Schedule Amendment with the Texas State Library Archives Commission; authorize the Records Management Officer to sign all related documents. COBB/BARRON**

32317

Pursuant to Section 203.041 of the Texas Local Government Code; the Records Management Officer shall prepare and file records control schedules with the Texas State Library and Archives Commission. The Records Control Schedule Amendment modifies retention for the Local Health Department by including retention for records not on the currently adopted retention schedules. A motion was made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Whisenant to authorize the submittal and filing of a Local Government Records Control Schedule Amendment with the Texas State Library

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Archives Commission; authorize the Records Management Officer to sign all related documents. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

32318 **18. Authorize the execution of a Service Maintenance Agreement with Argyle Security Group, Inc. for equipment located at various locations that utilize equipment that would require their services. COBB/GARZA**

32318

The Building Maintenance Department would like to enter into a Service Maintenance Agreement with Argyle Security Group, Inc. for work performed at various locations. Several County facilities utilize security equipment that require maintenance provided by Argyle Security. Entering into an agreement will allow the County to receive a negotiated rate which will result in a savings on maintenance costs. **A motion was made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Whisenant to authorize the execution of a Service Maintenance Agreement with Argyle Security Group, Inc. for equipment located at various locations that utilize equipment that would require their services. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED**

32319 **19. Receive the County Judge's delegation of a county officer pursuant to Section 751.0055 of the Texas Health and Safety Code. COBB**

32319

Pursuant to Section 751.0055 of the Texas Health and Safety Code, the County Judge may file an order with the Commissioners Court of the county delegating to another county officer the duty to hear applications for a permit under this chapter. **A motion was made by Commissioner Whisenant, seconded by Commissioner Shell to receive the County Judge's delegation of Commissioner Ingalsbe pursuant to Section 751.0055 of the Texas Health and Safety Code. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED**

32320 **20. Authorize the submittal of a grant application to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) program in the amount of \$200,000. COBB/SMITH/GARZA**

32320

The purpose of the AFG Program is to enhance the safety of the public and firefighters with respect to fire and fire related hazards. The program provides direct financial assistance to provide critically needed resources that equip and train emergency personnel to recognized standards, enhance operational efficiencies, foster interoperability, and support community resilience. The application is due on February 2, 2018 through the AFG application portal and will require a 10% match. **A motion was made by Commissioner Whisenant, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize the submittal of a Grant Application to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) Program in the amount of \$200,000.00. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED**

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- 32321** **21. Authorize the purchase of a new Swingline 750M Shredder for the Records Management office utilizing Records Preservation funds and amend the budget accordingly. COBB/BARRON**

32321

The Records Management office is in need of a heavy duty shredder for projects. Records Management staff and interns are assisting various departments with converting paper records into electronic records. At least 60 boxes of records need to be destroyed each month and in the next two years it is anticipated that at least 1,200 boxes will be converted and destroyed. The Records Management staff were utilizing a confidential shred service, but the cost increased from \$888 to \$2,500 per year. Rather than continuing to utilize a shred service, the department is requesting a shredder. The Swingline 750M shredder features a micro-cut shred for confidentiality and PIN code access for unattended operation. The programmable 4-digit code also prevents unauthorized access to materials loaded for shred. Records Preservation Funds are available to fund this request. Increase 106-610-00.5711_400 Office Equipment. Reduce 106-610-00.5448 Contract Services. **A motion was made by Commissioner Whisenant, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize the purchase of a new Swingline 750M Shredder for the Records Management Office utilizing Records Preservation Funds and amend the budget accordingly. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED**

- 32322** **22. Accept and approve the 2017 Racial Profiling Report and the 2017 Annual Activity Report from Hays County Constable Office, Pct. 4. WHISENANT/HOOD**

32322

In compliance with Senate Bill 1074-76th regular session of the Texas Legislature amended by House Bill 3389-81st regular session. **A motion was made by Commissioner Whisenant, seconded by Commissioner Shell to accept and approve the 2017 Racial Profiling Report and the 2017 Annual Activity Report from Hays County Constable Office, Pct. 4. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED**

- 32323** **23. Authorize the execution of a Calculation Agency Agreement between Hays County and BOK Financial, NA related to the Qualified Energy Conservation Bonds (QECB). INGALSBE/VILLARREAL-ALONZO**

32323

As a requirement of the QECB bonds certain forms must be filed with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) to receive the tax credit. BOK Financial will perform the calculations necessary to complete Form 1097-BTC, or any successor form, reporting the tax credit for the period ending on each such interest payment dates and file the necessary documents with the IRS. Funds are available in the County Wide contract services budget to fund this request. **A motion was made by Commissioner Shell, seconded by Commissioner Whisenant to authorize the execution of a Calculation Agency Agreement between Hays County and BOK Financial, NA related to the Qualified Energy Conservation Bonds (QECB). All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED**

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- 32324** **24. Approve the Intergovernmental Transfer (IGT) of Local Provider Participation Funds (LPPF) for Central Texas Medical Center and Seton Medical Center Hays for DY 7 Uncompensated Care (UC) payments as part of the Texas Healthcare Transformation and Quality Improvement Program (1115 Waiver). INGALSBE/SHELL**

32324

A date for transfer of DY7 UC 1115 waiver funds was announced on January 25, 2018. All LPPF funds are collected from Hays County Hospitals and are budgeted. Though the IGT of these funds do not require specific Court approval, having them approved (If sufficient notice is given by the State) or ratified (if sufficient notice is not provided by the State) ensures the Court and the public are informed of the process. IGT amount (settlement date of 2-2-18): \$ 3,169,805. CTMC amount: \$1,258,767. Seton Hays amount: \$1,911,038. Reduced amount of \$2,849,804.60. **A motion was made by Commissioner Shell, seconded by Commissioner Whisenant to approve the Intergovernmental Transfer (IGT) OF Local Provider Participation Funds (LPPF) FOR Central Texas Medical Center and Seton Medical Center Hays for DY 7 Uncompensated Care (UC) payments as part of the Texas Healthcare Transformation and Quality Improvement Program (1115 Waiver). All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED**

- 32325** **25. Discussion and possible action to hold a public hearing to establish a 3-way stop located at the intersection of Heidenreich Lane and Grist Mill Rd. JONES/BORCHERDING**

32325

Commissioner Ingalsbe opened the public hearing. No public input was received. Commissioner Ingalsbe closed the public hearing. Transportation Director, Jerry Borcharding gave staff recommendation. This action would add 2 stop signs on Heidenreich Lane at the intersection with Grist Mill Rd to establish the 3-way stop scenario. **A motion was made by Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to establish a 3-Way Stop located at the intersection of Heidenreich Lane and Grist Mill Rd. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED**

- 32326** **26. Discussion and possible action to call for a public hearing on February 13, 2018 to establish a stop sign on Rim Rock Ranch Road at the intersection with Benito Lane (private) for southbound traffic only. SHELL/BORCHERDING**

32326

This action would establish a stop sign for vehicles traveling south (going towards FM 32) on Rim Rock Ranch Road at the intersection with a private road called Benito Lane. **A motion was made by Commissioner Shell, seconded by Commissioner Whisenant to call for a public hearing on February 13, 2018 to establish a Stop Sign on Rim Rock Ranch Road at the intersection with Benito Lane (private) for Southbound traffic only. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED**

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- 32327** **27. Discussion and possible action to authorize the execution of a Professional Services Agreement with BGE for construction phase services the Rattler Road sidewalk project. INGALSBE/BORCHERDING**

32327

Transportation Director, Jerry Borcharding spoke. This contract in general provides for construction management and inspection of the project. **A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Jones to authorize the execution of a Professional Services Agreement with BGE for Construction Phase Services for the Rattler Road Sidewalk Project. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED**

- 32328** **28. Discussion and possible action to consider a variance from Section 10 C-1 of the Hays County Rules for On-Site Sewage Facilities and grant a development authorization to the owner of a portion of a Lot 31, Harmon Hills I Subdivision. WHISENANT/PACHECO**

32328

Hays County Planner, Caitlyn Strickland, spoke. The owner applied for a development authorization permit to construct an On-Site Sewage Facility. Hays County Regulations do not allow staff to issue any permits on parcels not in compliance with platting requirements. The owner has requested a variance from Section 10 C-1 of the Hays County Rules for On-Site Sewage Facilities which will allow him to start construction OSSF. The property owner was been made aware of the platting requirement, and the plat is already in the review process. **A motion was made by Commissioner Whisenant, seconded by Commissioner Shell to grant a Variance from Section 10 C-1 of the Hays County Rules for On-Site Sewage Facilities and grant a Development Authorization to the owner of a portion of Lot 31, Harmon Hills I Subdivision. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED**

- 32329** **29. SUB-949 Blanco River Rapids, Lots 23A & 25A (2 Lots). Discussion and possible action to approve preliminary plan and consider granting a variance to Table 10-1 of the Hays County Rules for On-Site Sewage Facilities. SHELL/PACHECO**

32329

Hays County Planner, Caitlyn Strickland, spoke. Blanco River Ranch is an unrecorded subdivision located off of River Rapids Road in Precinct 3. Lots 23, 24, and 25 are currently being divided into two parcels, Lots 23A and 25A. Water service will be provided by private wells and wastewater service will be accomplished by advanced individual OSSF. The Hays County minimum lot size for a lot served by private well and advanced OSSF in the Edwards Aquifer Contributing Zone is 2 acres. Lots 23A and 25A do not meet the current minimum lot size as 1.53 and 1.54 acres tracts. The applicant is seeking a variance from Table 10-1 of the Hays County Rules for On-Site Sewage Facilities. The applicants' tracts prior to this new subdivision, have been in the same configuration for around 40 years. The addition of the acreage relegated the tracts to the current Hays County Rules for On-Site Sewage Facilities. The applicants' wish to divide the original Lot 24, which they own in common, to their current acreage. **A motion was made by Commissioner Shell, seconded by Commissioner Whisenant to approve preliminary plan and grant a Variance to Table 10-1 of the Hays County Rules for On-Site Sewage Facilities. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED**

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- 32330** **30. Hold a public hearing at 10:00am regarding the Method of Distribution for approximately \$11.6 million in Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery program funding available through the Texas General Land Office. Possible action may follow. COBB/GARZA/SMITH**

32330

Commissioner Ingalsbe opened the public hearing. Ruben Garza, Trey Bell, Dan Lyon and Quinton Clayton spoke. Commissioner Ingalsbe closed the public hearing. Chief of Staff, Clint Garza and Dennis Ku, spoke. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), through Congressional appropriation, issued Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery funding to Texas for Disaster Events DR-4223 and DR4245 occurring in 2015. The Texas General Land Office (GLO) has been designated by the State as the agency to administer the funding to counties included in the disaster declarations. As the City of San Marcos received a direct Congressional allocation, it is not included in the Hays County MOD. In addition to the approximately \$7.4 million awarded to the County in 2016, the County has been awarded an additional amount of approximately \$4.2 million. Total funding to the County is now approximately \$11.6 million, including non-housing project funding of \$7,869,851 and housing project funding of \$3,703,459, to support programs and projects that address an identified priority need and that primarily benefit low-to-moderate-income persons affected by 2015 flooding in the unincorporated areas of Hays County and the cities of Buda, Dripping Springs, Kyle, Uhland and Wimberley. The public hearing will be held to consider public comments of the current MOD. Upon consideration of any comments received at the public hearing and those written comments received by the deadline date of February 2, 2018 at 5:00pm, the MOD will be submitted for approval by the GLO. Upon approval, applications for funding will be accepted and reviewed by the GLO from the various entities that have been allocated funding through the Hays County MOD. **A motion was made by Commissioner Shell, seconded by Commissioner Jones to approve Method of Distribution for approximately \$11.6 Million in Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery Program Funding available through the Texas General Land Office. All present voting “Aye”. MOTION PASSED**

- 32331** **31. Discussion and possible action to promote and fund Health Check 2018 for Hays County employees and eligible dependents. Authorize payroll deduction of additional fees for optional services employees may elect. INGALSBE/MILLER**

32331

Human Resources Director, Shari Miller spoke. **A motion was made by Commissioner Shell, seconded by Commissioner Whisenant to promote and fund Health Check 2018 for Hays County Employees and Eligible Dependents; authorize Payroll Deduction of additional Fees for Optional Services Employees may elect. All present voting “Aye”. MOTION PASSED**

- 32332** **32. Discussion and possible action to authorize the Sheriff's Office to utilize salary savings to upgrade two existing Sergeant positions slot 0475-**

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**011 & 0475-007 to Lieutenants effective February 1, 2018.
INGALSBE/CUTLER**

32332

Hays County Sheriff, Gary Cutler and Lt. Mark Cumberland spoke. At this time the Sheriff's Office is requesting re-grades of two existing Sergeant positions to Lieutenant positions effective February 1, 2018. Adding two Lieutenants will provide 24-hour coverage due to an increase in calls for service as well as provide assistance due to the growth of eight additional deputies in the FY18 Budget. Funding for this request has been identified with salary savings within the Sheriff's Office operating budget. Financial Impact: Base Salary Increase for Each Position: \$9,041. Fringe: \$1,881. Total: \$10,922 (annualized). \$21,845 (times two positions). \$14,563 (FY18 impact for 8 months). **A motion was made by Commissioner Whisenant, seconded by Commissioner Shell to authorize the Sheriff's Office to utilize Salary Savings to upgrade two existing Sergeant Positions Slot 0475-011 & 0475-007 to Lieutenants effective February 1, 2018. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED**

Clerk's Note Court took break at 10:36 a.m. and reconvened back into open court at 10:47 a.m.

32333

33. Discussion and possible action to authorize the execution of a Change Order 01 to the Phase I Guaranteed Maximum Price Proposal to extend the schedule for the work related to the Hays County Public Safety Bond Program and to authorize the execution of the change order. INGALSBE/SHELL/GARZA

32333

Kevin Machcinski of Turner Construction spoke. Change Order #01 will not increase the approved Guaranteed Maximum Price for Phase I. This change order will extend the final completion date for the early package from January 2018 to April 13, 2018, due to delays summarized in the attached Schedule Extension Request from Turner dated January 25, 2018. **A motion was made by Commissioner Shell, seconded by Commissioner Jones to authorize the execution of Change Order 01 to the Phase I Guaranteed Maximum Price Proposal to extend the schedule for the work related to the Hays County Public Safety Bond Program and to authorize the execution of the Change Order. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED**

32334

34. Discussion and possible action to accept the Construction Documents from HOK for the work related to the Hays County Public Safety Bond Program Phase II and the execution of a Notice to Proceed with the Construction Phase for this work. INGALSBE/SHELL

32334

Linda Bernauer, Curt Pardee, and Brenda Jenkins spoke. Acceptance of the Construction Documents for Phase II of the Public Safety Bond Program dated December 15, 2017 for the Public Safety Building and January 15, 2018 for the Jail Addition, Renovation and Training Facility. **A motion was made by Commissioner Shell, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to accept the Construction Documents**

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from HOK for the Work related to the Hays County Public Safety Bond Program Phase II and the execution of a Notice to Proceed with the Construction Phase for this work. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED

32335 **35. Discussion and possible action to accept or declare unacceptable the Guaranteed Maximum Price Proposal received from Turner Construction Company for the work related to the Hays County Public Safety Bond Program Phase II and to authorize the execution of a Notice to Proceed for this work. INGALSBE/SHELL**

32335

Brenda Jenkins, Cody Newsom, and Commissioner Shell spoke. Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) Proposal Phase II: Jail Addition and Renovation, Public Safety Building, Training Facility. **A motion was made by Commissioner Shell, seconded by Commissioner Whisenant to accept the Guaranteed Maximum Price Proposal received from Turner Construction Company for the work related to the Hays County Public Safety Bond Program Phase II and to authorize the execution of Notice to Proceed for this work. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED**

32336 **36. Discussion and possible action to approve the quote received by LCRA for the PSAP Telecommunications Equipment (not including consoles or radio equipment) for the work related to the Hays County Public Safety Bond Program Phase II and to authorize the execution of all related documents. INGALSBE/SHELL**

32336

Cody Newsome spoke. Quote from LCRA for the PSAP/LEC Communications Tower/Transport/Connectivity for the Hays County Public Safety Bond Program. The quote includes the equipment and installation of the Tower, Shelter and Power Systems; console routers and transport; and the base station and tower antenna systems. The total for this equipment and installation is \$783,411; the program budget included \$795,628 for this scope. **A motion was made by Commissioner Shell, seconded by Commissioner Jones to approve the Quote received by LCRA for the PSAP Telecommunications Equipment (not including consoles or radio equipment) for the work related to the Hays County Public Safety Bond Program Phase II and to authorize the execution of all related documents. All present voting "Aye". MOTION PASSED**

32337 **37. Discussion and possible action to adopt an Order Amending the Concurrent Ordinance Creating the West Travis County Public Utility Agency ("WTCPUA") pursuant to Chapter 572 of the Texas Local Government Code, a regional Public Utility Agency ("PUA") created in collaboration with the City of Bee Cave, Hays County and West Travis County Municipal Utility District No. 5. WHISENANT**

32337

Commissioner Whisenant, General Counsel, Mark Kennedy and Randy Wilburn of West Travis MUD, spoke. MUD No.5 may be merging with MUD No.3 in Travis County. This amendment to the Concurrent

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Ordinance makes the requisite changes that allow that to occur without disruption of the arrangements made by the participant entities to the WTCPUA. **A motion was made by Commissioner Whisenant, seconded by Commissioner Ingalsbe to adopt an Order amending the Concurrent Ordinance creating the West Travis County Public Utility Agency (“WTCPUA”) pursuant to Chapter 572 of the Texas Local Government Code, a Regional Public Utility Agency (“PUA”) created in collaboration with the City of Bee Cave, Hays County and West Travis County Municipal Utility District No. 5. All present voting “Aye”. MOTION PASSED**

32338 38. Discussion and possible action to adopt a Resolution in support of the creation of the Hays County Hazmat Team. INGALSBE/SMITH

32338

Kharley Smith, Director of Office of Emergency Management, spoke. With the population and transportation growth throughout Hays County it has become evident that the need to expand the capabilities and personnel for Hazardous Material incidents. Currently HazMat is conducted out of the San Marcos Fire Department exclusively but with the utilization of Hays County equipment. This resolution is to support the development of a multi-jurisdictional HazMat Team allowing for more trained HazMat technicians, quicker response times, and a shared responsibility throughout all jurisdictions in Hays County. **A motion was made by Commissioner Ingalsbe, seconded by Commissioner Whisenant to adopt a Resolution in support of the creation of the Hays County Hazmat Team. All present voting “Aye”. MOTION PASSED**

32339 39. Discussion and possible action to authorize the creation of a Special Operations Coordinator position (grade 113) within the Office of Emergency Services effective March 1, 2018 and amend the budget accordingly. INGALSBE/SMITH

32339

Kharley Smith, Director of Office of Emergency Management, spoke. The Office of Emergency Services is seeking approval to create a Special Operations Coordinator position to oversee technical teams within Hays County. This position would be responsible for coordinating the training and certification for the Hays Aerial Rescue Team and the Hays County HazMat Team, as well as maintaining county owned equipment. The Office of Emergency Services has funding available for this position and would be of no additional financial impact to the County this fiscal year. Hays County is seeking grant funding to offset this position in future years. Financial Impact: Base Salary: \$45,375 (annualized) Fringe: \$ 9,443 Insurances: \$11,800 Total: \$66,618 FY18 Impact: \$38,860 (7 months) Salary savings of \$20,219 are available within the departments operating budget due to vacancies to fund a portion of this request. The remaining \$18,641 is available within the equipment maintenance budget due to maintenance agreements for low water crossing and weather station equipment not needed until after year 1. **A motion was made by Commissioner Shell, seconded by Commissioner Jones to authorize the creation of a Special Operations Coordinator Position (Grade 113) within the Office of Emergency Services effective Marcy 1, 2018 and amend the budget accordingly. All present voting “Aye”. MOTION PASSED**

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- 40. Executive Session pursuant to Sections 551.071 and 551.072 of the Texas Government Code: consultation with counsel and deliberation regarding the purchase, exchange or value of Right of Way along proposed FM110 in Pct. 1. Possible action to follow in open court. INGALSBE**

[Exec Sess FM 110 - Pulled](#)

Clerk's Note Agenda Item #40 RE: EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 551.071 AND 551.072 OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE: CONSULTATION WITH COUNSEL AND DELIBERATION REGARDING THE PURCHASE, EXCHANGE OR VALUE OF RIGHT OF WAY ALONG PROPOSED FM110 IN PCT. 1 – **was pulled**

- 41. Executive Session pursuant to 551.071 of the Texas Government Code: consultation with counsel regarding pending and/or contemplated litigation involving Hays County. Possible action may follow. INGALSBE**

[Exec Sess Cont Litig](#)

Court convened into Executive session at 11:54 a.m. and reconvened into open court at 12:24 p.m. In Executive Session were Commissioner Ingalsbe, Commissioner Jones, Commissioner Shell, Commissioner Whisenant, General Counsel, Mark Kennedy, Chief of Staff, Clint Garza, Tammy Crumley, Transportation Director, Jerry Borcharding and Hays County Planner, Caitlyn Strickland. No action taken.

- 42. Discussion of issues related to the Hays County Jail, and the planning of projects pertaining to the public safety facilities needs within the County. Possible action may follow. INGALSBE/CUTLER**

[Agenda Item # 42- Jail Report](#)

Clerk's Note Agenda Item #42 RE: DISCUSSION OF ISSUES RELATED TO THE HAYS COUNTY JAIL, AND THE PLANNING OF PROJECTS PERTAINING TO THE PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITIES NEEDS WITHIN THE COUNTY – **was pulled**

- 43. Discussion and possible action related to the burn ban and/or disaster declaration. INGALSBE/SMITH/BROWNING**

[Agenda Item # 43- Burn Ban](#)

Today's KDBI – 243. Per Hays County Fire Marshall, the Burn Ban will remain in effect.

- 44. Discussion of issues related to the road bond projects, including updates from Mike Weaver, Prime Strategies, Laura Harris, HNTB and Allen Crozier, HDR. Possible action may follow. INGALSBE**

[Agenda Item # 44- Road Bond Projects](#)

Clerk's Note Agenda Item #44 RE: DISCUSSION OF ISSUES RELATED TO THE ROAD BOND PROJECTS, INCLUDING UPDATES FROM MIKE WEAVER, PRIME STRATEGIES, LAURA HARRIS, HNTB AND ALLEN CROZIER, HDR – **was pulled**

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ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Whisenant, seconded by Commissioner Shell to adjourn court at 12:26 p.m.

I, LIZ Q. GONZALEZ, COUNTY CLERK and EXOFFICIO CLERK OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT, do hereby certify that the foregoing contains a true and accurate record of the proceedings had by the Hays County Commissioners' Court on January 30, 2018.



LIZ Q GONZALEZ, COUNTY CLERK AND EXOFFICIO
CLERK OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF
HAYS COUNTY, TEXAS



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Jan. 30, 2018 Public Hearing for Citizen Comments on Distribution of Disaster CDBG Funds

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Notice of Public Hearing Disaster Recovery Funding Solicitation for Public Comment

Notice is hereby given that at a regular meeting of the Hays County Commissioners Court on January 30, 2018, at 10 a.m. a public hearing will be held to accept citizen comments on the method of distribution for approximately \$11.6 Million in 2016 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Disaster Recovery Funds. Comments can also be sent to Hays County Grant Writer Lindsay McClune, 712 S. Stagecoach Trail, Suite 1204, San Marcos, TX 78666 or by emailing lindsay.mcclune@co.hays.tx.us. Comments must be received by 5 p.m. Friday, February 2, 2018.

In addition to the approximately \$7.4 million awarded to the County in 2016, the County has been awarded an additional amount of approximately \$4.2 million. Total funding to the County is now approximately \$11.6 million, including non-housing project funding of \$7,869,851 and housing project funding of \$3,703,459, to support programs and projects that address an identified priority need and that primarily benefit low-to-moderate-income persons affected by 2015 flooding in the unincorporated areas of Hays County and the cities of Buda, Dripping Springs, Kyle, Umland and Wimberley. The Draft Method of Distribution was posted on January 24, 2018 www.co.hays.tx.us and is also available at the Hays County Office of Grants Administration, 712 S. Stagecoach Trail, Suite 1204, San Marcos, TX 78666 and at each Hays County Precinct Commissioner Office.

Hays County does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the admission or access to its services, programs, or activities and will provide for reasonable accommodations for persons attending the public hearing. The hearing will be conducted in English and individuals who require auxiliary aids and services for the meeting should contact Grants Writer Lindsay McClune at lindsay.mcclune@co.hays.tx.us or 512-393-2209 no later than 5 p.m. January 26, 2018.

The public hearing will be held at the Hays County Courthouse on the Square, 111 East San Antonio Street, San Marcos, Texas 78666, Third-floor Commissioners Courtroom at 10 a.m. Tuesday, January 30, 2018.

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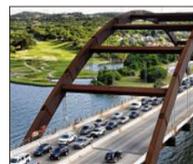
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TRAVIS COUNTY

AUSTIN

Artists sought for 'Tempo 2018' exhibit

Art in Public Places, a program for the city of Austin's Cultural Arts Division, will hold a series of informational meetings for "Tempo 2018," a temporary art exhibit that will be on display starting in September.

Meetings will be from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at the Dougherty Arts Center, 1110 Barton Springs Road; 6 to 7 p.m. Feb. 15 at the Georgetown Arts Center, 816 Main St.; and 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Feb. 21 at Big Medium Gallery at Canopy, Building 2, 916 Springdale Road.

The group is seeking to commission 10 temporary public artworks for the program. Professional visual artists or artists teams who live and work in Travis, Williamson, Bastrop, Caldwell, Hays, Burnet and Blanco counties are eligible to apply. The artwork budget for each of the 10 commissions is a maximum of \$10,000.

Artworks will be exhibited at sites across Austin during September, October and November. Artists will then reinstall the artworks at Edward Rendon Sr. Park for a public presentation of all the Tempo 2018 artworks, as a registered group exhibition during the East Austin Studio Tour in November.

For more information: tinyurl.com/AustinAIPP.
— AMERICAN-STATESMAN STAFF

AUSTIN

Philanthropy survey launched

Rodman & Associates will launch its annual survey of companies in the Austin area, including Round Rock and Georgetown, to gain insight on how local organizations engage in philanthropy.

The 10-minute survey is available at bit.ly/2D-sogqw and also at RodmanReport.com. Those who take the survey and opt in to receive a digital copy of the Rodman Report will have an opportunity to get a first look at the survey results.

Area businesses are encouraged to participate in the survey to give an accurate measurement on the state of philanthropy in the region.

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WILLIAMSON COUNTY

GEORGETOWN

Animal shelter addition gets underway

The official groundbreaking of the Williamson County Regional Animal Shelter addition and renovation took place Wednesday.

The event celebrated the start of construction on a new 16,970-square-foot, two-story addition and renovations to the current facility; and the 10-year partnership between Williamson County and the cities of Round Rock, Cedar Park, Hutto and Leander to operate the regional shelter.

The shelter is at 1855 S. E. Inner Loop in Georgetown.

The expansion area will feature a new adoption center, a public lobby, administration offices, new canine and feline adoption kennels, a new entrance off Wilco Way with a parking area for the adoption center and an exercise yard for dogs.

Renovations to the existing facility include a surgery area and surgical prep rooms, repairs to the air conditioning and plumbing in 35 canine kennels, a feline isolation area and a laundry area with cleanup station.

The expansion project will double the capacity for cats and add 65 dog kennels. It was designed by Jackson & Ryan Architects with construction by Vaughn Construction for a guaranteed maximum price of \$9,499,295; and it is anticipated to be completed in spring 2019.

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HAYS COUNTY

SAN MARCOS

Hearing Tuesday on disaster grants

Hays County will host a public hearing at 10 a.m. Tuesday to hear comments regarding the method of distribution for about \$11.6 million in Disaster Community Development Block Grant funds.

The hearing will take place during the regular meeting of the Hays County Commissioners Court at the Hays County Courthouse, 111 E. San Antonio St.

The original amount allocated to the county was about \$7.4 million with previous comment periods taking place in November and December.

Comments can also be emailed to lindsay.mcclune@co.hays.tx.us; or sent to Hays County grant writer Lindsay McClune, Suite 1204, 712 S. Stagecoach Trail, San Marcos, TX 78666, by Friday.

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BASTROP COUNTY

SMITHVILLE

'Stampede' takes place Feb. 24

Stampede in the Park will run from 8 a.m. to noon Feb. 24 at the Virginia Harris Cockrell Cancer Research Center at the University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center, 1808 Park Road 1C.

Racers will be able to take part in a 5K Fun Run or a 1-mile walk. The 5K route takes participants through the park, while the 1-mile route is solely on the Science Park campus.

Funds will support MD Anderson's graduate student program. Strollers are welcome, but no pets or bicycles are allowed. The cost is \$30 and includes a T-shirt; \$20 without a shirt. Ages 12 and younger are free.

For information and to register, visit signmeup.com/123079.

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BASTROP COUNTY

Plans to move 130-year-old bridge to Elgin park emerge

By Mary Huber

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A historic Bastrop County bridge could find a new home in Elgin after commissioners worked out a plan to move the 130-year-old structure from its location over Wilbarger Creek to Memorial Park, where it would be restored and opened to the public.

The Lower Elgin Road Bridge was closed to vehicle traffic 20 years ago when the Texas Department of Public Safety built a newer bridge alongside it. The old structure was kept open for pedestrian use until storms over Memorial Day weekend in 2015 tore the wood decking from its floor. Subsequent rain events caused further damage, and since then the bridge has remained in disrepair.

Over the past two years, neighbors have pleaded with the county to restore the historic structure, which for many years served as part of a trade route between Cedar Valley, Union Hill, Utey and Elgin, opening up economic development in the region by providing a pathway for farmers to get their crops to market. It was added last year to the National Register of Historic Places.

Now, commissioners have worked

out a plan with the city of Elgin to move the bridge to Memorial Park on North Main Street and restore it to its preflood condition using Federal Emergency Management Agency money awarded after the Memorial Day storms.

County engineer Carolyn Dill said FEMA has approved a work order for \$127,215 to fix the bridge, with the county contributing a 25 percent match, or \$31,803 for the project. The county plans to use Texas Department of Agriculture grant funds to cover its portion, she said.

The county will have to pay to move the structure.

Bastrop County Precinct 4 Commissioner Bubba Snowden, who represents constituents in Elgin, said he would use funds from his road and bridge budget to pay for the move.

Elgin City Manager Tom Mattis said in a letter to the county that he was supportive of the bridge's move and would bring a plan before the City Council once the staff completes an analysis of the project.

"In the right location and at the right cost we can foresee such a project being of great benefit to both the city and Bastrop County," he said.

Still, some county residents are

opposed to moving the bridge, saying its historic nature is tied to its place. They argue that in a new location it would not maintain the 130-year history that makes the structure special.

"A relocation would completely destroy the historic value of the bridge," Ernie Nance, who has fought several years to save and restore the bridge, said in a letter to the county. "Residents of the city of Elgin can't possibly have the same appreciation for the bridge and for its rich history as do local residents."

Aina Dodge, who lives near the bridge, echoed those sentiments at a Commissioners Court meeting Monday.

"It is not too late to think about keeping that bridge where it is," she said. "Keeping it there, I think, is the best option."

Despite the opposition, commissioners voted unanimously Monday to explore a plan to move the bridge to Elgin.

"I am excited that dialogue happened with the city and hope this historic bridge can be put somewhere where taxpayers can benefit from it," County Commissioner Clara Beckett said.

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PFLUGERVILLE SCHOOLS

Pflugerville High elated over drone gift

By Marcial Guajardo

Special to the Pflugerville Pflag

The scene inside the classroom was akin to a crowd watching a game-winning touchdown.

Audio-visual and journalism students cheered and gave one another high-fives when they heard a high-tech drone had been donated to Pflugerville High School.

Last month the high school received a DJI Mavic Pro drone and accessories through an anonymous donor who had presented it to the Pflugerville Education Foundation. It's the first donation of its kind for Pflugerville High.

The donor had requested the drone be delivered to the high school because of students' recent successes in audio-visual work.

Junior Ian McClure was excited to hear about the school having its own drone. "I think this drone will help us increase (the quality of) our shots and get new kinds of shots," he said.

The DJI Mavic Pro has a 4.3-mile range with a 27-minute flight time and can reach a top speed of 65 mph. It houses a 12-megapixel camera with high-definition video, and its guidance system ensures it avoids any aerial obstacles.

David Robb, who heads the audio-visual and journalism programs at the high school, said the drone offers all-new capabilities to showcase student talent. "It provides access to equipment that is used by professionals in sev-



David Robb, who heads the audio-visual and journalism programs at Pflugerville High School, accepts the donated drone from Pflugerville Education Foundation members Kim Holiday and Chris Boyle. The drone was from an anonymous donor. CONTRIBUTED

eral industries, including audio-video production and journalism," he said.

Junior Samajae Bonds said fellow students are eager to use the drone. "We're going to have a blast with that," he said.

Robb is more apt to pump the brakes on the enthusiasm. Anyone operating the drone must adhere to strict local and federal regulations.

"Teaching students to be responsible producers and consumers of media is at the heart of our A-V and journalism curriculum," he said. "This includes understanding and abiding by unmanned aircraft system laws and regulations at the local, state and national level."

Pflugerville High students have racked up accolades in audio-visual work the past several years. Students recently led a SXSWedu panel and won a Busi-

ness Professionals of America National Leadership Conference award in broadcast news.

The school newspaper and broadcast teams have also been lauded, each receiving the Interscholastic League Press Conference Bronze Star in their respective categories — the highest honor given to students at that conference.

Last year, two films produced by Pflugerville High students advanced to state competition in the UIL Young Filmmakers Festival, with one being named state champion in Division 2 Digital Animation.

Bonds, McClure and Robb each had one message they wanted to share with the donor: thanks.

"Thank you so much for donating this drone," McClure said. "This will tremendously help us."

NORTHEAST AUSTIN



Seniors make blankets for homeless shelter

Three residents of the Buckner Villas retirement community — Pauline Swanberg (left), Audrey Tope and Judy Bernard (top right) — were among several Tuesday who created fleece blankets to be donated to the Austin Resource Center for the Homeless. Swanberg, 88, has made hundreds of blankets and scarves for people in need, and said she was thrilled to sign up for a new volunteer project that benefits homeless people in Austin. The blanket-making event was part of the retirement community's monthly arts and crafts project, which is aimed at helping seniors with hand-eye coordination, cognitive abilities and concentration. COURTESY BUCKNER VILLAS

Hays County Method of Distribution for GLO Disaster Grant Funds

Lindsay McClune to Judy, me, Dennis

Jan 31

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Thank you,

Lindsay McClune, MPH, CHES

Grant Writer | Countywide Operations | Hays County

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Lindsay McClune to Judy, me, Dennis

Feb 2

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Kenneth Williams to Lindsay, Judy, me, Dennis

Feb 2

Lindsay:

This acceptance procedure seems unorthodox but Buda accepts.

Kenneth Williams

Sent from my iPhone

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<20180124 MOD Hays County.xlsx>

Lindsay McClune to Judy, Dennis, me

Feb 2

From: Paul Parker [mailto:PParker@cityofwimberley.com]
Sent: Friday, February 02, 2018 12:58 PM
To: Lindsay McClune
Cc: Mac
Subject: RE: Hays County Method of Distribution for the GLO Disaster Funds

The City of Wimberley will be accepting the distribution for the GLO disaster funds,
Paul Parker
Interim City Administrator

From: Lindsay McClune [mailto:lindsay.mcclune@co.hays.tx.us]
Sent: Friday, February 2, 2018 12:50 PM
Cc: 'Judy Langford' <Judy@lcmsinc.com>; 'Cimagaroon Howell' <chowell@c12inc.com>; Dennis Ku <dku@ma-engrs.com>
Subject: Hays County Method of Distribution for the GLO Disaster Funds

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Lindsay McClune to Judy, me, Dennis

Feb 2

From: Karen Gallaher [mailto:city@uhlandtx.us]

Sent: Friday, February 02, 2018 1:13 PM

To: Lindsay McClune

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Subject: RE: Hays County Method of Distribution for the GLO Disaster Funds

City of Umland accepts.

Karen Gallaher
City Administrator

City of Umland
15 North Old Spanish Trail
Umland Texas, 78640
[512-398-7399](tel:512-398-7399)
city@uhlandtx.us

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From: Lindsay McClune [mailto:lindsay.mcclune@co.hays.tx.us]

Sent: Friday, February 2, 2018 12:50 PM

Cc: 'Judy Langford' <Judy@lcsinc.com>; 'Cimagaroon Howell' <chowell@c12inc.com>; Dennis Ku <dku@ma-engrs.com>

Subject: Hays County Method of Distribution for the GLO Disaster Funds

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Michelle Fischer to Lindsay, Judy, me, Dennis, Kay

Feb 2

Lindsay:

As we discussed, please have Judy call me and Kay Allen to make sure we understand the spreadsheet and available funds. It was our understanding that the city's projects did not qualify because they don't serve enough low to medium income residents. Thanks.



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From: Lindsay McClune [mailto:lindsay.mcclune@co.hays.tx.us]

Sent: Friday, February 2, 2018 12:50 PM

Cc: 'Judy Langford' <Judy@lcmsinc.com>; 'Cimagaroon Howell' <chowell@c12inc.com>; Dennis Ku <dku@ma-engrs.com>

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Lindsay McClune to Judy, me, Dennis

Feb 2

From: Micah Grau [mailto:Mgrau@ci.buda.tx.us]
Sent: Friday, February 02, 2018 3:52 PM
To: Lindsay McClune
Cc: Chance Sparks
Subject: RE: Hays County Method of Distribution for the GLO Disaster Funds

Lindsay,

The City of Buda will accept the funds.

Sincerely,

Micah

micah grau | assistant city manager

City of Buda

breathe easy here

mgrau@ci.buda.tx.us

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Sent: Friday, February 02, 2018 12:50 PM
Cc: 'Judy Langford'; 'Cimagaroon Howell'; Dennis Ku

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Judy Langford to Michelle, Lindsay, me, Dennis, Kay

Feb 10

Ms Fischer, I am sorry I missed talking with you last week. I did speak at some length with Kay that Friday afternoon. I appreciate the city's consideration of the program. Would you please respond to this email confirming the City's decision to not accept the funds due to lack of low-to-moderate income affected areas from the floods? The County will include the email in the file documentation for the MOD. Thank you so much, Judy

Judy Langford

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From: Michelle Fischer [mailto:MFischer@cityofdrippingsprings.com]

Sent: Friday, February 02, 2018 3:32 PM

To: Lindsay McClune <lindsay.mcclune@co.hays.tx.us>

Cc: Judy Langford <Judy@lcmsinc.com>; 'Cimagaroon Howell' <chowell@c12inc.com>; Dennis Ku <dku@ma-engrs.com>; Kay Allen <KAllen@cityofdrippingsprings.com>

Subject: RE: Hays County Method of Distribution for the GLO Disaster Funds

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Michelle Fischer to Judy, Lindsay, me, Dennis, Kay

Feb 13

Judy:

It is the City's understanding the GLO disaster funds are only eligible to be spent on projects that serve low-to-moderate income affected areas. The City does not have any projects related to the floods that would primarily serve a low-to-moderate income area. Therefore, the city is not able to accept GLO disaster funds. Please confirm receipt of this email and acknowledge that our understanding of the eligible projects is correct. Thank you.



From: Judy Langford [mailto:Judy@lcmsinc.com]

Sent: Saturday, February 10, 2018 1:57 PM

To: Michelle Fischer <MFischer@cityofdrippingsprings.com>; Lindsay McClune <lindsay.mcclune@co.hays.tx.us>

Cc: 'Cimagaroon Howell' <chowell@c12inc.com>; Dennis Ku <dku@ma-engrs.com>; Kay Allen <KAllen@cityofdrippingsprings.com>

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