COURT ORDER NO. 2014- 546 -08-18

STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF COLLIN

COMMISSIONERS' COURT
MEETING MINUTES
JULY 28, 2014

On Monday, July 28, 2014, the Commissioners' Court of Collin County, Texas, met in Regular Session in the Commissioners' Courtroom, Jack Hatchell Collin County Administration Building, 4th Floor, 2300 Bloomdale Road, City of McKinney, Texas, with the following members present, and participating, to wit:

Commissioner Mark Reid, Precinct 1
Commissioner Cheryl Williams, Precinct 2
Commissioner Chris Hill, Precinct 3
Commissioner Duncan Webb, Precinct 4

Absent:
Judge Keith Self

Commissioner Hill led the Invocation.
Commissioner Webb led the Pledge of Allegiance.
Commissioner Reid led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag.

Commissioner Hill called to order the meeting of the **Collin County Commissioners' Court** at 1:30 p.m. and recessed the meeting at 4:03 p.m. The meeting was reconvened at 4:04 p.m. and recessed into Executive Session at 4:04 p.m. The meeting was reconvened at 4:28 p.m. and adjourned at 4:28 p.m.

Trustee Hill called to order the meeting of the **Collin County Health Care Foundation** at 4:03 p.m. and adjourned the meeting at 4:04 p.m.

DECISIONS MANDATED BY LEGAL ENTITIES OUTSIDE OF COMMISSIONERS COURT AUTHORITY:

1. AI-38529 Amendment No. 1 to Psychological Evaluations, Juvenile (RFP No. 2013-200) with Spartan Psychological Consulting to extend the contract for one (1) year through and including September 30, 2015, Juvenile Probation.

2. AI-38496 Change Order No. 3 for Services: Urinalysis Testing for Juvenile (RFP No. 2013-335) with Treatment Assessment Screening Center, Inc. to extend the contract for one (1) year through and including September 30, 2015, Juvenile Probation.

3. AI-38525 Personnel Appointments, Human Resources.

4. AI-38524 Personnel Changes, Human Resources.

FYI NOTIFICATION

1. AI-34688 Outstanding Agenda Items, Commissioners Court.

2. AI-38518 Addendum No. 1 to Commercial Washers, Dryers and Installation (IFB No. 2014-239) to make various changes to the Invitation For Bid, Purchasing.

3. AI-38499 Budget amendment in the amount of $30,774 to establish the budget for the FY2014 Foodborne Associated Infections Program, Auditor.

2. Public Comments.

3. Presentation/Recognition.

4. Consent agenda to approve: Commissioner Hill deleted items 4j1, 4j2, 4j3a, 4j3b, 4j3c, and 4l2 and then asked for comments on the consent agenda. Commissioner Webb pulled items 4e6a through 4e6i as a group, 4h1 and 4l1. With no further comments, a motion was made to approve the remainder of the consent agenda. (Time: 3:46 p.m.)

Motion by: Commissioner Cheryl Williams
Second by: Commissioner Mark Reid
Vote: 4 – 0 Passed

a. AI-38523 Disbursements for the period ending July 22, 2014, Auditor.
COURT ORDER NO. 2014-432-07-28

b. AI-38533 Tax refunds totaling $113,572.19, Tax Assessor Collector.
COURT ORDER NO. 2014-433-07-28

c. Advertisement(s):

1. AI-38519 Collection of Delinquent Fines for JP-4 (RFP No. 2014-248), Administrative Services.
COURT ORDER NO. 2014-434-07-28

2. AI-38395 Services: GPS, Offender Monitoring (RFP No. 2014-135), CSCD.
COURT ORDER NO. 2014-435-07-28

3. AI-38493 Professional Services, Geotechnical and Materials Testing (RFQ No. 2014-264), Special Projects.
COURT ORDER NO. 2014-436-07-28

4. AI-38492 Professional Services, Surveying (RFQ No. 2014-265), Special Projects.
COURT ORDER NO. 2014-437-07-28

d. Award(s):

1. AI-38464 Audio Visual for the Commissioners Courtroom (RFP No. 2014-217), Information Technology.

COURT ORDER NO. 2014-438-07-28

2. AI-38514 Maintenance, Road: Crack Sealing Services (IFB No. 2014-145) to Curto Inc., Public Works.

COURT ORDER NO. 2014-439-07-28

3. AI-38560 Vehicle, Fuel Tanker Truck (IFB No. 2014-197) to Southwest International Trucks, Inc. and further authorize a modification after award of an extended engine warranty per VTCA 262.0305, Public Works.

COURT ORDER NO. 2014-440-07-28

e. Agreement(s):

1. AI-38510 Annual contract with the Collin County Community Supervision and Corrections Department (CSCD) to establish a system for CSCD employee benefits and further authorize the County Judge to finalize and execute same, CSCD.

COURT ORDER NO. 2014-441-07-28

2. AI-38433 Restated Interlocal Agreement with the City of Allen for the engineering and construction of the Ridgeview Drive paving and drainage improvements from Alma Drive to US 75 (2007 Bond Project No. 07-008), budget amendment in the amount of $1,950,000 (County participation NTE $5,730,000) and further authorize the County Judge to finalize and execute same, Engineering. This Restated Interlocal Agreement supersedes and repeals the prior approved agreement.

COURT ORDER NO. 2014-442-07-28

3. AI-38460 Consent to Assignment and Assumption for Digital Imaging (RFP No. 2013-155) to change the name from Cogniserv to Databank IMX and further authorize the Purchasing Agent to finalize and execute same, Purchasing.

COURT ORDER NO. 2014-443-07-28

4. AI-38394 Consent to Assignment and Assumption for Printing: General Office Forms (IFB No. 05249-12) to change the name from US File to FileAmerica LLC for Line Items 3, 5 and 6 and further authorize the Purchasing Agent to finalize and execute same, Purchasing.

COURT ORDER NO. 2014-444-07-28

5. AI-38497 Interlocal Agreement with the City of Frisco for Teen Court Services and further authorize the County Judge to finalize and execute same, Teen Court.

COURT ORDER NO. 2014-445-07-28

6. Interlocal Agreement for the Provision of Ambulance Services for Collin County to provide emergency medical services through American Medical Response (AMR) effective November 1, 2013 through and including October 31, 2014 and further authorize the Purchasing Agent to finalize and execute same, Fire Marshal:

a. **AI-38549** City of Anna for an annual amount of $123,682.56.
COURT ORDER NO. 2014-446-07-28

b. **AI-38550** City of Blue Ridge for an annual amount of $14,609.29.
COURT ORDER NO. 2014-447-07-28

c. **AI-38551** City of Farmersville for an annual amount of $41,813.78.
COURT ORDER NO. 2014-448-07-28

d. **AI-38552** City of Josephine for an annual amount of $15,446.14.
COURT ORDER NO. 2014-449-07-28

e. **AI-38553** City of Lowry Crossing for an annual amount of $24,424.47.
COURT ORDER NO. 2014-450-07-28

f. **AI-38554** City of Melissa for an annual amount of $77,798.03.
COURT ORDER NO. 2014-451-07-28

g. **AI-38555** City of Nevada for an annual amount of $12,155.50.
COURT ORDER NO. 2014-452-07-28

h. **AI-38556** City of Princeton for an annual amount of $94,549.08.
COURT ORDER NO. 2014-453-07-28

i. AI-38557 City of Weston for an annual amount of $5,460.76.

Commissioner Webb pulled these items asking if there has been a written agreement in place since last November for EMS (Emergency Medical Services) and why it has taken so long to get this in front of the Court. Michalyn Rains, Purchasing, explained these are the reimbursements and the contracts with AMR (American Medical Response) are in place. Ms. Rains explained it is time consuming and difficult to get these agreements signed and returned from the entities. Since these are reimbursements, Commissioner Webb recommended getting these agreements entered into before the year starts. Commissioner Hill asked if it was necessary to hold them all for joint approval or could they be approved as they came in. Ms. Rains agreed to bring the agreements in for approval as they come in. (Time: 3:48 p.m.)

Motion by: Commissioner Duncan Webb
Second by: Commissioner Cheryl Williams
Vote: 4 – 0 Passed

COURT ORDER NO. 2014-454-07-28

f. Amendment(s):

1. AI-38545 No. 1 to Services, Professional Audit (RFP No. 2013-264) with Pattillo, Brown & Hill, L.L.P. to extend the contract for one (1) year through and including September 30, 2015 and further authorize the Purchasing Agent to finalize and execute same, Auditor.

COURT ORDER NO. 2014-455-07-28

2. AI-38462 No. 1 to Cisco IPCC Technical Assistance (RFP No. 2013-286) with Netsync Network Solutions to extend the contract for one (1) year through and including September 30, 2015 and further authorize the Purchasing Agent to finalize and execute same, Information Technology.

COURT ORDER NO. 2014-456-07-28

g. Change Order(s):

1. AI-38445 No. 1 to Specialized Printing for Elections (IFB No. 2013-118) with Data Flex Business Products for a price redetermination on various items and extend the contract for one (1) year through and including June 10, 2015, further authorize the Purchasing Agent to finalize and execute same, Elections.

COURT ORDER NO. 2014-457-07-28

2. AI-38448 No. 1 to Specialized Printing for Elections (IFB No. 2013-118) with Extreme Business Services to delete various items and extend the contract for one (1) year through and including June 10, 2015, further authorize the Purchasing Agent to finalize and execute same, Elections.

COURT ORDER NO. 2014-458-07-28

3. **AI-38406** No. 1 to Equipment, Lease: Road Construction and Right-of-Way Maintenance Equipment (IFB No. 2014-121) with BR Equipment Company to extend the contract for one (1) year through and including September 30, 2015 and further authorize the Purchasing Agent to finalize and execute same, Public Works.

COURT ORDER NO. 2014-459-07-28

4. **AI-38404** No. 1 to Equipment, Lease: Road Construction and Right-of-Way Maintenance Equipment (IFB No. 2014-121) with Hertz Equipment Rental to extend the contract for one (1) year through and including September 30, 2015 and further authorize the Purchasing Agent to finalize and execute same, Public Works.

COURT ORDER NO. 2014-460-07-28

5. **AI-38512** No. 2 to Signs: Road, Parking and Custom (IFB No. 2013-043) with SA-SO to extend the contract for one (1) year through and including September 30, 2015 and further authorize the Purchasing Agent to finalize and execute same, Public Works.

COURT ORDER NO. 2014-461-07-28

6. **AI-38513** No. 2 to Signs: Road, Parking and Custom (IFB No. 2013-043) with Vulcan Signs to extend the contract for one (1) year through and including September 30, 2015 and further authorize the Purchasing Agent to finalize and execute same, Public Works.

COURT ORDER NO. 2014-462-07-28

7. **AI-38420** No. 2 to Printing, General Office Forms (IFB No. 05249-12) with FileAmerica LLC to extend the contract for one (1) year through and including September 30, 2015 and further authorize the Purchasing Agent to finalize and execute same, Purchasing.

COURT ORDER NO. 2014-463-07-28

8. **AI-38494** No. 2 to Printing, General Office Forms (IFB No. 05249-12) with Minuteman Press to extend the contract for one (1) year through and including September 30, 2015 and further authorize the Purchasing Agent to finalize and execute same, Purchasing.

COURT ORDER NO. 2014-464-07-28

9. **AI-38507** No. 2 to Printing, General Office Forms (IFB No. 05249-12) with Print Tyme to extend the contract for one (1) year through and including September 30, 2015 and further authorize the Purchasing Agent to finalize and execute same, Purchasing.

COURT ORDER NO. 2014-465-07-28

10. **AI-38537** No. 2 to Services: Prisoner Transport (IFB No. 04215-12) with Texas Prisoner Transport to extend the contract for one (1) year through and including September 30, 2015 and further authorize the Purchasing Agent to finalize and execute same, Sheriff.

COURT ORDER NO. 2014-466-07-28

11. AI-38508 No. 2 to Uniforms: Law Enforcement & Related Items, Work Uniforms and Miscellaneous (IFB No. 03193-12) with Lone Star Uniforms, Inc. to extend the contract for one (1) year through and including September 30, 2015 and further authorize the Purchasing Agent to finalize and execute same, Sheriff.

COURT ORDER NO. 2014-467-07-28

12. AI-38542 No. 4 to Vehicle Lease/Rental for Collin County Special Operations unit (IFB No. 06271-10) with EAN Holdings, LLC. dba Enterprise-Rent-A-Car to extend the contract for one (1) year through and including September 30, 2015 and further authorize the Purchasing Agent to finalize and execute same, Sheriff.

COURT ORDER NO. 2014-468-07-28

h. Ratification of the County Administrator's prior approval:

1. AI-38500 Grant application through the Texas Veterans Commission in the amount of $20,000 for Veterans' Court evaluations, counseling/treatment, and alcohol abstinence monitoring, travel monies for the Veterans Court program team, 296th District Court.

Commissioner Webb pulled this item because it references travel monies and there is no money in the grant application for travel. The Commissioner proposes the court order be amended by removing the reference to travel monies. A motion was made to approve the item with the change made. (Time: 3:50 p.m.)

Motion by: Commissioner Duncan Webb
Second by: Commissioner Cheryl Williams
Vote: 4 – 0 Passed

COURT ORDER NO. 2014-469-07-28

2. AI-38526 Personnel Appointments, Human Resources.

COURT ORDER NO. 2014-470-07-28

3. AI-38528 Personnel Changes, Human Resources.

COURT ORDER NO. 2014-471-07-28

i. Budget adjustment(s)/amendment(s):

1. AI-38538 $8,440 to reallocate funds for the Spay/Neuter Program, Development Services.

COURT ORDER NO. 2014-472-07-28

2. AI-38548 $150,000 to cover the remaining County-wide expenses for FY 2014, Budget.

COURT ORDER NO. 2014-473-07-28

j. Receive and File, Auditor:

1. AI-38456 Monthly Financial Report for April 2014.

HELD

2. AI-38471 Monthly Financial Report for May 2014.

HELD

3. Final Audit Result(s):

a. AI-38561 Tax Assessor Collector (2nd, 3rd & 4th Quarter FY2012).

HELD

b. AI-38562 Development Services (1st & 2nd Quarter FY2013).

HELD

c. AI-38563 Animal Services (3rd Quarter FY2013).

HELD

k. Filing of the Minute(s), County Clerk:

1. AI-38543 July 7, 2014.

COURT ORDER NO. 2014-474-07-28

l. Miscellaneous

1. AI-38517 Amended Statement of Grant Award for the FY2014 New Single-year Discretionary Grant for eManagement through the Texas Indigent Defense Commission to extend the grant period through and including September 30, 2015 and further authorize the County Judge to finalize and execute same, Auditor.

Commissioner Webb referenced a comment on page 757 of the Court packet which states there is a $137,000 discrepancy in the tax documents. Monika Arris, Budget, said this is an attachment from the initial grant application in 2013 and was added after it left the Budget office. Therefore, the discrepancy is not in reference to this grant which is an extension of the previous grant. With no further comments, a motion was made to approve the item. (Time: 3:52 p.m.)

Motion by: Commissioner Duncan Webb
Second by: Commissioner Cheryl Williams
Vote: 4 – 0 Passed

COURT ORDER NO. 2014-475-07-28

2. AI-38527 Updated FY2014 Investment Broker/Dealer list, Auditor.

HELD

3. AI-38509 Re-designation of Private Road 5613 to Riverbend Way (with associated address updates), GIS/Rural Addressing.

COURT ORDER NO. 2014-476-07-28

4. AI-38498 Funding recommendations (totaling $24,000) for the FY2014 Historical Commission grant program recipients, Historical Commission.

COURT ORDER NO. 2014-477-07-28

5. AI-38491 Acceptance of the Dining Alliance rebate check in the amount of $342.37 to be deposited in the Going the Extra Mile Employee Incentive Program line item and budget amendment for same, Purchasing.

COURT ORDER NO. 2014-478-07-28

6. AI-38521 Declaration of Spindlemedia, Inc. as a sole source provider per Local Government Code 262.024(a)(7)(A); items for which competition is precluded because of the existence of patents, copyrights, secret processes, or monopolies to purchase SMIGL (General Ledger) and budget amendment in the amount of $3,500 for same, Purchasing.

COURT ORDER NO. 2014-479-07-28

7. AI-38583 Personnel Appointments, Human Resources.

COURT ORDER NO. 2014-480-07-28

8. AI-38584 Personnel Changes, Human Resources.

COURT ORDER NO. 2014-481-07-28

GENERAL DISCUSSION

5. AI-38486 Public Hearing - Placement of regulatory signs on various County Roads, Public Works.

Commissioner Hill opened the Public Hearing at 3:52 p.m. and closed the hearing at 3:53 p.m.

Commissioner Hill reopened the Public Hearing at 4:01 p.m. Jon Kleinheksel, Public Works, came forward to request a public hearing for the placement of various regulatory signs on various county roads. Commissioner Hill asked for comments or questions. Hearing none, the Commissioner closed the public hearing at 4:02 p.m.

A motion was made to approve the item. (Time: 4:03 p.m.)

Motion by: Commissioner Cheryl Williams
Second by: Commissioner Mark Reid
Vote: 4 – 0 Passed

COURT ORDER NO. 2014-482-07-28

6. <u>AI-38539</u> Care and housing of illegal immigrant children, Commissioner, Precinct 1.

Commissioner Hill opened the floor to comments for or against the resolution entitled "In Support of Ending Illegal Immigration." The Commissioner also informed the public that this would be the first of two meetings during which Commissioners' Court will be receiving public comments on this issue.

Barbara Harless, Murphy, supports Commissioner Reid's resolution because it addresses "illegal" immigration. This is not immigration; it is a deliberate invasion which will break the backs of the taxpayers, eventually removing the middle class entirely. The Mexican government has been assisting in this violation with offices set up to instruct non-Americans on how to milk the American entitlement system. We have few troops on our border while American troops guard other countries. The U.S. immigration process prevents entitlements by requiring an American sponsor to be held responsible for citizenship applicants and their financial needs. The process requires the immigrant seeking citizenship to assimilate and be educated on the American way of life through well thought out processes - not through hastily invoked emergency measures. If this invasion is not stopped, American society will change forever and there will be no reason for immigration. America will become identical to Central and South America and there will be no constitution or republic. Republican government is instituted to protect the life, liberty and property of all and that does not include robbing from one to give to another. Aiding these children and adults is advocating more government dependence and generational poverty which is against the unique spirit of the constitution.

Commissioner Hill recognized the heightened nature of these discussions and appreciated the passions on both sides. The Commissioner asked for proper decorum and respect for each speaker.

Corinne Smith, Sachse, supports the resolution stating this is a manufactured crisis which began in D.C. by the plutocracy and the hiring of escorts for unaccompanied children. The excessive demands being put upon social services will not be a viable option and cannot be fulfilled. The current illegal influx crisis will deplete funds and resources from education, health, national security and taxpayers. These are manipulative strategies to play upon the good people's compassion in order to humiliate and shame them into coercion. Ms. Smith referenced several instances of national security and health issues relating to illegal immigrants.

Mike Giles, McKinney, said it's hard to not have sympathy for these kids, but the reality is there are five billion people in this world living in poverty and we can't help them all. The resources going to help these kids cannot go to our kids. Mr. Giles is in favor of the resolution and stated that we have to look at what we can do and what we can't do.

Charlotte Giles, McKinney, supports the resolution and is opposed to illegal immigrants being brought into Collin County. They will require many public services including education. Taxes will increase, and Ms. Giles would not want to lose her home in order to support illegal immigrants who should not be here in the first place.

Kathy Noggle, Richardson, supports the resolution and spoke from the perspective of a retired person whose monetary resources are almost non-existent. Ms. Noggle supports prohibiting illegals from entering Collin County if only to protect the children and grandchildren and does not feel the county should put additional tax burdens on its citizens. There is no promise that the federal government will reimburse the county, and they are not following the immigration laws to begin with.

Coty Rodriguez Anderson, Plano, thanked the Court for the opportunity to speak on behalf of the migrating children who are seeking protection and possible asylum in our country and asked the Court to be part of the solution. Regardless of who is at fault for the tremendous number of people fleeing their countries, the fact remains the majority are children. The people of Collin County do not turn away children who are in need of protection. We are caring people who believe in a higher power and will protect children while solutions are found to alleviate issues in their home countries. We in Collin County cannot pay for fixing that problem. We need to encourage our representatives and congressmen to come to an agreement to stop this influx but, while they are here, we have never turned away children.

Marvin Brooke, Allen, supports the resolution because this is a result of illegal immigration. Collin County citizens will suffer unintended consequences from this issue. There is no guarantee that we will not be subsidizing this. Mr. Brooke presented a petition containing signatures of others in support of the resolution.

Tom Harrison, Plano, supports the resolution for two reasons. The first is money. The federal government is not paying; only promising to pay. The second is education. More bilingual teachers will need to be hired and it will need to be determined what level of education these children currently have. And finally it is unknown whether these children have had the required immunizations.

Q Carbonera, Plano, is a naturalized citizen of this great country and supports the resolution. He came in legally and paid his dues. There are many other foreign people here or who want to come here that are doing it legally. This is worse because our own government is putting these people forcefully in line ahead of other people equally in need. The government now wants to force us to accept them into our communities. The fault lies with us because, if we leave the doors wide open, sooner or later someone will step in. If these governments have enough money to send their soccer teams all over the world, they should be able to help their own people.

Juli Smith, McKinney, came to speak against the resolution. Since Collin County has not yet been asked to help, Ms. Smith asked the Court to table the resolution until the county is asked and then there will be more of an idea of what is being asked. Ms. Smith's two main concerns with the resolution are the public health risk being overstated and the law enforcement aspect of the resolution. This will create racial profiling of Hispanic children.

Linda Humke, McKinney, supports the resolution and said it is shocking to be in the United States and, as a citizen, asking to be protected. Ms. Humke is a legal taxpaying citizen and wants her rights protected.

Randy Tanner, Irving, appreciates Commissioner Reid's courage in presenting this resolution. As a resident of Dallas County, he is appalled by what's going on in that county and throughout the United States. Mr. Tanner came to represent citizens of the United States stating the proposed resolution in its exact form and wording is excellent and all encompassing. He is sad for the people, especially the children, who are being used for political purposes. This asymmetrical invasion of our country will have disastrous short- and long-term results. Mr. Tanner is not a member of LULAC (League of United Latin American Citizens) or La Raza which seek to destroy this country. If the United States continues to allow the invasion through any border, we will become like the countries of Central America. Mr. Tanner encourages the Collin County Commissioners to approve the resolution in its exact form and wording for the benefit of our children and grandchildren.

Alice McCaulley, McKinney, supports the resolution. Immigration should be legal - not coming through the borders. Will these children be proud to be Americans or will they hang their own flags? We hear about the MS-13 gang coming across the border and 20% of these are children. Drug dealers are coming across the border too. Do we really want this in Collin County?

Juanita Horne, McKinney, said it's time to stop allowing other countries to take control of our United States. There are free lunches for Hispanics and they don't even have to speak English. Ms. Horne's point is, if you are coming to the United States, don't try to change it. She thanked the Court for taking control.

Darrel Rivard, Prosper, said it was refreshing to see an elected public official supporting our laws. Mr. Rivard welcomes legal immigrants but wants illegals deported. He is tired of being bled dry through taxation to support parasites. He is disgusted with the American government that promotes law breaking. America is dying. When illegals become the majority, this will speed up our demise.

Steve Selby, City of Dallas within Collin County, commends Commissioner Reid for bringing this to the table. This issue is passionate because of its nature. One side says if you don't like anyone coming into the country then you are a racist. Mr. Selby is not a racist and more than half of his employees are Hispanic. The law needs to be followed for anyone coming into this country. While there are people on both sides of the issue, most have the same values. We need to stand up and communicate. If this is allowed to continue, how many more will come in?

Dee Quint, McKinney, presented the Court with a petition containing signatures supporting the resolution.

Paul Frueh, New Hope, supports the resolution. There is a serious humanitarian issue created by political motivations. Civil governments like Collin County are not suited to superintend the humanitarian, individual and compassionate needs of people. That belongs to humanitarian relief organizations and church organizations. The immigration surge has come about from government influence and is not well planned nor has it gone through the legislative process. This is chaos. Non-passage of this resolution will encourage more of this type of immigration with more dangerous and inhumane transport of these people and support of the drug cartels.

Jean Swan, Frisco, described some decoy tactics used by illegal immigrants and cartels in Brooks County to get into this country and said the funds and resources going towards our border patrol are mostly addressing the decoys. Ms. Swan is concerned about our government forcing people into our communities who may have diseases, weapons or be gang members and criminals.

Scott McWilliams, Nevada, stated that these are children, not illegals. He supports immigration which includes a background check, a health check and proof of a job. Mr. McWilliams opposes the resolution and feels it's heartless and cruel.

Bethany Carson, Allen, said the resolution does not represent her or the spirit of Collin County and sends a message of hatred. These are refugees who need care and compassion. They pose no significant risk of disease and have crossed many borders to escape a life of crime. Sheltering the children here would not mean they would remain here. Most of the children have family members in the United States and would be released to their families. Ms. Carson created a petition to reject the resolution.

Carroll Maxwell, McKinney, supports the resolution. He is against the wholesale warehousing of children anywhere. Every individual has the right to become a foster parent but must go through the process. Collin County has a severe lack of approved foster homes requiring children to be placed outside of Collin County. We need to take care of Collin County children first.

Jim Kohl, McKinney, came to speak in support of the resolution from a position of compassion. The county needs to go on record as denying illegals into Collin County. The borders need to be secured and illegals returned to their native country as soon as possible. Private, public and faith based institutions need to be utilized to work within the Central American countries to improve the situation there. That is the only way to make a long term change. The population that we are talking about has been physically, emotionally and financially raped by the drug cartels and coyotes. The Collin County schools, healthcare and judicial systems would be extremely stressed to handle the impact of thousands of children coming into the county.

Linda Block, City of Dallas within Collin County, supports the resolution. These children are not getting complete medical screenings and will burden already crowded school districts. It would be a great health risk for our children. Dallas County said they were housing approximately 2,000 children, but if you talk to their Commissioners, it will be closer to 8,000 children. In Collin County today we have homeless, those living at the poverty level and abused women with children needing a safe place to live. Ms. Block feels it is the responsibility of the Collin County Commissioners to continue doing a great job and keep its citizens safe.

Yvette Kopp, Plano, does not support the resolution and read an email from the pastor of her church. As Christians we can disagree. The challenges are real. What we as Christians are not free to disagree about are the children who are the victims. These are God's children and we are called to love, pray and care for them. Ms. Kopp quoted Marine General John Kelly who said Honduras is the most violent nation on the planet and he estimates that 80% of the violence in the Central American countries is fueled by America's insatiable demand for drugs.

Margie Free, McKinney, supports the resolution. We are already acutely aware of the toll illegal immigration takes on our districts. The strain placed on state and local government overwhelms security, education and medical services making them harder to come by for legal citizens. Ms. Free explained that she suddenly found herself the legal guardian of two young grandchildren who qualified for assistance but were unable to access it. As a life-long American taxpayer, she was stunned when she needed to call on the system that she had paid into all her life and it took eight months to get help for two American babies suffering trauma. When she asked why it took so long, the ECI (Early Childhood Intervention) therapist said it was because of all the illegals they had to service; the staff could not keep up. It is even worse today. We need to take care of our own legal taxpaying citizens first. Our county can be part of the solution by denying entry of illegals into our county.

Michael Openshaw, Plano, said his wife is a legal immigrant and he lives in a neighborhood that is predominately legal immigrants. Mr. Openshaw spends a lot of time working with charitable aid in Uganda. While he feels for the children coming out of Honduras, that area has been a cesspool for crime for at least 30 years. This has been ongoing and is continual. As for the medical situation, there are medical issues here. The problem is less about specific diseases than it is about the prevalence of incidence rate of the population coming over. The ones vaccinated are those that are actually in the care of the federal government. Mr. Openshaw feels this resolution is appropriate because this is not the County's responsibility. He is concerned about what's being developed in Dallas County because the facilities they are working on developing are a complete rebuild of existing structures that will then become permanent processing centers. This processing needs to be done closer to the border. We need to clothe, feed and treat them and then send them back as soon as possible.

Kaleen Wineinger, Fairview, opposes the resolution. Ms. Wineinger is not afraid of invasions, diseases, or cartels, but she is afraid of Commissioner Reid's resolution and feels it stirs up unnecessary fear. Since Collin County has not been asked to help yet, she feels the discussion should be tabled. If every county in Texas took 30 of these children, then that should cover all of them. Ms. Wineinger is ashamed of Collin County for wanting to round up suspicious looking children and feels the resolution is silly.

Jan Houston, McKinney, stated as a realtor of 30 years, she knows the people of Collin County and the people speaking today do not in any way represent the people of Collin County. They represent the retired people of Collin County. Ms. Houston opposes the resolution and is offended by it.

Rick Atkinson, McKinney, strongly supports the resolution. Mr. Atkinson has serious concerns about the health and welfare of our citizens and the crimes and financial burdens placed on law-abiding taxpayers. He is tired of being told he is not a Christian if he does not support the permanent illegal immigrant processing stations. He does not appreciate being called a racist because he opposes open borders or because he supports our nation's sovereignty. We have a lawless situation on the border and he calls on the Court to do whatever it can to keep Collin County from encouraging more of this lawless behavior.

Dean Paulsen, Nevada, supports the resolution. Since these children are not walking here or coming of their own volition, Mr. Paulsen believes there must be a deal between their governments and our government. We are told these children are coming to Dallas County and it won't cost us anything as taxpayers because the federal government will pick up the bill. But it's the taxpayers who pay the federal government.

Eric Baker, Plano, supports the resolution. He represents the younger generation and applauds the resolution. The fact that we have an unsecured border is creating a massive problem. Mr. Baker disagrees with Nevada Senator Harry Reid who says the border is secure. He is also tired of using the children as the main issue of this immigration crisis. What kind of parent would put their children in the hands of human traffickers and smugglers? This country was built by Americans and the majority of them were immigrants but they came here the right way. This country is already hemorrhaging and cannot take on more burdens. He wants to preserve our interests and our freedoms.

Sandy Perkins, Anna, is against illegal immigration.

Joe Foltz, Wylie, wanted to thank Commissioner Reid for proposing this resolution. Mr. Foltz has heard that less than 20% of the people in these camps are under 18 years of age. He has also heard that MS-13 gang members are recruiting heavily just outside of these camps. We need to decide what we are going to do before we are asked to take in any of these people.

Pamela Stacey, Frisco, supports the resolution. An Investor's Business Daily article shows there is no reason to house illegals prior to deportation. The William Wilberforce Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2008 does not apply to them because they are coming of their own free will or that of their parents to live with family members. To receive the unaccompanied minor designation, the illegal alien must be under 18 and without a parent or legal guardian in the United States. The Center for Immigration Studies notes that about 90% of the non-Mexican and non-Canadian children coming across the border are placed with family members in America. There are those in Collin County who say we should show compassion and we will be reimbursed from the federal government who already gives hundreds of millions to these governments to combat the violence these people are fleeing from. We are the taxpayers from which the federal government gets its money. Our taxes are already paying to house, clothe and feed those who are here illegally. Ms. Stacey is not against immigration; she is against illegal immigration that erodes the meaning of our own citizenship.

Hal Camp, Parker, supports the resolution and said the Court is ahead of the curve by addressing this issue before it occurs. If Collin County and other counties and cities in this country keep accepting illegals and paying for housing and healthcare we are only perpetuating the problem that is invading our country. We become a part of that national problem. This country is $17 trillion in debt and it is growing every day. Obviously there is a limit to what we can do. Mr. Camp said it might be wise to listen to the retired generation that have lived with parents who came out of the great depression, grew up during WWII, and served in wars. Those people have attained a certain amount of wisdom.

Pati Kelleher, McKinney, supports the resolution and thanked Commissioner Reid for serving his people well. Ms. Kelleher said it is horrific to split families up. God gives children to parents and it is the parents' responsibility to care for and raise that child. He doesn't give children to a community. To dismantle the American mindset through open borders is not healthy for our children or our nation. It is time for a change in America, to go back to the Lord and go back to his word.

William Dawes, Plano, supports legal immigration. The United States has some of the most generous immigration laws in the world. Mr. Dawes does not support illegal migration. Illegal migrants are like thieves in the night and subvert our legal immigration process. Illegal migrants do not deserve anything other than an immediate judicial hearing to determine if they have entered legally. If they have not, they should be sent home immediately at their country's expense. We the people are the rightful masters of both congress and our courts - not to overthrow the constitution but to overthrow the men who pervert the constitution.

George Flint, Plano, supports the resolution. Mr. Flint was asked by a reporter what he thought was in play in this decision – economic considerations, social considerations, political considerations or racial considerations. His answer was none of the above. As a private citizen and a Christian, he and the church are commanded to help. The government is in charge of enforcing the law. We do not need to spend taxpayers' money on something where the faith community needs to spend its money. Also, we should not interfere with the faith community's response. Mr. Flint is reminded of the hurricane in New Orleans when his church opened its doors to the refugees to house and feed them. At that point government institutions said they could not do that because, according to government regulations, the housing was inadequate and the food that would be given to these people had not been made in commercially regulated kitchens. As a citizen, a Christian and a taxpayer, Mr. Flint supports the resolution but would like it amended to state that Collin County commends the response of the faith community to all crises involving children.

JoAnn Snodgrass, Plano, supports the resolution and agrees with Mr. Flint, the previous speaker. It is not the job of the County to get involved with helping these children. The schooling and housing of these children is not the job of the county or even the state of Texas. The federal government and current administration are solely responsible for bringing these children here. President Obama should take care of them and that does not mean burdening the taxpayers of Collin County. Texas is shouldering enough by having to bring in the National Guard to protect our borders while border patrol is babysitting. It is also not right to push this burden onto the Hispanic community. These children need to be kept together in camps across the country and cleared of diseases, taught to count money, speak English and learn manners. Ms. Snodgrass said it would save money by housing and teaching them together as a group.

Laura Lutek, McKinney, supports the resolution. It is the work of the church and faith-based community to assist these illegal children, not the government. Government is remote, uncaring and not about compassion. Charitable work is not the function of the Collin County government. Ms. Lutek supports legal, not illegal, immigration and would like to question what is happening to the foreign aid money that we send to the Central American countries. If this taxpayer money is not being used to help the children, then perhaps it is time to stop sending it.

Robin Dillard, Fairview, supports the resolution. As taxpaying citizens we have to uphold the laws. If we break the law, we are arrested and taken to jail regardless of whether we are an adult or minor (we have a juvenile system.) Why do we allow illegal immigrants who are clearly breaking the law to be rewarded by housing them, feeding them and bringing them in to the country? Our healthcare has been continually strained by indigent care and the cost is passed on to the taxpayers who have insurance. The influx of indigent care is going to affect our healthcare system tremendously. The cutbacks are dramatic and it will only get worse. Why should we reward those that come in illegally? In this country we have the separation of church and state. If the churches want to help, that is fine, but Collin County should not participate.

Suzanne Veal, Allen, supports Commissioner Reid's proposal.

Roy Veal, Allen, supports the resolution, stating it is not the responsibility of the county or state government. These children came through our unprotected borders and the federal government is responsible for the border and the consequences for not protecting it. In any other country, these children would be sent back to their homeland or imprisoned. Will the federal government allow the parents to cross over our borders to support the children? If we continue to accept these children, more will make the death march that brought them here. How many children have to die on that trail before the federal government shuts the borders?

Gregory Knapp, Plano, supports the resolution. Mr. Knapp has four children and two were adopted from Mexico. There are processes in place that insure the safety of the local people and the children themselves. Ronald Reagan said America needs to be the shining light on the hill. This shining city on a hill is to inspire the world, not for the world to occupy. Mr. Knapp would like Collin County to be a part of that shining light on the hill.

Dorothy Whitfield, McKinney, opposed the resolution because she would like to see the county, state and country be a shining star. We are so afraid of these children who have come that we have decided the federal government is trying to delude us. Ms. Whitfield would like to be a volunteer to help these children and would like a facility for these children.

Venitta Bennett, Plano, supports the resolution. She is a nurse and has worked the border where illegals receive free healthcare. Being legal is very important. Our laws are important and we need to be proactive. These are not refugees; they are illegals. We are giving them amnesty and then giving them our jobs. To be a nurse now, you need to be bilingual. She has patients who won't speak English to her and they have American jobs.

Kelly Guillory, Frisco, supports the resolution. Being in healthcare Ms. Guillory sees problems from illegal immigration. Babies are being born to two illegal citizens and the baby becomes a legal citizen. They get Medicaid and there is no limit to their visits. Therefore they keep receiving services. However, she has seen American taxpaying citizens with insurance who need to have their children seen. If they get a slot, their number of visits was limited by their insurance while the child of the illegal parents had unlimited visits. The Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals allowed children up to the age of 31 to have two years here. During that time they could give birth to children and get on Medicaid. Ms. Guillory would have to tell the American taxpaying citizen that their taxes are paying for someone else and you no longer have a slot. Another issue is referred to as brain drain where the brightest and strongest are coming into the U.S. leaving behind people who do not have the ability to change their communities. This is further depleting the resources of Honduras and Guatemala.

Commissioner Hill informed the public that this item will be on the agenda again next week and open for public comments. At that time there will be discussions and any actions taken by the Court. (Time: 3:34 p.m.)

NO ACTION TAKEN

Commissioner Hill recessed Commissioners' Court at 3:34 p.m. Court was reconvened at 3:44 p.m.

7. AI-38559 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Project 0047-06-145 regarding toll gantries from the 2015 – 2018 TIP on US 75, Engineering.

Tracy Homfeld, Engineering, gave background on the particular project explaining every two to three years COG (Council of Governments) develops a new TIP (Transportation Improvement Program) document. COG is currently doing the 2015 to 2018 program development final draft. This was approved by the RTC (Regional Transportation Council) on April 10, 2014. The RTC is made up of 44 elected officials in the COG region. Collin County has six representatives on that board. This particular project was included in the new TIP document. It has been approved by TxDOT (Texas Department of Transportation) to go on the STIP (Statewide Transportation Improvement Program) and is currently waiting for federal program approval. The project is for US 75 from the Dallas county line to south of McDermott Road in Allen and references pavement widening and installing toll gantries. This project will be included on the new TIP document.

Commissioner Reid asked if this project was the one that all five state representatives, two state senators and Commissioners' Court wrote the letter in opposition to. Ms. Homfeld said that it was and explained if any projects were to be funded in the next four years, they have to be included in the TIP. Commissioner Webb said his understanding was this is a placeholder, not a proposal to put gantries or tolls in the HOV (High Occupancy Vehicle) lane. This is just to keep the process going on the environmental side. If there is notification to COG and TxDOT that this is not something they want to move forward with, then it won't be funded. Commissioner Reid wanted to make sure that since there was overwhelming support among elected officials against proceeding with the project as presented, a vote for this would in no way endorse the plan. Ms. Homfeld said it allows for the county to complete the environmental process and explained that Judge Self wanted this on the agenda. It is an informational item to let the Court know the TIP has been approved by the RTC and is waiting for federal approval. She does not know what the overall affect would be if the Court were to vote for or against the item.

Commissioner Hill said if this is not included in the TIP, then it will not be funded in the next four years. That would be the surest way to make sure this project is not completed. Commissioner Williams asked if the money has been approved, can the scope of the project be changed? Ms. Homfeld said TIP modifications are done four times a year so the scope could be changed. (Time: 4:01 p.m.)

NO ACTION TAKEN

8. Possible future agenda items by Commissioners Court without discussion.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Hill recessed the meeting into Executive Session in accordance with Chapter 551.071 of the Government Code to receive Legal Counsel and Chapter 551.087 to discuss Economic Development Negotiations. (Time: 4:03 p.m.)

Legal (551.071)

AI-38434 Update regarding Collin County v. SunGard Public Sector, Inc.

NO ACTION TAKEN

Economic Development Negotiations (551.087)

AI-38535 Allen Economic Development Corporation - Kone, Administrative Services.

NO ACTION TAKEN

The meeting was reconvened at 4:28 p.m. There being no further business of the Court, Commissioner Hill adjourned the meeting at 4:28 p.m.

Keith Self, County Judge

Mark Reid, Commissioner, Pct. 1

Not Present
Cheryl Williams, Commissioner, Pct. 2

Chris Hill, Commissioner, Pct. 3

Duncan Webb, Commissioner, Pct. 4

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