

State of Texas	§	Court Order
Collin County	§	2023-1180-12-04
Commissioners Court	§	

**An order of the Commissioners Court approving the filing of the October 23, 2023 minutes.**

On Monday, October 23, 2023, 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:

Present: Judge Chris Hill  
Commissioner Susan Fletcher, Precinct 1  
Commissioner Cheryl Williams, Precinct 2  
Commissioner Darrell Hale, Precinct 3  
Commissioner Duncan Webb, Precinct 4

Commissioner Susan Fletcher led the Invocation.  
Commissioner Cheryl Williams led the Pledge of Allegiance.  
Commissioner Duncan Webb led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag.

Judge Hill called to order the meeting of the Collin County Commissioners Court at 1:30 p.m. The meeting was recessed at 2:03 p.m. Judge Hill reconvened the meeting of the Collin County Commissioners Court at 2:03 p.m. The meeting recessed into Executive Session at 2:04 p.m. and reconvened at 2:31 p.m. The meeting was adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

President Hill called to order the meeting of the Collin County Health Care Foundation at 2:03 p.m. and adjourned the meeting at 2:03 p.m.

**DECISIONS MANDATED BY LEGAL ENTITIES OUTSIDE OF COMMISSIONERS COURT AUTHORITY:**

1 AI-54958 Personnel Changes, Human Resources.

**FYI NOTIFICATION:**

1 AI-54920 Donation of a vehicle from Grayson County, Adult Probation.

2 AI-54904 P-Card Disbursements, Auditor.

3 AI-54890 Contract Renewal for Commissary Services (Contract No. 2019-126) with Aramark Correctional Services, LLC to extend the contract for one (1) year through and including September 30, 2024, Sheriff.

**COMMISSIONERS COURT BUSINESS:**

**Public comments related to an item on the Agenda.**

1 **Consent Agenda Items:** Judge Hill asked for comments on the consent agenda. Commissioner Hale pulled item 1i6 for comment. With no further comments, a motion was made to approve the remainder of the consent agenda. (Time: 1:32 p.m.)

Motion by: Commissioner Susan Fletcher  
Second by: Commissioner Cheryl Williams  
Vote: 5-0: Passed

a AI-54924 Disbursements for the period ending October 17, 2023, Auditor.

**COURT ORDER NO. 2023-1055-10-23**

b AI-54925 Indigent Defense Disbursements, Auditor.

**COURT ORDER NO. 2023-1056-10-23**

c AI-54916 Tax refunds totaling \$29,356.91, Tax Assessor-Collector.

**COURT ORDER NO. 2023-1057-10-23**

**d Award(s):**

1 AI-54921 Goodyear Tires (Contract No. 2024-007) to various vendors through Buyboard Cooperative Contract No. 636-21, Public Works.

**COURT ORDER NO. 2023-1058-10-23**

2 AI-54949 Vehicles, F150 Trucks for Sheriff Patrol (Contract No. 2024-044) to Silsbee Ford, Inc. through Buyboard Cooperative Contract No. 601-19), Sheriff.

**COURT ORDER NO. 2023-1059-10-23**

**e Agreement(s):**

1 AI-54933 Personal Services Agreement with Brennan Jones (Contract No. 2024-059) for Consultant for the Collin County Veterans Court Program, grant exemption from the competitive bid process per Texas Local Government Code 262.024(a)(4), and further authorize the Purchasing Agent to finalize and execute same, 296th District Court.

COURT ORDER NO. 2023-1060-10-23

2 AI-54951 Interlocal Agreement with the City of Wylie for construction of E. FM 544 (Stone Road) from Alfred Drive to County Line Road, 2007 Bond Project No. RI07092, Engineering.

COURT ORDER NO. 2023-1061-10-23

3 AI-54946 Interlocal Agreement for the Provision of Ambulance Services for the Northern and Eastern Coalition and elected Municipal Utility Districts (Contract No. 2024-058) with the City of Princeton commencing November 1, 2023 through and including October 31, 2024, Fire Marshal.

COURT ORDER NO. 2023-1062-10-23

4 AI-54932 Tax Collection Services Agreement between the Collin County Tax Assessor-Collector and Collin County Municipal Utility District No. 5, Tax Assessor-Collector.

COURT ORDER NO. 2023-1063-10-23

**f Contract Renewal(s):**

1 AI-54907 Plumbing Contractor Services (Contract No. 2023-158) with Amundson Plumbing, LLC to extend the contract for one (1) year through and including January 8, 2025, Facilities.

COURT ORDER NO. 2023-1064-10-23

**g Budget adjustment(s)/amendment(s):**

1 AI-54952 \$850 for FY2023 travel and training expenses, 401st District Court.

COURT ORDER NO. 2023-1065-10-23

**h Receive and File, Auditor:**

1 AI-54926 Investment Report (1st Quarter FY2023).

COURT ORDER NO. 2023-1066-10-23

2 AI-54927 Investment Report (2nd Quarter FY2023).

COURT ORDER NO. 2023-1067-10-23

**i Miscellaneous:**

1 AI-54950 Grant application and resolution for the FY2024 Indigent Defense Formula Grant through the Texas Indigent Defense Commission, Office of the Governor, Auditor.

COURT ORDER NO. 2023-1068-10-23

2 AI-54934 Designation of the 2024 Commissioners Court regular term meeting dates and times, Commissioners Court.

COURT ORDER NO. 2023-1069-10-23

3 AI-54928 Final plat for Speed Estates, Engineering.

COURT ORDER NO. 2023-1070-10-23

4 AI-54922 Acceptance of the Ford Fleet Network Dealer Credits in the amount of \$3,824 to be used for service and parts, Public Works.

COURT ORDER NO. 2023-1071-10-23

5 AI-54956 Personnel Appointments, Human Resources.

COURT ORDER NO. 2023-1072-10-23

6 AI-54957 Personnel Changes, Human Resources.

Commissioner Hale congratulated the following County employees who are receiving promotions this week: Alyssa Mattingly, Casey Hendrix, Connor Malone, Denton Sturdivan, Kimberly Mandhlazi, Rashaan Douglas, and Sandra Gorthey. With no further comments, a motion was made to approve this item. (Time: 1:32 p.m.)

Motion by: Commissioner Darrell Hale

Second by: Commissioner Susan Fletcher

Vote: 5-0: Passed

COURT ORDER NO. 2023-1073-10-23

## 2 General Discussion Items:

### **Presentation, discussion and any action regarding:**

a AI-54914 **Public Hearing** - Consideration and any action for the issuance of a mass gathering permit for the Vintage Market Days event on November 17-19, 2023 at Myers Park Event Center in accordance to Health and Safety Code Chapter 751, Engineering.

Judy Moody, Myers Park, requested approval of the Mass Gathering Application for Vintage Market Days November 17 - 19, 2023.

Judge Hill opened the public hearing at 1:33 p.m. and asked for comments. Hearing none, Judge Hill closed the public hearing at 1:33 p.m. A motion was made to approve the item. (Time: 1:33 p.m.)

Motion by: Commissioner Cheryl Williams

Second by: Commissioner Duncan Webb

Vote: 5-0: Passed

**COURT ORDER NO. 2023-1074-10-23**

b AI-54875 Jail Expansion/Construction Update, Administrative Services.

Bill Burke, Construction and Projects, updated the Court on the Jail Expansion and the Medical/Mental Health Addition construction. Mr. Burke said the Jail Expansion Book-In/Orientation Housing contains 180 beds, bringing the total bed count to 1,478. This will double the Book-in capacity to accommodate the expected volume through 2044. Construction is expected to be completed by May 2024 and open for use in July 2024. He said the building has shell space that can be built out to add an additional 34 Female Housing beds when funding becomes available. The first bid for the Medical/Mental Health Addition came in \$15 million dollars over budget, resulting in the removal of a wing of the building in the current bid. The second bid is expected to be received in mid-December and construction to start in February or March 2024. ARPA (American Rescue Plan Act) requires the building to be completed prior to December 31, 2026. After the removal of the wing, this phase will add 119 beds, bringing the total beds to 1,597. The Bond Election happening this November has funding included to finish out shell space with an additional 174 beds.

Commissioner Hale asked if the other projects are being done concurrently. Mr. Burke said they are currently waiting on the equipment for the new Central Plan, but expects to receive it by May 2024. The new build will be able to function efficiently on the current Central Plan. (Time: 1:39 p.m.)

**NO ACTION**

c AI-54754 Boards & Commissions Appointments, Commissioners Court.

Commissioner Webb reappointed Janet Stoval to the Historic Commission and Sammy Yang to the Planning Board. Commissioner Williams reappointed Joy Gough to the Historical Commission and appointed Gary Edwards to the Civil Service Commission. With no further comments, a motion was made to approve the appointments. (Time: 1:41 p.m.)

Motion by: Commissioner Duncan Webb  
Second by: Commissioner Darrell Hale  
Vote: 5-0: Passed

**COURT ORDER NO. 2023-1075-10-23**

Commissioner Webb nominated Commissioner Susan Fletcher to the CUC (Conference of Urban Counties). With no further comments, a motion was made to approve the nomination. (Time: 1:41 p.m.)

Motion by: Commissioner Duncan Webb  
Second by: Commissioner Cheryl Williams  
Vote: 5-0: Passed

**COURT ORDER NO. 2023-1076-10-23**

d AI-33858 Regional Transportation Council monthly update, Commissioner, Precinct 4.

Commissioner Webb updated the Court on the discussions that took place during the recent RTC (Regional Transportation Council) monthly meeting. TTC (Texas Transportation Commission) proposed a new rule, which gives a project two years to be obligated and moved into construction or the allocated funds will be taken away. Under the current federal and state laws, the MPO (Metropolitan Planning Organization) and TxDOT (Texas Department of Transportation) have to agree on projects within the MPO's area. Commissioner Webb said one of the main concerns for the new proposed rule, is if an agreement cannot be made, funding will be taken away, thus causing major issues for our area. The RTC discussed on how to respond to the proposed rule and the implications associated. The Court had a brief discussion on the possible opportunities that could come out of the new proposed rule.

The RTC also discussed the major increase of fatalities in Collin County. The fatality rates are currently up 51% from 2021 to 2022. The main contributing factors are speed, failure to yield, and intoxication. He discussed the primary locations of the crashes including, US 75, SH 289, US 380, SH 78, and SH 121. The current data will be compared to the previous year's traffic volumes to see if the increase of fatality rates is out of line or if there are road areas that have a higher fatality rate. Commissioner Webb said due to the contributing factors an increase of law enforcement and an educational campaign should be considered. (Time: 2:02 p.m.)

**NO ACTION**

**3 Executive Session Items:**

Judge Hill recessed the Court into Executive Session at 2:04 p.m. to discuss item AI-54982 Dallas North Tollway Right of Way, Engineering. Commissioner Webb reconvened the meeting at 2:31 p.m.

No action was taken during Executive Session.

**Real Estate (551.072)**

AI-54982 Dallas North Tollway Right of Way, Engineering.

**NO ACTION**

Judge Hill did not return after Executive Session.

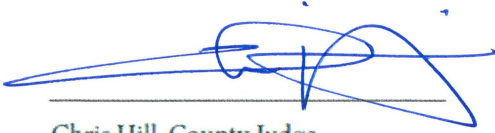
**Public Comments not related to an item on the Agenda.**

Debbie Lindstrom, McKinney, spoke on the vulnerabilities associated with using electronic voting machines. The CDF (Citizens Defending Freedom) was made aware of a vulnerability and inquired about it during the public logic and accuracy test on October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023. During this public event, CDF asked Kaleb Breaux, Collin County Deputy Elections Administrator, if he would allow a security test on the election network that would not affect the machines. An address was provided to enter into a web browser on the server, if it responded with information, it would prove there is an open backdoor on the server. The CDF intended for Mr. Breaux to receive buy-in from the IT (Information Technology) department that the command would not hurt the system; however, the IT department did not answer the question, ignored the request, and answered a different question. Ms. Lindstrom read an email she received from Mr. Breaux, which said performing the task would be irrelevant due to the servers being air gaped and not communicating with any outside networks. She said it is not completely irrelevant because if the vulnerability is active on the server, any computer in the election network can connect to the address on the server. This shows a disregard for basic IT security and does not provide any confidence that our election department is serious about network security.

Tara Schulte, McKinney, continued the conversation on network vulnerability, and read an email from a cyber-expert responding to Kaleb Breaux's response to Ms. Lindstrom. She asked the Court why the test was not being ran and if they would consider having an elections committee that would meet regularly to discuss these topics.

Judy Dishong, Plano, spoke on the recent actions and news regarding Ken Paxton, Texas Attorney General. She said she wants the government to do the work of the people, which is not happening. Something needs to be done to reverse the trend. (Time: 2:40 p.m.)

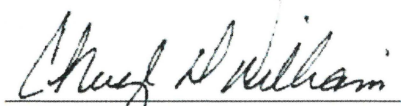
There being no further business of the Court, Commissioner Webb adjourned the meeting at 2:40 p.m.



Chris Hill, County Judge



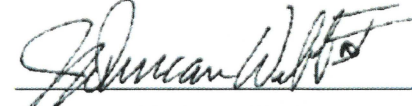
Susan Fletcher, Commissioner, Pct 1



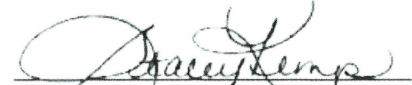
Cheryl Williams, Commissioner, Pct 2



Darrell Hale, Commissioner, Pct 3



Duncan Webb, Commissioner, Pct 4



ATTEST: Stacey Kemp, County Clerk