

State of Texas	§	Court Order
Collin County	§	2026-814-08-03
Commissioners Court	§	

An order of the Commissioners Court approving the filing of the July 13, 2026 minutes.

On Monday, July 13, 2026, 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:

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

Commissioner Fletcher led the Invocation.
Judge Hill led the Pledge of Allegiance.
Commissioner 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. and adjourned the meeting at 4:32 p.m.

President Hill called to order the meeting of the Collin County Health Care Foundation at 4:32 p.m. and adjourned the meeting at 4:32 p.m.

DECISIONS MANDATED BY LEGAL ENTITIES OUTSIDE OF COMMISSIONERS COURT AUTHORITY:

1. AI-60375 Advertisement for RFP No. 2026-327, Offender Specimen Collection and Drug Testing Services, CSCD.
2. AI-60416 Personnel Appointments, Human Resources.
3. AI-60417 Personnel Changes, Human Resources.

FYI NOTIFICATION:

1. **AI-60368** Intra-County account transfers transmitted on June 18, 2026, Auditor.
2. **AI-60378** Change Order No. 7 to 920 Juvenile Probation Renovation (Contract No. 2024-480) with Tegrity Contractors, Inc. to provide various changes to the contract, Construction Projects.
3. **AI-60414** Turnover, Human Resources.
4. **AI-60415** Voluntary Terminations, Human Resources.

COMMISSIONERS COURT BUSINESS:

1. **Consent Agenda Items:** Judge Hill asked for comments on the consent agenda and pulled items 1k1, 1k2, and 1k3 for discussion. Hearing no others, a motion was made to approve the consent agenda.
(Time: 1:33 p.m.)

Motion by: Commissioner Darrell Hale

Second by: Commissioner Susan Fletcher

Vote: 5-0 Passed

- a. **AI-60369** Disbursements for the period ending July 1, 2026, Auditor.

COURT ORDER NO. 2026-721-07-13

- b. **AI-60370** Indigent Defense Disbursements, Auditor.

COURT ORDER NO. 2026-722-07-13

- c. **AI-60376** CPS Disbursements, Auditor.

COURT ORDER NO. 2026-723-07-13

d. Advertisement(s):

1. **AI-60404** Juvenile Detention Facade Replacement (RFQ No. 2026-240), Construction Projects.

COURT ORDER NO. 2026-724-07-13

e. Award(s):

1. **AI-60346** Professional Services Agreement (Contract No. 2026-321) to Plummer Associates, Inc. for On-Call Environmental Services - Collin County Adventure Camp, exemption from the competitive bid process per Local Government Code 262.024 (a)(4) and further authorize the Purchasing Agent to finalize and execute same, Facilities.

COURT ORDER NO. 2026-725-07-13

2. **AI-60408** Ford F150 Crew Cab Responder Vehicle (Contract No. 2026-337) to Silsbee Ford, Inc. through TIPS 240901, Public Works.

COURT ORDER NO. 2026-726-07-13

3. **AI-60406** Ford F350 4x4 DRW Truck with Landscape Bed (Contract No. 2026-348) to Silsbee Ford Inc. through TIPS 240901, Public Works.

COURT ORDER NO. 2026-727-07-13

4. **AI-60409** 2027 Ford Interceptor Utility Vehicles (Contract No. 2026-349) to Silsbee Ford Inc. through TIPS 240901, Public Works.

COURT ORDER NO. 2026-728-07-13

5. **AI-60410** Vehicle for Road and Bridge (Contract No. 2026-292) to Southwest International Trucks, Inc. through Buyboard 723-23, Public Works.

COURT ORDER NO. 2026-729-07-13

f. Agreement(s):

1. **AI-60335** Interlocal Agreement with Blue Meadow Municipal Utility District No. 1 (Contract No. 2026-341) for the use of the Collin County Animal Shelter, Development Services.

COURT ORDER NO. 2026-730-07-13

2. **AI-60393** Interlocal Agreement with Van Alstyne Municipal Utility District No. 3 (Contract No. 2026-358) for use of the Collin County Animal Shelter, Development Services.

COURT ORDER NO. 2026-731-07-13

3. **AI-60364** Interlocal Agreement with Culleoka Water Supply Corporation (Agreement No. 2026-353) for utility relocations associated with the Myrick Lane/S. Boorman Lane project, Engineering.

COURT ORDER NO. 2026-732-07-13

4. **AI-60400** Interlocal Agreement with the City of McKinney for AD Valorem Tax Collection Services, Tax Assessor-Collector.

COURT ORDER NO. 2026-733-07-13

g. Change Order(s):

1. **AI-60399** No. 3 to Construction, Park Boulevard Extension from FM 2514 to SH 78 (IFB No. 2024-458) with RPM xConstruction, LLC for project revisions and increase the amount, and further authorize the Purchasing Agent to finalize and execute same, Engineering.

COURT ORDER NO. 2026-734-07-13

h. Contract Renewal(s):

1. **AI-60367** Transportation of Election Equipment (RFP No. 2023-204) with Lords Relocation Services, Inc., d/b/a All Points of Texas to extend the contract for one (1) year through and including September 30, 2027, Elections.

COURT ORDER NO. 2026-735-07-13

2. **AI-60358** Physician Services Agreement (Contract No.2025-213) with Dr. James Shupe to extend the contract for one (1) year through and including September 30, 2027, Probate Court.

COURT ORDER NO. 2026-736-07-13

3. **AI-60387** Tax Statement Preparation and Mailing Services (Contract No. 2022-296) with VariVerge, LLC to extend the contract for one (1) year through and including July 30, 2027, Tax Assessor-Collector.

COURT ORDER NO. 2026-737-07-13

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

1. **AI-60382** \$679 to purchase software licenses for Visiting Judges in the Auxiliary Court, 493rd District Court.

COURT ORDER NO. 2026-738-07-13

2. **AI-60381** \$655,956.52 to move funds from completed projects into contingency, Budget.

COURT ORDER NO. 2026-739-07-13

3. **AI-60379** \$1,348,853.44 to move funds from completed permanent improvement projects into contingency, Budget.

COURT ORDER NO. 2026-740-07-13

4. **AI-60420** \$11,258 to reallocate funds for the Spay/Neuter Program, Development Services.

COURT ORDER NO. 2026-741-07-13

5. **AI-60412** \$14,922.70 to reallocate funds for the Spay/Neuter Program, Development Services.

COURT ORDER NO. 2026-742-07-13

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

1. **AI-60371** June 15, 2026.

COURT ORDER NO. 2026-743-07-13

k. Miscellaneous:

1. AI-60345 Final Plat for Rosewood Gardens Phase 1, Engineering.

Judge Hill stated that he was concerned the Court was being asked to approve plats with technical edits without receiving the proposed conditions, leaving the Court at a disadvantage in understanding what it was being asked to approve. Clarence Daugherty, Director of Engineering, explained that state law required the County to approve, approve with conditions, or deny a plat within 30 days. He noted that if the Court failed to act within the statutory deadline, the plat would be approved by operation of law unless the developer voluntarily agreed to extend the review period. Mr. Daugherty explained that because materials must be submitted for the Commissioners Court agenda approximately two weeks before the meeting and Engineering reviews numerous plats simultaneously, staff initially focused on determining whether any fatal flaws or legal grounds for denial existed. If no fatal flaws were identified, Engineering recommended conditional approval, allowing additional time to identify and communicate minor technical corrections, such as survey or labeling issues, before the plat could be recorded. Mr. Daugherty emphasized that Engineering would not recommend conditional approval if it identified a fatal flaw or believed the plat could not satisfy the County's subdivision regulations.

Judge Hill expressed concern that Engineering could not identify the specific conditions at the time of the Court's vote and that the conditions were neither approved by the Court nor preserved in the official record. Mr. Daugherty responded that Engineering had not encountered a situation in which a fatal flaw was identified after recommending conditional approval and stated that the department had not experienced problems under the current process. Commissioner Hale questioned whether the County's 10-day period for issuing conditions was authorized by statute. Mr. Daugherty explained that the deadline was established by the County's subdivision regulations rather than state law and represented the 10-day period as a self-imposed requirement. Tracy Homfeld, Assistant Director of Engineering, added that the provision had been drafted by the County Attorney during the 2020 subdivision regulation update. Judge Hill stated that if the deadline was discretionary rather than statutory, the Court should consider amending the subdivision regulations. Commissioner Hale questioned whether Engineering knew the conditions for the plats on the current agenda and expressed concern that the Court approved orders without the conditions attached and that the final conditions were not incorporated into the Court's record. Judge Hill agreed, and stated that the current process effectively delegated authority to Engineering to establish conditions after Court approval. Commissioner Hale suggested providing the completed conditions to the Court on the day of the meeting, as an exception to the Court's typical operating procedure of two weeks, so they would become part of the official record. Mr. Daugherty responded that Engineering had not previously believed the Court wanted that information at the meeting but agreed to review the process with staff.

Commissioner Williams emphasized that the statutory requirement remained unchanged regardless of the County's internal process, noting that the Court had only 30 days to approve, conditionally approve, or deny a plat unless the developer voluntarily agreed to extend the review period. Commissioner Fletcher asked whether developers acknowledged compliance with subdivision regulations when submitting plats. Commissioner Williams cautioned that requiring developers to sign agreements extending statutory requirements could conflict with state law, adding that counties could only require information expressly authorized by statute and that any denial or condition must cite the applicable legal authority. She stated that the County had maintained a cooperative relationship with developers and cautioned against adopting an unnecessarily adversarial or litigious approach, noting that state law strongly favored timely plat approval. Commissioner Hale questioned whether the County's self-imposed 10-day period for issuing conditions was consistent with the intent of state law, and if the County has the authority to set any such period. He stated that ideally all conditions would be provided when the Court approved the plat rather than after approval. Commissioner Williams observed that implementing such a process could require additional Engineering staff. Judge Hill agreed that staffing levels should be evaluated and asked County Administrator Yoon Kim to assess whether Engineering had sufficient resources to support the County's continued growth and statutory obligations.

Mr. Kim reported that staff had begun reviewing the plat approval process following the Court's previous discussion and were evaluating procedures to improve efficiency, accuracy, and transparency while balancing statutory deadlines with the County's agenda preparation requirements. Judge Hill suggested allowing Engineering to provide supporting documentation, including proposed conditions, on the morning of Commissioners Court rather than requiring all materials two weeks in advance. Mr. Daugherty agreed that Engineering could prioritize completing the list of conditions by the day of the Court meeting so they could be distributed to the Court and included in the official record. Judge Hill stated that the proposed approach addressed his concerns. Commissioner Hale agreed. Mr. Daugherty recommended approving the items on the current agenda under the existing process and implementing the revised procedure for future plat approvals. (Time: 2:09 p.m.)

A motion was made to approve items 1k1 and 1k2.

Motion By: Commissioner Cheryl Williams

Second By: Commissioner Duncan Webb

Vote: 3-2 Passed

Nay: Judge Chris Hill and Commissioner Darrell Hale

COURT ORDER NO. 2026-744-07-13

2. **AI-60347** Final Plat for Rosewood Gardens Phase 2, Engineering.

Discussion for this item was held under 1k1.

COURT ORDER NO. 2026-745-07-13

3. **AI-60411** Rescind Court Order 2026-257-03-02, final plat for Madelynn Crossing Phase 1, Engineering.

Judge Hill requested the reason for rescinding the previously approved final plat for Madelyn Crossing Phase 1, noting that the agenda item did not explain the request. Mr. Daugherty stated that, to his understanding, the developer wished to reconsider the development configuration, including the wastewater treatment plant and the phasing of the project, before proceeding with a revised plat. Commissioner Williams clarified that the rescission had been requested by the property owner. Mr. Daugherty confirmed. Judge Hill then asked whether granting the request would have any adverse impact on the County, and Mr. Daugherty responded that it would not. (Time: 2:11 p.m.)

A motion was made to approve the item as presented.

Motion By: Judge Chris Hill

Second By: Commissioner Darrell Hale

Vote: 5-0 Passed

COURT ORDER NO. 2026-746-07-13

4. **AI-60357** Redesignation of Private Road 6111 as Anna Park Blvd., GIS/Rural Addressing.

COURT ORDER NO. 2026-747-07-13

5. **AI-60363** Redesignation of Private Road 6112 as Grand Ivory Lane, GIS/Rural Addressing.

COURT ORDER NO. 2026-748-07-13

6. **AI-60380** Assignment and Assumption to Road Materials, Cement Treated Base and Cement Stabilized Backfill (Contract No. 2023-353) to change the name from Martin Marietta Materials, Inc. to Alleyton Resource Company, LLC d/b/a Great Southern Stabilized, and further authorize the Purchasing Agent to finalize and execute the same, Purchasing.

COURT ORDER NO. 2026-749-07-13

7. **AI-60418** Personnel Appointments, Human Resources.

COURT ORDER NO. 2026-750-07-13

8. **AI-60419** Personnel Changes, Human Resources.

COURT ORDER NO. 2026-751-07-13

2. General Discussion Items:

Presentation, discussion and any action regarding:

a. AI-60377 Quarterly Construction Projects update, Construction Projects.

Sandeep Kathuria, Director of Building Projects, presented the Fiscal Year 2026, Quarter 2 construction projects update. He reported that the Adult Detention Facility Phase II Medical and Mental Health project was 94 % complete, with substantial completion anticipated by July 28. Site work, landscaping, irrigation, HVAC startup, interior finishes, security electronics, and furnishings were nearing completion. He reported that the Healthcare, Medical Examiner, and Parking Garage project was 93 % complete, with substantial completion anticipated by the end of July. Site improvements, plaza construction, interior finishes, parking garage striping, lighting, and access improvements continued, and the lower-level garage was expected to open following completion of the fire inspection. He further reported that the Modular Central Utility Plant was 95 % complete, with chiller startup anticipated by the end of the month following project modifications.

Mr. Kathuria also provided an update on the Courthouse Expansion Phase I project. He reported that design development had progressed from 50 % to 100 %, preconstruction services had commenced, and the project had advanced into the construction documentation phase. He stated that the site and foundation guaranteed maximum price was anticipated for Court consideration in October, followed by the building package in January 2027. He advised that site work for the west parking area and parking garage was expected to begin in late October 2026, with building expansion work anticipated shortly thereafter. Judge Hill asked whether the design of the pedestrian bridge had changed since prior presentations. Mr. Kathuria confirmed that the design had evolved during the design development phase and explained that architectural features had been added to provide additional weather protection while maintaining an open-air structure.

Mr. Kathuria reported that the needs assessment for the Animal Shelter project remained in progress, with a report and action plan anticipated by the end of the month. He stated that construction documentation continued for the Adult Detention Facility Kitchen Relocation project, with the site and demolition guaranteed maximum price expected in August and the kitchen finish-out package anticipated in October 2026. He further reported that the Juvenile renovation project had received its certificate of occupancy, that the department's relocation was underway, and that the project had been successfully completed. Judge Hill thanked Mr. Kathuria and his team for the progress made on the County's construction projects. (Time: 2:30 p.m.)

NO ACTION

b. AI-60401 Damage to property located at 8696 County Road 133 due to Cell Tower Construction, County Judge.

Clarence Daugherty, Director of Engineering, briefed the Court regarding complaints arising from construction of a telecommunications tower adjacent to private property. He explained that the County's development permit process reviews proposed projects for compliance with applicable floodplain, OSSF, subdivision, and water code regulations, including evaluating potential drainage impacts before construction begins. Although the approved plans did not indicate a drainage concern, Engineering later determined that construction activities had resulted in adverse drainage impacts to the neighboring property. Mr. Daugherty acknowledged that photographs presented to the Court appeared to reflect those adverse impacts and explained that the County had worked to bring the property owner and contractor together, encourage corrective action, and monitor progress, but was not a party to any civil dispute between them. Commissioner Fletcher clarified that, to her understanding, a demand letter had been issued rather than a formal lawsuit and noted that the County's objective was to facilitate a resolution without becoming involved in private litigation.

Mrs. Danna, the adjoining property owner, addressed the Court regarding damage she attributed to the construction of the telecommunications tower, stating that excavation and grading associated with the project altered drainage patterns, causing stormwater to flow onto her property and resulting in erosion, standing water, and damage to her land. She questioned whether those impacts should have been identified during the permitting process and expressed concerns regarding accountability and the County's responsibility once the damage became apparent. Annetta Harbaugh, speaking on behalf of C.A. Bass Construction, acknowledged the concerns, stated that the contractor intended to make the necessary repairs, and expressed the company's willingness to continue working directly with the property owner to reach a voluntary resolution. Tracy Homfeld, Assistant Director of Engineering, explained that the County's role had been to facilitate communication between the parties and encourage corrective action while monitoring compliance with applicable development requirements.

Judge Hill explained that he had placed the item on the agenda not to involve the Court in a private civil dispute, but to determine whether the County had properly fulfilled its responsibilities under the development permitting process. He questioned the County's obligations when adverse drainage impacts become apparent after construction. Mr. Daugherty explained that if the plans submitted during permit review do not indicate a drainage issue, a permit is issued; however, when unforeseen impacts arise during construction, Engineering works with the responsible parties to develop a mitigation plan and encourage voluntary compliance. Yoon Kim, County Administrator, emphasized that the permit itself had not been improperly issued, but rather that the damage occurred during construction, and stated that the County had proactively brought the parties together in an effort to reach a resolution as a good neighbor.

Commissioner Webb questioned whether anything submitted with the permit application should have alerted Engineering to the drainage issue, and Mr. Daugherty responded that the construction activities which ultimately altered the drainage patterns were not reflected in the approved plans. Ms. Homfeld explained that the project was not subject to additional floodplain or erosion-control requirements that would have triggered further review or inspections, reflecting the County's limited regulatory authority. Commissioner Williams noted that the County has no zoning authority to determine where telecommunications towers are located and is limited to reviewing development permits for compliance with applicable regulations. Judge Hill concluded by acknowledging that the outcome remained unsatisfactory for those involved while expressing the Court's commitment to continuing to evaluate and improve the County's permitting processes where appropriate. (Time: 3:22 p.m.)

NO ACTION

c. AI-60334 Update on County Facility and Infrastructure needs, Administrative Services.

Yoon Kim, County Administrator, presented a refined proposal for a potential November 2026 bond election and requested direction from the Court, explaining that staff had reduced the proposed infrastructure program from approximately \$1.2 billion to \$820 million by prioritizing the county's most critical capital needs while minimizing the impact on the I&S (Interest and Sinking) tax rate. He reported that updated projections reflected approximately 3% annual growth, and stated that project costs incorporated an estimated 5% annual inflation factor. Mr. Kim advised that the proposal prioritized jail and courthouse improvements due to increasing demand and the jail having surpassed its capacity, while several previously identified projects had been deferred to reduce the overall bond package. Commissioner Fletcher emphasized that planning for future growth required consideration of the entire criminal justice system, including the courts, District Attorney's Office, and constables, in addition to the jail, and stressed the importance of accounting for inflation in project estimates. Commissioner Williams observed that constructing additional facilities without the funding necessary to staff and operate them would limit their effectiveness and inquired about the annual staffing cost of a jail pod. Mr. Kim responded that staffing a standard pod at the main jail would cost approximately \$2.5 million annually, excluding ancillary operating expenses. He also advised that the Tax Assessor-Collector, County Clerk, and District Clerk had identified additional space needs, although those projects had been deferred. Commissioner Webb questioned whether the county could delay expansion of the Tax Assessor-Collector's facilities for an additional six years, noting the long public waiting times. Judge Hill stated that the Court would need to consider the proposed bond election before the budget workshop due to the statutory election deadline. He remarked that allowing the I&S tax rate to decline before increasing it in future years would be less beneficial to taxpayers than maintaining a consistent rate and requested additional analysis regarding the county's bonding capacity under a steady I&S tax rate. Commissioner Hale commended staff for refining the proposal, remarked that the revised package focused on the county's highest priorities, and expressed support for bringing the proposed bond package, ballot propositions, and financing details back to the Court in early August for further consideration. The Court reached a consensus directing staff to prepare the finalized bond package for consideration in early August, ahead of the August 17 statutory deadline to call the bond election. (Time: 3:50 p.m.)

NO ACTION

d. **AI-60413** Designate the 401st District Court as a Drug Court Program for Collin County, 493rd District Court.

Judge Kimberly Laseter appeared before the Court to request designation of the 401st District Court as Collin County's drug court, explaining that the Office of Court Administration required the designation after she assumed responsibility for the County's drug court docket in May. She reviewed the history of the program, noting that Judge Ray Wheless established the County's original drug court and that the Commissioners Court designated the 416th District Court as the County's drug court in 2018, where Judge Thompson and her team operated the program for approximately eight years. Judge Hill asked whether the designation would be removed from the 416th District Court. Judge Laseter explained that she was not requesting removal because Judge Thompson continued to operate an Intermediate Sanctions Court, a specialty court that remained partially supported through the LifePath grant. She added that the district courts had discussed the possibility of another general jurisdiction court assuming that function in the future, but no change was being proposed at this time. Judge Hill also requested clarification regarding the fiscal impact of designating the 401st District Court. Judge Laseter advised that the action would have no fiscal impact on the County because the treatment team continued to be funded through the annual LifePath grant, and the drug court docket was conducted during the lunch hour without requiring additional County funding or reducing regular court operations. Judge Hill thanked Judge Laseter for the clarification. (Time: 2:32 p.m.)

A motion was made to approve the item as presented.

Motion By: Commissioner Susan Fletcher

Second By: Commissioner Cheryl Williams

Vote: 5-0 Passed

COURT ORDER NO. 2026-752-07-13

e. **AI-60359** Participation in a six-month free trial of Managed Data Detection and Response, Information Technology.

Caren Skipworth, Chief Information Officer, introduced a proposal to participate in a six-month, no-cost trial of a managed detection and response cybersecurity service. She noted that discussion of the technology would remain at a high level due to cybersecurity considerations. Jeff Springfield, IT Security Officer, explained that the service would provide continuous 24-hour monitoring of the County's existing cybersecurity platform by reviewing system alerts and identifying potential threats, supplementing the County's current monitoring capabilities. He stated that the trial would allow Information Technology staff to evaluate the effectiveness of the service before considering future implementation. In response to questions from Judge Hill, Mr. Springfield confirmed that the six-month trial would be provided at no cost to the County and estimated that ongoing service would cost approximately \$50,000 annually should the County choose to pursue it in the future. (Time: 2:36 p.m.)

A motion was made to approve the item as presented.

Motion By: Commissioner Susan Fletcher

Second By: Commissioner Duncan Webb

Vote: 5-0 Passed

COURT ORDER NO. 2026-753-07-13

f. **AI-60391** Participation in a six-month trial of Anthropic's Claude AI, Information Technology.

Jeff Springfield, IT Security Officer, presented a proposal to participate in a six-month trial of Anthropic's Claude AI platform. He stated that artificial intelligence was already here and that IT (Information Technology) was working to stay ahead of the rapidly evolving technology by gaining practical experience before considering any future implementation. He explained that IT was developing an acceptable use policy to guide how County employees should use artificial intelligence and was evaluating how AI-generated records would be retained, managed, and retrieved in accordance with the County's records management requirements. Commissioner Hale expressed concern that sensitive County information could be used to train artificial intelligence models. Mr. Springfield responded that the proposed trial would not train on County data and explained that the evaluation was intended to provide IT with practical experience to better understand the technology and its potential costs before requesting future funding. Judge Hill stated that he had additional questions but believed they could involve cybersecurity-sensitive matters that would be inappropriate for open session. He asked whether the Court should recess into executive session or hold the item to allow those discussions to occur outside court. Yoon Kim, County Administrator, advised that there was no deadline requiring immediate action and that the item could be held for a future meeting, allowing Court members to be briefed individually on any cybersecurity-sensitive matters. Commissioner Hale expressed concern regarding the potential expense of artificial intelligence services. Mr. Springfield responded that IT wanted to gain experience with the technology before determining how it should be budgeted for in the future. Caren Skipworth, Chief Information Officer, added that staff was monitoring evolving state and federal laws and guidance regarding the use of artificial intelligence by public entities while developing County policies. Commissioner Fletcher requested that any future proposal identify potential operational efficiencies and cost savings. Following discussion, the Court held the item for consideration during a future meeting. (Time: 2:44 p.m.)

HELD

g. **AI-60395** Pursue a stand-alone construction project to implement pond improvements, Engineering.

Clarence Daugherty, Director of Engineering, presented a request to pursue a standalone project to improve a detention pond associated with the FM 2551 roadway project. He explained that the roadway project, which had been designed by the County and was under construction by the TxDOT (Texas Department of Transportation), was not the source of existing drainage problems affecting nearby detention ponds owned by the City of Allen, a developer, and a homeowner's association. However, additional hydraulic analysis determined that the project would increase runoff to the City of Allen's detention pond. Mr. Daugherty stated that Engineering's recommendation was limited to mitigating the additional runoff generated by the roadway project and not addressing the preexisting drainage issues. He advised that improving the City of Allen detention pond represented the most practical and timely solution to avoid worsening existing conditions and potentially delaying the roadway project.

Judge Hill questioned whether the available bond funds should instead be reserved for other transportation priorities. Mr. Daugherty acknowledged that responsibility for the drainage system extended beyond the County but stated that Engineering sought to prevent the project from worsening existing drainage conditions. He added that, based on prior experience, roadway improvements often led to the County being blamed for preexisting drainage problems, making it important to avoid exacerbating those conditions. Commissioner Webb confirmed that the available bond funds were restricted to transportation-related projects.

Commissioner Williams questioned why TxDOT was not addressing the issue and how the drainage concerns had come to Engineering's attention. Mr. Daugherty explained that the drainage concerns were raised by area residents after construction began, prompting additional analysis that identified the increased runoff. He stated that TxDOT was not prepared to address the issue within the current construction schedule and that relying on the agency's process could delay completion of the roadway project. Commissioner Williams also inquired whether the City of Allen had been asked to participate in the project costs and whether the City considered the matter urgent. Mr. Daugherty responded that discussions had occurred but could not speak to the City's level of urgency. He further advised that, in his opinion, delaying corrective action could result in delays to the TxDOT construction project. No action was taken on the item. (Time: 4:09 p.m.)

NO ACTION

h. **AI-60261** Continue use of Unit No. 56034 as an unmarked vehicle when placed into service, Sheriff.

James Skinner, Sheriff, explained that the replacement crime scene vehicle would be an unmarked vehicle with exempt license plates. He distinguished between exempt plates, regular street plates, and undercover plates, noting that both exempt and regular street plates identify the vehicle as registered to Collin County, while undercover plates are a separate category. Sheriff Skinner stated that unmarked crime scene vehicles help avoid drawing unnecessary attention to victims' homes during sensitive investigations, such as delayed reports of sexual assault, while still allowing investigators to perform their duties. Commissioner Williams stated that the explanation clarified the need for the vehicle and expressed her support, and Commissioner Fletcher concurred. (Time: 4:12 p.m.)

A motion was made to approve the item as presented.

Motion By: Commissioner Cheryl Williams

Second By: Commissioner Susan Fletcher

Vote: 4-1 Passed

Nay: Judge Chris Hill

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i. **AI-60303** Replace six (6) law enforcement units as unmarked vehicles with non-exempt license plates, Sheriff.

James Skinner, Sheriff, presented a request to replace six law enforcement units as unmarked vehicles with non-exempt license plates. He explained that the request involved three vehicles assigned to criminal investigations, two vehicles used by transport deputies, and one vehicle assigned to the courthouse captain. Regarding the two transport vehicles, Sheriff Skinner stated that deputies frequently traveled long distances, including out of state, to transport inmates and that maintaining a low profile during those transports enhanced officer safety. Judge Hill questioned why the transport vehicles and the courthouse captain's take-home vehicle required non-exempt license plates rather than marked patrol vehicles. Sheriff Skinner responded that the transport vehicles were used exclusively for official duties by deputies who frequently departed at irregular hours for extended transports and that the captain's vehicle was also routinely used by other Sheriff's Office personnel as operational needs required. Judge Hill stated that Sheriff Skinner's explanation had satisfied his concerns regarding the three criminal investigations vehicles and moved to approve those vehicles separately while withholding approval of the remaining three vehicles. Commissioner Williams noted that the request had been reduced from a previous submission and asked what had changed. Sheriff Skinner explained that, after reviewing the prior request more closely following the Court's vote in a previous session, he had removed several vehicles and believed the remaining three were essential to Sheriff's Office operations and officer safety. Commissioner Williams then moved to approve the remaining three vehicles. Commissioner Hale asked whether employees assigned take-home vehicles were aware of the applicable tax implications. Sheriff Skinner responded that the Sheriff's Office complied with all applicable IRS (Internal Revenue Service) requirements governing those vehicles and offered to provide the Court with the memorandum addressing those regulations. (Time: 4:21 p.m.)

A motion was made to approve the 3 vehicles designated as criminal investigation vehicles.

Motion By: Judge Chris Hill

Second By: Commissioner Duncan Webb

Vote: 5-0 Passed

A motion was made to approve the remaining 3 vehicles.

Motion By: Commissioner Cheryl Williams

Second By: Commissioner Susan Fletcher

Vote: 2-3 failed

Nay: Judge Chris Hill, Commissioner Darrell Hale, and Commissioner Duncan Webb.

COURT ORDER NO. 2026-756-07-13

j. **AI-60392** \$504,994 for projected out-of-county inmate housing expenses through September 2026, Sheriff.

James Skinner, Sheriff, requested additional funding for projected out-of-county inmate housing expenses through September 2026, advising that the Sheriff's Office had 1,366 inmates in custody, including 68 housed in Haskell County, and that additional funding was needed to cover upcoming housing costs. Commissioner Fletcher commended Sheriff Skinner, Chief Langdon, and Sheriff's Office staff for their efforts to manage the jail population while meeting the County's obligation to house inmates. Commissioner Hale likewise recognized the Sheriff's Office's management of inmate housing, noting that the costs had remained well below the contingency funding that had been set aside. He attributed the savings to the Sheriff's Office's coordination with the courts and efficient jail operations. Commissioner Webb also commended the Sheriff's Office and its staff, stating that their efforts had provided a significant budgetary benefit to the County. Sheriff Skinner thanked the Court for its confidence in the Sheriff's Office and recognized the work of his staff. (Time: 4:25 p.m.)

A motion was made to approve the item as presented.

Motion By: Commissioner Duncan Webb

Second By: Commissioner Susan Fletcher

Vote: 5-0 Passed

COURT ORDER NO. 2026-757-07-13

3. Executive Session Items:

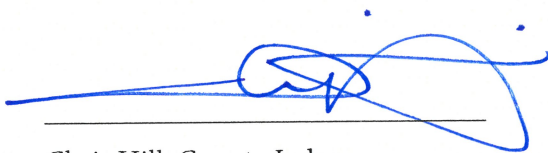
The Court did not recess into Executive Session.

Public Comments not related to an item on the Agenda.

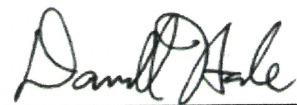
Richard S. Hill of Farmersville, addressed the Court regarding his concerns about the relationship between the Collin County Commissioners Court and the ESD (Emergency Services District) Board of Commissioners. Mr. Hill requested that the Court not support the statement of shared principles with the MUDs (Municipal Utility Districts), stating that dedicating up to \$4.3 million in ESD funds to the MUDs would financially hinder the ESD Board and prevent it from achieving the results promised to citizens. He questioned whether the ILA (Interlocal Agreement) between the County and the ESD created a conflict of interest. Mr. Hill asserted that County employees providing services to the ESD should work solely in the interest of the ESD and that there should be a separation between County staff's work for the ESD and the Commissioners Court's priorities. He requested that the Commissioners Court cease any actual or perceived interference with the work of the ESD Board and allow the Board to independently fulfill its duties. (Time: 4:29 p.m.)

Barbara Dawn Jacobson Lyke of Wylie, addressed the Court regarding cybersecurity concerns and requested that additional funding be considered for Sheriff Jim Skinner's Office if needs related to cybersecurity, law enforcement, or other services are presented during the August 2026 budget workshop. She discussed various forms of cybercrime, including phishing, ransomware, identity theft, artificial intelligence voice cloning, and business email compromise. Ms. Lyke referenced federal cybercrime legislation and expressed her opinion that future legislation should include protections for all levels of educational institutions. (Time: 4:31 p.m.)

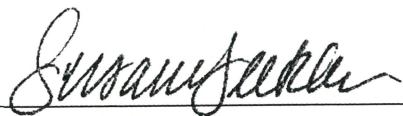
There being no further business of the Court, Judge Hill adjourned the meeting at 4:32 p.m.



Chris Hill, County Judge



Darrell Hale, Commissioner, Pct 3



Susan Fletcher, Commissioner, Pct 1

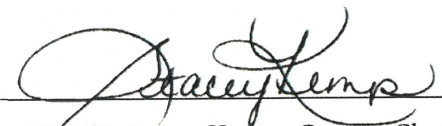
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Cheryl Williams, Commissioner, Pct 2



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Duncan Webb, Commissioner, Pct 4



ATTEST: Stacey Kemp, County Clerk