COMMISSIONERS COURT DOCKET MARCH 30, 2021 SPECIAL SESSION

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF MONTGOMERY

BE IT REMEMBERED that on this the 30th day of March, 2021, the Honorable Commissioners Court of Montgomery County, Texas, was duly convened in a Special Session in the Commissioners Courtroom of the Alan B. Sadler Commissioners Court Building, 501 North Thompson, Conroe, Texas, with the following members of the Court present:

County Judge	Mark Keougn
Commissioner, Precinct 1	Robert Walker
Commissioner, Precinct 2	Charlie Riley
Commissioner, Precinct 3	James Noack
Commissioner, Precinct 4	James Metts
Also County Clerk's Office	Beverley Hinds

INVOCATION GIVEN BY Jerilynn Williams.

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA RECITED.

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CITIZENS - AGENDA ITEM 6

No citizens addressed the court at this time.

1. REQUEST APPROVED – USE FEES – COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 1

Motion by Commissioner Metts, seconded by Commissioner Riley, to approve a fee increase at Lake Conroe Park from \$2.00 per person to \$5.00 per person effective April 1, 2021. Commissioner Noack abstained. Motion carried.

2. REQUEST APPROVED – PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS - AUDITOR

Motion by Commissioner Riley, seconded by Commissioner Metts, to approve the Claims as submitted by the Auditor. Motion carried.

3. REQUEST APPROVED – FUNDS INCREASE - AUDITOR

Motion by Commissioner Metts, seconded by Commissioner Riley, to authorize an increase in cash drawer funds at the Lake Conroe Park in Precinct 1 for a total increase of \$150.00. Motion carried.

4. REQUEST APPROVED – ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT – AUDITOR

Motion by Commissioner Riley, seconded by Commissioner Noack, to accept the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2020, with the note that the Court disagrees with a finding from the outside Auditor, regarding retainage, which they say should have been capitalized last year. The same auditing firm had advised the County to use this method for years, and now, all of a sudden, they are stating that it should have been done a different way. Because of the deadline for this report, they will accept it, but will be submitting an RFQ for a new vendor for outside Auditing. The County still maintains a AAA rating, one of only 9 counties to do so. Motion carried. NOTE: DISCUSSION IN FULL CAN BE HEARD IN AUDIO OF MINUTES ON THE COUNTY WEBSITE.

5. REQUEST APPROVED – HOUSING PROGRAM – GRANTS AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Motion by Commissioner Noack seconded by Commissioner Metts, to approve the updated CDBG Covid-19 Housing and Non-housing Assistance Program fund guidelines. Motion carried.

6. REQUEST APPROVED – FORMULA GRANT – GRANTS AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Motion by Commissioner Noack, seconded by Commissioner Metts, to accept the Fiscal Year 2021 Formula Grant from Texas Indigent Defense Commission in the amount of \$398,630. The Grant application was approved in Commissioners Court on 10/27/2020. Motion carried.

7. REQUEST APPROVED – POSITION CHANGE – LIBRARY

Motion by Commissioner Riley, seconded by Commissioner Walker, to approve the transfer of \$3,118.38 from GHR position 4500-3922 to GHR position 4500-4157. This change will not alter the overall MCMLS salary budget for FY2021. Commissioner Noack opposed, stating that this did not have the approval of Human Resources or the Budget Office. Motion carried.

COMMISSIONERS COURT WAS RECESSED FOR PUBLIC HEARING ON THE FOLLOWING:

AGENDA ITEM 11A1: Proposed Guidelines & Criteria for Tax Abatement for Montgomery County, Texas pursuant to the Texas Property Redevelopment and Tax Abatement Act (Texas Tax Code Chapter 312) for Tax Assessor.

THERE BEING NO COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC, COMMISSIONERS COURT WAS RECONVENED.

8. REQUEST APPROVED – GUIDELINES & CRITERIA FOR TAX ABATEMENT – TAX ASSESSOR

Motion by Commissioner Noack, seconded by Commissioner Metts, to accept the Proposed Guidelines & Criteria for Tax Abatement for Montgomery County, Texas pursuant to the Texas Property Redevelopment and Tax Abatement Act (Texas Tax Code Chapter 312). Motion carried.

9. COURT ADJOURNS

Motion by Commissioner Noack, seconded by Commissioner Metts, to adjourn this session of Court. Motion carried.

The above and foregoing minutes were read and approved by the Court.

ATTEST:

Mark Turnbull, County Clerk Ex-Officio Clerk - Commissioners' Court Montgomery County, Texas

BY:

COUNTY CLERK

Mark Tunkell

OUNTY JUDGE