

AGENDA ITEM # 21February 3, 1998*

Discuss and take any appropriate action on EMS station for Leander/Liberty Hill area.

EMS Director John Sneed advised the City of Leander had offered land and/or house for the EMS station. The old house was in need of repair for which the City of Leander would pay 50% to accomplish. Mr. Sneed estimated the repairs would cost between \$25,000.00 and \$30,000.00. The location is directly across the street from the Leander City Council chambers, one block off 183 and one block north of 2243 resulting in approximately 6 minutes driving time to Liberty Hill.

Mr. Sneed felt the city had made a very generous offer with a very good location. The City of Leander was currently applying for grant funds to build a new fire station.

Mrs. Ann Kelm, Leander City Council, Place 2 addressed the court introducing Donald Hatcher new Leander Chief of Police. She felt if the EMS station was located in Leander they could back up Cedar Park EMS and Cedar Park could back up Leander.

Wayne Benedict was requested to obtain an estimate of renovation as compared to the purchase of a mobile building being moved on to the property. Mrs. Kelm advised a trailer or pre-fab would be acceptable on the property and the City of Leander would also pay 50% of the cost.

Commissioner Boatright suggested we look at both long and short term basis on this situation.

Moved: Commissioner Boatright

Seconded: Judge Doerfler

Motion: To approve moving forward with negotiations with City of Leander to locate EMS station on donated property located at the corner of Willis and Brushy Streets.

Vote: Motion carried 5 - 0

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TO: WILLIAMSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
FROM: ANN KELM, LEANDER CITY COUNCIL, PLACE 2
DATE: FEBRUARY 2, 1998

LEANDER PRESENTLY HAS 2,812 ACRES AND AN ADDITIONAL 262 TO BE ADDED SHORTLY WHICH WILL BRING US TO 3,074 ACRES..

OUR ETJ IS LARGE ENOUGH FOR US TO GROW 5 TIMES THAT AMOUNT WHICH WOULD BE 15,370 ACRES.

OUR PRESENT ESTIMATED POPULATION IS 7,500 AND GROWING DAILY.

THE HEALTH AND WELFARE OF OUR CITIZENS AND SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES IS OF GRAVE IMPORTANCE TO US. WE SEE A NEED FOR A FASTER RESPONSE TIME TO THE GROWING 183 CORRIDOR.

OUR PROPOSED SITE IS ON THE CORNER OF WILLIS STREET AND BRUSHY STREET WHICH IS 1 BLOCK FROM 183 AND ACROSS THE STREET FROM CITY HALL AND OUR POLICE STATION. THE PROPERTY IS OWNED BY THE CITY OF LEANDER AND TWO LOTS ARE IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE FOR THE EMS FACILITY. THERE IS ALSO A HOUSE DIRECTLY BEHIND THE TWO LOTS THAT CAN HOUSE EMS PERSONNEL. AND DETAILS CAN BE CONFIRMED IMMEDIATELY.

AS EVERYONE IS AWARE OF THE TRAFFIC AND NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS ON 183 DAILY WE FEEL A CENTRAL LOCATION WOULD CUT THE RESPONSE TIME IN HALF.

I DROVE SEVERAL ROUTES AND YOU CAN SEE THE INCREDIBLE SHORT DISTANCE FROM THE PROPOSED LOCATION (Attachment 2).

A PLAT OF THE PROPOSED PROPERTY FOR THE EMS FACILITY IS ALSO ATTACHED (Attachment 3).

LEANDER WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR CONSIDERATION IN THIS MATTER AND WITH THIS HIGHLY ACCESSIBLE FACILITY WE CAN SAVE EVEN MORE LIVES.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME IN THIS MATTER.

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ATTACHMENT 2

WILLIAMSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT, February 2, 1998

EMS SITE in Leander at the corner of Willis Street and Brushy Street will herein be call EMS.

1. EMS to intersection of Hwy. 29 and 183 via 183 = 5.35 miles
2. EMS to Liberty Hill City Limits Sign (Loop 332) via 183/29 = 7.25 miles
3. EMS to Burnet County Sign via 183/29 = 13.85 miles
4. EMS to Bertram City Limits via 183/29 = 17.55 miles
5. EMS to County Road 272 via 183 = 1.7 miles
6. EMS to Cedar Park City Limits Sign via 183 = 2.8 miles
7. EMS to Hwy. 183 and 1431 intersection = 4.3 miles
8. EMS to Parmer Lane via 183/1431 = 7.2 miles
9. EMS to I35 via 183/1431 = 12.7 miles
10. EMS to I35 via County Road 2243 = 10.7 miles
11. EMS to Bagdad Road (2243) via Willis/Broade = 1.1 mile
12. EMS to Reunion Ranch Road via 183 = 8.96 miles

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AGENDA ITEM # 22

February 3, 1998

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Consider declaring an emergency and acknowledging additional revenue for EMS fee:

100-342-8000 Fees and Donations \$287,774.00

Moved: Commissioner Hays

Seconded: Judge Doerfler

Motion: To declare an emergency and acknowledge additional revenue for EMS fee:

100-342-8000 Fees and Donations \$287,774.00

Vote: Motion carried 4 - 0 with Commissioner Mehevec absent from the dais.
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AN ORDER DECLARING AN EMERGENCY AND A GRAVE PUBLIC NECESSITY DUE TO UNFORESEEABLE CIRCUMSTANCES AND APPROVING A BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR 100-540-EMS

FUND

DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, THE WILLIAMSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT HAS CAREFULLY STUDIED THE PUBLIC NECESSITY OF INCREASING THE ESTIMATED REVENUES DURING THIS FISCAL YEAR; AND

WHEREAS, THE WILLIAMSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT, DUE TO UNFORESEEABLE CIRCUMSTANCES, DID NOT ESTIMATE SUFFICIENT FUNDS IN THE CURRENT BUDGET FOR THESE NECESSARY REVENUES; NOW

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE WILLIAMSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT THAT AN EMERGENCY AND GRAVE PUBLIC NECESSITY DOES EXIST DUE TO UNFORESEEABLE CIRCUMSTANCES.

WHEREAS, ON THE 3rd DAY OF Feb, 1998, A MOTION MADE BY Commissioner Hays AND SECONDED BY Judge Doerfler THE MOTION CARRIED BY A VOTE OF 4 FOR, 0 AGAINST, with Commissioner Mehevec absent from the dais.

WHEREAS, THE WILLIAMSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT HAS DECLARED AN EMERGENCY AND A GRAVE PUBLIC NECESSITY DUE TO UNFORESEEABLE CIRCUMSTANCES IN THE MATTER OF ESTIMATING NECESSARY FUNDS FOR THE ABOVE MENTIONED DEPARTMENT; NOW

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED THAT THE 1998 FISCAL YEAR WILLIAMSON COUNTY BUDGET BE AMENDED TO APPROPRIATE ADDITIONAL REVENUE AND THE FOLLOWING AMOUNT BE APPROPRIATED FOR THE FOLLOWING LINE ITEM:

ACCOUNT #	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
100-342-8000	FEEES AND DONATIONS	\$287,774.00

WHEREUPON, A MOTION DULY MADE AND SECONDED, THE WILLIAMSON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT DID AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN THIS ORDER, THE COUNTY CLERK WAS INSTRUCTED TO FILE A COPY OF THIS ORDER WITH THE EXISTING BUDGET, AND TO FORWARD A COPY OF THIS ORDER TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR.

John C. Doerfler 2-3-98
JOHN C. DOERFLER, COUNTY JUDGE

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ATTEST:

Elaine Bizzell
ELAINE BIZZELL, COUNTY CLERK