

Discuss and take any appropriate action on Taylor Annex.

Judge Doerfler advised he had met with architect Ray Gill for suggested price cutting on \$1,730,000.00 bid whose suggestion was save \$38,667.00 without cutting square footage. The Judge asked the court for their input. The choices were to not award the contract or take approximately \$235,000.00 from cash ending balance and award the contract to Brath, Inc.

Moved: Commissioner Mehevec

Seconded: Judge Doerfler

Motion: To transfer approximately \$235,000.00 from cash ending balance and award the \$1,730,000.00 contract to Brath, Inc., 600 IH 35 South, Round Rock, Texas, 78681.

Vote: Motion carried 4 - 0

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September 25, 1998

Judge John Doerfler  
Williamson County Annex  
710 Main Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Georgetown, Texas 78626

Judge John,

I recommend we accept deducts number #1 \$1,300.00, #3 \$2,867.00, #10 \$4,000.00 and #11 \$2,000.00.

Item 2 would change the standards that have been used in the last few county buildings.

Item 5 the Cedar Park facility has the same roof we specified. Accepting this would also change the standard.

Item 6, 7, 8 & 9 are not enough to bother with.

The total of these changes would be \$10,167.00.

I would recommend that we also modify the allowances as follows:

Sign allowance reduce from \$10,000.00 to \$4,000.00 each.	( 6,000.00)
Betterment fund: from 40,000.00 to 20,000.00	(20,000.00)
Omit flagpole:	( 2,500.00)
Total additional amount	\$28,500.00

Which would be a total deduct of \$38,667.00

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Existing Contract Amount	\$1,730,000.00
Recommended Deducts	- 38,667.00
Revised Contract Amount	\$1,691,333.00

I feel we can make some additional modifications during construction to get savings of another ten to twelve thousand dollars, which would put us in the \$50,000.00 range for total deducts.

Judge, as we discussed these cuts are not big items as compared to the contract price. I feel we can make these cuts without sacrificing quality and good construction practice.

I understand your concern about finding the additional money. It is hard to advise the court as to postpone the construction and see if prices get better or move forward. It is a roll of the dice. However, you need to keep in mind that the contractor may have incurred some expenses as he has been awarded the contract but awaiting the signed agreement.

If you have any questions please call.

Sincerely,



Ray Gill, Jr.  
R. GILL & ASSOCIATES

AGENDA ITEM # 77

September 29, 1998

Hear comments from commissioners.

Commissioner Hays stated the State Data Center revised their Williamson County population estimate to 825,000 in the year 2025 from 616,000. 1997 population was estimated at 210,000 with 1998 population estimate of 225,000.

COMMISSIONERS COURT ADJOURNED AT 12:10 A. M. ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 1998.