

COMMISSIONERS COURT RECONVENED AT 1:41 P.M. ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 15, 2000**AGENDA ITEM 44**

Work Session - Jail expansion, future road bond issues, park issues.

Judge Doerfler opened the session indicating the object of this meeting would be decisions on road priorities and approximate funds required with the possibility of a bond package being added to the ballot of November 7, 2000. McCall, Parkhurst and Horton, L.L.P. Carol Polumbo and First Southwest Company Dan Wegmiller were in attendance for advice and wording for a bond package.

Land Strategies Mike Weaver distributed a map and graph as he addressed the court and answered questions.

During the discussion Judge Doerfler suggested the entire package be added to the ballot as one item.

During discussion \$200M was estimated for county and state roads and \$150M was estimated for the four (4) toll roads.

Commissioner Heiligenstein discussed the State of Texas applying to the U.S. Government for a \$700M loan to "jump start" the \$3.2 billion state roads project.

Judge Doerfler estimated \$0.12 per \$100.00 evaluation tax increase during the peak years of 2007 and 2008 if a \$350M bond package is approved by the voters of Williamson County.

Commissioner Heiligenstein advised the motion he would have liked would be to instruct our consultants and fiscal advisor to develop a schedule which would (1) include the accelerated program schedule as presented by TxDOT for the Big Four; (2) include the county and state arterials as prioritized in the initial study; (3) include those roadways added as principally county road extensions or expansions with the understanding that the schedule would reflect the tax increases associated with each of those groupings in a schedule.

COMMISSIONERS COURT ADJOURNED AT 3:12 P.M. ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 15, 2000**COMMISSIONERS COURT RECONVENED AT 3:25 P.M. ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 15, 2000**

Moved: **Commissioner Limmer**

Seconded: **Judge Doerfler**

Motion: To approve a \$350M road bond package being added to the ballot as one (1) item for the election of November 7, 2000.

Vote: Motion carried 4 – 1 with Commissioner Heiligenstein voting against the motion.

Land Strategies Mike Weaver advised the court his firm would continue to be available for prioritizing the road projects by precincts.

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Discuss and take any appropriate action regarding jail expansion, future road bond issues and park issues.

Land Strategies Pix Howell introduced Jim Rogers from Cedar Park, Sharon Prete from Round Rock, and Fern Bluff Municipal Utility District Board Members Jean Cochran and Terri Thompson as well as Williamson County Special Coordinator Julie L. Wolff.

Mr. Howell advised a consultant is on board designing the first portion of Brushy Creek Trail which will require approximately nine (9) months to build. At that time the maintenance begins – EMS, Police, Fire Department, Trail maintenance, Trash, Lighting, etc.

He discussed the possibility of connecting Williamson County trails to LCRA Park, Brazos River Trail system, eastern Travis County as well as potential tie in to Bastrop and Bell Counties. Judge Doerfler and Mr. Howell discussed the possibility of connecting to Bagdad Trails.