



## TRAVIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 6

### Regular Session Minutes Thursday, August 22, 2024

#### **1. Call to Order**

With a quorum present, the regular session meeting of Travis County ESD No. 6 was called to order by Commissioner Newman at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 22, 2024 at Lake Travis Fire Rescue Headquarters, 15304 Pheasant Lane, Austin, Travis County, Texas 78734.

Commissioner Shiloh Newman	President	Present
Commissioner Larry Sartin	Vice President	Present
Commissioner Matt Womack	Treasurer	Present
Commissioner Jessica Clinton	Secretary-Asst. Treasurer	Present
Commissioner Paula S. Barr	Board Member	Present

#### **2. Safety awareness**

*Fire Chief Abbott reminded everyone to stay safe while working outside due to the excessive heat.*

#### **3. Public comment**

*None presented.*

#### **4. Personnel recognition**

*Assistant Fire Chief Prather awarded Firefighter Daniel Bachmeyer with a Medal of Bravery. Fire Chief Abbott introduced Assistant Fire Marshal Ryan Smith.*

#### **CONSENT**

#### **5. Approve the minutes of the Thursday, July 25, 2024 Regular Session**

#### **6. Approve the July 2024 Financial Report**

#### **7. Approve the July 2024 Investment Report**

**8. Approve expenditures over \$2,000**

**MOTION:** Approve Consent Items 5-8 as presented.  
**RESULT:** **APPROVED (UNANIMOUS)**  
**MOVER:** Commissioner Larry Sartin, Vice President  
**SECONDER:** Commissioner Matt Womack, Treasurer  
**AYES:** Shiloh Newman, Larry Sartin, Matt Womack, Jessica Clinton, Paula S. Barr

**9. Discuss and/or take appropriate action on issuing a District credit card for Assistant Fire Marshal Ryan Smith with a credit limit of \$5,000**

Members of the Board heard from:  
Chief Financial Officer Smith

**MOTION:** Approve approves issuing a District credit card for Assistant Fire Marshal Ryan Smith with a credit limit of \$5,000.  
**MOVER:** Commissioner Matt Womack, Treasurer  
**SECONDER:** Commissioner Jessica Clinton, Secretary-Assistant Treasurer  
**AYES:** Shiloh Newman, Larry Sartin, Matt Womack, Jessica Clinton, Paula S. Barr

**10. Discuss FY 2025 Preliminary 10-Year Financial Plan and Capital Improvement Plan**

Members of the Board heard from:  
Commissioner Shiloh Newman  
Commissioner Larry Sartin  
Commissioner Jessica Clinton  
Commissioner Paula S. Barr  
Fire Chief Abbott  
Chief Financial Officer Smith

**RESULT:** **DISCUSSED**

**11. Discuss and/or take appropriate action on ad valorem tax rates for 2024**

- No-New-Revenue and Voter-Approval tax rates and publication
- Proposed tax rate for 2024
- Record Vote

Members of the Board heard from:  
Chief Financial Officer Smith

**MOTION:** Propose that the property taxes be increased by the adoption of a total tax rate for 2024 of \$0.0831 per one hundred dollars of taxable value with the tax rate for Debt Service of \$0.0009 per one hundred dollars of taxable value and the tax rate for Maintenance and Operations (M&O) of \$0.0822 per one hundred dollars of taxable value, and that these

proposed tax rates be placed as an action item on the agenda of a meeting of the Board of Commissioners to be held in September 2024.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED (UNANIMOUS)**

**MOVER:** Commissioner Larry Sartin, Vice President

**SECONDER:** Commissioner Jessica Clinton, Secretary-Assistant Treasurer

**AYES:** Shiloh Newman, Larry Sartin, Matt Womack, Jessica Clinton, Paula S. Barr

**12. Update, discuss and/or take appropriate action on scheduling one public hearing regarding the proposed tax rate for 2024 and a meeting to vote on the adoption of proposed tax rate for 2024**

- Record Vote

Members of the Board heard from:

Chief Financial Officer Smith

**MOTION:** Approvesthe scheduling of the public hearing and the meeting at which the Board will vote on the adoption of the proposed tax rates. The Board orders Public Hearing as per Truth-in-Taxation statutes, to be held on Thursday, September 26, 2024 at 3:30 p.m. and the meeting to vote on the adoption of the proposed ad valorem tax rates on Thursday, September 26, 2024 at 4 p.m.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED (UNANIMOUS)**

**MOVER:** Commissioner Larry Sartin, Vice President

**SECONDER:** Commissioner Jessica Clinton, Secretary-Assistant Treasurer

**AYES:** Shiloh Newman, Larry Sartin, Matt Womack, Jessica Clinton, Paula S. Barr

**13. Update, discuss and/or take appropriate action on additional Medical benefits**

**RESULT:** **TABLED**

**14. Executive Session (No public discussion on these items)**

*The Travis County Emergency Services District No. 6 Board of Fire Commissioners will consider the following items in Executive Session. The Commissioners may also consider any other matter posted on the agenda if there are issues that require consideration in Executive Session and the Commissioners announce that the item will be considered during Executive Session. No action may be taken on any items considered during Executive Session.*

A. Tex Govt. Code §551.074: Deliberation about personnel matters

B. Tex Govt. Code §551.071: Consult with attorneys – Regarding any matters on this agenda

**RESULT:** **NO ACTION TAKEN**

**15. Update and/or discuss ongoing District construction projects**

Members of the Board heard from:

Commissioner Larry Sartin

Commissioner Matt Womack

Fire Chief Abbott  
Chief Financial Officer Smith

**RESULT: DISCUSSED**

**16. Update, discuss and/or take appropriate action on Board Educational Sub-Committees' work**

- Update, discuss and/or take appropriate action on Legislative Strategic Plan

Members of the Board heard from:  
Fire Chief Abbott

**RESULT: DISCUSSED**

- Update, discuss and/or take appropriate action on Community Advisory Committee

Members of the Board heard from:  
Fire Chief Abbott

**RESULT: DISCUSSED**

**17. Update, discuss and/or take appropriate action on Travis County ESD Commissioners Council (ESDCC)**

Members of the Board heard from:  
Commissioner Shiloh Newman  
Commissioner Paula S. Barr  
Fire Chief Abbott

**RESULT: DISCUSSED**

**18. Update, discuss and/or take appropriate action on Texas State Association of Fire Emergency Districts (SAFE-D)**

- Commissioner training opportunities

Members of the Board heard from:  
Commissioner Shiloh Newman

**RESULT: DISCUSSED**

**19. Fire Chief's Report**

Members of the Board heard from:  
Fire Chief Abbott

**RESULT: DISCUSSED**

**20. Commissioners interests and future agenda items**

Members of the Board heard from:  
Fire Chief Abbott

**RESULT: DISCUSSED**

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**Approved by the Board of Commissioners:**

09-26-2024

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Date of Approval

*Jessica Clinton*

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Jessica Clinton, Secretary-Assistant Treasurer