

**TRAVIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT No.
14**

REGULAR MEETING

**Tuesday, May 16, 2017, 7:00 PM
Volente FD, 15406 FM 2769, Volente, TX 78641**

MINUTES

1. Call to Order and Establish a Quorum

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 by President Moore. Also present: Secretary Shull and Treasurer Blunt. Quorum established.

2. Citizen Comment

There were no citizen comments.

3. Canvass election returns for May 6, 2017 Special Election, and necessary orders and actions in relation to same

President Moore present the election returns provided to the District by the Travis County Clerk. The vote count was 81 votes for the proposition, 10 votes against. Total votes cast was 94, including three undervotes (see attached Order No. 05-16-17-03, signed by the President and Secretary). The proposition was approved by 71 votes.

4. Acknowledgement of receipt of filings by Funding The Firehouse PAC

The District has received the final expenditure report and notice of dissolution from the Fund the Firehouse PAC, and has placed them in our records.

5. Review and Approval of Minutes of the ESD 14 board meeting of 04/18/2017

Commissioner Blunt moved to approve the minutes of the April 18 meeting. Shull seconded. Minutes approved unanimously.

6. Receive and review reports from VFD Fire Chief and VFD Board

Chief Groman submitted the report by email. Among other items, it was noted that ESD 14 and the Volente Fire Department have been accepted into the Travis County Auto-aid Program. Also, the Department is analyzing the cost-effectiveness of continuing to retain and maintain the 30-year-old heavy brush truck, B-1407.

7. Updates and consideration and action(s) regarding potential use of VFD / ESD 14 facilities and/or land by Village of Volente including, but not limited to, the lease of approximately one acre of land to Village of Volente

No proposals have been received from the village. No action taken at this meeting.

8. Receive and discuss updates and information regarding emergency services in and around the District, including but not limited to discussions and actions taken by the ESDCC, SAFE-D, other ESDs (including recent elections in other Districts), other fire departments (including CPFD and AFD) and Travis County

Besides the ESD 14 election on May 6, ESD 9/Westlake had a successful sales tax election, and ESD 11/Travis County Fire Rescue successfully created a new overlay district labeled ESD 15. ESD 11 will retain the rescue-medical function, while ESD 15 will conduct fire suppression operations.

9. Consideration and action(s) regarding legislative efforts and potential legislation affecting ESDs, annexation and ESD funding

SB 2, which would limit the annual property tax revenue increase to 5%, without triggering a mandatory rollback election was still active as of this meeting.

ESD 11 is promoting a bill that would require an annexing municipality to repay the portion of district indebtedness equal to the share of property and sales taxes lost by annexation.

10. Review and Approval of Treasurer's Report

Commissioner Shull moved to approve the Treasurer's Report for April 2017. Moore seconded. Report approved unanimously.

11. Reimbursement and Payment Requests. Consideration and action on reimbursement request(s) from VFD and/or any other payment requests

Reimbursements were proposed for the following payees:

Volente Fire Department: \$63,589.76 for fire and rescue services.

GCP Association Services, LLP: \$2,686.81, for publication materials for the May 6 election.

Burns Anderson Jury & Brenner: \$2,040, for legal services.

Hill Country News: \$1,039, for publishing election notices for May 6.

Commissioner Shull moved to approve the above reimbursements. Moore seconded. Reimbursements approved unanimously.

12. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Roger Shull, Secretary

Order No. 05-16-17-03 is attached.

ORDER NO. 05- 16 -17- 03

**ORDER CANVASSING THE RETURNS AND DECLARING THE RESULTS OF
TRAVIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 14 MAY 6, 2017
SALES AND USE TAX ELECTION**

WHEREAS, on May 6, 2017, an election was held in Travis County Emergency Services District No. 14 ("District") to submit a proposition on the increase of the local sales and use tax in the District; and,

WHEREAS, the votes cast at the election have been counted and recorded on the official election returns, and said returns have been certified and filed with the Board of Emergency Services Commissioners ("Board") by the appropriate election officials; and

WHEREAS, the returns show the following number of votes cast at the election:

For the increase in the rate of the 81 votes
local sales and use tax imposed by
Travis County Emergency Services
District No. 14 from one percent to
two percent.

Against the increase in the rate of the 10 votes
local sales and use tax imposed by
Travis County Emergency Services
District No. 14 from one percent to
two percent.

WHEREAS, the election was called and held in all respects under the strict conformity with the Constitutions and laws of the State of Texas and the United States of America:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE BOARD OF EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMISSIONERS OF TRAVIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 14:

Section 1. The Board held a duly called and properly noticed election on May 6, 2017 ("Election") on the proposition of "the increase in the rate of the local sales and use tax imposed by Travis County Emergency Services District No. 14 from one percent to two percent," and that such election was called and notice given in accordance with all applicable law, the election was held in conformity with all applicable law, and the returns of the election have been made by the proper officials in conformity with applicable law.

Section 2. The election has resulted in the increase of the local sales and use tax in Travis County Emergency Services District No. 14 to the rate of two percent.



Section 3. The total number of votes cast in said Election for and against the proposition totaled 94, with 3 undervotes.

Section 4. The proposition was approved by 71 votes.

Section 5. The District has complied with all applicable law in conducting a vote on the proposition, including, but not limited to, Chapter 775, Texas Health & Safety Code, and Chapter 323, Texas Tax Code, and this Order is issued pursuant thereto.

Section 6. The Board finds the meeting at which this Order has been considered and adopted is open to the public as required, and written notice of the time, place and subject matter of the meeting, and of the proposed adoption of this Order, was given as required by Chapter 551, Texas Government Code. The Board confirms the written notice and the contents and posting thereof.

PASSED AND APPROVED this the 16th day of May 2017.

TRAVIS COUNTY EMERGENCY
SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 14

By: 

Lonnie Moore,
President

ATTEST:



Roger Shull,
Secretary