

TRAVIS CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT

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TCAD - BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 3, 2020 TELECONFERENCE MEETING

1. Call to order

Meeting called to order by James Valadez at 11:46 a.m. on September 3, 2020.

Due to COVID-19, in accordance with Texas Government Code 418.016, Governor Abbott announced the suspension of various provisions of the Open Meetings Act that require government officials and members of the public to be physically present at a specified meeting location. Pursuant to that suspension, this meeting was held utilizing the Zoom meeting service. Members of the public were not allowed to attend this meeting in person. The public was able hear, view and participate in this meeting while in progress online.

2. Establishment of Quorum

James Valadez, Chairperson	Travis County	Present
Bruce Grube, Vice Chairperson	Travis County	Present
Theresa Bastian, Secretary	Austin ISD	Absent
Felipe Ulloa	Austin ISD/City of Austin	Present
Blanca Zamora-Garcia	City of Austin	Present
Eleanor Powell	City of Austin	Absent
Ryan Steglich	Austin ISD	Present
Tom Buckle	West Travis County	Present
Anthony Nguyen	East Travis County	Present
Bruce Elfant	Travis Co. Tax Assessor-Collector (Non voting)	Present

Also present were Marya Crigler, Chief Appraiser, Leana Mann, Director of Operations, and Dustin Banks, Litigation Attorney.

3. Citizens Communication

None

4. Consent Items

- a. Approval of the minutes of the June 8, 2020 meeting
- b. Taxpayer liaison report
- c. Section 25.25b report
- d. Accounting statements
- e. Line item transfers
- f. Personnel report

MOTION: Approve consent agenda
RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Bruce Grube **SECONDER:** Blanca Zamora-Garcia

AYES: James Valadez, Bruce Grube, Felipe Ulloa, Blanca Zamora-Garcia, Ryan Steglich, Tom Buckle, Anthony Nguyen

ABSENT: Eleanor Powell, Theresa Bastian

5A. Discussion and possible action on adoption of the 2021 appraisal district budget.

Members of the board heard from:
Marya Crigler, Chief Appraiser
Leana Mann, Director of Operations

MOTION: Adopt the fiscal year 2021 budget as proposed
RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Bruce Grube **SECONDER:** Tom Buckle

AYES: James Valadez, Bruce Grube, Felipe Ulloa, Blanca Zamora-Garcia, Ryan Steglich, Tom Buckle, Anthony Nguyen

ABSENT: Eleanor Powell, Theresa Bastian

5B. Discussion and possible action on adoption of the District's 2021 & 2022 Reappraisal Plan

Members of the board heard from:
Marya Crigler, Chief Appraiser

MOTION: Adopt the 2021 & 2022 reappraisal plan
RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Blanca Zamora-Garcia **SECONDER:** Ryan Steglich

AYES: James Valadez, Bruce Grube, Felipe Ulloa, Blanca Zamora-Garcia, Ryan Steglich, Tom Buckle, Anthony Nguyen

ABSENT: Eleanor Powell, Theresa Bastian

5C. Discussion and possible action on Chief Appraiser and ARB Chair join report on status of protest status and hearings

Members of the board heard from:
Marya Crigler, Chief Appraiser
Storey Cordelle, Travis ARB Chairman

MOTION: Request Travis County Administrative Judge appoint new ARB members to fill vacancies
RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Tom Buckle **SECONDER:** Blanca Zamora-Garcia

AYES: James Valadez, Bruce Grube, Felipe Ulloa, Blanca Zamora-Garcia, Ryan Steglich, Tom Buckle, Anthony Nguyen

ABSENT: Eleanor Powell, Theresa Bastian

5D. Discussion and possible action on number of appraisal review board members for 2021

MOTION: Request Travis County Administrative Judge appoint a total of 200 ARB members for 2021

RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**

MOVER: Anthony Nguyen **SECONDER:** Blanca Zamora-Garcia

AYES: James Valadez, Bruce Grube, Felipe Ulloa, Blanca Zamora-Garcia, Ryan Steglich, Tom Buckle, Anthony Nguyen

ABSENT: Eleanor Powell, Theresa Bastian

5E. Discussion and possible action on Chief Appraiser report to include: COVID-19 appraisal district operations update and 850 EAL renovations update.

Members of the board heard from:
Marya Crigler, Chief Appraiser

RESULT: **DISCUSSED**

5F. Discussion and possible action on adoption of qualified replacement benefit arrangement through Texas County and District Retirement System (TCDRS) under IRS section 415.

Members of the board heard from:
Leana Mann, Director of Operations

MOTION: Approve qualified replacement benefit arrangement

RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**

MOVER: Bruce Grube **SECONDER:** Felipe Ulloa

AYES: James Valadez, Bruce Grube, Felipe Ulloa, Blanca Zamora-Garcia, Ryan Steglich, Tom Buckle, Anthony Nguyen

ABSENT: Eleanor Powell, Theresa Bastian

5G. Discussion and possible action on expense reimbursement for Appraisal Review Board member William Fields.

Members of the board heard from:
Storey Cordelle, Travis ARB Chairman

MOTION: Approve expense reimbursement for William Fields
RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Tom Buckle **SECONDER:** Blanca Zamora-Garcia

AYES: James Valadez, Bruce Grube, Felipe Ulloa, Blanca Zamora-Garcia, Ryan Steglich, Tom Buckle, Anthony Nguyen

ABSENT: Eleanor Powell, Theresa Bastian

5H. Discussion and possible action on waiver of penalty and interest for Lago Vista ISD.

MOTION: Waive penalties and interest for Lago Vista ISD
RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Tom Buckle **SECONDER:** Ryan Steglich

AYES: James Valadez, Bruce Grube, Felipe Ulloa, Blanca Zamora-Garcia, Ryan Steglich, Tom Buckle, Anthony Nguyen

ABSENT: Eleanor Powell, Theresa Bastian

5I. Discussion and possible action on litigation and appeals related to pending lawsuits and anticipated lawsuits

RESULT: NO DISCUSSION; MOVED TO NEXT AGENDA ITEM

5j. Discussion and possible action to add items to future agendas.

Note: Board Members requested the following items be added to the next agenda:

- *COVID 19 Update*
- *Next Meeting tentatively scheduled for December 1, 2020 at 11:30 a.m.*

5G. Adjournment

MOTION: Adjourn meeting at 12:37 PM
RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Blanca Zamora-Garcia **SECONDER:** Bruce Grube

AYES: James Valadez, Bruce Grube, Felipe Ulloa, Blanca Zamora-Garcia, Ryan Steglich, Tom Buckle, Anthony Nguyen

ABSENT: Eleanor Powell, Theresa Bastian

Respectfully submitted,

Theresa Bastian

Theresa Bastian, Secretary

Approved:

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James Valadez, Chairperson