



TRAVIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 6
Regular Session Minutes
September 24, 2025

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 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 24, 2025 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	Present
Commissioner Angela Grossman	Assistant Treasurer	Present

2. Safety awareness

Assistant Chief Trubee reminded everyone of the Burn Ban. He mentioned October 5-11 was Fire Prevention Week and the main focus was lithium-ion battery safety. Assistant Chief Prather mentioned sending task force members to West Texas and complimented the large turnout at the 911 Stair Climb in Bee Cave.

3. Public comment

None

4. Personnel recognition

Fire Chief Abbott congratulated Chief Trubee for 30 years of service.

CONSENT

5. Approve the minutes of the Wednesday, August 27, 2025 Regular Session and of the Wednesday, September 10, 2025 Special Session

6. Approve the August 2025 Financial Report

MOTION: I move to approve Consent Items 5-6 as presented.
RESULT: **APPROVED (UNANIMOUS)**
MOVER: Commissioner Larry Sartin, Vice President
SECONDER: Commissioner Matt Womack, Treasurer
AYES: Shiloh Newman, Larry Sartin, Matt Womack, Angela Grossman
ABSENT: Jessica Clinton

7. Update, discuss and/or take appropriate action on changes to Health & Safety Code Section 775.073(b) for board approval of expenditures of more than \$50,000

Members of the Board heard from:
Commissioner Shiloh Newman
Commissioner Grossman
Fire Chief Abbott
Chief Financial Officer Smith

MOTION: I move to set board approval of expenditures to be any budgeted expenditures over \$50,000 per changes to Health & Safety Code Section 772.073(b).
RESULT: **APPROVED (UNANIMOUS)**
MOVER: Commissioner Larry Sartin, Vice President
SECONDER: Commissioner Angela Grossman, Assistant Treasurer
AYES: Shiloh Newman, Larry Sartin, Matt Womack, Jessica Clinton, Angela Grossman

8. Approve expenditures over \$50,000

MOTION: I move to approve expenditures over \$50,000.
RESULT: **APPROVED (UNANIMOUS)**
MOVER: Commissioner Jessica Clinton, Secretary
SECONDER: Commissioner Angela Grossman, Assistant Treasurer
AYES: Shiloh Newman, Larry Sartin, Matt Womack, Jessica Clinton, Angela Grossman

9. Update, discuss and/or take appropriate action on Maxwell, Locke & Ritter Audit Engagement Agreement

Members of the Board heard from:
Chief Financial Officer Smith

MOTION: I move to approve the Maxwell, Locke & Ritter Audit Engagement Agreement and authorize the Board President to sign the agreement.
RESULT: **APPROVED (UNANIMOUS)**
MOVER: Commissioner Matt Womack, Treasurer
SECONDER: Commissioner Jessica Clinton, Secretary
AYES: Shiloh Newman, Larry Sartin, Matt Womack, Jessica Clinton, Angela Grossman

10. Update, discuss and approve Reserve Transfers

Members of the Board heard from:
Commissioner Newman

Chief Financial Officer Smith

MOTION: I move to approve the transfer of \$7,619,428 to the Texpool investment reserve account as presented.

I move to assign the following:

1. an additional \$300,000 of reserves to the District's operations reserve, and
2. an additional \$7,168,428 of reserves to the District's capital acquisition reserve.

I move to commit the following:

1. an additional \$120,000 of reserves to the District's earned sick time liability reserve, and
2. an additional \$31,000 of reserves from the District's earned vacation liability reserve.

RESULT: **APPROVED (UNANIMOUS)**

MOVER: Commissioner Angela Grossman, Assistant Treasurer

SECONDER: Commissioner Jessica Clinton, Secretary

AYES: Shiloh Newman, Larry Sartin, Matt Womack, Jessica Clinton, Angela Grossman

11. Update, discuss and approve the Fiscal Year 2026 10-Year Financial and Capital Improvement Plan

Members of the Board heard from:

Commissioner Shiloh Newman

Commissioner Angela Grossman

Fire Chief Abbott

Chief Financial Officer Smith

Assistant Fire Chief Prather

MOTION: I move to approve the Fiscal Year 2026 10-Year Financial Plan and Capital Improvement Plan.

RESULT: **APPROVED (UNANIMOUS)**

MOVER: Commissioner Matt Womack, Treasurer

SECONDER: Commissioner Jessica Clinton, Secretary

AYES: Shiloh Newman, Larry Sartin, Matt Womack, Jessica Clinton, Angela Grossman

12. Update, discuss and adopt the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget

Members of the Board heard from:

Commissioner Shiloh Newman

Commissioner Angela Grossman

Chief Financial Officer Smith

MOTION: I move to adopt the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget.

RESULT: **APPROVED (UNANIMOUS)**

MOVER: Commissioner Jessica Clinton, Secretary

SECONDER: Commissioner Angela Grossman, Assistant Treasurer

AYES: Shiloh Newman, Larry Sartin, Matt Womack, Jessica Clinton, Angela Grossman

13. Update, discuss and take appropriate action on setting the ad valorem tax rates for 2025

- Set 2025 tax rate for Maintenance and Operations

- **Set 2025 tax rate for Debt Service**
- **Set total tax rate for 2025**
- **Record Vote**

Members of the Board heard from:
Chief Financial Officer Smith

MOTION: I move that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.090399 for each hundred dollars of taxable value, which is effectively a 3.2% increase in the tax rate.

Such tax rate is allocated \$0.086646 per \$100 valuation of the appraised property within the boundaries of the District for Maintenance and Operations and \$0.003753 per \$100 valuation of the appraised property within the boundaries of the District for Debt Service as provided in the proposed Resolution to be signed by the Board President.

RESULT: **APPROVED (RECORD VOTE)**

MOVER: Commissioner Angela Grossman. Assistant Treasurer

SECONDER: Commissioner Larry Sartin, Vice President

AYES: Shiloh Newman, Larry Sartin, Matt Womack, Jessica Clinton, Angela Grossman

14. Resolution to approve, adopt and order the ad valorem tax rates for 2025

- Record Vote

Members of the Board heard from:
Chief Financial Officer Smith

MOTION: I move to approve Resolution 2025-01 to approve, adopt and order the ad valorem tax rates for 2025.

RESULT: **APPROVED (RECORD VOTE)**

MOVER: Commissioner Angela Grossman. Assistant Treasurer

SECONDER: Commissioner Jessica Clinton, Secretary

AYES: Shiloh Newman, Larry Sartin, Matt Womack, Jessica Clinton, Angela Grossman

15. 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 §551.072: Deliberation about real property
- C. Tex Govt. Code §551.071: Consult with attorneys – Regarding any matters on this agenda

RESULT: **NO ACTION TAKEN**

16. Update, discuss and/or take appropriate on District construction projects

Members of the Board heard from:
Commissioner Newman
Commissioner Sartin
Fire Chief Abbott
Chief Financial Officer Smith

RESULT: DISCUSSED

17. Update, discuss and/or take appropriate action on Genasys Emergency Evacuation and Alerting Software Agreement

Members of the Board heard from:
Commissioner Newman
Commissioner Womack
Commissioner Grossman
Fire Chief Abbott

MOTION: Approve the Genasys Emergency Evacuation and Alerting Software Agreement and authorize Board President to sign agreement once reviewed by attorney.

RESULT: APPROVED (UNANIMOUS)

MOVER: Commissioner Angela Grossman, Assistant Treasurer

SECONDER: Commissioner Jessica Clinton, Secretary

AYES: Shiloh Newman, Larry Sartin, Matt Womack, Jessica Clinton, Angela Grossman

18. Update and/or discuss the future of Lake Travis Fire Rescue EMS service delivery options within Travis County ESD No. 6 boundaries

Members of the Board heard from:
Fire Chief Abbott

19. Update, discuss and/or take appropriate action on merging with Travis County Emergency Service District No. 8

Members of the Board heard from:
Fire Chief Abbott

RESULT: DISCUSSED

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

- Legislative update

Members of the Board heard from:
Commissioner Grossman
Assistant Fire Chief Prather
Assistant Fire Chief Trubee

RESULT: DISCUSSED

- Community Advisory Committee (CAC) update

Members of the Board heard from:
Commissioner Clinton

RESULT: DISCUSSED

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

RESULT: TABLED

22. 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 Clinton

RESULT: DISCUSSED

23. Fire Chief's Report

Members of the Board heard from:
Fire Chief Abbott
Chief Human Resource Officer Deeny

RESULT: DISCUSSED

24. Commissioners interests and future agenda items

Members of the Board heard from:
Commissioner Newman
Chief Financial Officer Smith

RESULT: DISCUSSED

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Approved by the Board of Commissioners:

10-22-2025

Date of Approval

Jessica Clinton

Jessica Clinton, Secretary