



Executive Committee | Summary Minutes

Special Called Meeting
8:30 a.m., Wednesday, July 21, 2021
Access via Zoom or Conference Call

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Present (22)

Judge Paul Pape, Bastrop County, **Chair**
Mayor Brandt Rydell, City of Taylor, **1st Vice Chair**
Judge James Oakley, Burnet County, **2nd Vice Chair**
Mayor Jane Hughson, City of San Marcos, **Immediate Past Chair**
Mayor Pro Tem Lyle Nelson, City of Bastrop
Council Member Kevin Hight, City of Bee Cave
Judge Brett Bray, Blanco County
Commissioner Joe Don Dockery, Burnet County
Judge Hoppy Haden, Caldwell County
Judge Joe Weber, Fayette County
Mayor Pro Tem Kevin Pitts, City of Georgetown

Commissioner Debbie Ingalsbe, Hays County
Ms. Sandy Cox, City of Lakeway
Mayor Christine Sederquist, City of Leander
Commissioner Steven Knobloch, Lee County
Council Member Matthew Baker, City of Round Rock
Council Member Janice Bruno, City of Smithville
Commissioner Ann Howard, Travis County
Commissioner Brigid Shea, Travis County
Commissioner Russ Boles, Williamson County
Commissioner Cynthia Long, Williamson County
Representative Terry Wilson

Absent (7)

Mayor Lew White, City of Lockhart, **Secretary**
Judge Ron Cunningham, Llano County, **Parliamentarian**
Council Member Mackenzie Kelly, City of Austin
Council Member Mike Heath, City of Pflugerville

Representative John Cyrier
Representative Celia Israel
Representative Erin Zwiener

1. **Call to Order by the Chair**

Judge Pape confirmed a quorum and called the meeting to order at 8:33 a.m.

2. **Consider Approving Redistribution of the Plan Year 2022 General Victim Assistance Direct Services Program Projects Funding for Consideration by the Public Safety Officer's Criminal Justice Division, Office of the Governor**

Betty Voights, Executive Director

Ms. Voights summarized processes and events that happened during the year regarding five categories of 2022 criminal justice grant recommendations made in April and May to the Criminal Justice Division, Office of the Governor, and added that our region was oversubscribed in all of them. She explained that the Office of the Governor asked CAPCOG and several other COGs if they wanted the opportunity to reconsider their recommendations for the General Victim Assistance, Direct Services Program; since our board had voiced concerns in May about not distributing the funding to cover more projects, she had accepted their offer. She noted that a work group of Commissioner Long, Commissioner Howard, Council Member Heath, and Ms. Cox had put in much work on reviewing several scenarios to get funding to reach as many projects as possible.

Judge Pape then indicated the work group had provided two possible funding scenarios and asked Commissioner Long to explain them. Commissioner Long stated that one funding scenario would reduce the previous grant

received or a new project being recommended by 15 percent and cap projects from receiving more funds than they received in the previous year. The second scenario just reduced the recommended funding by 15 percent. Both options continued to fund projects in their priority order until funding ran out. Commissioner Long mentioned these choices were hard as all the projects receiving recommendations can be extremely valuable to their communities. Ms. Voights reaffirmed to the board that CAPCOG will be changing its processes next year to recommend funding more equitably across more projects.

A motion was made by Commissioner Long to adopt the scenario that would change the recommendations by decreasing projects previously awarded funding by 15 percent of their last grant amount and reducing new project applicants by 15 percent of their requested amounts. Ms. Cox seconded the motion. A secondary motion was made by Commissioner Howard to only reduced the funding recommendations by 15 percent. Mayor Hughson seconded. Commissioner Long noted that Commissioner Howard's motion would mean two less projects would receive funding recommendations. Discussion continued about trying to make sure the funding recommendations were spread throughout the region before Judge Pape called for a roll call vote on each motion.

A vote was taken on the substitute motion made by Commissioner Howard. Votes were recorded as follows:

Judge Paul Pape – Yes	Commissioner Debbie Ingalsbe – Yes
Mayor Brandt Rydell – No	Ms. Sandy Cox – No
Judge James Oakley – Yes	Mayor Christine Sederquist – No
Mayor Jane Hughson – No, noting this was not an easy decision	Commissioner Steven Knobloch – No
Mayor Pro Tem Lyle Nelson – No	Council Member Matthew Baker – No
Council Member Kevin Hight – No	Council Member Janice Bruno – No
Judge Brett Bray – No	Commissioner Ann Howard – Yes
Commissioner Joe Don Dockery – Yes	Commissioner Brigid Shea – Yes
Judge Hoppy Haden – Yes	Commissioner Russ Boles – No
Judge Joe Weber – No	Commissioner Cynthia Long – No
Mayor Pro Tem Kevin Pitts – No	

The motion failed by a vote of 7 to 14.

A vote was then taken on the original motion made by Commissioner Long. Votes were recorded as follows:

Judge Paul Pape – Yes	Mayor Christine Sederquist – Yes
Mayor Brandt Rydell – Yes	Commissioner Steven Knobloch – Yes
Judge James Oakley – Yes	Council Member Matthew Baker – Yes
Mayor Jane Hughson – Yes	Council Member Janice Bruno – Yes
Mayor Pro Tem Lyle Nelson – Yes	Commissioner Ann Howard – Abstained, objected to how the recommendations were made
Council Member Kevin Hight – Yes	Commissioner Brigid Shea – Yes, objected to how the recommendations were made
Judge Brett Bray – Yes	Commissioner Russ Boles – Yes
Commissioner Joe Don Dockery – No	Commissioner Cynthia Long – Yes
Judge Hoppy Haden – Yes	
Judge Joe Weber – Yes	
Mayor Pro Tem Kevin Pitts – Yes	
Commissioner Debbie Ingalsbe – Yes	
Ms. Sandy Cox – Yes	

The motion passed by a vote of 19 to 1 with one abstention.

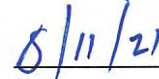
The board asked CAPCOG staff to notify the program's applicants as soon as possible about the funding recommendation changes.

3. **Adjourn**

Judge Pape adjourned the meeting at 8:54 a.m.



Mayor Lew White, Secretary
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Date