



## Capital Area Council of Governments General Assembly | Agenda

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11:30 a.m. Wednesday, December 13, 2023

Austin Southpark Hotel

4140 Governors Row

Austin, Texas 78744

- 11:30 a.m. Registration and Buffet Lunch**
- 12:00 p.m. Call to Order and Opening Remarks**  
Burnet County Judge James Oakley, Chair
- Approve Minutes for the September 13, 2023 Meeting**  
Judge James Oakley, Chair
- Presentation of Nominating Committee Recommendations for the Executive Committee for 2024 Term**  
Betty Voights, Executive Director
- Election of 2024 Executive Committee**  
Judge James Oakley, Chair
- 12:15 p.m. Recognition of Advisory Committee Members and Presentation of 2023 Volunteer Service Award**  
Betty Voights, Executive Director
- Presentation of Jack Griesenbeck Leadership in Regionalism Award**  
Judge James Oakley, Chair
- Air Central Texas Awards and Bill Gill Air Quality Leadership Award**  
Anton Cox, Air Quality Program Manager
- 12:45 p.m. Panel Discussion on Legislative Issues – Past and Future**
- 1:15 p.m. Adjourn**



# CAPCOG General Assembly | Summary Minutes

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Noon, Wednesday, Sept. 13, 2023  
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Austin, Tx 78744

## 1. Call to Order and Opening Remarks

**Burnet County Judge James Oakley, Chair**

Judge Oakley called the meeting to order at 12:20 p.m.

## 2. Approve Minutes of the December 14, 2022 Meeting

**Burnet County Judge James Oakley, Chair**

Judge Oakley asked for the General Assembly to consider the Dec. 14, 2022, meeting minutes.

San Marcos Mayor Jane Hughson made a motion to approve the minutes. Williamson County Commissioner Cynthia Long seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

## 3. Election of Nominating Committee for 2023-2024 Term

**Betty Voights, Executive Director**

Ms. Voights said the CAPCOG bylaws require the General Assembly to elect an Executive Committee in December to serve for the upcoming year. To assist in electing those individuals, the General Assembly appoints a Nominating Committee to review and evaluate self-nominations coming from city and county elected officials serving on the General Assembly. She said the bylaws state that the Nominating Committee must consist of at least two non-Executive Committee members and two Executive Committee members with a total of seven members.

Ms. Voights said the Executive Committee recommended the following Nominating Committee members who agreed to serve in the role:

- Smithville City Council Member Janice Bruno
- Burnet County Commissioner Joe Don Dockery
- Llano County Judge Ron Cunningham
- Williamson County Commissioner Cynthia Long
- Leander Mayor Christine De Lisle – non-Executive Committee member
- Hays County Commissioner Lon Shell – non-Executive Committee member
- Burnet County Judge James Oakley is automatically the committee chair per the bylaws.

Hays Commissioner Debbie Ingalsbe made a motion to approve the nominating committee members as recommended. Commissioner Long seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

## 4. Adoption of Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget

**Betty Voights, Executive Director**

Ms. Voights said every year the General Assembly must approve CAPCOG's operating budget. She explained the process which begins in March when the Executive Committee Officers begin meeting monthly to start developing the budget; it is reviewed and recommended in August by the Executive Committee to the General Assembly.

Ms. Voights said the FY 2023-24 Budget estimates about \$43.9 million in revenues and about \$42.7 million in expenditures with \$359,763 in unrestricted funds. She noted that the budget consists of a 3 percent across the board labor market adjustment to help keep salaries competitive with area city and county jobs; a 2-4 percent merit for employees; a 56.95 fringe rate; and 25.16 percent indirect rate. Ms.

Voights discussed the COG’s funding sources and their uses, why a fringe pool is used so all CAPCOG employees can have the same benefits, and how a required indirect rate allocation pays for the staff that support all programs, such as finance personnel, instead of dedicated to a specific program. She noted that the FY 23-24 budget has 72 positions and discussed each division’s funding.

Commissioner Dockery made a motion to approve the FY 2023-24 Budget. Travis County Commissioner Ann Howard seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

**5. State and Regional Broadband – What’s New! (presentation)**

**Greg Conte, Texas Broadband Development Office Director**

Mr. Conte discussed Texas’ digital divide noting there are about 3 million households without internet access and about 7 million without broadband access. He said there are currently two programs that will help fund projects to bridge the divide with more on the way. The first was Bringing Online Opportunities to Texas (BOOT) Program, which assists with funding infrastructure projects that will take broadband connections the last mile to residencies. Mr. Conte said the Infrastructure Investment and Job Act Program is bringing \$3.3 billion in federal funding to support broadband infrastructure projects through its Broadband Equity, Access, and Development (BEAD) Program, which will be used for areas with unserved and underserved internet access. Mr. Conte said it is important that jurisdictions visit the FCC’s broadband map website and check its accuracy on the availability of broadband internet access in their areas, because it will serve as the source for project eligibility. He recommended that communities challenge the map’s data if they believe there are any inaccuracies.

Mr. Conte said the state legislature also passed HB 9 and HJR125. HB-9 puts money 1.5 billion in state funds into the Texas Development Board, which is going for election as a constitutional amendment. If passed, that would be \$5 billion for broadband expansion to be spent in Texas in the next two years. HB 9 allocates \$155 million to Next Generation 9-1-1 implementation and \$75 million for pole replacement.

Mr. Conte also said to stay informed on the state organizations and broadband funding and projects, people can attend future outreach meetings and board meetings of the Texas Broadband Development Office.

**6. Other Business**

There was no other business.

**7. Adjourn**

Judge Oakley adjourned the meeting at 1:18 p.m.

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Mayor Pro Tem Matt Baker, Secretary  
Executive Committee  
Capital Area Council of Governments

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## **MEMORANDUM**

### **October 27, 2023**

**TO:** General Assembly Members  
**FROM:** Betty Voights, Executive Director  
**RE:** Recommendations for Executive Committee and Officers for 2024

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The General Assembly elects the Executive Committee for the upcoming year at its December annual membership meeting. This process begins when you first elect a Nominating Committee to develop recommendations; this occurred recently at the September 13th meeting when the following elected officials were voted to serve for a one-year term through September 2024. They are Smithville Council Member Janice Bruno, Llano County Judge Ron Cunningham, Leander Mayor Christine De L'isle, Burnet County Commissioner Joe Don Dockery, Williamson County Commissioner Cynthia Long, Hays County Commissioner Lon Shell, and Burnet County Judge James Oakley as the current Executive Chair.

The Nominating Committee met on October 11th to develop recommendations based on the self-nomination process used to solicit interest from city and county elected officials serving in our ten-county region. CAPCOG's Bylaws require that I send their recommendations to all General Assembly members by the end of October. The nominated slate by category is:

#### **Counties:**

Bastrop County Commissioner Clara Beckett	Lee County Commissioner Steven Knobloch
Blanco County Judge Brett Bray	Llano County Judge Ron Cunningham
Burnet County Judge James Oakley	Travis County Judge Andy Brown
Caldwell County Judge Hoppy Haden	Travis County Commissioner Ann Howard
Fayette County Judge Dan Mueller	Williamson County Commissioner Russ Boles
Hays County Commissioner Debbie Ingalsbe	

#### **City of Austin:**

Council Member Mackenzie Kelly

**Cities over 100,000 population:**

Round Rock Mayor Pro Tem Matt Baker

**Cities between 25,000 and 100,000 (Cedar Park, Georgetown, Kyle, Leander, Pflugerville, San Marcos)**

Georgetown Council Member Ron Garland

Pflugerville Mayor Pro Tem Doug Weiss

Leander Mayor Pro Tem Esmeralda Mattke Longoria

San Marcos Mayor Jane Hughson

**Cities under 25,000:**

Bee Cave Council Member Kevin Hight

Lockhart Mayor Lew White

Smithville Council Member Janice Bruno

Granite Shoals Council Member Steve Hougen

Taylor Mayor Brandt Rydell

**At Large:**

Bastrop Mayor Lyle Nelson

Burnet County Commissioner Joe Don Dockery

Williamson County Commissioner Cynthia Long

**State Legislators:**

Senator Pete Flores

Representative Stan Gerdes

Representative Vicki Goodwin

In addition to recommending the slate for Executive Committee, the Bylaws require the Nominating Committee to make recommendations for the 2024 Officers. The recommendations are:

Chair	Lockhart Mayor Lew White
First Vice Chair	Hays County Commissioner Debbie Ingalsbe
Second Vice Chair	Round Rock Mayor Pro Tem Matt Baker
Secretary	Blanco Judge Brett Bray
Parliamentarian	Llano County Judge Ron Cunningham
Immediate Past Chair	Burnet County Judge James Oakley

The Executive Committee elected in December will elect Officers at the first meeting in January 2024.



# GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEMBER REPRESENTATIVES

## **BASTROP COUNTY REPRESENTATIVES**

Bastrop County ..... Judge Gregory Klaus  
 Bastrop County ..... Commissioner Mel Hamner  
 Bastrop County ..... Commissioner Clara Beckett  
 City of Bastrop ..... Ms. Connie Schroeder  
 City of Bastrop ..... Ms. Sylvia Carrillo  
 City of Elgin ..... Mayor Theresa Y. McShan  
 City of Elgin ..... Council Member Forest L. Dennis  
 City of Smithville ..... Council Member Janice Bruno

## **BLANCO COUNTY REPRESENTATIVES**

Blanco County ..... Judge Brett Bray  
 City of Blanco ..... Mayor Mike Arnold  
 City of Johnson City ..... Council Member Stephanie Fisher  
 City of Round Mountain ..... Vacant

## **BURNET COUNTY REPRESENTATIVES**

Burnet County ..... Judge James Oakley  
 Burnet County ..... Commissioner Joe Don Dockery  
 City of Bertram ..... Ms. Georgina Hernandez  
 City of Burnet ..... Council Member Joyce Laudenschlager  
 City of Cottonwood Shores ..... Mr. J.C. Hughes  
 City of Double Horn ..... Alderman John Osborne  
 City of Granite Shoals ..... Council Member Steve Hougen  
 City of Highland Haven ..... Mayor Olan Kelley  
 City of Marble Falls ..... Mayor Dave Rhodes  
 City of Meadowlakes ..... Mayor Mark Bentley

## **CALDWELL COUNTY REPRESENTATIVES**

Caldwell County ..... Judge Hoppy Haden  
 Caldwell County ..... Commissioner BJ Westmoreland  
 City of Lockhart ..... Council Member Jeffry Michelson  
 City of Lockhart ..... Mayor Lew White  
 City of Luling ..... Mayor Carol Jene "CJ" Watts  
 City of Martindale ..... Mayor Katherine Glaze

## **FAYETTE COUNTY REPRESENTATIVES**

Fayette County ..... Mr. Joe Weber  
 Fayette County ..... Judge Dan Mueller  
 City of Carmine ..... Mayor Wade Eilers  
 City of Fayetteville ..... Mr. Mike Stroup  
 City of Flatonia ..... Ms. Sarah Novo  
 City of La Grange ..... Ms. Janet Moerbe  
 Town of Round Top ..... Alderman Owen Massey  
 City of Schulenburg ..... Mr. Roger Moellenberndt

## **HAYS COUNTY REPRESENTATIVES**

Hays County ..... Commissioner Lon A. Shell  
 Hays County ..... Commissioner Debbie Gonzales Ingalsbe

## **HAYS COUNTY (Continued) REPRESENTATIVES**

Hays County ..... Judge Ruben Becerra  
 City of Buda ..... Mayor Lee Urbanovsky  
 City of Buda ..... City Manager Micah Grau  
 City of Dripping Springs ..... Council Member Taline Manassian  
 City of Hays ..... Council Member Lydia Bryan-Valdez  
 City of Kyle ..... Council Member Daniela Parsley  
 City of Kyle ..... Council Member Yvonne Flores-Cale  
 City of Mountain City ..... Mayor Ralph McClendon  
 City of San Marcos ..... Mayor Jane Hughson  
 City of San Marcos ..... Council Member Mark Gleason  
 City of San Marcos ..... Director of Public Safety Chase Stapp  
 City of Umland ..... Mayor Lacey Duke  
 City of Wimberley ..... Council Member Teresa Shell  
 City of Woodcreek ..... Ms. Gloria Whitehead

## **LEE COUNTY REPRESENTATIVES**

Lee County ..... Commissioner Steven Knobloch  
 City of Giddings ..... Mayor Joel Lopez  
 City of Lexington ..... Mayor Allen Retzlaff

## **LLANO COUNTY REPRESENTATIVES**

Llano County ..... Commissioner Jerry Don Moss  
 Llano County ..... Judge Ron Cunningham  
 City of Horseshoe Bay ..... Mr. Randy Rives  
 City of Llano ..... Ms. Gail Lang  
 City of Sunrise Beach Village ..... Mayor Pro Tem Dan Gower

## **TRAVIS COUNTY REPRESENTATIVES**

Travis County ..... Judge Andy Brown  
 Travis County ..... Commissioner Ann Howard  
 Travis County ..... Commissioner Jeff Travillion  
 City of Austin ..... Council Member Mackenzie Kelly  
 City of Austin ..... Council Member Sabino Renteria  
 City of Austin ..... Mr. DeWayne Lofton  
 City of Austin ..... Mr. Steve Adler  
 City of Bee Cave ..... Council Member Kevin Hight  
 City of Jonestown ..... Alderman Dave Nelsen  
 City of Lago Vista ..... Mayor Ed Tidwell  
 City of Lakeway ..... Mayor Thomas Kilgore  
 City of Lakeway ..... Council Member Louis Mastrangelo  
 City of Manor ..... Mayor Dr. Christopher Harvey  
 City of Manor ..... Mayor Pro Tem Emily Hill  
 City of Mustang Ridge ..... Mayor David Bunn  
 City of Pflugerville ..... Mayor Pro Tem Doug Weiss  
 City of Pflugerville ..... Mayor Victor Gonzales  
 City of Pflugerville ..... Council Member Jim McDonald  
 City of Rollingwood ..... Mayor Gavin Massingill  
 City of Sunset Valley ..... Ms. Rose Cardona  
 City of West Lake Hills ..... Mayor Linda Anthony  
 Village of the Hills ..... Mayor Greg Wharton  
 Village of Point Venture ..... Vacant

**TRAVIS COUNTY (Continued)..... REPRESENTATIVES**

Village of San Leanna.....Mayor Molly Quirk  
Village of Volente .....Mr. Ken Beck

**WILLIAMSON COUNTY REPRESENTATIVES**

Williamson County ..... Commissioner Russ Boles  
Williamson County ..... Commissioner Cynthia Long  
Williamson County .....Judge Bill Gravell  
City of Bartlett ..... Mr. Norris Ivy  
City of Cedar Park..... Council Member Heather Jefts  
City of Cedar Park.....Council Member Eric Boyce  
City of Cedar Park ..... Council Member Mel Kirkland  
City of Florence.....Mayor Mary Condon  
City of Georgetown .....City Manager David Morgan  
City of Georgetown ..... Mayor Pro Tem Kevin Pitts  
City of Georgetown ..... Council Member Ron Garland  
City of Granger .....Mayor Monica Stojanik  
City of Hutto ..... Council Member Amberley Kolar  
City of Hutto ..... Council Member Randal Clark  
City of Jarrell.....City Manager Vanessa Shrauner  
City of Leander ..... Mayor Christine De L’isle  
City of Leander ..... Mayor Pro Tem Esme Mattke Longoria  
City of Leander .....Council Member Na’Cole Thompson  
City of Liberty Hill .....Council Member Amanda Young  
City of Round Rock ..... Council Member Frank Ortega  
City of Round Rock ..... Vacant  
City of Round Rock ..... Mayor Pro Tem Matthew Baker  
City of Round Rock ..... Council Member Rene Flores  
City of Taylor..... Council Member Robert Garcia  
City of Taylor.....Mayor Brandt Rydell  
City of Thrall ..... Mayor Troy Marx  
City of Weir..... Vacant

**ASSOCIATE MEMBERS REPRESENTATIVES**

Austin ISD ..... Trustee Lynn Boswell  
Barton Springs/Edwards Aquifer Conservation  
District ..... Timothy Loftus PHD, General Manager  
Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative, Inc. .... Mr. Johnny Sanders  
Buda Economic Development  
Corporation ..... Ms. Traci Anderson  
Capital Area Metropolitan  
Planning Organization .....Executive Director Ashby Johnson  
Central Health..... Ms. Cynthia Valadez  
Del Valle ISD .....Trustee Darla Wegner  
Dripping Springs ISD .....Trustee Rob McClelland  
Eanes ISD .....President John Havenstrite  
Fayette County Central  
Appraisal District ..... Chief Appraiser Richard Moring  
Georgetown Chamber of Commerce ..... Mr. Jim Johnson  
Giddings ISD..... Mr. Roger Dees  
Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority ..... Ms. Lauren Willis  
Hays Central Appraisal District .....Chief Appraiser Laura Raven  
Hutto ISD..... Chief William Edwards  
La Grange ISD ..... Superintendent William Wagner  
Lockhart ISD..... Superintendent Mark Estrada  
Lower Colorado River Authority ..... Mr. Phil Wilson  
Movability Inc. .... Executive Director Lonny Stern  
Northtown MUD..... Director Lee Hill  
Pedernales Electric Co-Op ..... Ms. Shannon Johnson  
Round Rock Chamber of Commerce ..... Ms. Lora Weber  
Travis County Emergency Services  
District No. 2 ..... Chief Ron Moellenberg

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OFFICERS:**

Judge James Oakley, **Chair**  
Mayor Lew White, **1st Vice Chair**  
Commissioner Debbie Ingalsbe, **2nd Vice Chair**  
Mayor Pro Tem Matthew Baker, **Secretary**  
Mayor Jane Hughson, **Parliamentarian**  
Mayor Brandt Rydell, **Immediate Past Chair**

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS:**

Commissioner Clara Beckett  
Commissioner Russ Boles  
Judge Brett Bray  
Judge Andy Brown  
Council Member Janice Bruno  
Judge Ron Cunningham  
Commissioner Joe Don Dockery  
State Senator Pete Flores  
Council Member Ron Garland  
Representative Stan Gerdes  
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