

*Hamilton County Commissioner's Court*

*Budget Workshop*

*Tuesday, July 16, 2024*

*9:00 a.m.*

*Hamilton County Commissioner's Court met on Tuesday, July 16, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. with the following members present: Commissioners Johnny Wagner, Lloyd Huggins and Dickie Clary. Commissioner Clary called the meeting to order and a quorum was established.*

*There were no open comments today.*

*The court had no budget adjustments (L.I.T.)*

*Discussion on the FY 2024-2025 Budget workshop.*

*Recess at 9:22 am.*

*Back in Session at 9:31 am with Judge Yates in attendance.*

*The Commissioners Court discussed SB22, Law Enforcement Grant, and the need to possibly create a separate budget for ease of allocating the funds once received. SB22 Grant Funds must be allocated to salaries and Officer wages first and then the remaining grant funds can be utilized for other Officer Safety related needs such as Tasers and Body-cams. The Commissioners discussed using the SB22 Grant Funds to possibly payoff the current lease vehicles, pay off the city and then purchase one new patrol vehicle this year with hopes of purchasing three more patrol vehicles the next year.*

*Budget Workshop FY 2024-2025:*

- Waiting on the numbers from the DA's office and the Juvenile Dept. before the Court can proceed with their budget discussions.*
- Brief Discussions on the Radio Tower completion project and the financial needs for completion.*
- Several Department Budgets were reviewed line by line, reviewing the FY 2023-2024 adopted budget to the FY 2024-2025 proposed budget.*

*Discussion on the May Flooding 2024 - Disaster Recovery (FEMA-DR4781) Texas Severe Storms began at 10:20 am. The Commissioners Court had discussion on the best way to document the hours spent between multiple departments for the administrative duties of the*

*FEMA project and what is the best way to provide compensation for the anticipated long hours that will be needed to accurately document and organize this massive FEMA project. FEMA discussions ended at 10:30 am.*

*Hamilton County Judge Yates addressed Sheriff Elect, Brad Boulton, in regards to the Sheriff's Departments potential needs for the FY 2024-2025 Budget cycle. Chief Boulton is currently communicating with several of the Hamilton Police Department vendors in which they have contracts for such tools as cameras and tasers in hopes of being able to transfer those Contracts to the Sheriff's Department. More discussion on the needs of the Sheriff's Department will be had at a future date.*

*Adjourned at 11:16 am.*

Judge James Yates



Attest:

County Clerk

