

**MINUTES OF THE MARCH 3, 2026 MEETING OF THE
HARRIS-FORT BEND EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 100**

A Meeting was duly called of the Board of Commissioners of **HARRIS-FORT BEND EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 100**, which was held, **March 3, 2026**, at the offices of the District Training Center, 16005 Bellaire Blvd., Houston, Texas 77083.

The District considered and acted upon the following matters:

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. Those Commissioners present were: **DALE TERRY, MARY BLONDELL, STEVE FOWLER, and KEN ARRINGTON. JEFF JERNBERG** was unable to attend. Also, in attendance was Chief Bobby Clark and members of his staff, Rebecca Densmore with Westcom, Samantha Smith, and David Manley of Coverler & Peeler, P.C., the District's legal counsel.

The Board proceeded to address the following:

2. To receive public comment.

None.

3. To review, discuss and act on financial matters, payment of District operating bills, payment of budgeted capital expenses and payment of operations funding pursuant to the service agreement with the Department.

A Motion was made by Ms. **BLONDELL**, seconded by Mr. **ARRINGTON**, to approve the invoice received from payment to CVFD in the amount of \$1,500,000 for operational expenses. The motion was approved by a vote of 4 to 0.

A Motion was made by Ms. **BLONDELL**, seconded by Mr. **ARRINGTON**, to approve the payment of the invoice received from Lori Broadrick for CAD Response Services in the amount of \$1,500.00. The motion was approved by a vote of 4 to 0.

4. To review, discuss and act regarding the adoption of tax exemptions for 2026.

A Motion was made by Mr. **FOWLER**, seconded by Ms. **BLONDELL**, to approve the following Tax Exemptions for 2026:

Homestead:	20%
Over 65:	\$100,000
Disability:	\$100,000

After review and consideration, the motion was approved by a vote of 4 to 0.

5. **To receive an operations and financial report from Community Volunteer Fire Department, and to take any necessary action thereon, including to receive and approve the Department payroll and expense totals from the previous month and Department budget.**

Chief Clark and his staff provided a summary of responses and activity. A Motion was made by Ms. **BLONDELL**, seconded by Mr. **FOWLER**, to accept the reports and approve reimbursement of payroll expenses in the amount of \$845,033.21 and operational expenses in the amount of \$885,693.51. The motion was approved by a vote of 4 to 0.

6. **To review, discuss and act on matters related to operation of Westcom.**

Ms. Densmore provided a summary of responses and activity. A Motion was made by Ms. **BLONDELL**, seconded by Mr. **ARRINGTON**, to accept the report. The motion was approved by a vote of 4 to 0.

7. **To review, discuss and act on matters related to District's website, social media and public education.**

Samantha Smith provided an update on the District's social media and public relations activities. Ms. **BLONDELL** made a motion, seconded by Mr. **FOWLER**, to accept the report. The motion was approved by a vote of 4 to 0.

8. **Review, discuss and take action on matters relating to cancelling the called election to be held on May 2, 2026 under Texas Health and Safety Code Section 775.0345.**

Ms. **BLONDELL** made a motion, seconded by Mr. **ARRINGTON**, to approve the resolution as presented, declaring the three unopposed candidates and cancelling the election called to be held on May 2, 2026. The motion was approved by a vote of 4 to 0.

9. **To review and act on disposal of surplus equipment.**

No action.

10. **To review, discuss and act on acquisitions or needed repairs to the District's supplies, equipment, vehicles or apparatus.**

Ms. **BLONDELL** made a motion, seconded by Mr. **ARRINGTON**, to approve the resolutions as presented, authorizing the application(s) for the state infrastructure grant to obtain radio upgrades for Westcom and CVFD. After review and discussion, the motion was approved by a vote of 4 to 0.

Ms. **BLONDELL** made a motion, seconded by Mr. **ARRINGTON**, to authorize pursuing federal appropriation funding for Westcom in the amount of \$5mm. After review and discussion, the motion was approved by a vote of 4 to 0.

11. **To review, discuss and act on needed improvements or repairs to the District's facilities.**

Chief Henderson presented proposed remodeling of Station 95.

Ms. **BLONDELL** made a motion, seconded by Mr. **ARRINGTON**, to authorize pursuing federal appropriation funding in the amount of \$1.5mm for the needed renovations. After review and discussion, the motion was approved by a vote of 4 to 0.

12. **To review, discuss and act on matters related to construction (current and proposed) projects.**

Chief Clark informed the Board that he had met with representatives from TEEKS and that the meeting went well. No action.

Ms. **BLONDELL** made a motion, seconded by Mr. **ARRINGTON**, to authorize pursuing federal appropriation funding in the amount of \$20mm to assist with the construction of STORM Ranch. After review and discussion, the motion was approved by a vote of 4 to 0.

13. **To review, discuss and take action on matters related to proposal for economic impact study to be conducted by Texas A&M.**

Ms. **BLONDELL** made a motion, seconded by Mr. **ARRINGTON**, to approve the proposal for Texas A&M to conduct an economic impact study at an estimated cost of \$75,915. After review and discussion, the motion was approved by a vote of 4 to 0.

14. **To review, discuss and act on real estate matters.**

No action.

15. **To review, discuss and act on personnel matters.**

No action

16. **To review, discuss and act on matters related to the Dispatch Center.**

See item #6

17. **To meet in Closed Session pursuant to Government Code §551.071 to consult with legal counsel regarding pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers or on matters which require confidentiality under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas and Tax Code §323.3022 to discuss sales tax matters.**

The Board went into executive session at 9:00 p.m. to confer with legal counsel. The Board came out of executive session at 10:15 p.m.

18. **To meet in Closed Session pursuant to Government Code §551.072 to deliberate regarding real estate matters.**

No action.

19. **To meet in Closed Session pursuant to Government Code §551.074 to discuss personnel matters.**

No action.

20. **To take action on matters discussed in closed session.**

Ms. **BLONDELL** made a motion, seconded by Mr. **ARRINGTON**, to approve the agreement with the State Comptroller as presented. After review and discussion, the motion was approved by a vote of 4 to 0.

21. **To discuss and take action to confirm the next regular monthly meeting date as well as any items that need to be on the next meeting agenda.**

The next regular meeting will be Thursday, March 19, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

The April meetings were scheduled for April 3, 2026 at 11:00 a.m. and April 14, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

22. **Adjournment.**

There being no further business brought before the Board, and no objection made to concluding the meeting, the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

The foregoing minutes were passed and approved by the District Board of Commissioners on March 19, 2026.

HARRIS-FORT BEND EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 100

By:



KEN ARRINGTON

Secretary of the Board