MINUTES OF MAY 22, 2026 SPECIAL MEETING
HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 16

A special public meeting was duly called by the Board of Commissioners of **Harris County Emergency Services District No. 16** on **May 22, 2026** which was held at the **District Administrative Building** located at **18606 Stuebner Airline Rd., Klein, Texas 77379.**

CALL MEETING TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISH A QUORUM.

The meeting was called to order at 9:03 a.m., by **Lance Wilson,** Board President and Chairman of the meeting.

President **Wilson** announced that a quorum was present. Those Commissioners present were:

Lance Wilson	Present
Steve Falkner	Present
Gary Morrison	Present
Anna Vollenweider	Present
Brian Gillman	Absent

Also present at the meeting were Fire Chief Jason Catrambone, and Ira Coveler of Coveler & Peeler, P.C., District Counsel.

TO RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENT.

No public comment was received.

TO REVIEW, DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION REGARDING ENTERING INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE DISTRICT, HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 7 AND OTHER EMERGENCY SERVICE DISTRICT ENTITIES RELATED TO SEEKING A GRANT TO FUND A PORTION OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW DISPATCH FACILITY.

Mr. Coveler then addressed the Board regarding a possible grant with other agencies, including four (4) other ESDs, to fund the construction of a new dispatch facility. Harris County ESD No. 7 would apply for the Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities ("BRIC") grant, which would be used to construct a new dispatch facility with Texas Emergency Communications Center ("TECC"), the District's dispatching agency. Ms. **Vollenweider** made a Motion, seconded by Mr. **Morrison,** to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Harris County ESD No. 7 related to the BRIC Grant for the new TECC Dispatch facility and to authorize and approve all of the District requirements related to same. Thereafter, the Motion passed by a vote of 4 to 0.

Mr. Coveler also advised the Board that the current lease for the 16810 Squyres Road property used by TECC had expired and required renewal. After discussion, Ms. **Vollenweider** made a Motion, seconded by Mr. **Morrison,** to approve the lease renewal as presented with an effective date of March 1, 2026. Thereafter, the Motion passed by a vote of 4 to 0.

TO REVIEW, DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION REGARDING ENTERING INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE DISTRICT, HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 13, AND OTHER EMERGENCY SERVICE DISTRICT ENTITIES RELATED TO SEEKING A GRANT FOR THE ACQUISITION OF NEW RADIOS.

Mr. Coveler addressed the Board regarding an MOU with six (6) Districts, hosted by Harris County ESD 13, to apply for and administer funds through the Assistant to Firefighters Grant program, to fund the replacement of three hundred forty-one (341) total radios for those Districts. If successful, ESD 16 would receive one hundred four (104) of those radios. After discussion, Mr. **Morrison** made a Motion, seconded by Ms. **Vollenweider,** to approve the Memorandum of Understanding for the grant application with ESD 13 and to authorize and approve all of the District requirements related to same. Thereafter, the Motion passed by a vote of 4 to 0.

TO REVIEW, DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION REGARDING MODIFYING THE DISTRICT'S LOAN AGREEMENTS TO ALLOW PROPERTY TAX REVENUES TO SERVE AS THE COLLATERAL FOR THE DISTRICT'S EXISTING LOANS.

Mr. Coveler next presented the Board with some options related to its debt obligations and providing a better structure for the District's existing loans. The Board next discussed possible benefits, and related processes of altering current District loan collaterals to ad valorem tax revenues, rather than sales tax revenues. Mr. Coveler explained that by this motion the District is substituting the collateral the District provides to its lenders. Specifically, for any loan the District secures with sales tax revenue are by this motion hereby modified to change the loan collaterals solely to property tax revenues. This motion also authorized the District to execute any and all documents with the District's lenders to implement this collateral change. After review, Mr. **Morrison** made a Motion, seconded by Ms. **Vollenweider,** to pledge only property tax to secure the District's current outstanding loans and to execute any and all necessary documentation with Southside Bank and Chase Bank to accomplish same. Thereafter, the Motion passed by a vote of 4 to 0.

TO MEET IN CLOSED SESSION

The Board did not meet in Closed Session.

ADJOURNMENT.

There being no further business brought before the Board, Mr. **Morrison** made a Motion, seconded by Ms. **Vollenweider,** to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 a.m. Thereafter, the Motion passed by a vote of 4 to 0.

The foregoing minutes were reviewed and approved by the Board of Commissioners on July 10, 2026.

By: Gary Morrison

Gary Morrison
Board Secretary