

**MINUTES
BOARD OF MANAGERS
NUECES COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT
SPECIAL SESSION**

April 20, 2017

The Nueces County Hospital District Board of Managers met in ***SPECIAL SESSION*** in the NCHD Board Room at 555 N. Carancahua, Suite 950-A, Corpus Christi, Texas on Thursday, April 20, 2017 at 12 noon.

HOSPITAL DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES:

Jonny F. Hipp, Administrator/CEO
Dena B. Bruni, Assistant Administrator, Administrative Services
Donna Littlefield, Director, Accounting & Finance
Wm. DeWitt Alsup, Attorney, Alsup Law Firm
Catherine Heller, Nueces Assistant County Attorney
Sara G. Lopez, Administrative Specialist
Carmen H. Ramos, Administrative Assistant

OTHER(S) PRESENT:

Adam Robison, Attorney, King & Spalding, LLP, Law Firm-Houston TX
Dominique Dominguez, President/CEO, Christus Spohn Health System Corporation
Estela Chapa, Chief Clinical & Transformation Officer, CSHS
Michelle Mora-Treviño, Public Relations, CSHS
Mark Hendrix, Director, Mental Health Services, BHCNC
Osbert Blow, M.D., Medical Director, CS Trauma and Surgical Care Services
Justin Doss, Regional COO, Christus Spohn Health System Corporation
Steve King, CFO, Christus Spohn Health System Corporation
Loyd S. Neal, Nueces County Judge
Govind Nadkarni, Member, Christus Spohn Board of Directors
Eric Hammon, CFO, Driscoll Childrens Hospital
Steve Woerner, President/CEO, Driscoll Childrens Hospital
Julie Garcia, Caller Times Reporter

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1. **Call to Order** - Mr. Huseman, Chairman
The meeting was called to order by Mr. Huseman at 12:00 noon.
 2. **Establishment of Quorum** - Mr. Huseman
A quorum was present with six members in attendance.

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Van Huseman, Chairman - PRESENT
Claude "Cal" Jennings, Vice Chair - PRESENT
Rodney J. Hart, Member - PRESENT
Robert N. Corrigan, Member - PRESENT
Ted Daniel, Member - PRESENT
John E. Valls, Member - PRESENT

Irma Caballero, Member - **ABSENT**

3. **Public Comment** - Persons wishing to comment must sign-in on the "Agenda Item Request to Speak" form provided at the entrance of the Board meeting room at least five (5) minutes prior to commencement of the Board meeting. Commenters shall limit their comments to three (3) minutes and comments must be appropriate to the agenda item(s). See the "Public Comment" section of the preceding General Information page for additional Public Comment-related requirements and information.

None requested.

Original Request to Speak in public session sign-in sheet and sign-in showing individual(s) in attendance is attached hereto for information and made a part of these minutes.

4. **REGULAR AGENDA:**

A. **Relocation of Level II Trauma Center from CHRISTUS Spohn Hospital Corpus Christi-Memorial to CHRISTUS Spohn Hospital Corpus Christi-Shoreline:**

- 1) Receive responses from Hospital District's April 10, 2017 letter to CHRISTUS Spohn Health System Corporation (CSHS) relating to CSHS's relocation of Level II Trauma Center from CHRISTUS Spohn Hospital Corpus Christi-Memorial to CHRISTUS Spohn Hospital Corpus Christi-Shoreline; relocation planned for May 2, 2017 - INFORMATION
A discussion followed and it was the consensus and firmly expressed by the Nueces County Hospital District board members that "no" communication or notification relating to the relocation of the Level II Trauma Center from Christus Spohn Corpus Christi Memorial to Christus

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Spohn Hospital Corpus Christi Shoreline was not formally made by Christus Spohn Health System Corporate officials. The Board of Managers expressed disappointment in the lack of communication to Hospital District executives from Christus Spohn Health System executives of any intended moves and or changes. Mr. Doss informed the Board of Managers his commitment to inform and communicate to Nueces County Hospital District officials of any further changes to the contract or plans relating to both Christus Spohn Hospitals.

Copy of letter dated April 10, 2017 to Christus Spohn executives is attached hereto and made a part of these minutes. Also attached hereto is Christus Spohn response letter dated April 18, 2017 and all responses to all questions posed by Nueces County Hospital District officials.

- 2) Discuss and consider action(s) relating to CHRISTUS Spohn Health System Corporation's planned May 2, 2017 relocation of Level II Trauma Center from CHRISTUS Spohn Hospital Corpus Christi-Memorial to CHIRSTUS Spohn Hospital Corpus Christi-Shoreline - ACTION

There was no action taken on this agenda item.

B. Texas Health and Human Services Commission's Uniform Hospital Rate Increase Program:

- 1) Receive update on implementation of the Texas Health and Human Service Commission's (HHSC) Uniform Hospital Rate Increase Program (UHRIP); UHRIP established for the purpose of increasing Medicaid managed care organization payments to certain classes of hospital for services provided within HHSC's Medicaid managed-care service delivery areas: UHRIP effective September 1, 2017 - INFORMATION
Mr. Hipp reported application was submitted to state as scheduled. A brief discussion followed relating to the Uniform Hospital Rate Increase Program (UHRIP) for the benefit of hospitals locate within Nueces County. Since then the state has adopted new rules regarding the Medicaid Managed Care Delivery System and Provider Payment Initiatives to govern the UHRIP General Provisions and Regional Uniform Rate Increases for Hospital Services.

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Copy of the Adopted Rules dated March 31, 2017 relating to Part 15 Texas health and Human Services Commission; Chapter 353 Medicaid Managed Care; Chapter O - Delivery System and Provider Payment Initiatives are attached hereto for information and made a part of these minutes.

- 2) Discuss and consider action(s) relating to Hospital District's participation in the Texas Health and Human Services Commission Uniform Hospital Rate Increase Program - ACTION

There was no action taken on this agenda item.

- C. Ratify Nueces County as Trustee's amendment and extension of prior October 26, 2016 temporary work space license agreement with Electric Transmission Texas, LLC (ETT) for ETT to construct an underground electrical transmission on and under property adjoining, or in proximity to 0.061 acres of Flour Bluff Park Lots 1-5, Block 16, 901 McIver, Corpus Christi, Texas; amendment and extension (1) amends description to include 0.075 acres; (2) extends original agreement term to October 1, 2017; and (3) provides option to extend original agreement term from October 1, 2017 until April 1, 2018:

On motion by Mr. Jennings, seconded by Mr. Valls, the Board of Managers voted to ratify Nueces County as Trustee amending an extension of prior October 26, 2016 temporary work space license agreement with Electric Transmission Texas, LLC (ETT) to construct an underground electrical transmission on the under property adjoining, or in proximity to 0.061 acres of Flour Bluff Park Lots 1-5, Block 16, 901 McIver, Corpus Christi, Texas; amendment and extension (1) amends description to include 0.075 acres; (2) extends original agreement term to October 1, 2017; and (3) provides option to extend original agreement term from October 1, 2017 to April 1, 2018. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Copy of executed Amendment and Extension of Temporary Work Space License Agreement and County Judge's letter to City Managers dated April 11, 2017 are attached hereto for information and made a part of these minutes.

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5. **CLOSED MEETING** - See the "Closed Meeting" section of the preceding page titled "General Information About the Board of Managers Agenda" for Closed Meeting disclosure and related information.

Let the record show that there was no executive closed session held during this meeting.

EXECUTIVE CLOSED SESSION

The Board of Managers entered into executively closed session at approximately ----- p.m., to discuss and/or deliberate on the following agenda item(s): A.1 & 2

A. Consult with Hospital District's attorneys to seek advice on legal matters pursuant to Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, §551.071:

- 1) Matters related to CHRISTUS Spohn Health System Corporation's planned May 2, 2017 relocation of Level II Trauma Center from CHRISTUS Spohn Hospital Corpus Christi-Memorial to CHRISTUS Spohn Hospital Corpus Christi-Shoreline and related matters.
- 2) Matters related to Hospital District's use of intergovernmental transfers in support of the Uniform Hospital Rate Increase Program being implemented by the Texas Health and Human Service Commission and related matters.

Members of the Board of Managers, Administrator Jonny F. Hipp, Attorneys Wm. DeWitt Alsup, Cathie Heller, Adam Robison, Assistant Administrator Dena B. Bruni, Director of Accounting & Finance Donna Littlefield remained for the executive closed session.

The Board of Managers ended its executively closed session at approximately ----- p.m.

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6. **OPEN MEETING:**

- A. Final action, decision, or vote on matters deliberated in Closed Meeting.
(Action as Needed)
No action required.

7. **ADJOURN:**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:49 p.m.

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PRESIDING OFFICER:

Van Huseman, Chairman
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ATTEST:

Jonny F. Hipp, Secretary
Board of Managers
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Wm. DeWitt Alsup, General Counsel
Nueces County Hospital District