



**DeWight Dopslauf, C.P.M., CPPO**  
**Harris County Purchasing Agent**

April 19, 2021

Commissioners Court  
Harris County, Texas

**RE: Personal Services Exemption – Local Government Code § 262.024 (a)(4)**

Members of Commissioners Court:

Please approve an exemption from the competitive bid requirements and the attached Order authorizing the County Judge to execute the attached First Amendment to the Agreement for the following:

**Description:** O'Donnell Consent Decree Monitor for the Harris County Justice Administration Department

**Vendor:** Duke University

**Term:** March 3, 2020 through March 2, 2027

**Amount:** \$0

**Reviewed by:**  X  Justice Administration  X  Harris County Purchasing

Brandon L. Garrett will continue to provide personal services required under the Agreement, with no increase in the total amount of the contract. The First Amendment updates the statement of work for the second year of monitoring.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "DeWight Dopslauf".

DeWight Dopslauf  
Purchasing Agent

SRV  
Attachments  
cc Justice Administration  
Vendor

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**FOR INCLUSION ON COMMISSIONERS COURT AGENDA APRIL 27, 2021**

**FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN  
HARRIS COUNTY AND DUKE UNIVERSITY**

THE STATE OF TEXAS     §  
                                     §  
COUNTY OF HARRIS     §

This first amendment ("First Amendment") is entered into effect as of the later of the date the First Amendment is approved by the Commissioners Court of Harris County or executed by the Parties ("First Amendment Effective Date") by and between Harris County ("County"), a body corporate and politic under the laws of the State of Texas acting by and through its Justice Administration Department (the "Department"), and Duke University, a North Carolina nonprofit corporation, acting on behalf of its employee ("Duke"), Brandon L. Garrett ("Monitor"), to amend the terms of that Agreement for Consent Decree Monitoring ("the Agreement") entered into by the Parties on the Effective Date, which is April 28, 2020. The Monitor may be referred to, individually, and collectively, as applicable, as the "Monitor," and the County, Duke, and the Monitor are referred to herein individually as "Party" and collectively as "Parties," as applicable

***Recitals***

The County and Duke desire to and update the statement of work for the second year of monitoring.

Duke warrants and represents that it is willing and capable of providing the services.

Now, therefore, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, and the mutual covenants set forth herein, the parties agree to amend the Agreement as follows:

***Terms***

**I.**

This First Amendment shall be governed by the Agreement, which is incorporated herein by reference as though fully set forth herein word for word.

**II.**

The Monitoring Pretrial Reform in Harris County Monitoring Plan: Year 2 is attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.

**III.**

All other terms and provisions of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect as originally written.

IV.

In the event of any conflict between the terms and provisions of this First Amendment, or any portion thereof, and the terms and provisions of any other part or portion of the Agreement, this First Amendment shall control.

V.

This First Amendment shall have effect from the First Amendment Effective Date through March 2, 2022. The Agreement may be renewed by the following standards and procedures. By December 31, 2021, Duke will provide a proposed work plan for Year 3 of the Agreement, including a proposed budget. The County will review the proposed work plan and provide comments, if any, so that the Agreement can be renewed or extended in accord with the terms of the Agreement to take effect as of March 3, 2022. Any renewal shall not be effective excepting a subsequent written modification signed by both parties.

VI.

Execution, Multiple Counterparts: This Amendment may be executed in several counterparts. Each counterpart is deemed an original. All counterparts together constitute one and the same instrument. Each Party warrants that the undersigned is a duly authorized representative with the power to execute this Amendment. In the event that any signature is delivered by facsimile transmission or by e-mail delivery of a ".pdf" format data file, such signature shall create a valid and binding obligation of the party executing (or on whose behalf such signature is executed) with the same force and effect as if such facsimile or ".pdf" signature page were an original thereof.

[Execution Page Follows]

DUKE UNIVERSITY

By Keith Hurka-Owen

Name: Keith Hurka-Owen

Title: Exec. Dir., Office of Research Support

Date: April 15, 2021

*Read & Acknowledged*

Brandon L. Garrett

Brandon L. Garrett

L. Neil Williams, Jr. Professor of Law and  
faculty director of the Duke Center for Science  
and Justice

HARRIS COUNTY

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Lina Hidalgo  
Harris County Judge

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

CHRISTIAN D. MENEFEE  
Harris County Attorney

By: DeAnne A. Lin for:  
Philip Berzins  
Assistant County Attorney  
C.A. File 21GEN1028

**EXHIBIT A**  
**Monitoring Pretrial Reform in Harris County**  
**Monitoring Plan: Year 2**  
**March, 2021**

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## ***Introduction***

On March 3, 2020, Professor Brandon L. Garrett at Duke University School of Law, as Monitor, and Professor and Sandra Guerra Thompson, University of Houston Law Center, as Deputy Monitor, with the support team members at the Public Policy Research Institute at Texas A&M University, as well as the Center for Science and Justice (CSJ) at Duke University, were appointed to serve as the Monitor Team for the *ODonnell* Consent Decree.

In January 2019, after an initial preliminary injunction order, which took effect June 6, 2017, and following an appeal, Harris County, the misdemeanor judges, and the sheriff promulgated new bail rules, requiring the prompt post-arrest release on unsecured bonds of the vast majority of people arrested for misdemeanor offenses. Pursuant to the rules, everyone else is afforded a bail hearing with counsel, and most are then also ordered released. These rules provided the foundation for the global Consent Decree, which the parties agreed to in July 2019 and which Chief Judge Rosenthal approved on November 21, 2019. The resulting Consent Decree builds upon the county's new pretrial justice system, so as to bring about lasting change in Harris County. The Decree sets forth a blueprint for creating a constitutional and transparent pretrial system to protect the due process and equal protection rights of misdemeanor arrestees. Under the terms of the Consent Decree, the Monitor will serve a key role in bringing each of the component parts together to ensure a holistic and collaborative approach towards pretrial reform. This new system has the potential to become a model for jurisdictions around the country.

The submission to Court included a Proposal and Budget for Year 1 of work, which describes team members, timelines, an organization chart, and a budget for all participants. We provided on May 1, 2020, a work plan for our first year of work.

In this document, we set out our second year of work, set out in quarterly deliverables, as was most convenient for the County and its budgeting process. This Work Plan describes the second year of work, set out in quarterly deliverables, with a budget of approximately \$659,185. As with our Year 1 work plan, this Statement of Work is divided into three Deliverables: (1) Policy Assessment and Reporting; (2) Cost study and Project Management; (3) Community Outreach, Participation, and Working Group.

### **Task I: Policy Assessment and Reporting**

This Deliverable describes the tasks associated with reviewing and providing input, and then reporting to the parties and the Court, regarding policies associated with the adoption of Rule 9 and the *ODonnell* Consent Decree. A central goal of the Monitorship will be to ensure that constitutional rights are safeguarded permanently, through the new systems put into place. In Year 2, the Monitor will be producing reports, including: a Monitor Report at six months and a second report at the year's end. The Monitor will be analyzing data from the county and reporting on these data in reports and to the parties. The Monitor will be providing feedback on a series of tasks that the parties must accomplish, as per deadlines set out in the Consent Decree.

#### **Task I:1. Provide Feedback on County Plans and Assessments**

Continue to conduct regular meetings/calls with the parties to discuss progress under Consent Decree.

Analyze data, including jail data, court data, hearing videos, and judicial opinions.

Review plans to develop systems and structures to deliver effective indigent defense services (e.g., investigation, mitigation).

Review results of research by outside vendors to study topics such as causes of nonappearance, indigent defense, court forms.

Consult with Harris County concerning data variables collected by the County, including data regarding court nonappearances; helps ensure the County develops a data website so that misdemeanor pretrial conditions are public; raw data is available for download; and reviews first of the 60-day reports generated by the County.

#### **Task I:2. Complete Monitor Report**

Continue to conduct regular meetings/calls with the parties to discuss progress under Consent Decree.

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Incorporate work into Monitor Report.

#### **Task I:3. Provide Feedback on County Plans and Assessments**

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#### **Task I:4. Complete Year-end Report**

Continue to conduct regular meetings/calls with the parties to discuss progress under Consent Decree.

Analyze data, including jail data, court data, hearing videos, and judicial opinions.

Review plans to develop systems and structures to deliver effective indigent defense services (e.g., investigation, mitigation).

Review results of research by outside vendors to study topics such as causes of nonappearance, indigent defense, court forms.

Consult with Harris County concerning data variables collected by the County, including data regarding court nonappearances; helps ensure the County develops a data website so that misdemeanor pretrial conditions are public; raw data is available for download; and reviews first of the 60-day reports generated by the County.

Incorporate work into year-end Monitor Report.

#### **Project Timeline and Staffing.**

This work will be conducted between March 3, 2020 and March 2, 2021.

#### **Monitor Team Personnel:**

- **Prof. Brandon Garrett** (Duke Law School)
- **Prof. Songman Kang.**
- **Research assistants** (Duke Law School and University of Houston Law Center)
- **Prof. Philip J. Cook** (Sanford School of Public Policy, Duke University)

#### **Travel:**

- Travel: travel to Houston for Duke University Team Members.

#### **Task II: Cost Study and Project Management**

The Public Policy Research Institute (PPRI) at Texas A&M University will evaluate the cost impacts of bail reform in Harris County. There are a range of costs in the pretrial context, and not only the costs of detention, recidivism, court costs, costs of non-appearance, but also the costs of physical injury in jail, harm to physical and behavioral health, to families and communities, and the criminogenic harm of pretrial detention. The Monitor team will assess each of those costs to determine what are the most cost-effective methods of realizing priorities under the Decree. This work will be led by the Public Policy Research Institute (PPRI) at Texas A&M University, a leading interdisciplinary government and social policy

research organization. PPRI will also document information about community service data and lead the project management efforts of the team.

#### **Task II:1. Complete Cost Data Acquisition**

PPRI will continue to work with JAD and Monitor team colleagues to acquire, merge, and prepare datasets needed for analysis and statistical modeling. We will also continue to collaborate with department representatives to assemble budget data showing the costs of key misdemeanor case processes. Finally, we will conclude the literature review to quantify cost components that cannot be derived from Harris County data, but that are nonetheless essential for understanding the comprehensive impact of bond reform. Examples include costs to defendants or families emanating from contact with the criminal justice system, pretrial detention, conviction, or sentences, or costs to victims when the bond system fails. With these tools, we can create and apply standardized per-unit costs associated with key aspects of defendant experiences such as booking, bond hearings, pretrial detention, court appearances, prosecution, defense, and case outcomes.

#### **Task II:2. Produce Year 1.5 Cost Analysis Report**

Cost analysis results will be summarized in a report submitted in conjunction with the September 2021 6-Month Monitor Report. Analyses will assess the costs of misdemeanor case processing generally as well as specific cost impacts of changes under the Consent Decree. Results will quantify the relative contributions of independent cost centers and the impact of programs or practices within and between departments. Findings will summarize major findings, offer recommendations, and propose future directions for continued investigation in support of Consent Decree objectives. Project partners and stakeholders will be kept informed of cost study findings through brief interim updates shared at stakeholder meetings. This practice will increase accuracy, transparency, and relevance of the work, and will promote timely integration of results to strengthen and calibrate the bail reform process.

#### **Task II:3. Explore Community Service Data Acquisition**

The Initial Cost Analysis Report produced in Task II:2 will answer initial questions about cost of misdemeanor processing within the Harris County jail and court systems. However, a number of social service organizations offer supports to justice-involved individuals that can mitigate criminality. The PPRI team will begin to explore mapping services and data from these external agencies.

Input and recommendations will be sought from knowledgeable stakeholders and collaborators within the county such as the public defender and managed assigned counsel office, and members of the Monitors' Community Working Group who are familiar with community service options. Building on established connections where possible, we can reach out to each organization to learn more. The focus for potential data partnerships in Year Two will be with Harris Health and the Coalition for the Homeless, both of which are key providers for crisis, routine, and re-entry services for people sometimes deemed "frequent flyers" in the criminal justice system.

The deliverable will be a written brief surveying agency service infrastructure, identifying points of intersection with the justice-involved population, and assessing the requirements, likelihood, and limits of successful data sharing. With this information, the Monitor team can make informed judgments about future research on community integration as a means to address defendant needs, reduce or prevent criminal justice contact, improve lives, and save money.

#### **Task II:4. Produce Year Two Cost Analysis Report**

PPRI will continue to expand analysis centering on cost aspects of the Consent Decree. Working with the Monitors, we will identify a menu of informative and useful potential targets for cost-related research based on developments in meetings/calls with key stakeholders, formal plans for system changes generated from within the county and by outside researchers, results of data analyses conducted by the Monitoring team, the academic research literature, and other sources as appropriate. Results will be integrated into the Year Two Monitor Report to be submitted March 3, 2022.

#### **Task II:5. Maintain Project Management Protocol**

In their project management role PPRI will facilitate information-sharing and coordination of activities among members of the monitor team and other stakeholder implementing the Consent Decree. We will assist the Monitor with managing a rolling an agenda of topics for meetings of the Parties, maintain progress notes recording accomplishments and obstacles toward implementing Consent Decree requirements, collaborate with JAD staff to document attainment of tasks and timelines in the cloud-based Monday.com project tracking system, memorialize key work products, and regularly report progress to JAD, the Parties, the Federal Court, and the public through semi-annual status reports on Consent Decree milestones.

Costs for this continuous support function will be apportioned evenly across billing for other deliverables over the course of the year.

#### **Project Timeline and Staffing**

This work will be conducted between March 3, 2021 and March 2, 2022.

- **Texas A&M, Public Policy Research Institute (PPRI)** will conduct a multi-year evaluation
- **Dottie Carmichael** (Research Scientist, Texas A&M University, PPRI)
- **Trey Marchbanks** (Research Scientist) will replace **George Naufal** (Economist, Texas A&M University, PPRI)
- **Bethany Patterson** (Research Associate), will replace **Jongwoo Jeong**.
- **Andrea Seasock** (Project Coordinator) will remain on the research team.
- Travel: to Houston for Texas A&M University Team Members

#### **Task III: Community Outreach, Participation, and Working Group**

The Monitor Team recognizes that the permanence of the Consent Decree's implementation will turn on its acceptance by local community leaders and stakeholders. The Monitor Team will convene a Community Working Group, whose composition is detailed in the Monitor's Proposal to Harris County, that would

advise the Monitor Team as well as assist in keeping the community informed of the County's progress in implementing the Consent Decree.

**Task III:1. Initial Public Outreach and Participation**

Convene monthly meetings of the Community Working Group (CWG).

Continue to reach out, with the guidance of the CWG, to local organizations to introduce themselves and offer to meet with community groups interested in learning more about the Consent Decree.

Begin set up of Houston office, when feasible to do so given the COVID-19 pandemic.

Continue to maintain Monitor website, to provide all Monitorship-related documents to the public, an overview of the goals and process, a calendar with relevant dates, answers to common questions concerning pretrial process under the Consent Decree, and a way for members of the public to share information, including anonymously, with the Monitor.

**Task III:2. Second Public Meeting, Third Monitor Report**

Convene monthly meetings of the Community Working Group (CWG).

Continue to reach out, with the guidance of the CWG, to local organizations to introduce themselves and offer to meet with community groups interested in learning more about the Consent Decree.

Begin set up of Houston office, when feasible to do so given the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Monitor Team will review County's plan for upcoming public meetings, in consultation with the Community Working Group, to ensure that fully transparent, representative, local, and robust participation is sought and achieved.

Incorporate work into upcoming Monitor Report.

Continue to update Monitor website.

**Task III:3. Convene CWG and Solicit Additional Public Input**

Convene monthly meetings of the Community Working Group (CWG).

Continue to reach out, with the guidance of the CWG, to local organizations to introduce themselves and offer to meet with community groups interested in learning more about the Consent Decree.

Begin set up of Houston office, when feasible to do so given the COVID-19 pandemic.

Continue to update Monitor website.

**Task III:4. Second Public Meeting, Second Six-month Report**

Convene monthly meetings of the Community Working Group (CWG).

Continue to reach out, with the guidance of the CWG, to local organizations to introduce themselves and offer to meet with community groups interested in learning more about the Consent Decree.

Begin set up of Houston office, when feasible to do so given the COVID-19 pandemic.

Second public meeting convened.

Incorporate work into upcoming Monitor Report.

Continue to update Monitor website.

### **Project Timeline and Staffing**

This work will be conducted between March 3, 2020 and March 2, 2021.

- **Sandra Guerra Thompson** (University of Houston Law Center)

Office Space, Equipment and Support:

- Office supplies: paper, pens, notepads in the Houston office space. We would plan to use the office space provided pursuant to the decree because of its central and accessible location, as well as an office phone, laptop computer and printing equipment and IT support for computer use, meetings via Zoom, and phone conferences. We would need a meeting room with sufficient space for periodic Community Working Group meetings and meetings with stakeholders or researchers.
- Parking: A parking budget for downtown parking for the Monitor Team and twelve Community Working Group members (12 meetings per year).
- **Houston Office Assistant**
- **Houston Investigator**

### **Houston Conference Costs:**

- Administrative support, food, publicity, space rental
- Travel: to Houston for Prof. Thompson (from vacation home).

## Deliverables

Deliverable I	Estimated Delivery Dates	Billable Amount
<p><u>Task I:1.</u></p> <p>Continue to conduct regular meetings/calls with the parties to discuss progress under Consent Decree.</p> <p>Analyze data, including jail data, court data, hearing videos, and judicial opinions.</p> <p>Review plans to develop systems and structures to deliver effective indigent defense services (e.g., investigation, mitigation).</p> <p>Review results of research by outside vendors to study topics such as causes of nonappearance, indigent defense, court forms.</p> <p>Consult with Harris County concerning data variables collected by the County, including data regarding court nonappearances; helps ensure the County develops a data website so that misdemeanor pretrial conditions are public; raw data is available for download; and reviews first of the 60-day reports generated by the County.</p> <p><u>Task II:1.</u> The Monitor Team (PPRI) continues work to acquire, clean, link, and prepare datasets and county department budget records for cost analysis.</p> <p>Initial statistical analysis will be conducted in preparation for the cost analysis report.</p> <p>Project management support includes preparing meeting agendas, keeping notes, tracking Consent Decree progress on Monday.com, and reporting status.</p> <p><u>Task III:1.</u> Monitoring Plan re. outreach and participation for the first year.</p> <p>Convene first meeting of Community Working Group (CWG).</p>	June 1, 2021	\$130,738.25

<p>Begin set up of Houston office.</p> <p>The Monitor Team build Monitor website.</p>		
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Deliverable 2	Estimated Delivery Dates	Billable Amount
<p><u>Task I:2.</u></p> <p>Continue to conduct regular meetings/calls with the parties to discuss progress under Consent Decree.</p> <p>Analyze data, including jail data, court data, hearing videos, and judicial opinions.</p> <p>Review plans to develop systems and structures to deliver effective indigent defense services (e.g., investigation, mitigation).</p> <p>Review results of research by outside vendors to study topics such as causes of nonappearance, indigent defense, court forms.</p> <p>Consult with Harris County concerning data variables collected by the County, including data regarding court nonappearances; helps ensure the County develops a data website so that misdemeanor pretrial conditions are public; raw data is available for download; and reviews first of the 60-day reports generated by the County.</p> <p>Incorporate work into Monitor Report.</p>	<p>August 20, 2021</p>	<p>\$150,622.25</p>

<p><u>Task II:2.</u> The Monitor Team (PPRI) produces the Cost Analysis Plan for submission with the third six-month Monitor Report.</p> <p>Project management support includes preparing meeting agendas, keeping notes, tracking Consent Decree progress on Monday.com, and reporting status.</p> <p><u>Task III:2.</u> Community Outreach.</p> <p>Review County's plan for public meetings.</p> <p>Incorporate work into first six-month Monitor Report.</p> <p>Updates to Monitor website.</p>		
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Deliverable 3	Estimated Delivery Dates	Billable Amount
<p><u>Task I:3.</u></p> <p>Continue to conduct regular meetings/calls with the parties to discuss progress under Consent Decree.</p> <p>Analyze data, including jail data, court data, hearing videos, and judicial opinions.</p> <p>Review plans to develop systems and structures to deliver effective indigent defense services (e.g., investigation, mitigation).</p> <p>Review results of research by outside vendors to study topics such as causes of nonappearance, indigent defense, court forms.</p> <p>Consult with Harris County concerning data variables collected by the County, including data regarding court nonappearances; helps ensure the County develops a data website so that misdemeanor pretrial conditions are public; raw data is available for download; and reviews first of the 60-day reports generated by the County.</p>	November 28, 2021	\$129,641.25



<p><u>Task II:3.</u> The Monitor Team (PPRI) develops a community service data acquisition plan documenting points of intersection with the justice-involved population, and opportunities, limits, and requirements for successful data sharing.</p> <p>Project management support includes preparing meeting agendas, keeping notes, tracking Consent Decree progress on Monday.com, and reporting status.</p> <p><u>Task III:3.</u> Outreach to share results of first Monitor Report.</p> <p>Convene experts at conference at Houston Law.</p> <p>Updates to Monitor website</p>		
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Deliverable 4	Estimated Delivery Dates	Billable Amount
<p><u>Task I:4.</u></p> <p>Continue to conduct regular meetings/calls with the parties to discuss progress under Consent Decree.</p> <p>Analyze data, including jail data, court data, hearing videos, and judicial opinions.</p> <p>Review plans to develop systems and structures to deliver effective indigent defense services (e.g., investigation, mitigation).</p> <p>Review results of research by outside vendors to study topics such as causes of nonappearance, indigent defense, court forms.</p> <p>Consult with Harris County concerning data variables collected by the County, including data regarding court nonappearances; helps ensure the County develops a data website so that misdemeanor pretrial conditions are public;</p>	March 2, 2022	\$175,183.25

<p>raw data is available for download; and reviews first of the 60-day reports generated by the County.</p> <p>Incorporate work into year-end Monitor Report.</p> <p><u>Task II:4.</u> The Monitor Team (PPRI) produces Year Two Cost Analysis Report reflecting informative and useful targets for research developed in collaboration with the Monitor and Deputy Monitor, and with input from key stakeholders such as the Parties and the Community Working Group.</p> <p>Project management support includes preparing meeting agendas, keeping notes, tracking Consent Decree progress on Monday.com, and reporting status.</p> <p><u>Task III:4.</u> Second public meeting convened.</p> <p>Monitor Team outreach, with the guidance of the CWG, to local organizations and community groups.</p> <p>Incorporate work into second six-month Monitor Report.</p> <p>Updates to Monitor website.</p>		
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Total Year 2 Budget: \$ 586,185.00

**ORDER OF COMMISSIONERS COURT**  
Authorizing execution of an amendment to an agreement

The Commissioners Court of Harris County, Texas, convened at a meeting of said Court at the Harris County Administration Building in the City of Houston, Texas, on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021 with all members present except \_\_\_\_\_.

A quorum was present. Among other business, the following was transacted:

**ORDER AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN HARRIS COUNTY AND DUKE UNIVERSITY**

Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_ introduced an order and moved that Commissioners Court adopt the order. Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_ seconded the motion for adoption of the order. The motion, carrying with it the adoption of the order, prevailed by the following vote:

Vote of the Court	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>
Judge Hidalgo	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Comm. Ellis	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Comm. Garcia	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Comm. Ramsey, P.E.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Comm. Cagle	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

The County Judge thereupon announced that the motion had duly and lawfully carried and that the order had been duly and lawfully adopted. The order adopted follows:

**IT IS ORDERED** that County Judge Lina Hidalgo be, and she is hereby authorized to execute, for and on behalf of Harris County, an Amendment with Duke University to update the statement of work for the second year of services to be performed during the term. The Amendment is incorporated herein as though fully set forth word for word.

All Harris County officials and employees are authorized to do any and all things necessary or convenient to accomplish the purposes of this order.