

**Fort Bend Central Appraisal District
Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting
March 17, 2026**

Call to order: Chairman Pam Gaskin opened the regular meeting at 4:30 p.m.

Board members present: Pam Gaskin, Chairman; David James, Vice Chairman; Paul Stamatis, Financial Officer (*arrived at 4:31pm*); Jim Kij, Director; Sam Chatriwala, Director; Larry Indermuehle, Director; and Andrew Johnson, Director.

Board members absent: Mike Rozell, Secretary; and Carmen Turner, Assessor/Collector

District personnel present: Jordan Wise, Chief Appraiser; Tara Strine, Deputy Chief Appraiser; Rex Wogan, Deputy Chief Appraiser; Krisha Langton, Chief Human Resources Officer; Michael Gary, Chief Legal & Compliance Officer; Christene Garza, Director of Litigation; Brandon Thompson, Director of Appraisal Operations; Tiffany BenJebbour, Director of Special Projects; and Michael Higgins, Chief Financial Officer.

District's Legal Counsel: Matthew Tepper and Vernique Hutchinson, McCreary Veselka Bragg & Allen PC (MVBA)

District's Liaison Officer: Myron Green was unable to attend.

Others present: None

Public Comments: None

Recognition of Service Awards: Penny Hornsby, Director of GIS, was recognized for five (5) years of service.

Chief Appraiser Reports: Chief Appraiser Jordan Wise presented his report on the following topics: tax year 2026 planning; 2026-2027 Budget Planning; Sugar Creek Tower I Acquisition and Renovation; 2025 Legislative Sessions Implementation; School District Property Value Study (PVS); and other miscellaneous activities.

Liaison Officer Reports: It was noted that both complaints received were closed and dismissed

Department Status Reports: The department status reports were presented.

New Business:

Report on 2026 valuation and associated activities. Deputy Chief Appraiser Rex Wogan and Director of Appraisal Operations Brandon Thompson provided a report on the 2026 valuation and associated activities. This report included the annual market trends.

Discussion and possible action on a proposal submitted by Valuebase for their SaaS platform, valuation, and data sanitization services. Financial Officer Paul Stamatis made the motion to authorize the Chief Appraiser to negotiate and sign a one-year contract with Valuebase with amended funds previously earmarked for CAMA and Esri Canada. Director Jim Kij seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Report from the Appraisal Review Board (ARB) sub-committee. Vice Chairman David James provided an update on the ARB Selection Committee. He indicated that they recently completed interviews for vacant positions. He also recommended discharging the committee once the appointments are completed over the next few items.

Discussion and possible action to remove members from the Appraisal Review Board (ARB) for Fort Bend County. Financial Officer Paul Stamatis made the motion to remove David Fantin, Uzma Naeem, and John

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Kunthara from the Appraisal Review Board. Director Jim Kij seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

Discussion and possible action to appoint members to the Appraisal Review Board (ARB) for Fort Bend County and to set the terms of the appointed members. Director Jim Kij made the motion to appoint Azam Akhtar, Stephen Williams, Alford Wynne, Cynthia Cherry, Bruce Laubacher, and William (Ray) Valentine. Financial Officer Paul Stamatis seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Discussion and possible action to appoint a secretary for the tax year 2026 for the Appraisal Review Board of Fort Bend County. Financial Officer Paul Stamatis made the motion to appoint Lucinda Acquard as the Secretary for the tax year 2026 for the ARB effective January 15, 2026. Vice Chairman David James seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Discussion and possible action to approve a resolution authorizing and designating Chief Appraiser Jordan T. Wise as the official signature of the Fort Bend Central Appraisal District for banking and depository services. Financial Officer Paul Stamatis made the motion authorizing the Chief Appraiser, Chief Financial Officer, Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary, and Financial Officer to be designated as individuals authorized to sign the disbursements on all accounts on behalf of the District, and authorizing the Chief Appraiser to provide the current names and signatures of those individuals as those who hold those positions from time to time. Vice Chairman David James seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Discussion and possible action to approve a contract with 11:11 Systems (formerly iLand) to increase off-site cloud backup storage from 200 TB to 700 TB. Financial Officer Paul Stamatis made the motion authorizing the Chief Appraiser to negotiate with 11:11 Systems and Freeit to increase our storage incrementally and not to exceed \$297,225.00 for three (3) years. Director Jim Kij seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Director Sam Chatriwala left the meeting at 6:06 p.m.

Discussion and possible action to approve a contract with 11:11 Systems as a vendor for Disaster Recovery as a Service (DRaaS). Financial Officer Paul Stamatis made the motion authorizing the Chief Appraiser to negotiate a contract with 11:11 Systems for the DRaaS. Director Kij seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Discussion and possible action to approve a Resolution establishing formal policy for the commitment and assignment of fund balance in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 54. Director Jim Kij made the motion to approve the Resolution establishing formal policy for the commitment and assignment of the fund balance in accordance with GASB 54. Vice Chairman David James seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Discussion and possible action to approve a Resolution establishing authority for the commitment and assignment of fund balance in accordance with Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 54. Financial Officer Paul Stamatis made the motion to approve the Resolution establishing authority for the commitment and assignment of the fund balance in accordance with GASB 54. Director Jim Kij seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Consent Agenda: Director Jim Kij made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Financial Officer Paul Stamatis seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

- a. Review and consider approval of minutes for the meeting of February 17, 2026.
- b. Review and consider approval of paid vouchers and review of financial reports.
- c. Review and consider approval of a Resolution adopting an Investment Policy.

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- d. Review and consider approval of a contract with True Prodigy Tech Solutions for maintaining the searchable property tax database required by Senate Bill 2.

Executive Session: At 6:46 p.m., the Board convened into closed executive session under Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, sections (551.071) private consultation with board's attorney, (551.072) discussions on purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property, (551.074) personnel matters, (551.076) security matters.

- a. Private consultation with board's attorney regarding:
 - i. Property litigation
 - ii. Other litigation
 - iii. Personnel Matters
 - iv. Security Matters
 - v. Section 551.071 – For the Board to seek the advice of its attorney about pending or contemplated litigation; or a settlement offer; or a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Open Meetings Act; and
 - vi. Section 551.074 – To deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of the Chief Appraiser; or to hear a complaint or charge against the Chief Appraiser.
- b. Discussion regarding the purchase of the building including SCUD unit replacement for the appraisal district office building located at 13135 Dairy Ashford, Sugar Land, Texas 77479.

The Board reconvened into open session at approximately 7:31 p.m. No action was taken.

Other Business:

Items from the Board Members: None

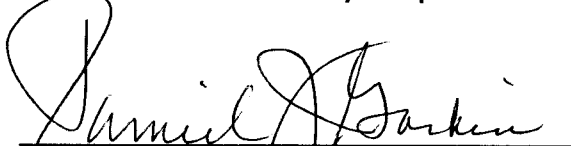
Receive report on corrections under Sec. 25.25(b), Tax Code. The Board of Directors received the corrections report.

Discussion between members of the Board of Directors and the Chief Appraiser regarding appraisal as permitted by Sec. 6.15, Tax Code. None

Announcements: The next Board of Directors regular meeting will be on Tuesday, April 21, 2026, at 4:30 p.m. at the Appraisal District. A public hearing for the Fiscal Year 2027 budget will be held at 4:30pm prior to the start of the regular meeting.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

APPROVED ON THE 21st day of April 2026.


Samuel J. Gaskin, Chairman


Michael Rozell, Secretary