

Wild Basin park backed

If local advocates of the proposed Wild Basin Wilderness Park southwest of the city can come up with \$175,000 cash, Travis County Commissioners will sponsor a request for matching federal funds.

The commissioners approved the conditional request for funds from the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation at their regular Monday meeting.

The commissioners also endorsed a request by President Ford and the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration (LEAA) to obtain \$50 million in funds to combat high crime.

Although it's too early to request a High Crime Program Grant, the money would be used in counties such as Travis which rated among the top six counties in Texas in high crime last year.

In other business, commis-

sioners set priorities for continuing grant applications to the Criminal Justice Division. They include, in order of priority, the Treatment Alternative to Street Crime, an alternative to jailing drug addicts; the Law Enforcement Study Implementation Grant; a screening section of the county attorney's office to streamline cases; and Step Forward, the halfway house program for juvenile delinquents, otherwise known as "The Door."

Commissioners also authorized County Judge Mike Renfro and Pct. 2 Commissioner Bob Honts to request permission from elected county officials to study the organization and management of their offices.

The county court also opened bids for numerous general supplies including office and janitorial supplies.