

THE STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF CAMERON §

BE IT REMEMBERED on the 2nd day of July, 2020, there was conducted a Special Meeting of the Cameron County Civil Service Commission, **hosted via an electronic video-conference program in accordance with the order of the Office of the Governor issued March 16, 2020, in lieu** of the Commissioners' Courtroom, thereof, in the City of Brownsville, Texas, for the purpose of transacting any and all business that may lawfully be brought before the same.

THE BOARD MET AT:

3:00 P.M.

PRESENT:

JAVIER DE LEON
CHAIRPERSON

ANNABELL ALEGRIA
COMMISSIONER

KEITH UHLES
COMMISSIONER

JOHN MICHAEL HAYWARD
ATTORNEY

GILBERTO ELIZONDO, JR.
CIVIL SERVICE DIRECTOR

ANTHONY LOPEZ
CIVIL SERVICE COORDINATOR

ABSENT:

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(i) The meeting was called to order by Chairman De Leon at 3:05 p.m. and the Commission considered the following matters as posted and filed for record in the Office of the County Clerk on June 24, 2020.

(1) **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

(2A) **PRE- HEARING CONFERENCE ON THE APPEAL OF EDUARDO GONZALES 20-107-10-512**

Cameron County attorney Daniel Lopez appeared on behalf of Sheriff Omar Lucio and attorney JR Ramirez appeared on behalf of Eduardo Gonzales. The Civil Service Commission directed Cameron County attorney Daniel Lopez to turn over documentation to attorney JR Ramirez where any prior discipline found for Mr. Jorge Hernandez, Mr. Pedro Lopez, Mr. Jose Meza and Ms. Crystal Contreras is similar to the allegations in the appeal of Eduardo Gonzales or dealing with trustworthiness. Both parties agreed to meet on August 20, 2020, at 1:00 p.m. utilizing an electronic videoconference program for the hearing on the merits.

(2B) **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO AMEND, MODIFY OR ELIMINATE ENTRY LEVEL TESTING FOR COVERED CIVIL SERVICE EMPLOYEES**

Commissioner Alegria moved to suspend all tests for entry level positions covered by Civil Service until the end of year 2020. Commissioner Uhles seconded the motion subject Commissioner Alegria approving an amendment to include that anyone that was hired on the contingency of taking a Civil Service exam will not have to. Commissioner Alegria accepted the amendment made by Commissioner Uhles to the original motion. Chairman De Leon asked for a vote and all voted "AYE". Therefore, the motion to suspend all tests for entry level positions covered by Civil Service until the end of year 2020 and no longer requiring for anyone hired on the contingency of taking a Civil Service exam to do so was approved.

MINUTES APPROVED ON THE 20TH DAY OF AUGUST 2020.

PREPARED BY:



ANTHONY LOPEZ
CIVIL SERVICE COORDINATOR

ATTESTED BY;



GILBERTO ELIZONDO, JR.
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIRECTOR