

THE STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF CAMERON §

BE IT REMEMBERED on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2021, 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:

1:00 P.M.

PRESENT:

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CHAIRPERSON

ANNABELL ALEGRIA  
COMMISSIONER

KEITH UHLES  
COMMISSIONER

RIC NAVARRO  
ATTORNEY

GILBERTO ELIZONDO, JR.  
CIVIL SERVICE DIRECTOR

ANTHONY LOPEZ  
CIVIL SERVICE COORDINATOR

ABSENT:

JAVIER DE LEON

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The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Uhles at 1:10 p.m. and the Commission considered the following matters as posted and filed for record in the Office of the County Clerk on June 23, 2021.

**(1) PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None

**(1A) CIVIL SERVICE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Gilbert Elizondo Jr., Civil Service Director, informed the Commission of four pending appeals: docket entries #19-104-10-560, #21-112-10-560, #21-113-10-560 and #21-114-10-560. Since the last meeting on April 28, 2021, two appeals had been administratively dismissed; docket entries #21-115-10-560 and #21-116-10-560.

**(2A) CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE PREVIOUS SPECIAL MEETINGS**

Commissioner Uhles asked if there is a motion to approve the minutes for the meetings held on April 28, 2021. Commissioner Alegria motioned to approve the minutes as written and was seconded by Commissioner Uhles. Commissioner Uhles asked for a vote and all voted "AYE". Therefore, the minutes for the Special Meeting of April 28, 2021, were approved.

**(2B) PRE-HEARING CONFERENCE ON THE APPEAL OF TERESITA MARTINEZ 21-114-10-560**

Chief Deputy Robert Gracia appeared on behalf of Sheriff Eric Garza and Teresita appeared on behalf of herself. Both parties agreed to and exchange documents, exhibits and a list of potential witnesses by July 14, 2021; and set a firm hearing date and time of July 21, 2021 at 1:30 p.m. The Commission went into executive session at 1:46 p.m. and gaveled back into open session at 2:37 p.m.

**(2C) CONSIDERATION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION IN CONNECTION WITH THE NOTICE OF APPEAL FILED BY DEPUTY SHERIFF RODRIGO ALMANZA, TO DETERMINE JURISDICTION, AND TO CONDUCT A PRE-HEARING CONFERENCE, IF APPLICABLE**

Chief Deputy Robert Gracia appeared on behalf of Sheriff Eric Garza and attorney JR Ramirez appeared on behalf of Rodrigo Almanza. Both parties stated their positions regarding jurisdiction. The Civil Service Commission, upon advice of counsel agreed to discuss the issue in executive session.

**(2D) CONSIDERATION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION IN CONNECTION WITH THE NOTICE OF APPEAL FILED BY DEPUTY SHERIFF RICARDO GOMEZ, TO DETERMINE JURISDICTION, AND TO CONDUCT A PRE-HEARING CONFERENCE, IF APPLICABLE**

Chief Deputy Robert Gracia appeared on behalf of Sheriff Eric Garza and attorney JR Ramirez appeared on behalf of Ricardo Gomez. Both parties stated their position regarding jurisdiction. The Civil Service Commission, upon advice of counsel, agreed to discuss the issue in executive session. The Commission entered executive session at 1:46 p.m. and gaveled back in at 2:37 p.m. As to Item 2(C), Commissioner Alegria moved that the commission determine it has jurisdiction over the appeal as stated by Mr. Almanza and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Uhles. Commissioner Uhles asked for a vote and all voted "AYE", and therefore the motion carried. As to Item 2(D) Commissioner Alegria moved that the commission determine it has jurisdiction over the appeal as stated by Mr. Gomez and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Uhles. Commissioner Uhles asked for a vote and all voted "AYE", and therefore the motion carried. With no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 2:42 p.m.

**MINUTES APPROVED ON THE 21 DAY OF JULY, 2021.**

**PREPARED BY:**

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**ANTHONY LOPEZ  
CIVIL SERVICE COORDINATOR**

**ATTESTED BY;**

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**GILBERTO ELIZONDO, JR.  
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIRECTOR**