

THE STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF CAMERON §

**BE IT REMEMBERED** on the 5th day of **OCTOBER, 1992** there was conducted was conducted a **REGULAR** Session of the Honorable Commissioners' Court of Cameron County, Texas, at the Courthouse 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 COURT MET AT:**

**1:30 P. M.**

**PRESENT:**

**ANTONIO O. GARZA, JR.**

**COUNTY JUDGE**

**LUCINO ROSENBAUM, JR.**

**COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 1**

**CARLOS H. CASCOS**

**COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 2**

**ADOLPH THOMAE, JR.**

**COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 3**

**NATIVIDAD VALENCIA**

**COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 4**

**JOE G. RIVERA**

**COUNTY CLERK**

**ABSENT:**

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The meeting was called to order by Judge Antonio O. Garza, Jr. He then asked Judge Ben Neece, Municipal Court, to lead the Court and the Audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The Court considered the following matters as posted and filed for Record in the Office of the County Clerk on October 2, 1992, at 9:37 A. M.

**(1) APPROVAL OF COUNTY CLAIMS**

At this time, Ms. Lynda Irvine, Assistant County Auditor, presented the following late claims for approval: Sierra Construction, Brownsville, Texas, Warrant No. 66305 in the amount of \$4,684.00 and Cameron County Clerk, Warrant No.66328 in the amount of \$47,000.00 for property near Los Indios International Bridge.

Commissioner Valencia moved that all the County Claims as presented by the County Auditor's Office be approved, inclusive of the late claims as to Sierra Construction, Brownsville, Texas, Warrant No. 66305 in the amount of \$4,684.00 and Cameron County Clerk, Warrant No.66328 in the amount of \$47,000.00.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rosenbaum and carried the following vote:

AYE: Commissioners Rosenbaum and Valencia

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Commissioner Thomaе as to the claim of Thomaе -Garza Funeral Directors, Warrant No.66288 in the amount of \$500.00 and Commissioner Cascos as to the claim of Waters Implement Company, Inc. Warrant No.66305 in the amount of \$73.14.

**The Affidavits are as follows:**

(2) **IN THE MATTER OF BUDGET AMENDMENTS  
AND/OR SALARY SCHEDULES (PASSED)**

The County Auditor's Office noted that there were no Budget Amendments or Salary Schedules for approval at this time.

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(3) **APPROVAL OF MINUTES' OF SEPTEMBER 8,  
1992, SEPTEMBER 14, 1992, SEPTEMBER 21, 1992  
AND SEPTEMBER 28, 1992**

Upon motion by Commissioner Valencia, seconded by Commissioner Thomae and carried unanimously, the Minutes' of the following Meetings were approved:

Regular Meeting - September 8, 1992 at 1:30 P. M.

Regular Meeting - September 14, 1992 at 1:30 P. M.

Regular Meeting - September 21, 1992 at 9:00 A. M., and

Regular Meeting - September 28, 1992 at 1:30 P. M.

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(4) **PRESENTATION OF TEX-TRAX BORDER CAR  
THEFT SYSTEM AND AUTHORIZATION FOR  
STAFF TO REVIEW AND EVALUATE  
INTEGRATION WITH THE COUNTY'S BAR CODE  
TOLL COLLECTION SYSTEM FOR  
RECOMMENDATION TO COMMISSIONERS'  
COURT**

At this time, Mr. Daniel Dotras, representing the Firm of Tex-Trax Systems, presented a proposal for an Auto-Theft device that could be integrated with the County's Bar Code Toll Collection System in an effort to identify and prevent stolen vehicles from crossing the International Bridges. He explained that the system would utilize a "Bar Code" that would be etched on the windshield of the vehicle at the owners expense and "scanned" at the Toll Booth. Mr. Dotras explained that the information concerning the vehicle and the authorized drivers would be maintained in a computerized data base and should the driver not be authorized, then the vehicle would not be allowed to cross the bridge. He added that there would be no cost to the County to implement the "Bar-Code" System.

Commissioner Thomae moved that Mr. Jack Brown, Project Manager, Mr. Rayburn MacNelly, County Auditor, Ms. Rosemary Martinez, Administrative Assistant to the County Judge, Chief Victor Rodriguez, State-wide Anti-Theft Task Force and Mr. Nicho Galvan, Bridge Manager, be directed to coordinate the implementation of the Tex-Trax Border Car Theft System into the existing International Bridges Toll Collection Systems.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rosenbaum and carried unanimously.

**The Proposal is as follows:**

(5) **APPROVAL OF CONTRACT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND TEXAS KEY PROGRAM, INCORPORATED, FOR NON-RESIDENTIAL INTENSIVE OUTREACH AND TRACKING SERVICES FOR JUVENILES, UTILIZING FUNDS PROVIDED BY THE TEXAS JUVENILE PROBATION COMMISSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Valencia, seconded by Commissioner Thomae and carried unanimously, the Contract between Cameron County and Texas Key Program, Incorporated, for Non-Residential Intensive Outreach and Tracking Services for juveniles, utilizing funds provided by the Texas Juvenile Probation Commission, was approved.

**The Contract is as follows:**

At this time, Commissioner Cascos asked members of the audience representing the Insurance Companies whether their presence was in response to Item No. 4, specifically, or to the article in the newspaper concerning the lapse of security at the Gateway Bridge, and the response was that both Items were of concern.

Commissioner Cascos addressed the matter of the lapse of bridge security even though it was not an Item on the Agenda and no action would be taken. He said that the Sheriff's Department had agreed to patrol the Gateway Bridge twenty-four (24) hours a day, and that funds to that Department would be transferred from the Toll Bridge System for personnel, and added that the Sheriff's Department would fund the peripheral equipment through the Drug Forfeiture Funds.

Judge Garza stated the funds were allocated in the Toll Bridge System Budget at the same amount as contracted last year with the City of Brownsville. He added that the Court would have to consider whether to contract with the Sheriff's Department for twenty-four (24) hour patrol, at a comparable amount or with the City of Brownsville, for the security at Gateway International Bridge.

Chief Carlos Tapia, Sheriff's Department, stated that he had submitted a Proposal for Court consideration to provide twenty-four (24) hours of bridge patrol at a cost that is much less than the present Contract. He stated that the terms of employment for the personnel would be through the Contract, to be paid regular salary, not over-time, and that they would provide the equipment.

Judge Garza noted that the newspaper article reported that the Contract with the City of Brownsville concerning Bridge Security had lapsed September 30, 1992. He stated that it was his understanding that the Contract was executed by the City of Brownsville in November 1991, although the Court had approved it several weeks before, and added that the City had expressed an interest in renewing the Contract.

Judge Garza commented that the County made a "good faith effort" to provide law enforcement within the City limits of Brownsville because there was a need to address the auto-theft problem, but that the City of Brownsville was ultimately responsible for law enforcement within the City, including the Brownsville-Matamoros Bridge.

At this time, Gilbert Taylor, Chairman of Crime-Stoppers, expressed the Group's concern for security at the Bridges and added that they planned to approach the City concerning the security at the Brownsville-Matamoros Bridge.

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(6) **APPROVAL OF CONTRACT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND TEXAS KEY PROGRAM, INC. FOR NON-RESIDENTIAL INTENSIVE OUTREACH AND TRACKING SERVICES FOR JUVENILES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Valencia, seconded by Commissioner Thomae and carried unanimously, the Contract between Cameron County and Texas Key Program, Inc, for Non-Residential Intensive Outreach and Tracking Services for Juveniles was approved.

**The Contract is as follows:**

(7) **APPROVAL TO PROCLAIM OCTOBER AS "HEAD START AWARENESS MONTH" AND TO DESIGNATE OCTOBER 14, 1992, AS "HEAD START AWARENESS DAY" IN CAMERON COUNTY**

Upon motion by Commissioner Valencia, seconded by Commissioner Rosenbaum and carried unanimously, the Proclamation declaring the Month of October as "Head Start Awareness Month" and October 14, 1992, as "Head Start Awareness Day" in Cameron County was adopted.

**The Proclamation is as follows:**

**(8) APPROVAL OF REQUEST BY LEE MCNAMARA  
TO HOLD AIDS BENEFIT CONCERT AT JOHN  
LENNON PARK ON OCTOBER 9-10, 1992**

Commissioner Thomae moved that the request to hold an Aids Benefit Concert at John Lennon Park on October 9-10, 1992, by Mr. Lee McNamara be approved.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Valencia and carried unanimously.

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**(9) APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 TO  
HEALTH SERVICES CONTRACT BETWEEN  
TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND  
CAMERON COUNTY**

Mr. Rolando Martinez, Health Administrator, explained that the State was allocating additional funds in order to provide "tracking" and "outreach" services for high-risk tuberculosis patients.

Upon motion by Commissioner Thomae, seconded by Commissioner Rosenbaum and carried unanimously, the Change Order No. 1 to the Health Services Contract between the Texas Department of Health and Cameron County was approved.

**The Contract is as follows:**

**(10) APPROVAL OF REQUEST BY 4-H CLUB TO USE  
BOCA CHICA BEACH FOR FISHING  
TOURNAMENT ON OCTOBER 10, 1992**

Commissioner Thomae moved that the use of Boca Chica Beach by the 4-H Club for a Fishing Tournament on October 10, 1992, be approved.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Valencia and carried unanimously.

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**(11) AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR LEASE OF  
THREE (3) VEHICLES FOR COUNTY DRUG TASK  
FORCE**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Rosenbaum and carried unanimously, the advertisement for the lease of three (3) vehicles for the County Drug Task Force was authorized.

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**(12) AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR TWENTY-  
FIVE (25) PATROL/CID VEHICLES AND ONE (1)  
PRISONER TRANSPORT VAN FOR SHERIFF'S  
DEPARTMENT**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Valencia and carried unanimously, the advertisement for twenty-five (25) Patrol/CID vehicles and one (1) prisoner transport van for the Sheriff's Department was authorized.

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**(13) AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR SEALED  
BIDS FOR SALE OF COUNTY'S SCRAP TIRES**

Commissioner Cascos moved that the advertisement for sealed bids for the sale of the County's scrap tires be authorized. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Thomae and carried unanimously.



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**(14) AUTHORIZATION TO REVERSE AND RE-AWARD  
BID FOR THREE (3) ITEMS ON VOTING SUPPLIES  
BID**

Mr. Michael Forbes, County Purchasing Agent, explained that three (3) Items of the Voting Supplies Bid, that being A-1", "A-2", and "D", were awarded to Texas County Printing, Ft. Worth, Texas, the previous week; however, the Elections Administrator indicated that those Items did not meet specifications. He stated that Hart Forms and Services, Austin, Texas, would be the only vendor with the low bid meeting specifications.

Upon motion by Commissioner Thomae, seconded by Commissioner Valencia and carried unanimously, authorization was given to reverse and re-award three (3) items on the Voting Supplies Bid, that being to Hart Forms and Services, Austin, Texas.

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**(15) AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR ONE (1)  
TRACTOR WITH SHREDDER FOR PRECINCT NO.  
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Commissioner Valencia moved that the advertisement for one (1) tractor with shredder for Precinct No. 4 be authorized.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Thomae and carried unanimously.

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**(16) APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION STATING THE  
COUNTY'S INTENT TO PAVE OLD ALICE ROAD  
FROM THE EXISTING PAVEMENT SOUTH TO  
THE BRIDGE WITHIN FISCAL YEAR 1992-1993  
(PAVING WILL BE DONE TO COUNTY'S  
STANDARDS)**

Upon motion by Commissioner Thomae, seconded by Commissioner Valencia and carried unanimously, the Resolution stating the County's intent to pave Old Alice Road from the existing pavement South to the Bridge within Fiscal Year 1992-1993, was adopted, said paving to be according to the County's Standards.

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**(17) APPROVAL OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN BAYVIEW AND CAMERON COUNTY  
FOR REPLACEMENT OF BRIDGE WITH TWO (2)  
SIXTY (60') INCH CORRUGATED PIPE ON SAN  
ROMAN ROAD**

Commissioner Thomae moved that the Interlocal Agreement between Bayview and Cameron County for the replacement of the bridge with two (2) sixty (60') inch corrugated pipe on San Roman Road be approved.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rosenbaum and carried unanimously.

**The Agreement is as follows:**

**(18) APPROVAL OF CONTRACT BETWEEN  
CAMERON COUNTY AND DIETICIAN L. TERI  
McCABE RETANA (OCTOBER 1, 1992 THROUGH  
SEPTEMBER 30, 1993)**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Thomae and carried unanimously, the Contract between Cameron County and Dietician L.Teri McCabe Retana, effective October 1, 1992, through September 30, 1993, was approved.

**The Contract is as follows:**

(19) **APPROVAL OF CONSULTANT AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY ON BEHALF  
OF COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE AND RAFAEL  
MENDOZA FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE  
CIVIL PROCESSING SYSTEM**

Mr. Joe G. Rivera, County Clerk, explained that the Contract with the Computer Programmer would complete the "Civil" Department Computer Programming, and added that the Probate Department would be the only other section remaining to be computerized, said funds being allocated from the Records Management Fees.

Commissioner Valencia moved that the Consultant Agreement between Cameron County, on behalf of the County Clerk's Office, and Mr. Rafael Mendoza for the completion of the Civil Processing System be approved, said funds to be appropriated from the Records Management Fees.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously.

**The Agreement is as follows:**

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**APPROVAL OF CONSULTANT AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY ON BEHALF OF  
VEHICLE MAINTENANCE AND SIMPLE AND  
LOGIC FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN  
INVENTORY TRACKING SYSTEM**

Mr. Rudy Juarez, Computer Center Director, explained that this Contract would be short-termed, at a cost of \$1,200.00, in order to complete the Vehicle Maintenance Inventory Tracking Program. Commissioner Thomae moved that the amount of \$1,200.00 be appropriated to the Vehicle Maintenance Department for the Consultant Agreement by and between Cameron County and Simple and Logic, Brownsville, Texas, for the development of an Inventory Tracking System, be approved

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Valencia and carried unanimously.

**The Agreement is as follows:**

**(21) CONSIDERATION AND/OR APPROVAL OF TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF ONE-DAY MOBILE AND RETAIL EARLY VOTING LOCATIONS**

Ms. Tencha de la Peña, Elections Administrator, presented a Schedule of One (1) Day Voting locations and explained that s Justice Department, since approval of these sites would provide the opportunity for more people to participate in the electoral proce Department that other sites might be added at a later date, after the sites were approved by the Court, unless the Court extended a " requests and submit those to the Justice Department.

Commissioner Thomaе moved that the tentative Schedule of One (1) Day Mobile and Retail Early Voting Locations be ap extended to the Elections Administrator for additional designations.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously.

**The Schedule is as follows:**

At this time, Ms. de la Peña stated that Precinct No. 2 and Precinct No.4 Temporary Early Voting Branch Locations would need to be changed. She explained that the Precinct No. 2 location, Our Lady of Good Counsel Church, would no longer be available and that she had contacted the Lopez Super Market at the Hospital Shopping Center in Brownsville as a possible site She added she did not anticipate any problems concerning ballot security because the Voting Clerks would return the ballots and voting supplies to the Courthouse every evening, which is the procedure that should be followed

Ms. de la Peña stated that she had visited the Cultural Art Center, Harlingen, Texas, for Precinct No. 4, and that it had the appropriate storage for ballot security. She added that Commissioner Valencia's Office informed her that the main Fire Station located at 121 W. Jefferson, Harlingen, within Precinct No. 39, might also be available but that she did not know if the voting area was enclosed.

Commissioner Valencia stated that the Fire Station had previously been used as a voting location, that the voting would be indoors, and that they would provide the proper storage area as requested and added that he preferred that location instead of the Lopez Super Market or the Cultural Art Center.

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**(22) IN THE MATTER OF ADOPTION OF SAFETY POLICY (TABLED)**

**(23) IN THE MATTER TO ALLOW SAFETY /RISK COORDINATOR TO BECOME A PART OF NEW EMPLOYEE ENROLLMENT (TABLED)**

Upon motion by Commissioner Rosenbaum, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, these Items were TABLED.

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**(24) AUTHORIZATION FOR COUNTY JUDGE TO EXECUTE AFFIDAVIT OF LOCAL UNIT OF GOVERNMENT, CERTIFYING COMPLETION OF ISLA BLANCA PARK PHASE IV IMPROVEMENTS AND PAYMENT OF ALL CLAIMS**

Mr. Kenneth Conway, Parks Director, explained that the Isla Blanca Phase IV Improvements were completed and the Affidavit would certify that the monies had been paid in order to clear the account with the State.

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Thomae and carried unanimously, the County Judge was authorized to execute the Affidavit of Local Unit of Government, certifying completion of Isla Blanca Park Phase IV improvements and payment of all claims

**The Certificate is as follows:**

(25) **CONSIDERATION AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF  
4TH QUARTER INCOME REPORT FOR CAMERON  
COUNTY PARK SYSTEM**

Mr. Kenneth Conway, Parks Director, highlighted the Fourth (4th) Quarter Income Report for the Parks System. He noted that the Parks Department had not received any adverse comments regarding the \$2.00 Day Use Entry Fee which became effective October 1, 1992.

Upon motion by Commissioner Thomae, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, the 4th Quarter Income Report for Cameron County Park System was acknowledged.

**The Report is as follows:**

(26) **AUTHORIZATION FOR PARK SYSTEM TO ACCEPT AN \$8,500 ADDITIONAL ALLOCATION TO PREVIOUSLY AWARDED S.B.A. GRANT, ADMINISTERED THROUGH TEXAS FOREST SERVICE FOR TREE PLANTING IN ANDY BOWIE COUNTY PARK ALONG ROADWAYS AND PARKING LOTS PROPOSED FOR DEVELOPMENT**

Mr. Kenneth Conway, Parks Director, explained that the Small Business Administration (SBA) had contacted the Parks Department regarding tree planting, and that the County's match would be the labor by the Parks Department to maintain the trees.

Commissioner Cascos asked the type of trees to be planted and whether they would "grow" at Andy Bowie, and Mr. Conway responded that Texas Sabal Palms and that the trees do thrive, provided that they are planted outside the "salt spray zone".

Commissioner Thomae moved that authorization be given for the Park System to accept an \$8,500.00 additional allocation for the Small Business Administration (S.B.A.) Grant, administered through the Texas Forest Service for tree planting in Andy Bowie County Park along roadways and parking lots proposed for development.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Valencia.

At this time, Ms. Mary Lou Campbell, resident, expressed her objections to spending money by planting trees in areas that would not be conducive for growth.

Ms. Campbell commented that, contrary to the remark by Mr. Conway concerning the \$2.00 Day Use Fee, she had received numerous phone calls from individuals that were upset with the Fee and expressed her objections to any fees for the use of Public Parks.

Upon motion duly made by Commissioner Thomae and seconded by Commissioner Valencia, the motion carried unanimously.

**The Application is as follows:**

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**AUTHORIZATION TO RESTRUCTURE EXISTING  
LOAN TO PARK SYSTEM FROM GENERAL FUND  
AND TO AUTHORIZE AN ADDITIONAL \$400,000  
IN BORROWING AUTHORITY TO FINANCE A  
PORTION OF COUNTY PARK SYSTEM SHARE OF  
ANDY BOWIE DEVELOPMENT**

Ms. Rosemary Martinez, Administrative Assistant to the County Judge, explained that the Andy Bowie Park Grant commitment was made some time ago, and since the Park does not have the capacity to issue Revenue Bonds, the County had previously authorized a loan of \$400,000.00 from the General Fund. She added that by the time the Grant is fully drawn that the Park would have a balance of \$173,542.60, which would be consolidated with an additional \$400,000.00 loan and refinanced over a 5 1/2 year period at 6.5% interest per year, to be paid on a monthly basis.

Mr. Kenneth Conway, Parks Director, explained that the projected revenue for the Parks System should cover the additional debt service and that he did not anticipate problems with the cash flow and projected payments ahead of schedule as explained by a "Memorandum" to the Court.

Ms. Martinez stated that a Loan Agreement and an Amortization Schedule had been prepared for the Parks Director to know the outstanding debt at any given point.

Upon motion by Commissioner Valencia, seconded by Commissioner Thomae and carried unanimously, the restructure of the existing loan to the Park System from the General Fund and an additional \$400,000.00 in borrowing authority to finance a portion of County Parks System share of Andy Bowie Development was authorized.

**The Memorandum and Loan Agreement are as follows:**



**NOT ON AGENDA APPROVAL TO ADVERTISE FOR PRO-POSALS FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES AND CONCESSIONAIRES FOR ANDY BOWIE PARK**

At this time, Mr. Kenneth Conway, Parks Director, requested Court approval to advertise for Proposals for Engineering Services and Concessionaires for Andy Bowie Park, to be ratified at the next Meeting.

Mr. Conway explained that he had received inquiries concerning interest on concessions at Andy Bowie Park and added that typically the Parks Department would design and build the Concession Buildings and then seek proposals. He stated that a Park Board member recommended to seek proposals at this point, and to select some concessionaires and allow their input on the design of the concession facility to suit their needs. He said that the Budget would dictate the design.

Upon motion by Commissioner Valencia, seconded by Commissioner Thomae and carried unanimously, approval was given for the Parks Director to solicit Proposals for Engineering Services and Concessionaires for Andy Bowie Park, to be ratified at the next Meeting.

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**(28) REQUEST FOR PRELIMINARY AND FINAL APPROVAL**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Thomae and carried unanimously, preliminary and final approval was given to the following subdivision, on the recommendation of the County Engineer:

- a) Celso i Rosalinda Subdivision - being 2.00 acres of land out of 3.031 acres of 19.19 acres, Block 85, Fresnos Land Irrigation Company Subdivision.

Location:

The proposed Subdivision, within Precinct No. 3, is located off FM 2893, approximately 200 Feet East of FM 1575, Old Alice Road. It is a two (2) acre tract of land being subdivided into one (1) residential lot. Potable water will be furnished by East Rio Hondo Water Company, and sanitary sewer will be by individual septic system.

Upon motion by Commissioner Thomae, seconded by Commissioner Valencia and carried unanimously, preliminary and final approval was given to the following subdivision, on the recommendation of the County Engineer:

- b) Medina Subdivision - being a subdivision of 4.00 acres of land situated out of Block 31, Fresnos Land and Irrigation Company Subdivision.

Location:

The proposed Subdivision, within Precinct No. 3, is located off FM 510, San Jose Ranch Road, approximately two (2) miles West of FM 1575, Old Alice Road. It is a four (4) acre tract of land, being subdivided into two (2) residential lots. Potable water will be supplied by East Rio Hondo Water Company, and the sanitary sewer will be by individual septic system.

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**(29) IN THE MATTER AWARD BIDS AS RECEIVED  
FOR THE OLMITO OVERLAY PHASE III  
(LAKESIDE BOULEVARD WEST) (TABLED)**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Rosenbaum and carried unanimously, this Item was TABLED for one (1) week.

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**(30) IN THE MATTER OF REQUEST FOR FINAL  
APPROVAL**

At this time, Mr. Andy Cueto, County Engineer, stated that this following Item had previously received preliminary approval but recommended that it be TABLED indefinitely:

- a) Calle Esquina Subdivision - being all of Block 4 (55.08 acres), save and except a triangular tract and a 20-foot strip of land containing 0.70 acre of land conveyed to the State of Texas.

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**NOTE: COMMISSIONER VALENCIA LEFT THE COURTROOM AT THIS TIME.**

**(31) AUTHORIZATION TO TRAVEL AND/OR  
APPROVAL OF TRAVEL EXPENSES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Thomae, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, the following travel expenses were approved, subject to availability of funds in their budget:

- a) Five (5) Court Administrators/Court Coordinators to attend Sixteenth Annual Education Conference, Texas Association of Court Administrators Conference in Austin, Texas, on October 19-23, 1992;
- b) District Clerk to attend Meeting in Austin, Texas, on October 9-10, 1992;
- c) Emergency Management Coordinator to Austin, Texas, for Emergency Management Seminar on October 11-16, 1992;
- d) Tax Assessor-Collector to attend Texas Association of Appraisal Districts Conference in Dallas, Texas, on October 11-12, 1992;
- e) Ms. Yvette Salinas, WIC Nutrition Coordinator and Ms. Sonya Etheridge to attend Second Phase of Patient Flow Analysis Training in Austin, Texas, October 26-28, 1992;
- f) Judge Oscar de la Fuente to Corpus Christi, Texas, to attend 20-hour Justice of the Peace Training Course on October 13-16, 1992; and

- g) County Engineer to Arlington, Texas, for **FHWA** Region VI County Road Advisors Third Annual Conference on October 22-23, 1992.

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**(32) EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Thomae, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, the Court met in Executive Session at 2:40 P. M. to discuss the following matters:

- a) Confer with Counsel regarding Crox Alvarado, et. Alvs Cameron County, etal, pursuant to Section 2(e) of Article 6252-17 (of the Texas Revised Civil Statutes);
- b) Confer with Counsel regarding the Lease of the Coffee Shops in the new and old Courthouse, pursuant to Section 2(e) of Article 6252-17 (of the Texas Revised Civil Statutes);
- c) Discuss County Engineering and Right-of-Way personnel matters, pursuant to Section 2(f) of Article 6252-17 (of the Texas Revised Civil Statutes); **NOT DISCUSSED AND NO ACTION TAKEN**
- d) Discuss the acquisition of right-of-way for Parcel No. 25, Dakota Road South, pursuant to Section 2(f) of Article 6252-17 (of the Texas Revised Civil Statutes); and
- e) Discuss the acquisition of right-of-way for Parcel No. 13, FM 801 Project, pursuant to Section 2(f) of Article 6252-17 (of the Texas Revised Civil Statutes).

**NOTE: COMMISSIONER VALENCIA RETURNED TO THE COURTROOM.**

Upon motion by Commissioner Thomae, seconded by Commissioner Rosenbaum and carried unanimously, the Court reconvened in Regular Session at 3:15 P. M.

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**ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- a) Confer with Counsel regarding Crox Alvarado, et. Al vs. Cameron County, et. Al.

Judge Garza reported that the Court received a Status Report from Counsel and after some discussion, it was the consensus of the Court as determined by polling, that said Report be acknowledged

Upon motion by Commissioner Thomae, seconded by Commissioner Valencia and carried unanimously, County Counsel Report regarding the pending litigation styled Crox Alvarado, et al vs. Cameron County, et al was<<\*\_ acknowledged.

- b) Confer with Counsel regarding the Lease of the Coffee Shops in the new and old Courthouse.

Judge Garza reported that after some discussion, it was the consensus of the Court as determined by polling, that County Counsel be directed to proceed with the appropriate action along the terms and conditions as agreed to in Executive Session.

Commissioner Thomae moved that County Counsel be directed to proceed with the appropriate action regarding the Lease of the Coffee Shops in the "new" and "old" Courthouse, along the terms and conditions as agreed to in Executive Session.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rosenbaum and carried unanimously.

- c) In the matter of discussion of County Engineering and Right-of-Way personnel matters.

Judge Garza reported that, on the advise of County Counsel, there was no discussion and no action taken on this Item.

- d) Discuss the acquisition of right-of-way for Parcel No. 25, Dakota Road South.

Judge Garza reported that after some discussion, it was the consensus of the Court as determined by polling, that the County Engineer's Office be directed to reject the offer and that the Parcel be appraised

Upon motion by Commissioner Thomae, seconded by Commissioner Valencia and carried unanimously, the County Engineer's Office was directed to reject the offer concerning the acquisition of right-of-way for Parcel No. 25, Dakota Road South, and to appraise said Parcel.

- e) Discuss the acquisition of right-of-way for Parcel No. 13, FM 801 Project.

Judge Garza reported that after some discussion, it was the consensus of the Court as determined by polling, that an offer be extended along the terms and conditions as agreed to in Executive Session

Commissioner Thomae moved that the County Right-of-Way Agent be directed to extend an offer regarding the acquisition of the Right-of-Way for Parcel No 13, FM 801 Project, along the terms and conditions as agreed in Executive Session.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Valencia and carried unanimously.

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There being no further business to come before the Court, upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Thomae and carried unanimously, the meeting was adjourned

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APPROVED this **12th** day of **October**, 1992.

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**ANTONIO O. GARZA, JR.**  
**COUNTY JUDGE**

**ATTEST:**

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**JOE G. RIVERA,**  
**COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO CLERK**  
**OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF**  
**CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS**

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SENTENCE STRUCTURE RECOMMENDATIONS:

14. No Recommendations.

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