THE STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF CAMERON §

BE IT REMEMBERED on the 23rd day of MARCH, 1993 there 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

JAMES R. MATZ COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 3

<u>NATIVIDAD VALENCIA</u> COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 4

JOE G. RIVERA COUNTY CLERK

ABSENT:

The meeting was called to order by Judge Antonio O. Garza, Jr. He then asked Reverend Malcolm Brown, County Resident, 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 March 19, 1993 at 10:38 A. M.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS PAN AMERICAN COASTAL STUDIES LAB EXPANSION

Mr. Kenneth Conway, Parks Director, explained that the Chairman of the Parks Board, two (2) members of the Chambers of Commerce in the Port Isabel area, and he discussed the possibilities of expanding the Marine Laboratory facilities at Isla Blanca Park with the President of UT-Pan American. He stated the expansion would be a "great" service to the Tourist Industry and would enhance the University's objectives regarding Undergraduate Educational Programs, and any other Program that the University would conduct.

At this time, Dr. Frank Judd, Director of the Coastal Studies Laboratory at the UT-Pan American University, South Padre Island, stated that the expansion Project would increased the informal Educational Programs for the Community and added that over fifteen thousand (15,000) school children had visited the Laboratory the previous year. He said that they expected to be the recipients of an EPA Grant to establish a monitoring station at the mouth of the Rio Grande River that would serve as a "model" for training people from other Countries and that visitor "housing" and classrooms were needed in order to improve their services and to enhance their Research and Graduate studies.

At this time, Dr. Judd reviewed the following "Coastal Studies Addition Proposal" detailing the planned expansion and enhancement:

Commissioner Cascos moved that the Resolution in support of the University of Texas Pan American Coastal Studies Laboratory expansion be adopted, as outlined in the "Coastal Studies Laboratory Public Education Addition Proposal."

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously.

The Resolution is as follows:

NOT ON IN THE MATTER TO DELETE NAMES FROM AGENDA PETITION TO CLOSE A ROAD (NO ACTION TAKEN)

At this time, Judge Garza apologized to Mrs. D. Vadene Keith, Brownsville resident, for the oversight in not placing her Item on the Agenda, and recognized the concerned individuals, those being Mr. Tomas Perez and Mrs. Otalia Perez. Judge Garza stated that Mr. and Mrs. Perez's names appeared on a "Petition To Close A Road", characterized as abandoned by the County, and that they were present to state, as a matter of "Record", that it was not their intent to be named in said Petition.

(1) APPROVAL OF COUNTY CLAIMS

Commissioner Matz moved that the County Claims be approved as presented and on the recommendation of the County

Auditor's Office.

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

AYE: Commissioners Rosenbaum, Matz and Valencia

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Commissioner Cascos as to the claim of Landair Travels, Inc., Warrant No. 74508, in the amount of \$300.00, and Waters Implement Co., Inc., Warrant No. 74685 in the amount of \$90.63.

The Affidavit is as follows:

(2) APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENTS AND/OR SALARY SCHEDULES

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, the Fiscal Year 1993 Budget Amendment No. 18, and the Salary Schedules for the Health - HIV Department, Department No. 27-628 and Constable Precinct No. 5, Department No. 10-555, were approved.

The Budget Amendment and Salary Schedules are as follows:

(3) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MARCH 15, 1993

Commissioner Matz moved that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held March 15, 1993 at 1:30 P. M. be approved.

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

AYE: Commissioners Cascos, Matz and Valencia

NAY: None

ABSTAINED: Judge Garza.

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NOTE: Commissioner Rosenbaum returned to the Courtroom.

(4) AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD BIDS FOR ONE (1) PICKUP TRUCK FOR FARM AND HOME DEPARTMENT

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Rosenbaum and carried unanimously, the low bid of Kellogg Chevrolet, San Benito, Texas, was accepted in the amount of \$13,179.00, with trade, for one (1) pickup truck for the Farm and Home Department, on the recommendation of the County Purchasing Agent.

(5) RATIFICATION OF APPROVAL AUTHORIZING THE LEPC TO SUBMIT GRANT APPLICATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,000.00 TO TDH FOR EQUIPMENT AND CONTRACTUAL EXPENSES

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, the approval given to the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) to submit a Grant Application in the amount of \$3,000.00 to the Texas Department of Health (TDH), for equipment and contractual expenses, was ratified.

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE CANCELLATION OF "BOCA CHICA ESTATES SUBDIVISION, PHASE I"

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a) Boca Chica Estates Subdivision, Phase I - being a 77.755 acre tract out of 251.532 acre tract, out of 1245.25 acre tract in Share 1 of San Martin Grant in Cameron County, Texas.

At this time, Mr. Jim Holdar, representing the owners, First Heights Bank, Houston, Texas, stated that the request had been previously considered by the Court and explained that the Boca Chica Estates Property, as a result of a platting error, was platted over the same land previously platted and that the owners were requesting to cancel the plat.

Commissioner Matz requested the County Engineer's recommendation, and Mr. Andy Cueto, County Engineer, stated that he had no recommendations, and added that the owners had followed all the legal procedures as established by the Statutes and that there were no roads or improvements on the basically "raw" land.

Commissioner Cascos questioned how the matter was related to the "Playa del Rio" Properties and Mr. Holdar stated that the property was within the "Playa del Rio" Property. He stated that The Nature Conservancy wanted to buy the property but that the "Title Policy" reflected a title defect because the same land was covered by two (2) subdivisions and added that clearing the title would benefit the ultimate owner.

Mr. Doug Wright, Cameron County Counsel, stated that the title clearance within the plat was the "curative" process and

added that the Court had followed the required procedures for public comments and that there had been no objections on the matter.

matter.

Commissioner Rosenbaum moved that the "Boca Chica Estates Subdivision, Phase I" be canceled, that being a 77.755 acre tract out of 251.532 acre tract, out of 1245.25 acre tract in Share 1 of San Martin Grant in Cameron County, Texas.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Valencia and carried unanimously.

At this time, Judge Garza remarked that he "enthusiastically" encouraged The Nature Conservancy of Texas and the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department "to proceed to acquire the Property so that a State Seashore and Wildlife Preserve might exist in that area."

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CONSIDERATION AND EXECUTION OF FIVE YEAR LEASE ON COASTAL LANDS (GLO LEASE NO. CL 930001) PERTAINING TO BOARDWALK COMPLEMENTING THE SOUTH PADRE ISLAND CONVENTION CENTER

Mr. Kenneth Conway, Parks Director, explained that the General Land Office required the Lease for the submerged land occupied by the Boardwalk that was currently being built as the Mitigation Project by Central Power and Light. He explained that the Mitigation was required due to the destruction that occurred when the underground lines were installed and that the solution was to build a Boardwalk for the Nature Trail.

Mr. Conway stated that he requested that the phrase "to the extent authorized by law, the County will indemnify the Grantor, that being the General Land Office" be included in the Contract and added that the General Land Office had agreed to the Amendment.

Judge Garza stated that it was his understanding that the Project was significantly over-budgeted and asked for a Status Report and Mr. Conway responded that they had "broken ground" and were placing the pilings on the land. He explained that the Project started as a \$50,000.00 Mitigation Project and that it was now in excess of a quarter million dollars. He stated that the Land Commissioner required, as a condition of the Lease, that Central Power and Light use recycled plastic materials which increased the cost.

Judge Garza questioned whether the General Land Office would establish "user fees", considering that the Project was so over- budgeted and there was a provision in the Agreement for the assessment of user fees for the utilization of the Boardwalk and Mr. Conway responded that he was not aware of any desire to impose "user fees" and added that the County would be the owner of the facility and would control the provisions for the public use.

Commissioner Cascos moved that the "Five (5) Year Lease on Coastal Lands," that being the General Land Office (GLO) Lease No. CL 93001, pertaining to the Boardwalk complementing the South Padre Island Convention Center, be approved.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rosenbaum and carried unanimously.

The Lease Agreement is as follows:

(9) APPROVAL TO INSTALL A 4-WAY STOP SIGN ON GARRET AND MAYFIELD ROADS

(10) APPROVAL TO INSTALL A "NO PARKING" SIGN ON PALOMA LANE (CORNER OF PALOMA LANE AND OLD HIGHWAY 83)

Commissioner Valencia explained the need for the "Four (4) Way Stop" sign and the "No Parking" sign at the respective sites, noting that he understood that the Items needed to be advertised. At this time, Mr. Andy Cueto, County Engineer, reminded the Court that he had previously requested the information concerning "Name Changes, Weight Limits and Stops Signs," and he suggested that those changes be submitted in order to advertise the "Changes" as one (1) "package" by the end of the month.

Commissioner Cascos moved that the installation of a "Four (4) Way Stop" and the "No Parking" sign be included in the "List of Perspective Changes to the Roads and Bridges" to be advertised and set for Public Hearing by the end of the month.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rosenbaum and carried unanimously.

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(17) APPROVAL OF TWO EMPLOYEE POSITIONS FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY CIVIL DIVISION - ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY \$50,000 AND LEGAL SECRETARY \$18,000 AND DETERMINE FUNDING

At this time, Mr. Luis V. Saenz, District Attorney, explained the need to dedicate two (2) Assistant County Attorneys to service the work being generated by the Commissioners' Court and added that he felt that they could handle many of the litigations cases being assigned to "outside" Counsel. He stated that he had had some "bad" experiences with outside Counsel because their interests were not the same as County Counsel and that he would like to handle those cases that in the long term would save money for the County.

Mr. Saenz explained that the County Attorney's Office needed another Assistant District Attorney slot and a secretary slot in order to keep up with the work being generated by the Commissioners's Court. He stated that the District Attorney's Office had not requested additional positions from the County in about ten (10) years because they had utilized Forfeiture Funds for staff; however, he added that the sources of Forfeiture Funds were decreasing and he could not afford to create the slots needed from that Fund and must request the slots from the Commissioners' Court. Commissioner Cascos questioned whether the District Attorney was retaining a "litigator" to handle the cases, instead of retaining outside Counsel, and to be at the disposal of the Commissioners' Court. Mr. Saenz responded that the intent was to have two (2) County Attorneys at the disposal of Commissioners' Court and to assist Mr. Doug Wright, County Counsel, with the Commissioners' Court matters, including the litigations.

Judge Garza stated that it was his understanding that Mr. Wright would be the lead Attorney in the Civil Section, that Mr. Richard Burst, Attorney-At-Law, was under Contract until Licensed, and that this position would create a three (3) man Civil Division to handle the case load of the Commissioners' Court, the statutory responsibilities and to coordinate the litigations. He added that he felt that the Court had not been poorly represented by outside Counsel and cited examples of good Firms.

Mr. Saenz responded that the Civil Division would consist of three (3) County Attorneys and one (1) secretary.

Commissioner Valencia moved that two (2) employee positions for the County Attorney's Civil Division be approved, that being an Assistant County Attorney, at an annual salary in the amount of \$50,000.00, and a Legal Secretary, at an annual salary in the amount of \$18,000.00.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rosenbaum.

At this time, Commissioner Matz asked when the mid-year Budget Review was going to be held and added "this was another major item that would impact the Budget". He stated that he "abstained on a similar request the previous week because he felt that it was important to consider the requests as a `whole". He added that he supported the action, but that he had a "real philosophical problem voting for this much money out of the context of the mid-year review" and would prefer to establish a midyear review.

Judge Garza stated that "if the County could stay at or near the current level of expenditures for outside Counsel, given the dramatic increase in volume, it would be a net gain, and added that the defining point was not whether the County saved on outside Counsel Fees or not, but whether the current level of expenditures could be maintained."

Upon motion duly made by Commissioner Valencia, seconded by Commissioner Rosenbaum and carried unanimously, two (2) employee positions were approved for the County Attorney's Civil Division, that being an Assistant County Attorney, at an annual salary of \$50,000.00 and a Legal Secretary, at an annual salary of \$18,000.00, said funding to be allocated from the Surplus Fund.

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(11) APPROVAL TO ACKNOWLEDGE CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION OF COMMISSIONER VALENCIA FROM THE COUNTY JUDGES' AND COMMISSIONERS' ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Rosenbaum and carried unanimously, the Certificate of Completion for Commissioner Valencia from the County Judges' and Commissioners' Association of Texas was acknowledged.

The Certificate is as follows:

(12) APPROVAL OF REQUEST FOR PAYMENT OF 1993 DUES TO THE TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,400.00

Upon motion by Commissioner Rosenbaum, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, the request

for payment of the 1993 dues to the Texas Association of Counties, in the amount of \$2,400.00, was approved.

(13) IN THE MATTER TO APPOINT A COMMITTEE COMPOSED OF THREE RESIDENT REAL PROPERTY OWNERS TO THE VETERANS LAND BOARD COUNTY COMMITTEE FOR CAMERON COUNTY (TABLED)

> At this time, Commissioner Valencia suggested that each Commissioner appoint a member to the Veterans Land Board and after some discussion regarding the responsibilities and the number of representatives as specified by the Statutes, the suggestion was made to table the matter and that it be referred to the Veteran Services Officer.

> Upon motion by Commissioner Valencia, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, this Item was TABLED and referred to the Veteran Services Officer.

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(14) APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR STAGGERED TERMS OF THE CAMERON COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Commissioner Cascos moved that the Resolution providing for staggered terms of the Cameron County Appraisal

District Board of Directors be adopted, as recommended by the County Tax-Assessor Collector.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously.

The Resolution is as follows:

(15) AUTHORIZATION FOR COUNTY JUDGE TO APPOINT LEE THOMPSON AS A COMMISSIONER TO THE ESD NO. 1

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Rosenbaum and carried unanimously, Mr. Lee

Thompson, Safety and Risk Coordinator, was appointed as Commissioner to the Emergency Services District (ESD) No. 1.

(16) AUTHORIZATION TO APPOINT LEE THOMPSON AS ACTING COUNTY FIRE MARSHAL

Commissioner Matz moved that Mr. Lee Thompson, Safety and Risk Coordinator, be appointed as "Acting County Fire

Marshal".

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rosenbaum and carried unanimously.

(18) APPROVAL OF LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH U. S. MARINE CORPS FOR UTILIZATION OF CAMERON COUNTY AIRPORT IN SUPPORT OF MARINE CORPS RESERVE TRAINING ON MARCH 27-28, 1993

Commissioner Valencia moved that the License Agreement with United States (U. S.) Marine Corps Reserve Training

for utilization of the Cameron County Airport for the Marine Corps Reserve Training on March 27-28, 1993, be approved.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rosenbaum and carried unanimously.

The Service Agreement is as follows:

(19) APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING APRIL 1993, AS "KEEP AMERICA BEAUTIFUL MONTH."

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, the Resolution proclaiming April 1993 as "Keep America Beautiful Month" was adopted.

The Resolution is as follows:

(20) REQUEST FOR PRELIMINARY APPROVAL

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, preliminary

approval was given to the following subdivision, on the recommendation by the County Engineer:

a) <u>Precinct No. 2</u> -Rancho Perdido Subdivision - being 17.06 acres out of the "Norega Plantation" being part of a 368.16 acre tract in Share 1 and 17, Espiritu Santo Grant.

(21) REQUEST FOR PRELIMINARY AND FINAL APPROVAL

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, preliminary and

final approval was given to the following subdivision, on the recommendation by the County Engineer's Office:
a) Precinct No. 3 -Ruiz-Gomez Family Partition - being a 10.0 acres tract out of Block 1, Fresnos Land and Irrigation Company Subdivision.

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, preliminary and

final approval was given to the following subdivision, on the recommendation by the County Engineer's Office:
b) Precinct No. 3 -Twin Palms Grove Subdivision - being a re-subdivision of 2.500 acres of land, out of Block 35, Bayview Citrus Groves Subdivision, Unit 2, Espiritu Santo Grant.

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, preliminary and

final approval was given to the following subdivision, on the recommendation by the County Engineer's Office:
c) <u>Precinct No. 3</u> -Country Boy Farm Subdivision - being a subdivision of a 6.53 acre tract of land, same being Reserve "A" of Arroyo Bonito Estates Subdivision.

(22) AUTHORIZATION TO TRAVEL AND/OR APPROVAL OF TRAVEL EXPENSES

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Rosenbaum and carried unanimously, the following

travel and/or travel expenses were approved, subject to the availability of funds in their Budget:

- a) Judge Adolph Betancourt, County Court-at-Law No. 2, to attend 30th Annual Criminal Law Institute in San Antonio, Texas, on March 26-27, 1993;
- b) Drug Task Force Director to attend Task Force Commanders Meeting in Laredo, Texas, on March 25, 1993;
- c) Drug Task Force Officers and Task Force Commander to attend DPS Training Schools in Austin, Texas, in five (5) day intervals from March 29, 1993 through June 18, 1993. One (1) to three (3) Officers will attend each school;
- d) Drug Task Force Director and Coordinator to attend HIDTA Funding Meeting in San Antonio, Texas, on March 23, 1993.

(23) EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion by Commissioner Rosenbaum, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, the Court met

in Executive Session at 2:30 P. M. to discuss the following matters:

- a) Confer with Counsel concerning Contractual Agreements for Professional Real Estate Management of County Property, pursuant to Section 2(e) of Article 6252-17 (of the Texas Revised Civil Statutes);
- b) Confer with Counsel concerning possible litigation involving Bobby Vallejo, deceased; and Maria Longoria, Individually and as the Personal Representative of the Estate of Bobby Vallejo vs. Cameron County Sheriff Alex Perez, et al, and the State of Texas, pursuant to Section 2(e) of Article 6252-17 (of the Texas Revised Civil Statutes);
- c) Confer with Counsel concerning Collateralized Re-purchase Agreement Proposal, pursuant to Section 2(e) of Article 6252-17 (of the Texas Revised Civil Statutes);
- d) Discuss Loop 590, Section III, Parcel 6, pursuant to Section 2(f) of Article 6252-17 (of the Texas Revised Civil Statutes);
- e) Confer with Counsel concerning the establishment of Guidelines for County Offices when litigation is possible or pending against the County, pursuant to Section 2(e) of Article 6252-17 (of the Texas Revised Civil Statutes);
- f) Consider Lease/License Agreement with UETA, Inc., concerning County Real Estate, pursuant to Section 2(f) of Article 6252-17 (of the Texas Revised Civil Statutes); and
- g) Confer with Counsel concerning Lease and/or Lien Agreements concerning County-owned property, pursuant to Section 2(e) of Article 6252-17 (of the Texas Revised Civil Statutes).

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Rosenbaum and carried unanimously, the Court reconvened in Regular Session at 4:12 P. M.

(24) ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

a) Confer with Counsel concerning Contractual Agreements for Professional Real Estate Management of County Property.

Judge Garza reported that after some discussion, it was the consensus of the Court as determined by polling, that the Item be placed on the Agenda one (1) week hence, and that the current Property Manager be requested to appear before the Court. Commissioner Matz moved that the matter concerning the Contractual Agreements for the Professional Real Estate Management of County Property be placed on the Agenda one (1) week hence and that the current Property Manager be requested to attend.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously.

 b) Confer with Counsel concerning possible litigation involving Bobby Vallejo, deceased; and Maria Longoria, Individually and as the Personal Representative of the Estate of Bobby Vallejo vs. Cameron County Sheriff Alex Perez, et al, and the State of Texas.

Judge Garza reported that the Court received a Status Report from County Counsel and after some discussion, it was the consensus of the Court as determined by polling, that the Status Report be acknowledged and that the County Attorney's Office be directed to proceed in the defense of said matter, along the terms and conditions as outlined in Executive Session.

Upon motion by Commissioner Valencia, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, the Status Report by County Counsel was acknowledged and County Counsel was directed to proceed in the defense concerning the possible litigation involving Bobby Vallejo, deceased; and Maria Longoria, Individually and as the Personal Representative of the Estate of Bobby Vallejo vs. Cameron County Sheriff Alex Perez, et al, and the State of Texas, along the terms and conditions as outlined in Executive Session.

c) Confer with Counsel concerning Collateralized Re-purchase Agreement Proposal.

Judge Garza reported that after some discussion, it was the consensus of the Court as determined by polling, that County Counsel not be involved in matters that were more appropriately undertaken by Bond Counsel, that being Mr. Peter Tart with the Law Firm of McCall, Parkhurst and Horton, Dallas, Texas, who were retained specifically to represent the County on all financial transactions involving "long term instruments."

Commissioner Rosenbaum moved that County Counsel not be involved in matters concerning the Collateralized Repurchase Agreement Proposals, which are more appropriately undertaken by Bond Counsel, that being Mr. Peter Tart with the Law Firm of McCall, Parkhurst and Horton, Dallas, Texas, who were retained specifically to represent the County on all financial transactions involving "long term instruments."

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously.

d) Discuss Loop 590, Section III, Parcel 6.

Judge Garza reported that the Court received a Status Report from the County Engineer's Office and after some discussion, it was the consensus of the Court as determined by polling, that the County Engineer's Office be directed to proceed with discussions with the land owners, specifically regarding the environmental aspect of that property, on the recommendation by said Office.

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, the County Engineer's Office was directed to proceed with discussions regarding the environmental aspect of the property with the landowners, that being Loop 590, Section III, Parcel No. 6, as recommended by the County Engineer's Office.

e) Confer with Counsel concerning the establishment of Guidelines for County Offices when litigation is possible or pending against the County.

Judge Garza reported that after some discussion, it was the consensus of the Court as determined by polling, that specifically with respect to Items relating to the County Engineer's Office, that County Counsel, in conjunction with the County Engineer, should provide some "Guidelines", roughly paralleling those of the State Department of Transportation, with respect to the "signage" and the adoption of the Speed Limits in and around the rural areas of Cameron County.

Commissioner Matz moved that in the matter concerning the establishment of Guidelines for County Offices when litigation was possible or pending against the County, specifically with respect to Items relating to the County Engineer's Office, that County Counsel, in conjunction with the County Engineer, be directed to provide some "Guidelines", roughly to parallel those of the State Department of Transportation, with respect to the "signage" and the adoption of Speed Limits in and around the rural areas of Cameron County.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Valencia and carried unanimously.

f) Consider Lease/License Agreement with UETA, Inc., concerning County Real Estate.

Judge Garza reported that after some discussion, it was the consensus of the Court as determined by polling, that the Court should extend an offer in the amount of \$1,000.00 per month for the period of one (1) year, said offer having been accepted, and that the Agreement take the form of a License, in lieu of a Lease, with an option of one (1) year at \$1,250.00, and a thirty (30) day "Termination Notice".

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, the offer in the amount of \$1,000.00 per month for the period of one (1) year, was extended and accepted, concerning the Lease/License Agreement with UETA, Inc., regarding County Real Estate; said Agreement to be in the form of a License, in lieu of a Lease, with an option of one (1) year at \$1,250.00, and a thirty (30) day "Termination Notice".

g) Confer with Counsel concerning Leases and/or Lien Agreements concerning County-owned property.

Judge Garza reported that the Court was appraised as to the following three (3) Leases and/or Lien Agreements concerning County-owned property:

 Sea Ranch Concession Lease - the Court was appraised of the status of said Contract, that being that the Contract was current in all respects and that the tenant had experienced "a very good year" and after some discussion, it was the consensus of the Court as determined by polling, to acknowledge said Report.

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, the Status Report on the Sea Ranch Concession was acknowledged.

2) Jetties Restaurant - the Court was appraised as to the status of said Contract and after some discussion, it was the consensus of the Court as determined by polling, that County Counsel and the Parks Director should proceed along the terms and conditions as outlined in Executive Session.

Commissioner Matz moved that County Counsel and the Parks Director be directed to proceed along the terms and conditions as outlined in Executive Session concerning the Lease and/or Lien Agreement with respect to the Jetties Restaurant.

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

AYE: Commissioners Matz, Cascos and Judge Garza

NAY: Commissioners Rosenbaum and Valencia.

3) Lease on Park Land - the Court was appraised of the interest and possible Lease Agreement of County Parks lands and after some discussion, it was the consensus of the Court as determined by polling, that the Parks Director place this Item on the Agenda for discussion of the "Landlord interest" as to the Isla Blanca property. Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Rosenbaum and carried unanimously, the Parks Director was directed to place the Item on the Agenda for discussion concerning the possible Lease of the County Parks Land and the "Landlord interest" as to the Isla Blanca property.

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

APPROVED this 6th day of APRIL, 1993.

ANTONIO O. GARZA, JR. COUNTY JUDGE

ATTEST:

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