

THE STATE OF TEXAS           §

COUNTY OF CAMERON         §

BE IT REMEMBERED on the 28th day of FEBRUARY, 1995, there was conducted a SPECIAL PUBLIC 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:  
10:00 A. M.

PRESENT:  
GILBERTO HINOJOSA  
COUNTY JUDGE

LUCINO ROSENBAUM, JR.  
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 1

CARLOS H. CASCOS  
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 2

JAMES R. MATZ  
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 3

HECTOR PEÑA  
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 4

PRISCILLA J. KEE Deputy  
COUNTY CLERK

ABSENT:  
  
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The meeting was called to order by Judge Gilberto Hinojosa. He then asked Pastor Gayle Gardner, Church of the Good Shepherd, for an invocation and the entire Court to lead 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 February 24, 1995, at 3:38 P. M.:

**(1) APPROVAL OF THE COUNTY CLAIMS**

At this time, Ms. Rosemary Chapa-Perez, First Assistant County Auditor, presented the late claim as to Michelle Sanchez, Attorney at Law, Warrant No. 114207, in the amount of \$49,976.22, for approval.

Commissioner Rosenbaum moved that the County Claims be approved, inclusive of the late claim as to Warrant No. 114207, in the amount of \$49,976.22, as recommended by the County Auditor's Office.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously.

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**(2) APPROVAL OF THE BUDGET AMENDMENT AND/OR SALARY SCHEDULES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Rosenbaum and carried unanimously, the Fiscal Year 1995 Budget Amendment No. 95-13, and the following Salary Schedules were approved as recommended:

Cameron/Willacy CSCD, Fund No. 92-576;

Maintenance and Operation Courthouse, Fund No. 10-514; and

Detention Center, Fund No. 10-518.

The Budget Amendment and Salary Schedules are as follow:

**(3) IN THE MATTER OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 31,  
FEBRUARY 8, AND FEBRUARY 17, 1994 [TABLED]**

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, this Item was TABLED.

At this time, Commissioner Matz stated that he had received the Agenda very late on Friday and that several Items did not have the required "back-up" and suggested that those Items be tabled. He suggested that the following memorandum be utilized in order to "standardize" the information:

The Memorandum follows:

**(4) ACTION APPROVING A ONE STOP SERVICE AT CAMERON PARK FOR BUILDING INSPECTION SERVICES, PURSUANT TO WATER AND SEWER HOOKUPS**

Mr. Frank Bejerano, Program Development and Management Director, explained that the purpose of the "One Stop Inspection Service" at Cameron Park was to facilitate and expedite water and sewer hookups, and to inspect every housing unit in the subdivision in order to determine code compliance or code deficiencies. He stated that the "One-Stop Inspection Service" would be operated through the coordinated efforts of the County Engineering Office, the Non-Profit Housing Resource Group (NPHRG), Valley Interfaith, and the Office of Rural Economic and Community Development (RECD).

Mr. Bejerano reviewed the four (4) step process as outlined on the following Memorandum:

At this time, Judge Hinojosa stated that the Engineering Department had inspected and approved four hundred twenty one (421) Applications for connections, and commended the Engineering Department and the Planning Department for attempting to resolve a "very difficult" problem.

At this time, Brother Albert Phillipe requested the Court's support on behalf of the residents of Cameron Park.

Judge Hinojosa added that as part of the "One Stop" concept, the Court was in the process of adopting a modified version of the Code Regulations to apply at the Cameron Park Subdivision, in order to minimize the Building Code Requirements.

At this time, Ms. Judy Vera questioned whether the matter of the "Stand Alone Bathrooms" was included and Judge Hinojosa responded that the matter of the "Stand Alone Bathrooms" was not being addressed and that his position was that the "Stand Alone Bathrooms", would be only as a "last resort".

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, the "One-Stop Inspection Service" at Cameron Park for the Building of Inspection Services, pursuant to Water and Sewer Hookups, was approved.

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(5) **ACTION APPROVING THE USE OF GRANT REIMBURSEMENT TO GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT 10-652 TO PREPARE AMENDMENT TO THE FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP FOR CAMERON PARK**

Mr. Frank Bejerano, Program Development and Management Director, noted that he had met with the Federal Emergency Management Act (FEMA) regarding the Cameron Park Subdivision and stated that one third (1/3) of the Subdivision was in a Flood Hazard Area and that some of the homes in the Flood Hazard Area do not meet requirements to connect to the Sewer and Water System. He stated that since the Map was first approved there had been subsequent improvements made to the drainage area and FEMA suggested that an Amendment to the Flood Hazard Insurance Map be made in order to eliminate some of the Flood Hazard Areas currently shown on Flood Hazard Insurance Rate Map.

Mr. Bejerano stated that the cost to amend the Map would be between \$10,000.00 and \$15,000.00 and suggested that the Grant Reimbursement from the Colonia Demonstration Fund be dedicated to retain an Engineering Firm to amend the Flood Hazard Insurance Map.

Judge Hinojosa stated that FEMA suggested that the County prepare a Flood Emergency Evacuation Plan for Cameron Park, and to include an amendment to the Flood Hazard Insurance Map, and added that FEMA would attempt

to locate funds to reimburse the County.

At this time, Brother Albert Phillip requested the Court's support on behalf of the residents of Cameron Park and added that it was his understanding that the members of the Court supported the matter of the "Stand Alone Bathrooms" and Judge Hinojosa responded that the attempts would be to incorporate the bathrooms within a house that the "stand alone bathrooms" would be the "last alternative" to be considered.

Upon motion by Commissioner Rosenbaum, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, the use of Grant Reimbursement to General Fund Account 10-652 in order to prepare an Amendment to the Flood Insurance Rate Map for Cameron Park, was approved.

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(6) **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF REVIEW COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR THE EVALUATION OF ENGINEERING PROPOSALS, SUBMITTED PURSUANT TO PROPOSED ROAD IMPROVEMENTS IN CAMERON PARK**

At this time, Commissioner Peña stated the Evaluation process criteria of the "Previous Contracts Awarded" favored the Firms that received contract awards and added that any Firm not awarded a Contract would not receive any points, and stated the County needed to be aware of the Contractors receiving the Grant Contracts.

Mr. Frank Bejerano, Program Development and Management Director, stated that the "Point System" was modeled after State Guidelines, but could include any suggestions by the Court.

Commissioner Cascos suggested that the points allocated for the "previous Contracts with Cameron County" be eliminated and suggested that the Criteria Item in the Proposed Rating Sheet be used as a "tie breaker".

Commissioner Peña moved that the Review Committee Members for the Evaluation of the Engineering Proposals, submitted pursuant to Proposed Road Improvements in Cameron Park from the Review Committee Members, be acknowledged.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously.

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(7) **AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT A "LETTER OF INTENT" TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS, PURSUANT TO A POSSIBLE GRANT APPLICATION TO THE HOUSING TRUST FUND ON BEHALF OF CAMERON PARK**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Rosenbaum and carried unanimously, the "Letter of Intent" to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs was authorized, pursuant to a possible Grant Application to the Housing Trust Fund, on behalf of Cameron Park.

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(8) **AUTHORIZATION OF A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE CAMERON COUNTY APPLICATION TO THE FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION FOR AN INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM GRANT**

Mr. Joe Galvan, Bridge Systems Director, stated that the Texas Department of Transportation contacted various cities and met to discuss Cameron County's participation in the Federal Highway Administration Grant for an Intelligent Transportation Systems. He stated that an informal consensus was reached which tentatively identified two (2) sites, that being Gateway International Bridge and the Hidalgo Reynosa International Bridge. He stated that the proposed Grant was intended to test the operational benefits of equipment such as changeable message signs on Expressways, Closed Circuit Televisions, designated travel lanes, highway advisory radio and hazardous material management through the use of software. He stated that the Grant was an eighty percent (80%) Grant and twenty percent (20%) County match; however, the status of the Grant Application now identified the Gateway Bridge as an "interested observer and participant".

At this time, the following individuals presented their concern regarding the inclusion of the Gateway International Bridge as an "interested observer and participant", instead of being an actual site:

Mr. Amadeo Saenz, Texas Department of Transportation,

Ms. Jackie Lockett, City Commissioner and

Mr. Larry Brown, City Planning Department.

Commissioner Cascos moved that the Resolution supporting the Application to the Federal Highway Administration for an Intelligent Transportation System Grant be approved.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rosenbaum and carried unanimously.

**The Resolution is as follows:**

**(9) APPROVAL OF A LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH HARLINGEN EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES TO USE THE COUNTY AIRPORT FOR A TRAINING COURSE**

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, the License Agreement with Harlingen Emergency Medical Services (EMS), in order to use the County Airport for a Training Course, was approved.

The License Agreement is as follows:



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**APPROVAL OF THE NOVATION FORM GEO-MET DATA SERVICES, INCORPORATED, TO SANKOSHA CORPORATION, IN THE AGREEMENT TO INSTALL A LIGHTENING DETECTION SYSTEM AT THE COUNTY AIRPORT**

At this time, Commissioner Matz explained that Geo-Met interests were transferred to the Sankosha Corporation, therefore the need for the change.

Commissioner Matz moved that the novation from GEO-MET Data Services, Incorporated, to Sankosha Corporation in the Agreement to install a lightening detection system at the County Airport, be approved.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously.

The Agreement is as follows:

- (11) **APPROVAL TO REFUND TAXES TO MR. MICHAEL O'NEAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$574.58**
- (12) **APPROVAL TO REFUND TAXES TO MCCOY CORPORATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$17,781.05**
- (13) **APPROVAL TO REFUND TAXES TO SOURCE ONE MANUFACTURING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,202.16**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos seconded by Commissioner Rosenbaum and carried unanimously, the following tax refunds were approved:

- Mr. Michael O'Neal - \$574.58;
- McCoy Corporation - \$17,781.05 and
- Source One Manufacturing - \$1,202.16.

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- (14) **AUTHORIZATION TO APPLY ISLA BLANCA PARK RECREATIONAL VEHICLE RATES TO ADOLPH THOMAE PARK, UPON COMPLETION OF THE ELECTRIC METER INSTALLATION**

Commissioner Matz moved that the Isla Blanca Park Recreational Vehicle Rates be applied to Adolph Thomae Park, upon completion of the Electric Meter Installation.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously.

At this time, Mr. Ken Conway, Parks Systems Director, introduced Mr. Jeff Lyssy, newly hired Park Manager at the Adolph Thomae Park.

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- (15) **IN THE MATTER TO SEEK ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR THE CRIME VICTIM'S ASSISTANCE PROGRAM [TABLED]**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, this Item was TABLED.

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**APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT BETWEEN  
CAMERON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT  
AND MADISON WOMEN INFANT AND CHILDREN  
(WIC) CLINIC IN BROWNSVILLE**

Commissioner Matz moved that the Contract between Cameron County Health Department and Madison Women Infant and Children (WIC) Clinic in Brownsville be approved.

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

AYE: Commissioners Rosenbaum, Matz and Peña and Judge Hinojosa

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Commissioner Cascos.

The Contract is as follows:

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**APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND LORDA CORPORATION REAL ESTATE AND DEVELOPMENT, FOR RENTAL OF BUILDING TO HOUSE WOMEN INFANT AND CHILDREN (WIC) PROGRAM CLINIC IN PORT ISABEL**

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, the Contract between Cameron County Health Department and Lorda Corporation Real Estate and Development, for the rental of the building for the Women Infant and Children (WIC) Program Clinic in Port Isabel was approved, subject to final review by County Counsel.

The Contract is as follows:

**(18) APPROVAL OF THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH (TDH) DOCUMENT NO. C5000223, CHANGE NO. 07, ATTACHMENT NO. 08A - BUREAU OF WOMEN AND CHILDREN WILL FUND HEALTH SERVICES TO LOW INCOME WOMEN AND CHILDREN WITH EMPHASIS ON PRENATAL CARE, FAMILY PLANNING SERVICES AND PREVENTIVE CHILD HEALTH SERVICES, TO REVISE BUDGET TO DECREASE DIRECT ASSISTANCE AND INCREASE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE IN LIEU OF STATE POSITION, COMMUNITY SERVICE AID, CB310-015, EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 01, 1994**

Commissioner Matz moved that the Texas Department of Health (TDH) Document NO. C5000223, Change No. 07, Attachment NO. 08A - Bureau of Women and Children be approved, said Contract to fund Health Services to low income women and children with emphasis on Prenatal Care, Family Planning Services and Preventive Child Health Service, and to revise the Budget to decrease Direct Assistance and increase Financial Assistance, in lieu of State Position, Community Service Aid, CB310-015, effective December 1, 1994.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously.

The Document is as follows:

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**APPROVAL OF A LICENSE AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN THE WOMEN INFANT AND CHILDREN  
(WIC) PROGRAM OF THE COUNTY HEALTH  
DEPARTMENT AND THE CENTRO CULTURAL DE  
EDUCACION Y ASISTENCIA DE CAMERON PARK  
FOR UTILIZATION OF THE CENTRO  
CULTURAL'S FACILITIES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Rosenbaum and carried unanimously, the License Agreement between the Women Infant and Children (WIC) Program of the County Health Department and the Centro Cultural de Education y Asistencia de Cameron Park, for utilization of the Centro Cultural's facilities, was approved.

The License Agreement is as follows:

**(20) AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL - (RFP) NO. 950104 FOR THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATION FOR SECTION IRC 125 FLEXIBLE SPENDING ACCOUNT SPECIFICATIONS**

**(22) AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD ANNUAL BIDS FOR COMPUTER PRINTERS**

Commissioner Cascos moved the Request for Proposal - (RFP) No. 940104 for Third Party Administration for Section IRC 125 Flexible Spending Account Specifications be opened and that the Computer Printers Contract be awarded as follows:

**CEDAR COMPUTER, AUSTIN, TEXAS**

Okidata 321	\$ 422.00
Okidata 320	\$ 307.00
HP Laser 4L	\$ 639.00
HP Laser 4P	\$ 929.00
HP Laser 4Plus	\$1,379.00
HP Laser 4V	\$1,869.00
HP Laser 4Si	\$2,879.00

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rosenbaum and carried unanimously.

The Request for Proposal received and opened is as follows:

**(21) ACTION TO MAKE AN EXCEPTION TO THE POLICY REGARDING REIMBURSEMENT OF HOTEL CHARGES FOR WASHINGTON, D.C.**

At this time Commissioner Cascos explained that the County's Travel policy limited the amount for the Hotel charge to \$100.00 a night and that the costs for Hotels in Washington and Mexico City exceeded the amount of \$100.00, and requested exceptions to the Travel Policy for the reimbursement of Hotel Charges.

Commissioner Rosenbaum moved that an exception to the Travel Policy, regarding reimbursement of Hotel charges for Washington, D.C. be approved.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously.

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**(23) AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE COMPUTER EQUIPMENT AND SOFTWARE FROM CONTINGENCY FUNDS FOR THE COUNTY TREASURER'S OFFICE AND IN THE MATTER OF THE COUNTY JUDGE'S OFFICE [TABLED]**

At this time, Mr. Eddie Gonzalez, County Treasurer, stated that the cost to purchase the computer hardware software for his office was in the estimated amount of \$6,200.00.

There was some discussion concerning the amount of money available in the Contingency Fund and Judge Hinojosa suggested that the purchase of software for the County Judge's Office be Tabled and that said funds be allocated from the Contingency Fund for the purchase of the Computer for the County Treasurer's Office.

Commissioner Peña moved that the purchase of computer equipment and software for the County Treasurer's Office be approved, said fund to be allocated from the Contingency Fund.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rosenbaum and carried unanimously.

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, the purchase of Computer Equipment for the County Judge's Office was TABLED.

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**APPROVAL OF REAPPOINTMENTS TO THE  
BOARD OF EMERGENCY SERVICES  
COMMISSIONERS OF THE CAMERON COUNTY  
EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 1**

At this time, Judge Hinojosa recommended Mr. John Swan, Brownsville, Texas, Commissioner Rosenbaum recommended Mr. Salvador Robles, Brownsville, Texas, and Commissioner Matz recommended Judge Luis Romero, Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 8, Los Fresnos, Texas, to the Board of Emergency Service District No. 1.

At this time, Ms. Jackie Lockett, Local Emergency Planning Committee, presented the following Letter dated February 17, 1995, to the County Judge concerning the Emergency Management of Cameron County as follows:

Upon motion by Commissioner Rosenbaum seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, the following individuals were appointed to the Board of Emergency Services of the Commissioners of the Cameron County District No. 1:

Mr. John Swan, Brownsville, Texas,

Mr. Salvador Robles, Brownsville, Texas, and

Judge Luis Romero, Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 8, Los Fresnos, Texas.

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**(25) ACTION TO ACCEPT TERMINATION OF THE  
OB/GYN CONTRACT EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY**

Mr. Rolando Martinez, Health Director, stated that a letter of termination was received from OB/GYN Associates, effective March 13, 1995, and added that they would continue to honor their commitment and to provide a Nurse Practitioner until March 13, 1995, and added that Brownsville Medical Center would like to provide these services to the County.

Commissioner Cascos moved that the termination of the OB/GYN Contract be accepted effective March 13, 1995.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rosenbaum and carried unanimously.

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**(26) APPROVAL TO APPOINT ON A TEMPORARY  
BASIS AN EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT  
COORDINATOR**

At this time, Judge Hinojosa recommended that Ms. Grace Salinas, Administrative Assistant, be appointed as Emergency Management Coordinator on a temporary basis.

At this time, Commissioner Cascos questioned whether Ms. Salinas would have the time for the additional responsibilities and she responded that she had been handling those functions.

Upon motion by Commissioner Rosenbaum seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, Ms. Grace Salinas, Administrative Assistant, was appointed as Emergency Management Coordinator, on a temporary basis.

At this time, Ms. Jackie Lockett, Local Emergency Planning Commission (LEPC) noted her concerns and added that the Emergency Management position was an extremely important one and that the County would be at risk by not having a professional Emergency Management Coordinator.

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(27) **APPROVAL TO PAY \$13,780.00 FROM THE CONTINGENCY FUNDS FOR THE COUNTY'S PRO-RATA SHARES FOR JOINT MEMBERSHIP DUES TO THE ALLIANCE FOR I-69 AND U.S. 281/77 COALITION**

Commissioner Cascos questioned the difference between the Contingency Fund and Lapsed Salaries and suggested that when the Contingency Fund was going to be utilized and that the Court receive the perpetual balance of said Funds in order to make their decisions.

Judge Hinojosa suggested adopting a Policy that a percentage of the Lapsed Salaries be taken and placed back into the individual Department's Budget in order to use those funds for equipment needs.

Commissioner Matz moved that the payment of \$13,780.00 from the Contingency Funds for the County's Pro-Rata shares for Joint Membership Dues to the Alliance for I-69 and U.S. 281/77 Coalition be approved.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously.

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**"CONSENT" AGENDA ITEM**

**THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE RECOMMENDED FOR "CONSENT" AND WERE EITHER RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT HEAD, WITHIN BUDGET OR AWARDED TO THE LOW BIDDER:**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Rosenbaum and carried unanimously, Items No. 37, No. 38, and No. 39 were TABLED.

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, the "Consent" Agenda Items were approved as follow, with the exception of Item No. 31:

- (28) **AUTHORIZATION OF A CONTRACT FOR RECREATION PROGRAMS CO-COORDINATOR FOR ISLA BLANCA PARK, BEING BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND GERALD HURST, SUBJECT TO BUDGET AVAILABILITY NEXT FISCAL YEAR (FISCAL YEAR 1995 AND 1996)**

The Contract follows:

- (29) AUTHORIZATION OF A CONTRACT FOR RECREATION PROGRAMS CO-COORDINATOR FOR ISLA BLANCA PARK, BEING BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND EVELYN BECK, SUBJECT TO BUDGET AVAILABILITY NEXT FISCAL YEAR (FISCAL YEAR 1995 AND 1996)

The Contract follows:

- (30) AUTHORIZATION TO ALLOW XEROX CORPORATION TO CONDUCT A DOCUMENT FLOW STUDY OF COPYING EQUIPMENT COUNTY WIDE, AT NO CHARGE
- (32) AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN BIDS FOR ONE (1) 15 PASSENGER VAN IN STOCK PREFERRED, FOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT PRISONER AT WORK PROGRAM

The Bids received and opened follow:

- (33) AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN BIDS FOR FURNITURE FOR THE DARRELL HESTER JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER

The Bids received and opened follow:

- (34) AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN ANNUAL BIDS FOR FLEXIBLE BASE MATERIALS - ROCK CALICHE

The Bids received and opened follow:

- (35) AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN ANNUAL BIDS FOR EMULSION OILS - AEP

The Bids received and opened follow:

- (36) AUTHORIZATION TO REJECT BIDS FOR SALE AND REMOVAL OF OBSOLETE VHF RADIO ANTENNA TOWER

- (37) IN THE MATTER OF PRELIMINARY AND FINAL APPROVAL [TABLED]:

a) **Precinct No. 4:**  
Samantha Estates Subdivision - being a 5.048 acre tract of land out of Block No. 20, Dougherty-Paillet Subdivision, out of survey 293;

b) **Precinct No. 4:**  
Akin Subdivision - being a 9.358 acre tract of land situated in and a part of Block No. 40, Minnesota-Texas Land and Irrigation Company Subdivision; and

c) **Precinct No. 3:**  
Eleno Ortega Subdivision - being a 2.01 acres out of a certain tract of and referred as the West 1/2 of Block No. 460 save and except the south 840,000 feet of the West 1/2 of said Block, San Benito Irrigation Company Subdivision, Espiritu Santo Grant.

- (38) IN THE MATTER OF PRELIMINARY APPROVAL [TABLED]:

a) **Precinct No. 4:**

Ken Wood R.V. Plaza No. 2 Subdivision - being 4.38 acres out of Block No. 51, Minnesota Texas Land and Irrigation Company Subdivision;

- b) **Precinct No. 4:**  
Q Subdivision No. 2 - being a resubdivision of the South 14.12 acres out of Block No. 76 Hooks and Hodges Subdivision No. 1, out of the La Feria Grant; and
- c) **Precinct No 4:**  
El Valle de Plata Subdivision - being a 6.81 acres resubdivision out of Block No. 143, Adams Gardens Subdivision "C".

(39) IN THE MATTER OF FINAL APPROVAL [TABLED]:

- a) **Precinct No. 3:**  
H.I.C.S. Subdivision - being 46.814 acres in Block No. 42 and 43 Palmetal Company Subdivision.

(40) TRAVEL AND/OR TRAVEL EXPENSES FOR THE FOLLOWING, SUBJECT TO AVAILABLE FUNDS IN THEIR BUDGETS:

- a) Health Administrator to attend the "ICES Users Conference 1995" in Austin, Texas, on March 5-7, 1995;
- b) Financial Disruption Task Force Coordinator to attend the "OCG Meeting - Operation Command Group" in Galveston, Texas, on February 23, 1995;
- c) Health Administrator to attend the meeting on "Proposed Changes to the Texas Medicaid Program" in Austin, Texas, on February 21, 1995;
- d) Two (2) persons with the Health Department to attend the "Beyond Prozac Depression, Stress, Diet and Drugs Conference" in Corpus Christi, Texas, on March 8-9, 1995;
- e) Veterans Office Secretary to attend the "Texas Notary Public Seminar" in McAllen, Texas, on March 8, 1995;
- f) Veteran Service Officer to attend the "Annual Texas Veterans Commission Conference" in Dallas, Texas, on April 11-13, 1995;
- g) Veterans Service Officer to attend the "Texas Association of Collegiate Veterans Program Officials" in Corpus Christi, Texas, on March 1-2, 1995;
- h) District Clerk to attend the "Network Program/Excess to Civil System" in San Antonio, Texas, on February 6-7, 1995;
- i) District Clerk and two (2) Deputies to attend the "County and District Clerk's Association Workshop/Seminar" in College Station, Texas, on March 27-28, 1995;
- j) Tax Assessor Collector and one (1) Deputy to attend the "27th

Annual TAAO Conference" in McAllen, Texas, on February 23-25, 1995;

- k) County Judges Assistant Administrator to attend the "Alliance for I-69 Texas" in Austin, Texas, on March 1, 1995; and
- l) County Judge to attend the "Legislative Meeting" in Austin, Texas, on February 28, 1995.

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- (31) AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) NO. 950103 - TELEPHONE SYSTEM, FOR THE DARRELL HESTER JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER

Upon motion by Commissioner Peña, seconded by Commissioner Rosenbaum and carried unanimously, the Request for Proposal (RFP) No. 950103 - Telephone System for the Darrell Hester Juvenile Detention Center was approved.

The Request for Proposal is as follows:

**Item No. 28      AUTHORIZATION FOR A CONTRACT FOR RECREATION  
PROGRAMS CO-COORDINATOR FOR ISLA BLANCA PARK,  
BEING BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND GERALD HURST,  
SUBJECT TO BUDGET AVAILABILITY NEXT FISCAL YEAR  
(FISCAL YEAR 1995-1996)**

**The Contract follows:**

**Item No. 29      AUTHORIZATION FOR A CONTRACT FOR RECREATION  
PROGRAMS CO-COORDINATOR FOR ISLA BLANCA PARK,  
BEING BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND EVELYN BECK,  
SUBJECT TO BUDGET AVAILABILITY NEXT FISCAL YEAR  
(FISCAL YEAR 1995-1996)**

**The Contract follows:**



**Item No. 32      AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN BIDS FOR ONE (1) 15 PASSENGER  
VAN IN STOCK PREFERRED, FOR THE SHERIFF'S  
DEPARTMENT, PRISONER AT WORK PROGRAM**

**The Bids received and opened follow:**

**Item No. 33      AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN BIDS FOR FURNITURE FOR THE  
DARRELL HESTER JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER**

**The Bids received and opened follow:**

**Item No. 34      AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN ANNUAL BIDS FOR FLEXIBLE BASE  
MATERIALS - ROCK CALICHE**

**The Bids received and opened follow:**

**Item No. 35      AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN ANNUAL BIDS FOR EMULSION OILS  
- AEP**

**The Bids received and opened follow:**

**(41) EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Rosenbaum and carried unanimously, the Court met in Executive Session at 11:15 A. M. to discuss the following matters:

- a) Discuss with County Counsel an offer of settlement in the Case styled Rojano vs. Cameron County in the United States District Court, No. B-94-048, pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code Section 551.071 (1)(B);
- b) Discuss with County Counsel the possible settlement offer in the case styled S.R. Garcia vs. Perez, Cause No. 93-07-2953-C, U.S. District Court, Southern District of Texas, Brownsville Division, pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071 (1)(B);
- c) Discussion of related cases, all in the U.S. District Court, Southern District of Texas, Brownsville Division, Cause No's. B-95-009, B-94-278, B-94-291, and B-94-277, pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071 (1)(A);
- d) Discussion of the case styled Almaguer vs. Unidentified Alonso, et. al., Cause No. B-94-328-4, U.S. District Court, Southern District of Texas, Brownsville Division, Discussion of case and of authorizing attorneys for individual Defendants, pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071 (1)(A);
- e) Discussion of the case styled the City of San Benito vs. Cameron County, Cause No. 94-01-303-D, Cameron County, 103rd Judicial District, pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071 (1)(A);
- f) Discuss hiring of County Engineer, pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.074 (1);
- g) Discuss the position of Personnel/Safety Risk Director, pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.074 (1); and
- h) Discuss settlement offer in the case styled Ms. Maria del Rosa Reyna vs. Cameron County, U.S. District Court, pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071 (A)(2).

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Rosenbaum and carried unanimously, the Court reconvened in Regular Session at 12:00 P. M.

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**(42) ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- a) Action relative to make an offer of settlement in the case styled Rojano vs. Cameron County Case in the United States District Court, No. B-94-048;

- b) Action relative to the settlement offer in the case styled S.R. Garcia vs. Perez, Cause No. 93-07-2953-C, U.S. District Court, Southern District of Texas, Brownsville Division;
- c) Action relative to discussion of related cases, all in the U.S. District Court, Southern District of Texas, Brownsville Division, Cause No. B-95-009, B-94-278, B 94-291, and B-94-277;
- d) Action relative to discussion of the case styled Almaguer vs. Unidentified Alonso, et. al., Cause No. B-94-328-4, U.S. District Court, Southern District of Texas, Brownsville Division;
- e) Action relative to discussion of the case styled City of San Benito vs. Cameron County, Cause No. 94-01-303-D, Cameron County, 103rd Judicial District; and
- h) Action relative to settlement offer in the case styled Ms. Maria del Rosa Reyna vs. Cameron County, U.S. District Court.

Judge Hinojosa reported that after some discussion, it was the consensus of the Court as determined by polling, that County Counsel should proceed along the terms and conditions as outlined in Executive Session regarding said matters.

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, County Counsel was directed to proceed along the terms and conditions as outlined in Executive Session, regarding the following Item:

a) Rojano vs. Cameron County in the United States District Court, b) S.R. Garcia vs. Perez, c) United States District Court, Southern District of Texas, Brownsville Division, d) Almaguer vs. Unidentified Alonso, e) City of San Benito vs. Cameron County and h) Ms. Maria del Rosa vs. Cameron County

- f) Action relative to discussion of hiring a County Engineer.

Judge Hinojosa reported that after some discussion, it was the consensus of the Court as determined by polling, that the position of County Engineer be filled by Mr. Michael Martin, Acting County Engineer, effective immediately, with the annual salary of \$49,470.00 and a \$5,200.00 annual auto allowance, along the terms and conditions as outlined in Executive Session.

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Rosenbaum and carried unanimously, Mr. Michael Martin, was appointed as County Engineer, effective immediately, with an annual salary of \$49,470.00 and an

auto allowance of \$5,200.00, along the terms and conditions as outlined in Executive Session.

g) Action relative to discussion of the position of Personnel/Safety Risk Director.

Judge Hinojosa reported that after some discussion, it was the consensus of the Court as determined by polling, the interviews for the position of Personnel/Safety Risk Director with Mr. Heliberto Casares, Mr. Richard DiCantu, Ms. Maria Alicia Cardenas, and Mr. Mariano Ayala, be scheduled for Executive Session, along the terms and conditions as outlined in Executive Session.

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, the interviews for the position of Personnel/Safety Risk Director with Mr. Heliberto Casares, Mr. Richard DiCantu, Ms. Maria Alicia Cardenas, and Mr. Mariano Ayala, would be scheduled for the next meeting during the Executive Session.

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

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**APPROVED** this **14th** day of **MARCH, 1995**.

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**GILBERTO HINOJOSA**  
**COUNTY JUDGE**

**ATTEST:**

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