

THE STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF CAMERON §

BE IT REMEMBERED on the 9th day of JULY, 1996, there was conducted a **REGULAR Public Meeting 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:

GILBERTO HINOJOSA
COUNTY JUDGE

COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 1

CARLOS H. CASCOS, C.P.A.
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 2

JAMES R. MATZ
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 3

COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 4

Hilda V. Treviño Deputy
COUNTY CLERK

ABSENT:

LUCINO ROSENBAUM, JR.

R. HECTOR PEÑA



The meeting was called to order by Judge Gilberto Hinojosa. He then asked Mr. Bob Clark, Brownsville resident, for the invocation and Commissioner Cascos to lead the Court and the audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Court considered the following matters as posted and filed for Record in the Office of the County Clerk on July 5, 1996, at 11:23 A.M.:

(1) APPROVAL OF COUNTY CLAIMS

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, the County claims were approved as presented by the County Auditor.

The Budget Officer's Comments Report is as follows:

(2) IN THE MATTER OF THE BUDGET AMENDMENTS AND/OR SALARY SCHEDULES (NO ACTION TAKEN)

At this time, the County Auditor reported that there were no Budget Amendments and/or Salary Schedules for approval.

(3) APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF JUNE 11, 1996 AND JUNE 18, 1996 (TABLED)

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held June 11, 1996, at 1:30 P.M., were approved, subject to the correction on the Supplemental Agenda, Item No. 1, and the Minutes of June 18, 1996, were TABLED.

At this time, Judge Hinojosa recognized Mr. Joe G. Rivera, County Clerk, who was designated "County Clerk of the Year" by the County and District Clerks' Association and noted that the County Clerk's Office was one of the most efficient and effective Offices in the State.

Mr. Joe G. Rivera, County Clerk, expressed his gratitude to the Court, Department Heads and employees.

(4) APPROVAL TO UTILIZE SLOT NO. 10, FOR TEMPORARY PART-TIME HELP IN THE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE EFFECTIVE JULY 8, 1996, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 1996

Commissioner Matz moved that Slot No. 10 be utilized for temporary part-time help in the County Clerk's Office, effective July 8, 1996, through September 30, 1996.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously.

(5) AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR PROPOSALS FOR ROUTE STUDIES, ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEWS AND STRIP MAP DEVELOPMENT SERVICES, AS PART OF PROJECT ROADMAP

At this time, Mr. Michael Martin, County Engineer, highlighted the Request for Proposals Report on the Roadway Route Studies, Environmental Reviews, and Strip Map Development Services, and noted that the County had saved funds through Right-of-Way Acquisitions.

There was some discussion regarding the allocation of the Project Roadmap funds for Right-of-Way acquisitions for a portion of the Railroad Relocation Project, and the suggestion was made for the County Attorney to contact Bond Council for direction regarding said matter.

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, the Advertisement of Proposals for Route Studies, Environmental Reviews and Strip Map Development Services, were authorized as part of Project Roadmap.



- (6) **APPROVAL TO CONTRACT A TACTICAL INTELLIGENCE AGENT FOR THE UNIFIED NARCOTIC INTELLIGENCE TASK FORCE**
- (7) **APPROVAL TO LEASE VEHICLES FOR THE UNIFIED NARCOTIC INTELLIGENCE TASK-FORCE**

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, the Unified Narcotic Intelligence Task Force was authorized to Contract a Tactical Intelligence Agent and to Lease vehicles.

The Agreements are as follow:

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 Matz and carried unanimously, the "Consent" Agenda Items were approved as follow:

(8) APPROVAL OF TRAVEL AND/OR TRAVEL EXPENSES FOR THE FOLLOWING, SUBJECT TO FUNDS IN THEIR BUDGET:

- a) Commissioners' Court to attend the "National Association of Counties Conference" in Houston, Texas, on July 12-16, 1996;
- b) Task Force Field Supervisor to attend the "Texas Narcotic Officers' Association Training Conference" in Dallas, Texas, on August 5-9, 1996;
- c) Two (2) County Extension Agents to attend the "District 4-H Record Book Judging" in Freer, Texas, on July 18, 1996;
- d) Deputy Constable Precinct No. 1 to attend the "Deputy Course Civil Liabilities Continuation Education" in Austin, Texas, on July 21-22, 1996;
- e) Chief and Assistant Juvenile Officers to attend a "Juvenile Chief Meeting" in Alice, Texas, on July 9-10, 1996;
- f) County Clerk and two (2) Deputies to attend the "101st Annual County and District Clerks' Conference" in San Antonio, Texas, on June 30, 1996, through July 5, 1996;
- g) District Clerk and two (2) deputies to attend the "101st Annual County and District Clerks' Conference" in San Antonio, Texas, on June 30, 1996, through July 5, 1996; and
- h) Planning, Development and Management and Community Development Coordinator to attend the "Colonia Self-Help Proposal Evaluation Meeting" in Austin, Texas, on July 15-16, 1996.



(9) PRELIMINARY APPROVAL

a) Precinct No. 4

Bishop Haven 17 Subdivision - being a 9.918 acre tract of land out of Block No. 17, F.Z. Bishop Subdivision of Survey No. 39.

(10) PRELIMINARY AND FINAL APPROVAL

a) Precinct No. 2

Middle School No. 9 Subdivision - being 29.87 acres of land form a replat of 7.796 acres out of Lot No. 2, and 22.075 acres out of Lot No. 3, Block No. 209, El Jardin Resubdivision.

(11) AUTHORIZATION

- a) TO OPEN REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NO. 96-06-02
FOR JUVENILE JUSTICE ALTERNATIVE
EDUCATION PROGRAM**
- b) EVALUATION COMMITTEE**
- c) NEGOTIATIONS TOWARDS AWARD RECOMMENDATION**

The Request for Proposal received follows:

(11) AUTHORIZATION

- a) **TO OPEN REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
NO. 96-06-02 FOR JUVENILE
JUSTICE ALTERNATIVE
EDUCATION PROGRAM**

The Request for Proposal received follows:

SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA

(1) **AUTHORIZATION TO SUPPORT A COASTAL
MANAGEMENT PROGRAM GRANT
APPLICATION TO CREATE YOUTH CAMP
FACILITIES IN ISLA BLANCA PARK IN
CONJUNCTION WITH THE BOYS SCOUTS**

At this time, Judge Hinojosa explained that the Rio Grande Valley Boys Scouts Council's intention was to create a permanent facility in South Padre Island, Texas, to be utilized for Youth Programs in the County. He noted that an informal Agreement was to be formalized specifying that any structure or facility removed at the proposed site would be at the Boys Scouts' expense and that the County would not be liable if the Lease was terminated, and added that the County needed additional information from the Texas General Land Office in order to clarify the terms of the Lease.

Mr. Glenn Harrison, Laguna Station Camp Director, stated that there were time constraints for the submission of the Application and noted that the support from the County would be the basis of discussions between all entities involved. He requested that a County Official assist the Boys Scouts in presenting the Program to the Texas General Land Office, and Judge Hinojosa remarked that his Administrative Assistant would represent the County and suggested that a Fee be implemented for the use of the proposed facility for maintenance expenses and revenues for the County.

Commissioner Matz moved that the Coastal Management Program Grant Application be supported to create the Youth Camp Facilities in Isla Blanca Park in conjunction with the Boys Scouts, subject to the Resolution containing language that the Application be approved and that negotiations be made with the Rio Grande Valley Boys Scouts Council and the Texas General Land Office.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously.

The Resolution is as follows:

**NOT ON PRESENTATION OF SAFETY AWARD
AGENDA BY
THE TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF
COUNTIES**

At this time, Mr. Danny Garcia, Texas Association of Counties, presented the County with a Safety Award for the efforts and commitment to safety and noted that the County had saved \$738,000.00 by reducing Worker's Compensation claims.

Judge Hinojosa expressed gratitude to the Personnel/Safety Department for their efforts towards a safe environment for the County employees.

(12) EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, the Court met in Executive Session at 2:10 P.M. to discuss the following matters:

- a) Confer with County Counsel on the possible sale of property: Brownsville - Stillman Extension, Lot No. 12, Block No. 81A; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071(2); and
- b) Confer with County Counsel on the possible sale of Brownsville Property: Riverside Park 50' x 114', 1 Block No. 3; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071(2).

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, the Court reconvened in Regular Session at 2:30 P.M.

(13) ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a) Confer with County Counsel on the possible sale of property: Brownsville - Stillman Extension, Lot No. 12, Block No. 81A; and
- b) Confer with County Counsel on the possible sale of Brownsville property: Riverside Park 50' x 114', 1 Block No. 3.

Commissioner Cascos reported that after some discussion, it was the consensus of the Court as determined by polling, that the Property Management Coordinator should be authorized to close the sales regarding said properties.

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, the Property Management Coordinator was authorized to close the

sales on the Brownsville - Stillman Extension, Lot No. 12, Block No. 81A, and the Brownsville Riverside Park, 50' x
114', 1 Block No. 3.

There being no further business to come before the Court, upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissio
ADJOURNED.

APPROVED this **23rd** day of **July, 1996.**

GILBERTO HINOJOSA
COUNTY JUDGE

ATTEST:

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