

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF CAMERON

BE IT REMEMBERED on the 29th day of APRIL, 1997, 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:

4:00 P. M.

PRESENT:

GILBERTO HINOJOSA
COUNTY JUDGE

PEDRO APETE@ BENAVIDES
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 1

COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 2

JAMES R. MATZ
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 3

HECTOR PEÑA
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 4

Hilda V. Treviño Deputy
COUNTY CLERK

ABSENT:

CARLOS H. CASCOS, C.P.A.

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The meeting was called to order by Judge Gilberto Hinojosa.

The Court considered the following matters as posted and filed for Record in the Office of the County Clerk
on April 25, 1997, at 8:41 A.M.:

**(1) AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN BIDS AND/OR
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, the following Bids and/or Request for Proposals were opened:

- a) Request for Proposal No. 97-04-01 for Ballot Counting/Elections System; and
- b) Pickup - Farms and Home Department.

The Bids and/or Request for Proposals follow:

(1) AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN BIDS AND/OR REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

a) REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NO. 97-04-01 FOR BALLOT COUNTING/ELECTIONS SYSTEM

The Request for Proposal is as follows:

(1) AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN BIDS AND/OR REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

b) PICKUP - FARMS AND HOME DEPARTMENT

The Bids are as follow:

**(2) AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN BIDS AND/OR
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

Commissioner Matz moved that the following Request for Proposal be opened:

- a) Request for Proposal No. 970206-1312 for concessions - food - Sand Piper Pavilion, Isla Blanca Park.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously.

The Request for Proposal is as follows:

(3) EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, the Court met in Executive Session at 4:20 P.M. to discuss the following matters:

- a) Confer with County Counsel to discuss the status and authorization to represent the Sheriff on the case styled Primitivo Millan-Millan vs. Cameron County, et. al., 97-02-719-B; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071 (1)(A);
- b) Confer with County Counsel to discuss the status and authorization to represent individual County Defendants on the case styled Isaac Pasol Levitas vs. Migdalia Lopez, et. al.; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071 (1)(A);
- c) Deliberation regarding the Real Property concerning the authorization of the Property Management Coordinator to complete the sale of the Old Commissioners= Court Precinct No. 3 Warehouse, located on FM/2893, Los Fresnos, Texas, with A. Dunham; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.072;
- d) In the matter of the deliberation regarding the Real Property concerning the possible lease of eleven (11) acres located at the Los Indios Free Trade Bridge; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.072; **(REJECTED)**
- e) Deliberation regarding the Real Property concerning the possible sale of the Cameron County Trustee Property known as Santa Rosa - Original Townsite, Lot No. 9, Block No. 66; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.072;
- f) Deliberation regarding the Real Property concerning the possible sale of the Cameron County Trustee Property known as Abstract No. 2 - Las Yescas, Lot No. 9, Block No. 1; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.072;
- g) Deliberation regarding the Real Property authorizing the Property Management Coordinator and the Park Management to negotiate the possible Lease of the Cameron County Adolph Thomae Park Land, Site AF@; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.072;
- h) Deliberation regarding the Real Property concerning the possible sale of the Cameron County Trustee Property known as the Brownsville - Linda Vista-3, Lot No. 17; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.072;
- I) Deliberation regarding the Real Property concerning the acquisition of a certain tract of land adjoining the Cameron Park Community Center for the Cameron Park Recreation Project; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.072; and
- j) In the matter of conferring with County Counsel concerning the potential litigation regarding the Adult Probation Office Project; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071 (1)(A&B). **(TABLED)**

At this time, Judge Hinojosa asked Mr. Bob Clark, Brownsville resident, for the invocation and the Court led the audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

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(10) ADOPTION OF THE RESOLUTIONS HONORING MS. OLGA MARTINEZ, AUTO-TAX DEPUTY CLERK, AND MS. DIANA ELIZONDO, AUTO-TAX DEPUTY CLERK, BOTH OF THE CAMERON COUNTY TAX OFFICE, ON THE OCCASION OF THEIR RETIREMENT OF SERVICE TO THE OFFICE OF THE TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR

At this time, Judge Hinojosa expressed gratitude and presented the Resolution honoring Ms. Olga Martinez, Auto-Tax Deputy Clerk, on the occasion of her retirement of service to the Office of the Tax Assessor-Collector.

Commissioner Peña moved that the Resolution be adopted honoring Ms. Olga Martinez, Auto-Tax Deputy Clerk, of the Cameron County Tax Office, on the occasion of her retirement of service to the Office of the Tax Assessor-Collector.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously.

The Resolution is as follows:

(10) ADOPTION OF THE RESOLUTIONS HONORING MS. OLGA MARTINEZ, AUTO-TAX DEPUTY CLERK, AND MS. DIANA ELIZONDO, AUTO-TAX DEPUTY CLERK, BOTH OF THE CAMERON COUNTY TAX OFFICE, ON THE OCCASION OF THEIR RETIREMENT OF SERVICE TO THE OFFICE OF THE TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR

At this time, Judge Hinojosa expressed gratitude and presented the Resolution honoring Ms. Diana Elizondo, Auto-Tax Deputy Clerk, on the occasion of her retirement of service to the Office of the Tax Assessor-Collector.

Upon motion by Commissioner Peña, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the Resolution was adopted honoring Ms. Diana Elizondo, Auto-Tax Deputy Clerk, of the Cameron County Tax Office, on the occasion of her retirement of service to the Office of the Tax Assessor-Collector.

The Resolution is as follows:

Upon motion by Commissioner Peña, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the Court reconvened in Regular Session at 5:15 P.M.

(4) ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a) Confer with County Counsel to discuss the status and authorization to represent the Sheriff on the case styled Primitivo Millan-Millan vs. Cameron County, et. al., 97-02-719-B.

Mr. Doug Wright, Cameron County Counsel, reported that the representation regarding said matter should be authorized.

Upon motion by Commissioner Benavides, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, the representation for the Sheriff on the case styled Primitivo Millan-Millan vs. Cameron County, et. al., 97-02-719-B, was approved.

- b) Confer with County Counsel to discuss the status and the authorization to represent the individual County Defendants on the case styled Isaac Pasol Levitas vs. Judge Migdalia Lopez, County Court at Law No. 2, et. al.

Judge Hinojosa reported that the representation regarding said matter should be authorized.

Commissioner Benavides moved that representation for the individual County Defendants on the case styled Isaac Pasol Levitas vs. Judge Migdalia Lopez, County Court at Law No. 2, et. al, be approved.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously.

- c) Deliberation regarding the Real Property concerning the authorization of the Property Management Coordinator to complete the sale of the Old Commissioners= Court Precinct No. 1 Warehouse, located on FM/2893, Los Fresnos, Texas, with A. Dunham.

Judge Hinojosa reported that the discussion concerned the authorization to proceed and finalize the sale.

Mr. Doug Wright, Cameron County Counsel, clarified that : Aspecifically, authorize the issuance of the Special Warranty Deed, as drafted by Commissioners= Court Legal Counsel, making as consideration Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Standards, pursuant to Federal Law, a full release to the County, and the payment, in the amount of \$600.00 in arrearage, regarding the rental.®

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, the issuance of the Special Warranty Deed, as drafted by Commissioners= Court Legal Counsel, making as consideration Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Standards, pursuant to Federal Law, a full release to the County and the payment, in the amount of \$600.00, in arrearage regarding the rental were approved, concerning the authorization of

the Property Management Coordinator to complete the sale of the Old Commissioners= Court Precinct No. 1 Warehouse, located on FM/2893, Los Fresnos, Texas, with A. Dunham.

- d) In the matter of the deliberation regarding the Real Property concerning the possible Lease of eleven (11) acres located at the Los Indios Free Trade Bridge.
(REJECTED)

Mr. Doug Wright, Cameron County Counsel, reported that the deliberation regarding said matter should be rejected.

Commissioner Benavides moved that the deliberation regarding the Real Property concerning the possible Lease of eleven (11) acres located at the Los Indios Free Trade Bridge be rejected.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously.

- e) Deliberation of the Real Property concerning the possible sale of the Cameron County Trustee Property known as the Santa Rosa - Original Townsite, Lot No. 9, Block No. 66.

Mr. Doug Wright, Cameron County Counsel, reported that the offer should be accepted and that the Quick Claim Deed should be issued, with the specific understanding with the purchaser that there would be no excess proceeds regarding the sale concerning said matter.

Upon motion by Commissioner Benavides, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, the offer was accepted regarding the Real Property concerning the sale of the Cameron County Trustee Property known as the Santa Rosa - Original Townsite, Lot No. 9, Block No. 66, was accepted, and the issuance of the Quick Claim Deed was approved, with the specific understanding that there would be no excess proceeds regarding the sale.

- f) Deliberation regarding the Real Property concerning the possible sale of the Cameron County Trustee Property known as Abstract No. 2 - Las Yescas, Lot No. 9, Block No. 1.

Mr. Doug Wright, Cameron County Counsel, reported that the issuance of the Quick Claim Deed should be authorized, with the agreement that there would be filing of excess proceeds with the Court.

Commissioner Matz moved that the issuance of the Quick Claim Deed be approved, with the agreement that there would be filing of excess proceeds with the Court, regarding the Real Property concerning the possible sale of the Cameron County Trustee Property known as Abstract No. 2 - Las Yescas, Lot No. 9, Block No. 1.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

- g) Deliberation regarding the Real Property authorizing the Property Management Coordinator and the Park Management to negotiate the possible Lease of the Cameron County Adolph Thomae Park Land, Site AF@.

Commissioner Matz reported that the discussion of the negotiation should be authorized regarding said matter.

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the Property Management Coordinator and Park Management were authorized to continue the negotiations regarding the Real Property regarding the possible Lease of the Cameron County Adolph Thomae Park Land, Site AF@.

- h) Deliberation regarding the Real Property concerning the possible sale of the Cameron County Trustee Property known as the Brownsville - Linda Vista-3, Lot No. 17.

Mr. Doug Wright, Cameron County Counsel, reported that sale should be authorized, with the issuance of a Quick Claim Deed and the acknowledgment of no excess proceeds by the purchaser.

Commissioner Matz moved that the sale, with the issuance of a Quick Claim Deed, regarding the Real Property concerning the Cameron County Trustee Property known as Brownsville - Linda Vista-3, Lot No. 17, and the acknowledgment of no excess proceeds by the purchaser be approved.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously.

- i) Deliberation regarding the Real Property concerning the acquisition of a certain tract of land adjoining Cameron Park Community Center for the Cameron Park Recreation Project.

Mr. Doug Wright, Cameron County Counsel, reported that the negotiations should be continued, and that said matter should be placed back on the Agenda for the Meeting of May 6, 1997.

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the negotiations were continued regarding the Real Property concerning the acquisition of a certain tract of land adjoining the Cameron Park Community Center for the Cameron Park Recreation Project, and said Item to be on the Agenda for the Commissioners= Court Meeting of May 6, 1997.

- j) In the matter of conferring with County Counsel concerning the potential litigation regarding the Adult Probation Office Project. **(TABLED)**

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, this Item was **(TABLED)**.



(13) **AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NO. 97-03-01-1300 FOR THE COLLECTION OF DELINQUENT FINES AND COURT COSTS**

At this time, Judge Migdalia Lopez, County Court at Law No. 2, stated that the County Clerk-s Collection Department was successfully collecting the current assessed Court Costs and Fines and added that the Request for

Proposals were advertised to collect the outstanding Fines, noting that the recommendation was to award the Contract to the firm of CoStep, McAllen, Texas.

Mr. Doug Wright, Cameron County Counsel, stated that the Contract with CoStep should be further negotiated and reviewed by County Counsel.

Upon motion by Commissioner Peña, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the Request for Proposal No. 97-03-01-1300 for the Collection of Delinquent Fines and Court Costs was awarded to CoStep, McAllen, Texas.



(5) APPROVAL OF COUNTY CLAIMS

At this time, Mr. Mark Yates, County Auditor, presented the issue as to whether the County could afford an additional County Court at Law and a District Court and highlighted the costs and revenues generated by the County and District Clerks= Office, as referenced in the County Auditor=s Fiscal Note Report.

Judge Migdalia Lopez, County Court at Law No. 2, stated that the County Court would pay for itself and added that the Family Law Jurisdiction would be added to the County Courts and would generate civil revenues; and presented the following Reports regarding the progress in the collection of Court Cost and Fines:

Judge Hinojosa stated that if the District Court was not accepted, another opportunity to obtain an additional Court would not be available for a long time. He added the District Judges had agreed to eliminate the Referee Program to transfer the Budget to the County Court, in which the Constitutional County Court would give preference to Juvenile Cases.

At this time, Mr. Yates presented the following additional late claims for approval:

Warrant No. 34276, as to the Cameron County Jury Fund, in the amount of \$4,720.00;

Warrant No. 34278, as to G E Credit Equipment, in the amount of \$60,000.00;

Warrant No. 34279, as to the Olmito Water Facilities, in the amount of \$500.00;

Warrant No. 34280, as to the Parks System Revenue Fund, in the amount of \$60,000.00; and

Warrant No. 34281, as to the State Treasurer, in the amount of \$1,500.00.

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the County Claims were approved as presented by the County Auditor, inclusive of the additional late claims:

Warrant No. 34276, in the amount of \$4,720.00;

Warrant No. 34278, in the amount of \$60,000.00;

Warrant No. 34279, in the amount of \$500.00;

Warrant No. 34280, in the amount of \$60,000.00; and

Warrant No. 34281, in the amount of \$1,500.00.

The County Auditor's Fiscal Note is as follows:

**(6) APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENTS
AND/OR SALARY SCHEDULES**

Commissioner Peña moved that the Fiscal Year 1997 Budget Amendment No. 97-16 and the following Salary Schedules be approved:

County Sheriff - Fund No. 10-560;

County Jail/Detention Centers - Fund No. 10-512;

Tax Assessor/Collector - Fund No. 10-499;

Elections Administrator - Fund No. 10-491;

Constable Precinct No. 2 - Fund No. 10-552;

T. B. Levi Strauss - Fund No. 26-643; and

MCH - Fund No. 27-629.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

The Budget Amendment and Salary Schedules are as follow:

(7) APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF MARCH 25, 1997, APRIL 1, 1997, AND APRIL 8, 1997

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held March 25, 1997, at 4:00 P.M., the Regular Meeting held April 1, 1997, at 4:00 P.M., and the Regular Meeting held April 8, 1997, at 4:00 P.M., were approved.

(8) IN THE MATTER OF A RESOLUTION HONORING JUDGE MIGDALIA LOPEZ ON THE OCCASION OF HER BEING NAMED A HISPANIC WOMAN OF THE YEAR® (TABLED)

Upon motion by Commissioner Benavides, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, this Item was (TABLED).

(9) ADOPTION OF A PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING MAY 4, 1997, THROUGH MAY 10, 1997, AS A LOVE OUR CHILDREN WEEK® IN CAMERON COUNTY

At this time, Ms. Elia Cornejo, Brownsville Independent School Board of Trustees, read the Press Release that was submitted to the local newspapers and highlighted the events for the A Love Our Children Week®.

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the Proclamation designating May 4, 1997, through May 10, 1997, as A Love Our Children Week® in Cameron County was adopted.

The Press Release and the Proclamation are as follow:

(11) ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE STAGGERING OF TERMS OF THE CAMERON COUNTY APPOINTEES TO THE TROPICAL TEXAS MENTAL HEALTH AND MENTAL RETARDATION BOARD

Upon motion by Commissioner Peña, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, the Resolution establishing staggered terms of the Cameron County Appointees to the Tropical Texas Mental Health and Mental Retardation Board was adopted.

(12) AUTHORIZATION TO SELECT THE ARCHITECTURAL FIRM FOR REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NO. 97-02-05 - RURAL SATELLITE LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICE PROTOTYPE AND TO NEGOTIATE THE CONTRACT

Judge Hinojosa moved that the Architectural Firm of Mata Villarreal, McAllen, Texas, be selected and that the Contract be negotiated for Request for Proposal No. 97-02-05 - Rural Satellite Law Enforcement Office Prototype.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

(14) AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR ONE (1) PICKUP TRUCK FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY FOR THE COUNTY ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

At this time, Mr. Mark Yates, County Auditor, noted that the immediate delivery increased the price of the vehicle and eliminated the opportunity for local vendors to participate in the bidding process.

Judge Hinojosa suggested to that the Agenda Item be amended to advertise for Bids for one (1) pickup truck for the County Engineering Department.

Commissioner Peña moved that the Bids be advertised for one (1) pickup truck for the County Engineering Department.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

(15) APPROVAL TO ISSUE A RENEWAL MOBILE VENDOR-S PERMIT NO. 10 TO CHARLES WHITE DOING BUSINESS AS FROSTY-S FROZEN TREATS

At this time, Mr. Kenneth Conway, Parks System Director, requested that the Court approve the Renewal Mobile Vendor-s Permit No. 8, for Mores Wrecker Service, to be ratified at the May 6, 1997, Commissioners= Court Meeting.

Upon motion by Commissioner Peña, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, the Renewal Mobile Vendor-s Permit No. 10, for Charles White, doing business as, Frosty-s Frozen Treats, and the Renewal Mobile Vendor-s Permit No. 8, for Mores Wrecker Service, were issued.

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(16) APPROVAL OF THE EVALUATION COMMITTEE FOR THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NO. 97-04-01 BALLOT COUNTING/ELECTIONS SYSTEM

At this time, Mr. Mark Yates, County Auditor, noted that only one (1) Vendor had submitted a Proposal and added that the Countywide Centralized Election issue was being confronted for the third time.

Commissioner Peña moved that the following individuals be appointed for the Evaluation Committee for the Request for Proposal No. 97-04-01 Ballot Counting/Elections System:

- Commissioner Carlos H. Cascos, Precinct No. 2;
- Mr. Tony Yzaguirre, Tax Assessor-Collector;
- Ms. Amalia Cano, Elections Administrator; and
- Mr. Manny Vela, Attorney at Law.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

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(17) APPROVAL OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH DR. XAVIER AJAY@ MARTINEZ, PSYCHOLOGIST, FOR PSYCHOLOGICAL AND EMPLOYMENT EVALUATIONS FOR THE JUVENILE PROBATION DEPARTMENT

Upon motion by Commissioner Peña, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the Professional Service Agreement with Dr. Xavier AJay@ Martinez, Psychologist, was approved for Psychological and Employment Evaluations for the Juvenile Probation Department.

The Agreement is as follows:

(18) IN THE MATTER OF THE JUVENILE PROBATION DEPARTMENT TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT TO USE CLASSROOM SPACE AT OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE CATHOLIC CHURCH FOR THE EDUCATIONAL COMPONENT OF THE COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM (TABLED)

Upon motion by Commissioner Peña, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, this Item was (TABLED).

(19) APPROVAL OF THE PURCHASE WITHOUT THE PURCHASE ORDER, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$111.00, FROM RED WING BOOTS

(20) APPROVAL OF THE PURCHASES WITHOUT PURCHASE ORDERS, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$95.90, \$50.00 AND \$45.15, FROM SEMPCO X-RAY

Upon motion by Commissioner Peña, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the Purchases without the Purchase Orders, in the amount of \$111.00, from Red Wing Boots, and the amounts of \$95.90, \$50.00 and \$45.15, from Sempco X-Ray were approved.

(21) AUTHORIZATION OF THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CAMERON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND THE CITY OF BROWNSVILLE FOR MARION E. MAHMOUD TO SERVE AS A CONSULTANT TO DEVELOP HEALTH EDUCATION ACTIVITIES IN CONNECTION WITH THE DENGUE INTERVENTION PROJECT

At this time, Ms. Tina Fields, Health Administrator, noted two (2) corrections as to the Contract on Page No. 2, to reflect the ending date of July 30, 1997, and as to the Professional Liability, from ADietary Consultations@ to ADengue Intervention@.

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the Agreement between the Cameron County Health Department and the City of Brownsville for Marion E. Mahmoud to serve as a Consultant to develop Health Education Activities, in connection with the Dengue Intervention Project, was approved.

At this time, Commissioner Matz expressed concern regarding the numerous Cholera cases in Reynosa, which was a serious situation close to the Valley.

Commissioner Peña expressed concern regarding the liability insurance of said individual.

Ms. Fields clarified that the Program was strictly an Educational Program and that Ms. Mahmoud would not be treating patients.

The Agreement is as follows:

**(22) APPROVAL OF THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF
HEALTH DOCUMENT NO. 7460004207A97,
CHANGE NO. 01, ATTACHMENT NO. 01A: W&C
- FAMILY HEALTH/FEE**

Commissioner Peña moved that the Texas Department of Health Document No. 7460004207A97, Change No. 01, Attachment No. 01A: W&C - Family Health/Fee be approved.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

The Contract is as follows:

(23) **AUTHORIZATION FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF
THE ORGANIZATIONAL CHART FOR THE
CAMERON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

At this time, Judge Hinojosa questioned whether said issue had been clarified with Dr. Gustavo Stern, Health Authority, and Mr. Mr. Remi Garza, Executive Assistant to the County Judge, stated that Dr. Stern was concerned regarding the supervisory responsibilities at the Women-s, Infants and Children-s Clinic and the Environmental Health Department.

Ms. Tina Fields, Health Administrator, noted that the dotted lines between the Health Administrator and the Health Authority indicated that there was a straight line of communication between the Department.

There was some discussion concerning the supervisory responsibilities and the clarification was made that the Health Authority had Supervisory authority of the Clinical Services as to Policy, Procedures and Protocol Oversight and that the Health Administrator-s responsibilities were administrative.

Ms. Fields noted that the Supervisors in the Environmental Health, the Women-s, Infants and Children (WIC), and the Nurses met with the Health Authority every month, in order to keep the lines of communication opened.

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the Organizational Chart for the Cameron County Health Department was accepted.

The Chart is as follows:

**(24) APPROVAL OF THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF
HEALTH DOCUMENT NO. 7460004207 98,
CHANGE NO. 01, ATTACHMENT NO. 02:
IMMUNIZATION - IAP**

Commissioner Peña moved that the Texas Department of Health Document No. 7460004207 98, Change No. 01, Attachment No. 02: Immunization - IAP be approved.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously.

The Contract is as follows:

(25) IN THE MATTER OF THE CONTRACTS FOR TWO (2) TACTICAL INTELLIGENCE RESEARCH SPECIALISTS FROM THE UNIFIED NARCOTICS INTELLIGENCE TASK FORCE AT THE NEW ADJUSTED ANNUAL SALARIES FOR THE PERIOD OF MAY 1, 1997, THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 1997 (TABLED)

Upon motion by Commissioner Benavides, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, this Item was (TABLED).

(26) APPROVAL OF THE OWNER/ENGINEER AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND CARTER AND BURGESS, INCORPORATED, FOR ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES FOR THE DESIGN AND PROJECT COORDINATION OF THE RENOVATION TO INCLUDE BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES WITHIN THE ISLA BLANCA COUNTY PARK

At this time, Mr. Kenneth Conway, Parks System Director, noted that the typographical error on the Contract, Page No. 14, Section No. 10.2.1, on the Basic Services, should read the amount of A\$62,640.00".

Commissioner Matz moved that the Owner/Engineer Agreement between Cameron County and Carter and Burgess, Incorporated for Architectural Services, for the Design and Project Coordination of the renovation, to include buildings and facilities within the Isla Blanca County Park, be approved.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

The Agreement is as follows:

**(27) APPROVAL OF THE CONTRACT RENEWAL
WITH HAMER ENTERPRISES FOR THE COURT
ALTERNATIVE SYSTEM (CAS) SUPPORT
SERVICES FOR THE PERIOD OF JUNE 29, 1997,
THROUGH JUNE 28, 1998**

Upon motion by Commissioner Peña, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the Contract renewal with Hamer Enterprises for the Court Alternative System (CAS) Support Services was approved for the period of June 29, 1997, through June 28, 1998, subject to Legal review.

The Contract is as follows:

(28) APPROVAL OF THE ENGINEERING CONTRACT WITH MARTIN AND BROWN ENGINEERING AND SURVEYING, PURSUANT TO THE GREEN VALLEY FARMS RIGHT-OF-WAY CONVERSION PROJECT (TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECT CONTRACT NO. 716045)

Commissioner Matz moved that the Engineering Contract with Martin and Brown Engineering and Surveying be approved, pursuant to the Green Valley Farms Right-of-Way Conversion Project (Texas Community Development Project Contract No. 716045).

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously.

The Contract is as follows:

(29) **APPROVAL OF THE ENGINEERING CONTRACT WITH CARTER-BURGESS, INCORPORATED, PURSUANT TO THE SUNNY SKIES COLONIA PLATTING AND IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECT CONTRACT NO. 716035) AND DESIGNATION OF THE FUNDING SOURCE FOR THE COUNTY COST SHARE**

At this time, Mr. Frank Bejarano, Program Development and Management Director, stated that the total cost of the Basic Services for the Project was the amount of \$30,026.00, and reported that there was an amount of \$12,000.00, in Engineering Funds available. He stated that the initial intent for the Engineering Department to perform the work in-kind was not available, and added that the balance, in the amount of \$18,026.00, was lacking, in order to complete the Project.

Mr. Mark Yates, County Auditor, suggested that the Engineering component should be completed within six (6) months with the available funds and that the amount of \$18,026.00 could be budget for the next Fiscal Year.

There was some discussion regarding the retaining of an Engineer for Project and the County Auditor recommended that the funding should be allocated from the Road and Bridge Lapsed Salary Fund that would have been utilized to hire the Engineer Position.

Upon motion by Commissioner Benavides, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, the Engineering Contract with Carter-Burgess, Incorporated, was approved; pursuant to the Sunny Skies Colonia Platting and Improvement Project (Texas Community Development Project Contract No. 716035) and designation of the funding source for the County Cost Share, said funding to be allocated from the Road and Bridge Lapsed Salary Fund.

The Contract is as follows:

(30) APPROVAL OF THE PURCHASE WITHOUT THE PURCHASE ORDER, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$214.20 FOR AN AD PUBLISHED IN THE BARGAIN BOOK FOR THE CAMERON PARK RECYCLING CENTER

Commissioner Peña moved that the Purchase without the Purchase Order, in the amount of \$214.20 for the advertisement published in the Bargain Book for the Cameron Park Recycling Center be approved.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously.

(31) APPROVAL OF THE OPTICAL SCANNER LEASE AND SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR THE CITY OF PORT ISABEL, CITY OF HARLINGEN, POINT ISABEL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE TOWN OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND

Commissioner Matz moved that the Optical Scanner Lease and Service Agreement for the City of Port Isabel, City of Harlingen, Point Isabel Independent School District and the Town of South Padre Island be approved.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried as follows:

AYE: Commissioners Benavides, Matz and Peña

NAY: None

ABSTAINED: Judge Hinojosa.

The Agreements are as follow:

CONSENT AGENDA ITEM

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

At this time, Commissioner Matz stated that of the twenty-five (25) Travel Requests, there were three (3) Judge-s Office Travel Request Items that did not contain the dollar amount, cost estimates or budget designation, and stated that all the Departments should be consistent in providing the necessary information.

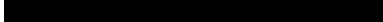
Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the AConsent® Agenda Items were approved as follow:

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

- a) Two (2) Environmental Health Employees to attend the AOn-Site Sewage Facility Inspector-s Training Course® in Weslaco, Texas, on May 1, 1997;
- b) Health Administrator to attend the AEarly Childhood Development Conference® in Weslaco, Texas, on April 17, 1997;
- c) Three (3) Health Department employees to attend the ATraining Workshop on the Integrated Client Encounter System (ICES)® in Corpus Christi, Texas, on May 7-9, 1997;
- d) Two (2) Health Department employees to attend a ASpecial Populations Workshop® in San Antonio, Texas, on May 13-16, 1997;
- e) Three (3) Health/Indigent employees to attend the AWorkshop on Indigent Program® in McAllen, Texas, on May 2, 1997;
- f) Juvenile Chief and Assistant Chief to attend the ATexas Juvenile Probation Commission-s Post-Legislative Conference® in Austin, Texas, on June 15-18, 1997;
- g) Three (3) Juvenile Probation Officers and Caseworker Administrator to receive training on the ACaseworker 4 Program® in Edinburg, Texas, on April 10-11, 1997;
- h) Juvenile Accountant and Caseworker Administrator to attend the ABudget and Statistical Workshops® sponsored by the Texas Juvenile Probation Commission in Austin, Texas, on May 19-20, 1997;
- I) Five (5) Juvenile Officers and three (3) Detention Officers to attend an AAlternative Education Support Program® in McAllen, Texas, on April 22-23, 1997;
- j) Administrative Assistant to attend the ANational Hurricane Conference® in Houston, Texas, on April 21-25, 1997;

- k) Director of Management, County engineer and Road System Committee Members to travel Nueces County on April 8, 1997, Galveston County on April 25, 1997, and Collins County on April 30, 1997;
- l) Three (3) County Engineering employees to attend the "Excelling as a First Time Supervisor" in McAllen, Texas, on June 10, 1997;
- m) County Engineering employee to attend a "Notary Seminar" in Harlingen, Texas, on May 20, 1997;
- n) Three (3) Elections Administrator Staff and Two (2) Computer Center Staff to attend the "Training of Secretary of State Computer Software" in Austin, Texas, on April 25, 1997;
- o) Task Force Personnel to attend the "Texas Narcotics Control Program Annual Statewide Conference" in San Antonio, Texas, on June 29, 1997, through July 3, 1997;
- p) Property Management Coordinator and Building Superintendent to attend the "National Hurricane Conference" and authorization to utilize a County Vehicle in Houston, Texas, on April 22-25, 1997;
- q) Assistant County Auditor/Indigent Health Care Program to attend a "Workshop on Welfare Reform" in McAllen, Texas, on May 2, 1997;
- r) Tax Assessor-Collector and Chief Deputy to attend the "Tax Assessor-Collectors= Association Conference" in San Antonio, Texas, on June 13-19, 1997;
- s) Two (2) Intelligence Research Specialist to attend the "Department of Public Safety TLETS/NLETS Basic Telecommunications School" in Sulphur Springs, Texas, on June 1, 1997;
- t) Tactical Intelligence Agent and an Intelligence Research Specialist to attend a "Summit, Smuggling is Everybody's Problem" in Corpus Christi, Texas, on May 19-23, 1997;
- u) Ten (10) Sheriff's Department Sergeants to attend the "Jail Management Issues Seminar" in South Padre Island, Texas, on June 10-12, 1997;
- v) Program Development and Management Assistant Planner and Fiscal Analyst to attend the "Annual Texas Narcotics Control Program Conference" in San Antonio, Texas, on July 1-2, 1997;
- w) County Judge and Administrative Assistant to travel to Mexico City, Distrito Federal, for the possible exchange of the Diplomatic Notes for the Los Tomates International Bridge Project on May 5-7, 1997;
- x) Six (6) Health Department employees to attend the "Promotora Conference" in McAllen, Texas, on May 2, 1997; and

- y) Program Development and Management Director and Community Development Coordinator to attend the AHUD Training on Home Program in Edinburg, Texas, on May 7-8, 1997.



(33) PRELIMINARY AND FINAL APPROVAL

a) Precinct No. 1

Guadalupe Castillo Subdivision, being a resubdivision of the East 5.0 acres of Block No. 95-A, El Jardin Subdivision;

b) Precinct No. 2

Lisa Jon Gallegos Subdivision, a resubdivision of Lot No. 1, Block No. 1, Lisa Jon Subdivision and 2.413 acres out of Block No. 8, El Jardin Heights Addition, Share No. 19; and

c) Precinct No. 3

Jared Joseph Estates, a replat, being 1.065 acres, comprised of part of Block No. 84, San Carlos Estates Subdivision.

(34) AUTHORIZATION TO REJECT AND READVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE SALE OF VARIOUS COLLECTORS COINS AND SILVER BARS

(35) AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD THE FOLLOWING BIDS/REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

- a) **ONE (1) IBM AS/400 MODEL 510 DISK DRIVE 33 G.B. (ADD ON)**

DSI CONSULTING - McAllen, Texas
DASD Disk Drive - 33 G. B. - \$19,075.50

- b) **ONE (1) COMPACT PICKUP TRUCK III - PARKS DEPARTMENT**

TIP-O-TEX - Brownsville, Texas
Compact Pickup Truck with trade - \$9,515.00



At this time, Commissioner Benavides expressed his gratitude to the individuals who participated at the Beach Clean-up and suggested that funds should be allocated in the Budget to provide the participating County employees with food and drinks, in order to increase participation morale.

Mr. Kenneth Conway, Parks System Director, stated that the H.E.B. Grocery Store had made donations to the group cleaning up the Atwood Park and suggested that the Brownsville H.E.B. Grocery Stores should be invited to participate with the donation of food and drinks.



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**.



APPROVED this **12th** day of **May, 1997**.

GILBERTO HINOJOSA
COUNTY JUDGE

ATTEST:

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