THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF CAMERON

BE IT REMEMBERED on the 2nd day of SEPTEMBER, 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.

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THE COURT MET AT:

PRESENT:

4:00 P. M.

GILBERTO HINOJOSA COUNTY JUDGE

PEDRO "PETE" BENAVIDES COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 1

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

JAMES R. MATZ COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 3

HECTOR PEÑA COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 4

Hilda V. TreviñoDeputyCOUNTY CLERK

ABSENT:

The meeting was called to order by Judge Pro-tem Carlos H. Cascos.

The Court considered the following matters as posted and filed for Record in the Office of the County Clerk on August 29, 1997, at 2:09 P.M.:

(1) EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the

Court met in Executive Session at 4:10 P.M. to discuss the following matters:

- a) Deliberation regarding the Real Property concerning the Right-of-Way acquisition for the Villarreal Tract, for the West Detention Basin of the Los Tomates Bridge Project; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.072; and
- b) Confer with County Counsel concerning the Criminal Justice Division Criminal Justice Information Project, involving discussions in which the duty of the Attorney under the Rules of Professional Conduct conflicts with the Open Meetings Act; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071 (2).

At this time, Judge Hinojosa 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.

Upon motion by Commissioner Benavides, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, the

Court reconvened in Regular Session at 5:20 P.M.

(2) ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

a) Deliberation regarding the Real Property concerning the Right-of-Way acquisition for the Villarreal Tract, for the West Detention Basin of the Los Tomates Bridge Project.

Commissioner Cascos reported that the Status Report by County Counsel should be acknowledged and that

Mr. Carlos Castillo, Castillo and Associates, should continue to negotiate with the Property owner regarding said

matter.

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, the Status

Report by County Counsel was acknowledged and Mr. Carlos Castillo, Castillo and Associates, was directed to

continue negotiating with the Property owner regarding the Real Property concerning the Right-of-Way acquisition for

the Villarreal Tract, for the West Detention Basin of the Los Tomates Bridge Project.

b) Confer with County Counsel concerning the Criminal Justice Division Criminal Justice Information Project, involving discussions in which the duty of the Attorney under the Rules of Professional Conduct conflicts with the Open Meetings Act.

Commissioner Cascos reported that the Status Report by County Counsel should be acknowledged regarding

said matter.

Commissioner Benavides moved that the Status Report by County Counsel be acknowledged regarding the Criminal Justice Division Criminal Justice Information Project, involving discussions in which the duty of the Attorney under the Rules of Professional Conduct conflicts with the Open Meetings Act.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously.

(6) ADOPTION OF A PROCLAMATION DECLARING SEPTEMBER 1997, AS AUNITED WAY THE POWER OF XU= MONTH® IN CAMERON COUNTY

At this time, Ms. Tracy Wickett, United Way of Southern Cameron County Executive Director, expressed gratitude for the designation of the Proclamation and stated that the AUnited Way, the Power of U@slogan included the entire Valley. She noted that the United Way Presentations would be held in September with the County=s goal being the amount of \$50,000.00 and added that an anonymous donor had contributed a week=s stay at a condominium in either Puerto Vallarta or Orlando, Florida, to be awarded at a pledge card drawing for County employees.

Commissioner Matz moved that the Proclamation declaring September 1997, as AUnited Way, the Power of

AU@ Month@ in Cameron County be adopted.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously.

The Proclamation is as follows:

(3) APPROVAL OF COUNTY CLAIMS

At this time, Mr. Mark Yates, County Auditor, presented the following additional late claims for approval: Warrant No. 42456, as to Cameron Park Community Center Fund No. 71, in the amount of \$5,400.00;

Warrant No. 42457, as to GE Credit Company Fund No. 64, in the amount of \$3,200.00;

Warrant No. 42458, as to Juvenile Services Fund No. 46, in the amount of \$1,000.00; and

Warrant No. 42459, as to Los Tomates Construction Fund No. 76, in the amount of \$6,000.00.

Commissioner Cascos expressed concern as to whether the Texas Commerce Bank Tax Refunds should be on

the Agenda as a separate item since the amounts were over \$500.00, and recommended that the Items be placed on next

week-s Agenda to be ratified.

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, the County

Claims were approved as presented by the County Auditor, inclusive of the following late claims:

Warrant No. 42456, in the amount of \$5,400.00;

Warrant No. 42457, in the amount of \$3,200.00;

Warrant No. 42458, in the amount of \$1,000.00; and

Warrant No. 42459, in the amount of \$6,000.00.

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

At this time, Mr. Mark Yates, County Auditor, noted that there were no Budget Amendments and/or Salary

Schedules for approval.

(5) APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF AUGUST 5, 1997, REGULAR MEETING, AUGUST 12, 1997, SPECIAL MEETING, AND AUGUST 12, 1997, REGULAR MEETING

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the Minutes of the Meetings held August 5, 1997, at 4:00 P.M., August 12, 1997, at 3:00 P.M., and August 12, 1997, at 4:00 P.M., were approved, subject to the corrections noted on the Special Meeting, Item No. 1, and the Regular

Meeting, Item No. 15, held on August 12, 1997.

(7) APPOINTMENT OF A CAMERON COUNTY REPRESENTATIVE AND AN ALTERNATE TO SERVE ON THE AMIGOS DEL VALLE, INCORPORATED, BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Commissioner Peña moved that Commissioner Hector Peña, Precinct No. 4, be appointed to serve on the

Amigos Del Valle, Incorporated, Board of Directors, and that Commissioner Pedro APete@Benavides, Precinct No. 1,

be appointed as the alternate.

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

AYE: Commissioners Benavides, Matz and Peña

NAY: None

ABSTAINED: Commissioner Cascos.

(8) APPROVAL OF THE SUPPORT SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH PCSS FOR CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM PROGRAM SOFTWARE AND DISCUSSION OF THE PROJECT REQUIREMENTS AND THE NECESSARY DEADLINES

At this time, Mr. Mark Yates, County Auditor, stated that the cost of the annual support requirement was in

the amount of \$30,000.00, and noted that the County Counsel would review and modify the Support Service

Agreement to meet the County-s needs.

Commissioner Cascos moved that the Support Service Agreement with PCSS for Criminal Justice System

Program Software be approved, subject to Legal review and that the discussion of the Project requirements and the

necessary deadlines be acknowledged.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

At this time, Mr. Yates recommended that the Project Management portion of the Agreement should be

pursued, noting that there was no Contract to pay for actual services and added that a list of scope of services would be

requested and submitted to the Court.

(9) IN THE MATTER OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE PRELIMINARY BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 1997-1998 BY THE COUNTY AUDITOR (NO ACTION TAKEN)

At this time, Mr. Mark Yates, County Auditor, stated that the an additional ten (10) day Notice was required to be published due to the delay in the Budget process, noting that a Public Hearing would need to be held on September 9, 1997, in order for the Court to officially set the tax rate. He highlighted the Auditor-s and the Commission-s proposed Budgets and added that there was a debate regarding the Salary Increases and the cuts to be made.

Judge Hinojosa presented the following Report which displayed the percentage of Salary Increases and Inflation Rates based on an individual salary, in the amount of \$17,000.00, from 1992 to 1998, noting that the Report did not include Health Insurance costs: At this time, Mr. Yates stated that the salaries in Cameron County were traditionally lower than other counties in the State, due to the cost of living and added that the Auditor-s proposal was a base line which would be modified to reflect cuts or additions as recommended by the Court. He confirmed that there had not been an increase in Health premiums since 1994, but noted that an increase was anticipated for the following year which included co-pay and benefits changes.

The Proposed Budget is as follows:

(10) PUBLIC HEARING ON A PROPOSAL TO INCREASE TAX REVENUES, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. PROPERTY TAX CODE SECTION 26.06

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, the Public Hearing on a proposal to increase Tax Revenues, pursuant to V.T.C.A. Property Tax Code Section 26.06, was opened for public comment.

Hearing and sensing no further comments, Commissioner Cascos moved that the Public Hearing be closed. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Matz.

At this time, there was some discussion regarding the wording of said Item which should have addressed the Tax Rate as opposed to the Tax Revenues and as to which proposed Budget was to be adopted.

Mr. Mark Yates, County Auditor, stated that he had presented the Auditor-s Certified Revenues and the Auditor-s Proposed Budget which included adjustments made by some of the Court Members.

Judge Hinojosa clarified that the first Budget contained a twenty-two percent (22%) tax increase and two (2) Budgets proposed by the Auditor and two (2) members of the Court which included an eight percent (8%) tax increase. He noted that the proposed Budget with the eight percent (8%) tax increase, which included the recommendations made by the Auditor and the two (2) members of the Commission had been published. Judge Hinojosa stated that the issue of going over or under the eight percent (8%) tax increase would be deliberated, noting that the consensus was not to go over and expressed concern the regarding the automatic percentage increase for Project Road Map.

Mr. Yates explained that Project Road Map required the County to pay for the interest in the sinking funds on bonds sold by the County to borrow funds, which are unlimited and separate from the rate increase limits. He noted that the debt and tax revenues generated were not a large amount and added that three percent (3%) went into the total Budget. Mr. Yates noted that adopting the rate of 1.08 % would be a lower tax rate than the 1996-1997 tax rate and added that deferring the selling an additional installments of the authorized bonds for Project Road Map, would have provided tax rate relief. He stated that direction had not been given to authorize the additional bonds for Project Road Map for the 1997-1998 year and recommended that the County maintain a steady tax rate.

There was some discussion regarding the taxes that homeowners would be paying in Property Taxes and Judge Hinojosa reported that one third of the taxpayers would pay eight percent (8%) more, one third would pay three percent (3%) more and one third would pay less or equivalent to their current rate.

Judge Hinojosa requested that the County Auditor submit a chart including past tax rates and the increases from 1995 to the present Budget, translated to the proposed Budget by the Auditor.

Hearing and sensing no further comments, upon motion by Commissioner Peña, seconded by Commissioner

Benavides and carried unanimously, the Public Hearing was closed.

(11) IN THE MATTER OF A PROPOSAL TO INCREASE TAX REVENUES (TABLED)

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, this Item

was TABLED.



(9) PRESENTATION OF THE PRELIMINARY BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 1997-1998 BY THE COUNTY AUDITOR

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, the

Presentation of the Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 1997-1998 by the County Auditor was acknowledged.

(12) AUTHORIZATION TO PUBLISH THE PROPOSED SALARIES OF THE ELECTED OFFICIALS FOR FISCAL YEAR 1997/1998

At this time, Mr. Mark Yates, County Auditor, stated that a proposal was presented which included no

increases to the Elected Officials and noted that discussions were held to increase Constables No. 4 and No. 7 to a base

salary, in the amount of \$25,000.00.

Commissioner Cascos moved that the Salaries of the Elected Officials for Fiscal Year 1997/1998 be published

with no Salary increases, allowing the Elected Officials to go through the grievance procedure.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Matz and the vote is as follows:

AYE: Commissioners Cascos and Matz

NAY: Commissioners Benavides, Peña and Judge Hinojosa.

Commissioner Peña moved that the Salaries of the Elected Officials for Fiscal Year 1997/1998 be published

with a four percent (4%) Salary increase, including the County-wide Officials.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and the vote is as follows:

AYE: Commissioners Benavides and Peña

NAY: Commissioners Cascos, Matz and Judge Hinojosa.

At this time, Judge Hinojosa stated that the District Judges recommended that the Auditor=s and the District

Court employee=s receive a four percent (4%) Salary increase, as part of an Order which was mandatory. He expressed

his opposition to a Salary increase for the members of the Commissioners=Court or the County-wide Elected Officials,

but stated that Justices of the Peace and the Constables, who worked out in the field, should receive the same increase as the County employees. Judge Hinojosa added that the Constables= salaries should be equalized regarding the car allowances, in the amount of \$10,000.00, and that the two (2) said Constables should be increased to the \$25,000.00 annual salary.

Commissioner Cascos expressed his support for the equalized car allowance, but expressed opposition regarding certain offices arbitrarily selected to receive salary increases, noting that the individuals running for said positions were informed of the compensation packages.

Judge Hinojosa compared the difference in salaries and responsibilities of the Constables, noting that the Constable in the Rio Hondo area had more responsibilities and deputies and was at a base salary under the amount of \$25,000.00.

Commissioner Matz noted that the Court had discussed the matter regarding the standardized policy for the Constables and added that said issues were being addressed during the Budget Process without an analysis.

Judge Hinojosa clarified that an analysis had been performed by the County Auditor and had resulted in the recommendation regarding the increase of the two (2) Constables based on the workload and number of Deputies being supervised.

Commissioner Matz reiterated that the individuals were informed of the compensation and noted that the Grievance Committee had been created for said purposes.

Judge Hinojosa moved the Salaries of the Elected Officials for Fiscal Year 1997/1998 be published with a four percent (4%) Salary increase given to the Constables and Justices of the Peace, including the car allowance increase for the Constables, in the amount of \$10,000.00, in order to equalize the Constables and that Constables No. 4 and No. 7 receive the base salary, in the amount of \$25,000.00, as recommended by the County Auditor.

Commissioner Cascos expressed concern as to whether the Constables earning an excess of \$25,000.00, would also be receiving an increase.

The motion died for a lack of a second.

Commissioner Cascos moved that the Salaries of the Elected Officials for Fiscal Year 1997/1998 be published at the existing salaries, with the car allowances, up to the amount of \$10,000.00, for the Constables with the current \$7,500.00, car allowances, noting that the Grievance Procedure be followed if Salary increases were requested by the Elected Officials.

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

AYE: Commissioners Cascos, Matz and Judge Hinojosa

NAY: Commissioners Benavides and Peña.

(13) IN THE MATTER OF THE COMMISSIONERS= COURT ROAD AND BRIDGE OPERATION TRANSITION PLAN (NO ACTION TAKEN)

(14) ACTION TO CREATE A PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Commissioner Matz moved that the Commissioners= Court agree, in principle, to create a Public Works Department for the purpose of creating the Consolidated Road and Bridge System, subject to the submission of a Proposed Budget, an Organizational Chart, Salary Schedules, an accurate Road Inventory performed by the Precinct Commissioners and an accurate Road Policy and that the County Engineer recommend a Road Administrator to be submitted to the Court at the following Meeting.

Mr. Mark Yates, County Auditor, questioned whether the existing Precinct Road and Bridge Personnel would be notified of the intent to create a Consolidated System and the proposed termination of their positions in the next Fiscal Year-s Budget and Judge Hinojosa responded that said issue was not part of the motion.

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

AYE: Commissioner Cascos, Matz and Judge Hinojosa

NAY: Commissioner Benavides and Peña.

Commissioner Benavides expressed his opposition, noting that the matter was not in the best interest of the

County.

At this time, Ms. Herminia Becerra, Brownsville resident, expressed her opposition regarding the Road and Bridge Consolidated System.

Commissioner Benavides stated that the Commissioners would no longer have control of the hiring or firing of employees and would need to go through Achannels[®] to solve any problems requested by the residents. He stated that once the Budget was taken from the Precincts and transferred to the Consolidation System, some employees may receive a decrease in salaries

Commissioner Peña expressed his support for the Aaccess of services[®] being maintained and noted that the plan regarding the access of services had not been presented.

Judge Hinojosa noted that the public was well aware of County=s operation and added that the law required that the County implement the Plan that was approved by the voters in the November Election. He noted that the Proposal, as recommended by the Committee, fully addressed the local considerations, including each Commissioner

having an Administrative Assistant and having the ability to provide input to the County Road Superintendent as to how the Plan would be implemented.

Commissioner Peña stated that the majority of the residents who lived in the rural areas were opposed to the consolidation and added that said individuals would be the persons to be affected.

At this time, the following individuals expressed their concern regarding the County employees being affected by the consolidation:

Mr. Jose Almazan, Brownsville resident, and

Mr. Noe Robles, Attorney at Law.

Judge Hinojosa confirmed that the Proposal would not include any terminations and added that the employees would have the option to be rehired into the available slots to be created.

Commissioner Cascos clarified that the employees= existing salaries would not be decreased and that all employees would have the opportunity to reapply and be hired. He added that the majority of the individuals who voted in favor of the Plan were urban residents, but stated that the tax revenues were mostly generated from the urban residents.

Judge Hinojosa stated that the majority of the urban residents voted for the Program, but noted that the rural residents were the beneficiaries. He added that more of the rural roads would be paved saving the County twenty-five percent (25%) of the total Budget, which would be utilized for the Rural Road Construction Programs to be implemented.

The Plan is as follows:

(15) IN THE MATTER OF THE TRANSFER OF PRECINCT ROAD EMPLOYEES TO THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (TABLED)

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

was TABLED.



(16) ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING **CAMERON COUNTY TO SUBMIT THREE (3) GRANT APPLICATIONS TO THE LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL** VALLEY PROUD ON BEHALF OF ENVIRONMENTAL COUNCIL FOR THE FOLLOWING PROJECTS: ILLEGAL DUMPING PSA-S (\$23,000.00), CHRISTMAS COMPOST (\$10,470.00), AND RECYCLING /BUY RECYCLING/REDUCE (15,000.00)

Commissioner Peña moved that the Resolution be adopted authorizing Cameron County to submit three (3)

Grant Applications to the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council on behalf of the Valley Proud

Environmental Council for the following Projects:

Illegal Dumping PSA=s (\$23,000.00);

Christmas Compost (\$10,470.00); and

Recycling/Buy Recycling/Reduce (\$15,000.00).

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

AYE: Commissioners Benavides, Cascos and Peña

NAY: None

ABSTAINED: Commissioner Matz.

The Resolution is as follows:

(17) APPOINTMENT OF THE PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR TO THE LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Commissioner Matz moved that the Program Development and Management Director be appointed to the

Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council Solid Waste Advisory Committee.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously.

(18) ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CAMERON COUNTY **SUBMIT** TO Δ CONTINUATION APPLICATION TO THE LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL FOR THE CAMERON COUNTY SOLID WASTE **ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM**

> Upon motion by Commissioner Peña, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, the Resolution was adopted authorizing Cameron County to submit a Continuation Application to the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council for the Cameron County Solid Waste Enforcement Program.

> At this time, Mr. Frank Bejarano, Program Development and Management Director, stated that the current Budget for said Program operated at the approximate amount of \$81,000.00, noting that the amount of \$53,500.00, would be received in Grant funds. He added that the County Auditor had anticipated the amount of \$20,000.00, in the Fund Balance, but there would still be a shortfall of funding for the Program.

The Resolution is as follows:

(19) ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CAMERON COUNTY ТО SUBMIT Α CONTINUATION GRANT APPLICATION TO THE LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY COUNCIL FOR DEVELOPMENT THE CAMERON PARK RECYCLING CENTER PROJECT

Commissioner Cascos moved that the Resolution authorizing Cameron County to submit a Continuation

Application to the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council for the Cameron Park Recycling Center Project be

adopted.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously.

The Resolution is as follows:

(20) AUTHORIZATION FOR CAMERON COUNTY AND THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PROTECTIVE AND REGULATORY SERVICES TO RENEW THE CONTRACT BEGINNING ON AUGUST 1, 1997, AND ENDING AUGUST 31, 1998

Commissioner Peña moved that Cameron County and the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory

Services be authorized to renew the Contract beginning on August 1, 1997, and ending August 31, 1998.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

The Contract is as follows:

(21) AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD THE CONTRACT TO TRAFFIC ENGINEERS AND DESIGN SYSTEMS TO PROVIDE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR TRAFFIC STUDIES, FEASIBILITY STUDIES AND PARKING GARAGE LAYOUT AND COST ESTIMATES FOR THE COURTHOUSE COMPLEX PARKING GARAGE

At this time, Judge Hinojosa explained that the City of Brownsville decided not to participate in said Project and added that County would need to make a decision due to the new Federal Courthouse being completed. He stated that the cost to the County would be \$130,000.00 to perform the Parking Study, in order to determine the parking needs and the size of the proposed parking garage based on the parking needs of the two (2) Courthouses and the Municipal Building. Judge Hinojosa noted that the Parking Feasibility Study was necessary, in order to apply for revenue bonds for the parking garage based upon the projected revenues. He suggested that a Reimbursement Resolution be adopted, in order for the Project to be funded from the Bond proceeds, the amount of \$130,000.00.

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, the Contract to provide Professional Services for Traffic Studies, Feasibility Studies and Parking Garage Layout and cost estimates for the Courthouse Complex Parking Garage was awarded to Traffic Engineers and Design Systems, with the understanding that a Reimbursement Resolution would be adopted at the following Meeting, said funding to be allocated from Bond Funds.

The Contract is as follows:

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:

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, the

AConsent@ Agenda Items were approved as follow:

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

- a) Juvenile Probation Officer and Chief Juvenile Probation Officer to attend the A52nd Texas Institute on Children and Youth Training Workshop@ in Hunt, Texas, on September 7-11, 1997;
- b) Community Parks Precinct No. 2 Coordinator to attend a ATexas A & M Center Director=s Workshop@ in College Station, Texas, on August 24-26, 1997;
- c) Community Development Coordinator to attend the A1997 Home Program Workshop@in Austin, Texas, on September 8-9, 1997;
- d) Health Department employee to attend the ATAWLD Nutrition Education Committee Meeting@ in Austin, Texas, on September 10-12, 1997;
- e) Health Administrator to attend the AEffects of Poverty on Children-s Health Meeting@in El Paso, Texas, October 22-26, 1997;
- f) Health Administrator to attend the ASecond Adult Health Training Conference on Building Physical Activity in Your Community@ in Austin, Texas, on October 15-17, 1997; and
- g) Emergency Management Coordinator to attend the ATraining on Emergency Management[®] in College Station, Texas, on September 8-12, 1997.

(23) FINAL APPROVAL

Precinct No. 2

Rio Bravo Subdivision Section No. 7 - a 3.837 acres of resubdivision of Lot No. 1, Block No. 15, Rio Bravo Subdivision Section No. 1.

(24) APPROVAL OF THE PURCHASE WITHOUT THE PURCHASE ORDER AS TO HAMER ENTERPRISES, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$107.38

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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.

APPROVED this 23th day of September, 1997.

GILBERTO HINOJOSA COUNTY JUDGE

ATTEST:

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