

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF CAMERON

BE IT REMEMBERED on the 9th day of NOVEMBER, 1999, 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:

9:30 A.M.

PRESENT:

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

NATIVIDAD "TIVIE" VALENCIA
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 4

Hilda V. Treviño Deputy
COUNTY CLERK

ABSENT:

The meeting was called to order by Judge Gilberto Hinojosa at 9:35 A.M. 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 November 5, 1999, at 1:30 P.M.:

**(6) PRESENTATION BY MR. ROGER ORTIZ,
BUILDING SUPERINTENDENT, REGARDING
SPACE UTILIZATION ISSUES IN CAMERON
COUNTY BUILDINGS**

At this time, Mr. Roger Ortiz, Building Superintendent, presented the proposed plans for the Courthouse Judicial Building to house the Child Support Division.

Judge Hinojosa noted that the proposal by the District Clerk's Office to relocate the Child Support Division to the Law Library area would be funded through the District Clerk's Budget and added that the Child Support area should be located adjacent to the Master's Courtroom.

Judge Menton Murray, 103rd District Court, expressed his opposition to the Child Support Division being located in the Law Library area and suggested that the open center area, located in front of the Central Jury Room, be converted into office spaces for the Child Support Division. He noted that additional courtrooms would be needed in the future and that utilizing the Law Library would limit the options for future expansion.

Judge Hinojosa stated that discussions had been held regarding the Building Maintenance Office space being converted into the new 404 District Court and that the existing Master's Chambers would be relocated into the Lawyers Lounge in the Law Library. He suggested that two (2) Criminal Courtroom's also be built next to the new jail if the territory was annexed by the City of Brownsville. Judge Hinojosa expressed concerns as to the open area in the Courthouse being converted for the Child Support Division and added that original design of the central area would be altered. He suggested that the matter be discussed, in order to implement a ten (10) year plan for the Courthouse.

At this time, Mr. Ortiz presented the space needed at the Los Fresnos County Building and noted that the cost of remodeling the building would be approximately \$45,000.00 to \$50,000.00.

Commissioner Cascos questioned the amount of funds allocated for the project in the 1999-2000 Fiscal Year and Mr. Mark Yates, County Auditor, responded that the amount of \$35,000.00, for Capital Project Funds, had been budgeted for said Project, from the Tobacco Funds.

Judge Hinojosa stated that he was unaware of the funds being allocated from the Tobacco Fund and added that the understanding was that the Tobacco Funds would be utilized if Lapsed Salaries were not available.

Commissioner Matz questioned whether there would be penalties for the County if the Tobacco Funds were utilized for projects other than health related projects.

Mr. Yates responded that the funds allocated for projects not related to health care would not be reimbursed, but stated that the reimbursement rule was not retroactive to the funds already received. He noted that the reimbursement

rule applied only to future Tobacco funds to be received and that the interest earned on the Tobacco Funds already received, might cover the funds for the Los Fresnos Building Project.

Judge Hinojosa recommended that the Tobacco Funds be budgeted for the Los Fresnos Building Project, but added that the Lapsed Salaries Fund be utilized for the project, based upon availability of funds at the end of the Fiscal Year.

At this time, Judge Hinojosa noted that funds had not been budgeted for the Harlingen County Building Project, but added that a plan should be implemented to address the problems at the building.

Commissioner Valencia highlighted the problems at the Harlingen County Building and stated that the interior of the building needed to be remodeled and expanded.

Judge Hinojosa directed that a plan be implemented and that cost estimates be determined, in order to begin the process of remodeling the building.

At this time, Mr. Joseph Ardito, Property Management Coordinator, noted that six (6) storage warehouse companies had been contacted and that three (3) of the companies had responded with different proposals. He suggested that the matter be negotiated with the companies and the quantity of items to be stored should be determined.

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Valencia and carried unanimously, the presentation by Mr. Roger Ortiz, Building Superintendent, regarding space utilization issues in Cameron County Buildings was acknowledged.



(12) POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE CONTRACT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND UTMB-GALVESTON REGARDING INDIGENT HEALTH CARE SERVICES

At this time, Mr. Mark Yates, County Auditor, presented a list of proposed changes to the Contract with University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston.

Ms. Yvette Salinas, Health Administrator, stated that the Committee, consisting of the Health Department, the Auditor's Office and the Brownsville Community Health Center, had met to discuss allowable expenses to be credited to the County's Indigent Health Fund and added that the State had identified UTMB as the only medical provider that could provide the services needed to the clients. She briefly highlighted the proposed changes to the UTMB Contract provided by the County Auditor.

There was some discussion as to the County's share of costs to UTMB which consisted of ten percent (10%) less the medicaid costs and the cost of twenty-five percent (25%) co-pay of the total costs by the client.

Judge Hinojosa recommended that UTMB should credit the County for any costs over the amount of \$290,000.00, even if the patients referred by the County went up to a hundred percent of the poverty level and that the County be notified if the costs go beyond the ten percent (10%), noting that the agreements be placed in writing.

Commissioner Cascos suggested that a payment plan be implemented into the proposed Contract for the clients referred by the County.

Commissioner Benavides moved that the Contract proposal be approved with the list of amendments, including a written authorization from the State to utilize the Indigent Health Care Funds, credit to the County for the funds up to the one hundred percent (100%) poverty level, and a payment plan for County patients.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Valencia and carried unanimously.

The List is as follows:

(10) ACTION REGARDING ADDITIONAL SECURITY MEASURES FOR DETENTION CENTER NO. 2, 1145 E. HARRISON STREET, BROWNSVILLE, TEXAS

At this time, Chief Gus Reyna, Sheriff's Department, highlighted the recommendations by the United States Marshal's Office as to additional security measures for the detention center which housed Federal inmates.

Judge Hinojosa suggested that the County Judge's Office, the Auditor's Office, Building Maintenance Department and the Sheriff's Department discuss the cost estimates and funding sources.

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Valencia and carried unanimously, the following Committee was created to determine the costs and funding source for additional security measures for Detention Center No. 2, 1145 E. Harrison Street, Brownsville, Texas:

- Sheriff's Department;
- County Judge's Office;
- County Auditor's Office; and
- Building and Maintenance Department.



(1) APPROVAL OF COUNTY CLAIMS

At this time, Mr. Mark Yates, County Auditor, presented an additional Warrant No. 21338, as to Turner Collie and Braden, in the amount of \$96,625.00.

Upon motion by Commissioner Valencia, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the County Claims were approved, as presented by the County Auditor, inclusive of the additional Warrant No. 21338, in the amount of \$96,625.00.



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

Commissioner Cascos moved that the 2000 Fiscal Year Budget Amendment No. 2000-04 be approved.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

The Budget Amendments are as follow:

(3) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETINGS HELD OCTOBER 5, 1999, OCTOBER 12, 1999, OCTOBER 19, 1999, AND OCTOBER 26, 1999

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Valencia and carried unanimously, the Minutes of the following meetings were approved, subject to the corrections noted on the Minutes of October 5, 1999, and October 12, 1999:

October 5, 1999 - Regular;

October 12, 1999 - Regular;

October 19, 1999 - Regular; and

October 26, 1999 - Regular.

(8) PRESENTATION BY MR. JUAN BERNAL, COUNTY ENGINEER, REGARDING SIGN VANDALISM IN CAMERON COUNTY AND ALONG COUNTY ROADS

At this time, Mr. Juan Bernal, County Engineer, stated that many traffic signs in the rural areas had been either stolen or spray painted and suggested that the residents should be educated on the matter.

Commissioner Matz suggested that County Law Enforcement should place a high priority on said matter to prevent potential liability due to the destruction and defacing of the signs.

At this time, there was a lengthy conversation regarding the means to prevent the signs from being stolen and vandalized and Judge Hinojosa suggested that a Resolution be adopted announcing a press conference to be held emphasizing the violation of the law. He stated that the signs should be non-removable with a cement base and that the signs be welded to the pipe, in order to prolong the time it takes for the sign to be stolen. He suggested that rewards be offered to individuals reporting the crime.

Commissioner Valencia noted that photographs had been taken of an individual vandalizing the signs and recommended that the reward be retroactive, in order to include the person who had taken the photographs.

Commissioner Matz moved that the presentation by Mr. Juan Bernal, County Engineer, regarding sign vandalism in Cameron County and along County Roads, and that a resolution be adopted including a scheduled press conference, the replacement of non-removable signs, and rewards for individuals submitting information regarding the vandalism of the signs.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Valencia and carried unanimously.

- (4) **PRESENTATION BY MR. RUDY JUAREZ, COMPUTER CENTER DIRECTOR, REGARDING THE Y2K STATUS AND UPDATE**
- (5) **ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF Y2K REPORT BY THE SHERIFF-S DEPARTMENT, DISPATCH, JAIL, DETENTION CENTERS NO. 1 AND NO. 2, AND THE PARKS SYSTEM**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the presentation by Mr. Rudy Juarez, Computer Center Director, regarding the Y2K status and update and the Y2K Reports for the following departments were acknowledged:

Sheriff-s Department;

Dispatch;

Jail;

Detention Centers No. 1 and No. 2; and

Parks System.

- (7) **ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION GIVING PERMISSION TO TARRANT COUNTY HEALTH FACILITIES DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FOR THE ISSUANCE OF BOND PROCEEDS, WHICH WILL FINANCE THE COST OF HEALTH FACILITIES WITHIN CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the Resolution giving permission to Tarrant County Health Facilities Development Corporation, for the issuance of Bond Proceeds, which will finance the cost of health facilities within Cameron County, Texas, was adopted.

The Resolution is as follows:

- (14) **APPROVAL FOR SOUTH TEXAS HIDTA CONTRACTUAL EMPLOYEE CONTRACT FOR NOVEMBER THROUGH DECEMBER, 1999**
- (15) **APPROVAL FOR THE SOUTH TEXAS HIDTA CONTRACTUAL EMPLOYEE CONTRACTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2000**
- (16) **APPROVAL FOR THE HIDTA UNIFIED NARCOTICS INTELLIGENCE TASK-FORCE CONTRACTUAL EMPLOYEE CONTRACTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2000**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Benavides, and carried unanimously, the South Texas HIDTA Contract Employee Contracts for November through December, 1999, and Fiscal Year 2000, and the HIDTA Unified Narcotics Intelligence Task-Force Contractual Employee Contracts for Fiscal Year 2000, were approved.

The Contracts are as follow:

(17) AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE COMPUTER EQUIPMENT THROUGH REGION IV VENDOR

Commissioner Valencia moved that computer equipment be purchased through Region IV vendor.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously.



(18) APPROVAL OF THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES AND CAMERON COUNTY FOR THE OUT STATIONED ELIGIBILITY WORKERS ADVISORS IN HEALTH CARE FACILITIES PROGRAM

(19) APPROVAL OF THE CONTRACT AMENDMENT BETWEEN THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND CAMERON COUNTY TO PROVIDE BUREAU OF CHILD HEALTH SERVICES

Upon motion by Commissioner Benavides, seconded by Commissioner Valencia and carried unanimously, the Contracts between Cameron County and the Texas Department of Human Services for the Out Stationed Eligibility Works Advisors in Health Care Facilities Program and the Texas Department of Health to provide Bureau of Child Health Services were approved.

The Contracts are as follow:

(20) IN THE MATTER OF THE CONTRACT BETWEEN THE STATE OF TEXAS GENERAL LAND OFFICE AND CAMERON COUNTY FOR THE PURCHASE OF BEACH CLEANING EQUIPMENT FOR BOCA CHICA (GLO CONTRACT NO. 00-139R) (TABLED)

At this time, there was some discussion as to the number of days the Public Work Department crews would maintain the beach and the suggestion was made that the crews should maintain the beach twice the summer and holidays and once a week in the winter season.

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

(21) AUTHORIZATION OF EXTENSION OF THE TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM CONTRACT NO. 717045 FROM OCTOBER 2, 1999, TO DECEMBER 31, 1999

Commissioner Matz moved that the Texas Community Development Program Contract No. 717045, be extended from October 2, 1999, to December 31, 1999.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously.

The Contract is as follows:

(22) **APPROVAL OF A TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM CONTRACT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS FOR STORM DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS IN LAGUNA HEIGHTS (TCDP CONTRACT NO. 719131)**

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Valencia and carried unanimously, the Texas Community Development Program Contract between Cameron County and the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs be approved for storm drainage improvements in Laguna Heights, that being the Texas Community Development Program Contract No. 719131.

The Contract is as follows:

- (23) **APPROVAL OF A TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM COLONIA CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS FOR WATER LINE IMPROVEMENTS IN THE EL JARDIN WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION SERVICE AREA AND SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENTS IN THE OLMITO WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION SERVICE AREA, (TCDP CONTRACT NO. 719095)**

- (24) **APPROVAL OF A TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM SELF-HELP CONTRACT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS FOR SANITARY SEWER CONNECTIONS IN ARROYO COLORADO ESTATES (TCDP CONTRACT NO. 718096)**

Commissioner Matz moved that the Texas Community Development Program Colonia Construction Contract between Cameron County and the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for water line improvements in the El Jardin Water Supply Corporation Service Area and sanitary sewer improvements in the Olmito Water Supply Corporation Service Area, that being the Texas Community Development Program Contract No. 719095, and the Texas Community Development Program Self-Help Contract between Cameron County and the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for sanitary sewer connections in Arroyo Colorado Estates, that being the Texas Community Development Program Contract No. 718096, be approved.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

The Contract 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 expressed concern as to Item No. 31, concerning the purchase without the purchase order.

Mr. Juan Bernal, County Engineer, explained that the purchase was for herbicides to be utilized for County roads, but noted that the funds were not available in the Road and Bridge Budget.

Mr. Mark Yates, County Auditor, noted that the shipment date for the herbicides was for August and added that the purchase order was not requested until October, which was the beginning of the new Fiscal Year.

At this time, Mr. Mike Forbes, Purchasing Agent, reported that the lowest bid for the Constables and Sheriff's patrol cars had been received by Tip-o-Tex Chevrolet, Brownsville, Texas, but noted that the bids had not met the bid specifications. He stated that the next lowest bidder was Kivett-Rodriguez Ford, Raymondville, Texas, and added that Constable Precinct No. 6 had requested a truck, as opposed to a car.

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

(25) TRAVEL AND/OR TRAVEL EXPENSES FOR THE FOLLOWING, SUBJECT TO FUNDS IN THEIR BUDGET AND ALL APPLICABLE COUNTY POLICIES:

- a) County Clerk and two (2) Deputies to attend the ATexas College of Probate Judges® in San Antonio, Texas, on March 8-10, 2000;
- b) County Auditor and Indigent Auditor to attend the A1999 Indigent Health Care All Region Meeting® in San Antonio, Texas, on November 16-17, 1999;
- c) Personnel/Benefits Specialist to attend the >Workers= Compensation Seminar for Employers sponsored by the Texas Workers= Compensation Commission® in Port Aransas, Texas, on November 9, 1999;
- d) County Extension Agent to attend the AAmericorp Training and Graduation® in College Station, Texas, on October 22, 1999;
- e) Three (3) Health employees to attend the ATraining Classes for On-Site Sewage Facility Professionals® in McAllen, Texas;
- f) County Clerk and two (2) Deputies to attend the AFreedom of Information Seminar® in Harlingen, Texas, on August 13, 1999;
- g) Program Development and Management employee to attend the ALower Rio Grande Development Council Professional Advisory Review Panel Meeting® in Weslaco, Texas, on November 10, 1999;

- h) Program Development and Management employees to attend the ALower Rio Grande Valley Development Council Solid Waste Advisory Committee Meeting@in Weslaco, Texas, on November 16, 1999; and
- I) Child Welfare Department Homemaker to transport a child under the conservatorship of the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services to Victoria and Corpus Christi, Texas, on October 25, 1999.

(26) RENEW AWARD FOR ONE (1) ADDITIONAL YEAR

JOE W. FLY - Harlingen, Texas

Total - \$4,179.44

(27) AWARD BID FOR THIRTY (30) PATROL CARS - SHERIFFS AND CONSTABLES

RODRIGUEZ FORD - Raymondville, Texas

Total without trade - \$607,557.00

(28) OPEN REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS AND APPROVAL OF FOLLOWING EVALUATION COMMITTEE:

- a) Mr. Jim Roberts;
- b) Mr. Mark Yates, County Auditor;
- c) Mr. Richard Santellana, Adult Probation Director;
- d) Mr. Mike Forbes, Purchasing Agent; and
- e) Mr. Roger Ortiz, Maintenance Superintendent.

- a) ANNUAL REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NO. 1820-990902 LONG DISTANCE - REGULAR PHONES

(29) AWARD BIDS AND/OR REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR ELECTRICAL BOXES - PARKS SYSTEM

BUSH SUPPLY - Brownsville, Texas

Total - \$33,250.00

(30) PRELIMINARY AND FINAL APPROVAL

- a) Precinct No. 2

Villa del Norte Subdivision, a 109.389 acre tract of land, out of the R.M. McFarlin Tract situated in Cameron County, Texas.

(31) PURCHASE WITHOUT PURCHASE ORDER FOR ARROW MAGNOLIA, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$798.53

SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA

(1) **IN THE MATTER OF THE PURCHASE/FINANCE
JUDICIAL UPGRADE HARDWARE AND
SOFTWARE FOR \$560,000.00 (TABLED)**

At this time, Mr. Rudy Juarez, Chief Information Officer, stated that the developing tool which had been purchased on a trial basis had been tested and analyzed and was determined that the product could be upgraded. He requested that funds be allocated to purchase the necessary hardware and software to upgrade the system and suggested that the product be financed.

Mr. Mark Yates, County Auditor, stated that the funds had not been budgeted for said matter and suggested that a business plan be presented consisting of time tables and the modules to be rewritten.

There was some discussion as to dividing up the cost among the departments which would utilize the system and Mr. Juarez noted that the system would be gradually implemented into the departments. He suggested that the UNIX Operating System be purchased, noting that it was not vendor specific, as opposed to purchasing the AS400 which was limited to the different types vendors.

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, this Item was **TABLED**, until a business plan was implemented.

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(2) **AUTHORIZATION FOR CAR ALLOWANCE FOR
CONSTRUCTION COORDINATOR**

At this time, Mr. Juan Bernal, County Engineer, requested a \$4,000.00 car allowance for the Construction Coordinator which was not included at the time the slot was created and added that due to the number of construction projects throughout the County, the mileage was impossible to keep track of.

Commissioner Cascos noted that the Internal Revenue Service required a log of mileage to be submitted when the item would be taken as a deduction and added that the car allowance made it easy for employees not to keep track of their mileage.

Judge Hinojosa moved that the car allowance be approved for the Construction Coordinator.

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

AYE: Commissioners Benavides, Valencia and Judge Hinojosa

NAY: Commissioners Cascos and Matz.

(32) EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

Court met in Executive Session at 12:13 P.M. to discuss the following matters:

- a) Confer with County Counsel concerning possible litigation involving Schlitterbahn Water Park at South Padre Island and on matters relating to the water park, in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of the State Bar of Texas, conflicts with the Open Meetings Act; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071 (2);
- b) Confer with County Counsel on the case styled H.L. Watkins, Jr. vs. Judge Migdalia Lopez, et. al., in the United States District Court Laredo Division, to discuss the case and authority to represent Judge Migdalia Lopez; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071 (1)(A);
- c) Deliberation regarding the Real Property concerning Cameron County Trustee Property, known as Brownsville - Garden Parks Subdivision, Lot No. 3, Block No. 5; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.072;
- d) Deliberation regarding the Real Property concerning Cameron County Trustee Property, known as Brownsville - Garden Parks Subdivision, Lot No. 10, Block No. 1; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.072;
- e) Deliberation regarding the Real Property concerning Cameron County Trustee Property, known as Brownsville - Garden Parks Subdivision, Lot No. 9, Block No. 20; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.072;
- f) Deliberation regarding the Real Property concerning various Cameron County Trustee properties for presentation to the Brownsville Independent School District School Board; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.072; and
- g) Deliberation regarding the Real Property concerning the possible sale of Cameron County Trustee Property, known as Brownsville - East Brownsville Addition, Lot No. 7, Block No. 43; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.072.

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, the Court reconvened in Regular Session at 1:13 P.M.



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

- a) **Confer with County Counsel concerning possible litigation involving Schlitterbahn Water Park at South Padre Island and on matters relating to the water park, in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of the State Bar of Texas, conflicts with the Open Meetings Act.**

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, the Status Report by the Property Management Coordinator was acknowledged regarding the possible litigation involving Schlitterbahn Water Park at South Padre Island and on matters relating to the water park, in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of the State Bar of Texas, conflicts with the Open Meetings Act.

- b) **Confer with County Counsel on the case styled H.L. Watkins, Jr. vs. Judge Migdalia Lopez, et. al., in the United States District Court Laredo Division, to discuss the case and authority to represent Judge Migdalia Lopez.**

Commissioner Cascos moved that the Commissioners= Court Legal Counsel be directed to represent Judge Migdalia Lopez on the case styled H.L. Watkins, Jr. vs. Judge Migdalia Lopez, et. al., in the United States District Court Laredo Division.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously.

- c) **Deliberation regarding the Real Property concerning Cameron County Trustee Property, known as Brownsville - Garden Parks Subdivision, Lot No. 3, Block No. 5;**
- d) **Deliberation regarding the Real Property concerning Cameron County Trustee Property, known as Brownsville - Garden Parks Subdivision, Lot No. 10, Block No. 1;**
- e) **Deliberation regarding the Real Property concerning Cameron County Trustee Property, known as Brownsville - Garden Parks Subdivision, Lot No. 9, Block No. 20;**
- f) **Deliberation regarding the Real Property concerning various Cameron County Trustee properties for presentation to the Brownsville Independent School District School Board; and**
- g) **Deliberation regarding the Real Property concerning the possible sale of Cameron County Trustee Property, known as Brownsville - East Brownsville Addition, Lot No. 7, Block No. 43.**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, Status Reports by the Property Management Coordinator was acknowledged regarding the following Real Properties:

- c) Cameron County Trustee Property, known as Brownsville - Garden Parks Subdivision, Lot No. 3, Block No. 5;
- d) Cameron County Trustee Property, known as Brownsville - Garden Parks Subdivision, Lot No. 10, Block No. 1;

- e) Cameron County Trustee Property, known as Brownsville - Garden Parks Subdivision, Lot No. 9, Block No. 20;
- f) Various Cameron County Trustee properties for presentation to the Brownsville Independent School District School Board; and
- g) Sale of Cameron County Trustee Property, known as Brownsville - East Brownsville Addition, Lot No. 7, Block No. 43.

There being no further business to come before the Court, upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, the meeting was **ADJOURNED** at 1:15 P.M.

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APPROVED this **28th** day of **December, 1999**.

GILBERTO HINOJOSA
COUNTY JUDGE

ATTEST:

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