

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF CAMERON

BE IT REMEMBERED on the 18th day of JULY, 2000, 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

COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 4

Hilda V. Treviño Deputy
COUNTY CLERK

ABSENT:

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The meeting was called to order by Judge Gilberto Hinojosa at 9:40 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 July 13, 2000, at 4:24 P.M., and the Supplemental Agenda posted and filed on July 14, 2000, at 3:49 P.M.:

(5) **ACTION TO SELECT A PROJECT FOR THE 2001 TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND**

Commissioner Matz moved that the following projects be selected for the 2001 Texas Community Development Program Community Development Fund:

North Alamo Water Supply Corporation, in the amount of \$158,447.00;

Cameron Park Law Enforcement Substation, in the amount of \$65,000.00; and

Green Valley Farms Street Paving, in the amount of \$100,000.00.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously.

(6) **ACTION TO SELECT A PROJECT FOR THE 2001 TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM COLONIA CONSTRUCTION FUND**

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the selection of the North Alamo Water Supply Corporation for the La Torre Water Service Design and Construction Project, in the amount of \$500,000.00, for the 2001 Texas Community Development Program Colonia Construction Fund was approved.

At this time, Judge Hinojosa recommended that the Colonia Area Planning Grant be addressed as soon as possible, in order to proceed with the project consisting of the El Jardin Water Supply Corporation and directed the County Engineer to prioritize the project in Green Valley Farms consisting of the remaining three and a half miles of roads, when preparing the next Fiscal Year-s budget.

(4) **ADOPTION OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE CAMERON COUNTY ROAD POLICIES**

Commissioner Matz moved that Amendment to the Cameron County Road Policies be adopted.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

At this time, Judge Hinojosa explained that the amendment to the Road Policies would allow roads to be declared as emergencies, based on the criteria set in the policy. He stated that emergency situations included addressing the roads to provide suitable access for emergency vehicles, school buses and postal carrier vehicles and clarified that the County Engineer would have to request the emergency declarations from the Court.

The Policy is as follows:

(8) AUTHORIZATION OF CONNECTION OF UTILITY SERVICES TO THE LEONARDA ARDON FAMILY, RESIDING AT 4373 MORRISON ROAD, BOX 3, PRECINCT NO. 2, EL JARDIN SUBDIVISION, BLOCK NO. 149 (0.123 ACRES), UNDER THE TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 232.029 (C2)

At this time, Mr. Ernesto Hinojosa, County Engineering, explained that the Ardon Family requested that the certificate of water service availability be approved and added that the certificate was based on two (2) requirements, which included the availability of water service more than 700 feet from the land and an affidavit reflecting that the land had not been subdivided after September 1, 1995. He confirmed that both requirements had been met and recommended that the connection of utility services be approved.

Commissioner Benavides moved that the connection of utility services be approved for the Leonarda Ardon Family, residing at 4373 Morrison Road, Box 3, Precinct No. 2, El Jardin Subdivision, Block No. 149 (0.123 acres), under the Texas Local Government Code Section 232.029(C2).

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously.

The Certificate is as follows:

(1) APPROVAL OF COUNTY CLAIMS

At this time, Commissioner Matz expressed concern as to Warrant No. 38164, payable to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, and Mr. Richard Santellana, Adult Probation Director, responded that the funds had been received from the State for Substance Abuse Counseling.

Mr. Santellana explained that the funds had been budgeted, but noted that the unused funds were being returned to the State.

Commissioner Matz questioned Warrant No. 38377, payable to Hunt Insurance Group-Trust Account, and Mr. Mark Yates, County Auditor, explained that the Task-Force had solicited their own liability insurance for the County leased vehicles paid through Federal Grant Funds.

Commissioner Matz expressed concern as to Warrant No. 38404, payable to Linebarger, Heard, Goggan and Blair, and Mr. Yates replied that the delinquent taxes on a foreclosed property for a County parking lot had been paid by the County, in order to relocate an individual to the Ebony Heights Subdivision.

Commissioner Cascos questioned whether the Contract with the Delinquent Tax Attorneys was expired and Mr. Tony Yzaguirre, Jr., Tax Assessor-Collector, responded that the Contract had expired on June 30, 2000, noting that the Contract remained on a month-to-month basis.

At this time, there was some discussion as to whether the ninety-five percent (95%) collection rate had been met and the delinquent tax law suits to be filed and Judge Hinojosa requested that a Status Report be presented by the Delinquent Tax Attorneys and the Tax Assessor-Collector at the next meeting.

Commissioner Cascos moved that the County Claims be approved, as presented by the County Auditor.

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

AYE: Commissioners Benavides, Cascos and Matz

NAY: None

ABSTAINED: Judge Hinojosa, as to Warrant No. 380676, payable to the Laguna Madre Water Supply Corporation.

The Affidavit is as follows:

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

Commissioner Cascos moved that the 2000 Fiscal Year Budget Amendment No. 2000-35, and the following Salary Schedules be approved:

Juvenile Boot Camp, Fund No. 100-5700;

Crime Victims Act, Fund No. 250-4740;

Crime Victims Act, Fund No. 250-4750; and

County Attorney, Fund No. 900-4750.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

The Budget Amendments and Salary Schedules are as follow:

**(3) IN THE MATTER OF MINUTES OF JULY 6, 2000,
SPECIAL MEETING (TABLED)**

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

**(7) AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT ORIGINAL
CONTRACT WITH THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE
FOR THE BEACH CLEANING AND
MAINTENANCE ASSISTANCE AGREEMENT FOR
FISCAL YEAR 2000**

Commissioner Benavides moved that the submission of the Original Contract with the General Land Office for the Beach Cleaning and Maintenance Assistance Agreement for Fiscal Year 2000 be approved.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously.

**(9) APPROVAL OF THE CONTRACT BETWEEN
CAMERON COUNTY AND THE TEXAS
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO PROVIDE GRANT
FUNDING FOR MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH
SERVICES**

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, the Contract between Cameron County and the Texas Department of Health was approved to provide Grant Funding for Maternal and Child Health Services.

The Contract is as follows:

(10) APPROVAL OF THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND THE TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL HEALTH OFFICIALS FOR THE PURPOSE OF APPLYING FOR COMPUTER NETWORK FUNDING FROM THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE FUND BOARD

At this time, Ms. Yvette Salinas, Health Administrator, explained that the Computer Network Project would allow the County Health Department to tie in with the State's Texas Department of Health System and noted that the County would be committed to fund the necessary phone lines, in the amount of \$50.00 per clinic. She noted that the Program income generated through the clinics would be utilized to fund the project and added that the Health Department employed two (2) computer support employees to maintain the system, noting that assistance by the Computer Center would be requested if necessary.

Commissioner Cascos moved that the Agreement between Cameron County and the Texas Association of Local Health Officials for the purpose of applying for Computer Network Funding from the Communications Infrastructure Fund Board be approved.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

The Agreement is as follows:

**(11) AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION
FOR STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR
BEACH MAINTENANCE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2001**

Commissioner Benavides moved that the submission of an Application for State Financial Assistance for Beach Maintenance for Fiscal Year 2001 be approved.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously.

The Agreement is as follows:

At this time, Mr. Francisco Sifuentes, Brownsville resident, expressed concern as to the high amount of travel and training by the County Departments which cost the taxpayers.

Judge Hinojosa clarified that the travel within the Valley was required to be listed on the Agenda, due to the liability in the case of an accident occurring during the time of travel.

Commissioner Cascos suggested that the travel requests be reviewed to determine whether the travel was necessary and noted that there was some instances; whereas, continuing education and/or certification was required.

Mr. Mark Yates, County Auditor, explained that Judges were required to attend certain conferences and/or seminars which were held out of the state, but noted that the national conferences/seminars were limited and held in other states.

Commissioner Cascos expressed concern as to travel taken by one (1) Sheriff Deputy to attend a ASniper Training Course® and as to whether a group of Deputies should have attended the course.

Sheriff Omar Lucio, County Sheriff, explained that one (1) Deputy had attended the course and that other Deputies would be trained by the Deputy who received the training. He stated that some travel was funded through Grant Funds and added that the training and education would benefit to better serve the community.

(12) **APPROVAL OF CONTRACTUAL EMPLOYEE FOR
THE SOUTH TEXAS HIDTA REGIONAL
DIRECTORS OFFICE**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, the Contractual employee for the South Texas High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA) Regional Directors Office was approved.

The Contract is as follows:

(13) APPROVAL OF AN ENGINEERING SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH GUZMAN AND MUÑOZ ENGINEERING AND SURVEYING, INCORPORATED, FOR THE COLONIA LA TORRE AREA PLANNING STUDY (TCDP CONTRACT NO. 719145)

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the Engineering Services Agreement with Guzman and Muñoz Engineering and Surveying, Incorporated, was approved for the Colonia La Torre Area Planning Study, that being the Texas Community Development Program Contract No. 719145.

The Contract is as follows:

(14) AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT TO APPLY FOR A LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT BLOCK GRANT FROM THE BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE AND SELECTION OF A DISPARATE ALLOCATION APPLICATION OPTION

At this time, Mr. Frank Bejarano, Program Development and Management Director, explained that the County could either apply for Option 1, in the amount of \$31,113.00, or apply for Option 2, and negotiate with the Cities of Brownsville and Harlingen to receive a portion of their block grants, in addition to the County's funds. He stated that the County's match was ten percent (10%) of the Grant Funds received and that the matching amount would be budgeted in the next Fiscal Year.

Commissioner Matz moved that the Program Development and Management Department be authorized to apply for a Local Law Enforcement Block Grant from the Bureau of Justice Assistance and that the Disparate Allocation Application Option 2, consisting of negotiations with the Cities of Brownsville and Harlingen for a portion of their block grants, be selected.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

(15) APPROVAL OF PROPOSAL FROM VENDOR FOR ELECTRONIC MONITORING SERVICES FOR THE ADULT PROBATION DEPARTMENT

Upon motion by Commissioner Benavides, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, the Request for Proposal from the General Security Services Corporation (GSSC) for Electronic Monitoring Services for the Adult Probation Department was approved, subject to Legal review of the Contract.

(16) APPROVAL TO PURCHASE A FIFTEEN (15) PASSENGER VAN FROM HOUSTON GALVESTON AREA OF COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENT INTERLOCAL PURCHASE AGREEMENT FOR WIC PROGRAM SERVICES

Commissioner Benavides moved that a fifteen (15) passenger van be purchased from Houston Galveston Area of Council of Government Interlocal Purchase Agreement for Women's, Infants and Children (WIC) Program Services.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously.

(17) IN THE MATTER OF A BUILDING MODIFICATION FOR THE OFFICES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ELECTIONS AND VOTER REGISTRATION (TABLED)

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

(18) AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A RENEWAL MOBILE VENDOR-S PERMIT V5 TO CRISTINA TORRES, DOING BUSINESS AS CRISTY MOBILE UNIT

Upon motion by Commissioner Benavides, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, the Renewal Mobile Vendor-s Permit V5, was issued to Cristina Torres, doing business as Cristy Mobile Unit.

At this time, Judge Hinojosa stated that there were residents attending the Meeting regarding the road name changes in Precinct No. 4 and added that the Item had not been placed on the Agenda. He stated that Commissioner Valencia had proposed that the name for San Felippo Road remain the same and that Hooks and Hodges be divided to reflect Hooks and Hodges West and Hooks and Hodges East, which ran on both sides of San Felippo Road. Judge Hinojosa stated that the matter would be addressed at the following meeting, along with the name changes in La Paloma Subdivision.

(19) POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING THE GRANTING OF BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS TO THE SEA RANCH BAIT AND GROCERY CONCESSION

At this time, Mr. Javier Mendez, Parks System Director, explained that an open area with the view of the marina would be added to the existing Sea Ranch Bait and Grocery Concession and noted that the renovations to be made would be constructed within the existing concession area.

Commissioner Benavides moved that building improvements be granted to the Sea Ranch Bait and Grocery Concession.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously.

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 Benavides, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, the

AConsent® Agenda Items were approved as follow:

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

- a) Emergency Management Coordinator to attend the ARadiological Training® in South Padre Island, Texas, on July 17-21, 2000;
- b) Constable Precinct No. 4 to attend the A2000 Self-Defense for County Officials Training® in Corpus Christi, Texas, on July 18, 2000;
- c) Constable Precinct No. 6 to attend the A2000 Self-Defense for County Officials Training® in Corpus Christi, Texas, on July 18, 2000;
- d) Constable Precinct No. 3 and two (2) Deputies to attend the A2000 Self-Defense for County Officials Training® in San Angelo, Texas on July 12-13, 2000;
- e) Constable Precinct No. 1 and two (2) Deputies to attend the A2000 Self-Defense for County Officials Training® in Corpus Christi, Texas, on July 17-18, 2000;
- f) Two (2) Sheriff-s Investigators to attend the AInternal Affairs Managing Citizen Complaints and Employee Discipline® in San Antonio, Texas, on August 14-16, 2000;
- g) Two (2) Sheriff-s Deputies to attend the ALECC Community Policing Education Grant Project Training the Trainer Seminar® in Houston, Texas, on July 19-21, 2000;
- h) Assistant County Auditor to attend a ANucleus and Security Core Training with Bi-Tech Software, Incorporated,® in Chico, California, on September 4-7, 2000;
- I) Health Department employee to attend the ABio-terrorism Statewide Conference on Preparedness and Response® in Austin, Texas, on August 12-15, 2000;
- j) Program Development and Management Director to attend the ALower Rio Grande Valley Development Council Professional Advisory Review Panel (PARP) Meeting® in Weslaco, Texas, on July 12, 2000;
- k) Unified Narcotics Intelligence Task-Force Director and Tactical Intelligence Agent to attend the ANational Investigative Support Center Manager-s Meeting® in Chicago, on August 28-31, 2000;
- l) District Attorney to attend the AHigh Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA) Executive Committee Meeting® in San Antonio, Texas, on July 31, 2000, through August 2, 2000;
- m) County Court at Law No. 3 Judge to attend the ASixth Annual Advanced Ali-Aba Course of Study for Plaintiff-s and Defendants Bar® in San Francisco, California, on August 17-18, 2000;

- n) Two (2) Personnel/Safety Risk employees to attend the A2000 Self Defense Course for County Officials@ in Corpus Christi, Texas, on July 18, 2000;
- o) Tax Office Comptroller to attend the ATexas Association of Assessing Officers Review and Exam@ in Austin, Texas, on August 8-15, 2000;
- p) Three (3) Health Department employees to attend the APromoting Cardiovascular Health in Texas Conference@ in South Padre Island, Texas, on August 23-25, 2000;
- q) Health Department employee to attend the ARio Grande Valley HSD Steering Committee Meeting@ in Weslaco, Texas, on July 18, 2000;
- r) Three (3) Health Department employees to attend the AContinuing Education Workshop for Licensed Professional Counselors@ in San Antonio, Texas, on July 25-26, 2000;
- s) Health Department employee to attend a AFamily Planning Leadership Conference ASeeking Simplicity in the Complex World of Family@ in Austin, Texas, on July 19-21, 2000;
- t) Juvenile Assistant Chief Officer to attend the ATraining at Region Educational Center@ in Edinburg, Texas, on July 25, 2000;
- u) Two (2) Juvenile Staff Members to attend the ATraining at Texas Juvenile Probation Commission and Meeting with DMG Maximus, Incorporated,@ in Austin, Texas, on July 30, 2000, through August 3, 2000;
- v) Chief Juvenile Probation Officer to meet with Camber Corporation in Corpus Christi, Texas, on July 18, 2000;
- w) Juvenile Assistant Chief Officer to meet with Camber Corporation in Corpus Christi, Texas, on July 17-18, 2000;
- x) Three (3) Juvenile Staff Members to meet to DMG Maximus, Incorporated, in Austin, Texas, on August 1-3, 2000;
- y) District Attorney to attend the ASouthwest Border High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas (HIDTA) Executive Committee Meeting@ in San Antonio, Texas, on July 26-28, 2000;
- z) Thirteen (13) Health Department employees to attend a AMini Breast-feeding Basics Workshop@ in Edinburg, Texas, on July 28, 2000;
- aa) County Elections Administrator and three (3) employees to attend the A18th Annual Election Law Seminar for County Voter Registrars@ in Austin, Texas, on August 15-18, 2000; and
- bb) Elections Administrator to attend the A16th Annual Election Center National Conference and One Certification Course@ in San Francisco, California, on August 28, 2000, through September 3, 2000.



(21) PRELIMINARY APPROVAL

a) Precinct No. 4

Wild Olive Court Subdivision - a 12.603 acre tract of land, more or less, out of Block No. 8, F.Z. Bishop Subdivision of Survey No. 39, City of Harlingen,

b) Precinct No. 3

North Lozano Subdivision - a 40.00 acres tract of land, more or less, being all of Block No. 249, San Benito Irrigation Company Subdivision, and

c) Precinct No. 4

Iglesia Vieja Section 4 Subdivision - being a 34.695 acre tract of land, more or less, same being Lots No. 5 and No. 6, Iglesia Vieja subdivision Section 3, and 33.315 acres out of Block No. 23, Rancho De Santa Maria Subdivision, La Feria Grant.

(22) FINAL APPROVAL

a) Precinct No. 3

San Carlos South Subdivision - being a 45.763 acre tract of land, more or less out of Block Nos. 58, 60 and 62 and all of Block Nos. 66, 67 and 68, San Carlos Estates Subdivision in Share No. 17, Espiritu Santo Grant, and

b) Precinct No. 4

Lomita Subdivision - being a 44.34 acres resubdivision of the West 6.67 acres of Block No. 54, 14.28 acres of Block No. 56 and 23.40 acres of Block No. 55, Adams Gardens Subdivision AB.®

(23) OPEN BIDS

a) PICK-UP TRUCK (IN STOCK) - ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

The Bids received are as follow:

(24) OPEN BIDS AND/OR REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

- b) AUDIT SERVICES - CAMERON COUNTY - ANNUAL REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NO. 1220 AND APPROVAL OF FOLLOWING EVALUATION COMMITTEE:

MR. MARK YATES, COUNTY AUDITOR,
REPRESENTATIVE FROM COMMISSIONERS-COURT LEGAL COUNSEL;
MR. RICHARD SANTELLANA, ADULT PROBATION DIRECTOR;
MR. ALEJANDRO CORONADO, CAMERON COUNTY HOUSING
AUTHORITY DIRECTOR; AND
MR. MIKE FORBES, PURCHASING AGENT.

(25) PURCHASE WITHOUT A PURCHASE ORDER FOR HOLT RENTAL, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$6,156.00

SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, the following Supplemental AConsent@ Agenda Items were approved:

(1) OPEN BIDS AND/OR REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

- a) TAX STATEMENT - LASER PRINTING - ANNUAL BID NO. 1640
b) REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS NO. 000601 - ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES - ROOF REPAIRS: COURTHOUSE JUDICIAL BUILDING, JAIL BUILDING, HEALTH BUILDING - SAN BENITO
c) MODULAR BUILDING DOUBLE WIDE - HEALTH DEPARTMENT

The Bids and/or Request for Proposals are as follow:

(2) DESIGNATION OF THE FOLLOWING EVALUATION COMMITTEE BY COMMISSIONERS- COURT ON RECOMMENDATION OF COUNTY REAPPORTIONMENT ATTORNEYS:

**COMMISSIONERS- COURT LEGAL COUNSEL;
MR. MIKE FORBES, AUDITOR-S OFFICE; AND
MR. TONY YZAGUIRRE, ELECTIONS COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVE.**

(26) EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the Court met in Executive Session at 10:48 A.M. to discuss the following matters:

- a) Deliberation regarding Real Property concerning Sea Ranch Marina Concession, involving matters in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body, under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas, clearly conflicts with the Open Meetings Act; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071(2);
- b) Deliberation regarding the Real Property concerning Cameron County Property, located at Los Indios Bridge; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.072;
- c) Deliberation regarding the Real Property concerning property immediately adjacent to the new Cameron County Government Complex; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.072;
- d) Confer with County Counsel regarding the case styled Benito De La Cruz vs. Cameron County, et. al., Case No. B-98-113, to discuss status of case and settlement authorization; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071(A)(B);
- e) Deliberation regarding Real Property concerning the possible assignment of the remainder of the Lease Hold Interest of Kerlew, Incorporated, doing business as Charlie-s Night Club to NB Development, Incorporated, doing business as Schlitterbahn at South Padre Island; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.072;
- f) Confer with Counsel concerning State Boat Ramp SBF 84-21-050-031, on matters in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body, under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas, clearly conflicts with the Open Meetings Act; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071(2);
- g) Deliberation regarding Real Property concerning right-of-way acquisition and Rio Hondo Water Supply Corporation Water Line Relocation for FM/509; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.072; and
- h) Confer with County Counsel on the construction of the Cameron County Jail Facilities, on matters in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body, under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas, clearly conflicts with the Open Meetings Act; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section.

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, the Court reconvened in Regular Session at 12:09 P.M.

(23) APPROVAL TO AWARD BIDS

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, the Bid for a pick-up truck (in stock) for the Engineering Department was awarded to Tipton Ford, in the amount of \$15,699.00.

(27) ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a) **Deliberation regarding Real Property concerning Sea Ranch Marina Concession, involving matters in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body, under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas, clearly conflicts with the Open Meetings Act.**

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the Status Report by County Counsel was acknowledged concerning the Real Property regarding the Sea Ranch Marina Concession, involving matters in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body, under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas, clearly conflicts with the Open Meetings Act.

- b) **Deliberation regarding the Real Property concerning Cameron County Property, located at Los Indios Bridge.**

Commissioner Matz moved that the Status Report by the Property Management Coordinator be acknowledged and that the Property Management Coordinator be directed to advertise the lease of the Cameron County owned properties, located at Los Indios Bridge.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

- c) **Deliberation regarding the Real Property concerning property immediately adjacent to the new Cameron County Government Complex.**

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the Property Management Coordinator was directed to negotiate the property immediately adjacent to the new Cameron County Government Complex.

- d) **Confer with County Counsel regarding the case styled Benito De La Cruz vs. Cameron County, et. al., Case No. B-98-113, to discuss status of case and settlement authorization.**

Commissioner Matz moved that the Status Report by County Counsel be acknowledged regarding the case styled Benito De La Cruz vs. Cameron County, et. al., Case No. B-98-113.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

- e) **Deliberation regarding Real Property concerning the possible assignment of the remainder of the Lease Hold Interest of Kerlew, Incorporated, doing business as Charlie's Night Club to NB Development, Incorporated, doing business as Schlitterbahn at South Padre Island.**

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the Status Report by County Counsel was acknowledged regarding the possible assignment of the remainder of the Lease Hold Interest of Kerlew, Incorporated, doing business as Charlie's Night Club to NB Development, Incorporated, doing business as Schlitterbahn at South Padre Island.

- f) **Confer with Counsel concerning State Boat Ramp SBF 84-21-050-031, on matters in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body, under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas, clearly conflicts with the Open Meetings Act.**

Commissioner Matz moved that County Council be directed to provide notice to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department concerning the termination of the County's interest in the property regarding State Boat Ramp SBF 84-21-050-031.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

- g) **Deliberation regarding Real Property concerning right-of-way acquisition and Rio Hondo Water Supply Corporation water line relocation for FM/509.**

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the Status Report by County Counsel was acknowledged concerning the right-of-way acquisition and the payment to the Rio Hondo Water Supply Corporation for the relocation of the water line for FM/509 was approved.

- h) **Confer with County Council on the construction of the Cameron County Jail Facilities.**

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the Status Report by County Counsel was acknowledged regarding the construction of the Cameron County Jail Facilities.



There being no further business to come before the Court, upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the meeting was **ADJOURNED** at **12:14 P.M.**

APPROVED this 25th day of **July, 2000**.

GILBERTO HINOJOSA
COUNTY JUDGE

ATTEST:

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