

THE STATE OF TEXAS           §

COUNTY OF CAMERON         §

**BE IT REMEMBERED** on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of MAY 2002, 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:**

**5:30 P.M.**

**PRESENT:**

**ILBERTO HINOJOSA**  
**COUNTY JUDGE**

**PEDRO "PETE" BENAVIDES**  
**COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO. 1**

**COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO. 2**

**DAVID A. GARZA**  
**COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 3**

**RICHARD VALDEZ**  
**COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 4**

**JOE G. RIVERA**  
**COUNTY CLERK**

**Mary Robles                   **Deputy Clerk****

**ABSENT:**

**CARLOS H. CASCOS, C.P.A**

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The meeting was called to order by Judge Hinojosa at 5:30 P.M. He then asked Reverend Bob Clark, Brownsville resident, for the invocation and he led 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 May 3, 2002, at 2:26 P.M., and the Supplemental Items posted on May 3, 2002, at 2:26 P.M.:

## SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS

(1) **CONSIDERATION AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION TO PUBLISH NOTICE OF INTENT TO ISSUE AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$7.35 MILLION CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, SERIES 2002**

Judge Hinojosa explained that the \$7.35 million in Certificates of Obligation, Series 2002, included \$4.5 million for the interior restoration of the Dancy Building, \$1 million for the Project Road Map for construction of highways, \$1 million towards the reconstruction of the Harlingen Annex and \$1.8 million for the construction of an Engineering and Health Administration Building.

Mr. Noe Hinojosa, Financial Consultant, stated that this was a continuation of an Agenda Item previously discussed and that at the time; the deliberation was the issue of the impact of the financing on the tax rate. He stated that ½ a penny was presented but that if the additional items were included there would be an increase of about \$224,000.00. Mr. Hinojosa stated that there were questions of how the financing would be offset, and added that an analysis regarding the suggested increase to the International Bridge System's toll rate was prepared. He explained that the Resolution was to proceed with the Publication of Notice, as required by State Statute. Mr. Hinojosa stated that the intent was to publish the first notice on May 12, 2002, the second notice on May 19, 2002, and that the Bonds would be sold through a competitive process on June 4, 2002.

Judge Hinojosa clarified that the \$0.10 increase to the International Bridge System's toll rate should suffice for the entire payment of the financing.

Mr. Hinojosa noted that the \$0.10 increase in toll rates would generate \$399,000.00.

Commissioner Benavides moved that the Resolution to Publish Notice of Intent to issue an amount not to exceed \$7.35 million Certificates of Obligation, Series 2002, be adopted.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Valdez and carried unanimously.

**The Resolution is as follows:**

## **ACTION ITEMS**

### **(5) APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENTS**

Upon motion by Commissioner Benavides, seconded by Commissioner Valdez and carried unanimously, the 2002 Fiscal Year Budget Amendment No. 2002-21 was approved.

**The Budget Amendments are as follow:**

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(6) **CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR SPACE ALLOCATION AT THE OLD SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

Judge Hinojosa moved that the following individuals be appointed to the evaluation committee concerning the space allocation at the Old Sheriff's Office:

Mr. Juan Bernal, County Engineer/Public Works Director;

Mr. Remi Garza, Administrative Assistant; and

Mr. Joseph Ardito, Property Manager.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides.

Commissioner Garza asked whether any recommendation was being presented by the County Engineer at this time.

Mr. Juan Bernal, County Engineer/Public Works Director, responded that no recommendations were being presented.

Judge Hinojosa suggested that the committee review the proposals received prior to the meeting to be scheduled and that the recommendations include the cost estimate for renovations and the funding source.

Upon motion duly made by Judge Hinojosa, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the following individuals were appointed to the evaluation committee concerning the space allocation at the Old Sheriff's Office:

Mr. Juan Bernal, County Engineer/Public Works Director;

Mr. Remi Garza, Administrative Assistant; and

Mr. Joseph Ardito, Property Manager.

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(7) **IN THE MATTER OF PROVIDING ALTERNATIVE FORMS OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE RESIDENTS OF LONG ISLAND WHILE THE BRIDGE IS UNDER REPAIR, PURSUANT TO VERNON TEXAS CODE ANNOTATED (V.T.C.A.) GOVERNMENT CODE 551.045(B)(2), WHICH ALLOWS FOR AN EMERGENCY MEETING DUE TO A REASONABLE UNFORESEEABLE SITUATION (TABLED)**

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

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**(8) CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF BUILDING LETTERING FOR THE CAMERON PARK SHERIFF'S SUBSTATION AND COMMUNITY NETWORK CENTER**

Mr. Frank Bejarano, Program Development and Management Director, presented three (3) options and recommended Option No. 3, noting that it was acceptable to State, who was partially funding the structure. He reported that the building was approximately sixty-five percent (65%) complete, and that the emphasis of the project was to let the community know that the facility was not only for law enforcement but for community outreach as well, noting that Option No. 3 spoke in those regards.

At this time, Judge Hinojosa recommended that the Evaluation Committee, appointed to review and present recommendations regarding the space allocation at the Old Sheriff's Office, consider that part of the Constable's Office, Precinct No. 2, would be located at the Cameron County Facility in Cameron Park, noting that the permanent presence of the Constables Department at said facility would result in substantial savings. He suggested that Option No. 2 include lettering indicating that the Sheriff's and Constable Departments were housed at the facility.

Commissioner Garza moved that Option No. 2 be approved, including the lettering indicating that the Sheriff's and Constable Departments were housed at the Cameron Park Sheriff's Substation and Community Network Center.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

**The Options are as follow:**

# **PRESENTATION**

(9) **CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF  
RESOLUTION OF THE CAMERON COUNTY  
COMMISSIONERS' COURT ADOPTING  
GUIDELINES AND CRITERIA GOVERNING TAX  
ABATEMENT AGREEMENTS IN CITY OF  
BROWNSVILLE REINVESTMENT ZONES AND/OR  
ENTERPRISE ZONES**

Mr. Frank Bejarano, Program Development and Management Director, reported that the Resolution would set guidelines to consider Abatement Agreements, and that the guidelines were a repeat of the guidelines approved in 1997, adding that once in place the guidelines were good for two (2) years under State Law. He stated that the guidelines had expired in 1999 and were not renewed, and that the need to renew the guidelines was presented since requests for abatements were submitted.

Upon motion by Commissioner Valdez, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the Resolution of the Cameron County Commissioners' Court adopting guidelines and Criteria Governing Tax Abatement Agreements in City of Brownsville Reinvestment Zones and/or Enterprise Zones was adopted.

**The Resolution is as follows:**

**[REDACTED]**

(10) **CANVASSING OF THE MAY 4, 2002, ELECTION  
FOR THE SOUTH TEXAS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL  
DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS/CAMERON  
COUNTY COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO. 3 SEAT**

Mr. Robert Mendoza, Elections Department Administrator, presented the results of the May 4, 2002, Election for the South Texas Independent School District Board of Directors and Cameron County Commissioner Precinct No. 3 Seat, adding that the Court was to canvass the Official Results as per Texas Education Code Chapter 11.301.

Commissioner Garza moved that the Official Results for the May 4, 2002, Election for the South Texas Independent School District Board of Directors and the Cameron County Commissioner Precinct No. 3, be accepted.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Valdez.

Commissioner Garza noted the need for further dialog between the School District and the Elections Department in order to provide better coverage of the area.

Upon motion duly made by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Valdez and carried unanimously, the Official Results for the May 4, 2002, Election for the South Texas Independent School District Board of Directors and the Cameron County Commissioner Precinct No. 3 were accepted.

**The Results are as follow:**

# CONSENT ITEMS

ALL ITEMS UNDER THE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS WERE HEARD COLLECTIVELY UNLESS OPPOSITION WAS PRESENTED, IN WHICH CASE THE CONTESTED ITEM WAS CONSIDERED, DISCUSSED, AND APPROPRIATE ACTION TAKEN SEPARATELY.

DISCUSSION CONCERNING CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

ITEM NO. 27 "a": Mr. Tony Yzaguirre, Tax Assessor Collector, clarified that three (3) employees would be driving to El Paso, Texas, to attend the Conference.

ITEM NO. 9: At this time Mr. Eddie Gonzalez, County Treasurer, presented the following additional claims:  
Warrant No. 00075519, as to El Norte Subdivision, in the amount of \$4,743.00;  
Warrant No. 00075520, as to Federal Task Force Grant Sheriff, in the amount \$43,654.82;  
Warrant No. 00075521, as to GE Credit Equipment, in the amount of \$10,000.00;  
Warrant No. 00075522, as to Hamer Enterprises, in the amount of \$12,5000.00;  
Warrant No. 00075523, as to Local Solid Waste Enforcement, in the amount of \$5,000.00;  
Warrant No. 00075524, as to Raba Kistner Consultants Inc., in the amount of \$4,742.32; and  
Warrant No. 00075525, as to Ms. Nancy L Sanchez, in the amount of \$106.62.

Commissioner Benavides moved that the following "Consent and Travel Items" be approved.

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

AYE: Commissioner Benavides, Garza and Valdez,

NAY: None,

ABSTAIN: Judge Hinojosa as to Warrant No. 00075384, payable to Laguna Madre Water District, in the amount of \$151.66.

**(11) APPROVAL OF CLAIMS;  
The Affidavit follows:**

**(12) AWARDING OF THE LOW BID TO J. COSNER AND SONS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE COLONIA LA TORRE WATER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT AND AUTHORIZATION TO NEGOTIATE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT, TCDP CONTRACT NOS. 721101 AND 720205;**

**(13) SIX (6) MONTHS CONTRACT EXTENSION FOR THE LAGUNA HEIGHT DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, RIO GRANDE VALLEY EMPOWERMENT ZONE CONTRACT NO 10.02;  
The Contract follows:**

**(14) SIX (6) MONTHS CONTRACT EXTENSION FOR THE EL NORTE PAVING PROJECT RIO GRANDE VALLEY EMPOWERMENT ZONE CONTRACT NO 10.043;  
The Contract follows:**



- (15) **RESOLUTION DECLARING CAMERON COUNTY HURRICANE AWARENESS WEEK MAY 19-25, 2002, IN PREPARATION FOR THE HURRICANE SEASON, JUNE 1 THROUGH NOVEMBER 30, 2002;**  
**The Resolution follows:**
- (16) **RENEWAL OF CONTRACT SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH UNIVERSAL WEATHER AND AVIATION, INC., IMPACT WEATHER -WEBSITE, FOR THE HURRICANE SEASON, JUNE 1 THROUGH NOVEMBER 30, 2002;**  
**The Contract follows:**
- (17) **MUTUAL AID AGREEMENTS BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY, HIDALGO COUNTY AND WILLACY COUNTY;**  
**The Contract follows:**
- (18) **MUTUAL AID AGREEMENTS BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND THE CITIES WITHIN THE COUNTY;**  
**The Contract follows:**
- (19) **LEGAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND MR. ARMANDO VILLALOBOS, ATTORNEY AT LAW, TO PROVIDE REPRESENTATION FOR THE INDIGENT DEFENDANTS OF THE 357<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT COURT;**  
**The Agreement follows:**
- (20) **LEGAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND MR. JAVIER SOLIS, ATTORNEY AT LAW, TO PROVIDE REPRESENTATION FOR THE INDIGENT DEFENDANTS OF THE 357<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT COURT;**  
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- (21) **LEGAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND MR. BRUCE THARPE, ATTORNEY AT LAW, TO PROVIDE REPRESENTATION FOR THE INDIGENT DEFENDANTS OF THE 357<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT COURT;**  
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**The Agreement follows:**
- (24) **PRELIMINARY AND FINAL APPROVAL:**  
A) **PRECINCT NO. 3 - TIERRA DULCE SUBDIVISION - BEING A 30.506 ACRE TRACT IN BLOCK NO. 90, LOS FRESNOS LAND AND IRRIGATION COMPANY.**
- (25) **OPENING OF THE FOLLOWING BID/PROPOSAL:**  
A) **AIR CONDITIONER - 17 TON ROOF TOP UNIT.**
- (26) **PURCHASE WITHOUT A PURCHASE ORDER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$319.24 TO TECHNO PLY LTD.**

**CARLOS H. CASCOS, C.P.A CARLOS H. CASCOS, C.P.A**



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**The Affidavit is as follows:**

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The Contract is as follows:**

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**The Agreement is as follows:**

**[REDACTED]**

(1) **CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION OF UPDATE AND DISCUSSION ON THE WEST RAIL RELOCATION PROJECT**

(2) **CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION OF UPDATE AND DISCUSSION ON THE NORTH CAMERON RAIL RELOCATION PLAN**

Mr. John Hudson, Traffic Engineer, reported that the Feasibility Studies for North Cameron Rail Relocation Plan and West Rail Relocation Project were complete. He stated that Mr. Connie de la Garza, Mayor of the City of Harlingen, was taking the lead in obtaining federal funding for the North Cameron Rail Relocation Plan that bypasses the Cities of Harlingen and San Benito, adding that they had requested \$1 million funding for the Environmental Assessment and eighty percent (80%) for the project.

At this time, Judge Hinojosa informed that the item relating to Unidos Podemos would be tabled since Mr. Mark Yates, County Auditor, who was the contact person, was not available to address the Court.

Mr. Hudson stated that Cameron County had presented the Cities of Harlingen and San Benito with Interlocal Agreements for joint participation in the North Cameron Rail Relocation Plan. He stated that the West Rail Relocation Project included an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Matamoros, Tamaulipas, and that coordination with Mexico had been excellent, adding that Mr. Arturo de las Fuentes, Gobierno Oriente, had taken the lead in Mexico. Mr. Hudson stated that Mexico had elected Grupo BM as a consultant to undertake the Technical and Environmental Studies, and that on April 23, 2002, a joint presentation of the Brownsville/Matamoros West Rail Relocation Project was presented to the Binational Commission in Matamoros, adding that the Commission included Judge Hinojosa and Mr. Hudson for the U.S. portion, and Mr. Mario Zolezzi, Mayor of the City of Matamoros, had presented the support on behalf of the City of Matamoros, Mr. Arturo de las Fuentes presented the support on behalf of the State of Tamaulipas, and Mr. Eduardo Varus, Engineer, presented the consultant scope of the work for Mexico. He stated that the County was now in the process of selecting the Engineering Firm to begin the Environmental Assessment, which would define the corridors and the alternatives in approximately nine (9) months to be completed.

Commissioner Garza questioned who would take the lead in selecting an Engineering Firm.

Mr. Hudson responded that the County would select an Engineering Firm and would serve as the project sponsor on all the administrative functions of the West Rail Relocation Project.

Mrs. Silvia Suarez, San Pedro resident, stated that a book provided by Judge Hinojosa indicated that the West Rail would be relocated within San Pedro and all the good reasons to move the rail outside of the City, yet all the problems would be given to San Pedro. She expressed concerns for their community and in being kept informed, and

stated that the project had been discussed with Mexico and not discussed with the residents of San Pedro. Ms. Suarez noted that the residents of San Pedro did not want the railroad within their community.

Ms. Rebecca Gomez, resident of Commissioner Precinct No. 2, stated that no Environmental Assessment could guarantee that a toxic spill would not occur, and that the current White House Administration was attempting to allow transportation of nuclear waste material by railway; therefore, the County should consider the potential risk for the Rio Grande Valley in the event of a catastrophic toxic spill. She stated that she was aware of the need to relocate the railroad and questioned what justice would be served by removing the railroad from Brownsville and placing it in San Pedro, adding that not only the river and farming land would be at risk with the relocation of the railroad but the health of the community as well. Ms. Gomez noted that whoever was heading the project should not have more power than the Court who represented the tax payers. She stated that there was a big problem already with the maquiladoras dumping toxic waste into the river, and requested that the Court reconsider the options available to insure that all avenues were addressed, noting that in the event the railroad was forced in San Pedro the individuals who authorized knowingly and intentionally the threat to a populated community would be held accountable.

Mr. Hudson stated that in order to determine where the railroad would be located a concept location was outlined from point "A", the switch yard across the expressway in Olmito, to point "B", somewhere along the river, noting that the route would be determined by the Environmental Assessment. He stated that the coordination with Mexico was required, otherwise the relocation of the railroad could not take place, and emphasized that the corridor had not been determined. He added that the route would be determined by the cost, the funding, time constraints and the barriers. Mr. Hudson stated that alternative routes would be presented during a Public Meeting from which public comments would be documented and presented to the U. S. Department of State for evaluation and that if they agreed, a Presidential Permit would be issued for the West Rail Relocation Project since it was an International Project.

Ms. Rosie Vera, San Pedro resident, questioned why a proposed plan was presented to Mexico prior to conducting the Environmental Assessments.

Judge Hinojosa stated that Mr. Hudson was stating that the railroads were needed for commerce in the community and that it was difficult to determine the route due to the growth in the County. He stated that the Court had approved of the need to relocate the railroad and that no route had been approved. Judge Hinojosa stated that by law some areas could not be invaded, that as a matter of Social Policy some areas were being avoided, and that areas that minimized crossings between the railroad and roads were being considered. He stated that Mr. Hudson had only conducted the Feasibility Study which determines whether the relocation could take place, and that by Law the Court could not approve the route without the Environmental Assessment. Judge Hinojosa explained that it was required that



the Court approve of the route, that it be presented to the public and that ultimately approval of the U.S. Department of State was needed in order to proceed.

Ms. Vera requested to be informed of Agenda Items that related to the community of San Pedro.

Judge Hinojosa stated that the West rail Relocation Project was placed on the Commissioners' Court Agenda about thirteen (13) times and had been reported by the press numerous times, adding that the community had to be involved in a Public Hearing..

**COMMISSIONER BENAVIDES LEFT THE MEETING AT THIS TIME.**

Commissioner Garza noted the need to discuss projects as a whole regardless of opinion to better inform the public, and that the public be aware of the difference and impact that could result to the final outcome by expressing themselves.

Mr. Andres Vera, San Pedro resident, stated that the people were concerned with the information presented to Mexico and noted the need to notify the public.

Mr. Pete G. Cavazos, San Pedro resident, stated that if the railroad was relocated in San Pedro there would be problems with illegal aliens. He stated that the District Director of Immigration of El Paso had sued the railroad for allowing illegal aliens to board the train on the Mexican side and would jump off in the City of El Paso, adding that the District Director of Immigration had prevailed.

Mrs. JuaNita Brodecky, Rio Hondo resident, thanked the residents of San Pedro for voicing their concerns and stated that she hoped that the Court would consider the concerns because they needed to listen to those who voted them into Office.

Upon motion by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Valdez and carried unanimously, the Status Report by Mr. John Hudson, Traffic Engineer, regarding the West Rail Relocation Project and the North Cameron Rail Relocation Plan was acknowledged.

At this time, Mr. John Wood, former City of Brownsville Commissioner, stated that the public wanted to do what was right by working with the County and the Engineering Firm selected to conduct the Environmental Assessment, and that it was good that the public voiced their concerns early in the process. He informed that the community of San Pedro would be holding a meeting Friday, May 10, 2002 at 7:00 P.M. in the Parish Hall.

Ms. Gomez noted that she believed that the Court would make the right decision.

**The Report is as follows:**



**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**(30) EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- a) Evaluation of Veterans Service Officer; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.) Government Code, Section 551.074;
- b) Confer with Commissioners' Court Legal Counsel concerning the case styled Maria Longoria and Maria Idalia Gutierrez, individually and on behalf of the Estate of Juan Longoria, deceased versus Cameron County, Texas, the City of Brownsville, Texas, and John Does 1-10, et al., Civil Action No. B-01-062 in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas Brownsville Division, for Discussion; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071(1)(A);
- c) Deliberation regarding Real Property concerning the possible purchase of United States Post Office; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.072;
- d) Deliberation regarding Real Property concerning Cameron County Trustee Property; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.072;
- e) Deliberation regarding Real Property concerning the possible Lease of Office Space at 700 Levee Street with Pesa, Inc.; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.072;
- f) Deliberation regarding Real Property concerning the possible Lease Agreement between Mr. George Samano and Cameron County; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071(1)(A)(2)&551.072;and
- g) Deliberation regarding Real Property concerning the possible Lease of Office Space for the Unidos Podemos Program or other County Departments; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.072.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION SUPPLEMENTAL ITEM:**

- a) Deliberation regarding Real Property concerning the possible termination Lease of Concessionaire Oasis II, at Isla Blanca Park; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.072.



**(29) ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

- b) Confer with Commissioners' Court Legal Counsel concerning the case styled Maria Longoria and Maria Idalia Gutierrez, individually and on behalf of the estate of Juan Longoria, deceased versus Cameron County, Texas the City of Brownsville, Texas and John Does 1-10, et al., Civil Action No. B-01-062 in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas Brownsville Division.**

Commissioner Garza moved that Dr. Robert Bucks be hired concerning the case styled Maria Longoria and Maria Idalia Gutierrez, individually and on behalf of the Estate of Juan Longoria, deceased versus Cameron County, Texas, the City of Brownsville, Texas, and John Does 1-10, et al., Civil Action No. B-01-062 in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas Brownsville Division.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Valdez and carried unanimously.



- [REDACTED]**
- a) **In the matter of evaluation of Veterans Service Officer. (TABLED)**
  - c) **In the matter of deliberation regarding Real Property concerning the possible purchase of United States Post Office. (TABLED)**
  - d) **In the matter of deliberation regarding Real Property concerning Cameron County Trustee Property. (TABLED)**
  - e) **In the matter of deliberation regarding Real Property concerning the possible Lease of Office Space at 700 Levee Street with Peña, Inc. (TABLED)**
  - f) **In the matter of deliberation regarding Real Property concerning the possible Lease Agreement between Mr. George Samano and Cameron County. (TABLED)**
  - g) **In the matter of deliberation regarding Real Property concerning the possible Lease of Office Space for the Unidos Podemos Program or other County Departments. (TABLED)**

**EXECUTIVE SUPPLEMENTAL ITEM**

- a) **In the matter of deliberation regarding Real Property concerning the possible termination Lease of Concessionaire Oasis II, at Isla Blanca Park. (TABLED)**
- (3) **IN THE MATTER REGARDING THE STATUS REPORT, FROM THE CAMERON COUNTY PARKS SYSTEM ON PROJECTS IN THE PARKS AND/OR GRANT APPLICATION THAT HAVE BEEN FILED WITHIN THE PARKS SYSTEM (TABLED)**
- (4) **IN THE MATTER REGARDING THE PRESENTATION BY THE COUNTY ENGINEER REGARDING TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FUNDING OF COLONIA ACCESS GRANTS (TABLED)**

Upon motion by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Valdez and carried unanimously, these Items were **TABLED**.

**[REDACTED]**

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There being no further business to come before the Court, upon motion by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Valdez and carried unanimously, the meeting was **ADJOURNED** at 6:40 P.M.

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**APPROVED** this 4<sup>th</sup> day of **June 2002**.

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**GILBERTO HINOJOSA  
COUNTY JUDGE**

**ATTEST:**

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