



Cameron County, Texas
Commissioner's Court
Cameron County Courthouse, 4th Floor
964 E. Harrison St.
Brownsville, Texas 78520
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REGULAR MEETING

The Cameron County Commissioners' Court will meet for a *Regular Meeting* on Tuesday, July 29, 2003, at 9:30 a.m. in the Cameron County Commissioners' Courtroom on the 4th Floor Administrative Building, 964 E. Harrison Street, Brownsville, TX 78520.

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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTICE

CAMERON COUNTY

REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT

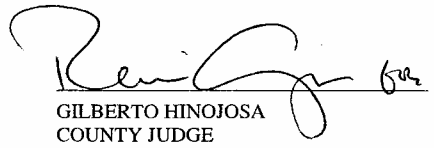
TUESDAY, THE 29th DAY OF JULY 2003 AT 9:30 A.M.

PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.041, VTCS, AS AMENDED, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS, WILL BE HELD IN THE COMMISSIONERS' COURTROOM AT THE COURTHOUSE, 964 E. HARRISON STREET, FOURTH FLOOR, BROWNSVILLE, TEXAS.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION:

1. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE FOR THE LA FERIA INDOOR RECREATION CENTER PROJECT FOR SUBMISSION TO THE TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT.

SIGNED THIS 25TH DAY OF JULY 2003.


GILBERTO HINOJOSA
COUNTY JUDGE



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PRESENTATION:

1. PRESENTATION AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE ANALYSIS TO RELOCATE THE HARLINGEN SWITCHYARD.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION:

2. BUDGET AMENDMENTS AND/OR SALARY SCHEDULES.
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR:
 - A. JUNE 17, 2003-REGULAR MEETING
 - B. JUNE 30, 2003-SPECIAL MEETING
 - C. JULY 8, 2003-REGULAR MEETING
4. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO PUBLISH PUBLIC NOTICES AS REQUIRED WITHIN THE TIME REQUIREMENTS AND FORMAT AS STATED IN THE PROPERTY TAX CODE FOR THE SETTING OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2004 TAX RATE. (XV-BUDGET OFFICER)
5. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING PLAN OF REFINANCING OF THE COUNTY'S GENERAL LONG-TERM DEBT AND THE ADDITION OF FUNDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A COUNTY ANNEX BUILDING IN PORT ISABEL, A BUILDING TO HOUSE CAMERON WORKS, INC., ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE HEALTH BUILDING AND THE POSSIBLE INCLUSION OF TRUCK LANE IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE SYSTEM. (COMM. COURT)

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6. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO SEEK BOND COUNSEL FOR THE PROPOSED LONG-TERM DEBT REFINANCING AND ADDITIONAL PROJECTS. (COMM. COURT)
7. CONSIDERATION AND APPOINTMENT OF ELECTION JUDGES AND ALTERNATES FOR THE 2003-2004 TERM AS PER THE TEXAS ELECTION CODE: CHAPTER 32. ELECTION JUDGES AND CLERKS, SUBCHAPTER A. APPOINTMENT OF ELECTION JUDGES, SECTIONS 32.001 AND 32.002. (RO-ELECTIONS)
8. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PD&M DEPARTMENT TO APPLY FOR A 2003 LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT BLOCK GRANT FROM THE BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE AND SELECTION OF A DISPARATE ALLOCATION APPLICATION OPTION. (FB-PD&M)
9. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE A PC-BASED PBX PHONE SYSTEM FOR THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM FROM DEPENDABLE OFFICE SOLUTIONS. (YS-HEALTH)
10. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL FOR THE SEA RANCH MARINA CONCESSIONAIRE TO CONSTRUCT AN INFORMATION BUILDING. (JM-PARKS)
11. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING CAMERON COUNTY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE ASSOCIATION OF RURAL COMMUNITIES IN TEXAS. (COMM. COURT)
12. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE EMPLOYEE GROUP HEALTH BENEFITS PROPOSALS. (INSURANCE COMMITTEE)
13. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE FOR THE LA FERIA OUTDOOR RECREATION PARK PROJECT FOR SUBMISSION TO THE TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT. (ET- COMM. PCT. 4)
14. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THREE (3) SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENTS AND STATEMENTS OF WORK BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND THE TEXAS ENGINEERING EXTENSION (TEEX) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,572,060 FROM THE STATE HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM. (GS-COUNTY JUDGE)
 - A. SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT NO. 2002-48061 – 7/1/03 TO 7/31/04 - \$186,337
 - B. SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT NO. 2003-48061 – 7/1/03 TO 3/31/05 - \$813,663
 - C. SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT NO. 2003II-48061 – 7/1/03 TO 4/30/05 - \$572,060

CONSENT ITEMS:

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

15. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS.
16. CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF AN AMENDED RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF THE CONTINUATION APPLICATION FOR THE JUVENILE ACCOUNTABILITY INCENTIVE BLOCK GRANT TO THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION. (TMJ-JUVENILE PROBATION)

17. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PARK SYSTEM TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SPONSORSHIP OF THE VALLEY PROUD ENVIRONMENT COUNCIL FISCAL YEAR '03-'04 "ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS CAMPAIGN." (JM-PARKS)
18. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF LEASE WITH LA FERIA CHRISTIAN CENTER FOR A FAMILY LEARNING CENTER IN PCT. 4. (DJV-LEGAL)
19. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE INITIATION OF A MANAGEMENT REVIEW BY THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT BROWNSVILLE FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT. (COMM. COURT)
20. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR CAMERON COUNTY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE NATIONAL CENTER ON ADDICTION AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE AT COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY'S FAMILY DAY. (COMM. COURT)
21. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 TO COUNTY'S CONTRACT WITH J. CLOSNER AND SONS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF WATER LINES FOR COLONIA LA TORRE (TCDP CONTRACT NOS. 720205 AND 721101). (FB-PD&M)
22. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN THE FOLLOWING BIDS/RFP'S FOR: (MF-PURCHASING)
 - A. DEMOLITION, REMOVAL & CLEANING OF CAMERON COUNTY OWNED SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURES & ALL JACKSON STREET IMPROVEMENTS-BROWNSVILLE, TX-BID #030601.
23. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD LASER PRINTING OF TAX STATEMENTS-ANNUAL BID #1640 TO EZ ACCESS. (MF-PURCHASING)
24. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO RENEW THE FOLLOWING BIDS FOR ONE (1) ADDITIONAL YEAR:
 - A. TELEVISION BROADCASTING OF COMMISSIONERS COURT MEETINGS-ANNUAL RFP #1830.
 - B. FUEL-ANNUAL BID #2280-1
 - C. MEDICAL WASTE DISPOSAL-HEALTH DEPTS. -ANNUAL BID #1965.
25. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR PRELIMINARY APPROVAL FOR:
 - A. PRECINCT NO. 4- MATTHEW BAILEY SUBDIVISION, BEING A SUBDIVISION OF THE EAST 10 ACRES OF BLOCK 197, ADAMS GARDEN SUBDIVISION "C". CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS.
26. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR FINAL APPROVAL FOR:
 - A. PRECINCT NO. 4- LA CANADA/THE DELL SUBDIVISION OF A 20.232 ACRE TRACT OF LAND, MORE OR LESS, OUT OF BLOCK SIXTY-SEVEN (67), ADAMS GARDENS SUBDIVISION B, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS.

TRAVEL ITEMS:


27. CONSIDERATIONS AND AUTHORIZATION TO TRAVEL/OR APPROVAL OF TRAVEL EXPENSE FOR THE FOLLOWING (PLEASE NOTE: TRAVEL REQUESTS ARE SUBJECT TO ALL APPLICABLE COUNTY POLICIES):
- A. ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY, TO TRAVEL TO GALVESTON, TX, ON 8/17-22/03, TO ATTEND THE TNOA 2003 ANNUAL TRAINING CONFERENCE.
 - B. ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY, TO TRAVEL TO HOUSTON, TX, ON 8/15/03, TO ATTEND THE 2003 LEGISLATIVE UPDATES.
 - C. DISTRICT ATTORNEY INVESTIGATOR, TO TRAVEL TO PHOENIX, ARIZONA, ON 8/25-29/03, TO ATTEND THE 13TH ANNUAL MOTOR VEHICLE CRIMINAL INTERDICTION, INTELLIGENCE NETWORKING, AND TRAINING CONFERENCE.
 - D. EXTENSION OFFICE EMPLOYEE, TO TRAVEL TO KINGSVILLE, TX, ON 7/18/03, TO ATTEND THE NEW EXTENSION AGENT TRAINING CONFERENCE AND ORIENTATION SESSION.
 - E. EXTENSION OFFICER, TO TRAVEL TO SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TX, ON 7/18-19/03, TO HOST THE CAMERON COUNTY 4-H FISHING TOURNAMENT.
 - F. JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PRECINCT 2, PLACE 2, PRECINCT 7, PLACE 2, PRECINCT 4, PRECINCT 7, PLACE 1, PRECINCT 5, PLACE 2, TO TRAVEL TO CORPUS CHRISTI, TX, ON 8/7/03, TO ATTEND THE JUSTICE COURT 78TH LEGISLATIVE UPDATE SEMINAR.
 - G. COUNTY COURT NO. 2 EMPLOYEES (2), TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TX, ON 9/29-10/3/03, TO ATTEND THE 27TH ANNUAL TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF COURT ADMINISTRATORS EDUCATION CONFERENCE.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

28. EXECUTIVE SESSION:
- A. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY CONCERNING THE POSSIBLE LEASE OF CAMERON COUNTY OWNED PROPERTY IN THE ISLA BLANCA COUNTY PARK, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.
 - B. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY CONCERNING THE POSSIBLE PURCHASE OF LAND AT BOCA CHICA BEACH, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.
 - C. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY CONCERNING: THE POSSIBLE SALE OF CAMERON COUNTY TRUSTEE PROPERTY KNOWN AS: SURVEY-MIDWAY RESUBDIVISION LOT 10, BLOCK 1, 98-0160-0010-0100-00, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.
 - D. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY CONCERNING: THE POSSIBLE SALE OF CAMERON COUNTY TRUSTEE PROPERTY KNOWN AS: HARLINGEN-WALLACE HOMELAWN LOT 13, BLOCK 5, 25-2560-0050-0130-00, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.

- E. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY CONCERNING: THE POSSIBLE SALE OF CAMERON COUNTY TRUSTEE PROPERTY KNOWN AS: HARLINGEN-NICHOLSON PLACE 4, LOT 5, BLOCK 4, 21-2280-0040-0050-00, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.
 - F. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY CONCERNING: THE POSSIBLE SALE OF CAMERON COUNTY TRUSTEE PROPERTY KNOWN AS: BROWNSVILLE-COLONIA ACACIA LOT 26, BLOCK 5, 02-2170-0050-0260-00, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.
 - G. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY CONCERNING: THE POSSIBLE DONATION OF A PROPERTY KNOWN AS: LEGAL DESCRIPTION: HOLLY BEACH-SHORELINE LOT 5, BLOCK 1, ACCOUNT NO. 27-8000-0090-0050-00, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.
 - H. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY CONCERNING SYNERGY EXPLORATION, LLC TO CONDUCT 3-D GEOPHYSICAL SURVEY ACROSS PROPERTY OWNED BY CAMERON COUNTY IN HIDALGO, COUNTY TEXAS, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.
29. ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:
- A. POSSIBLE ACTION.
 - B. POSSIBLE ACTION.
 - C. POSSIBLE ACTION.
 - D. POSSIBLE ACTION.
 - E. POSSIBLE ACTION.
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 - G. POSSIBLE ACTION.
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SIGNED THIS 25TH DAY OF JULY 2003.


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