



**Cameron County, Texas
Commissioner's Court
Cameron County Courthouse, 4th Floor
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REGULAR MEETING

*The Cameron County Commissioners' Court will meet for a Regular Public Meeting on
Tuesday, August 5, 2003, at 9:30 a.m. in the Courtroom on the 4th Floor.*

**Gilberto Hinojosa
County Judge
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COMMISSIONERS COURT REGULAR MEETING

TUESDAY, THE 5th DAY OF AUGUST 2003 AT 9:30 A.M.

AGENDA

PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.041, VTCS, AS AMENDED, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A **REGULAR PUBLIC 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.

PRESENTATION:

1. DISCUSSION REGARDING WIDENING, RIGHT OF WAY ACQUISITION AND INCLUDING UNDER GROUND DRAINAGE FOR VERMILLION RD. (JB-ENGINEERING)

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION:

2. BUDGET AMENDMENTS AND/OR SALARY SCHEDULES.
3. CONSIDERATION, DISCUSSION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON PROPOSED COMPUTER USE-ELECTRONIC ACCESS POLICIES AND PROCEDURES. (GS-COUNTY JUDGE)
4. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL FOR CAMERON COUNTY TO DO ROAD MAINTENANCE ON NON-COUNTY ROAD LOCATED IN THE GREEN VALLEY FARMS SUBDIVISION NAMED LITTLE AMERICA LANE. (DG-COMM. PCT. 3)
5. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL FOR CAMERON COUNTY TO DO ROAD MAINTENANCE ON NON-COUNTY ROAD LOCATED OFF OF FM 1847, APPROXIMATELY ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY FEET NORTH OF CACTUS ROAD IN PRECINCT THREE. (DG- COMM. PCT. 3)
6. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO NEGOTIATE A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR BOND COUNSEL SERVICES WITH MR. PAUL MARTIN. (COMM. COURT)

7. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF CONTRACT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND DI STEFANO/SANTOPETRO ARCHITECTS, INC. FOR THE ENGINEERING AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT BUILDINGS AND THE INTERIOR DESIGN OF THE RECORDS WAREHOUSE. (JB-ENGINEERING)
8. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON BUDGET AMENDMENT TO CHANGE STATUS OF PART-TIME EMPLOYEE TO FULL-TIME EMPLOYEE. (MB-CONSTABLE PCT. 6)
9. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN THE COUNTY BOAT RAMP TO THE PUBLIC LOCATED AT THE SEA RANCH MARINA, SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS. (JM-PARK SYSTEM)
10. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ALLOW BRADY'S DUTY FREE TO ADD PARKING SPACES AT THE COUNTY FACILITY AT THE FREE TRADE BRIDGE. (PS-BRIDGE SYSTEM)
11. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION AMENDING ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND GIGNAC ASSOCIATES FOR THE DESIGN OF THE COUNTY ANNEX IN HARLINGEN. (GH-COUNTY JUDGE)
12. CONSIDERATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE TEXAS AUTOMOBILE THEFT PREVENTION AUTHORITY GRANT FOR THE CAMERON COUNTY AUTOMOBILE CRIMES ENFORCEMENT TASK FORCE FOR THE FIFTH YEAR. (TY-TAX ASSESSOR)
13. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE EARLY VOTING AND ELECTION DAY POLLING PLACED FOR THE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ELECTION OF SEPTEMBER 13, 2003, AN ORDER BY THE GOVERNOR RECEIVED BY THE ELECTIONS DEPARTMENT ON JULY 29TH, 2003. THIS ELECTIONS IS TO "ADOPT OR REJECT THE PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS AS SUBMITTED BY THE 78TH LEGISLATURE, REGULAR SESSION, OF THE STATE OF TEXAS". (RO-ELECTIONS)
14. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE PUBLISHING OF ELECTED OFFICIALS' COMPENSATION. (XV-BUDGET OFFICER)
15. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE EMPLOYEE GROUP HEALTH BENEFITS PROPOSALS. (INSURANCE COMMITTEE)

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.

16. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS.
17. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION ON BID AWARD FOR DEMOLITION OF EAST JACKSON STREET PROPERTY, PURSUANT TO PROPOSED PARKING PLAN FOR THE DANCY BUILDING, AND AUTHORIZED FOR PD&M AND PROPERTY MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENTS TO NEGOTIATE CONTRACT. (FB-PD&M)
18. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF DEPARTMENT NAME CHANGE: FROM CAMERON COUNTY PERSONNEL/SAFETY RISK TO CAMERON COUNTY HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT (SAFETY RISK MANAGEMENT). (MRV-PERSONNEL)

19. CONSIDERATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT AWARD FROM THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION FOR DETENTION INTAKE SPECIALIST, JB-02-J20-13320-05. (RG-COUNTY JUDGE)
20. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF INVOICE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,430.00 PURCHASE WITHOUT A PURCHASE ORDER FOR EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS DURING TROPICAL STORM CLAUDETTE. (GS-COUNTY JUDGE)
21. CONSIDERATION AND APPOINTMENT OF LT. TOM HUSHEN, HARLINGEN POLICE DEPARTMENT TO THE EMERGENCY SERVICE DISTRICT. (GH-COUNTY JUDGE)
22. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF CONTRACT WITH LEGAL SERVICES WITH STEVEN GONZALEZ TO PROVIDE LEGAL REPRESENTATION FOR PATIENTS IN MENTAL COMMITMENT HEARINGS. (DJV-LEGAL)
23. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF CONTRACT BETWEEN PATRICIA G. LOPEZ, R.D., L.D. AND CAMERON COUNTY TO PROVIDE JAIL DIETITIAN SERVICES. (YS-HEALTH)
24. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF CONTRACT BETWEEN JAMES A. FREEBERG, ED.D., P.C. AND CAMERON COUNTY TO PROVIDE INFIRMARY PHYSICIAN SERVICES. (YS-HEALTH)
25. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF CONTRACT BETWEEN ANANT UTTURKAR, M.D. AND CAMERON COUNTY TO PROVIDE RADIOLOGICAL DIAGNOSTIC SERVICES. (YS-HEALTH)
26. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF CONTRACT BETWEEN PAUL ALBERT LENZ, B.SC, M.SC., M.D. AND CAMERON COUNTY TO PROVIDE INFIRMARY PHYSICIAN SERVICES. (YS-HEALTH)
27. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF CONTRACT BETWEEN ERNESTO S. DAVILA, D.D.S. AND CAMERON COUNTY TO PROVIDE INFIRMARY DENTAL SERVICES. (YS-HEALTH)
28. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF JOSE ANGEL CISNEROS RESERVE DEPUTY CONSTABLES FOR PCT #3 IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE FINDING THAT IT IS NECESSARY TO APPOINT THE DEPUTY IN ORDER TO PROPERLY HANDLE THE BUSINESS OF THE CONSTABLE'S OFFICE THAT ORIGINATES IN THE CONSTABLE'S PRECINCT AND THAT THE APPOINTMENT IS VALID ONLY THROUGH THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR IN WHICH THE APPOINTMENT IS MADE OR THE CURRENT TERM OF THE ELECTED CONSTABLE WHICH EVER ENDS SOONER. (MRV-PERSONNEL)
29. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR PRELIMINARY APPROVAL FOR: (JB-ENGINEERING)
 - A. PRECINCT 4- HERNANDEZ & GONZALEZ SUBDIVISION, BEING A 10.000 ACRE TRACT OF LAND, BEING THE NORTH 10.000 ACRES OF BLOCK 87, HOOKS & HODGES SUBDIVISION NO. 1, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS.

TRAVEL ITEMS:

30. 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 COUNTY AND DISTRICT ATTORNEYS (4), TO TRAVEL TO EDINBURG, TX, ON 9/4/03, TO ATTEND THE 2003 LEGISLATIVE UPDATES.
 - B. ASSISTANT COUNTY AND DISTRICT ATTORNEY, TO TRAVEL TO COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA, ON 8/25-29/03, TO ATTEND THE TRIAL ADVOCACY I.
 - C. EXTENSION OFFICE EMPLOYEE, TO TRAVEL TO ROSENBERG, TX, ON 7/21-22/03, TO ATTEND THE NEW EXTENSION AGENT TRAINING CONFERENCE AND ORIENTATION.
 - D. COUNTY EXTENSION AGENTS (4), TO TRAVEL TO SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TX, ON 8/5-8/03, TO HOST AND PARTICIPATE IN THE TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF EXTENSION 4-H AGENTS 2003 ANNUAL CONFERENCE.
 - E. COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 2, TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TX, ON 8/12-15/03, TO ATTEND TAC 2003 POST LEGISLATURE CONFERENCE AND ATTEND URBAN COUNTIES POST LEGISLATIVE WORKSHOP.
 - F. PERSONNEL/SAFETY RISK DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES (2), TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TX, ON 8/18-22/03, TO ATTEND THE TEXAS WORKER'S COMPENSATION EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE.
 - G. JUVENILE PROBATION EMPLOYEES (2), TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TX, ON 8/12-14/03, TO ATTEND "HANDLE WITH CARE".
 - H. PARKS DIRECTOR AND DEPUTY DIRECTOR, TO TRAVEL TO CARRIZO, TX, ON 8/6-7/03, TO ATTEND A FREE GRANT WRITING WORKSHOP GIVEN BY THE TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT.
 - I. CONSTABLE PCT. 6 DEPUTIES, TO TRAVEL TO CORPUS CHRISTI, TX, ON 8/7/03, TO ATTEND LEGISLATIVE UPDATE.
 - J. P D & M EMPLOYEE, TO TRAVEL TO MCALLEN, TX, ON 7/31/03, TO ATTEND THE RIO GRANDE VALLEY EMPOWERMENT ZONE CORPORATION REGULAR MEETING OF THE REGIONAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
 - K. JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PRECINCT 5, PLACE 2, TO TRAVEL TO CORPUS CHRISTI, TX, ON 8/6/03, TO ATTEND THE 78 LEGISLATIVE SESSION UPDATE SEMINARS.
 - L. JUVENILE PROBATION EMPLOYEES (2), TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TX, ON 8/27-28/03, TO ATTEND THE "DATA COORDINATORS' WORKSHOP".

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

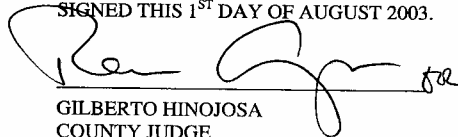
31. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- A. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING THE BOAT RAMP AT THE SEA RANCH MARINA ON SOUTH PADRE ISLAND 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 MEETING ACT, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENTAL CODE, SECTION 551.071 (2).
- B. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING TOWING SERVICES AND VEHICLE STORAGE, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENTAL CODE, SECTION 551.071 (1).
- C. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING THE PUBLIC ACCESS TO TRACT 1 OF THE SEA RANCH MARINA CONCESSION AT SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS, 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 V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071(2).
- D. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY CONCERNING THE PURCHASE OR LEASE OF PROPERTY PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.
- E. TO DELIBERATE THE EVALUATION OF THE COMPUTER CENTER DIRECTOR PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.074 (A).
- F. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING POSSIBLE RETENTION OF OUTSIDE COUNSEL FOR PURPOSES ON LETTERS OF CREDIT AS IT RELATES TO THE DEPOSITORY CONTRACT 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 V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (2).

32. ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- A. POSSIBLE ACTION.
- B. POSSIBLE ACTION.
- C. POSSIBLE ACTION.
- D. POSSIBLE ACTION.
- E. POSSIBLE ACTION.
- F. POSSIBLE ACTION.

SIGNED THIS 1ST DAY OF AUGUST 2003.


GILBERTO HINOJOSA
COUNTY JUDGE