

THE STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF CAMERON §

BE IT REMEMBERED on the 21st day of OCTOBER 2003, 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

JOHN WOOD
COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO. 2

DAVID A. GARZA
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 3

EDNA TAMAYO
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 4

JOE G. RIVERA
COUNTY CLERK

Mary Robles Deputy Clerk

ABSENT:

The meeting was called to order by Judge Pro-tem Pedro "Pete" Benavides at 9:35 A.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 October 17, 2003, at 3:41 P.M.:

(21) **AUTHORIZATION TO AMEND SCOPE OF WORK FOR TURNER-YOST ROAD TO INCLUDE ENVIRONMENTAL, SCHEMATIC, AND RIGHT-OF-WAY MAPPING**

Mr. Juan Bernal, County Engineer/Public Works Director, requested authorization to amend the scope of work for Turner-Yost Road to include Environmental, Schematic, and Right-of-Way Mapping and to fund the work from Project Road Map, in the amount of \$124,000.00.

Commissioner Garza moved that the scope of work for Turner-Yost Road be amended to include Environmental, Schematic, and Right-of-Way Mapping.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Tamayo and carried unanimously.

NOTE: JUDGE HINOJOSA JOINED THE MEETING AT THIS TIME.

At this time, Mr. Tom Hushen was introduced as Emergency Response Coordinator.

Judge Hinojosa commented that the job being undertaken by Mr. Hushen changed after September 11, 2001, and noted the need to coordinate with all entities in order to respond properly to terrorist and/or other type of emergency situations. He added that Mr. Hushen would encounter situations where he must exercise very good judgment.

Commissioner Garza questioned if burning permits would be issued by Mr. Hushen.

Commissioner Wood noted that the said authority would need to be reinstated.

Judge Hinojosa responded that the matter must be reviewed and training must be obtained.

Mr. Hushen responded negatively.

Mr. Remi Garza, County Administrative Assistant, stated that available training would be reviewed on the Department of Emergency's website. He informed that Mr. Hushen has undertaken most training available locally and has attended the Weapon of Mass Destruction training. Mr. Garza added that all burning permit applicants must be referred to TCEQ. He stated that Mr. Hushen suggested that Interlocal Agreements be entered into with local Fire Departments to provide such services.

Judge Hinojosa suggested that Mr. Hushen get familiarized with physical structures and County facilities, and that he meet with Department Heads to know their duties during an emergency.

The Agreement is as follows:

EXECUTIVE SESSION

(26) EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Upon motion by Commissioner Tamayo, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the Court met in Executive Session at 9:50 A.M., to discuss the following matters:

- (a) Deliberation regarding Real Property concerning Brady's Duty Free at the Los Indios International Bridge; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.) Government Code, Section 551.072.
- (b) Deliberation regarding Real Property concerning the possible acquisition of land for the West Rail Project; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.) Government Code, Section 551.072.
- (c) Confer with Commissioners' Court Legal Counsel on personnel issues concerning the Public Works Department; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.) Government Code, Section 551.071(2) & 551.074(A)(1).
- (d) Confer with Commissioners' Court Legal Counsel on possible litigation concerning the parking lot in El Norte Subdivision; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.) Government Code, Section 551.071(1) (A).

Upon motion by Commissioner Tamayo, seconded by Commissioner Wood and carried unanimously, the Court reconvened in Regular Session at 11:07 P.M.

(27) ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

(a) Deliberation regarding Real Property concerning Brady's Duty Free at the Los Indios International Bridge.

Commissioner Tamayo moved that Mr. Joseph Ardito, Property Manager, be authorized to negotiate with Brady's Duty Free at the Los Indios International Bridge to increase the square footage of the facility from 400 to 840.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Wood and carried unanimously.

(b) Deliberation regarding Real Property concerning the possible acquisition of land for the West Rail Project.

Upon motion by Commissioner Tamayo, seconded by Commissioner Garza and carried unanimously, Mr. Pete Sepulveda, International Bridge System Director, was authorized to seek proposals for appraisal of a certain tract of land located along the route where the West Rail Project will be located.

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- (c) **Confer with Commissioners' Court Legal Counsel on personnel issues concerning the Public Works Department.**

Commissioner Benavides moved that discussion regarding the Public Works Department be acknowledged.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Tamayo and carried unanimously.

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- (d) **Confer with Commissioners' Court Legal Counsel on possible litigation concerning the parking lot in El Norte Subdivision.**

Upon motion by Commissioner Benavides, seconded by Commissioner Wood and carried unanimously, the Status Report by Mr. Doug Wright, Commissioners' Court Legal Counsel, concerning the possible litigation concerning the parking lot in El Norte Subdivision was acknowledged.

PRESENTATIONS

- (1) **IN THE MATTER REGARDING PRESENTATION BY THE COUNTY CLERK CONCERNING THE MONTHLY COLLECTIONS REPORT (TABLED)**

Upon motion by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Wood and carried unanimously, this Item was **TABLED**.

ACTION ITEMS

- (8) **CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO INSTRUCT ESTRADA HINOJOSA & CO., INC. TO PROCEED WITH PLAN OF FINANCE TO ISSUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION AND REFUNDING BONDS FOR THE COUNTY AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO**

Mr. Noe Hinojosa, Financial Advisor, explained that Estrada Hinojosa & Co., Inc., was asked to consider a list of projects to determine if financing them would impact the tax rate. He stated that Cameron County's debt scenario was modest in terms of outstanding debt being paid off through various revenues from the Park System, Bridge System, and the tax base. Mr. Hinojosa stated that the listed projects would be paid by property taxes and would not impact the tax base.

Judge Hinojosa asked if improvements to truck lanes at the Veterans International Bridge were included.

Mr. Hinojosa responded in the affirmative and assumed that improvements to the truck lanes would be supported by the International Bridge System. He explained that the financing being contemplated on Page No. 3, Column L, was not to exceed \$3,320,000.00 and that the first payment, in the amount of \$100,765.00, in 2004 would

be interest payment only because of the method being considered to achieve the objective and trying not to affect the tax base for 2005. He stated that even by including \$400,000.00 to the Bridge System would not add much capacity to how much the County may borrow without affecting the tax base.

Judge Hinojosa suggested that if the debt for the improvements went to the Veterans International Bridge that it be shared with the partner. He stated that the Court was striving to take care of needed projects without tax consequences. Judge Hinojosa asked if moving the \$500,000.00 to the Bridge System would allow that amount to be used towards other projects.

Mr. Hinojosa stated that “even if you include or if you exclude the \$400,000.00 and you will ascertain that being paid by the system, I am concerned on the side of not willing not being too aggressive and that if you add more money to it that you are really pressing on the credit side.”

Judge Hinojosa suggested that perhaps a portion of the \$500,000.00 be considered, and explained the problem to be that the Court prioritized the needed projects. He stated that the Cameron Works Project would generate revenue, and added that the \$250,000.00 to renovate of the Thomas Aguirre Building was not sufficient.

Mr. Hinojosa questioned the source of \$1.8 million.

Mr. Remi Garza, County Administrative Assistant, clarified that the \$1.8 was from the Bond Issue originally done to fund construction of new facilities for the Health and Engineering Departments.

Mr. Hinojosa requested explanation of the Cameron Works Project.

Judge Hinojosa explained that Cameron Works Program was currently renting a facility and that the County asked them if they would rent a facility upon being constructed, adding that they liked the idea.

Mr. Hinojosa asked if the entity was none profit.

Mr. Mark Yates, County Auditor, responded that Cameron Works Program was a Posi Governmental Agency.

Mr. Hinojosa expressed concern with borrowing in excess of 10% because it could be a problem with IRS. He asked if pro-rated invoices of the debt service would be sent to the International Bridge System annually.

Mr. Yates responded in the affirmative.

Judge Hinojosa suggested that \$250,000.00 of the \$500,000.00 be reassigned for renovations of the Thomas Aguirre Building.

Mr. Hinojosa responded that reassigning \$250,000.00 would not be a problem.

Commissioner Wood suggested that the Bond Covenants stipulate that the \$250,000.00 could be used to fund other County facilities and that the revenues obtained from the Cameron Works Project be allocated towards the debt service.

Mr. Hinojosa stated that Bridge System would pay its pro-rated share of the \$500,000.00 loan over 15/20 years on an annual basis, so then the first year's payment in 2004 would be about \$150,000.00, (\$50,000.00 to be paid by the Bridge System). He noted the need to determine the lease amount to be paid by the Cameron Works Inc., to determine how much of the \$680,000.00 would be paid by that revenue source.

Judge Hinojosa noted that Cameron Works Inc., was currently paying \$10,000.00 per month in rent.

Mr. Hinojosa asked if the Court intended to add a project to the list of projects.

Judge Hinojosa responded negatively and explained that the Court was requesting that the allocation for Project No. 12 be increased to \$500,000.00 and to allow language that would allow the County to spend unspent Bond Funds on other projects.

Mr. Hinojosa stated that the Bond Order would specify what the funds would be used for.

Judge Hinojosa suggested improvement to the Courthouse Parking Lot be added as Project No. 13, and explained that the Court wanted an opportunity to fund other project through Bond Funds.

Mr. Hinojosa questioned the dollar amount to be added.

Judge Hinojosa clarified that no dollar amount would be added and that he wanted to stay within the capacity without raising taxes.

Mr. Hinojosa stated that by taking into account what the Bridge System would do and the lease payment there would be some opportunities to add capacity. He stated that if the \$228,000.00 were increase to \$500,000.00 then another \$250,000.00 might be available as additional capacity. Mr. Hinojosa expressed concern with the first payment, in 2004/2005 fiscal year being only interest payment because rating agencies questioned why principals were deferred instead of payments being on equal on an annual basis.

Judge Hinojosa questioned the total amount that could be added without affecting the tax rate.

Mr. Hinojosa stated that an additional \$250,000.00 could be added safely without affecting the tax rate; totaling \$5.5 million.

Judge Hinojosa stated that \$500,000.00 would be added and the balance would go towards the Parking Lot.

Mr. Hinojosa stated that increasing the allocation to the Thomas Aguirre Building to \$500,000.00 would equal the different between \$5.5 million and \$5 million, totaling \$272,000.00 for the Courthouse Parking Lot.

Commissioner Garza noted the need to renovate the parking lot as soon as possible rather than waiting until the railroad track was removed.

Judge Hinojosa stated that the Port of Brownsville would start removing the railroad soon.

Commissioner Wood clarified that the Court's intent was to add \$228,000 to the Thomas Aguirre Building Project, that balances from other projects may be used into other publicly owned properties of the County, that the

expenses from the truck lane improvements be addressed by the Bridge System, and that the Cameron Works Project would not be built unless a lease was in place in order for the lease money to offset part of the debt.

Judge Hinojosa added that the balance would fund improvements to the Courthouse Parking Lot.

Commissioner Garza asked Mr. Hinojosa if he was indicating that this was safe to do.

Mr. Hinojosa responded in the affirmative, and clarified that the Bond Order to be prepared by the Bond Counsel, Mr. Paul Martin, would be the binding document and would permit shifting funds among projects. He explained that the Plan of Finance was being presented today, that the Bond Order would be adopted on November 18, 2003, and that Bonds would be sold on/or about December 16, 2003 with closing on January 23, 2003.

Judge Hinojosa asked if the County could start hiring Architects.

Mr. Hinojosa noted that Architects could be hired only after a Reimbursement Resolution was approved.

Mr. Yates noted that the County already had authority to address parking lot issues at the Courthouse through provision in previous Bond Issues.

Judge Hinojosa questioned if sufficient funding was available.

Mr. Yates stated that it depended on the needed amount.

Commissioner Garza moved that the Plan of Finance to issue Certificates of Obligation and Refunding Bonds for the County and other matters related thereto be approved, as revised.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Tamayo and carried unanimously.

The Plan is as follows:

**(9) CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF
RESOLUTION DECLARING INTENTION TO
REIMBURSE CERTAIN EXPENDITURES WITH
BORROWING PROCEEDS**

Upon motion by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the Resolution declaring intention to reimburse certain expenditures with borrowing proceeds was approved, inclusive of the revisions.

The Resolution is as follows:

(2) **BUDGET AMENDMENTS, LINE ITEM TRANSFERS
AND/OR SALARY SCHEDULES**

Commissioner Benavides moved that Budget Amendment No. 2004-02 Line Item Transfers, and/or Salary Schedules be approved.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garza and carried unanimously.

The documents are as follow:

(3) **CONSIDERATION AND ASSIGNMENT OF THE EVIDENCE ROOM LOCATED AT THE OLD SHERIFF'S BUILDING CURRENTLY BEING USED BY THE CAMERON COUNTY ELECTIONS DEPARTMENT TO THE CAMERON COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR COLLECTOR'S DEPARTMENT**

Upon motion by Commissioner Wood, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the assignment of the Evidence Room located at the Old Sheriff's Building currently being used by the Cameron County Elections Department to the Cameron County Tax Assessor Collector's Department was approved.

(4) **CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE CONTINUATION OF CARE AT THE CURRENT LEVEL IN ALL SERVICES NOW BEING PROVIDED BY THE RIO GRANDE STATE CENTER AND URGES THE STATE OF TEXAS TO ASSURE THE CONTINUED OPERATIONS THIS RESOURCE AS THE ONLY PUBLIC MENTAL HEALTH AND MENTAL RETARDATION IN PATIENT FACILITY IN THE RIO GRANDE VALLEY**

Commissioner Garza moved that the Resolution supporting the continuation of care at current level in all services now being provided by the Rio Grande State Center and urges the State of Texas to assure the continued operations this resource as the only Public Mental Health and Mental Retardation In-Patient Facility in the Rio Grande Valley be adopted.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garza and carried unanimously.

The Resolution is as follows:

(5) CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE SCHEMATIC DESIGN OF THE WEST RAIL PROJECT

Mr. Lamberto “Bobby” Balli, HNTB Corporation, informed that the revised design addressed concerns presented during the last Public Hearing and was the best alignment that benefits the County, cost, and constituents on both sides. He recommended approval of Alternative No. 1.

Upon motion by Commissioner Wood, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the Schematic Design of the West Rail Project was approved.

The Design is as follows:

(6) **CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION REGARDING THE U.S. VISIT PROGRAM**

Mr. Pete Sepulveda, International Bridge System Director, informed that the U.S. Visit Program pertains to an Entry/Exit System which Congress mandated that it be implemented in the 50 largest ports by December 2004. He reported that the U.S. Trade Alliance passed a Resolution regarding to the U.S. Visit Program, that Commissioner Garza and he attended a press conference held by the Border Trade Alliance in McAllen, that International Bank of Commerce (IBC) was organizing a meeting, and that on November 19, 2003, the City of McAllen and other border communities would present facts of the Program to the TML. Mr. Sepulveda noted the need to stay actively involved to know what transpires between now and December 2004. He added that conflict information was being heard as to whether or not the Entry/Exit System would be implemented by December 2004 or as to whether or not the time frame set by the Federal Government was realistic. Mr. Sepulveda stated that he would request that the Cities of Brownsville, Harlingen, and San Benito pass similar Resolution for the Border to unite to have a stronger voice in Washington, DC.

Commissioner Garza added that City of Port Isabel would be requested to do the same.

Commissioner Garza moved that the Resolution regarding the U.S. Visit Program be adopted.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Tamayo

Commissioner Garza noted the significant importance of what the Entry/Exit System would cause to occur to the Bridge System, Commerce, and Economy. He stated that all Borders should be treated equally and that our Border wants the same treatment being given to the Canadian Border.

Judge Hinojosa stated that the Entry/Exit System would have enormous economic and social consequences for border communities. He stated that going forward with the Entry/Exit System was very poor judgment on behalf of the Federal Government and would not help the relationship with Mexico.

Upon motion duly made by Commissioner Garza, that the Resolution regarding the U.S. Visit Program be adopted.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Tamayo and carried unanimously.

The Resolution is as follows:

(7) **CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO REJECT THE ONE BID AND RE-ADVERTISE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF BROWNE ROAD REGIONAL PARK-BID NO. 030801**

Judge Hinojosa informed that the Bid was opened and found to be very high; thus recommended that it be re-advertise.

Mr. Javier Mendez, Parks System Director, noted the need to modify the specifications for purposes of eliminating all addendums. He informed that the Bid would be advertised October 26, 2003 and November 2, 2003.

Judge Hinojosa asked if there was a need to approve the new Bid.

Mr. Remi Garza, County Administrative Assistant, suggested that the Court authorize the Parks System Director to re-bid with the existing specification merging in the addendums since both aspects were previously viewed by the Court.

Commissioner Tamayo asked if the specification were the same as provided to the Court.

Mr. Mendez responded in the affirmative and explained that the grating was excluded but must now be included since it could not be done by the Public Works Department. He clarified that the Bid would be advertised in the Brownville Herald versus Valley Morning Star, that several contractors were contacted, and that County Projects were listed in the AGC Office.

Judge Hinojosa suggested that the Bid be advertised in the Brownville Herald and Valley Morning Star.

Upon motion by Commissioner Benavides, seconded by Commissioner Garza and carried unanimously, the rejection of the one Bid and the re-advertisement for the development of Browne Road Regional Park-Bid No. 030801 were authorized, pursuant to Addendums being merged into the Bid.

(10) **CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A NEW POSITION AND THE RECLASSIFICATION OF AN EMPLOYEE IN THE ELECTIONS OFFICE**

Mr. Roger Ortiz, Elections Division Administrator, requested approval of creation of a new full time position to be funded from within his Budget

Commissioner Benavides moved that the New Position in the Elections Office be approved.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garza.

Mr. Ortiz requested that the reclassification of Assistant Information Coordinator Position to Assistant Information/Geographic Information Systems Coordinator be tabled in view of a discussion with Commissioner Wood.

Commissioner Garza questioned the reason for tabling this item, and requested to be made part of the discussion.

Mr. Ortiz explained that there was a question concerning whether the individual would remain employed with the County or not.

Commissioner Garza questioned the difference since the salary was for the position, and noted that the work was already being done.

Mr. Ortiz stated that he had agreed to review the matter.

Commissioner Wood stated that Mr. Ortiz could return once the status was determined.

Commissioner Garza stated that the status of the job classification and its salary should be viewed versus the status of the individual, adding that if the status of the individual changed, Mr. Ortiz had the authority to fill the slot with an appropriate individual.

Mr. Ortiz stated that he intended to bring the matter back before the Court.

Commissioner Garza noted his second was to approve both requests.

Commissioner Benavides clarified his motion to be for the first request and that he would amend his motion to include that the reclassification of an employee in the Elections Office be approved.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garza.

Commissioner Tamayo requested to be informed of changes to what was being proposed. She questioned if the position was needed or not.

Mr. Ortiz responded in the affirmative.

Judge Hinojosa stated that discussion of matters between a Court Member and Department Heads sometimes gave Department Heads an opportunity to re-examine his/her position, and that the Court must respect the decision rather than imposing the two (2) positions when Mr. Ortiz has agreed to examine the matter.

Commissioner Garza stated that the Assistant Information/Geographic Information Systems Coordinator Position was one of the most critical jobs in the Elections Division.

Commissioner Benavides commended Mr. Ortiz for his excellent job performance.

Upon motion duly made by Commissioner Benavides that the New Position and that the reclassification of an employee in the Elections Office be approved.

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

AYE: Commissioners Benavides, Garza, and Tamayo,

NAY: Commissioner Wood and Judge Hinojosa.

The Salary Schedules are as follow:

(11) **CONSIDERATION AND APPOINTMENT OF COMMISSIONERS COURT REPRESENTATIVES TO THE CAMERON COUNTY AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Upon motion by Commissioner Tamayo, seconded by Commissioner Garza and carried unanimously, the following individuals were appointed to the Cameron County Airport Advisory Committee upon recommendation by Members of the Court:

Mr. Richard Franke as recommended by Commissioner Benavides;

Mr. James A. John as recommended by Commissioner Wood;

Mr. Bob Cornelius as recommended by Commissioner Garza; and

Ms. Alicia Baldovinos as recommended by Commissioner Tamayo.

The clarification was made that South Padre Island, Port Isabel, and Laguna Vista would each appoint a member.

(12) **CONSIDERATION AND ACTION REGARDING REESTABLISHMENT OF SALARIES FOR EMPLOYEES WHO COMPLETED THEIR PROBATIONARY PERIOD IN THE ENGINEERING/PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

Commissioner Tamayo moved that reestablishment of salaries for employees who completed their probationary period in the Engineering/Public Works Department be approved, funding source to be Road Materials from within Road & Bridge.

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

AYE: Commissioners Benavides, Garza, Tamayo, and Judge Hinojosa,

NAY: Commissioner Wood.

The Salary Schedules are as follow:

(13) **CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF CHANGE IN SALARY SCHEDULE FOR THE BAIL BOND BOARD ADMINISTRATOR AS RECOMMENDED BY THE BAIL BOND BOARD**

Mr. Remi Garza, County Administrative Assistant, recommended on behalf of the Bail Bond Board, that the Bail Bond Administrator's salary be increased by \$1,600.00 to be funded from Fund No. 890, totaling \$27,500.00.

Mr. Francisco Martinez, Assistant District Attorney, noted that the Bail Bond Administrator was doing an excellent job.

Upon motion by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the change in Salary Schedule for the Bail Bond Administrator was approved, as recommended by the Bail Bond Board.

The Salary Schedule is as follows:

CONSENT ITEMS

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

DISCUSSION CONCERNING CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

ITEM NO. 15: Commissioner Garza informed that the City of Los Fresnos requested that County do the work because they were out of funds, noting that they would provide materials.

ITEMS NOS. 22, 23, 24: Mr. Juan Bernal, County Engineer/Public Works Director, clarified that information relating to the subdivisions being considered for approval was reviewed and in order.

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

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garza and carried unanimously.

- (14) **APPROVAL OF CLAIMS:**
- (15) **AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF LOS FRESNOS TO PROVIDE THE EQUIPMENT AND MANPOWER TO DO MAINTENANCE WORK ON HENDERSON ROAD IN BETWEEN FM 1575 AND 1847;
The Agreement follows:**
- (16) **POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF ADDENDUM TO PLEXAR-CUSTOM SERVICE LETTER OF ELECTION AGREEMENT;
The Addendum follows:**
- (17) **ACTION FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF STEVEN BROOKS RESERVE DEPUTY CONSTABLES FOR PRECINCT NO. 1 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;**
- (18) **APPROVAL OF CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CAMERON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TUBERCULOSIS (TB) ELIMINATION DIVISION PROGRAM TO PROVIDE TB SERVICES IN CAMERON COUNTY;
The Contract follows:**
- (19) **APPROVAL OF CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CAMERON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF BUREAU OF CHILDREN'S HEALTH TO PROVIDE CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS (CSHCN) CASE MANAGEMENT SERVICES IN CAMERON AND WILLACY COUNTY;
The Contract follows:**
- (20) **AUTHORIZATION FOR CAMERON COUNTY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE 2004 FISCAL YEAR ROUTINE AIRPORT MAINTENANCE PROGRAM (RAMP) WITH TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TXDOT)-AVIATION DIVISION;
The Contract follows:**

- (21) **IN THE MATTER REGARDING AUTHORIZATION TO AMEND SCOPE OF WORK FOR TURNER-YOST ROAD TO INCLUDE ENVIRONMENTAL, SCHEMATIC, AND RIGHT-OF-WAY MAPPING;(ACTION TAKEN SEPARATELY)**
- (22) **PRELIMINARY AND FINAL APPROVAL:**
 - A. **PRECINCT 4- CANTU BOYS ESTATES, BEING 15.02 ACRES OUT OF 20.00 ACRES BEING THE WEST HALF OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF BLOCK 98, SAN BENITO LAND AND WATER COMPANY SUBDIVISION, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS.**
- (23) **FINAL APPROVAL:**
 - A. **PRECINCT 4- CANO ESTATES, BEING THE WEST 9.12 ACRES OF BLOCK 229 AND THE WEST 9.16 ACRES OF BLOCK 230, ADAMS GARDENS SUBDIVISION "C", CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS.**
- (24) **PRELIMINARY AND FINAL APPROVAL:**
 - A. **PRECINCT 4- ALYSSA SUBDIVISION, BEING THE EAST 19.62 ACRES OF LAND, OUT OF BLOCK EIGHTY-EIGHT (88), MINNESOTA TEXAS LAND & IRRIGATION CO., CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS.**

TRAVEL ITEMS

- (25) **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. International Bridge System Director and Commissioner Precinct 2 to attend the ribbon cutting ceremony for the New Mexican Highway 126 along with Officials from the State of Tamaulipas and the Federal Government of Mexico in Ciudad Victoria, Tamaulipas, Mexico, October 10, 2003;
 - B. Justice of the Peace Precinct 6 Court Clerk to attend the "20-Hour New Court Clerk Educational Seminar", in Austin, Texas, October 21-24, 2003;
 - C. Elections Administrator to attend "Evaluation And Training Meetings", in Omaha, Nebraska, October 15-18, 2003;
 - D. Elections Administrator to view a fully operational (Direct Recording Electronic Voting) System during an election being conducted using a system which meets New State Requirements in San Antonio, Texas, October 31-November 4, 2003;
 - E. County Auditor to attend the "Texas Association of County Auditor's Annual Convention", in Wichita Falls, Texas, October 21-24, 2003;
 - F. Three (3) Constable Precinct 7 Deputies to attend required "Training/Legal Update 2003", at the South Padre Island Police Department, October 22, 2003;
 - G. County Judge Employee to attend the "Texas Border Infrastructure Coalition Monthly Meeting", in Austin, Texas, October 28-29, 2003;
 - H. Juvenile Probation Employees to attend "National School Lunch/School Breakfast Program Management Training", in Corpus Christi, Texas, November 11, 2003;
 - I. County Right-of-Way Agent/Surveyor to attend a "Geomantic Workshop" in Corpus Christi, Texas, November 15, 2003.

- (15) **AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF LOS FRESNOS TO PROVIDE THE EQUIPMENT AND MANPOWER TO DO MAINTENANCE WORK ON HENDERSON ROAD IN BETWEEN FM 1575 AND 1847.**
The Agreement is as follows:

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The Contract is as follows:**

There being no further business to come before the Court, upon motion by Commissioner Benavides seconded by Commissioner Tamayo and carried unanimously, the meeting was **ADJOURNED** at 12:03 P.M.

APPROVED this 2nd day of **December 2003**.

GILBERTO HINOJOSA
COUNTY JUDGE

ATTEST:

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