



**Cameron County, Texas
Commissioners' 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, November 4, 2003, at 9:30 a.m. in the Courtroom on the 4th Floor.*

**Gilberto Hinojosa
County Judge
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JOE G. RIVERA
CLERK COUNTY COURT
CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS
BY Y.A.H. DEPUTY

COMMISSIONERS COURT REGULAR MEETING

TUESDAY, THE 4th DAY OF NOVEMBER 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.

PRESENTATIONS:

1. PRESENTATION REGARDING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT EFFORTS AT THE FREE TRADE BRIDGE AT LOS INDIOS. (PS-BRIDGE SYSTEM)

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION:

2. BUDGET AMENDMENTS, LINE ITEM TRANSFERS AND/OR SALARY SCHEDULES.
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR:
 - A. SEPTEMBER 9, 2003-REGULAR MEETING
 - B. SEPTEMBER 16, 2003-REGULAR MEETING
 - C. SEPTEMBER 23, 2003-REGULAR MEETING
 - D. SEPTEMBER 23, 2003-SPECIAL MEETING
4. CONSIDERATION AND SELECTION OF ENGINEERING CONSULTANT FOR THE COLONIA CORONADO AREA PLANNING STUDY. (FB-PD&M)
5. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL TO CREATE THE PART-TIME POSITION OF CAMERON AND WILLACY COUNTIES COLONIA SELF-HELP CENTER COORDINATOR IN THE CAMERON COUNTY PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT. (FB-PD&M)
6. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE AUTHORIZATION FOR CAMERON COUNTY (PARKS) TO PARTICIPATE IN THE POINT ISABEL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT-VOCATIONAL ADJUSTMENT COORDINATION PROGRAM. (JM-PARK SYSTEM)

7. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO REIMBURSE OLMITO WATER SUPPLY FOR WATERLINE REPAIRS ON CALIFORNIA ROAD. (JB-ENGINEERING)
8. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADJUST SALARIES FOR MAINTENANCE FOREMAN AND ASSISTANT MAINTENANCE FOREMAN. (JB-ENGINEERING)
9. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO AMEND SCOPE OF WORK FOR PRIMERA ROAD TO INCLUDE ENVIRONMENTAL AND SCHEMATIC DESIGN. (JB-ENGINEERING)
10. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF FLOOR PLAN FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY RESPONSE AND PLANNING AND PROPERTY MANAGEMENT. (RG-COUNTY JUDGE)

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.

11. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS.
12. PRESENTATION AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE QUARTERLY REPORT, FOR THE QUARTER ENDING AND FISCAL YEAR END OF SEPTEMBER 30, 2003, ON INVESTMENTS OF COUNTY FUNDS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH PROVISIONS OF GOV. CODE 2256-THE PUBLIC FUNDS INVESTMENT ACT. (EG-TREASURER)
13. CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF A PROCLAMATION DECLARING NOVEMBER 3-7, 2003, AS MUNICIPAL COURTS WEEK IN CAMERON COUNTY. (COMM. COURT)
14. CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION HONORING MR. ALFONSO R. GARCIA ON THE OCCASION OF HIS RETIREMENT FROM CAMERON COUNTY. (COMM. COURT)
15. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF ADDENDUM TO RECORDS MANAGEMENT AND IMAGING SYSTEMS CONTRACT WITH GOVERNMENT RECORDS MANAGEMENT A DIVISION OF AFFILIATED COMPUTER SERVICES TO INCLUDE THE OFFICE OF THE CAMERON COUNTY AND DISTRICT ATTORNEY. (YDL-DISTRICT ATTORNEY)
16. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OF TEXAS AND CAMERON COUNTY CONTRACT NO. 04-C0073. (RJ-COMPUTER CENTER)
17. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE ANNUAL SMARTNET SUPPORT UTILIZING THE TEXAS COOPERATIVE PURCHASING NETWORK INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION SERVICES/AVNET. (RJ-COMPUTER CENTER)
18. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF A SUBRECIPIENT GRANT AGREEMENT, COASTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM, CYCLE #8 BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY (PARKS) AND THE TEXAS GENERAL LAND OFFICE. (JM-PARKS)

19. CONSIDERATION AND DISCUSSION ON THE RELOCATION OF THE "WELLS POINT" MONUMENT IN ISLA BLANCA COUNTY PARK. (JM-PARK SYSTEM)
20. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A RENEWAL LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH TO PROVIDE WOMEN, INFANTS, AND CHILDREN (WIC) PROGRAM SERVICES. (YS-HEALTH)
21. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO HIRE ONE (1) CLERK FOR THE INDIGENT HEALTH CARE PROGRAM. (YS-HEALTH)
22. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ALLOW THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT TO REMOVE ALL ACCESS DIRT FROM ITS CURRENT LOCATION (NEXT TO THE RECORDS WAREHOUSE) AND PLACE IT AT THE PORT ISABEL-CAMERON COUNTY AIRPORT. (JA-PROPERTY MANAGEMENT)
23. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL TO FILL THE POSITIONS OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR AND FISCAL ANALYST IN THE CAMERON COUNTY PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT. (FB-PD&M)
24. PRESENTATION AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF FINAL REPORT TO TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY FOR THE CAMERON COUNTY AND EL JARDIN WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT (DOCKET NO. 2001-111-PST-E). (FB-PD&M)
25. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A PERSONAL SERVICE CONTRACT WITH ELENA CISNEROS AS A LEAD TEACHER FOR THE TITLE V PROGRAM. (HD-TITLE V)
26. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION AMENDING CAMERON COUNTY PERSONNEL POLICIES SECTION 2.08 REGARDING THE ELIMINATION OF THIS SECTION, 5.01 REGARDING THE DEFINITION OF A REGULAR PART-TIME EMPLOYEE, 7.01 REGARDING PAY PERIODS, 8.01 REGARDING QUALIFICATION FOR EMPLOYEE MEDICAL BENEFITS AND 9.02 REGARDING APPROVAL OF LEAVE FOR APPOINTED DEPARTMENT HEADS. (MV-PERSONNEL)
27. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO CREATE AND OPEN A POSITION OF STAFF PSYCHOLOGIST FOR THE JUVENILE PROBATION DEPARTMENT. (TR-JUVENILE PROBATION)
28. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ALLOW MACTEC ENGINEERING TO ENTER INTO COUNTY PROPERTY TO PERFORM ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES. (JB-ENGINEERING)
29. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO AMEND CONTRACT TO S & B INFRASTRUCTURE TO REIMBURSE RETAINAGE OF ENGINEERING FEES. (JB-ENGINEERING)
30. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH IRRIGATION DISTRICT NO. 2, FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE MARYDALE ROAD BRIDGE. (JB-ENGINEERING)
31. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ALLOW COUNTY SAFETY COORDINATOR TO ATTEND THE OSHA HAZWOPER COURSE ON MONDAY OCTOBER 27 THRU FRIDAY OCTOBER 31, 2003, IN HARLINGEN. (JB-ENGINEERING)

32. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT PUERTA DEL CIELO AVE. OUT OF PUERTA DEL CIELO SUBDIVISION SECTION II, PRECINCT 2, INTO THE COUNTY ROAD SYSTEM. (JB-ENGINEERING)
33. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO FILL THE VACANCIES OF EQUIPMENT OPERATOR AT THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT AND PERMIT CLERK AT THE ENGINEERING OFFICE. (JB-ENGINEERING)
34. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD THE FOLLOWING BIDS FOR:
(MF-PURCHASING)
 - A. BUILDING SUPPLIES: PAINT-STAIN & VARNISH-ANNUAL BID #2008
35. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN THE FOLLOWING BIDS/RFP'S FOR:
(MF-PURCHASING)
 - A. SAND BAGGER-PUBLIC WORKS DEPT.- BID #031001
 - B. SAFETY SHOES-ANNUAL BID #2620
 - C. TIRES: ON & OFF ROAD-ANNUAL BID #1997

TRAVEL ITEMS:

36. 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. DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE EMPLOYEE, TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TX, ON 11/13/03, TO ATTEND THE SOUTH TEXAS HIDTA BOARD MEETING.
 - B. COUNTY EXTENSION AGENT, TO TRAVEL TO CORPUS CHRISTI, ON 10/23/03, TO ATTEND SESSION 111 OF THE NEW EXTENSION AGENT TRAINING AND ORIENTATION FOR NEW AGENTS.
 - C. JUVENILE PROBATION EMPLOYEES (11), TO TRAVEL TO SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TX, ON 10/14/03, TO ATTEND "VICTIM ASSISTANCE 2003 "THE TOOLS OF THE TRADE" WORKSHOP.
 - D. COUNTY HEALTH EMPLOYEES, TO TRAVEL TO DONNA, TX, ON 11/6-7/03, TO ATTEND TEXAS ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION, SOUTH TEXAS CHAPTER QUARTERLY MEETING.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

37. EXECUTIVE SESSION:
 - A. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY CONCERNING: THE POSSIBLE PURCHASE OF PROPERTY IN THE PORT ISABEL AREA FOR A NEW CAMERON COUNTY ANNEX BUILDING, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.

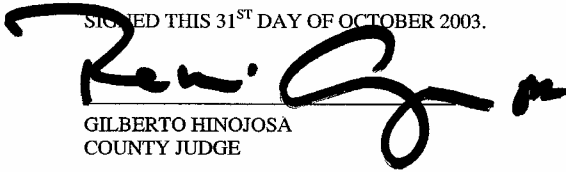
- B. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY CONCERNING BRADY'S DUTY FREE AT THE LOS INDIOS INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.
 - C. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING PLATTING OF SUBDIVISIONS, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071(2).
 - D. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING POSSIBLE LEGAL ACTION ON WEAVER SUBDIVISION, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071(1)(A).
 - E. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY CONCERNING: THE POSSIBLE ACQUISITION OF THE LEVI BUILDING AND LAND ON EXPRESSWAY 77/83, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.
 - F. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT CONCERNING NORMA LOPEZ VS. CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS AND CONRADO CANTU, SHERIFF, JOEL ZAMORA, JORGE FERNANDO BRIONES IN THE 107TH DISTRICT COURT; CAUSE NO. 2003-10-4892-A, FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE SETTLEMENT, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (1)(A)&(B).
 - G. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING ANTONIO BEJARAN, JR. VS. JOHN CRUZ, ET AL., CIVIL ACTION NO. B-01-075 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS BROWNSVILLE DIVISION, FOR DISCUSSION, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071(2).
 - H. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT ON 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) & 551.074(A)(1).
 - I. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING USE OF PUBLIC EMPLOYEES AND EQUIPMENT FOR PRIVATE PROPERTY IN EMERGENCY SITUATIONS, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (2).
38. ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:
- A. POSSIBLE ACTION.
 - B. POSSIBLE ACTION.
 - C. POSSIBLE ACTION.
 - D. POSSIBLE ACTION.
 - E. POSSIBLE ACTION.
 - F. POSSIBLE ACTION.

G. POSSIBLE ACTION.

H. POSSIBLE ACTION.

I. POSSIBLE ACTION.

SIGNED THIS 31ST DAY OF OCTOBER 2003.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gilberto Hinojosa", written over a horizontal line.

GILBERTO HINOJOSA
COUNTY JUDGE