



**Cameron County, Texas  
Commissioners' Court  
Cameron County Courthouse, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
964 E. Harrison St.  
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## **REGULAR MEETING**

The Cameron County Commissioners' Court will meet for a Regular Public Meeting on  
Tuesday, March 23, 2004, at 9:30 a.m. in the Courtroom on the 4<sup>th</sup> Floor.

**Gilberto Hinojosa  
County Judge  
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Commissioner, Pct. 2  
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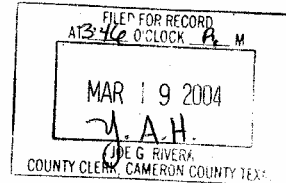
David A. Garza  
Commissioner, Pct. 3  
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Commissioner, Pct. 4  
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Questions regarding this agenda should be directed to the County Agenda Coordinator at (956) 544-0830.

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## NOTICE

### COMMISSIONERS COURT REGULAR MEETING

TUESDAY, THE 23<sup>rd</sup> DAY OF MARCH 2004 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.

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS.

### PRESENTATIONS:

2. PRESENTATION BY LOURDES RAMIREZ, CAMERON COUNTY CHILD WELFARE BOARD, REGARDING CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH. (COMM. COURT)
3. PRESENTATION AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE QUARTERLY REPORT, FOR THE QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2003, ON INVESTMENTS OF COUNTY FUNDS. THIS REPORT IS IN ACCORDANCE WITH PROVISIONS OF GOV. CODE 2256 - THE PUBLIC FUNDS INVESTMENT ACT. (EG-TREASURER)
4. PRESENTATION BY YVETTE SALINAS, HEALTH ADMINISTRATOR, REGARDING THE VALLEY HEALTH SERVICES DISTRICT OPERATING PLAN. (YS-HEALTH DEPT.)

### ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION:

5. BUDGET AMENDMENTS, LINE ITEM TRANSFERS AND/OR SALARY SCHEDULES.
6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR:
  - A. FEBRUARY 17, 2004- REGULAR MEETING
  - B. FEBRUARY 24, 2004-REGULAR MEETING
  - C. MARCH 2, 2004-REGULAR MEETING

7. CONSIDERATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF POSSIBLE COST SAVING MEASURES AND BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS TO INCLUDE, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE ISSUANCE OF FUTURE PURCHASE ORDERS, CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE EMPLOYEE HEALTH FUND AND COUNTY VEHICLE USE. (GH-COUNTY JUDGE)
8. DISCUSSION ON POTENTIAL USE OF LEVI'S STRAUSS BUILDING ON WILLIAMS ROAD IN SAN BENTO FOR CAMERON COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AND OFFICES. (DG-COMM. PRECINCT 3)
9. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR A RADIO SYSTEM CONSULTANT. (TH-EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT)
10. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CAMERON COUNTY AND THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS MEDICAL BRANCH AT GALVESTON (UTMB) FOR THE PROVISION OF JAIL INFIRMARY SERVICES. (YS-HEALTH DEPT.)
11. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT REGARDING THE WEST RAIL PROJECT. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)
12. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT ON PURCHASE WITHOUT PURCHASE ORDER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,495.00 TO CORNERSTONE DETENTION PRODUCTS. (RL-SHERIFF'S DEPT.)
13. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL FOR PAYMENT ON PURCHASE WITHOUT PURCHASE ORDER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$141.58 TO RDJ SPECIALTIES. (RL-SHERIFF'S DEPT.)
14. CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS DETERMINING ITS INTENT TO BORROW FOR CERTAIN CAPITAL EXPENDITURES. (MY-AUDITOR)
15. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE EARLY VOTING POLLING LOCATIONS FOR THE 2004 DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY RUNOFF ELECTION TO BE HELD APRIL 13, 2004. (RO-ELECTIONS/VOTER REGISTRATION)
16. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE SELECTION OF A PROVIDER OF DELINQUENT COURT COST COLLECTIONS AND SERVICES. (DTR-COUNTY COURT #3)
17. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSFER CLERK SLOT #2 FROM DPS SUPPORT TO JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PRECINCT 1. (COMM. COURT)
18. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO FILL 2 AUTO/TAX CLERK VACANCIES IN THE CAMERON COUNTY TAX OFFICE. (TY-TAX ASSESSOR/COLLECTOR)

19. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF JAVIER REYNA DEPUTY CONSTABLES FOR PRECINCT #6 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. (MV-HUMAN RESOURCES)
20. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF REYNALDO RAMIREZ DEPUTY CONSTABLES FOR PRECINCT #4 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. (MV-HUMAN RESOURCES)

**TRAVEL:**

21. 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. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEE, TO TRAVEL TO BEXAR COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, ON 3/21-26/04, TO ATTEND BASIC SWAT COURSE TRAINING.
  - B. JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PRECINCT 6, TO TRAVEL TO CORPUS CHRISTI, TX, ON 3/30-4/2/04, TO ATTEND A 20-HOUR SEMINAR (ANNUAL) FOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.

**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.

22. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS.
23. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT WITH RABAKISTNER CONSULTANTS, INC. FOR AN ENVIRONMENTAL SURVEY. (DW-LEGAL)
24. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF LEGAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH BICKERSTAFF, HEATH, SMILEY, POLLAN, KEVER & MCDANIEL, L. L. P. FOR THE REGIONAL MOBILITY AUTHORITY. (DJV-LEGAL)

25. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN HALFF & ASSOCIATES AND CAMERON COUNTY TO PROVIDE MECHANICAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE DETENTION CENTER ONE PROJECT. (RG-COUNTY JUDGE)
26. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE CAMERON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT'S PARTICIPATION IN OPERATION LONE STAR 2004. (YS-HEALTH DEPT.)
27. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF CAMERON COUNTY VALLEY HEALTH SERVICES DISTRICT OPERATING PLAN. (YS-HEALTH DEPT.)
28. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL FOR THE CAMERON COUNTY EXPLORER PROGRAM TO USE THE COUNTY BUS FOR TRANSPORTATION TO EXPLORER JAMBOREE TO BE HELD AT SMITHSVILLE, TEXAS ON APRIL 2-4, 2004. (RL-SHERIFF'S DEPT.)
29. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF PURCHASE WITHOUT PURCHASE ORDER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$281.99 TO ZAJONC CORP. (TR-JUVENILE DEPT.)
30. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE A 4X4 F-450 TRASH COMPACTOR VIA THE STATE OF TEXAS - TASB -BUY BOARD-COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENT FOR THE PARKS SYSTEM. (JM-PARK SYSTEM)
31. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO INITIATE THE DRAWING PROCESS ON LETTER OF CREDIT FOR B & G ESTATES SUBDIVISION, PRECINCT #4, FOR UNBUILT SEPTIC SYSTEMS. (PS-ENGINEERING)
32. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A SUBDIVISION CONSTRUCTION AGREEMENT FOR UNBUILT SEPTIC SYSTEMS TO COMPLY WITH THE MODEL SUBDIVISION RULES FOR PEREZ ESTATES SUBDIVISION, PRECINCT #2. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)
33. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD THE FOLLOWING BIDS FOR: (MF-PURCHASING)
  - A. DUMP TRUCK & WATER TRUCK - PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
  - B. FOOD: MEATS - QUARTERLY BID #2170-2
34. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN THE FOLLOWING BIDS / RFP'S / RFQ FOR: (MF-PURCHASING)
  - A. AUTOMOTIVE: LUBES-OILS-GREASE-ANTIFREEZE-DEGREASERS - ANNUAL BID #1993

**TRAVEL ITEMS (NO DIRECT COST TO GENERAL FUND):**

35. 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. COMPUTER INFORMATION OFFICER AND COMMUNICATIONS SPECIALIST, TO TRAVEL TO EDINBURG, TX, ON 3/29-31/04, TO ATTEND ETRUST ANTIVIRUS 7.0 DETECTION COURSE.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

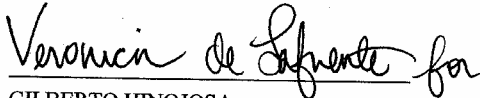
36. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- A. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING THE COUNTY'S SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL PROGRAM 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).
- B. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING THE CAMERON COUNTY JAIL SYSTEM ON A MATTER 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 THIS CHAPTER, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A., GOVERNMENT CODE 551.071 (1)(A)&(2).

37. ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- A. POSSIBLE ACTION.
- B. POSSIBLE ACTION.

SIGNED THIS 19<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH 2004.



GILBERTO HINOJOSA  
COUNTY JUDGE