



**Cameron County, Texas
Commissioners' Court
Cameron County Courthouse, 4th 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, April 6, 2004, at 9:30 a.m. in the Courtroom on the 4th Floor.

Gilberto Hinojosa
County Judge
(956) 544-0830

Pedro "Pete" Benavides
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Commissioner, Pct. 2
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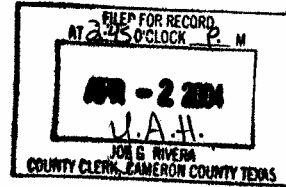
David A. Garza
Commissioner, Pct. 3
(956) 361-8209

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Commissioner, Pct. 4
(956) 427-8069

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 6TH DAY OF APRIL 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 JERRY WILSON, MANAGER FOR COMMUNITY AFFAIRS, AMERICAN ELECTRIC TO DONATE \$3,000.00 CHECK TO THE LAGUNA HEIGHTS REGIONAL PARK. (JM-PARK SYSTEM)
3. PRESENTATION BY SCHLITTERBAHN BEACH WATERPARK FOR THE PROPOSED GO-KART PROJECT. (JM-PARK SYSTEM)
4. PRESENTATION AND ACTION REGARDING THE ENDORSEMENT AND SUPPORT OF THE COUNTY HEALTH FOOD FAIR TO BE HELD APRIL 20, 2004. (MV-HUMAN RESOURCES)

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION:

5. BUDGET AMENDMENTS, LINE ITEM TRANSFERS AND/OR SALARY SCHEDULES.
6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR:
 - A. MARCH 17, 2004- REGULAR MEETING
7. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION REGARDING THE RIO GRANDE VALLEY HEALTH SERVICES DISTRICT'S PROCUREMENT OF LEGAL SERVICES. (VDL-COUNTY JUDGE)

8. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE UPDATE OF BROWNE ROAD REGIONAL PARK AND OTHER CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS WITHIN THE PARK SYSTEM. (JM-PARK SYSTEM)
9. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO INITIATE A PLAN OF FINANCE FOR FINANCING CERTAIN CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE BROWNE ROAD PROJECT, SEAWALL AT ADOLPH THOMAE PARK, WAREHOUSE FOR HEAVY EQUIPMENT, PAVILION & LIGHTING FOR LAGUNA HEIGHTS AS WELL AS ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR PROJECT ROAD MAP AND HEAVY EQUIPMENT PURCHASES. (MY-AUDITOR)
10. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO FILL AUTO/TAX CLERK VACANCY IN THE CAMERON COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR'S OFFICE. (TY-TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR)
11. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO FILL A VACANT MECHANIC POSITION IN THE VEHICLE MAINTENANCE DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)

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.

12. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS.
13. CONSIDERATION AND REAPPOINTMENT OF DR. RUBEN GALLEGOS AND MR. JOEY LOPEZ TO THE CAMERON COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS. (RG-COUNTY JUDGE)
14. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION OF THE PLACEMENT OF STATE REPRESENTATIVE JUAN ESCOBAR, DISTRICT 43 SIGN BY THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AT THE COUNTY ANNEX IN HARLINGEN. (VDL-COUNTY JUDGE)
15. CONSIDERATION, APPROVAL AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE PROPOSAL RFP #040301 FOR LEASE OF RUBEN TORRES DETENTION CENTER #1, DETENTION CENTER #2, AND COURT HOUSE JAIL. (MY-AUDITOR)
16. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP), AND AUTHORIZATION TO SOLICIT PROPOSALS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE ISLA BLANCA PARK. (JM-PARK SYSTEM)
17. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST BIDS FOR AIRPORT IMPROVEMENTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION RAMP PROGRAM. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)
18. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO RENEW THE FOLLOWING BIDS FOR ONE (1) ADDITIONAL YEAR: (MF-PURCHASING)
 - A. PEST CONTROL SERVICES – ANNUAL BID #1600

19. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD BIDS / RFP'S FOR THE FOLLOWING: (MF-PURCHASING)
- A. ROAD MATERIALS: EMULSION OILS – ANNUAL BID #2540
 - B. ROAD MATERIALS: DRAINAGE – ANNUAL BID #2520
 - C. WASTE DISPOSAL OF SOLIDS – PARKS DEPT. – ANNUAL BID #1970
 - D. BUILDINGS: LIGHT BULBS & BALLASTS – ANNUAL BID #2004
 - E. AUTOMOTIVE: LUBES, OILS, GREASES, ANTIFREEZE, PARTS CLEANERS – ANNUAL BID #1993
 - F. ROAD MATERIALS: SURFACING – ANNUAL BID #2580
 - G. ROAD MATERIALS: FLEXIBLE BASE – ANNUAL BID #2560

TRAVEL (NO DIRECT COST TO GENERAL FUND):

20. 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. UNIFIED NARCOTICS INTELLIGENCE TASK-FORCE AGENT, TO TRAVEL TO MIAMI BEACH, FL, ON 4/24-29/04, TO ATTEND AN ANTI-SMUGGLING INVESTIGATORS ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE.
 - B. UNIFIED NARCOTICS INTELLIGENCE TASK-FORCE AGENT, TO TRAVEL TO LAS CRUCES, NM, ON 5/9-14/04, TO ATTEND A PENLINK TRAINING SEMINAR.
 - C. UNIFIED NARCOTICS INTELLIGENCE TASK-FORCE AGENT, TO TRAVEL TO SAN DIEGO, CA, ON 5/22-26/04, TO ATTEND THE 2004 SKYNARC CONFERENCE.
 - D. JUVENILE PROBATION EMPLOYEES (2), TO TRAVEL TO GALVESTON, TX, ON 4/12-16/04, TO ATTEND "TEXAS JUVENILE DETENTION ASSOCIATION; REMODELING OUR SKILLS: CONFRONTING THE CHALLENGES OF CHANGE".
 - E. DISTRICT CLERK AND DEPUTY CLERKS (3), TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TX, ON 4/27-30/04, TO ATTEND THE COUNTY AND DISTRICT CLERKS' LEGAL EDUCATION CONFERENCE.
 - F. HUMAN RESOURCES EMPLOYEE, TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TX, ON 4/28-29/04, TO ATTEND PROFESSIONAL PARTNERS IN POOLING (WORKERS COMPENSATION WORK SHOP).

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

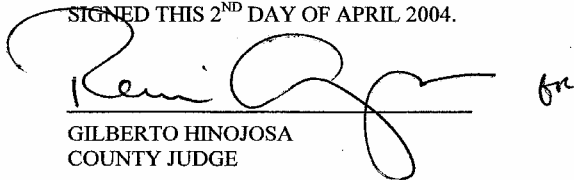
21. EXECUTIVE SESSION:
- A. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING ISSUES REGARDING A SUBDIVISION ON WHICH THE DUTIES OF THE ATTORNEY TO THE GOVERNMENTAL BODY UNDER THE TEXAS DISCIPLINARY RULES OF PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT OF THE STATE BAR OF TEXAS CLEARLY CONFLICTS WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071(2) AND 551.072.

- B. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY CONCERNING THE ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY IN THE LAGUNA MADRE AREA FOR A COUNTY ANNEX IN PORT ISABEL, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.
- C. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING ISSUES WITH A STRUCTURE ENCROACHING ON A CAMERON COUNTY DRAINAGE EASEMENT ON WHICH THE DUTIES 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) AND 551.072.
- D. 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).
- E. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING POSSIBLE LITIGATION INVOLVING CAMERON COUNTY VS. FAULKNER, USA FORMERLY KNOWN AS LANDMARK, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071(1)(A)&(2).
- F. DELIBERATE THE DUTIES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION DIRECTOR AND COMPUTER CENTER INFORMATION OFFICER, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.074.

22. 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 2ND DAY OF APRIL 2004.

 *for*

GILBERTO HINOJOSA
COUNTY JUDGE