



**Cameron County, Texas
Commissioners' Court
Cameron County Courthouse, 4th Floor
964 E. Harrison St.
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SPECIAL MEETING

The Cameron County Commissioners' Court will meet for a *Special Public Meeting* on
Monday, July 12, 2004, at 9:30 a.m. in the Courtroom on the 4th Floor.

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County Judge
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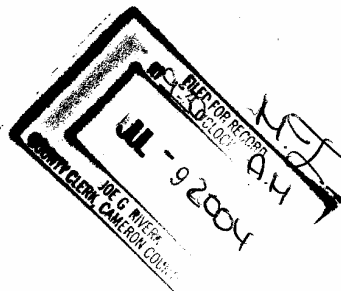
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Questions regarding this agenda should be directed to the County Agenda Coordinator at (956) 544-0830.

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NOTICE

COMMISSIONERS' COURT SPECIAL MEETING

MONDAY, THE 12TH DAY OF JULY 2004 AT 9:30 A.M.

AGENDA

PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.041, VTCS, AS AMENDED, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A **SPECIAL 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 OF COUNTY WEB PAGE UPDATES AND FEATURES. (RJ-COMPUTER CENTER)

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION:

3. BUDGET AMENDMENTS, LINE ITEM TRANSFERS AND/OR SALARY SCHEDULES.
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR:
 - A. MAY 11, 2004-REGULAR MEETING
 - B. MAY 18, 2004-REGULAR MEETING
 - C. MAY 26, 2004-SPECIAL MEETING
5. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ARCHITECTURAL CONTRACT FOR THE LEVI'S BUILDING. (DG- COMM. PRECINCT 3)
6. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON PROPOSITION TWO ENGINEERING SERVICES CONTRACT. (DG- COMM. PRECINCT 3)

7. CONSIDERATION AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF IMPLEMENTATION OF POLICY AND PROCEDURES FOR COURTHOUSE SECURITY DEPUTY/BAILIFF. (BE-107TH DISTRICT COURT)
8. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF CONTRACT WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY TO HOUSE DETAINEES AND INMATES IN THE CAMERON COUNTY JAIL FACILITIES. (DJV-CIVIL)
9. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO CREATE NEW DETENTION OFFICER POSITIONS FOR THE CAMERON COUNTY JAIL SYSTEMS. (ML-FEDERAL DETENTION DIVISION)
10. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BROWNSVILLE, TEXAS, THE CAMERON COUNTY TAX ASSESSORS OFFICE, THE CITY OF MCALLEN, TEXAS, AND THE COUNTY OF HIDALGO, TEXAS, REGARDING A MUTUAL AID (MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT) LAW ENFORCEMENT TASK FORCE TO COOPERATE IN CERTAIN CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS. (TY-TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR)
11. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND CAMERON COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATION (9-1-1) DISTRICT FOR THE \$500,000.00 INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM EQUIPMENT PURCHASE. (TH-EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT)
12. DISCUSSION AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REIMBURSE UP TO \$1.2 MILLION IN EXPENDITURES RELATING TO THE CAPITAL RENOVATION IMPROVEMENTS MADE TO THE COUNTY JAIL, DETENTION CENTER ONE (RUBEN TORRES FACILITY), DETENTION CENTER TWO, AND THE CARRIZALEZ-RUCKER DETENTION CENTER WITH BOND PROCEEDS MADE AVAILABLE EITHER THROUGH REPUBLISHING OR NEW DEBT. (MY-AUDITOR)
13. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION REGARDING THE APPOINTMENT OF ELECTION JUDGES AND ALTERNATES FOR A PERIOD OF ONE OR TWO YEARS (2004-2005 OR 2004-2006) TERMS BEGINNING ON AUGUST 1, 2004 AS PER THE TEXAS ELECTION CODE: CHAPTER 32. ELECTION JUDGES AND CLERKS, SUBCHAPTER A. APPOINTMENT OF ELECTION JUDGES, SECTIONS 32.001 AND 32.002. (RO-ELECTIONS)
14. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE CREATION OF A NEW POSITION IN THE COMPUTER CENTER. (RJ-COMPUTER CENTER)
15. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF SALARY INCREASE FOR COMPUTER CENTER NETWORK ADMINISTRATOR. (RJ-COMPUTER CENTER)
16. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF LOGO FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)

17. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND THE CITY OF HARLINGEN REGARDING THE NORTH RAIL PROJECT. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)
18. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND THE CITY OF HARLINGEN REGARDING IMPROVEMENTS TO GARRETT ROAD. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)
19. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO SELECT A TITLE COMPANY TO DO TITLE COMMITMENTS AND TITLE POLICIES FOR US 83 EXPRESSWAY FROM HIDALGO/CAMERON COUNTY LINE TO LEWIS LANE. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)

TRAVEL:

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. COUNTY JUDGE, TO TRAVEL TO WASHINGTON, D.C., ON 7/13-15/04, TO MEET WITH OFFICIALS REGARDING THE WEST RAIL RELOCATION.
 - B. COUNTY JUDGE EMPLOYEE, TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TX, ON 8/11-13/04, TO ATTEND THE TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES 2004 ANNUAL CONFERENCE.
 - C. COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 1, TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TX, ON 8/10-14/04, TO PARTICIPATE IN THE TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES 2004 ANNUAL CONFERENCE.
 - D. COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 2, TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TX, ON 8/10-14/04, TO PARTICIPATE IN THE TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES 2004 ANNUAL CONFERENCE.
 - E. COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 2, TO TRAVEL TO WASHINGTON, D.C., ON 7/13-15/04, TO MEET WITH THE CONGRESSIONAL OFFICIALS ON THE WEST RAIL PROJECT.
 - F. DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE EMPLOYEES (2), TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TX, ON 7/26-29/04, TO ATTEND THE 30TH ANNUAL ADVANCED CRIMINAL LAW COURSE.
 - G. DISTRICT CLERK AND DEPUTY DISTRICT CLERK, TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TX, ON 8/10-13/04, TO ATTEND THE TAC 2004 ANNUAL LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE.
 - H. JAIL ADMINISTRATORS (2), TO TRAVEL TO WICHITA FALLS, TX, ON 7/24-29/04, TO ATTEND THE SHERIFF'S ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS 126TH ANNUAL TRAINING CONFERENCE.

- I. SHERIFF'S OFFICE DISPATCHERS (3), TO TRAVEL TO MISSION, TX, ON 8/2-6/04, TO ATTEND TCIC/NCIC/TLETS TRAINING.
- J. ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATOR AND STAFF MEMBER, TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TX, ON 7/18/04, TO MEET WITH THE REDISTRICTING RESEARCH DIVISION WITH THE TEXAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AND WORK ON THE TLC AND THE CAMERON COUNTY ELECTIONS DEPARTMENT PRECINCT MAPS AND DISCUSS ANY NECESSARY CORRECTIONS TO THE TLC'S AND/OR CAMERON COUNTY ELECTIONS DEPARTMENT PRECINCT LINES AND MORE PARTICULARLY, THE NEWLY APPROVED CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT LINES IN PREPARATION FOR THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION IN NOVEMBER.

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.

21. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS.
22. CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION HONORING PABLO COVARRUBIAS, JUVENILE PROBATION OFFICER, FOR SERVICE IN OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM. (TR-JUVENILE PROBATION)
23. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF CARLOS ENRIQUE MENDEZ JR. RESERVE DEPUTY CONSTABLES FOR PRECINCT #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. (MV-HUMAN RESOURCES)
24. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN THE FOLLOWING BIDS/RFP'S/RFQ FOR: (MF-PURCHASING)
 - A. LASER PRINTING OF TAX STATEMENTS - ANNUAL BID #1640
 - B. ARROYO COLORADO ESTATES - WATERLINE IMPROVEMENTS - ANNUAL BID #040602
 - C. MEDICAL WASTE DISPOSAL HEALTH / WIC - ANNUAL BID #1965
 - D. PORT ISABEL / CAMERON COUNTY ANNEX BUILDING - ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES RFQ #040601 ABD SELECTION OF EVALUATION COMMITTEE.
25. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL TO FILL POSITIONS IN THE VEHICLE MAINTENANCE DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)

26. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL TO ENTER INTO AN ADVANCE FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF A BRIDGE LOCATED AT SEARCY ROAD OVER CCWID #1 MAIN NORTH DRAIN IN THE PRECINCT #4 AREA. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)
27. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ALLOW STAFF TO RECEIVE BIDS FOR PHASE I OF THE ROAD AND DRAINAGE PROJECT IN CAMERON PARK AS PART OF PROPOSITION 2 COLONIA FUND PROGRAM AND TO INCLUDE THE ADJUSTMENTS AND/OR RELOCATION OF UTILITIES AS PER INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE BROWNSVILLE PUB. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)

TRAVEL (NO DIRECT COST TO GENERAL FUND):

28. 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. DIRECTOR OF DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, TO TRAVEL TO DALLAS, TX, ON 7/7/04, TO MEET WITH THE GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION REGARDING THE TRUCK LANE EXPANSION PROJECT.
 - B. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND PREPAREDNESS EMPLOYEE, TO TRAVEL TO WACO, TX, ON 7/11-15/04, TO ATTEND THE TERRORISM EXERCISE IN MCLENNAN COUNTY FOR THE PREPAREDNESS FOR THE BROWNSVILLE CAMERON COUNTY EXERCISE.
 - C. HEALTH DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES (4), TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TX, ON 7/18-21/04, TO ATTEND A PRINCIPLES OF LACTATION MANAGEMENT.
 - D. HEALTH DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES (4), TO TRAVEL TO HOUSTON, TX, ON 7/18-20/04, TO ATTEND THE "WHEN PUBLIC HEALTH MEETS MENTAL HEALTH: COMING TOGETHER DURING EMERGENCIES--AN INAUGURAL DISCUSSION".
 - E. WEED AND SEED COORDINATOR, TO TRAVEL TO SAN DIEGO, CA, ON 8/25-28/04, TO ATTEND THE NATIONAL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE ON UNDERAGE DRINKING.
 - F. UNIFIED NARCOTICS INTELLIGENCE TASK-FORCE ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY, TO TRAVEL TO MISSION, TX, ON 8/2-6/04, TO ATTEND TLETS/NLETS AND TCIC/NCIC BASIC PROCEDURES COURSE.
 - G. COUNTY TREASURER, TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TX, ON 8/11-13/04, TO ATTEND PRE-LEGISLATIVE SESSION.
 - H. SHERIFF'S OFFICE EMPLOYEE, TO TRAVEL TO ROCKWALL, TX, ON 7/13-16/04, TO ATTEND THE GOLDEN EAGLE ANNUAL USER GROUP CONFERENCE.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

29. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

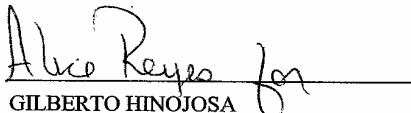
- A. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING HILDA TREVINO VS. CAMERON COUNTY IN THE 357TH DISTRICT COURT; CAUSE NO. 2002-12-4987-E, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071(1)(B)&(2).
- B. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING ROBERT SCOTT VS. CAMERON COUNTY IN THE 404TH DISTRICT COURT; CAUSE NO. 2003-01-000153-G, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071(1)(B)&(2).
- C. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING RENE A. GOSSER VS. CAMERON COUNTY IN THE 107TH DISTRICT COURT; CAUSE NO. 2003-08-4129-A, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071(1)(B)&(2).
- D. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING JOE A. GUAJARDO VS. CAMERON COUNTY IN THE 107TH DISTRICT COURT; CAUSE NO. 2001-01-628-A, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071(1)(B)&(2).
- E. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING ALICIA LERMA, NEXT FRIEND OF ERICA LERMA, A MINOR VS. TIMOTEO GUAJARDO AND CAMERON COUNTY IN THE 107TH DISTRICT COURT; CAUSE NO. 04-06-002942-A, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071(1)(A)&(2).
- F. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING JUAN JAIME GARCIA VS. CAMERON COUNTY IN THE 357TH DISTRICT COURT; CAUSE NO. 03-01-349-E, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071(1)(B)&(2).
- G. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL ON POSITION OF CAMERON COUNTY COMPUTER CENTER DIRECTOR CONCERNING DUTIES AND POSSIBLE DISCIPLINE OR DISMISSAL ISSUES, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071(2).
- H. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING PENDING AND DISPOSED LAWSUITS 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).
- I. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING CAMERON COUNTY VS. FAULKNER, USA FORMERLY KNOWN AS LANDMARK, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071(1)(A)&(2).

J. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING ISSUES REGARDING THE CAMERON COUNTY DETENTION CENTERS, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071(2).

30. 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.
- J. POSSIBLE ACTION.

SIGNED THIS 9TH DAY OF JULY 2004.


GILBERTO HINOJOSA
COUNTY JUDGE