



**Cameron County, Texas
Commissioner's 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, May 24, 2005, at 9:30 a.m. in the Courtroom on the 4th Floor.

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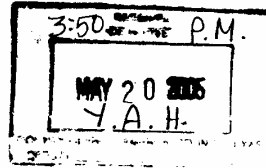
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Questions regarding this agenda should be directed to the County Agenda Coordinator at (956) 544-0830.

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NOTICE

COMMISSIONERS COURT REGULAR MEETING

TUESDAY, THE 24TH DAY OF MAY 2005 AT 9:30 A.M.

AGENDA

PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.041, V.T.C.A., 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 OF MID-YEAR BUDGET REVIEW AND DISCUSSION REGARDING FY 2005-2006 BUDGET. (XV-BUDGET OFFICER)
3. PRESENTATION BY NORMA TREVINO, LABOR READY BRANCH MANAGER, REGARDING TEMPORARY LABOR. (NT-LABOR READY)

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION:

4. BUDGET AMENDMENTS, LINE ITEM TRANSFERS AND/OR SALARY SCHEDULES.
5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR:
 - A. MARCH 8, 2005-REGULAR MEETING
 - B. MARCH 15, 2005-REGULAR MEETING
 - C. MARCH 22, 2005-REGULAR MEETING

6. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITY IN CAMERON COUNTY. (COMM.COURT)
7. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF LEGAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH ATTORNEY PAUL GOSSELINK CONCERNING SOLID WASTE ISSUES. (DW-LEGAL)
8. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE CAMERON COUNTY LEGISLATIVE AGENDA, TO INCLUDE PASSAGE OF RESOLUTIONS IN SUPPORT OF OR IN OPPOSITION TO CERTAIN LEGISLATION AFFECTING THE COUNTY'S INTEREST. (VDL-COUNTY JUDGE)
9. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO CREATE DISTRICT ATTORNEY POSITION 90-4750 SLOT 71 AS ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY AND INCREASE SLOT 07. (AV-DA)
10. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO NEGOTIATE A 457 SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH A.G. EDWARDS, ONE SOURCE, REPRESENTATIVES OF ING GROEP, NV FOR THE CAMERON COUNTY DEFERRED COMPENSATION AND SALARY ALLOTMENT PLANS. (MV-HUMAN RESOURCES)
11. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF OFFICE ASSIGNMENT AND REORGANIZATION IN THE OLD SHERIFF'S OFFICE. (DG-DA)
12. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF PERSONNEL POLICY CHANGES ON SECTION 9.04 SICK LEAVE, AMENDING ACCRUAL OF SICK LEAVE FROM EIGHT HOURS PER MONTH TO 6.67 HOURS PER MONTH AND 12.03 DISCIPLINE SUSPENSION FOLLOWING INDICTMENT. (MV-HUMAN RESOURCES)
13. CONSIDERATION AND SELECTION OF ONE OR MORE PROJECTS FOR APPLICATION TO THE 2005-2006 TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM COLONIA CONSTRUCTION FUND. (FB-PD & M)
14. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION REGARDING THE POSSIBLE LOCATION OF THE TWO DONATED PORTABLE BUILDINGS. (MI-BUILDING MAINTENANCE)

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.

15. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS.
16. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACCEPTANCE OF THE FY 2005 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE GRANT. (TH-EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT)

17. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF A SHORT TERM LEASE WITH THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF BROWNSVILLE FOR THE SANTA MARIA CATHOLIC CHURCH. (DJV-LEGAL)
18. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A BEACH VENDOR PERMIT TO FRANCISCO TORRES, D/B/A EL REY DEL ELOTE #3. (JM-PARK SYSTEM)
19. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A BEACH VENDORS' PERMIT TO BRENNAN AND MISTY WELLS, D/B/A WELLS RENTALS. (JM-PARK SYSTEM)
20. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A BEACH VENDORS' PERMIT TO MELISSA BROWN, D/B/A SUNSHINE EXPRESS. (JM-PARK SYSTEM)
21. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A BEACH VENDORS' PERMIT TO JAIME SALAZAR, D/B/A RUBY'S ELOTES #2. (JM-PARK SYSTEM)
22. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE A COASTAL LEASE AGREEMENT NO. CL20050007, BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND THE TEXAS GENERAL LAND OFFICE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A BIRD WATCH PLATFORM AT LAGUNA HEIGHTS REGIONAL PARK. (JM-PARK SYSTEM)
23. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE A RENEWAL OF COASTAL LEASE AGREEMENT NO. CL930001, BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND THE TEXAS GENERAL LAND OFFICE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A BIRD WATCH AND NATURE TRAIL AT LAGUNA HEIGHTS REGIONAL PARK. (JM-PARK SYSTEM)
24. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO RENEW THE FOLLOWING BIDS/RFP'S: (MF-PURCHASING)
 - A. SAFETY GLASSES: PRESCRIPTION – ANNUAL BID #2610 TO HERMAN'S OPTICAL
 - B. AUDIT, ANALYSIS & RECONCILIATION OF UTILITY RATES & BILLINGS – ANNUAL RFP #1221-2 TO GULF COAST UTILITIES
25. CONSIDERATION AND CERTIFICATION OF MILEAGE FOR COUNTY MAINTAINED ROAD MILEAGE AS REQUIRED BY THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)
26. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NUMBER TWO FOR THE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD (PUB) UTILITY RELOCATION UNDER THE CAMERON PARK COLONIA STREET, DRAINAGE AND UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)
27. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ALLOW ROBINSON, DUFFY AND BARNARD APPRAISERS TO DO TWO (2) APPRAISAL REPORTS FOR US 77/83 EXPRESSWAY DRAINAGE DITCH WIDENING PROJECT FROM FM 511 TO SH 100 IN THE BROWNSVILLE PRECINCT 2 AREA. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)

28. CONSIDERATION AND SELECTION OF A TITLE COMPANY TO DO TITLE COMMITMENTS AND TITLE POLICIES FOR US 77/83 EXPRESSWAY DRAINAGE EASEMENT PROJECT IN THE BROWNSVILLE PRECINCT 2 AREA. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)
29. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ALLOW SIERRA TITLE COMPANY TO COMPLETE TITLE COMMITMENTS AND POLICIES FOR PRIMERA ROAD. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)
30. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO AN ADVANCE FUNDING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE STATE OF TEXAS AND CAMERON COUNTY FOR THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF THE OUTFALL CHANNELS REQUIRED FOR THE US 77/83 EXPRESSWAY FROM FM 511 TO SH 100 IN THE BROWNSVILLE AREA. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)
31. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR PRELIMINARY APPROVAL FOR: (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)
 - A. PRECINCT NO. 3- VICTORIA ESTATES SUBDIVISION, BEING A 21.404 ACRE TRACT OF LAND MORE OR LESS AND BEING THE SOUTH 21.404 ACRE TRACT OUT OF BLOCK ONE (1), OF THE PARKER SUBDIVISION OUT OF PARTITION SHARE 15, OF THE ESPIRITU SANTO GRANT, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS ACCORDING TO THE MAP THEREOF RECORDED IN VOL. 4, PG. 40, MAP RECORDS OF CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS.
 - B. PRECINCT NO. 4- BEE'S SUBDIVISION, BEING 5.00 ACRES OF LAND OUT OF BLOCK EIGHTEEN (18) AND NINETEEN (19), HOSFELD PARK SUBDIVISION, AS SAID SUBDIVISION APPEARS ON SUBDIVISION MAP RECORDED IN VOLUME 8, PAGE 24, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS.

TRAVEL ITEMS:

32. 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. CIVIL LEGAL DIVISION LEGAL COUNSEL, TO TRAVEL TO CORPUS CHRISTI, TX, ON 6/22/05, TO ATTEND THE AIA CONTRACTS DOCUMENTS SEMINAR.
 - B. TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR AND ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT, TO TRAVEL TO ROUND ROCK, TX, ON 6/11-16/05, TO ATTEND THE "2005 TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTORS ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS 51ST ANNUAL CONFERENCE."
 - C. ASSISTANT FIRE MARSHALL, TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TX, ON 5/22-23/05, FOR FIRE INSPECTOR RE-EXAMINATION.

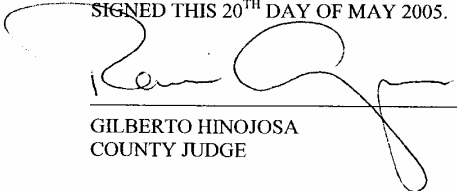
- D. COUNTY JUDGE'S OFFICE EMPLOYEE, TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TX, ON 5/16/05, TO MEET WITH TCEQ REGARDING FORMAT FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS ON PROPOSED LANDFILL APPLICATION AND MEET WITH LEGISLATIVE OFFICES REGARDING LETTERS OF SUPPORT/RESOLUTIONS CONNECTED WITH LEGISLATION.
- E. UNIFIED NARCOTICS INTELLIGENCE TASK FORCE EMPLOYEE, TO TRAVEL TO ALEXANDRIA, VA, ON 4/3-8/05, ATTEND THE I2 USER'S CONFERENCE.
- F. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES EPIDEMIOLOGIST, LICENSED VOCATIONAL NURSE AND PUBLIC HEALTH TECHNICIAN, TO TRAVEL TO COLLEGE STATION, TX, ON 6/1-3/05, TO ATTEND THE "SOUTHWEST CONFERENCE ON DISEASES IN NATURE TRANSMISSIBLE TO MAN."
- G. G.I.S. COORDINATOR AND CARTOGRAPHER, TO TRAVEL TO LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA, ON 6/24-30/05, TO ATTEND CONTINUATION EDUCATION COURSES.
- H. JUVENILE PROBATION EMPLOYEES (4), TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TX, ON 7/10-15/05, TO ATTEND "9TH ANNUAL DRILL INSTRUCTOR INSTITUTE."
- I. JUVENILE PROBATION EMPLOYEES (2), TO TRAVEL TO WESLACO, TX, ON 6/7-9/05, TO ATTEND "MENTAL HEALTH OFFICER TRAINING."
- J. JUVENILE PROBATION EMPLOYEES (4), TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TX, ON 7/5-6/05, TO ATTEND "TEXAS JUVENILE PROBATION COMMISSION'S BUDGET WORKSHOP."
- K. JUVENILE PROBATION EMPLOYEES (2), TO TRAVEL TO HUNTSVILLE, TX, ON 5/22-27/05, TO ATTEND "THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF CORRECTIONS, TRAINING FOR TRAINING COORDINATORS."

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- 33. EXECUTIVE SESSION:
 - A. 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).
 - B. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING ISSUES REGARDING THE CAMERON COUNTY DETENTION CENTERS AND THE CAMERON COUNTY SHERIFF'S ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071(2).

- C. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING THE PROPOSED SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITY SITE EAST OF LOS FRESNOS PROPOSED BY CONSOLIDATED WASTE INDUSTRIES, INC. 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).
 - D. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING ISSUES REGARDING THE DEL MAR HEIGHTS BUYOUT PROPERTIES, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.
 - E. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY CONCERNING THE CONCESSION LEASE ON COUNTY PROPERTY WITHIN THE ISLA BLANCA PARK A/K/A SEA RANCH GROCERY AND TACKLE, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071(2).
 - F. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY CONCERNING THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE DONATION OF PROPERTY FOR THE ARROYO CITY FIRE/LAW ENFORCEMENT SUBSTATION, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.
 - G. DELIBERATION REGARDING SECURITY DEVICES AND THE DEPLOYMENT OF SECURITY PERSONNEL OR DEVICES FOR THE CAMERON COUNTY COURTHOUSE COMPLEX AND ANNEXES, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.076.
34. 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.

SIGNED THIS 20TH DAY OF MAY 2005.


GILBERTO HINOJOSA
COUNTY JUDGE

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