



**Cameron County, Texas
Commissioner's 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, August 2, 2005, at 9:30 a.m. in the Courtroom on the 4th Floor.*

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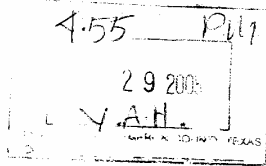
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Questions regarding this agenda should be directed to the County Agenda Coordinator at (956) 544-0830.

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NOTICE

COMMISSIONERS COURT REGULAR MEETING

TUESDAY, THE 2ND DAY OF AUGUST 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 ON UPDATE OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND BIRDING AND NATURE CENTER. (RF-SPI EDC)
3. PRESENTATION BY THE U.S. FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE OF REVENUE SHARING CHECK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$125,483.00. (CS-U.S. FISH & WILDLIFE)
4. PRESENTATION BY CRAIG LANDGRAF, UNIT DIRECTOR H.E. BUTT TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS, FOR A DONATION OF \$2,500.00 TOWARD THE LAGUNA HEIGHTS RECREATIONAL PARK. (JM-PARK SYSTEM)

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION:

5. BUDGET AMENDMENTS, LINE ITEM TRANSFERS AND/OR SALARY SCHEDULES.
6. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS.
7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR:
 - A. MAY 10, 2005-REGULAR MEETING

8. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON SCHEDULING USE OF BRUSH TRUCKS. (DG-COMM. PCT. 3)
9. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITY IN CAMERON COUNTY. (COMM. COURT)
10. DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF ORDER INSTITUTING A CIVIL SERVICE SYSTEM FOR CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS. (RB-CIVIL)
11. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ADOPTION OF AMENDED ORDER FOR THE PROVISION OF SOLID WASTE SERVICES. (RB-CIVIL)
12. CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CONSTRUCTION OF A TROPICAL TEXAS FOR MENTAL HEALTH AND MENTAL RETARDATION-OWNED FACILITY IN BROWNSVILLE AND THE USE OF THE MATCHING PORTION OF THE COUNTY REQUIRED LOCAL MATCHING CONTRIBUTION TOWARD THE COST TO CONSTRUCT THE BROWNSVILLE FACILITY. (TC-TTMHMR)
13. ✓ CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE A MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND WILLACY COUNTY FOR THE PURPOSE OF ALLOCATING LAW ENFORCEMENT AND OTHER PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES DURING EMERGENCIES. (JM-PARK SYSTEM)
14. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE EXPANSION OF THE VETERANS INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE AT LOS TOMATES. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)
15. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF PURCHASE OF COMPUTER EQUIPMENT, NECESSARY SOFTWARE AND/OR HARDWARE REQUIRED BY THE SOLID WASTE DIVISION OF THE CAMERON COUNTY TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)
16. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL TO REQUEST BIDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE PORT ISABEL ANNEX BUILDING. (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.

17. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF BUSINESS WEB BANKING EMPLOYEE FORM WITH FIRST NATIONAL BANK FOR COUNTY AUDITOR'S OFFICE EMPLOYEE. (EG-TREASURER)
18. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO PUBLISH PUBLIC NOTICES AS REQUIRED WITHIN THE TIME REQUIREMENTS AND FORMAT AS STATED IN THE PROPERTY TAX CODE FOR THE SETTING OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2006 TAX RATE. (XV-BUDGET OFFICER)

19. CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE RODRIGUEZ FAMILY FOR THEIR MANY CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COMMUNITY AND FOR THEIR ACHIEVEMENTS IN AGRICULTURE. (COMM. COURT)
20. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A NON-FINANCIAL COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY (CONSTABLES' OFFICES) AND CAMERON WORKS. (COMM. COURT)
21. CONSENT TO PURCHASE COMPUTERS AND LICENSE'S FOR THE ADULT PROBATION DEPARTMENT FUND #920-5765-6096 UTILIZING STATE OF TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION RESOURCES INTER-LOCAL COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENT CONTRACTS. (RS-ADULT PROBATION)
22. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG) AWARD FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE FOR CAMERON COUNTY AND CITY OF BROWNSVILLE. (FB-PD & M)
23. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL TO AMEND CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CAMERON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AND THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES FOR CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL HEALTH CARE NEEDS FY05 BUDGET. (YS-HEALTH DEPT.)
24. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE A SUBRECIPIENT COASTAL IMPACT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (CIAP) AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY (PARKS AND RECREATION) AND TEXAS GENERAL LAND OFFICE TO CONSTRUCT THE RESTROOMS AND PARK PAVILION AT THE LAGUNA HEIGHTS REGIONAL PARK. (JM-PARK SYSTEM)
25. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A BEACH CLEANING AND MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH THE TEXAS GENERAL LAND OFFICE FOR THE STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)
26. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO INITIATE THE DRAWING PROCESS ON LETTER OF CREDIT FOR SAN CARLOS SOUTH SUBDIVISION, PRECINCT NO. 3, FOR UNBUILT SEPTIC SYSTEMS. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)
27. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO INITIATE THE DRAWING PROCESS ON LETTER OF CREDIT FOR PEDERSON BROTHERS NO. 4 SUBDIVISION, PRECINCT NO. 4, FOR UNBUILT SEPTIC SYSTEMS. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)
28. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO INITIATE THE DRAWING PROCESS ON LETTER OF CREDIT FOR HACIENDA DEL NORTE SECTION IV SUBDIVISION, PRECINCT NO. 2, FOR UNBUILT SEPTIC SYSTEMS. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)
29. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO INITIATE THE DRAWING PROCESS ON LETTER OF CREDIT FOR HACIENDA DEL NORTE SECTION III SUBDIVISION, PRECINCT NO. 2, FOR UNBUILT SEPTIC SYSTEMS. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)

30. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT CITRUS DRIVE AND ORANGE DRIVE LOCATED IN THE SUN VALLEY RETIREMENT VILLAGE, PRECINCT NO. 4, AS RECORDED IN VOL. 31, PAGE 35 OF THE CAMERON COUNTY MAP RECORDS, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS AND TANGELO DRIVE AND ORANGE DRIVE LOCATED IN THE SUN VALLEY RETIREMENT VILLAGE NO. 2 SUBDIVISION, PRECINCT NO. 4, AS RECORDED IN VOL. 32, PAGE 20 OF THE CAMERON COUNTY MAP RECORDS, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS INTO THE COUNTY ROAD SYSTEM. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)

TRAVEL ITEMS:

31. 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 EMPLOYEES (2), TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TX, ON 8/4-5/05, TO ATTEND 7TH ANNUAL TEXAS ENVIRONMENTAL SUPERCONFERENCE.
 - B. DISTRICT ATTORNEY AND EMPLOYEES (9), TO TRAVEL TO EDINBURG, TX, ON 8/26/05, TO ATTEND TDCAA'S LEGISLATIVE UPDATE SEMINAR.
 - C. DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE EMPLOYEE, TO TRAVEL TO MCALLEN, TX, ON 8/22/05, TO ATTEND CAREER TRACK'S "THE OUTSTANDING RECEPTIONIST" SEMINAR.
 - D. DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE EMPLOYEE, TO TRAVEL TO DALLAS, TX, ON 8/15-18/05, TO ATTEND DALLAS CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER'S 17TH ANNUAL CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN CONFERENCE.
 - E. COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO. 2, TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TX, ON 8/16-18/05, TO ATTEND FHWA BORDER FINANCE CONFERENCE.
 - F. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES CLINIC SUPERVISORS (2) AND BREASTFEEDING PEER COUNSELORS (2), TO TRAVEL TO HOUSTON, TX, ON 8/7-9/05, TO ATTEND A LEVEL 4 BREASTFEEDING CLASS: CLINICAL ASSESSMENT OF LACTATION RESEARCH AND POLICIES.
 - G. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES EMPLOYEES (16), TO TRAVEL TO DALLAS/FORT WORTH AND SURROUNDING AREAS, ON 8/7-9/05, TO PARTICIPATE IN A STATE-WIDE FULL-SCALE STRATEGIC NATIONAL STOCKPILE (SNS) EXERCISE.
 - H. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES EMPLOYEES (8), TO TRAVEL TO CORPUS CHRISTI, TX, ON 8/17-19/05, TO ATTEND THE SOUTH TEXAS SOCIAL WORKERS SOCIETY CONFERENCE.
 - I. COUNTY JUDGE'S OFFICE EMPLOYEE, TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TX, ON 8/7-10/05, TO ATTEND POST-LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE.

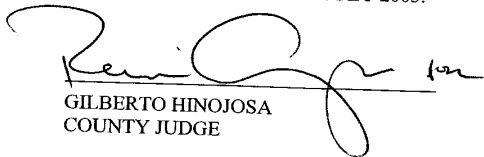
- J. CONSTABLE PRECINCT 5 DEPUTIES (5), TO TRAVEL TO MCALLEN, TX, ON 8/16/05, TO ATTEND THE "LEGISLATIVE UPDATE WORKSHOPS."
- K. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES (3), TO TRAVEL TO CORPUS CHRISTI, TX, ON 8/24-26/05, TO ATTEND WORKPLACE VIOLENCE & DEFENSIVE TACTICS.
- L. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES (2), TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TX, ON 9/11-14/05, TO ATTEND 2005 TEXAS SAVE A LIFE SUMMIT.
- M. JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PRECINCT 2, PLACE 1 AND EMPLOYEE, TO TRAVEL TO CORPUS CHRISTI, TX, ON 8/4/05, TO ATTEND NEW LEGISLATIVE UPDATE WORKSHOP.
- N. JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PRECINCT 2, PLACE 1 EMPLOYEES (2), TO TRAVEL TO MCALLEN, TX, ON 8/16/05, TO ATTEND NEW LEGISLATIVE UPDATE WORKSHOP.
- O. DRUG ENFORCEMENT TASK FORCE EMPLOYEE, TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TX, ON 8/7-26/05, TO ATTEND BASIC CLE NARCOTIC SCHOOL AUSTIN.
- P. CONSTABLE PRECINCT 4, CONSTABLE PRECINCT 4 DEPUTY, CONSTABLE PRECINCT 2 AND CONSTABLE PRECINCT 2 DEPUTIES (2), TO TRAVEL TO CORPUS CHRISTI, TX, ON 4/25-26/05, TO ATTEND THE MANUFACTURED HOUSING EVICTIONS.
- Q. SHERIFF DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES (2), TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TX, ON 8/3-4/05, TO ATTEND TEXAS COMMISSION OF JAIL STANDARDS MEETING.
- R. COUNTY EXTENSION AGENTS (2), TO TRAVEL TO VICTORIA, TX, ON 8/11/05, TO ATTEND THE DISTRICT 11 ACCOUNTABILITY TRAINING.
- S. JUVENILE PROBATION EMPLOYEE, TO TRAVEL TO CLEMSON, SC, ON 8/6-12/05, TO ATTEND "STROM THURMOND BOYS & GIRLS CLUB LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE'S ADVANCE LEADERSHIP CERTIFICATE PROGRAM FOR MANAGEMENT PROFESSIONALS."

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- 32. 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. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY CONCERNING ACQUISITION OF PARCEL 141, FOR PRIMERA ROAD PROJECT IN THE PRIMERA, PRECINCT NO. 4 AREA, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.
 - D. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING PROTEST BY BFI WASTE SERVICES OF TEXAS, LP, 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, SECTION 551.071(2).
 - E. 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.
 - F. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING CAMERON COUNTY VS. BFI WASTE COLLECTION, ET. AL, CAUSE NO. 2005-07-3905-A, FOR DISCUSSION OF CASE STATUS AND SETTLEMENT AUTHORITY, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (A) & (B).
 - G. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING ISSUES RELATING TO THE POSSIBLE ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY FOR THE DANCY BUILDING RENOVATION PROJECT, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.
33. 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 29TH DAY OF JULY 2005.


GILBERTO HINOJOSA
COUNTY JUDGE