

THE STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF CAMERON §

**BE IT REMEMBERED** on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of March 2006, there was conducted a **REGULAR Meeting** of the Honorable Commissioners' Court of Cameron County, Texas, at the Courthouse thereof, in the City of Brownsville, Texas, for the purpose of transacting any and all business that may lawfully be brought before the same.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Cameron County Commissioners' Court wishes to dedicate its proceedings in memory of Judge Filemon Vela.

**THE COURT MET AT:**

**9:30 A.M.**

**PRESENT:**

**GILBERTO HINOJOSA**  
COUNTY JUDGE

**PEDRO "PETE" BENAVIDES**  
COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO. 1

**JOHN WOOD**  
COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO. 2

**DAVID A. GARZA**  
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 3

**EDNA TAMAYO**  
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 4

**JOE G. RIVERA**  
COUNTY CLERK

**Mayra Medrano** Deputy Clerk

**ABSENT:**

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The meeting was called to order by Judge Pro-tem Benavides at 9:34 A.M. He asked Reverend Bob Clark, Brownsville resident, for the invocation, and he then led the Court and audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Court considered the following matters as posted and filed for Record in the Office of the County Clerk on March 17, 2006 at 3:29 P.M.:

(1) **PUBLIC COMMENTS.**

None were presented.

**PRESENTATIONS:**

(2) **PRESENTATION OF A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING  
DR. GRAYSON L. SELLERS FOR HIS OUTSTANDING  
PUBLIC SERVICE. (COMM. COURT)**

Upon motion by Commissioner Wood and seconded by Commissioner Tamayo, this item was **TABLED.**

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(3) **BUDGET AMENDMENTS, LINE ITEM TRANSFERS  
AND/OR SALARY SCHEDULES.**

Commissioner Tamayo moved that the Budget Amendments, Line Item Transfers and/or Salary Scheduled be  
**APPROVED.**

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Wood and carried unanimously.

**The Documents are as follow:**

**(4) APPROVAL OF CLAIMS.**

Commissioner Wood moved that the Claims be approved, inclusive of the late claims.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garza and carried as follows:

AYE: Commissioners Benavides, Wood, Garza and Tamayo

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Commissioner Garza as to warrant No. 00155815, payable to The Medicine Shoppe in the amount of \$844.94

**The Claims and Affidavit are as follow:**

(5) **CONSIDERATION AND DISCUSSION OF SOLICITING BIDS ON MOWING THE LAND SURROUNDING THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND CARRIZALES-RUCKER DETENTION CENTER. (DJV-LEGAL)**

Commissioner Garza moved that soliciting bids on mowing the land surrounding the Sheriff's Office and Carrizales-Rucker Detention Center be **APPROVED**.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Wood and carried unanimously.

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(6) **CONSIDERATION AND ACTION REGARDING POSSIBLE ADDITIONS TO THE CAMERON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF COLLECTION OF FINES AND COURT COSTS, PURSUANT TO THE MANDATES OF SENATE BILL 1863; TO INCLUDE BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE AMENDMENT OF THE EXISTING PROGRAM, CREATING A NEW PROGRAM FOR THE DISTRICT COURTS AND ADDITIONAL STAFF AND EQUIPMENT. (COMM. COURT)**

Mr. Remi Garza, Assistant County Administrator, informed that a small committee was formed to find a way to address the requirements of Senate Bill 1863. He added that the State was requiring that the Counties implement delinquent programs to reduce the number of delinquent accounts for fines and court costs for the county courts the district courts and the Justices of the peaces courts. Mr. Garza noted that Cameron County already has a pretty successful program that was established by the County Clerks office which complies with what the demands are with Senate Bill 1863. He noted that the District Courts court costs and fines were currently being handled by the Adult Probation Department. He stated that the JP's courts had to be added or implemented into the current system referring to the collection of court costs and/or fines.

Commissioner Garza questioned who the members of the committee were.

Mr. Garza responded that the committee was formed by the County Clerk Joe G. Rivera, the District Clerk Aurora De La Garza, a representative of the Justice of the Peace, Xavier Villarreal, Budget Officer, Mr. Remi Garza.

Commissioner Tamayo commented that every party involved in this matter had been represented.

Mr. Garza responded in the affirmative and noted that the information being presented to them explained what the requests were in terms of staffing and equipment necessary for implementation of the system. He added that a computer software system had been created by in conjunction with the Counties' Computer Center, which was in large part "mirroring" the current program being used by the County Clerks Collection Department.

Commissioner Garza expressed concern with no representative being present at the meeting.

Mr. Garza stated that there were some concerns with the JP's office and informed that he would go over their concerns later on during his presentation.

Commissioner Wood expressed confusion with the information which was made available in the back-up information and the documentation which was handed out at the beginning of the meeting. He asked the date which this was mandated to be implemented by April 1, 2006.

Mr. Garza responded that Senate Bill 1863 was implemented on the last Legislative Session, a year ago.

Commissioner Garza asked if this issue had to be approved during the meeting, noting that it was very difficult to review information and to listen to the presentation. He asked for more time to review the information.

Commissioner Tamayo questioned the name of the representative of the JP's.

Mr. Garza stated that JP Judge Dan Sanchez.

Ms. Aurora De La Garza, District Clerk, noted that Mr. Aaron Castillo, Regional Collection Specialist OCA (Office of Court Administration)

Mr. Remi Garza stated that Mr. Sanchez had suggested that the clerks who would be in charge of collection for the JP's be relocated to Harlingen and San Benito's offices to prevent people traveling from Northern Cameron County to Brownsville. Mr. Garza noted that at this present time the space was not available.

**NOTE: JUDGE HINOJOSA JOINED THE MEETING AT THIS TIME**

Judge Hinojosa questioned if this system could be done via-internet to accommodate people from traveling from different parts of the County.

Mr. Remi Garza responded everything depended on the State approval. He stated that the State had a model that had to be followed.

Judge Hinojosa asked if the system could be implemented on-line.

Mr. Rudy Juarez, Computer Center Director, responded in the affirmative but noted that no guarantee could be given that it would be done by April 1, 2006.

Mr. Aaron Castillo, Regional Collection Specialist OCA (Office of Court Administration), informed the State's requirement an individual to be personally interviewed by a collection clerk. He added that this makes individuals think about the consequences of making arrangements with the Clerks Office. He noted that most people often pay on the same day they are sentenced in order to evitate traveling to Brownsville for payment arrangements. Mr. Castillo informed that Counties are audited often and if the County is not in compliance a fine of \$225,000.

Mr. Remi Garza stated that it was much easier to put a centralized location for the collection of court costs and/or fines instead of 11 different offices and noted the issue with the space issue.

Judge Hinojosa suggested that this system be tried and see how it works and how everybody adapts to it and in case it needed to be revisited then it would at that time. He commented that Mr. George Moreno, County Clerk Collections

Department Supervisor, was doing a fine job running his Department noting that such bring in about 70% of revenue which is being assessed. He expressed concern with the burden of people traveling to and from Brownsville noting that individuals were being hurt financially.

Commissioner Tamayo asked on the feedback of Judge Dan Sanchez regarding the system.

Mr. Remi Garza responded that Mr. Sanchez was very skeptical as to this issue.

At this time Mr. Remi Garza highlighted the information regarding the staffing and equipment.

Commissioner Tamayo expressed concern with approving this item until feedback from the JP's offices was received.

Mr. Aaron Castillo stated that his office would provide training for all personnel who would be dealing with these issues.

Commissioner Benavides moved that this item be **APPROVED**.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garza and carried unanimously.

**The Information is as follow:**

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At this time Judge Hinojosa informed that he had attended a Bond Election meeting held at the Brownsville Independent School District. He noted that on May 3, 2006 a bond Election would be held, he informed that if this bond was passed it would mean more schools for the community.

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(7) **CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD RFP # 051105, INFIRMARY SERVICES. (YS-HEALTH)(TABLED)**

Commissioner Tamayo moved that this item be **TABLED**.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

**The Information is as follow:**

(8) **CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE EARLY VOTING POLLING LOCATIONS AND ELECTION DAY POLLING LOCATIONS FOR THE 2006 PRIMARY RUNOFF ELECTION. (RO-ELECTIONS)**

Judge Hinojosa informed that there were only Justice of the Peace run-offs elections in Los Fresnos, Rio Hondo, and Brownsville.

Mr. Roger Ortiz, Elections Administrator, he reviewed and highlighted the following information regarding the early voting polling locations and Election Day polling locations for the 2006 Primary Runoff Elections and recommended that this item be approved.

Mr. Remi Garza, County Assistant Administrator, informed that early voting sites would now be open until 7:P.M. giving people one extra hour to go out to the various polling places.

Judge Hinojosa expressed concern and commented that it was his understanding that the closing times at voting polls was 7pm, he noted that people who work don't count with sufficient time to go out and vote with time conflicts with their jobs.

Commissioner Benavides moved that this item be **Approved**.

Commissioner Garza seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

**The Information is as follows:**



(9) **CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION TO THE U.S. HISPANIC CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BY THE HARLINGEN HISPANIC CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR THE PROPOSED VALLEY SMALL BUSINESS CYBER INCUBATION BUSINESS CENTER. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)**

Commissioner Wood moved that a Resolution supporting the submittal of an application to the U.S. Hispanic Chamber of Commerce by the Harlingen Hispanic Chamber of Commerce for the proposed Valley Small Business Cyber Incubation Business Center be **ADOPTED**.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garza and carried unanimously.

**The Resolution is as follows:**

(10) **CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO THE OWNER ENGINEER AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND HUGO E. BERMUDEZ, P.E., CO-PRESIDENT D/B/A COAST AND HARBOR, ENGINEERING INC. (JM-PARK SYSTEM)**

Commissioner Wood moved that the amendment to the Owner Engineer Agreement between Cameron County and Hugo E. Bermudez, P.E., Co-President d/b/a Coast and Harbor, Engineering Inc be **APPROVED**.

Commissioner Garza seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

**The information is as follow:**

(11) **CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF BUDGET FOR THE WORK TO BE PERFORMED BY THE BUILDING MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT AT THE CAMERON COUNTY/SAN BENITO ANNEX BUILDING. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)**

Upon motion by Commissioner Wood and seconded by Commissioner Garza this item was **APPROVED**.

**The Information is as follows:**

## 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.

ITEM NO. 13-: Commissioner Garza asked that this item be **TABLED** until further information is provided by the District Attorneys Office.

ITEM NO. 19- Commissioner Tamayo questioned the \$8,000 dollars salary supplement to the jailers who would be conducting the classes.  
Ms. Lizette Martinez, Sheriff's Office responded that those employees were given additional tasks and therefore this was a supplement income as reward for their additional services regarding the teaching of the class.  
Judge Hinojosa asked if \$8,000 was for each jailer.  
Ms. Martinez responded in the affirmative.

ITEM NO. 24- Mr. Remi Garza asked that a committee be appointed.  
Judge Hinojosa recommended that the committee consist of a Chairman of the Commission, Manuel Villarreal, Personnel Director, Xavier Villareal, Budget Officer, Mike Forbes, Purchasing Officer, a representative of the County Judge's Office and that legal counsel be present.

Commissioner Tamayo moved that the "Travel and Consent Items" be approved and that item

No. 13 be **TABLED**.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garza and carried unanimously

**NOTE: Action on Item No. 13 was taken on separately at a later time during the meeting.**

- (12) **CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO SUBSTITUTE COLLATERAL AS PER DEPOSITORY CONTRACT WITH FIRST NATIONAL BANK. (EG-TREASURER)**  
**The Contract is as follows:**
- (13) **CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO AN INTER-LOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE AND BROWNSVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR JOINT COOPERATION, INVESTIGATION, ASSISTANCE IN CAMERON COUNTY INVESTIGATIONS IN THE AREA OF CAMERON COUNTY ADJACENT TO THE CITY OF BROWNSVILLE. (AV-DA)(TABLE) (action taken separately)**
- (14) **CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY SPECIAL OPERATIONS GROUP AND ALL VALLEY TOWING FOR STORAGE SPACE. (AV-DA)**  
**The Agreement is as follows:**
- (15) **CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY SPECIAL OPERATIONS GROUP AND J. ECHEVARRIA TRUST FOR OFFICE SPACE. (AV-DA)**  
**The Agreement is as follows:**
- (16) **CONSIDERATION AND APPOINTMENT OF JESUS MONTALVO, RESERVE DEPUTY CONSTABLE FOR PRECINCT NO. 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)**

- (17) **CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 TO THE CONTRACT WITH JAMAIL CONSTRUCTION INC. TO DEDUCT BETTERMENT ALLOWANCE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,000. (JM-PARK SYSTEM)**
- (18) **CONSIDERATION AND SELECTION OF BINDER ENTERPRISER TO CONDUCT PROCESS EVALUATION OF CAMERON COUNTY JUVENILE PROBATION WEED AND SEED PROGRAM SUBJECT TO CONTRACT APPROVAL. (TR-JUVENILE)**
- (19) **CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL FOR SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOR A LIFE SKILLS FOR STATE AND LOCAL PRISONERS PROGRAM. (FB-PD & M)**  
**The Information is as follows:**
- (20) **CONSIDERATION AND ACTION ACCEPTING TERMS TO INSTALL COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT AT THE DANCY BUILDING STARTING MARCH 25, 2006 AND AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE CORRESPONDENCE RELATING TO ACCEPTANCE. (FB-PD & M)**
- (21) **CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO PUBLISH NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING TO RENAME SHARE 28 ROAD, IN PRECINCT 3, TO E & M CANTU RD. (COMM. COURT)**
- (22) **CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO PUBLISH NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING TO RENAME AVENIDA EDUARDO, IN PRECINCT 2, TO DR. VICTOR ALVAREZ ROAD. (COMM. COURT)**
- (23) **CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN OVERHEAD LIGHTS – RFP #060301. (MF-PURCHASING)**
- (24) **CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CAMERON COUNTY CIVIL SERVICE SYSTEM RFQ #060205 AND SELECTION OF EVALUATION COMMITTEE BY COMMISSIONERS' COURT. (MF-PURCHASING)**
- (25) **CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWN OF COMBES FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO KILBOURNE ROAD. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)**
- (26) **CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT PINEMORE DR AND PINELAKE CIRCLE IN PINWOOD NO. 2 SUBDIVISION, PRECINCT NO. 2, AS RECORDED IN CABINET 1, PAGE 2430-A & 2430-B OF THE CAMERON COUNTY MAP RECORDS, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS INTO THE COUNTY ROAD SYSTEM. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)**
- (27) **CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT EL CARIBE BLVD., EL CARIBE CIRCLE NORTH, EL CARIBEL CIRCLE SOUTH, EL CARIBE CIRCLE EAST, AND EL CARIBE CIRCLE WEST IN EL CARIBE ESTATES SUBDIVISION, PRECINCT NO. 4, AS RECORDED IN CABINET 1, PAGE 2475-B & 2476-A OF THE CAMERON COUNTY MAP RECORDS, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS INTO THE COUNTY ROAD SYSTEM. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)**
- (28) **CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT BOWIE PARK ROAD AND WEST BOWIE ROAD IN SOUTH BOWIE SUBDIVISION PHASE II, PRECINCT NO. 3, AS RECORDED IN CABINET 1, PAGE 2502-B, 2503-A & 2503-B OF THE CAMERON COUNTY MAP RECORDS, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS INTO THE COUNTY ROAD SYSTEM. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)**
- (29) **CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT A RIGHT OF ENTRY AND POSSESSION FOR FM 803 PARCEL 2, WITHIN THE PRECINCT NO. 3 AREA. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)**

- (30) CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF TIME EXTENSION FROM MARCH 1, 2006 TO MARCH 1, 2009 FOR PROVIDING SEWER FACILITIES (SEPTIC SYSTEMS) AT SLEEPY PARROT SUBDIVISION, PRECINCT NO. 4. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)
- (31) CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF TIME EXTENSION FROM JANUARY 9, 2006 TO DECEMBER 6, 2006 FOR PROVIDING SEWER FACILITIES (SEPTIC SYSTEMS) AT RAMON SUBDIVISION, PRECINCT NO. 4. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)
- (32) CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF TIME EXTENSION FROM FEBRUARY 19, 2006 TO MARCH 6, 2016 FOR PROVIDING SEWER FACILITIES (SEPTIC SYSTEMS) AT PEREZ ESTATES SUBDIVISION, PRECINCT NO. 2. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)
- (33) CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR FINAL 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 MAP THEREOF RECORDED IN VOLUME 4, PG. 40, MAP RECORDS OF CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS.

### TRAVEL ITEMS:

- (34) 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) COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO. 1, TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TX, ON 5/2-5/06, TO ATTEND CONTINUING EDUCATION CONFERENCE AND EDUCATION EXPOSITION.
  - (B) JUVENILE PROBATION FISCAL ADMINISTRATOR AND FISCAL CLERK, TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TX, ON 4/4/06, TO ATTEND "GRANT TRAINING FOR REQUIREMENTS FOR AUDIT FOR STATE BUDGETS AND TITLE IV-E FROM TJPC."
  - (C) TAX OFFICE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, SUPERVISOR AUTO-BOOKKEEPING DEPT., SUPERVISOR AUTO DEPT. AND AUTO/TAX ASSESSMENT CLERK, TO TRAVEL TO EDINBURG, TX, ON 4/24-28/06, TO ATTEND COURSE #1 (INTRODUCTION TO THE TEXAS PROPERTY TAX SYSTEM).
  - (D) HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR, TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TX, ON 5/3-5/06, TO ATTEND THE 2006 COUNTY MANAGEMENT INSTITUTE.
  - (E) SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT DISPATCHERS (2), TO TRAVEL TO MCALLEN, TX, ON 6/21/06, TO ATTEND HOMELAND SECURITY FOR TELECOMMUNICATORS SEMINAR.
  - (F) SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT INVESTIGATOR, TO TRAVEL TO EDINBURG, TX, ON 3/21-24/06, TO ATTEND INTERROGATION & INTERVIEWING TECHNIQUES.
  - (G) SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT INVESTIGATORS (2), TO TRAVEL TO ROCKPORT, TX, ON 3/26-31/06, TO ATTEND BASIC CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION AND NEW DETECTIVE TRAINING.

- (H) SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT DETENTION OFFICERS (4), TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TX, ON 6/26-30/06, TO ATTEND THE TEXAS GANG INVESTIGATORS ASSOCIATION 2006 TRAINING CONFERENCE.**
- (I) SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT DETENTION OFFICERS (4), TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TX, ON 3/20-22/06, TO ATTEND IDENTIX LIVSCAN SYSTEM TRAINING.**
- (J) SHERIFF AND CHIEFS (2), TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TX, ON 3/29-30/06, TO VIEW EQUIPMENT.**
- (K) EXTENSION AGENT AND PROGRAM ASSOCIATE, TO TRAVEL TO KINGSVILLE, TX, ON 3/17/06, TO ATTEND THE KINGSVILLE PEDDLER SHOW.**
- (L) EXTENSION AGENTS (4), TO TRAVEL TO VICTORIA, TX, ON 5/22-23/06, TO ATTEND THE TCE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT TRAINING.**
- (M) DISTRICT CLERK AND DEPUTY CLERK, TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TX, ON 5/2-5/06, TO ATTEND THE COUNTY AND DISTRICT CLERK'S UT SCHOOL OF LAW LEGAL EDUCATION CONFERENCE.**

- (12) **CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO SUBSTITUTE COLLATERAL AS PER DEPOSITORY CONTRACT WITH FIRST NATIONAL BANK. (EG-TREASURER)**  
**The Contract is as follows:**



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**The Information is as follows:**

## EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion by Commissioner Benavides, seconded by Commissioner Tamayo and carried unanimously, the Court met in Executive Session at 11:30 A.M. to discuss the following matters:

### **(35) EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- (A) CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING CAMERON COUNTY VS. FAULKNER, USA FORMERLY KNOWN AS LANDMARK, APPROVAL OF SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071(1) (A) (B) & (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 ISSUES RELATING TO POSSIBLE ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY FOR THE DANCY BUILDING RENOVATION PROJECT, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.**
- (D) CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING COUNTY OF CAMERON VS. BFI WASTE COLLECTION, ET. AL., CAUSE NO. 2005-07-3905-A, FOR DISCUSSION OF CASE AND AUTHORITY FOR SETTLEMENT WITH ABC WASTE COLLECTION, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071(1)(A).**
- (E) CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING CONTRACT ISSUES WITH BORDERS-ADS, LLC TO LEASE PROPERTY AT VETERANS BRIDGE FOR A VIDEO BILLBOARD, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071(2).**
- (F) CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING LEASING PROPERTY AT GATEWAY BRIDGE AND LOS INDIOS BRIDGE, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.**
- (G) DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY CONCERNING ACQUISITION OF LAND FOR A PROPOSED PARK IN THE COMMUNITY OF LA PALOMA PRECINCT NO. 4 AREA, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.**

Upon motion by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Tamayo and carried unanimously, the Court reconvened into Regular Session at 12:33 P.M. to discuss the following matters:

### **(36) ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

- (A) CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING CAMERON COUNTY VS. FAULKNER, USA FORMERLY KNOWN AS LANDMARK, APPROVAL OF SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071(1) (A) (B) & (2).**

Upon motion by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Tamayo and carried unanimously, the Status report by Legal Counsel was acknowledged.

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- (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).**

Upon motion by Commissioner Wood, seconded by Commissioner Garza and carried unanimously, the Status Report by Legal Counsel and by Sheriff Omar Lucio, were acknowledged.

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- (C) **CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING ISSUES RELATING TO POSSIBLE ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY FOR THE DANCY BUILDING RENOVATION PROJECT, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.**

Upon motion by Commissioner Tamayo, seconded by Commissioner Garza and carried unanimously, the Status report by Frank Bejarano, PD& M Director and the report by Mr. Remi Garza were acknowledged.

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- (D) **CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING COUNTY OF CAMERON VS. BFI WASTE COLLECTION, ET. AL., CAUSE NO. 2005-07-3905-A, FOR DISCUSSION OF CASE AND AUTHORITY FOR SETTLEMENT WITH ABC WASTE COLLECTION, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071(1)(A).**

Commissioner Garza moved that the status report by Legal Counsel be acknowledged.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Wood and carried as follows:

AYE: Commissioner Benavides, Wood and Garza

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Commissioner Tamayo as to Section 551.071

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- (E) **CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING CONTRACT ISSUES WITH BORDERS-ADS, LLC TO LEASE PROPERTY AT VETERANS BRIDGE FOR A VIDEO BILLBOARD, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071(2).**

Upon motion by Commissioner Wood, seconded by Commissioner Tamayo and carried unanimously, this Item was **TABLED**.

- (F) **CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING LEASING PROPERTY AT GATEWAY BRIDGE AND LOS INDIOS BRIDGE, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.**

Commissioner Wood moved to authorize the identification of the area to lease and to advertise the lease space. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garza and carried unanimously.

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- (G) **DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY CONCERNING ACQUISITION OF LAND FOR A PROPOSED PARK IN THE COMMUNITY OF LA PALOMA PRECINCT NO. 4 AREA, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.**

Upon motion by Commissioner Tamayo, seconded by Commissioner Garza and carried unanimously, the status report by Mr. Javier Mendez, Parks Director, was acknowledged.

Commissioner Tamayo moved to reconsider for discussion and or approval this item.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Wood and carried unanimously.

(13) **CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO AN INTER-LOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE AND BROWNSVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR JOINT COOPERATION, INVESTIGATION, ASSISTANCE IN CAMERON COUNTY INVESTIGATIONS IN THE AREA OF CAMERON COUNTY ADJACENT TO THE CITY OF BROWNSVILLE. (AV-DA)**

Mr. Armando Villalobos, District Attorney, presented and highlighted the following information regarding the proposed agreement between Cameron County District Attorney's Office and Brownsville Police Department.

Commissioner Tamayo moved to authorize the DA's office to enter into an Inter-local Agreement between Cameron County District Attorney's Office and Brownsville Police Department for joint cooperation, investigation, assistance in Cameron County investigations in the area of Cameron County adjacent to the City of Brownsville.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garza and carried unanimously.

**The Agreement is as follows:**

There being no further business to come before the Court, upon motion by Commissioner Tamayo, seconded by Commissioner Garza and carried unanimously, the meeting was **ADJOURNED** at 12:45 P.M.



**APPROVED** this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of **May 2006**.

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**GILBERTO HINOJOSA**  
**COUNTY JUDGE**

**ATTEST:**

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**JOE G. RIVERA,**  
**COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO CLERK**  
**OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF**  
**CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS**