



**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, September 5, 2006 at 9:30 a.m. in the Courtroom on the 4th Floor.

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NOTICE

COMMISSIONERS COURT REGULAR MEETING

TUESDAY, THE 5TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2006 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 A RESOLUTION HONORING MR. GEORGE M. VILLARREAL, MR. ALBERTO VILLARREAL, MR. FRANK VILLARREAL, MR. JUAN VILLARREAL, MR. CRISANTO VILLARREAL AND MR. ROBERT VILLARREAL FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING PATRIOTISM. (COMM. COURT)
3. PRESENTATION OF A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MR. ANTONIO BRISENO FOR HIS LIFETIME OF ACHIEVEMENT. (COMM. COURT)
4. PRESENTATION OF 2005 AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS. (COMM. COURT)

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION:

5. BUDGET AMENDMENTS, LINE ITEM TRANSFERS AND/OR SALARY SCHEDULES.
6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR:
 - A. AUGUST 15, 2006-REGULAR MEETING
7. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS.

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8. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE PROPOSED TAX RATE FOR 2006-2007 FISCAL YEAR. (XV-BUDGET OFFICER)
9. DISCUSSION REGARDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2006-2007 BUDGET AND TAX RATE. (XV-BUDGET OFFICER)
10. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING HIRING TEMPORARY HELP TO SURVEY LAGUNA HEIGHTS FOR THE LIGHTING PROJECT. (TH-EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT)
11. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION OF RECLASSIFICATION OF THE COURT ADMINISTRATOR FOR FAMILY COURT. (JIM-ASSOCIATE JUDGE)
12. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION OF TRANSFER OF PARKS VEHICLE FOR THE USE OF THE SENIOR/TEEN CENTER AND DISCUSSION OF BUDGET. (COMM. COURT)
13. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ADOPTION OF NUISANCE ABATEMENT PROCEDURES UNDER SECTION 343.021 IN CONFORMITY WITH CHAPTER 343 OF THE TEXAS HEALTH & SAFETY CODE. (BH-LEGAL)
14. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR ADMINISTRATION OF CAMERON COUNTY HEALTH PLAN INCLUDING PREFERRED PROVIDER, AGGREGATE STOP LOSS, STOP LOSS, ADMINISTRATION AND EAP. (COMM. COURT)
15. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE ISSUANCE OF REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR ACQUIRING SERVICES FOR THE CAMERON COUNTY HEALTH PLAN REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS. (COMM. COURT)
16. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF THE COUNTY OF CAMERON, TEXAS AUTHORIZING A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE OFFICE OF RURAL COMMUNITY AFFAIRS 2007-2008 TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO ACT AS THE COUNTY'S REPRESENTATIVE IN ALL MATTERS DEALING WITH THE COUNTY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE 2007-2008 TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM. (FB-PD & M)
17. CONSIDERATION, SELECTION AND APPROVAL OF FURNITURE FOR PORT ISABEL ANNEX BUILDING AS PER THE TEXAS BUILDING & PROCUREMENT COMMISSION TEXAS STATE PURCHASING CONTRACT. (MF-PURCHASING)
18. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION 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.

19. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CAMERON COUNTY SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT TO APPLY FOR AN OPERATION LINEBACKER GRANT. (OL-SHERIFF)
20. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO UTILIZE THE TARRANT COUNTY COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENT, BID #2005-003 TO PURCHASE ONE (1) PICK UP TRUCK FOR CAMERON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE. (OL-SHERIFF)
21. CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING THE ESTABLISHMENT, EXISTENCE, AND SERVICE OF THE BRANCH OFFICE OF THE TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR AT 501 HIGHWAY 100, PORT ISABEL, TEXAS PURSUANT TO TEXAS TRANSPORTATION CODE § 502.111. (TY-TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR)
22. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR SPRINGMAN MEDICAL PLAZA IMAGING CENTER TO PLACE A COMMEMORATIVE WREATH AND PROVIDE BREAST HEALTH EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS DURING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER AT THE CAMERON COUNTY COURTHOUSE FOR NATIONAL BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH. (COMM. COURT)
23. CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MR. SAMUEL WILLIAM JONES FOR HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COMMUNITY. (COMM. COURT)
24. CONSIDERATION AND APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO THE COUNTY EMPLOYEE BENEFITS COMMITTEE. (COMM. COURT)
25. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO BID ELEVATORS MAINTENANCE SERVICES. (MI-BUILDING MAINTENANCE)
26. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS: CARPETING AND VINYL FLOOR TILE FOR SAN BENITO ANNEX – LEVI'S BUILDING APPROVAL FOR BIDS. (MI-BUILDING MAINTENANCE)
27. CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF A PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING OCTOBER, 2006 AS "HEAD START AWARENESS MONTH." (COMM. COURT)
28. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL FOR THE CAMERON COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE TO PURCHASE TACTICAL SWAT (SPECIAL WEAPONS AND TACTICS) SUPPLIES AND WEAPONS FROM GT DISTRIBUTORS AND SIGARMS. (AV-DA)
29. CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING CAMERON COUNTY'S SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT – TEXAS PARKS AND RECREATION GRANT PROGRAM. (JM-PARK SYSTEM)

30. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO UTILIZE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION RESOURCES (DIR) – TEXAN 2000 INTERLOCAL COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENT FOR TELEPHONE LONG DISTANCE SERVICES. (MF-PURCHASING)
31. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST BIDS FOR PIPE MATERIALS, INLET BOXES, LIMESTONE, CONCRETE, HOT MIX AND MANHOLES FOR THE BORDER COLONIA ACCESS PROGRAM CAMERON PARK PHASE III IMPROVEMENTS. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)
32. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF WORK AUTHORIZATION WITH S & B FOR SURVEYING FOR THE EXPANSION OF THE VETERANS INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)
33. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ALLOW THE DIRECTOR OF THE CAMERON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO PROCEED WITH THE PERMITTING PROCEDURES IN THE US AND MEXICO TO CONSTRUCT THE ULTIMATE BRIDGE SECTION AT VETERANS INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)
34. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR THE CAMERON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO PROCEED WITH RIGHT OF WAY ACQUISITION ON THE DIXIELAND ROAD PROJECT. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)
35. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT DOMINGO DRIVE LOCATED IN SANTA MARIA NORTH SUBDIVISION – PHASE II, PRECINCT NO. 4, AS RECORDED IN CABINET 1 PG. 2576-A, 2576-B, & 2577-A OF THE CAMERON COUNTY MAP RECORDS, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS INTO THE COUNTY ROAD SYSTEM. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)
36. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO INITIATE THE DRAWING PROCESS ON LETTER OF CREDIT FOR GRANDSTONE GARDENS SUBDIVISION SECTION I, PRECINCT NO. 4, FOR UNBUILT SEPTIC SYSTEMS. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)
37. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF TIME EXTENSION FROM AUGUST 19, 2006 TO AUGUST 19, 2007 FOR PROVIDING SEWER FACILITIES (SEPTIC SYSTEMS) AT RENE ESTRADA, PHASE I, PRECINCT NO. 4. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)
38. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF TIME EXTENSION FROM SEPTEMBER 13, 2006 TO SEPTEMBER 13, 2007 FOR PROVIDING SEWER FACILITIES (SEPTIC SYSTEMS) AT GARZA-CANO SUBDIVISION, PRECINCT NO. 1. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)
39. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND THE REVENUE MARKETS, INC. FOR THE COMPUTERIZED TOLL COLLECTION SYSTEM. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)

40. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF WORK AUTHORIZATION WITH L & G ENGINEERS TO PREPARE CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DOCUMENT FOR A THREE (3) ACRE SITE AT THE FREE TRADE BRIDGE AT LOS INDIOS. (PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)

TRAVEL ITEMS:

41. 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. 107TH DISTRICT COURT ADMINISTRATOR AND COORDINATOR, TO TRAVEL TO CORPUS CHRISTI, TX, ON 10/24-27/06, TO ATTEND THE TEXAS ASSOCIATION FOR COURT ADMINISTRATION EDUCATION CONFERENCE.
 - B. COUNTY COURT AT LAW NO. 1 & 3 COURT CLERK, TO TRAVEL TO CORPUS CHRISTI, TX, ON 10/24-27/06, TO ATTEND THE 30TH ANNUAL EDUCATION CONFERENCE.
 - C. 404TH DISTRICT COURT ADMINISTRATOR AND COORDINATOR, TO TRAVEL TO CORPUS CHRISTI, TX, ON 10/24-27/06, TO ATTEND YEARLY TACA CONFERENCE FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION HOURS.
 - D. 197TH DISTRICT COURT JUDGE, TO TRAVEL TO HOUSTON, TX, ON 9/10-13/06, TO ATTEND JUDGE'S JUDICIAL CONFERENCE.
 - E. JUVENILE PROBATION FACILITY ADMINISTRATOR AND OPERATIONS MANAGER, TO TRAVEL TO TRAVIS COUNTY, WILLIAMS COUNTY AND AUSTIN, TX, ON 9/11-14/06, TO TOUR AND VISIT TRAVIS COUNTY JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER AND WILLIAMS COUNTY JUVENILE DETENTION CENTER AND TO ATTEND CHAPTER 343 AND DETENTION OVERPOPULATION WORKGROUP MEETING.
 - F. DIRECTOR OF NURSES AND IMMUNIZATION SPECIALIST, TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TX, ON 9/12-14/06, TO ATTEND A "CALL TO ACTION" IMMUNIZATION CONFERENCE HOSED BY THE IMMUNIZATION BRANCH OF THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES.
 - G. ASSISTANT HEALTH ADMINISTRATOR, TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TX, ON 9/11-13/06, TO ATTEND A TOWARD 2010-ELIMINATING CHILD LEAD POISONING MEETING.
 - H. COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO. 2 AND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION DIRECTOR AND/OR ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, TO TRAVEL TO WASHINGTON, D.C., ON 9/12-14/06, TO MEET WITH CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION AND FEDERAL AGENCIES REGARDING CAMERON COUNTY'S FY 2007 FUNDING PRIORITIES AND ONGOING PROJECTS.
 - I. HEALTH ADMINISTRATOR, TO TRAVEL TO FALFURRIAS, TX, ON 9/6/06, TO ATTEND THE LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR'S MEETING.

- J. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION DIRECTOR, TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TX, ON 9/7-8/06, TO ATTEND THE BORDER TRADE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING.
- K. DISTRICT CLERK, DEPUTY CLERKS (3), TO TRAVEL TO KERRVILLE, TX, ON 9/11-1, TO ATTEND THE TEXAS DISTRICT COURT ALLIANCE.
- L. TREASURER, TO TRAVEL TO HOUSTON, TX, ON 11/16-17/06, TO ATTEND COUNTY TREASURER'S CONTINUING EDUCATION.

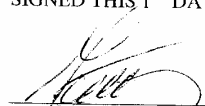
EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- 42. EXECUTIVE SESSION:
 - A. 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.
 - B. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY CONCERNING ACQUISITION OF RIGHT OF WAY FOR THE WEST RAIL PROJECT, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.
 - C. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY CONCERNING ACQUISITION OF RIGHT OF WAY FOR THE PRIMERA ROAD PROJECT, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.
 - D. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY CONCERNING ACQUISITION OF PARCEL 147, PRIMERA ROAD IN THE PRECINCT NO. 4 AREA, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.
 - E. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY CONCERNING ACQUISITION OF PARCEL 137, PRIMERA ROAD IN THE PRECINCT NO. 4 AREA, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.
 - F. DELIBERATION REGARDING LEASE OF LAND FOR A RIGHT OF WAY EASEMENT ON PROPERTY OWNED BY CAMERON COUNTY AT THE FREE TRADE BRIDGE, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.
 - G. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING CONSENT TO NATIONAL GUARD ENTRY UPON PROPERTY, 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(A) & (2).

43. 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 1ST DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2006.



GILBERTO HINOJOSA
COUNTY JUDGE