



**Cameron County, Texas  
Commissioner's Court  
Cameron County Courthouse, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
1100 E Monroe St.  
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## **SPECIAL MEETING**

The Cameron County Commissioners' Court will meet for a Special Public Meeting on  
Thursday, December 7, 2006 at 9:45 a.m. in the Courtroom on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
at the Courthouse, 1100 E. Monroe, Brownsville, Texas.

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

### **Cameron County Courthouse Accessibility Statement**

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## NOTICE

### COMMISSIONERS COURT SPECIAL MEETING

THURSDAY, THE 7<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF DECEMBER 2006 AT 9:45 A.M.

## AGENDA

PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.041, V.T.C.A., 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, 1100 E. MONROE, SECOND FLOOR, BROWNSVILLE, TEXAS.

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS.

### PRESENTATIONS:

2. PRESENTATION OF A PROCLAMATION DECLARING THE DAY OF NOVEMBER 17, 2006 AS "SALVATION ARMY NATIONAL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM DAY."(COMM. COURT)

### ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION:

3. BUDGET AMENDMENTS, LINE ITEM TRANSFERS AND/OR SALARY SCHEDULES.
4. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS.
5. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$197,599.95 TO THE HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL (HGAC) FOR THE PURCHASE OF 155 MOTOROLA XTS BASIC MODEL PORTABLE RADIOS, 15 MOTOROLA IMPRESS MULTI-UNIT CHARGERS, INSTALLATION AND PROGRAMMING OF 155 RADIOS AND THE 1.5% HGAC FEE, FROM THE FUNDS AWARDED TO THE COUNTY UNDER THE 2006 COPS TECHNOLOGY GRANT.(TH-EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT)

6. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO AMEND PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND GUZMAN AND MUNOZ ENGINEERING & SURVEYING, INC. TO PROVIDE DESIGN SERVICES FOR THE EXPANSION OF THE CARLOS TAPIA BUILDING (ADULT PROBATION DEPARTMENT).(GH-COUNTY JUDGE)
7. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO COMPLETE FULL IMPLEMENTATION OF PHASE I OF THE "JUDICIAL DIALOG CASE MANAGEMENT AND DOCUMENT IMAGING RETRIEVAL SYSTEM.(AV-DISTRICT ATTORNEY)
8. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO INITIATE THE RENOVATION OF THE 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR OF THE CAMERON COUNTY JUDICIAL BUILDING AND 3<sup>RD</sup> FLOOR OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE ANNEX, 964 E. HARRISON STREET, BROWNSVILLE, TEXAS.(AV-DISTRICT ATTORNEY)
9. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGREEMENT TO ALLOW THE NATIONAL GUARD ENTRY UPON CAMERON COUNTY PROPERTY.(RB-CIVIL DIVISION)
10. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING SALARY CHANGES WITHIN THE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE FUND 100-4030 – SLOT10, SLOT 13, SLOT 4 AND SLOT 7.(JGR-COUNTY CLERK)
11. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE CREATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF A WARRANT OFFICER PROGRAM FOR THE JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.(RM-JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PCT. 4)
12. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF LAYOUT FOR THE PARKING LOT ADJACENT TO THE MAIN COURTHOUSE PARKING LOT.(PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)
13. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF HIRING ONE FOREMAN AND ONE SECRETARY FOR THE COLONIA CREW.(PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)
14. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURES FOR THE REVENUE MARKETS, INC. TO DO A CONCEPTUAL LAYOUT OR DIAGRAM OF THE CONNECTIVITY OF ISLA BLANCA PARK WITH THE INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE SYSTEM TOLL COLLECTION SYSTEM FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$15,000.00(PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)
15. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF WORK AUTHORIZATION NO. 3 WITH S&B INFRASTRUCTURE FOR THE VETERANS BRIDGE EXPANSION PROJECT.(PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)
16. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING THE PROPOSED PARKS R.V. RATES INCREASES.(JM-PARKS)
17. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO UTILIZE THE INFORMAL BID PROCESS AND AWARD TO THE LOWEST BIDDER (NEW LOOK PAINTING) THE PAINTING OF ALL EXTERIOR WINDOW FRAMES AT THE DANCY BUILDING, 1100 E. MONROE STREET, BROWNSVILLE, TEXAS, ESTIMATED TO BE MORE THAN \$15,000.00 BUT LESS THAN \$25,000.00.(MI-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.

18. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF BOND AMOUNT FOR THE FOLLOWING NEW OR RE-ELECT COUNTY OFFICIALS:
  - CARLOS CASCOS, COUNTY JUDGE - \$1000 TO \$10,000
  - ARTURO A. (ART) MCDONALD, COUNTY COURT AT LAW JUDGE NO. 1 - \$1,000-\$10,000
  - LAURA BETANCOURT, COUNTY COURT AT LAW JUDGE NO. 2 - \$1,000-\$10,000
  - DANIEL T. ROBLES, COUNTY COURT AT LAW JUDGE NO. 3 - \$1,000-\$10,000
  - BENNIE OCHOA, III, JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, PCT 1 - NOT MORE THAN \$5,000
  - ANTONIO "TONY" TORRES, JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, PCT. 2, PLC. 2 - NOT MORE THAN \$5,000
  - DAVID GARZA, JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, PCT. 3, PLC. 2 - NOT MORE THAN \$5,000
  - DAVID A. WISE, JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, PCT.5, PLC 2 - NOT MORE THAN \$5,000
  - GUSTAVO (GUS) GARZA, JUSTICE OF THE PACT PCT. 6, NOT MORE THAN \$5,000
  - DAN SANCHEZ, JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, PCT. 7, PLC. 2 - NOT MORE THAN \$5,000
19. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF BOND FOR THE DISTRICT CLERK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$100,000.00 MADE PAYABLE TO THE GOVERNOR, PURSUANT TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 51.302 (A)(4).(RB-CIVIL LEGAL DIVISION)
20. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF BOND FOR THE COUNTY CLERK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$500,000.00 MADE PAYABLE TO CAMERON COUNTY, PURSUANT TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 82.001.(RB-CIVIL LEGAL DIVISION)
21. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF BOND FOR THE COUNTY TREASURER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$500,000.00 MADE PAYABLE TO THE COUNTY JUDGE, PURSUANT TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 83.002(A).(RB-CIVIL LEGAL DIVISION)
22. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE RENEWAL OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND DR. JAMES A. FREEBERG.(COMM.CT.)
23. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE-ELECT, TONY TORRES, TO ATTEND JUSTICE OF THE PEACE STAGE I, TWENTY HOUR FOUNDATIONAL SEMINAR FOR NEWLY ELECTED JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.(COMM.CT.)
24. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE TWO (2) SECURITIES HELD BY THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANK ON THE COUNTY'S BEHALF THAT SECURE THE COUNTY DEPOSITS WITH FIRST NATIONAL BANK.(EG-TREASURER)
25. CONSIDERATION AND APPOINTMENT OF MR. RUBEN GALLEGOS, JR. TO THE CAMERON COUNTY REGIONAL MOBILITY AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS TO REPLACE LAURA BETANCOURT, COUNTY COURT AT LAW 2 JUDGE-ELECT.(GH-COUNTY JUDGE)
26. CONSIDERATION AND APPOINTMENT OF MR. EFRAM FLORES, JR., TO THE CAMERON COUNTY HOUSING FINANCE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.(GH-COUNTY JUDGE)

27. CONSIDERATION AND APPOINTMENT OF MR. THOMAS NOBLE AS RESIDENT BOARD COMMISSIONER TO THE CAMERON COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS.(GH-COUNTY JUDGE)
28. CONSIDERATION AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF THE QUARTERLY INVESTMENT REPORT, FOR THE QUARTER ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2006 ON INVESTMENTS OF COUNT FUNDS.(EG-TREASURER)
29. CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING DR. ROMEO MONTALVO ON THE OCCASION OF HIS 60TH BIRTHDAY.(COMM.CT.)
30. CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING BRIAN SALAZAR FOR HIS MANY YEARS OF SERVICE TO CAMERON COUNTY.(COMM.CT.)
31. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF MEMBERSHIP DUES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,000.00 FOR THE ALLIANCE FOR I-69.(PS- DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)
32. CONSIDERATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF A RIGHT OF ENTRY AND POSSESSION FOR PRIMERA ROAD, PARCEL 41, IN THE PRIMERA, PCT. 4 AREA.(PS-DEPT. OF TRANSPORTATION)
33. CONSIDERATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF A RIGHT OF WAY ENTRY AND POSSESSION FOR PRIMERA ROAD, PARCEL 123, IN THE PRIMERA, PCT. 4 AREA.(PS-DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION)
34. CONSIDERATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF A RIGHT OF WAY ENTRY AND POSSESSION FOR PRIMERA ROAD, PARCEL 22, IN THE PRIMERA, PCT. 4 AREA.(PS-DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION)
35. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT HIDDEN OAKS DRIVE AND HIDDEN OAKS CIRCLE LOCATED IN HIDDEN OAKS SUBDIVISION, PCT. 2, AS RECORDED IN CABINET 1 PG. 2553-B & 2554-A OF THE CAMERON COUNTY MAP RECORDS, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS INTO THE COUNTY ROAD SYSTEM.(PS-DEPT OF TRANSPORTATION)
36. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN THE FOLLOWING BIDS/RFP'S FOR:
  - A. SANITARY SEWER LINES IN PEDERSON SUBDIVISION AND HIGHWAY 100 AREA - BID #061103 (TCDP CONTRACT #725165)
37. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND TOWN OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND POLICE DEPARTMENT TO UTILIZE THE DIGITAL SERVER FOR RECORDING VIDEO AS REQUIRED BY LAW.(JM-PARKS)
38. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF A CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY (PARKS) AND RHONDA OLDS FOR THE RECREATION & PROGRAM DIRECTOR FOR THE WINTER PARK GUESTS.(JM-PARKS)

**TRAVEL ITEMS:**

39. 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 EL PASO, TEXAS, ON 12/13-15/06, TO ATTEND BORDER TRADE ALLIANCE MEETING.
  - B. LAW ENFORCEMENT SAFETY OFFICER, TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON 12/1-2/06, TO ATTEND THE NTSI, CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSE.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

40. EXECUTIVE SESSION:
- A. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY CONCERNING ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY RELATING TO PARKING 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. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING AUTOPSY ISSUES INCLUDING THE POTENTIAL LOSS OF AUTOPSY CAPABILITIES IN COUNTY, CONTRACTING WITH A PATHOLOGIST OR ESTABLISHING A MEDICAL EXAMINER, AND THIS ISSUE'S IMPACT ON CRIMINAL PROSECUTION 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).
  - D. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING RED RIVER SERVICE CORPORATION'S PROPOSAL FOR CONTRACT EXTENSION, 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. TO DELIBERATE THE APPOINTMENT OF THE DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.074.
41. ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:
- A. POSSIBLE ACTION.

- B. POSSIBLE ACTION.
- C. POSSIBLE ACTION.
- D. POSSIBLE ACTION.
- E. POSSIBLE APPOINTMENT.

SIGNED THIS 4<sup>ST</sup> DAY OF DECEMBER 2006.

Dyonal Infantes Vega  
GILBERTO HINOJOSA      for Judge Gilberto Hinojosa  
COUNTY JUDGE