



**Cameron County, Texas
Commissioners' Court
Cameron County Courthouse, 2nd Floor
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REGULAR MEETING

The Cameron County Commissioners' Court will meet for a Regular *Public Meeting* on
Tuesday, April 3, 2007 at 5:30 p.m. in the Courtroom on the 2nd Floor
at the Courthouse, 1100 E. Monroe, Brownsville, Texas.

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Questions regarding this agenda should be directed to the County Administrator's Staff at (956) 982-5414.

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JOE C. OLIVERA
COUNTY CLERK

NOTICE

COMMISSIONERS' COURT REGULAR MEETING

TUESDAY, THE 3rd DAY OF APRIL 2007 AT 5:30 P.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, 1100 E. MONROE, SECOND FLOOR, BROWNSVILLE, TEXAS.

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS.

PRESENTATION ITEMS:

2. PRESENTATION AND UPDATE ON THE HARLINGEN ANNEX PROJECT.

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.

3. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSFER \$500,000.00, FROM FUND BALANCE TO ROAD MATERIALS IN THE ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
4. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF AWARDDING OF RFQ #061102 TO WETHE & ASSOCIATES FOR THE HEALTH INSURANCE CONSULTING SERVICES. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)

5. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO INITIATE THE DRAWING PROCESS ON LETTER OF CREDIT FOR THE PALOMAR SUBDIVISION, PCT. 4, FOR UNBUILT SEPTIC SYSTEMS. (EH-CCD_oT)
6. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR FINAL PLAT APPROVAL FOR MATT'S SUBDIVISION, PCT. 3, BEING A 12.78 ACRE TRACT OF LAND SITUATED IN AND A PART OF BLOCK 231, SAN BENITO LAND AND WATER COMPANY SUBDIVISION, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS. (EH-CCD_oT)
7. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT NO. 1, TO THE OWNER/ENGINEER AGREEMENT FOR PRE-POSITION CONTRACTS FOR POST-HURRICANE/DISASTER RECOVERY OPERATIONS FOR CY 2007. (JC-EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT)
8. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON SELECTION OF THE RECOMMENDED APPOINTEES TO THE CAMERON COUNTY BAHIA GRANDE RESTORATION COMMITTEE. (JM-PARKS)
9. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF AN "OTHER VICTIM ASSISTANCE GRANT (OVAG) AWARD" FROM THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S VICTIM ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. (FB-PD&M)
10. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO UTILIZE THE TXMAS COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENT FOR FURNITURE AT THE SAN BENITO ANNEX BUILDING. (MF-PURCHASING)
11. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD BIDS/RFP's/RFQ's FOR THE FOLLOWING: (MF-PURCHASING)
 - A. GLASS (DETENTION – SECURITY GLASS) - ANNUAL BID #2003 (BEN'S GLASS)
 - B. ROAD MATERIALS: CONCRETE – ANNUAL BID #2510 (VARMICON)
 - C. ROAD MATERIALS: ROAD BOND LIQUID STABILIZER – ANNUAL BID #2574 (ROADBOND SERVICE)
 - D. ROAD MATERIALS: DIRT, SAND, LIME – ANNUAL BID #2515 (RUBIO BRO., CHEM. LIME)
 - E. ROAD MATERIALS: DRAINAGE – ANNUAL BID #2520 (CONTECH CONSTRUCTION, VARMICON, HANSON PIPE)
 - F. ROAD MATERIALS: FLEXIBLE BASE – ANNUAL BID #2560 (MARTIN MARIETTA, VULCAN)
 - G. ROAD MATERIALS: SURFACING – ANNUAL BID #2580 (FRONTERA, VULCAN)
 - H. LUBES, OILS, GREASE, FLUIDS, ANTI-FREEZE, DEGREASERS – ANNUAL BID #1993 (HOLLON OIL)

- I. LAUNDRY SUPPLIES – ANNUAL BID #2320 (ECO LAB)
 - J. WASTE DISPOSAL – PARKS SOUTH PADRE ISLAND – ANNUAL BID #1970 (ALLIED WASTE)
 - K. MEDICAL SUPPLIES – ANNUAL BID #2420 (PORT CITY MEDICAL)
 - L. ROAD MACHINERY RENTAL – ANNUAL BID #1710 (NUECES POWER EQUIP.)
12. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN THE FOLLOWING BIDS/RFP's/RFQ FOR: (MF-PURCHASING)
- A. BANK DEPOSITORY – ANNUAL BID #1222
 - B. WATER TRUCKS (QTY. 2) – BID #070301
 - C. WOOD CHIPPER – BID #070303
13. CONSIDERATION AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF NO BIDS/RFP's RECEIVED: (MF-PURCHASING)
- A. ROAD MATERIALS: COLD PATCH – ANNUAL BID #2566
14. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO RENEW THE FOLLOWING BIDS/RFP's FOR ONE (1) ADDITIONAL YEAR: (MF-PURCHASING)
- A. ROAD MATERIALS: EMULSION OILS – ANNUAL BID #2540 (SEM MATERIALS)
 - B. PEST CONTROL – ANNUAL BID #1600 (VALLEY WIDE PEST MGMT.)
 - C. FIRE EXTINGUISHER MAINTENANCE – ANNUAL BID #1430 (ALL STATE FIRE EXTINGUISHERS)

TRAVEL ITEMS:

15. 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. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR AND DEPUTY COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON 3/27 TO 3/28/07, TO ATTEND THE LEGISLATIVE SESSION.
 - B. COMMISSIONER EDNA TAMAYO TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON 4/12/07, TO ATTEND THE RISK MANAGEMENT POOL BOARD MEETING WITH THE TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES.
 - C. CONSTABLE PCT. 5 STAFF (4) TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON 4/23 TO 4/26/07, TO ATTEND A COMPREHENSIVE COURT SECURITY TRAINING SEMINAR.

- D. HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO HOUSTON, TEXAS, ON 4/9 TO 4/12/07, TO ATTEND THE 2007 TEXAS VETERANS COMMISSION'S CONFERENCE FOR VETERANS SERVICE OFFICERS.
- E. HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS, ON 4/11 TO 4/13/07, TO ATTEND AN ANIMAL CONTROL (ACO) BASIC TRAINING COURSE.
- F. HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON 4/17 TO 4/19/07, TO ATTEND A MEETING TO DISCUSS TEXAS-MEXICO TUBERCULOSIS CONTROL SERVICES AND THE TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL HEALTH OFFICIALS MEETING.
- G. HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES STAFF (3) TO TRAVEL TO DALLAS, TEXAS, ON 4/29 TO 5/1/07, TO ATTEND THE MARIE BIANCUZZO'S LACTATION EXAM REVIEW 2007.
- H. JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PCT 2, PLACE 1, TO TRAVEL TO GALVESTON TEXAS, ON 4/29 TO 5/2/07, TO ATTEND A MANDATORY JUSTICE OF THE PEACE SEMINAR.
- I. PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT & MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR TO TRAVEL TO WESLACO, TEXAS, ON 3/29/07, TO ATTEND THE LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING.
- J. SHERIFF'S OFFICE STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON 3/28 TO 3/29/07, TO ATTEND THE LEGISLATIVE HEARING – BORDER SECURITY & IMMIGRATION.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS:

- 16. EXECUTIVE SESSION:
 - A. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING MANAGEMENT AND PURCHASE ISSUES WITH THE INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE SYSTEM 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).
 - B. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING ANDREW PAUL SMITH vs. CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS AND OMAR LUCIO, SHERIFF OF CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS, CIVIL ACTION NO. B-05-302, FOR MEDIATION AUTHORITY, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071(1) (A) & (2).

- C. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING SETTLEMENT WITH MUTUAL OF OMAHA, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (1) (B).
 - D. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING CONTRACT WITH THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES (DSHS) FOR PUBLIC HEALTH RESPONSE PREPAREDNESS, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 418.183 (F).
 - E. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY CONCERNING ACQUISITION OF PARCEL 1, FOR RIGHT OF WAY FOR THE WEST RAIL PROJECT, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.
17. ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:
- A. POSSIBLE ACTION.
 - B. POSSIBLE ACTION.
 - C. POSSIBLE ACTION.
 - D. POSSIBLE ACTION.
 - E. POSSIBLE ACTION.

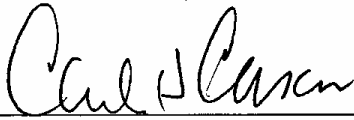
ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION:

- 18. BUDGET AMENDMENTS, LINE ITEM TRANSFERS AND/OR SALARY SCHEDULES.
- 19. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.
 - A. FEBRUARY 20, 2007 – REGULAR MEETING
 - B. FEBRUARY 27, 2007 – REGULAR MEETING
- 20. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS.
- 21. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR THE TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR TO SUBMIT A PROPOSAL FOR THE COLLECTION OF AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE BROWNSVILLE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT AND ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE CONSOLIDATION OF THEIR TAX COLLECTIONS WITH THE OFFICE OF THE CAMERON COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR. (TY-TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR)
- 22. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AGREEMENT WITH BROWNSVILLE URBAN SYSTEM TO PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION SERVICES UNDER THE JOB ACCESS AND REVERSE COMMUTE GRANT. (NHZ-CITY OF BROWNSVILLE/BUS)

23. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON TEMPORARY CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS REGARDING THE PERFORMANCE OF AUTOPSIES FOR CAMERON COUNTY. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
24. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND OLMITO WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION FOR WATER SERVICE AND WASTEWATER SERVICE TO THE CAMERON COUNTY JAIL AT FM 511 AND OLD ALICE ROAD IN OLMITO, TEXAS. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
25. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NUMBER 2 FOR THE HARLINGEN ANNEX PROJECT. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
26. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON BUILDING PLAQUE FOR THE HARLINGEN ANNEX PROJECT. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
27. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 3 FOR THE SAN BENITO (LEVI'S) ANNEX BUILDING RENOVATION PROJECT. (EH-CCDoT)
28. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION OF THE SAN BENITO (LEVI'S) ANNEX BUILDING RENOVATION PROJECT. (EH-CCDoT)
29. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 FOR THE N.E. PARKING LOT – LANDSCAPE & IRRIGATION SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT. (EH-CCDoT)
30. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE CANCELLATION OF A PORTION OF A SUBDIVISION PLAT CONSISTING OF PORTION OF LOT 3, AND ALL OF LOT 2, OF THE LEDBETTER SUBDIVISION. (EH-CCDoT)
31. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADOPT AN ORDER REGARDING THE CANCELLATION OF A PORTION OF A SUBDIVISION PLAT CONSISTING OF PORTION OF LOT 3, AND ALL OF LOT 2, OF THE LEDBETTER SUBDIVISION (EH-CCDoT)
32. DISCUSSION REGARDING THE CAMERON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES FAMILY PLANNING PROGRAM AND THE COST INCREASE OF BIRTH CONTROL PILLS. (YS-HEALTH)
33. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE ONE (1) TRAILER (24,000 LBS. CAPACITY) UTILIZING INFORMAL BIDS IN THE AMOUNT GREATER THAN \$15,000.00, BUT LESS THAN \$25,000.00 (NUECES POWER & EQUIPMENT COMPANY). (LL-VEHICLE MAINT.)
34. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE 2007-2008 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET CALENDAR AND SETTING OF PRIORITIES. (XV-BUDGET)
35. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION SUPPORTING HJR 61 REGARDING UNFUNDED MANDATES. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)

36. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION SUPPORTING SB 1589. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
37. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION SUPPORTING SB 1951. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
38. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING HB 1 AMENDMENT #248 ELIMINATING THE APPROPRIATION RIDER OF \$7.3 MILLION TO SPECIAL INTEREST PARK PROJECTS. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
39. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE COUNTY'S LEGISLATIVE AGENDA FOR THE 80TH TEXAS LEGISLATIVE SESSION. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
40. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE COUNTY'S FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE AGENDA. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)

SIGNED THIS 29 DAY OF MARCH 2007.



CARLOS H. CASCOS, CPA
COUNTY JUDGE