



**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, May 22, 2007 at 5:30 p.m. in the *Courtroom on the 2nd Floor*
at the *Courthouse, 1100 E. Monroe Street, Brownsville, Texas.*

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JOSÉ G. AYERA
COUNTY CLERK

NOTICE

COMMISSIONERS' COURT REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, THE 22nd DAY OF MAY 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 AND/OR RESOLUTION ITEMS:

2. CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE CONSTRUCTION OF A FENCE ALONG THE INTERNATIONAL BOUNDARY BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND MEXICO. (CHC-COUNTY JUDGE)

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 APPROVAL TO INCREASE THE SALARY FOR THE BAIL BOND'S BOARD ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO \$20,000 AS APPROVED BY THE BAIL BOND BOARD. (MP-BAIL BOND)

4. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF CONTRACT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND MUNOZ FOUNDATION DRILLING FOR THE COURTHOUSE SECURITY WALL. (HG-CONSTRUCTION)
5. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR PRELIMINARY PLAT APPROVAL FOR J & V SUBDIVISION, PCT. 4, BEING THE SOUTH 5 ACRES OF THE NORTH 14.72 ACRES OF BLOCK EIGHTY-FIVE (85), ADAMS GARDENS SUBDIVISION "B" CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS. (EH-CCDoT)
6. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR FINAL PLAT APPROVAL FOR NIXON TRAILS SUBDIVISION, PCT. 4, BEING THE WEST 85 ACRES OF LAND, OUT OF THE WEST 177.77 ACRES OUT OF THE EAST 425.28 ACRES OF SURVEY TWENTY-THREE (23) AND PARTS OF SURVEY TWENTY-TWO (22) AND SURVEY TWENTY-FOUR (24), CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS. (EH-CCDoT)
7. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO UTILIZE THE STATE OF TEXAS – TEXAS BUILDING AND PROCUREMENT SYSTEM (TBPC) CATALOG INFORMATION SYSTEMS VENDOR (CISV) REQUEST FOR OFFER (RFO) #1455DC FOR THE DISTRICT CLERK'S OFFICE RECORDS MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT IMAGING SYSTEM AND SERVICES. (AdelaG-DISTRICT CLERK)
8. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE CELL PHONE FOR INDIGENT DEFENSE COORDINATOR. (CAN-INDIGENT DEFENSE)
9. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD CONTRACT TO JOHNSON CONTROLS, INC., FOR MONITORING OF THE NEW FIRE PANEL FOR THE JUDICIAL COURTHOUSE, ADMINISTRATION, COUNTY JAIL AND ADULT PROBATION. (MI-BUILDING MAINT.)
10. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE CONTRACT AND CHANGE ORDER NUMBER 1, WITH ZIMMERMAN CONSTRUCTION FOR ISLA BLANCA PARK BOAT RAMP DEVELOPMENT. (JM-PARKS)
11. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR AND PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT TO NEGOTIATE A JOINT APPLICATION WITH THE CITY OF BROWNSVILLE FOR A 2007 JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT, CONSISTENT WITH FUNDING REQUIREMENTS. (FB-PD&M)
12. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO RENEW THE FOLLOWING BIDS/RFP'S FOR ONE (1) ADDITIONAL YEAR: (MF-PURCHASING)
 - A. BUILDING SUPPLIES: PLUMBING – ANNUAL BID #2008-2 (MORRISON SUPPLY, BORDER STATE ELECTRIC SUPPLY)
 - B. SAFETY GLASSES – PRESCRIPTION – ANNUAL BID #2610 (EYE EAR OPTICAL)
 - C. FIRE ALARM SYSTEMS INSPECTION & REPAIRS – ANNUAL BID #1425 (SECURITY INTERNATIONAL, ARGUS, SUPERIOR ALARM)
 - D. LASER PRINTING OF TAX STATEMENTS – ANNUAL BID #1640 (E Z ACCESS)

13. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN THE FOLLOWING BIDS/RFP'S/RFQ FOR: (MF-PURCHASING)
 - A. ENGINEERING & DESIGN SERVICES FOR HIGHWAY 48 BOAT RAMP RENOVATIONS – RFQ #070404

TRAVEL ITEMS:

14. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO TRAVEL/OR APPROVAL OF TRAVEL EXPENSE FOR THE FOLLOWING (PLEASE NOTE: TRAVEL REQUESTS ARE SUBJECT TO ALL APPLICABLE COUNTY POLICIES):
 - A. CIVIL LEGAL DIVISION STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS, ON 6/27 TO 6/29/07, TO ATTEND MOMENTUM 2007 – A GOVERNMENTAL PURCHASING SEMINAR.
 - B. DISTRICT CLERK STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO HORSESHOE BAY, TEXAS, ON 5/29 TO 5/31/07, TO ATTEND THE 8TH ANNUAL GOVERNMENTAL COLLECTORS ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS, INC. (GCAT)
 - C. ENGINEERING STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS, ON 6/26 TO 6/29/07, TO ATTEND THE MOMENTUM 2007 GOVERNMENTAL PURCHASING SEMINAR.
 - D. EXTENSION OFFICE STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO GALVESTON, TEXAS, ON 5/17 TO 5/20/07, TO REPRESENT TEXAS SEA GRANT EXTENSION AND CAMERON COUNTY AT THE TEXAS SHRIMP ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING.
 - E. HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON 5/29 TO 6/1/07, TO ATTEND THE TB PROMOTORA TRAINING SPONSORED BY THE HEART LAND NATIONAL TB CENTER A PARTNERSHIP OF UT HEALTH CENTER AND TEXAS CENTER FOR INFECTIOUS DISEASES.
 - F. JUVENILE PROBATION STAFF (4) TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, ON 5/29 TO 6/1/07, TO ATTEND “TEXAS JUVENILE DETENTION ASSOCIATION SPRING CONFERENCE 2007”.
 - G. JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PCT. 2 PLACE 2 STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON 5/29 TO 5/31/07, TO ATTEND THE TEXAS JUSTICE COURT TRAINING CENTER.
 - H. TAX OFFICE STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO GALVESTON, TEXAS, ON 6/3 TO 6/8/07, TO ATTEND THE “2007 TAX ASSESSOR – COLLECTORS ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS 53RD ANNUAL CONFERENCE”.
 - I. TAX OFFICE STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON 6/12 TO 6/14/07, TO ATTEND THE “TEXAS AUTOMOBILE THEFT PREVENTION AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING AND GRANT REVIEW”.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS:

15. 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 JAVIER ALEJANDRO GARZA VS. THE UNITED STATES MARSHAL'S SERVICE, THE CAMERON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPT., COSME MARTINEZ, MICHAEL DAVID SAAVEDRA, SGT. JOSE ALEJANDRO GARCIA, JOHN ROY HARRIS, JOSE YBARRA, AND LETICIA ANDRADE, INDIVIDUALLY AND IN THEIR OFFICIAL CAPACITIES; CASE NO. 07-CV-52, FOR DISCUSSION AND AUTHORITY TO REPRESENT THE COUNTY, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (1)(A).
 - C. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING ROEL GONZALEZ AND SONIA GONZALEZ VS. CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS AND JESUS VILLANUEVA, INDIVIDUALLY AND IN HIS OFFICIAL CAPACITY; CIVIL ACTION NO. 05-278, FOR DISCUSSION OF STATUS OF CASE AND SETTLEMENT, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072 (1)(A).
 - D. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING AN EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMMISSION (EEOC) CLAIM OF JULIA CASTRO, FOR DISCUSSION AND AUTHORITY TO REPRESENT CAMERON COUNTY, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (1)(A) & (2).
 - E. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING A CLAIM OF KAUFFMAN FOR DISCUSSION ON STATUS OF CASE AND POSSIBLE SETTLEMENT, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (1)(A) & (B).
 - F. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING OLGA ORTEGA VS. CAMERON COUNTY JUVENILE PROBATION DEPARTMENT, EEOC CHARGE NO. 451-2007-0021, FOR DISCUSSION ON STATUS OF CASE AND POSSIBLE SETTLEMENT, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071(1)(A) & (B).

G. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING HIDTA CONTRACT, INCLUDING POSSIBLE TERMINATION 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).

16. 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.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION:

17. BUDGET AMENDMENTS, LINE ITEM TRANSFERS AND/OR SALARY SCHEDULES.

18. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR:

A. MARCH 27, 2007 – REGULAR MEETING

B. APRIL 3, 2007 – REGULAR MEETING

19. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS.

20. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON TEMPORARY CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS REGARDING THE PERFORMANCE OF AUTOPSIES FOR CAMERON COUNTY. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)

21. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE ADDITIONAL LETTERING AT COURTROOM AT THE HARLINGEN ANNEX BUILDING. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)

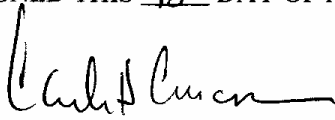
22. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT FOR TAX ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION FOR BROWNSVILLE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (B.I.S.D.). (TY-TAC)

23. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE UPPER PAYMENT LIMIT OPTION FOR THE INDIGENT HEALTH CARE FUNDS. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)

24. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE THE 2007 TOBACCO SETTLEMENT PROCEEDS OF \$423,344.01 TO THE RIO GRANDE VALLEY HEALTH SERVICES DISTRICT. (MY-AUDITOR)
25. CONSIDERATION AND DISCUSSION FOR RETENTION OF ADMINISTRATION BY PRESENT ADMINISTRATOR LIFE-RE INSURANCE COMPANY OR REQUEST PROPOSALS FOR IRC 125 CAFETERIA PLAN ADMINISTRATION FOR OCTOBER 1, 2007 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2008. (MV-HR)
26. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCONTINUING AND ABANDONING A PORTION OF KANSAS CITY ROAD. THE ROAD IS LOCATED IN PRECINCT NO. 4 AND SAID ROAD IS A PUBLICLY DEDICATED ROAD SHOWN IN MAP OF HOOKS AND HODGES SUBDIVISION RECORDED IN VOLUME 5, PAGE 10, OF THE MAP RECORDS OF CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
27. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADOPT AN ORDER TO FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISCONTINUING AND ABANDONING A PORTION OF KANSAS CITY ROAD. THE ROAD IS LOCATED IN PRECINCT NO. 4 AND SAID ROAD IS A PUBLICLY DEDICATED ROAD SHOWN IN MAP OF HOOKS AND HODGES SUBDIVISION RECORDED IN VOLUME 5, PAGE 10, OF THE MAP RECORDS OF CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
28. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION APPROVING THE MAINTENANCE CONTRACT WITH IBM FOR THE INFOPRINT, MODEL 1145-DNI PRINTER USED FOR PRINTING THE VOTER REGISTRATION LISTINGS, VOTER REGISTRATION CARDS AND REPORTS ON ALL ELECTIONS CONDUCTED BY THE COUNTY ELECTIONS/VOTER REGISTRATION OFFICE. (RO-ELECTIONS)
29. CANVASSING OF PRECINCT ELECTION RETURNS FOR THE SPECIAL STATE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ELECTION CONDUCTED ON MAY 12, 2007, AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH CHAPTER 67, CANVASSING ELECTIONS, SEC. 67.002, CANVASS OF PRECINCT RETURNS OF THE TEXAS ELECTION CODE. (RO-ELECTIONS)
30. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF SCOPE AND FEE WITH AGUIRRE CORPORATION FOR THE REPAIRS TO THE CARRIZALEZ/RUCKER FACILITY. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
31. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE COUNTY'S LEGISLATIVE AGENDA FOR THE 80TH TEXAS LEGISLATIVE SESSION. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
32. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE COUNTY'S FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE AGENDA. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
33. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO INTERVIEW ALL FIRMS THAT SUBMITTED AN RFP (RFP 1730) FOR DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTION SERVICES. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)

34. INTERVIEWS OF THE DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTION FIRMS THAT SUBMITTED AN RFP. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
35. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE SELECTION OF THE DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTION ATTORNEY/FIRM. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)

SIGNED THIS 18th DAY OF MAY 2007.



CARLOS H. CASCOS, CPA
COUNTY JUDGE



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JOE G. RIVERA
COUNTY CLERK

SUPPLEMENTAL NOTICE

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PRESENTATION AND/OR RESOLUTION ITEMS:

1. PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION DECLARING THE MONTH OF MAY, 2007 AS "MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH" IN CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS.(CHC-COUNTY JUDGE)

SIGNED THIS 18TH DAY OF MAY, 2007.

CARLOS H. CASCOS, CPA
COUNTY JUDGE