



**Cameron County, Texas  
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## **REGULAR MEETING**

The Cameron County Commissioners' Court will meet for a Regular Public Meeting on  
Tuesday, May 29, 2007 at 5:30 p.m. in the Courtroom on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
at the Courthouse, 1100 E. Monroe Street, 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 G. DIVERA  
COUNTY CLERK

# NOTICE

## COMMISSIONERS' COURT REGULAR MEETING

TUESDAY, THE 29<sup>th</sup> 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. PRESENTATION BY THE IT COMMITTEE REGARDING THE TAC ASSESSMENT ON THE COUNTY'S IT DEPARTMENT. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)

### 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 POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF CONTRACT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY CLERK'S DEPARTMENT AND ACS STATE & LOCAL SOLUTIONS, INC. FOR E-FILING OF RECORDS. (JGR-COUNTY CLERK)
4. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL TO PAY PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING LICENSE RENEWAL FEE FOR ERNESTO E. HINOJOSA, P.E., STAFF ENGINEER. (EH-CCDOT)
5. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR PRELIMINARY PLAT APPROVAL FOR RUCKER SUBDIVISION, PCT. 1, BEING A 2.000 ACRE TRACT OF LAND, OUT OF THE NORTH 12.67 ACRES OF LOT EIGHT (8), BLOCK FOUR HUNDRED TEN (410), EL JARDIN RESUBDIVISION, SHARE 1, ESPIRITU SANTO GRANT, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS. (EH-CCDOT)

6. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) BETWEEN THE CAMERON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (CCDHHS) AND THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS-BROWNSVILLE SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH. (YS-HEALTH)
7. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT-TRAIL GRANT FUND FOR FUNDING OF A MULTI-PURPOSE TRAIL AT THE LA PALOMA PARK. (JM-PARKS)
8. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT-TRAIL GRANT FUND FOR FUNDING OF A MULTI-PURPOSE TRAIL AT THE RIO HONDO PARK. (JM-PARKS)

**TRAVEL ITEMS:**

9. 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. 138<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO DALLAS, TEXAS, ON 6/18 TO 6/22/07, TO ATTEND THE PDP TRIAL COURT COORDINATION COURSE.
  - B. CIVIL LEGAL DIVISION STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO HOUSTON, TEXAS, ON 6/14 TO 6/15/07, TO ATTEND THE UNDERSTANDING SPECIAL ISSUES AND LITIGATION STRATEGIES.
  - C. CIVIL LEGAL DIVISION STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO LAREDO, TEXAS, ON 6/28/07, TO ATTEND LEGAL SUPPORT STAFF TRAINING.
  - D. CIVIL LEGAL DIVISION STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON 7/12/07, TO ATTEND THE HEARING ON DEFENDANT CAMERON COUNTY, HONORABLE BENJAMIN EURESTI AND TOMMY RAMIREZ' MOTION TO TRANSFER VENUE.
  - E. CIVIL LEGAL DIVISION STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, ON 7/12 TO 7/13/07, TO ATTEND THE 19<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL SUING AND DEFENDING GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES COURSE.
  - F. COUNTY CLERK TO TRAVEL TO CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA, ON 7/17 TO 7/21/07, TO ATTEND THE "IACREOT 36<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CONFERENCE".
  - G. COUNTY COURT AT LAW NO. 1 COURT ADMINISTRATOR TO TRAVEL TO DALLAS, TEXAS, ON 6/18 TO 6/22/07, TO ATTEND THE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM TEXAS CENTER FOR THE JUDICIARY, INC.
  - H. DISTRICT ATTORNEY STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, ON 5/10 TO 5/11/07, TO VISIT BEXAR DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE IN PREPARATION FOR JUDICIAL DIALOGUE SOFTWARE SYSTEM LAUNCH.

- I. DISTRICT ATTORNEY STAFF (5) TO TRAVEL TO CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS, ON 6/13 TO 6/15/07, TO ATTEND TEXAS DISTRICT & COUNTY ATTORNEYS ASSOCIATION'S FORENSIC EVIDENCE SEMINAR.
- J. EXTENSION OFFICE STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS, ON 5/22 TO 5/24/07, TO ATTEND THE DISTRICT 12 SPRING FACULTY MEETING.
- K. EXTENSION OFFICE STAFF (5) TO TRAVEL TO FALFURRIAS, TEXAS, ON 7/12/07, TO ASSIST WITH THE RECORD BOOK JUDGING AT THE DISTRICT 4-H RECORD BOOK JUDGING.
- L. EXTENSION OFFICE STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS, ON 8/1 TO 8/3/07, TO REPRESENT CAMERON COUNTY AT THE 2007 TAE 4-H CONFERENCE.
- M. G.I.S. COORDINATOR TO TRAVEL TO CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA, ON 6/8 TO 6/14/07, TO ATTEND THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY NUMBERING ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE.
- N. JUVENILE PROBATION STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON 6/25 TO 6/29/07, TO ATTEND THE "GANG INVESTIGATORS CONFERENCE".
- O. PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON 6/13 TO 6/14/07, TO ATTEND THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS (TDHCA) BOARD MEETING.
- P. SHERIFF'S OFFICE STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON 7/14 TO 7/18/07, TO ATTEND THE SHERIFF'S ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS ANNUAL TRAINING CONFERENCE.
- Q. SHERIFF'S OFFICE STAFF (6) TO TRAVEL TO SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS, ON 8/20 TO 8/23/07, TO ATTEND THE TEXAS JAIL ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS:**

- 10. 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. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY CONCERNING ACQUISITION OF PARCELS 15, 16 AND 20, FOR 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 JULIA CASTRO VS. CAMERON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPT., EEOC CHARGE NO. 451-2007-000743, FOR DISCUSSION ON STATUS OF CASE AND POSSIBLE SETTLEMENT, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (1)(A) & (B).
- D. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING PROPERTY OWNERS WHO CARE - SOUTH PADRE ISLAND (S.P.I.) ET. AL. VS. COUNTY OF CAMERON AND LAGUNA MADRE ENHANCEMENT GROUP, L.P.; CAUSE NO. 2007-CCL-00798-C FOR DISCUSSION AND AUTHORITY TO REPRESENT THE COUNTY, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (A) & (2).
- E. 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 551.071 (1)(A).

11. 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:**

- 12. BUDGET AMENDMENTS, LINE ITEM TRANSFERS AND/OR SALARY SCHEDULES.
- 13. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR:
  - A. APRIL 10, 2007 – REGULAR MEETING
- 14. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS.
- 15. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE BEACH SNACK LEASE AGREEMENT. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
- 16. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND LINEBARGER GOGGAN BLAIR & SAMPSON FOR DELINQUENT TAX COLLECTION. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)

17. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE IMPOSITION OF THE ADDITIONAL PENALTY AS PROVIDED BY TEXAS PROPERTY TAX CODE SEC. 33.11 (EARLY ADDITIONAL PENALTY FOR COLLECTION COSTS FOR TAXES IMPOSED ON PERSONAL PROPERTY) ON ALL 2007 AND SUBSEQUENT YEAR TAXES. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
18. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION AUTHORIZING THE INCREASE OF THE TAX ASSESSOR COLLECTOR'S OFFICE BUDGET TO ADMINISTER THE AD-VALOREM TAX COLLECTION FOR THE BROWNSVILLE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TEXAS PROPERTY TAX CODE SEC. 6.21. (TY-TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR)
19. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR LEGAL DIVISION TO NEGOTIATE A VENDOR NETWORK SHARING AGREEMENT WITH ACS TO PROVIDE SUPPORT SERVICES TO THE LEVI'S BUILDING. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
20. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE COUNTY PROPERTIES THAT ARE TO BE VACATED WHEN THE LEVI'S BUILDING AND THE HARLINGEN ANNEX ARE OPENED. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
21. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ALLOW THE CAMERON COUNTY JUVENILE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT THE USE OF THE GOOLSBY BUILDING FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXPANDING THEIR GED/VOCATIONAL TRADE SCHOOL/CHARTER SCHOOL PROGRAM. (TR-JUVENILE)
22. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON TEMPORARY CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS REGARDING THE PERFORMANCE OF AUTOPSIES FOR CAMERON COUNTY. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
23. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE UPPER PAYMENT LIMIT OPTION FOR THE INDIGENT HEALTH CARE FUNDS. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
24. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF SCOPE AND FEE WITH AGUIRRE CORPORATION FOR THE REPAIRS TO THE CARRIZALES/RUCKER FACILITY. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
25. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF BANK DEPOSITORY AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND TEXAS STATE BANK. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
26. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION TO APPROVE SECURITY LIGHTING SYSTEM FOR THE N.E. PARKING LOT IMPROVEMENTS. (EH-CCDOT)
27. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF CONTRACT WITH RGV EDUCATIONAL BROADCASTING, INC., - KMBH-TV 60 TO BROADCAST THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT MEETINGS. (DJV-LEGAL)
28. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE DONATION OF LAND FROM THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION OF BROWNSVILLE WITHIN IN-WOOD SUBDIVISION, SECTION II, FOR A COMMUNITY PARK. (JM-PARKS)

29. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE COUNTY'S LEGISLATIVE AGENDA FOR THE 80<sup>TH</sup> TEXAS LEGISLATIVE SESSION. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
30. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE COUNTY'S FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE AGENDA. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)

SIGNED THIS 25<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MAY 2007.



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CARLOS H. CASCOS, CPA  
COUNTY JUDGE