



**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, September 4, 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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Questions regarding this agenda should be directed to the County Administrator's Staff at (956) 982-5414.

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JOE G. RIVERA
COUNTY CLERK

NOTICE

COMMISSIONERS' COURT REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, THE 4TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 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 SONIA KEEBLE REGARDING SOUTH TEXAS HEALTH CARE SYSTEM SERVICES. (YS-HEALTH)

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 ACTION TO ALLOW THE DISPLAY OF CAMERON PARK SUMMER PROGRAM ART WORK IN THE DANCY BUILDING ROTUNDA FOR A FOUR WEEK PERIOD BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 6, 2007. (JW-COMM. PCT. 2)
4. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF COMMERCIAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE AND TIME WARNER CABLE FOR THE PURPOSE OF OUR NEW E-FILING SYSTEM AND OUR ON-LINE RECORDS SYSTEM. (JGR-COUNTY CLERK)
5. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR FINAL PLAT APPROVAL FOR COOK LANE ESTATES SUBDIVISION, PCT. 4, BEING A 10.23 ACRES TRACT OF LAND COMPRISED OF ALL OF BLOCK 19 AND BLOCK 45, STUART PLACE SUBDIVISION OF SURVEY 295, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS. (EH-CCD0T)

6. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE AUTHORIZATION TO GIVE NOTICE OF TERMINATION OF CONTRACT WITH DR. F.P. SALINAS (PATHOLOGIST). (DJV-LEGAL)
7. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF AN ORDER DIRECTING THAT FUNDS APPROPRIATED TO EACH DEPARTMENT FOR THE COUNTY'S HEALTH PLAN BE TRANSFERRED TO THE PLAN FOR EACH AUTHORIZED EMPLOYEE POSITION EACH MONTH IN THE AMOUNT APPROVED BY THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT WHETHER THE POSITION IS FILLED OR VACANT. (ROB-LEGAL)
8. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE A LICENSE AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND JOHN K. PATTERSON, LOCATION MANAGER FOR NORTHERN ENTERTAINMENT PRODUCTIONS, INC., TO CONDUCT FILMING AT ISLA BLANCA PARK, BEACH ACCESS #6, AND AT THE GATEWAY BRIDGE FOR THE SERIES "FRIDAY NIGHT LIGHTS". (JM-PARKS)
9. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE A LICENSE AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY (PARKS AND RECREATION) AND CONSTANZE SCHUMANN, PRODUCER FOR FILM ACADEMY OF VIENNA TO CONDUCT FILMING AT BEACH ACCESS #6. (JM-PARKS)
10. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO UTILIZE THE INFORMAL BID PROCESS FOR THE INSTALLATION OF UP TO FIVE (5) SEPTIC SYSTEMS IN THE SOUTH LOUISIANA RD. / DAKOTA VILLAGE AREA, PURSUANT TO THE NORTH ALAMO WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION FIRST-TIME WATER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (TCDP CONTRACT NO. 725165). (FB-PD&M)
11. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE 2007 JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG) AWARD FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE BUREAU OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE FOR CAMERON COUNTY AND THE CITY OF BROWNSVILLE. (FB-PD&M)
12. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF PERFORMANCE STATEMENT MODIFICATION NO. 1 TO TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM CONTRACT NO. 724055. (FB-PD&M)
13. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM CONTRACT NO. 724055. (FB-PD&M)
14. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE LOS FRESNOS C.I.S.D. POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE CAMERON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE. (OL-SHERIFF)

TRAVEL ITEMS:

15. 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. 107TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, ON 10/9 TO 10/12/07, TO ATTEND THE TEXAS ASSOCIATION FOR COURT ADMINISTRATION EDUCATION CONFERENCE.

- B. 138TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, ON 10/9 TO 10/12/07, TO ATTEND THE TEXAS ASSOCIATION FOR COURT ADMINISTRATION EDUCATION CONFERENCE.
- C. 197TH DISTRICT COURT STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO GALVESTON, TEXAS, ON 9/16 TO 9/19/07, TO ATTEND THE JUDGE'S JUDICIAL CONFERENCE.
- D. 197TH DISTRICT COURT STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS ON 10/8 TO 10/12/07, TO ATTEND THE TEXAS ASSOCIATION FOR COURT ADMINISTRATION EDUCATION CONFERENCE.
- E. COUNTY COURT AT LAW NO. 1 STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, ON 11/9 TO 11/11/07, TO ATTEND A MANDATORY CONTINUING EDUCATION SEMINAR.
- F. HEALTH DEPARTMENT STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO ALICE, TEXAS, ON 9/6/07, TO ATTEND POPULATION ASSESSMENT OVERVIEW/UPDATES MEETING.
- G. JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PRECINCT 6 PLACE 1 STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON 6/24 TO 6/26/07, TO ATTEND MANDATORY CONTINUING EDUCATION FOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.
- H. PARKS SYSTEM STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON 9/5/07 TO MEET WITH THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY.
- I. TAX OFFICE STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON 9/23 TO 9/25/07, TO ATTEND THE 49TH INSTITUTE ON PROPERTY TAXATION AND TEXAS COMPTROLLER'S PROPERTY TAX DIVISION'S 29TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE.
- J. LEGAL DIVISION STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO HOUSTON AND GALVESTON, TEXAS ON 9/4 TO 9/5/07, TO ATTEND HEARINGS AT THE 10TH AND/OR 122ND JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURTS.
- K. SHERIFF'S STAFF (3) TO TRAVEL TO GALVESTON, TEXAS, ON 9/4 TO 9/5/07, TO ATTEND HEARINGS AT THE 10TH AND/OR 122ND JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURTS.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS:

16. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- A. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING CAMERON COUNTY VS. BFI WASTE COLLECTION, ET. AL., CAUSE NO. 2005-07-3905-A; BFI WASTE SERVICES OF TEXAS, LP AND WASTE MANAGEMENT OF TEXAS, INC. VS. COUNTY OF CAMERON, IN THE THIRTEENTH COURT OF APPEALS, CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS CAUSE NO. 13-06-623-CV; AND BFI WASTE SERVICES OF TEXAS, L.P. VS. COUNTY OF CAMERON AND RED RIVER SERVICE CORPORATION OF TEXAS, INC., CASE NO. B-05-279, FOR DISCUSSION ON STATUS OF CASE, MEDIATION AND POSSIBLE SETTLEMENT, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071(1)(A)&(B).

- B. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING PATRICIO ZAMORA VS. LORANCE W. BODDEN, NO. 07-CV-0737 IN THE 10TH DISTRICT COURT OF GALVESTON COUNTY AND ABRAHAM FLORES VS. LORANCE W. BODDEN, NO. 07-CV-0736 IN THE 122ND DISTRICT COURT OF GALVESTON COUNTY, FOR DISCUSSION, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071(1)(A)&(2).

17. ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- A. POSSIBLE ACTION.
- B. POSSIBLE ACTION.

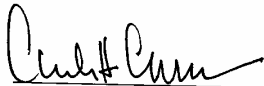
ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION:

- 18. BUDGET AMENDMENTS, LINE ITEM TRANSFERS AND/OR SALARY SCHEDULES.
- 19. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR:
 - A. JULY 24, 2007 – REGULAR MEETING
 - B. JULY 31, 2007 – REGULAR MEETING.
- 20. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS.
- 21. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2007-2008 BUDGET. (XV-BUDGET)
- 22. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE PERFORMANCE OF AUTOPSIES FOR CAMERON COUNTY. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
- 23. DISCUSSION AND STATUS OF ACQUISITION OF RIGHT OF WAY FOR THE FM 106 ROAD EXPANSION PROJECT. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
- 24. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND TEXAS GAS SERVICE FOR THE ACQUISITION OF EASEMENTS FOR THE RELOCATION OF A GAS LINE FOR THE FM 106 ROAD EXPANSION PROJECT. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
- 25. DISCUSSION REGARDING THE LICENSE AGREEMENTS BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND MIKE HERNANDEZ, HERNANDEZ EVENTS AND CAMERON COUNTY AND DOUG BAUN, CAMEL CORPORATION OF TEXAS FOR HEB-CRUNCH TOUR PROMOTION. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
- 26. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION TO APPROVE ELECTION SYSTEMS AND SOFTWARE COMPANY (ES&S) AS A SOLE SOURCE FOR CERTAIN COMPONENTS, PRODUCTS AND SERVICES RELATED TO THE ES&S OPTICAL SCAN ELECTION SYSTEM PURCHASED IN 2005 TO COMPLY WITH THE HELP AMERICA VOTE ACT (HAVA) FOR USE IN ALL CAMERON COUNTY CONDUCTED ELECTIONS. (RO-ELECTIONS)
- 27. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION TO APPROVE THE EARLY VOTING POLLING LOCATIONS, AND ELECTION DAY POLLING LOCATIONS FOR THE NOVEMBER 6, 2007 GENERAL ELECTION (CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS) AS PER CHAPTER 43, SECTION 43.002. DESIGNATION OF LOCATION: GENERAL OR SPECIAL ELECTION USING COUNTY PRECINCTS AND SETTING THE COMPENSATION FOR ELECTION

JUDGES AND CLERKS FOR SERVICES RENDERED AT A PRECINCT POLLING PLACE AS PER CHAPTER 32 ELECTION JUDGES AND CLERKS, SUBCHAPTER E. SEC. 32.091 COMPENSATION FOR SERVICES AT POLLING PLACE. (RO-ELECTIONS)

28. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE COUNTY'S STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE AGENDA. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
29. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO DECLARE OCTOBER "NATIONAL DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT AWARENESS MONTH". TO PROVIDE AWARENESS AND ENCOURAGEMENT TO HIRE PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES, AS PART OF THE GOVERNOR'S COMMITTEE ON DISABILITIES CAMPAIGN. (JW-COMM. PCT. 2)
30. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO DECLARE AUGUST 25 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 9, 2007 "HANDS ACROSS EL RIO" A 1250 MILE... 16 DAY PROTEST AGAINST THE BORDER WALL. (JW-COMM. PCT. 2)
31. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF LONG STANDING POLICY REQUIRING PRIVATE LITIGANTS TO PREPAY THE COSTS OF NEWSPAPER PUBLICATION OF SHERIFF'S SALE NOTICES NECESSARY TO A SALE OF A JUDGMENT DEBTOR'S REAL PROPERTY IN SATISFACTION OF A PRIVATE LITIGANT'S JUDGMENT RATHER THAN USE CAMERON COUNTY FUNDS OR CREDIT TO PREPAY SUCH PUBLICATION FEES. (BWH-LEGAL)

SIGNED THIS 31st DAY OF AUGUST 2007.



CARLOS H. CASCOS, CPA
COUNTY JUDGE