



**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 11, 2007 at 5:30 p.m. in the Courtroom on the 2nd Floor at the Courthouse, 1100 E. Monroe Street, Brownsville, Texas.

**Carlos H. Cascos, CPA
County Judge
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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 11TH 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

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.

2. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO REQUEST RFQ'S FOR REAL ESTATE BROKER/AGENT FOR THE MARKETING AND SALE OF COUNTY OWNED PROPERTY. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
3. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL TO OPEN A BANK ACCOUNT FOR THE EMPLOYEE HEALTH BENEFITS FUND AT TEXAS STATE BANK WITH ITS CORRESPONDING BANKING RESOLUTION. (RA-AUDITOR)
4. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR RFP'S FOR IMAGING SERVICES FOR THE DISTRICT SERVICES FOR THE DISTRICT CLERKS OFFICE. (AdelaG-DISTRICT CLERK)
5. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH ALEJANDRO SOLIS TO SERVE AS AN INTERPRETER FOR THE SIX DISTRICT COURTS. (DJV-LEGAL)

6. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF CONTRACT FOR LEGAL SERVICES WITH NATHANIEL C. PEREZ, JR. TO PROVIDE LEGAL REPRESENTATION TO THE INDIGENT DEFENDANTS OF THE 107TH DISTRICT COURT. (DJV-LEGAL)
7. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF MODIFICATION TO CONTRACT #696-AG-6-7-L0024 WITH TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE (FOOD BANK OF THE RIO GRANDE VALLEY, INC.). (DJV-LEGAL)
8. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION TO APPROVE AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF LAGUNA VISTA AND CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS FOR THE COLLECTION OF AD VALOREM TAXES. (TY-TAX ASSESSOR)

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. 103RD DISTRICT COURT STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, ON 10/9 TO 10/12/07, TO ATTEND THE 31ST ANNUAL EDUCATION CONFERENCE "COMMUNICATING COURT LEADERSHIP SKILLS".
 - B. COUNTY TREASURER TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON 9/30 TO 10/06/07, TO ATTEND THE COUNTY INVESTMENT OFFICER TRAINING LEVEL I.
 - C. DISTRICT CLERK'S OFFICE STAFF (4) TO TRAVEL TO KERRVILLE, TEXAS, ON 9/17/07 TO 9/20/07, TO ATTEND THE TEXAS DISTRICT COURT ALLIANCE 7TH ANNUAL WORKSHOP CLERK'S COLLEGE.
 - D. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT STAFF (3) TO TRAVEL TO CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS, ON 9/20/07, TO ATTEND THE TEXAS PREPAREDNESS SCHEDULING WORKSHOP.
 - E. HEALTH DEPARTMENT STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO FORT WORTH, TEXAS, ON 10/14 TO 10/17/07, TO ATTEND THE 2007 TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL WIC DIRECTORS ANNUAL MEETING.
 - F. PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT & MANAGEMENT STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO MERCEDES, TEXAS, ON 9/12/07, TO ATTEND THE LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL PROFESSIONAL ADVISORY REVIEW PANEL MEETING.
 - G. TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR AND STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO KERRVILLE, TX, ON 10/8 TO 10/12/07 TO ATTEND AND PARTICIPATE IN THE 2007 SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL CHAPTER TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF VEHICLE THEFT INVESTIGATORS TRAINING CONFERENCE.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS:

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- A. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY CONCERNING ACQUISITION OF PARCEL 28, FOR RIGHT OF WAY FOR FM 732, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.
- B. EVALUATION OF THE CAMERON COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.074(A)(1).
- C. 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 AND POSSIBLE SETTLEMENT, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071(1)(A)&(B).

11. ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

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

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION:

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

13. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR:

- A. AUGUST 7, 2007 – REGULAR MEETING
- B. AUGUST 13, 2007 – SPECIAL MEETING
- C. AUGUST 14, 2007 – REGULAR MEETING

14. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS.

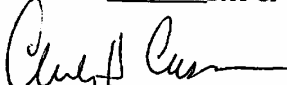
15. CONSIDERATION AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF AUGUST 2007 COUNTY TREASURER'S REPORT TO COMMISSIONERS' COURT ON ACCOUNTS HELD BY THE COUNTY TREASURER'S OFFICE. (DAB-TREASURER)

16. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL FOR CHANGE OF POLICE VEHICLE EMBLEMS AND STRIPING FOR ALL CONSTABLE POLICE UNITS. (RL-CONSTABLE PCT. 4)

17. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION OF THE HARLINGEN ANNEX. (AG-CCD_oT)

18. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO CREATE THE CAMERON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES THROUGH THE CONSOLIDATION OF THE FOLLOWING ADMINISTRATIVE PROGRAMS AND DEPARTMENTS: COPY CENTER, COMPUTER CENTER AND BUILDING MAINTENANCE. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
19. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE APPROVAL OF THE JOB DESCRIPTION FOR THE DIRECTOR OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DEPARTMENT. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
20. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE APPROVAL OF THE SCHEDULE OF TOLL RATES FOR THE CAMERON COUNTY INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE SYSTEM. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
21. CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF THE BUDGETS FOR THE CAMERON COUNTY GENERAL FUND, THE SPECIAL ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND, THE LAW LIBRARY FUND, THE EMPLOYEE BENEFITS FUND, THE DEBT SERVICES FUNDS, THE INTERNATIONAL TOLL BRIDGE SYSTEM FUNDS, THE PARK SYSTEM FUNDS, THE AIRPORT FUNDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2007-2008. (XV-BUDGET)
22. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE RATIFICATION OF THE PROPERTY TAX INCREASE REFLECTED IN THE BUDGET. (XV-BUDGET)
23. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION SETTING THE TAX RATE FOR THE FY 2007-2008 AT \$0.343191 PER EVERY \$100 VALUATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ATTACHED ORDER FOR TAX RATE. (XV-BUDGET)
24. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND THE BROWNSVILLE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
25. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE APPLICATION TO THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION FOR JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT FUNDS TO CONTINUE FUNDING THE CAMERON COUNTY SPECIAL OPERATIONS GROUP. (AV-DISTRICT ATTORNEY)
26. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF RELEASE AND SUBSTITUTION OF COLLATERAL AT TEXAS STATE BANK. (DAB-TREASURER)
27. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE REPAIRS TO THE CARRIZALEZ RUCKER FACILITY OR THE CONSTRUCTION OF ADDITIONAL BEDS. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)

SIGNED THIS 7th DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2007.



CARLOS H. CASCOS, CPA
COUNTY JUDGE



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EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEM:

1. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- A. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING OUTSTANDING INVOICES FROM INDIGENT CARE PROVIDERS, 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). (ROB-LEGAL)

2. ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- A. POSSIBLE ACTION.

SIGNED THIS 7TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2007.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Carlos H. Cascos", written over a horizontal line.

CARLOS H. CASCOS, CPA
COUNTY JUDGE