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Commissioners' Court
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REGULAR MEETING

The Cameron County Commissioners' Court will meet for a Regular Public Meeting on
Tuesday, October 23, 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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JOE G. RIVERA
COUNTY CLERK



NOTICE

COMMISSIONERS' COURT REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, THE 23rd DAY OF OCTOBER 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 APPROVAL OF CONTRACT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND ARGUS SECURITY SYSTEMS FOR THE SECURITY WALL GATE. (HG-CCD0T)
3. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR PRELIMINARY PLAT APPROVAL FOR CAMPO REAL SUBDIVISION PHASE I & II, PCT. 2, BEING A 39.50 ACRE TRACT OF LAND OUT OF A CERTAIN 76.32 ACRE TRACT OF LAND REFERRED TO AS TRACT II IN VOLUME 9109, PAGE 75 OFFICIAL RECORDS OF CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS AND BEING OUT OF THE ESPIRITU SANTO GRANT IN CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS. (EH-CCD0T)
4. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT TEAL CIRCLE AND REDHEAD COURT LOCATED IN RESACA VIEW ESTATES PHASE I SUBDIVISION, PCT. 4, AS RECORDED IN CABINET 1 PAGES 2743-A, 2743-B, 2744-A AND 2744-B OF THE CAMERON COUNTY MAP RECORDS, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS, INTO THE COUNTY ROAD SYSTEM. (EH-CCD0T)

5. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT SUMMERHILL BLVD., BLUE SAGE LANE, VERBENA LANE, FIREWHEEL LANE AND COWBOY ROSE LANE LOCATED IN SUMMERHILL SUBDIVISION SECTION 1, PCT. 2, AS RECORDED IN CABINET 1 PAGES 2736-B AND 2737-A OF THE CAMERON COUNTY MAP RECORDS, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS, INTO THE COUNTY ROAD SYSTEM. (EH-CCDöt)
6. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO INITIATE THE DRAWING PROCESS ON LETTER OF CREDIT FOR CROSSING EIGHT'S SUBDIVISION, PCT. 4, FOR UNBUILT SEPTIC SYSTEMS. (EH-CCDöt)
7. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF SILVERIO CAVAZOS III DEPUTY CONSTABLE FOR PCT. #4 IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE FINDING THAT IT IS NECESSARY TO APPOINT THE DEPUTY IN ORDER TO PROPERLY HANDLE THE BUSINESS OF THE CONSTABLE'S OFFICE THAT ORIGINATES IN THE CONSTABLE'S PRECINCT AND THAT THE APPOINTMENT IS VALID ONLY THROUGH THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR IN WHICH THE APPOINTMENT IS MADE OR THE CURRENT TERM OF THE ELECTED CONSTABLE WHICHEVER ENDS SOONER. (MV-HR)
8. CONSIDERATION AND ISSUANCE OF ORDER APPROVING THE TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE SEPTEMBER 2007 TERM. (ROB-LEGAL)
9. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF CONTRACT FOR LEGAL SERVICES WITH LOUIS SOROLA TO PROVIDE LEGAL REPRESENTATION TO THE INDIGENT RESPONDENTS OF THE MASTERS COURT. (DJV-LEGAL)
10. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA TO USE SANTA ROSA PARK DURING THE EVENING OF OCTOBER 31, 2007. (JM-PARKS)
11. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN BISD (ADULT CONTINUING EDUCATION) AND CAMERON COUNTY (PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT) TO PROVIDE BASIC EDUCATIONAL SERVICES AT BROWNE ROAD SOCIAL SERVICE CENTER LOCATED AT 9901 CALIFORNIA ROAD. (JM-PARKS)
12. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN AVANCE, INC. AND CAMERON COUNTY FOR THE USE OF CENTRO CULTURAL COMMUNITY CENTER TO PROVIDE SERVICES LOCATED AT 2100 GREGORY AVENUE, BROWNSVILLE, TEXAS 78521. (JM-PARKS)
13. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT BROWNSVILLE AND TEXAS SOUTHMOST COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY PROGRAM AND CAMERON COUNTY TO PROVIDE SERVICES AT THE BOB CLARK TEEN & SENIOR CENTER. (JM-PARKS)

14. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO END RENEWAL OPTION OF ANNUAL BID #1455V (MISCELLANEOUS IMAGING) DUE TO LACK OF USAGE. (MF-PURCHASING)
15. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD BIDS/RFP'S/RFQ'S FOR THE FOLLOWING: (MF-PURCHASING)
 - A. ENGINEERING/CONSULTING QUALIFICATIONS – COUNTY AIRPORT SPILL CONTROL & COUNTER MEASURES PLAN – RFQ #070901
 - B. CONSULTING QUALIFICATIONS – DANCY BUILDING – INVESTIGATION OF TERRA COTTA ISSUES& BUILDING EXTERIOR REVIEW – RFQ #070902
 - C. ARCHITECTURAL QUALIFICATIONS – COURTHOUSE ANNEX – JUDICIAL BUILDING – 2ND FLOOR – RFQ #070803
16. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN THE FOLLOWING BIDS/RFP/RFQ FOR: (MF-PURCHASING)
 - A. LABORATORY SERVICES: DRUG & ALCOHOL TESTING – ANNUAL BID #1475-1
 - B. MOPS & MATS RENTAL & CLEANING – ANNUL BID #1535

TRAVEL ITEMS:

17. 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. EXTENSION OFFICE STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO FAYETTEVILLE, ARKANSAS, ON 10/14 TO 10/18/07, TO ATTEND THE NATURAL RESOURCES 2007 SOUTHERN REGION WATER QUALITY CONFERENCE.
 - B. HEALTH DEPARTMENT STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO LAREDO, TEXAS, ON 10/23 TO 10/24/07, TO ATTEND U.S.-MEXICO IMMUNIZATION EQUIVALENCIES WORKSHOP.
 - C. HEALTH DEPARTMENT STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO WEBSTER, TEXAS, ON 11/7 TO 11/10/07, TO ATTEND THE PRINCIPLES OF LACTATION MANAGEMENT LEVEL I.
 - D. JUVENILE PROBATION OFFICE STAFF (4) TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON 11/7 TO 11/9/07, TO ATTEND THE 3RD ANNUAL STRENGTHENING YOUTH & FAMILIES TRAINING.

- E. JUVENILE PROBATION STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON 11/26 TO 11/28/07, TO ATTEND THE DATA COORDINATORS WORKSHOP.
- F. PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT & MANAGEMENT STAFF (5) TO TRAVEL TO EDINBURG, TEXAS, ON 10/25/07, TO ATTEND 2010 CENSUS LOCAL UPDATE OF CENSUS ADDRESSES (LUCA) WORKSHOP.
- G. TAX OFFICE STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS, ON 11/11 TO 11/14/07, TO ATTEND EDUCATIONAL WORKSHOPS AT THE 25TH ANNUAL COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTORS' CONTINUING EDUCATION SEMINAR.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS:

18. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- A. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING COUNTY OF CAMERON VS. CAMERON COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY, ARMANDO VILLALOBOS; CAUSE NO. 2007-10-5130-G, FOR DISCUSSION AND AUTHORITY TO HIRE OUTSIDE COUNSEL TO REPRESENT CAMERON COUNTY, SECTION 551.071 (1)(A) & (2).
- B. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING CLAIM OF JOE R. JONES, INC. CONTRACT, 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 (1)(A) & (2).
- C. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING DARIO DIAZ VS. CAMERON COUNTY AND CAMERON COUNTY PRECINCT 4 CONSTABLE ROBERT LOPEZ, IN HIS INDIVIDUAL AND OFFICIAL CAPACITIES; IN THE 197TH DISTRICT COURT; CAUSE NO. 2007-10-5027-C, FOR AUTHORITY TO REPRESENT CAMERON COUNTY AND ROBERT LOPEZ, CONSTABLE PRECINCT 4 AND TO REMOVE IT TO FEDERAL COURT, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (A) & (2).
- D. 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 OF STATUS, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (1)(A) & (B).

E. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING RED RIVER SOLID WASTE COLLECTION CONTRACT ABOUT ISSUE OF NONCOMPLIANCE OR OF DEFAULT AND POSSIBLE LITIGATION, 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 (A) & (2).

F. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING CAMERON COUNTY IRRIGATION DISTRICT NO. 6 ON A CLAIM FOR PAYMENT, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (1)(A) & (2).

19. ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A. POSSIBLE ACTION.

B. POSSIBLE ACTION.

C. POSSIBLE ACTION.

D. POSSIBLE ACTION.

E. POSSIBLE ACTION.

F. POSSIBLE ACTION.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION:

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

21. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS.

22. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR:

A. SEPTEMBER 25, 2007 – SPECIAL MEETING

23. CONSIDERATION AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANTS REPORT OF THE TAX ASSESSOR – COLLECTOR'S OFFICE PROPERTY TAX DIVISION AUDIT AND CONTROLS FROM LONG AND CHILTON CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS FIRM AND PAYMENT THERE OF. (TY-TAC)

24. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO REIMBURSE THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ADDITIONAL LOCAL PARTICIPATION FUNDS FOR THE U.S. BUSINESS 83 PROJECT. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)

25. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO RENEW PROPERTY INSURANCE WITH CURRENT INSURANCE CARRIER TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES (TAC). (RA-AUDITOR)

26. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE COUNTY'S STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE AGENDA. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)

SIGNED THIS 18 DAY OF OCTOBER 2007.



CARLOS H. CASCOS, CPA
COUNTY JUDGE