



**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, November 13, 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 R. RIVERA
COUNTY CLERK

NOTICE

COMMISSIONERS' COURT REGULAR MEETING

TUESDAY, THE 13TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 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 TO ACCEPT RIGHT OF ENTRY AND POSSESSION FOR FM 732, PARCEL 20. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
3. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT RIGHT OF ENTRY AND POSSESSION FOR FM 732, PARCEL 25. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
4. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO EXEMPT FROM THE COUNTY PURCHASING ACT THE PURCHASE OF SUNGARD BI-TECH SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE, SPECIFICALLY THE REQUIREMENTS OF V.T.C.A., LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 262.023, PURSUANT TO AUTHORITY GRANTED IN SECTION 262.024 (A)(7)(A)(COPYRIGHT). (RA-AUDITORS)
5. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO BID FOR THE CAMERON PARK COLONIA ROADWAY AND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS - SECTION 3, CONCRETE CURB AND GUTTER & SIDEWALKS. (EH-CCDOT)
6. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF TIME EXTENSION FROM NOVEMBER 14, 2007 TO OCTOBER 30, 2010 FOR PROVIDING SEWER FACILITIES (SEPTIC SYSTEMS) AT R&S FARMS SUBDIVISION, PHASE I, PHASE II-A, PHASE II-B & PHASE III, PCT. 3. (EH-CCDOT)

7. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR PRELIMINARY PLAT APPROVAL FOR JASMIN ESTATES SUBDIVISION, PCT. 4, BEING A 3.38 ACRE TRACT OF LAND OUT OF UNSUBDIVIDED LANDS OUT OF SURVEY 26, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS. (EH-CCDOT)
8. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR PRELIMINARY AND FINAL PLAT APPROVAL FOR "THE SITE" SUBDIVISION, PCT. 4, BEING A 1.062 ACRE TRACT (CALLED 1.06 ACRE) OF LAND OUT OF FARM LOT NUMBER FIFTY (50), SAN BENITO SUGAR COMPANY SUBDIVISION, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS. (EH-CCDOT)
9. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF SALVADOR G. CABRERA DEPUTY CONSTABLE FOR PCT. #2 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-HUMAN RESOURCES)
10. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT FOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PCT 5-2. (D.A. WISE-J.P. 5-2)
11. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES TO PROVIDE THERAPY FOR VICTIMS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT AND APPROVAL OF RFQ DRAFT. (TR-JUVENILE PROBATION)
12. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR CAMERON COUNTY TO ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING GRANT AWARDED TO THE CAMERON COUNTY JUVENILE PROBATION DEPARTMENT. (TR-JUVENILE PROBATION)
13. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF TELEPHONE/FUND (WIRE) TRANSFER AGREEMENT WITH TEXAS STATE BANK. (ROB-LEGAL)
14. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE STANDARD SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH MILITARY HIGHWAY WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION FOR WATER SERVICE AT LA PALOMA COMMUNITY PARK. (JM-PARKS)
15. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH DOS LOGISTICS INC. FOR THE DESIGN AND PROJECT COORDINATION OF THE HIGHWAY 48 BOAT RAMP. (JM-PARKS)
16. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD BIDS, RFP'S, RFQ'S FOR THE FOLLOWING: (MF-PURCHASING)
 - A. BUILDING SUPPLIES: FILTERS - AIR CONDITIONER ANNUAL BID #2001 (JOE FLY)
 - B. GENERATOR REPAIRS - ANNUAL BID #1444 (ALICE SOUTHERN EQUIPMENT)
17. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR ANNUAL BID #1515 FOR INFIRMARY, JAIL AND SHERIFF'S OFFICE PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES. (OL-SHERIFF)

18. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL TO OPEN TWO NEW ACCOUNTS AS REQUESTED BY THE PLANNING OFFICE. (DAB-TREASURER)

- A. VALLE ESCONDIDO FUND #290
- B. LACAMPELO WATER & LIGHT FUND #370

TRAVEL ITEMS:

19. 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. COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 1 TO TRAVEL TO SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS, ON 12/13/07, TO ATTEND THE 1ST ANNUAL DISTRICT 12 CONTINUING EDUCATION CONFERENCE.
- B. COUNTY JUDGE TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON 11/12/07, TO REPRESENT THE BORDER SECURITY COUNCIL.
- C. COUNTY JUDGE AND DEPUTY COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO TRAVEL TO WASHINGTON, D.C., ON 11/15 TO 11/16/007, TO ATTEND MEETING WITH DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION OFFICIALS TO DISCUSS THE BORDER FENCE/LEVEE IMPROVEMENTS PROPOSAL.
- D. ELECTIONS OFFICE STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON 11/27 TO 11/30/07, TO ATTEND THE 19TH ANNUAL ELECTION LAW SEMINAR.
- E. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT STAFF (3) TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, ON 12/3/07, TO ATTEND THE GOVERNORS DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (GDEM) 2007 TEXAS HOMELAND SECURITY CONFERENCE.
- F. EXTENSION OFFICE STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO EDNA, TEXAS, ON 11/6 TO 11/7/07, TO ATTEND THE REGIONAL CEA CAREER LADDER PEER REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING.
- G. EXTENSION OFFICE STAFF (5) TO TRAVEL TO WESLACO, TEXAS, ON 11/13 TO 11/15/07, TO ATTEND THE FALL FACULTY CONFERENCE.
- H. EXTENSION OFFICE STAFF (4) TO TRAVEL TO EAGLE PASS, TEXAS, ON 11/17/07, TO PARTICIPATE IN THE 2008 DISTRICT 12 4-H FOOD SHOW.
- I. EXTENSION OFFICE STAFF (5) TO TRAVEL TO SOUTH PADRE ISLAND TEXAS, ON 12/13/07, TO ATTEND HOST AND PARTICIPATE IN THE TEXAS COOPERATE EXTENSION - CONTINUING EDUCATION CONFERENCE FOR COUNTY OFFICIALS.
- J. HEALTH DEPARTMENT STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO WEBSTER, TEXAS, ON 12/5 TO 12/8/07, TO ATTEND THE LACTATION COUNSELING AND PROBLEM SOLVING LEVEL II.

- K. JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PRECINCT 2 PLACE 1 STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, ON 11/26 TO 11/28/07, TO ATTEND THE COURT PERSONNEL SEMINARS.
- L. SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT STAFF (4) TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, ON 10/11/07, TO PICK UP VEHICLES FROM GOVERNMENT SURPLUS.
- M. SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT STAFF (4) TO TRAVEL TO CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS, ON 11/14 TO 11/16/07, TO ATTEND THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON JAIL STANDARDS TRAINING.
- N. SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO HOUSTON, TEXAS, ON 11/15 TO 11/17/07, TO ATTEND THE QUALITY MANAGEMENT REGISTRY REVIEW TRAINING SEMINAR.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS:

20. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- A. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING ISSUES RELATING TO POSSIBLE ACQUISITION OF LOTS 1A AND 1B, BLOCK 122, BROWNSVILLE ORIGINAL TOWNSITE, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.
- B. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY CONCERNING RIGHT OF WAY FOR FM 732, PARCEL 20, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.
- C. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY CONCERNING ACQUISITION OF PARCEL 1, FOR RIGHT OF WAY FOR THE WEST RAIL PROJECT, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.
- D. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING A CLAIM OF TIMOTHY R. FLOYD FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE SETTLEMENT, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (1)(A) & (B).
- E. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING SUNGARD BI-TECH SOFTWARE SUPPORT BILL, 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 ATTORNEY GENERAL OPINION NO. GA-0578 AND CONCERNING POSSIBLE DECLARATORY JUDGMENT ACTION WITH REGARD TO THE CREATION AND FUNDING OF THE 444TH AND 445TH JUDICIAL COURTS, 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).

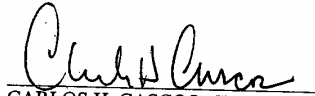
- G. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING THE RELEASE OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION TO THIRD PARTIES BY E-MAIL, ON A MATTER IN WHICH THE DUTY OF THE ATTORNEY TO THE GOVERNMENTAL BODY UNDER THE TEXAS DISCIPLINARY RULES OF PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT OF THE STATE BAR OF TEXAS CLEARLY CONFLICTS WITH THIS CHAPTER, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (1)(A)&(2).
 - H. 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 OF STATUS AND OTHER POSSIBLE ACTION, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (1)(A) & (B) & (2).
 - I. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY CONCERNING THE POSSIBLE PURCHASE OF LAND IN EL RANCHITO FOR A COMMUNITY PARK, PURSUANT TO VTCA GOVERNMENT CODE , SECTION 551.072.
21. 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.
 - H. POSSIBLE ACTION.
 - I. POSSIBLE ACTION.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION:

- 22. BUDGET AMENDMENTS, LINE ITEM TRANSFERS AND/OR SALARY SCHEDULES.
- 23. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS.
- 24. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR:
 - A. OCTOBER 16, 2007 – REGULAR MEETING
- 25. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE PROPOSED ANNEXATION OF DESIGNATED AREA OF COUNTY PROPERTY SOUTH OF TOWN OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)

26. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO RENEW ANNUAL WINDSTORM & HAIL INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR 2007-2008 FROM SOLE SOURCE PROVIDER TWIA THROUGH LICENSED INSURANCE AGENCY COLEMAN HALL & HEINZE. (RA-AUDITOR)
27. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE 2007-2008 EQUIPMENT LIST. (XV-BUDGET)
28. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE 2007 CAMERON COUNTY EMPLOYEE HOLIDAY PARTY. (CHC-COUNTY JUDGE)
29. DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT TO THE CAMERON COUNTY COMPUTER USE - ELECTRONIC ACCESS POLICIES AND PROCEDURES. (ROB-LEGAL)
30. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE COUNTY'S STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE AGENDA. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)

SIGNED THIS 9th DAY OF NOVEMBER 2007.


CARLOS H. CASCOS, CPA
COUNTY JUDGE