



**Cameron County, Texas
Commissioners' Court
Cameron County Courthouse, 2nd Floor
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SPECIAL MEETING

The Cameron County Commissioners' Court will meet for a Special Public Meeting on Monday, November 19, 2007 at 8:00 a.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.

Cameron County Courthouse Accessibility Statement

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JOE L. RIVERA
COUNTY CLERK

NOTICE

COMMISSIONERS' COURT SPECIAL MEETING
MONDAY, THE 19TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2007 AT 8:00 A.M.

AGENDA

PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.041, V.T.C.A., AS AMENDED, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT A **SPECIAL 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 AMENDMENT TO THE ENGINEERING CONTRACT WITH JWH AND ASSOCIATES, INC. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
3. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF SUPPLEMENTAL WORK AUTHORIZATION NO. 2 TO WORK AUTHORIZATION NO. 3. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
4. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE TO FILE A SPECIAL OPERATIONS GROUP (SOG) CONTINUATION GRANT APPLICATION WITH THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION. (AV-DA)
5. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL AUTHORIZING AND INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CAMERON COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE AND THE DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (GDEM), A DIVISION OF THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR. (AV-DA)

6. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BID: SOLICITATION FOR OFFICE SPACE FOR CAMERON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (CCDHHS) WIC PROGRAM. (YS-HEALTH)
7. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF AUTHORITY TO RETAIN ALLISON, BASS & ASSOCIATES, L.L.P. AS LOCAL COUNSEL TO ASSIST IN PROSECUTING LITIGATION IN TRAVIS COUNTY CONCERNING THE CREATION OF THE 444TH AND 445TH JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURTS. (ROB-LEGAL)
8. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR RFP'S FOR THE POSSIBLE LEASE OF LAND FOR AN AUTOMATED ICE VENDING MACHINE ON SOUTH PADRE ISLAND. (JM-PARKS)
9. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO UTILIZE THE BUY BOARD FOR THE PURCHASE OF SPORTS LIGHTING EQUIPMENT AND INSTALLATION FOR LA PALOMA, RIO HONDO AND LA ESPERANZA PARKS. (JM-PARKS)
10. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN THE FOLLOWING BIDS/RFP'S/RFQ'S FOR: (MF-PURCHASING)
 - A. IMAGING SERVICES – DISTRICT CLERK'S DEPARTMENT – ANNUAL RFP #071001
 - B. LABORATORY SERVICES: DRUG & ALCOHOL TESTING (EMPLOYEES) – ANNUAL RFP #1475-1
11. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ALLOW TEXAS STATE BANK TO RELEASE SECURITIES HELD BY THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANK ON THE COUNTY'S BEHALF. (DAB-TREASURER)

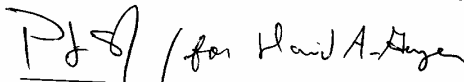
TRAVEL ITEMS:

12. 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. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO AND AUSTIN, TEXAS ON 12/2/07, TO ATTEND THE GOVERNOR'S DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (GDEM) 2007 TEXAS HOMELAND SECURITY CONFERENCE & STATE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER (SEOC).
 - B. JUVENILE PROBATION STAFF (7) TO TRAVEL TO EDINBURG, TEXAS, ON 11/15/07, TO ATTEND THE FALL CHILD ADVOCACY CONFERENCE.
 - C. PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO WESLACO, TEXAS, ON 11/20/07, TO ATTEND THE LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING.
 - D. PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO WESLACO, TEXAS, ON 11/20/07, TO ATTEND THE LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL MANDATORY TRAINING ON AVAILABILITY OF GRANTS.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION:

13. BUDGET AMENDMENTS, LINE ITEM TRANSFERS AND/OR SALARY SCHEDULES.
14. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS.
15. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR:
 - A. OCTOBER 23, 2007 – REGULAR MEETING
 - B. OCTOBER 30, 2007 – REGULAR MEETING
16. CANVASSING OF PRECINCT ELECTION RETURNS FOR THE NOVEMBER STATE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ELECTIONS CONDUCTED ON NOVEMBER 6, 2007 AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH CHAPTER 67, CANVASSING ELECTIONS, SEC. 67.002, CANVASS OF PRECINCT RETURNS OF THE TEXAS ELECTION CODE. (RO-ELECTIONS)
17. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE COUNTY'S STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE AGENDA. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)

SIGNED THIS 15th DAY OF NOVEMBER 2007.



CARLOS H. CASCOS, CPA
COUNTY JUDGE