

# Cameron County, Texas Commissioners' Court Cameron County Courthouse, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor 1100 E. Monroe Street Brownsville, Texas 78520 Office (956)982-5414 Fax (956)983-5099.

#### **REGULAR MEETING**

The Cameron County Commissioners' Court will meet for a Regular Public Meeting on Tuesday, May 13, 2008 at 5:00 p.m. in the Courtroom on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor at the Courthouse, 1100 E. Monroe Street, Brownsville, Texas.

Carlos H. Cascos, CPA County Judge (956) 544-0830

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John Wood Commissioner, Pct. 2 (956) 983-5091 David A. Garza Commissioner, Pct. 3 (956) 361-8209

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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 13<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MAY 2008 AT 5:00 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.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS:**

- 1. EXECUTIVE SESSION:
  - A. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING FIRE DAMAGE AT DIRTY AL'S RESTAURANT AND POSSIBLE CONTRACT ISSUES WITH DIRTY AL'S, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (2).
  - B. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY CONCERNING ACQUISITION OF PARCEL 17, FOR RIGHT OF WAY FOR THE WEST RAIL PROJECT, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.
- 2. ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:
  - A. POSSIBLE ACTION.
  - B. POSSIBLE ACTION.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS.

#### **CONSENT ITEMS:**

- 4. 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.
  - A. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR PRELIMINARY PLAT APPROVAL FOR HIGH RABB SUBDIVISION, PCT. 4, 10.80 ACRES OF LAND OUT OF BLOCK 48, COLLINS SUBDIVISION, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS. (EH-CCDoT)
  - B. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO INITIATE THE DRAWING PROCESS ON LETTER OF CREDIT FOR BLUM ESTATES SUBDIVISION, PCT. 1, FOR UNBUILT WATER WELLS AND SEPTIC SYSTEMS. (EH-CCDoT)
  - C. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE THE FINANCIAL GUARANTEE FOR SEPTIC SYSTEMS INSTALLATION FOR J&V SUBDIVISION, PCT. 4. (EH-CCDoT)
  - D. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL TO PAY PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER LICENSE RENEWAL FEE FOR ERNESTO E. HINOJOSA, P.E., STAFF ENGINEER. (EH-CCDoT)
  - E. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF RECLASSIFICATION OF JOB TITLES WITHIN THE PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION 150-6210 FOR THE FOLLOWING SLOTS: (LHA-CCDoT)
    - a. #8 TO EQUIPMENT OPERATOR
    - b. #9 TO EQUIPMENT OPERATOR
    - c. #25 TO EQUIPMENT OPERATOR
    - d. #50 TO ASSISTANCE MAINTENANCE FOREMAN
    - e. #60 TO EQUIPMENT OPERATOR
    - f. #81 TO EQUIPMENT OPERATOR
  - F. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO SUBMIT APPLICATION BY THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE FOR THE TOBACCO COMPLIANCE GRANT. (AV-DISTRICT ATTORNEY)
  - G. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO REJECT BIDS AND UTILIZE THE BUY BOARD FOR THE PURCHASE OF SEDANS (QTY. 3) AND PICK-UP TRUCK ½ TON (QTY -1). (AV-DISTRICT ATTORNEY)
  - H. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF PROCLAMATION DECLARING THE WEEK OF MAY 25-31, 2008 AS "HURRICANE AWARENESS WEEK". (JC-EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT)
  - I. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO THREE (3) YEAR SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH GLOBAFONE FOR VOICE SERVICE FEES AND AIRTIME MINUTES FOR AN IRIDIUM SATELLITE CELLULAR PHONE FOR THE CAMERON COUNTY JUDGE'S DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT. (JC-EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT)

- J. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF HEALTH BENEFITS PLAN TO BE PUBLISHED BY BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD WITH NO CHANGES. (MV-HUMAN RESOURCES)
- K. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF CONTRACT WITH ROCHESTER ARMORED CAR CO., INC. TO PROVIDE DELIVERY AND PICK UP OF COUNTY DEPOSITS. (DJV-LEGAL)
- L. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF COLLATERAL ASSIGNMENT OF CONCESSION AGREEMENTS BY SPI WATERPARK IN FAVOR OF THE FROST NATIONAL BANK AND ESTOPPEL CERTIFICATE. (DJV-LEGAL)
- M. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF ATTORNMENT/NON-DISTURBANCE AGREEMENT REGARDING CONCESSION AGREEMENTS BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND FROST NATIONAL BANK. (DJV-LEGAL)
- N. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN THE FOLLOWING BIDS/RFP'S/RFQ'S FOR: (MF-PURCHASING)
  - a. CONSTRUCTION OF WATERLINE IMPROVEMENTS FOR BEDDOES AVENUE, OLMITO, TEXAS BID #080401
- O. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN THE FOLLOWING: (MF-PURCHASING)
  - a. LETTER OF INTEREST: FAMILY VIOLENCE PREVENTION ORGANIZATIONS (FAMILY PROTECTION ACCOUNT FUNDS)
- P. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ALLOW FOR OPEN MARKET PRICE INCREASES ON ANNUAL BID #2430 MOSQUITO INSECTICIDE ITEMS 9 & 10. (MF-PURCHASING)
- Q. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN THE FOLLOWING BIDS/RFP'S/RFQ'S FOR: (MF-PURCHASING)
  - a. OCCUPANCY INSURANCE FOR COUNTY INTERNATIONAL BRIDGES ANNUAL RFP #1458
- R. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR THE FOLLOWING BIDS/RFP'S/RFQ'S: (MF-PURCHASING)
  - a. PROPERTY AND CASUALTY INSURANCE: PROPERTY, MOBILE EQUIPMENT, ELECTRONIC DATA PROCESSING RFP #1464 AND APPROVAL OF RFP.
- S. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO RENEW THE FOLLOWING BIDS/RFP'S FOR ONE (1) ADDITIONAL YEAR:
  - a. AUDIT OF TELEPHONE & BILLS ANNUAL BID #1221-3A (CACC, INC.)

- T. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD BID'S/RFP'S/RFQ'S FOR THE FOLLOWING: (MF-PURCHASING)
  - a. ROAD MATERIALS: EMULSION OILS ANNUAL BID #2540
- U. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD BID'S/RFP'S/RFQ'S FOR THE FOLLOWING: (MF-PURCHASING)
  - a. ROAD MACHINERY & FARM IMPLEMENT O.E.M. PARTS ANNUAL BID # 2507
- V. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL TO REMOVE ROBERT (ROB) ALMON ON THE GENERAL CLAIMS ACCOUNT #51330490 AND THE PAYROLL FUND #51330504, AND ANY OTHER ACCOUNTS THAT HE SIGNED ON WITH TEXAS STATE BANK. (DAB-TREASURER)

#### **TRAVEL ITEMS:**

- 5. 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. CONSTABLE PRECINCT 4 STAFF (5) TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON 5/23/08, TO ATTEND THE ONE-DAY COURTROOM SECURITY WORKSHOP SEMINAR.
  - B. COUNTY CLERK'S STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO HORSESHOE BAY, TEXAS, ON 5/27 TO 5/29/08, TO ATTEND THE "GCAT 9<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CONFERENCE & WORKSHOP".
  - C. EXTENSION OFFICE STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO LAREDO, TEXAS, ON 5/19/08, TO ATTEND THE FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCE CONFERENCE.
  - D. EXTENSION OFFICE STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA, ON 6/4 TO 6/8/08, TO ATTEND THE HAZARDOUS ALGAL BLOOM MICROSCOPY COURSE.
  - E. HUMAN RESOURCES STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON 5/13 TO 5/16/08, TO ATTEND THE 2008 COUNTY MANAGEMENT INSTITUTE.
  - F. JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PRECINCT 4 STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON 5/22 TO 5/23/08, TO ATTEND COURTROOM SECURITY WORKSHOP.
  - G. TREASURER TO TRAVEL TO DALLAS, TEXAS, ON 6/17 TO 6/20/08, TO ATTEND COUNTY INVESTMENT OFFICER (CIO) TRAINING.

#### **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION:**

- 6. ACTION ITEMS.
  - A. BUDGET AMENDMENTS, LINE ITEM TRANSFERS AND/OR SALARY SCHEDULES.
  - B. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS.
  - C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR:

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- D. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION FOR COMMISSIONERS' COURT TO ADD ANOTHER MEMBER TO THE TOBACCO SETTLEMENT FUND COMMITTEE. (COMM. COURT)
- E. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING A REPORT FROM THE BROWNSVILLE URBAN SYSTEM ON FISCAL YEAR 2007 PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION SERVICES TO CAMERON COUNTY AND APPROVAL OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
- F. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE RFQ'S (RFQ NO. 080402) RECEIVED FOR ENGINEERING/CONSULTING SERVICES FOR LEVEE IMPROVEMENTS. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
- G. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ALLOW THE COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN LETTER ADDRESSED TO DEPARTMENT OF ARMY, CORP OF ENGINEERS DIVISION ALLOWING CONTRACTOR TO PERFORM WORK ON COUNTY LAND IN ACCORDANCE WITH INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT NO. 2006C11079 IN ANDY BOWIE PARK FOR THE SOUTH PADRE ISLAND BIRDING AND NATURE CENTER. (JM-PARKS)
- H. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO GRANT PERMISSION TO THE TOWN OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND TO ENTER AND EXIT E.K. ATWOOD PARK WITHOUT THE CHARGE OF THE DAY USE FEE. (JM-PARKS)
- I. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE COUNTY'S STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE AGENDA. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)

SIGNED THIS  $\underline{q}^{th}$  DAY OF MAY 2008.

CARLOS H. CASCOS