



**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, May 19, 2008 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.

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JOE G. RIVERA
COUNTY CLERK

NOTICE

COMMISSIONERS' COURT SPECIAL MEETING

MONDAY, THE 19TH DAY OF MAY 2008 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.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS:

1. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- A. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY CONCERNING RIGHT OF WAY FOR FLOR DE MAYO BRIDGE, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.
- B. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY CONCERNING ACQUISITION OF PARCEL 1, FOR RIGHT OF WAY FOR THE DIXIELAND ROAD PROJECT, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.
- C. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY CONCERNING ACQUISITION OF PARCEL 22 (E) AND PARCEL 23 (E), FM 511 DRAINAGE OUTFALLS PROJECT, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.
- D. 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.
- E. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING LUIS A. QUEZADA VS. CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS; CAUSE NO. 2007-02-0844-D, FOR MEDIATION AUTHORITY, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (A) & (2).

- F. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING THREATENED LITIGATION BY GLEN OSTERHOUDT III OVER SOUTH PADRE ISLAND SAND REMOVAL PERMIT ISSUED TO TxDOT, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (A).
- G. 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).

2. 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.

PRESENTATION AND/OR RESOLUTION ITEMS:

3. PRESENTATIONS/RESOLUTIONS.

- A. PRESENTATION BY U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION REGARDING OPERATIONS AT THE INTERNATIONAL BRIDGES. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)

PUBLIC COMMENTS

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS.

CONSENT ITEMS:

- 5. 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 APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING BRIAN G. JANIS, JOHN W. HUDSON, P.E., AND OTHERS TO PREPARE AND FILE AN AMENDED BRIDGE PERMIT APPLICATION FOR A U.S. COAST GUARD BRIDGE PERMIT, ON BEHALF OF CAMERON COUNTY TO ENABLE THE CONSTRUCTION OF A SECOND SPAN NEXT TO THE EXISTING SPAN OF THE VETERANS INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE AT LOS TOMATES. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)

- B. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL TO INCREASE THE SALARY FOR THE BAIL BOND BOARD'S ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO \$22,000.00 AS APPROVED BY THE BAIL BOND BOARD. (PA-BAIL BOND)
- C. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF TIME EXTENSION FROM MAY 9, 2008 TO MAY 9, 2009 FOR PROVIDING SEWER FACILITIES (SEPTIC SYSTEMS) AT BASS ACRES SUBDIVISION, PCT. 4. (EH-CCDoT)
- D. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF TIME EXTENSION FROM MAY 10, 2008 TO MAY 10, 2009 FOR PROVIDING SEWER FACILITIES (SEPTIC SYSTEMS) AT LAS YESCAS SUBDIVISION II, PCT. 4. (EH-CCDoT)
- E. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF TIME EXTENSION FROM MAY 26, 2008 TO MAY 26, 2009 FOR PROVIDING SEWER FACILITIES (SEPTIC SYSTEMS) AT SUGARLAND ACRES SUBDIVISION, PCT. 3. (EH-CCDoT)
- F. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF TIME EXTENSION FROM JUNE 14, 2008 TO JUNE 14, 2009 FOR PROVIDING SEWER FACILITIES (SEPTIC SYSTEMS) AT VISTA DEL MONTE SUBDIVISION, PCT. 4. (EH-CCDoT)
- G. CONSIDERATION AND APPOINTMENT OF YOLANDA VILLALOBOS TO THE CAMERON COUNTY REGIONAL MOBILITY AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE ON FEBRUARY 1, 2010. (CHC-COUNTY JUDGE)
- H. CONSIDERATION AND REAPPOINTMENT OF DR. TOMAS GONZALEZ TO THE TROPICAL TEXAS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARD OF TRUSTEES. (CHC-JUDGE)
- I. CONSIDERATION AND APPOINTMENT OF MR. STEVE HATHCOCK TO THE CAMERON COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION BOARD OF DIRECTORS. (CHC-COUNTY JUDGE)
- J. CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION HONORING MR. BRICE DAMIEN DUNKUM FOR HIS NOMINATION TO ATTEND THE 2008 NATIONAL YOUNG LEADERS CONFERENCE IN WASHINGTON, D.C. (CHC-COUNTY JUDGE)
- K. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF CLEMENTE CANTU CONSTABLE FOR PRECINCT #3 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)
- L. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO THE OWNER/ENGINEERING AGREEMENT FOR PRE-POSITIONED CONTRACT FOR POST-HURRICANE/DISASTER RECOVERY OPERATIONS FOR CY 2008 WITH HDR/SHINER MOSELEY AND ASSOCIATES, INC. (DJV-LEGAL)

- M. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY (PARKS AND RECREATION) AND CAREER CENTERS OF TEXAS FOR SUMMER PROGRAM AT THE CAMERON COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICE CENTER AT BROWNE ROAD. (JM-PARKS)
- N. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE LANDSCAPING OF THE COMMUNITY PARKS, LA PALOMA, RIO HONDO, AND LA ESPERANZA. (JM-PARKS)
- O. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD BID #080403 FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) SUV – SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT (TIPTON FORD). (OL-SHERIFF)
- P. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL TO OPEN AN ACCOUNT AT TEXAS STATE BANK FOR THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY’S OFFICE FORFEITURE ACCOUNT #51367483. (DAB-TREASURER)

TRAVEL ITEMS:

- 6. 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. 103TH DISTRICT COURT STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, ON 6/19 TO 6/22/08, TO ATTEND THE TEXAS COURT REPORTERS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONVENTION.
 - B. 107TH DISTRICT COURT STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, ON 6/19 TO 6/22/08, TO ATTEND THE TEXAS COURT REPORTERS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONVENTION.
 - C. 138TH DISTRICT COURT STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, ON 6/19 TO 6/22/08, TO ATTEND THE TEXAS COURT REPORTERS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONVENTION.
 - D. 197TH DISTRICT COURT STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, ON 6/19 TO 6/22/08, TO ATTEND THE TEXAS COURT REPORTERS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONVENTION.
 - E. 357TH DISTRICT COURT STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, ON 6/19 TO 6/22/08, TO ATTEND THE TEXAS COURT REPORTERS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONVENTION.
 - F. 404TH DISTRICT COURT STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, ON 6/19 TO 6/22/08, TO ATTEND THE TEXAS COURT REPORTERS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONVENTION.
 - G. COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 3 TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON 5/19 TO 5/20/08, TO ATTEND THE CORRIDOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING AND THE I-69 COMMITTEE MEETING.
 - H. COMPUTER CENTER STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, ON 6/29 TO 7/3/08, TO ATTEND THE EXCHANGE 2007 TRAINING.

- I. COMPUTER CENTER STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, ON 6/10 TO 6/13/08, TO ATTEND THE TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTAL IT MANAGERS CONFERENCE.
- J. CONSTRUCTION MANAGER TO TRAVEL TO DALLAS, TEXAS, ON 5/20/08, TO MEET WITH BRAD OLDHAM FROM STUDIO 3-0 FOR THE RESTORATION OF THE DANCY BUILDING HISTORICAL LAMPS.
- K. COUNTY COURT AT LAW NO. 1 STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, ON 6/19 TO 6/22/08, TO ATTEND THE TEXAS COURT REPORTERS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONVENTION.
- L. COUNTY COURT AT LAW NO. 2 STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON 6/16 TO 6/20/08, TO ATTEND THE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM.
- M. COUNTY COURT AT LAW NO. 2 STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, ON 6/19 TO 6/22/08, TO ATTEND THE TEXAS COURT REPORTERS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONVENTION
- N. COUNTY COURT AT LAW NO. 3 STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, ON 6/19 TO 6/22/08, TO ATTEND THE TEXAS COURT REPORTERS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONVENTION.
- O. DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO LAREDO, TEXAS, ON 5/18 TO 5/19/08, TO ATTEND THE SOUTH TEXAS HIDTA HIRING COMMITTEE MEETING.
- P. DISTRICT CLERK'S OFFICE STAFF (3) TO TRAVEL TO HORSESHOE BAY, TEXAS, ON 5/26 TO 5/29/08, TO ATTEND THE GOVERNMENTAL COLLECTORS ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS.
- Q. EXTENSION OFFICE STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS, ON 6/10 TO 6/13/08, TO ATTEND AND ASSIST THE 2008 4-H ROUNDUP.
- R. EXTENSION OFFICE STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO LAREDO, TEXAS, ON 6/17 TO 6/19/08, TO ATTEND THE DISTRICT 12 4-H LEADERSHIP LAB.
- S. EXTENSION OFFICE STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO NAVASOTA, TEXAS, ON 7/25 TO 7/27/08, TO ATTEND AND ASSIST WITH THE TEXAS 4-H LIVESTOCK MENTOR TRAINING.
- T. LEGAL DIVISION STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, ON 7/24 TO 7/25/08, TO ATTEND THE 20TH ANNUAL SUING AND DEFENDING GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES.
- U. JUVENILE PROBATION OFFICE STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS, ON 5/20 TO 5/23/08, TO ATTEND THE 15TH ANNUAL JUVENILE JUSTICE TITLE IV-E CONFERENCE.
- V. PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT & MANAGEMENT STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO WESLACO, TEXAS, ON 5/14/08, TO ATTEND THE LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL PROFESSIONAL ADVISORY REVIEW PANEL.

- W. TAX OFFICE STAFF (4) TO TRAVEL TO ADDISON, TEXAS ON 6/7 TO 6/12/08, TO ATTEND THE 54TH ANNUAL TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTORS ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS CONFERENCE.
- X. CONSTABLE PRECINCT 4 STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, ON 5/29 TO 5/30/08, TO ATTEND THE RETRIEVING EVIDENCE FROM ELECTRONIC STORAGE DEVICES IN CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS SEMINAR.

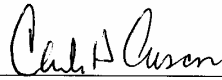
ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION:

7. ACTION ITEMS.

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

APRIL 29, 2008 – REGULAR MEETING
- D. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO DISCONTINUE CAMERON COUNTIES PARTICIPATION IN THE TEXAS C.U.C. PUBLIC POWER POOL (P3) AGGREGATION PROJECT INC., COOPERATIVE AGGREGATION FOR COUNTIES AND POLITICAL SUBDIVISION ELECTRICITY PURCHASING AGREEMENT. (RL-ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES)
- E. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO CONTRACT FOR ENERGY CONSULTANT SERVICES WITH MARCO ARREDONDO. (RL-ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES)
- F. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE COUNTY'S STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE AGENDA. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)

SIGNED THIS 15 DAY OF MAY 2008.



CARLOS H. CASCOS, CPA
COUNTY JUDGE