

THE STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF CAMERON §

BE IT REMEMBERED on the 19th day of May 2008, there was conducted a SPECIAL Meeting of the Honorable Commissioners' Court of Cameron County, Texas, at the Courthouse thereof, in the City of Brownsville, Texas, for the purpose of transacting any and all business that may lawfully be brought before the same.

THE COURT MET AT:

PRESENT:

8:00 A.M.

CARLOS H. CASCOS, CPA
COUNTY JUDGE

SOFIA C. BENAVIDES
COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO. 1

JOHN WOOD
COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO. 2

DAVID A. GARZA
COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO. 3

EDNA TAMAYO
COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO. 4

JOE G. RIVERA
COUNTY CLERK

Aide A. Trejo Deputy Clerk

ABSENT:

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The meeting was called to order by Judge Cascos at 8:00 A.M. He asked Commissioner Tamayo for the invocation. Constable Frank Robles then led the Court and audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge of Allegiance to the State Flag.

The Court considered the following matters as posted and filed for Record in the Office of the County Clerk on May 15, 2008 at 3:34 P.M.:

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion by Commissioner Tamayo, seconded by Commissioner Garza and carried unanimously, the Court met in Executive Session at 8:03 A.M. to discuss the following matters:

(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).**

Upon motion by Commissioner Tamayo, seconded by Commissioner Garza and carried unanimously, the Court reconvened into Regular Session at 8:53 A.M. to discuss the following matters:

(2) ACTION RELATIVE TO 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.**

Upon motion by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Tamayo and carried unanimously, the Report by Legal Counsel was acknowledged.

(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.

Commissioner Wood motioned to acknowledge the payment of \$13,010, the appraised value.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garza and carried unanimously.

(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.

Commissioner Tamayo motioned to make an offer of \$29,969.28 for Parcel 22 (E).

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garza and carried unanimously.

Commissioner Tamayo motioned to authorize the payment of \$8,189.28 for Parcel 23 (E).

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garza and carried unanimously.

(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.

Commissioner Wood motioned to authorize the payment of \$41,049.50.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garza and carried unanimously.

(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).

Upon motion by Commissioner Benavides, seconded by Commissioner Tamayo and carried unanimously, authorization to proceed along the terms and conditions as discussed in Executive Session was approved.

(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).

Upon motion by Commissioner Wood, seconded by Commissioner Garza and carried unanimously, the Report by Legal Counsel was acknowledged.

(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).

Upon motion by Commissioner Wood, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the Report by Legal Counsel was acknowledged.

PRESENTATIONS

(3) PRESENTATIONS.

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

Mr. Michael Freeman, Port Director, gave a brief presentation as to the wait times at the (4) international bridges and how he plans to increase resources at each bridge to lower wait times from Memorial Day thru Labor Day.

Upon motion by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Wood and carried unanimously, the Presentation by U.S. Customs and Border Protection Regarding Operations at the International Bridges was acknowledged.

(4) PUBLIC COMMENTS.

None were presented.

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.

DISCUSSION CONCERNING CONSENT AND TRAVEL ITEMS:

Travel Item No. 6 (X):

Commissioner Garza asked to discuss this item separately.

Consent Items No. 5 (B), (K), (O) and (P):

Judge Cascos asked to discuss these items separately.

Commissioner Tamayo moved to approve the "Consent and Travel Items", excluding Consent Items No. 5 (B), (K), (O), and (P) and Travel Item No. 6 (X).

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

(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) (Resolution No. 2008R05053)

The Resolution is as follows:

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The Documentation is as follows:
- (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)**
The Documentation is as follows:
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The Resolution is as follows:
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- (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) (Contract No. 2008C05152)**
The Contract is as follows:
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- (P) CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL TO OPEN AN ACCOUNT AT TEXAS STATE BANK FOR THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE FORFEITURE ACCOUNT #51367483. (DAB-TREASURER) (ACTION TAKEN SEPARATELY)

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.**
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Commissioner Wood motioned to Increase the Salary for the Bail Bond Board's Administrative Assistant to \$22,000.00 as approved by the Bail Bond Board.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

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Upon motion by Commissioner Tamayo, seconded by Commissioner Wood and carried unanimously, 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 was approved.

The Documentation is as follows:

(O) CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD BID #080403 FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) SUV – SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT (TIPTON FORD). (OL-SHERIFF)

Upon motion by Commissioner Wood, seconded by Commissioner Tamayo and carried unanimously, Authorization to Award Bid #080403 for the Purchase of One (1) SUV – Sheriff’s Department (Tipton Ford) was approved.

The Tabulation is as follows:

(P) CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL TO OPEN AN ACCOUNT AT TEXAS STATE BANK FOR THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE FORFEITURE ACCOUNT #51367483. (DAB-TREASURER) (Resolution No. 2008R04047)

Commissioner Garza motioned to open an account at Texas State Bank for the District Attorney's Office Forfeiture Account #51367483.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Tamayo and carried unanimously.

The Documentation is as follows:

(6) TRAVEL ITEMS.

- (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.**

Commissioner Garza motioned to approve the travel for Constable Precinct 4 Staff (1) to San Antonio, Texas, on 5/29 to 5/30/08, to attend the Retrieving Evidence from Electronic Storage Devices in Criminal Investigations Seminar.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Tamayo and carried unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

(7) ACTION ITEMS.

- (A) BUDGET AMENDMENTS, LINE ITEM TRANSFERS AND/OR SALARY SCHEDULES.**

Upon motion by Commissioner Tamayo, seconded by Commissioner Garza and carried unanimously, the Budget Amendments, Line Item Transfers and/or Salary Schedules were approved.

The Budget Amendments, Line Item Transfers and/or Salary Schedules are as follows:

(B) APPROVAL OF CLAIMS.

Commissioner Garza moved to approve the Claims.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Tamayo and carried as follows:

AYE: Commissioner Garza, Commissioner Tamayo, Commissioner Benavides and Commissioner Wood

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Judge Cascos as to Warrant No. 00200923, made payable to Harlingen Waterworks System, in the amount of \$238.95 and Warrant No. 00201043, made payable to Public Utilities Board, in the amount of \$4,014.28.

The Claims and Affidavits are as follows:

(C) APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR:

APRIL 29, 2008 – REGULAR MEETING

Upon motion by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Tamayo and carried unanimously, the Minutes for the April 29, 2008- Regular Meeting was approved.

(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)

Commissioner Tamayo motioned to authorize to discontinue Cameron County's participation in the Texas C.U.C. Public Power Pool (P3) Aggregation Project Inc., Cooperative Aggregation for Counties and Political Subdivision Electricity Purchasing Agreement.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garza and carried unanimously.

The Documentation is as follows:

(E) CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO CONTRACT FOR ENERGY CONSULTANT SERVICES WITH MARCO ARREDONDO. (RL-ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES)

Commissioner Tamayo motioned to authorize to contract for Energy Consultant Services with Marco Arredondo, subject to review by Legal Counsel.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garza and carried unanimously.

(F) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE COUNTY'S STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE AGENDA. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR) (NO ACTION TAKEN)

There being no further business to come before the Court, upon motion by Commissioner Tamayo, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the meeting was **ADJOURNED** at 10:15 A.M.

APPROVED this 10th day of **June 2008**

CARLOS H. CASCOS, CPA
COUNTY JUDGE

ATTEST:

JOE G. RIVERA,
COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO CLERK
OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF
CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS