



**Cameron County, Texas  
Commissioners' Court  
Cameron County Courthouse, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
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## **REGULAR MEETING**

The Cameron County Commissioners' Court will meet for a Regular Public Meeting on  
Tuesday, August 12, 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.

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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 B. RIVERA  
COUNTY CLERK

## NOTICE

### COMMISSIONERS' COURT REGULAR MEETING

TUESDAY, THE 12<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF AUGUST 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 OUTSTANDING 2006-2007 INVOICES FROM INDIGENT CARE PROVIDERS AND IMPACT OF ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OPINION NO. GA-0652, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (2).
- B. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING CAMERON COUNTY V. SECRETARY OF STATE, ET. AL., CAUSE NO. D-1-GV-07-002464, TO DISCUSS STATUS OF CASE AND AUTHORITY TO NAME ADDITIONAL PARTIES, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (1)(A).
- C. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING ABSTRACT NO. 2-BARRIOS LOT NO. 2, BROWNSVILLE, TEXAS, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.

2. ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:

- A. POSSIBLE ACTION.
- B. POSSIBLE ACTION.
- C. 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. AUTHORIZATION AND APPROVAL TO PAY \$5,100 TO COVER 941 CAMERON COUNTY EMPLOYER PAYROLL TAX LIABILITY FOR QUARTER ENDED 3/07 AND 6/07. (MG-AUDITOR)
  - B. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE THE ARGUS FIRE SYSTEM INSPECTION AGREEMENT. (RL-BUILDING MAINTENANCE)
  - C. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR PRELIMINARY PLAT APPROVAL FOR CITRUS ESTATES NO. 2 SUBDIVISION, PCT. 4, BEING A 5.786 ACRE TRACT OF LAND, MORE OR LESS, OUT OF BLOCK FIVE (5), STUART PLACE SUBDIVISION OF SURVEY 294, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS. (EH-CCDoT)
  - D. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF TIME EXTENSION FROM SEPTEMBER 1, 2008 TO JULY 30, 2009 FOR PROVIDING SEWER FACILITIES (SEPTIC SYSTEMS) AT PUERTO DEL CIELO SUBDIVISION SECTION I AND PUERTO DEL CIELO SUBDIVISION SECTION II, PCT. 2. (EH-CCDoT)
  - E. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF TIME EXTENSION FROM SEPTEMBER 14, 2008 TO SEPTEMBER 14, 2009 FOR PROVIDING SEWER FACILITIES (SEPTIC SYSTEMS) AT HIGGINBOTHAM ACRES, PCT. 1. (EH-CCDoT)
  - F. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF CONTRACT RENEWAL BETWEEN THE CAMERON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AND THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE FY2009 PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS WORKPLANS FOR LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENTS. (YS-HEALTH)
  - G. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CAMERON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AND THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE FY2009 PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS EARLY WARNING INFECTIOUS DISEASE SURVEILLANCE WORKPLAN FOR LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENTS. (YS-HEALTH)
  - H. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL TO GIVE NOTICE OF TERMINATION TO CEBALLOS FUNERAL HOME. (DJV-LEGAL)
  - I. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF MERGER BETWEEN TEXAS STATE BANK AND BBVA, A GLOBAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTION. (DJV-LEGAL)

- J. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF THE COMPASS E-ACCESS AUTOMATED FUNDS TRANSFER AGREEMENT AND RELATED FORMS TO THE AGREEMENT. (DJV-LEGAL)
- K. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF ADDENDUM TO CONTRACT NO. 2006-C-11085 WITH CERES ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, INC. TO INCLUDE OPEN BURNING OF DEBRIS. (DJV-LEGAL)
- L. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORITY FOR COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN WAIVERS OR DISCLAIMERS IN FEDERAL CONDEMNATION ACTIONS WHERE CAMERON COUNTY IS NAMED AS A TAXING ENTITY FOR TAXES ONLY. (DJV-LEGAL)
- M. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION DEDICATING 2 ACRES OF OPEN SPACE FOR THE LAURELES OUTDOOR RECREATIONAL COMMUNITY PARK. (JM-PARKS)
- N. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE LICENSE AGREEMENT 2008C08241 BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY (PARKS AND RECREATION) AND BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA FOR INTERNATIONAL CAMPOREE AT FORMER JEREMIAHS PROPERTY AND NORTH SANDS FLATS. (JM-PARKS)
- O. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO CONTINUE SPONSORSHIP TO VALLEY PROUD ENVIRONMENTAL COUNCIL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,500.00 FOR JULY 1, 2008 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2009. (JM-PARKS)
- P. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF PERFORMANCE STATEMENT AND BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. 3 FOR CAMERON AND WILLACY COUNTIES COLONIA SELF-HELP CENTER CONTRACT NO. 722023. (FB-PD&M)
- Q. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN THE FOLLOWING BIDS/RFP'S/RFQ'S FOR: (MF-PURCHASING)
  - a. TREATMENT ALTERNATIVE TO INCARCERATION PROGRAM SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT SERVICES (TAIP) FOR CAMERON – WILLACY COUNTY COMMUNITY SUPERVISION & CORRECTIONS DEPT. (CSCD) – ANNUAL RFP #1727.

**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. CONSTRUCTION MANAGER TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON 7/28/08, TO ATTEND MEETING ON THE CARRIZALEZ RUCKER DETENTION CENTER JAIL EXPANSION PROJECT WITH YATES CONSTRUCTION.
  - B. EXTENSION OFFICE STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO WESLACO, TEXAS, ON 8/20/08, TO ATTEND 4-H CONNECT/ONLINE 4-H ENROLLMENT TRAINING.
  - C. LEGAL DIVISION STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON 9/4 TO 9/5/08, TO ATTEND THE 22<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL ADVANCED CIVIL APPELLATE PRACTICE.

- D. PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO WESLACO, TEXAS, ON 8/13/08, TO ATTEND THE LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL PROFESSIONAL ADVISORY REVIEW.
- E. TAX OFFICE STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON 8/19 TO 8/20/08, TO ATTEND THE SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL CHAPTER/TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF VEHICLE THEFT INVESTIGATORS BOARD MEETING (TAVTI).

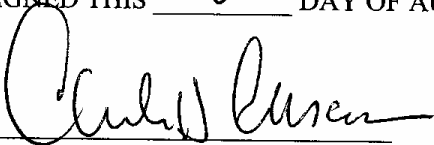
**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION:**

6. ACTION ITEMS.

- A. BUDGET AMENDMENTS, LINE ITEM TRANSFERS AND/OR SALARY SCHEDULES.
- B. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS.
- C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR:
  - JULY 22, 2008 - REGULAR MEETING
  - JULY 22, 2008 - EMERGENCY MEETING (11:30 AM)
  - JULY 22, 2008 - EMERGENCY MEETING (5:00 PM)
  - JULY 24, 2008 - EMERGENCY MEETING
  - JULY 29, 2008 - REGULAR MEETING
- D. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE REQUEST FROM THE CITY OF LA FERIA FOR THE INDOOR RECREATION CENTER. (COMM. COURT)
- E. DISCUSSION REGARDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2008-2009 BUDGET AND TAX RATE. (XV-BUDGET)
- F. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE SCHEDULING OF PUBLIC HEARING DATES TO SET COUNTY TAX RATES FOR THE 2008-2009 FISCAL YEAR. (XV-BUDGET)
- G. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO PAY ALICE SOUTHERN EQUIPMENT FOR THE RENTAL OF A BACK-UP GENERATOR FOR THE JUDICIAL COMPLEX/OLD COUNTY JAIL WITHOUT A PURCHASE ORDER AND DESIGNATION OF FUNDING SOURCE. (RL-BUILDING MAINTENANCE)
- H. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE & INSTALLATION OF A CAT C27-750KW GENERATOR PACKAGE THROUGH HOLT-CAT, VIA BUYBOARD & TO ALLOCATE A FUNDING SOURCE. (RL-BUILDING MAINTENANCE)
- I. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION REQUESTING APPROVAL OF THE EARLY VOTING POLLING LOCATIONS, AND ELECTION DAY POLLING LOCATIONS FOR THE NOVEMBER 4, 2008 GENERAL ELECTION. (RO-ELECTIONS) tabled on 8/5/08

- J. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE DEMOCRATIC AND REPUBLICAN PARTIES' RECOMMENDATIONS FOR APPOINTMENT OF THE PRESIDING JUDGE AND THE ALTERNATE JUDGE FOR EACH COUNTY ELECTION PRECINCT AND CENTRAL COUNTING STATION AS REQUIRED BY THE TEXAS ELECTION CODE FOR A TWO YEAR PERIOD BEGINNING AUGUST 1, 2008 AND ENDING JULY 31, 2010. (RO-ELECTIONS)
- K. CONSIDERATION AND SELECTION OF ONE OR MORE PROJECTS FOR APPLICATION TO THE 2009-2010 TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND. (FB-PD&M)
- L. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION TO DESIGNATE ONE (1) COLONIA IN CAMERON COUNTY PRECINCT 1 FOR THE 2008-2012 CAMERON AND WILLACY COUNTIES COLONIA SELF-HELP CENTER. (PD&M)
- M. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING ENGAGEMENT OF A FIRST PARTY PROPERTY CLAIM PROFESSIONAL LOSS CONSULTANT UTILIZING JANSEN INTERNATIONAL SUBJECT TO APPROVAL AS PROFESSIONAL SERVICES UNDER ORDER #2006O08001. (MF-PURCHASING)
- N. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE COUNTY'S STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE AGENDA. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
- O. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND THE INTERNATIONAL BOUNDARY AND WATER COMMISSION. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
- P. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST ASSISTANCE FROM KEN WETHE INSURANCE CONSULTANT FOR EVALUATION OF PROPOSALS FOR CAFETERIA PLAN AND EMPLOYEE PURCHASED DENTAL AND VISION PLAN. (MV-HUMAN RESOURCES)

SIGNED THIS 8 DAY OF AUGUST 2008.

  
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CARLOS H. CASCOS, CPA  
COUNTY JUDGE