



**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, August 25, 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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NOTICE

COMMISSIONERS' COURT SPECIAL MEETING

MONDAY, THE 25TH DAY OF AUGUST 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. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING CAMERON COUNTY VS. SECRETARY OF STATE, ET. AL., CAUSE NO. D-1-GV-07-002464, TO DISCUSS STATUS OF CASE, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (1)(A).
 - B. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING VICTOR TAMAYO VS. CAMERON COUNTY CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION, FOR DISCUSSION, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071(2)
2. ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:
 - A. POSSIBLE ACTION.
 - B. POSSIBLE ACTION.

PRESENTATION AND/OR RESOLUTION ITEMS:

3. PRESENTATIONS/RESOLUTIONS.
 - A. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION REGARDING THE 2008-2012 CAMERON AND WILLACY COUNTIES COLONIA SELF-HELP CENTER INCLUDING POSSIBLE FUNDING, PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS, AND THE SERVICE PROVIDER SELECTION PROCESS. (PD&M)

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 AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE AIRPORT PROJECT PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
 - B. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL TO PAY GONZALEZ ENGINEERING & SURVEYING, INC. INVOICE NO. 202881, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$706.00, WITHOUT A PURCHASE ORDER NUMBER (FOR ENGINEERING, DRAFTING AND OFFICE SERVICES) FOR THE FM 106 PROJECT. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
 - C. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL TO EXTEND DEADLINE FOR SETTING THE COURT REPORTERS SALARIES FROM AUGUST 31, 2008 TO SEPTEMBER 11, 2008. (IN ACCORDANCE WITH SEC. 152.905, LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE, VTCA). (MG-AUDITOR)
 - D. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF PROPOSAL FROM P.S.I., INC. FOR PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERING MATERIAL TESTING SERVICES FOR THE LOS INDIOS BRIDGE PARKING LOT. (EH-CCD_oT)
 - E. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE THE PERFORMANCE BOND AND TO COMMENCE THE 1-YEAR MAINTENANCE PERIOD FOR BENT TREE SUBDIVISION, SECTION II IN PCT. 2, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS. (EH-CCD_oT)
 - F. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR PRELIMINARY PLAT APPROVAL FOR PONDEROSA RANCHES SUBDIVISION REPLAT, PCT. 2, BEING 2.005 ACRES, COMPRISED OF ALL OF LOT 4, BLOCK 1, OF PONDEROSA RANCHES SUBDIVISION, SECTION II (CAMERON COUNTY MAP RECORDS, CABINET 1, SLOT 1189-B) AND 0.170 ACRE OUT OF A CERTAIN 2.623 ACRE TRACT (CAMERON COUNTY OFFICIAL RECORDS, VOLUME 3275, PAGE 36) OUT OF BLOCK 21, EL JARDIN HEIGHTS SUBDIVISION (CAMERON COUNTY MAP RECORDS, VOLUME 5, PAGE 48), IN CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS. (EH-CCD_oT)
 - G. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO PAY FOR INVOICE(S) FROM VENDOR "SIG SAUER" IN THE FOLLOWING AMOUNT(S) WITHOUT A PURCHASE ORDER: (AV-DISTRICT ATTORNEY)
 - a. #25473 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,370.00

- H. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO PAY FOR INVOICE(S) FROM VENDOR "ALL VALLEY WIDE TOWING" IN THE FOLLOWING AMOUNT(S) WITHOUT A PURCHASE ORDER: (AV-DISTRICT ATTORNEY)
 - a. #4416 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$750.00
- I. CONSIDERATION AND RATIFICATION FOR PURCHASE OF SERVICES FROM SOUTH TEXAS COMMUNICATIONS FOR EMERGENCY REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY RADIO ANTENNA SYSTEM AT THE CAMERON COUNTY EAST RADIO TOWER LOCATED IN PORT ISABEL, TEXAS. (JC-EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT)
- J. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE RFP #080602 FOR LOCATION #11 IN ISLA BLANCA PARK. (JM-PARKS)
- K. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO EXEMPT FROM THE COUNTY PURCHASING ACT FLOOD INSURANCE AS AN ITEM NECESSARY TO MAKE THE PURCHASE PROMPTLY TO PRESERVE THE PROPERTY OF THE COUNTY SPECIFICALLY THE REQUIREMENTS OF V.T.C.A., LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 262.023 PURSUANT TO AUTHORITY GRANTED IN SECTION 262.024 (A)(1). (NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE - DELTA LLOYDS). (MF-PURCHASING)
- L. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN THE FOLLOWING BIDS/RFP'S/RFQ'S FOR: (MF-PURCHASING)
 - a. WATERLINE MATERIALS (EL JARDIN WATER SUPPLY CORP. WATER DISTRIBUTION PROJECT) ON SOUTHMOST & OKLAHOMA ROADS - BID #080802 (TCDP CONTRACT #727051)
- M. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO RENEW THE FOLLOWING BIDS/RFP'S FOR ONE (1) ADDITIONAL YEAR: (MF-PURCHASING)
 - a. FUEL - ANNUAL BID #2280-1 (S.S. PARTNERS & OIL PATCH)
- N. CONSIDERATION AND ISSUANCE OF ORDER APPROVING THE TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE JULY 2008 TERM. (DAB-TREASURER)
- O. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE LEASE AGREEMENTS WITH UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT, FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) TO OPERATE A DISASTER RECOVERY CENTER AT EL CENTRO CULTURAL AT LAS ESPERANZA PARK, 2100 GREGORY AVENUE AND BROWNE ROAD SOCIAL SERVICE CENTER, 9901 CALIFORNIA ROAD FOR AUGUST 25-28, 2008 AND SEPTEMBER 3-6, 2008. (JM-PARKS)

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. BUILDING MAINTENANCE STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO McALLEN, TEXAS, ON 9/22/08 TO ATTEND THE HOW TO SUPERVISE PEOPLE SEMINAR.
- B. COUNTY COURT AT LAW NO. 3 STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, ON 9/11 TO 9/13/08, TO ATTEND THE TEXAS COLLEGE OF PROBATE JUDGES 3-DAY ANNUAL MEETING.
- C. DISTRICT ATTORNEY STAFF (5) TO TRAVEL TO McALLEN, TEXAS, ON 9/9 TO 9/10/08, TO ATTEND MICROSOFT EXCEL 2 ONE-DAY FRED PRYOR SEMINARS.
- D. DISTRICT ATTORNEY STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO LAREDO, TEXAS, ON 9/10 TO 9/11/08, TO ATTEND THE SOUTH TEXAS HIDTA EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING.
- E. DISTRICT ATTORNEY STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS, ON 9/16 TO 9/18/08, TO ATTEND THE SOUTH TEXAS HIDTA JOINT INTEL SUPERVISORS AND INTELLIGENCE SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING.
- F. HEALTH DEPARTMENT STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON 8/28 TO 8/30/08, TO ATTEND THE TEXAS PUBLIC HEALTH PREPAREDNESS QUARTERLY MEETING.
- G. HEALTH DEPARTMENT STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON 8/27 TO 8/28/08, TO ATTEND AS A GUEST SPEAKER FOR THE TEXAS WIC PROGRAM DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES WIC DIETETIC INTERNSHIP PRESENTATION AND GRADUATION SEMINAR WEEK 2008.
- H. LEGAL DEPARTMENT STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, ON 9/17 TO 9/19/08, TO ATTEND THE 31ST ANNUAL ADVANCED CIVIL TRIAL COURSE.
- I. PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON 8/27 TO 8/28/08, TO MEET WITH OFFICE OF RURAL COMMUNITY AFFAIRS.
- J. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO TEXAS CITY, TEXAS, ON 9/7 TO 9/12/08, TO ATTEND THE BASIC CRISIS HOSTAGE NEGOTIATIONS.
- K. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT STAFF (3) TO TRAVEL TO TUCSON, ARIZONA, ON 9/27 TO 10/2/08, TO ATTEND THE SOUTHWESTERN BORDER SHERIFF'S COALITION MEETING.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION:

7. ACTION ITEMS.

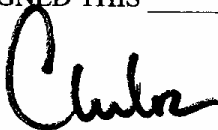
- A. BUDGET AMENDMENTS, LINE ITEM TRANSFERS AND/OR SALARY SCHEDULES.
- B. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS.

C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR:

AUGUST 5, 2008 - REGULAR MEETING

- D. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION TO SELECT A SERVICE PROVIDER FOR THE 2008-2012 CAMERON AND WILLACY COUNTIES COLONIA SELF-HELP CENTER, SUBJECT TO CONTRACT NEGOTIATION AND PROJECT FUNDING FROM THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT. (FB-PD&M)
- E. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION REQUESTING APPROVAL OF THE ELECTION DAY POLLING LOCATIONS FOR THE NOVEMBER 4, 2008 GENERAL ELECTION. (RO-ELECTIONS)
- F. 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)
- G. DISCUSSION REGARDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2008-2009 BUDGET AND TAX RATE. (XV-BUDGET)
- H. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE PROPOSED TAX RATE FOR FY 2008-2009 AT OR BELOW \$0.367296 PER EVERY \$100 VALUATION. (XV-BUDGET)
- I. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION REGARDING THE COMPOSITION OF THE SALARY GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 152.014. (CHC-JUDGE)
- J. CONSIDERATION AND SELECTION OF PUBLIC MEMBERS FOR THE CAMERON COUNTY GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE, IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 152.014 (A) AND SECTION 152.015. (CHC-JUDGE)
- K. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE DUNE PROTECTION PERMIT AND BEACH FRONT CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATE FOR LAS OLAS SUBDIVISION ON SOUTH PADRE ISLAND. (JM-PARKS)
- L. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE COUNTY'S STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE AGENDA. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)

SIGNED THIS 21 DAY OF AUGUST 2008.



CARLOS H. CASCOS, CPA
COUNTY JUDGE



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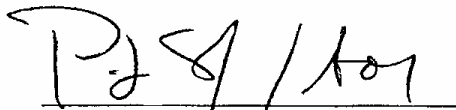
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1. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL ORDERING THE NOVEMBER 4, 2008 GENERAL ELECTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING COUNTY AND PRECINCT OFFICERS AS REQUIRED BY ARTICLE XVI SECTION 65 OF THE TEXAS CONSTITUTION AND SEC. 3.004(1) OF THE TEXAS ELECTION CODE. (RO-ELECTIONS)

SIGNED THIS 22nd DAY OF AUGUST 2008.


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COUNTY JUDGE