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Commissioners' Court
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REGULAR MEETING

The Cameron County Commissioners' Court will meet for a Regular *Public Meeting* on
Tuesday, September 23, 2008 at 5:00 p.m. in the *Courtroom on the 2nd Floor*
at the *Courthouse, 1100 E. Monroe Street, Brownsville, Texas.*

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COUNTY CLERK

NOTICE

COMMISSIONERS' COURT REGULAR MEETING

TUESDAY, THE 23RD DAY OF SEPTEMBER 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 RAUL VIDAL VS. K. SHUNT, M. WYATT, AND H. TREVINO; CIVIL ACTION NO. B-08-CV-395, AUTHORITY TO REPRESENT INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANTS, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (1) (A).
2. ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:
 - A. POSSIBLE ACTION.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS.

PRESENTATION AND/OR RESOLUTION ITEMS:

4. PRESENTATIONS/RESOLUTIONS.
 - A. PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION HONORING THE LOCAL UNITED STATES TENNIS ASSOCIATION (USTA) FOR PLACING FIRST PLACE IN THE 2008 USTA JR. TEAM TENNIS TEXAS SECTION SPRING CHAMPIONSHIPS. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)

- B. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF PRELIMINARY CONCEPT FOR DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE CEMETERY MEMORIAL PARK ACROSS FROM THE DANCY BUILDING. (FB-PD&M)
- C. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION HONORING MARCO PONCE FOR HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO CAMERON COUNTY 4-H COUNCIL. (COMM. COURT)

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 CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH ALEJANDRO SOLIS TO SERVE AS AN INTERPRETER FOR THE SIX DISTRICT COURTS. (BE-107TH DISTRICT COURT)
 - B. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF CONTRACT FOR LEGAL SERVICES WITH NATHANIEL C. PEREZ, JR. TO PROVIDE LEGAL REPRESENTATION TO THE INDIGENT DEFENDANTS OF THE 107TH DISTRICT COURT. (BE-107TH DISTRICT COURT)
 - C. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND THE CAMERON COUNTY REGIONAL MOBILITY AUTHORITY. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
 - D. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF TIME EXTENSION FROM AUGUST 9, 2008 TO AUGUST 9, 2009 FOR PROVIDING SEWER FACILITIES (SEPTIC SYSTEMS) AT TIO PANCHO GARZA SUBDIVISION, PCT. 4. (EH-CCD&T)
 - E. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BROWNSVILLE, TEXAS AND THE CAMERON COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, REGARDING A MUTUAL AID (BURGLARY AND THEFT OF MOTOR VEHICLE) LAW ENFORCEMENT TASK FORCE TO COOPERATE IN CERTAIN CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS. (AV-DISTRICT ATTORNEY)
 - F. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO DISPLAY FOUR SILENT WITNESSES (WOODEN SILHOUETTES) ON THE FIRST FLOOR OF THE COURTHOUSE FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER TO BRING AWARENESS ON FAMILY VIOLENCE. (AV-DISTRICT ATTORNEY)
 - G. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO DISPLAY ARTWORK AND POEMS SUBMITTED BY CAMERON COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS IN THE COURTHOUSE THROUGHOUT THE MONTH OF OCTOBER FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH. (AV-DISTRICT ATTORNEY)
 - H. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO PLACE AND DISPLAY PURPLE RIBBONS ON THE TREES SURROUNDING THE COURTHOUSE AND TO HAND OUT PURPLE RIBBONS TO CITIZENS ENTERING THE COURTHOUSE ON THE MONDAYS DURING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH. (AV-DISTRICT ATTORNEY)

- I. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF CONTRACT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AND THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES CHS-PRENATAL SERVICES TO PROVIDE PRENATAL SERVICES IN CAMERON COUNTY. (YS-HEALTH DEPARTMENT)
- J. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE ASO BENEFIT ELECTION FORM FOR TOBACCO CESSATION BY PROVIDING MORE AFFORDABLE ACCESS TO PRESCRIPTION TOBACCO CESSATION DRUGS. CAMERON COUNTY HEALTH BENEFIT PLAN, MEDICAL LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS ITEM #30 OF PAGE 32. (MV-HUMAN RESOURCES)
- K. CONTRACT APPROVAL AND SIGNATURE OF THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATION FOR SECTION IRC 125 AND FLEXIBLE SPENDING ACCOUNT AND VOLUNTARY EMPLOYEE PURCHASED DENTAL VISION PLANS BY LIFE-RE/AMERITAS GROUP AS RECOMMENDED BY CONSULTANT AND LEGAL DEPARTMENT. (MV-HUMAN RESOURCES)
- L. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF LEASE AGREEMENT WITH XEROX. (TT-JUSTICE OF THE PEACE 2-2)
- M. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE BROWNSVILLE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR THE SERVICE DELIVERY OF AVANCE GRANT. (TR-JUVENILE PROBATION)
- N. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF CONTRACT WITH MARY ANN PERALEZ TO SERVE AS THE TECHNICAL SUPERVISOR FOR THE CAMERON COUNTY ALCOHOL BREATH TEST PROGRAM. (DJV-LEGAL)
- O. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL TO SELL BY SEALED BID THE FOLLOWING COUNTY PROPERTIES LOCATED IN THE CITY OF HARLINGEN: AN OFFICE BUILDING 608 E. HARRISON AVE., A VACANT COMMERCIAL SITE ON THE NORTH SIDE OF E. TYLER AVE. BETWEEN 6TH AND 7TH STREETS AND A SINGLE TENANT COMMERCIAL BUILDING 602 E. HARRISON AVE., AND TO PUBLISH NOTICE IN THE NEWSPAPER OF THE COUNTY'S INTENT TO SELL THE ABOVE DESCRIBED PROPERTIES BY SEALED BID. (DJV-LEGAL)
- P. CONSIDERATION AND EXECUTION OF APPLICATION FOR CONSISTENCY WITH THE TEXAS COASTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM FOR THE HIGHWAY 48 BOAT RAMP RENOVATION PROGRAM. (JM-PARKS)
- Q. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION TO APPOINT A VOTING MEMBER AND ALTERNATE TO REPRESENT CAMERON COUNTY ON THE COLONIA RESIDENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE, PURSUANT TO THE CAMERON AND WILLACY COUNTIES COLONIA SELF-HELP CENTER.. (FB-PD&M)
- R. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF RENEWAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CAMERON COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 1 TO PROVIDE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES THROUGH THE CAMERON COUNTY PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT. (FB-PD&M)

- S. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF CONTRACT AGREEMENT WITH TDIR/XEROX STATE OF TEXAS CONTRACT DIR-SDD-515 FOR FIVE COPIERS. (OL-SHERIFF)
- T. CONSIDERATION AND ISSUANCE OF ORDER APPROVING THE TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE AUGUST 2008 TERM. (DAB-TREASURER)
- U. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ALLOW DEMONSTRATION OF TRACTOR MOWER FOR SEVERAL WEEKS FROM H & V EQUIPMENT IN PROGRESO, TEXAS. (LL-VEHICLE MAINTENANCE)
- V. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH XEROX FOR A COPY MACHINE. (ROB-LEGAL)

TRAVEL ITEMS:

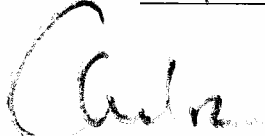
- 6. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO TRAVEL/OR APPROVAL OF TRAVEL EXPENSE FOR THE FOLLOWING (PLEASE NOTE: TRAVEL REQUESTS ARE SUBJECT TO ALL APPLICABLE COUNTY POLICIES):
 - A. 197TH DISTRICT COURT STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, ON 10/21 TO 10/24/08, TO ATTEND THE TEXAS ASSOCIATION FOR COURT ADMINISTRATION EDUCATION CONFERENCE.
 - B. AUDITOR'S OFFICE STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO DRIPPING SPRINGS, TEXAS, FOR 2 DAYS BETWEEN 9/23 AND 10/31/08, TO REVIEW RED RIVER GARBAGE SOLID WASTE COLLECTION SYSTEM INFORMATION IN CONJUNCTION WITH EXECUTED AGREEMENT WITH CAMERON COUNTY.
 - C. HEALTH DEPARTMENT STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO FALFURRIAS, TEXAS, ON 9/24/08, TO ATTEND THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES – LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND REGIONAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT STRATEGIC NATIONAL STOCKPILE QUARTERLY MEETING.
 - D. JUVENILE PROBATION DEPARTMENT STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO PFLUGERVILLE, TEXAS, ON 9/19 TO 9/21/08, TO VISIT THE ANGELHEART CHILDREN'S SHELTER.
 - E. PARKS DEPARTMENT STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON 10/8/08, TO ATTEND THE CIAP WORKSHOP.
 - F. TAX OFFICE STAFF (4) TO TRAVEL TO EDINBURG, TEXAS, ON 9/29 TO 10/3/08, TO ATTEND COURSE 1: INTRODUCTION TO THE TEXAS PROPERTY TAX SYSTEM.
 - G. COMMISSIONER PRECINCT 3 STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON 10/8/08, TO ATTEND THE TEXAS COASTAL IMPACT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM GRANTS WORKSHOP.

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 25, 2008 – SPECIAL MEETING (8 A.M.)
 - AUGUST 25, 2008 – SPECIAL MEETING (10 A.M.)
 - SEPTEMBER 2, 2008 – REGULAR MEETING
- D. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE BUDGETS FOR THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY DRUG FORFEITURE FUND, SHERIFF DRUG FORFEITURE FUND, SHERIFF-CHILD SUPPORT FUND, DISTRICT CLERK CHILD SUPPORT FUND, DISTRICT ATTORNEY PRE-TRAIL DIVERSION FUND AND COUNTY BAIL BOND FUND. (XV-BUDGET)
- E. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE COUNTY'S STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE AGENDA. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)

SIGNED THIS 19 DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2008.



CARLOS H. CASCOS, CPA
COUNTY JUDGE