



**Cameron County, Texas
Commissioners' Court
Cameron County Courthouse, 2nd Floor
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REGULAR MEETING

The Cameron County Commissioners' Court will meet for a Regular *Public Meeting* on
Tuesday, October 7, 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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Questions regarding this agenda should be directed to the County Administrator's Staff at (956) 982-5414.
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JULIO RIVERA
COUNTY CLERK

NOTICE

COMMISSIONERS' COURT REGULAR MEETING

TUESDAY, THE 7TH DAY OF OCTOBER 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 JOE R. JONES CONTRACT AND THE STATUS OF SETTLEMENT OFFER, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (1)(A)(B) & (2).
 - B. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY CONCERNING ACQUISITION OF PARCEL 130, FOR PRIMERA ROAD PROJECT IN THE PRIMERA, PCT. 4 AREA, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.
2. ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:
 - A. POSSIBLE ACTION.
 - B. POSSIBLE ACTION.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS.

PRESENTATION AND/OR RESOLUTION ITEMS:

4. PRESENTATIONS/RESOLUTIONS.
 - A. PRESENTATION OF A RESOLUTION HONORING MARCO PONCE FOR HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO CAMERON COUNTY 4H COUNCIL. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATION)
 - B. CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF A PROCLAMATION DECLARING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2008 AS "NATIONAL DOWN SYNDROME MONTH" IN CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS. (CHC-JUDGE)

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 LEGAL SERVICES FOR: LEONARDO RINCONES, ANTHONY TROIANI, AND DAN SANCHEZ. (LA-357TH DISTRICT COURT)
 - B. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND THE REVENUE MARKETS FOR THE INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE TOLL COLLECTION SYSTEM. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
 - C. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR PRELIMINARY PLAT APPROVAL FOR GOMEZ SUBDIVISION, PCT. 4, BEING A TRACT OF LAND CONTAINING 10.00 ACRES MORE OR LESS, COMPRISED OF 1.17 ACRES OUT OF LOT SEVENTEEN (17), AND 8.83 ACRES OUT OF THE RESERVE AREA FORTO LAND SUBDIVISION, AS RECORDED VOLUME 4, PAGE 54, OF THE MAP RECORDS, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS. (EH-CCD6T)
 - D. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT RIGHT OF ENTRY AND POSSESSION FOR PARCEL 130 FOR THE PRIMERA ROAD PROJECT. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
 - E. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE TITLE IV-E CONTRACT BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES AND THE CAMERON COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, PROVIDING FOR THE REIMBURSEMENT OF COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE WELFARE PROGRAM FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE ABUSED AND NEGLECTED CHILDREN OF CAMERON COUNTY. (AV-DISTRICT ATTORNEY)
 - F. 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) tabled on 9.23.08

- G. CONSIDERATION AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF DISTRICT CLERK'S AUGUST, 2008 MONTHLY FEE, FINES AND CRIMINAL REPORTS. (AdelaG-DISTRICT CLERK)
- H. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL FOR A SIXTY (60) MONTH LEASE WITH THE STATE OF TEXAS COMPTROLLER OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS – TEXAS PROCUREMENT & SUPPORT SERVICES CONTRACT 985 – PITNEY BOWES FOR RENTAL OF A PITNEY BOWES 3 STATION DI425 WITH OMR FOR THE DISTRICT CLERK'S OFFICE – JURY DEPARTMENT. (AdelaG-DISTRICT CLERK)
- I. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO UTILIZE THE STATE OF TEXAS COMPTROLLER OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS – TEXAS PROCUREMENT & SUPPORT SERVICES CONTRACT 985 – PITNEY BOWES FOR RENTAL OF A PITNEY BOWES 3 STATION DI425 WITH OMR FOR THE DISTRICT CLERK'S OFFICE – JURY DEPARTMENT. (AdelaG-DISTRICT CLERK)
- J. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION TO APPROVE OF FIRMWARE USAGE MAINTENANCE SERVICE AGREEMENT, HARDWARE MAINTENANCE SERVICE AGREEMENT, AND SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE ELECTION REPORTING MANAGER (ERM) ON THE ELECTION EQUIPMENT WITH UNITY ERM THE ELECTION SYSTEMS AND SOFTWARE, INC. (RO-ELECTIONS)
- K. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION FOR APPOINTMENT OF ARNOLD R. FLORES RESERVE PARK RANGER FOR PARKS POLICE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE FINDING THAT IT IS NECESSARY TO APPOINT THE RANGER IN ORDER TO PROPERLY HANDLE THE BUSINESS OF THE PARK RANGERS OFFICE THAT ORIGINATES IN THE PARKS POLICE 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 APPOINTED PARK RANGER WHICH EVER ENDS SOONER. (MV-HUMAN RESOURCES)
- L. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION FOR APPOINTMENT OF RENE G. CAMACHO RESERVE PARK RANGER FOR PARKS POLICE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE FINDING THAT IT IS NECESSARY TO APPOINT THE RANGER IN ORDER TO PROPERLY HANDLE THE BUSINESS OF THE PARK RANGERS OFFICE THAT ORIGINATES IN THE PARKS POLICE 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 APPOINTED PARK RANGER WHICH EVER ENDS SOONER. (MV-HUMAN RESOURCES)
- M. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR THE FOLLOWING BIDS/RFP'S/RFQ'S: (RL-ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES)
 - a. AGENDA MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE.
- N. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF 2ND AMENDMENT TO OPERATING AGREEMENT-FOOD SERVICES WITH ARAMARK CORRECTIONAL SERVICES, LLC FOR THE CAMERON COUNTY JAIL. (DJV-LEGAL)

- O. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF THE COUNTY OF CAMERON, TEXAS AUTHORIZING A GRANT APPLICATION OF THE OFFICE OF RURAL COMMUNITY AFFAIRS FOR THE 2009-2010 TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO ACT AS THE COUNTY'S REPRESENTATIVE IN ALL MATTERS DEALING WITH THE COUNTY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE 2009-2010 TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM. (FB-PD&M)
- P. CONSIDERATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF A \$200,000 GRANT AWARD AND CORRESPONDING CONDITIONS FROM THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION TO CONDUCT A STORM DRAINAGE STUDY OF PROBLEM AREAS IN UNINCORPORATED PORTIONS OF CAMERON COUNTY, IDENTIFY WEAKNESSES IN DRAINAGE SYSTEMS, AND RECOMMEND IMPROVEMENTS. (FB-PD&M)
- Q. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR THE FOLLOWING REBID: (MF-PURCHASING)
 - a. ANNUAL BID #2008 BUILDING SUPPLIES – PAINT, VARNISH, STAIN
 - b. ANNUAL BID #2680 VOTING SUPPLIES
- R. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNT WITH COMPASS BANK: CAMERON COUNTY TREASURER COLONIA STREET LIGHTS FUND #820. (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. 103RD DISTRICT COURT STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, ON 10/21 TO 10/24/08, TO ATTEND THE 32ND ANNUAL EDUCATION CONFERENCE "JOURNEY TO SUCCESS: EDUCATION, TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT".
 - B. 404TH DISTRICT COURT STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, ON 10/21 TO 10/24/08, TO ATTEND YEARLY TACA CONFERENCE FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION HOURS.
 - C. DISTRICT CLERK STAFF (3) TO TRAVEL TO SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS, ON 10/2 TO 10/3/08, TO ATTEND THE REGION 8 CONFERENCE FOR THE COUNTY & DISTRICT CLERKS' ASSOCIATION.
 - D. HEALTH DEPARTMENT STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON 10/13 TO 10/15/08, TO ATTEND THE TB PROGRAM MANAGER'S MEETING.
 - E. HEALTH DEPARTMENT STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO EL PASO, TEXAS, ON 10/14 TO 10/17/08, TO ATTEND THE REGION VI MEDICAL RESERVE CORP MEETING.

- F. HEALTH DEPARTMENT STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON 10/15 TO 10/17/08, TO ATTEND THE ANNUAL TB CLINICAL RECORDS CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP.
- G. HEALTH DEPARTMENT STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS, ON 10/15 TO 10/17/08, TO ATTEND THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES BASIC ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER TRAINING COURSE.
- H. JUVENILE PROBATION STAFF (6) TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, ON 10/19 TO 10/24/08, TO ATTEND THE TEXAS JUVENILE DETENTION ASSOCIATION.
- I. JUVENILE PROBATION STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS, ON 11/13 TO 11/14/08, TO ATTEND THE DATA COORDINATORS WORKSHOP.
- J. PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT STAFF (2) TO TRAVEL TO LAREDO, TEXAS, ON 10/3/08, TO ATTEND COLONIA SELF-HELP MEETING.
- K. PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO WESLACO, TEXAS, ON 10/8/08, TO ATTEND THE LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL PROFESSIONAL ADVISORY REVIEW PANEL (PARP).
- L. TREASURER TO TRAVEL TO EDINBURG, TEXAS, ON 10/2/08, TO ATTEND THE COUNTY TREASURERS' ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS 60TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE-CO-HOST.
- M. TREASURER TO TRAVEL TO McALLEN, TEXAS, ON 11/3 TO 11/7/08, TO ATTEND THE COUNTY TREASURER'S ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS 60TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE-CO-HOST.

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:
 - SEPTEMBER 9, 2008 – REGULAR MEETING
 - SEPTEMBER 16, 2008 – REGULAR MEETING
- D. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF AN “ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF “CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION SERIES 2008”; AUTHORIZING A PURCHASE CONTRACT AND A PAYING AGENT/REGISTRAR AGREEMENT; AND APPROVING OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO”. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR) tabled on 9.30.08

- E. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF AN "ORDER AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF "CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS UNLIMITED TAX ROAD BONDS, SERIES 2008"; AND MAKING PROVISION FOR THE SECURITY THEREOF; AUTHORIZING A PURCHASE CONTRACT AND A PAYING AGENT/REGISTRAR AGREEMENT; AND APPROVING OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO". (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR) tabled on 9.30.08
- F. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL TO GRADE DIRT ROAD NOT IN CAMERON COUNTY SYSTEM LOCATED OFF FM 506. (COMM. COURT)
- G. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF ANNUAL RECLASSIFICATION OF JOB TITLES TO FUND/DEPT. NO. 830-6690 SLOT NO. 11, SLOT CHANGES TO FUND/DEPT. NO. 830-6520 SLOT NO. 02, FUND/DEPT. NO. 830-6540 SLOT NO. 03 AND 04, DEPT./SLOT CHANGES TO FUND/DEPT. 830-6691 SLOT NO. 05, FUND/DEPT. NO. 830-6540 SLOT NO. 01 AND 02, FUND/DEPT. NO. 830-6690 SLOT NUMBER 17. (JM-PARKS)
- H. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO RESCIND, CONTINUE WITH EVALUATION OR TO MODIFY DESCRIPTION OF RFP #080204, WHICH IS TRACT ONE (1) 20.91 ACRES OUT OF ANDY BOWIE PARK. (JM-PARKS)
- I. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE COUNTY'S STATE AND FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE AGENDA. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)

SIGNED THIS 3 DAY OF OCTOBER 2008.



CARLOS H. CASCOS, CPA
COUNTY JUDGE