



**Cameron County, Texas  
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## **SPECIAL MEETING**

The Cameron County Commissioners' Court will meet for a *Special Public Meeting* on  
Tuesday, February 24, 2009 at 8:30 a.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. Cameron County Courthouse Accessibility Statement. This meeting is accessible to disabled persons. There are six (6) parking spaces reserved for the disabled on Monroe Street at the front entrance of the 1912 Cameron County Courthouse, Oscar C. Dancy Building. The building is accessible through the front entrance handicapped ramps and elevators.



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JOE G. RIVERA  
COUNTY CLERK

## **NOTICE**

### **COMMISSIONERS' COURT SPECIAL MEETING**

**TUESDAY, THE 24<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY 2009 AT 8:30 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 JOE R. JONES INTERIOR RENOVATION CONTRACT FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE SETTLEMENT, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (1)(A) & (B).
- B. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL ON POSSIBLE LITIGATION WITH SOUTH PADRE ISLAND BEACH SERVICES INVOLVING CONTRACT ISSUES, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (1) (A).
- C. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING JAVIER ALEJANDRO GARZA VS. THE UNITED STATES MARSHAL'S SERVICE, THE CAMERON COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPT., COSME MARTINEZ, MICHAEL DAVID SAAVEDRA, SGT. JOSE ALEJANDRO GARCIA, JOHN ROY HARRIS, JOSE YBARRA, AND LETICIA ANDRADE, INDIVIDUALLY AND IN THEIR OFFICIAL CAPACITIES; CASE NO. 07-CV-52, FOR AUTHORITY TO MEDIATE AND POSSIBLE SETTLEMENT, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (1)(A) & (B) & (2).

- D. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING ISSUES RELATING TO POSSIBLE ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY FOR THE USE OF COUNTY OFFICES REGARDING LOT 12, BLOCK NUMBER 122, ORIGINAL TOWNSITE OF BROWNSVILLE, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS, ACCORDING TO PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN VOLUME 5, PAGE 13, MAP RECORDS OF CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.
  - E. CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING DIANA ARRIAGA VS. CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS, BOARD OF JUDGES OF CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS, CAMERON COUNTY AUDITOR, MARTHA GALARZA AND ROBERT A. ALMON, II; CAUSE NO. 2009-02-1050-B AT 138<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL COURT, FOR AUTHORITY TO REPRESENT CAMERON COUNTY, BOARD OF JUDGES AND MARTHA GALARZA AS CAMERON COUNTY AUDITOR AND INDIVIDUALLY, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071(A)&(2).
  - F. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY CONCERNING ACQUISITION OF PARCEL 15(E), FOR RIGHT OF WAY FOR FM 511 DRAINAGE OUTFALLS PROJECT, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.
  - G. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY CONCERNING ACQUISITION OF PARCEL 17(E), FOR RIGHT OF WAY FOR FM 511 DRAINAGE OUTFALLS PROJECT, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.
  - H. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY CONCERNING ACQUISITION OF PARCEL 18(E), FOR RIGHT OF WAY FOR FM 511 DRAINAGE OUTFALLS PROJECT, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.
  - I. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY CONCERNING ACQUISITION OF PARCEL 25(E), FOR RIGHT OF WAY FOR FM 511 DRAINAGE OUTFALLS PROJECT, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.
  - J. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY CONCERNING ACQUISITION OF PARCEL 21, FOR RIGHT OF WAY FOR FM 732, 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.
  - D. POSSIBLE ACTION.
  - E. POSSIBLE ACTION.
  - F. POSSIBLE ACTION.

G. POSSIBLE ACTION.

H. POSSIBLE ACTION.

I. POSSIBLE ACTION.

J. POSSIBLE ACTION.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS.

**PRESENTATION AND/OR RESOLUTION ITEMS:**

4. PRESENTATIONS/RESOLUTIONS.

A. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ON THE ALLOCATION, DISTRIBUTION, AND USE OF DISASTER ASSISTANCE FUNDS FOR CAMERON COUNTY FROM THE OFFICE OF RURAL COMMUNITY AFFAIRS. (FB-PD&M)

**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 AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT RIGHT OF ENTRY AND POSSESSION FOR PARCEL 2(E), FOR FM 511 DRAINAGE OUTFALL EASEMENTS BETWEEN FM 1847 AND STATE HIGHWAY 48. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)

B. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT RIGHT OF ENTRY AND POSSESSION FOR PARCEL 15(E), FOR FM 511 DRAINAGE OUTFALL EASEMENTS BETWEEN FM 1847 AND STATE HIGHWAY 48. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)

C. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT RIGHT OF ENTRY AND POSSESSION FOR PARCEL 18(E), FOR FM 511 DRAINAGE OUTFALL EASEMENTS BETWEEN FM 1847 AND STATE HIGHWAY 48. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)

D. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF AT&T EQUIPMENT SOLUTIONS-VOICE CPE SUPPORT SERVICES ADDENDUM TO MASTER AGREEMENT. (DJV-LEGAL)

E. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT FOR JAIL DIVISION UTILIZING THE SCAAP FUNDING. (OL-SHERIFF)

- F. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ALLOW COMPASS BANK TO RELEASE SECURITIES PLEDGED AS COLLATERAL BY THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANK ON THE COUNTY'S BEHALF. (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. BUILDING MAINTENANCE STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO McALLEN, TEXAS, ON 3/16/09, TO ATTEND AN EXCEL SEMINAR.
  - B. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT STAFF (3) TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, ON 3/23 TO 3/26/09, TO ATTEND THE TEXAS HOMELAND SECURITY AND 2009 HURRICANE CONFERENCE.
  - C. EXTENSION OFFICE STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS ON 2/20 TO 2/22/09, TO ACCOMPANY AND SUPPORT 4-HR'S AT THE SAN ANTONIO STOCK SHOW.
  - D. HEALTH DEPARTMENT STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO GALVESTON, TEXAS, ON 3/2 TO 3/5/09, TO ATTEND THE 2009 SPRING CONFERENCE FOR VETERANS SERVICE OFFICERS.
  - E. HUMAN RESOURCES STAFF (1) TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON 4/14 TO 4/16/09, TO ATTEND THE 2009 COUNTY MANAGEMENT INSTITUTE CONFERENCE.

### **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION:**

- 7. ACTION ITEMS.
  - A. BUDGET AMENDMENTS, LINE ITEM TRANSFERS AND/OR SALARY SCHEDULES.
  - B. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS.
  - C. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE ALLOCATION, DISTRIBUTION, AND USE OF DISASTER ASSISTANCE FUNDS FOR CAMERON COUNTY FROM THE OFFICE OF RURAL COMMUNITY AFFAIRS. (FB-PD&M)
  - D. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADD TWO LINES AND PURCHASE TWO iC502 NEXTEL CELL PHONES FROM HGAC/SPRINT STATE CONTRACT. (PA-CONSTABLE PCT. 2) tabled 2/19/09

- E. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO SUPPORT THE TEXAS SENATE COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND TRADE INTERIM REPORT TO THE 81ST LEGISLATURE AND ITS RECOMMENDATION TO REVERSE THE PAST "STRIP ANNEXATION" THAT HAS LAND-LOCKED SMALLER COMMUNITIES ALONG THE LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY AND WHICH HAS SELECTIVELY BYPASSED DISTRESSED COMMUNITIES AND PREVENTS SMALLER COMMUNITIES FROM GROWING. (DAG-COMM. PCT. 3)
  
- F. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING REIMBURSEMENTS FROM FEMA. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)

SIGNED THIS 20<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY 2009.

  
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CARLOS H. CASCOS, CPA  
COUNTY JUDGE