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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
Thursday, October 15, 2009 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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NOTICE

COMMISSIONERS' COURT REGULAR MEETING

THURSDAY, THE 15TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2009 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.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS.

PRESENTATION AND/OR RESOLUTION ITEMS:

2. PRESENTATIONS/RESOLUTIONS.
 - A. PRESENTATION BY THE TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES LEADERSHIP FOUNDATION ON THE STREET LIGHT PROJECT AWARD. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
 - B. PRESENTATION BY MS. JENNIFER CATALANI, TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND PROTECTIVE SERVICES REGARDING CAMERON COUNTY SPECIAL TASK UNIT. (CHC-JUDGE)
 - C. PRESENTATION OF THE 4TH QUARTER REPORT FOR THE INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE SYSTEM. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
 - D. PRESENTATION AND UPDATE OF ON GOING CAMERON COUNTY DRAINAGE STUDY. (DG-ADMINISTRATION)

CONSENT ITEMS:

3. 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 MONTHLY FINANCIAL INFORMATION IN COMPLIANCE WITH LGC 114.023 AND 114.024. (MG-AUDITOR)
 - B. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND HARLINGEN IRRIGATION DISTRICT CAMERON COUNTY NO. 1 FOR THE PURPOSE OF UTILITY RELOCATION AND RIGHT OF WAY ACQUISITION FOR THE LAS PALMAS SUBDIVISION – BCAP – 3RD CALL, ROAD & DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS. (EH-CCDoT)
 - C. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL TO AWARD LOW BID TO PEDERSON CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC. FOR THE CAMERON COUNTY BORDER COLONIA ACCESS PROGRAM (BCAP) – 3RD CALL – LA PALOMA TOWNSITE SUBD., ROAD AND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT BID NO. 090803. (EH-CCDoT)
 - D. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF CUSTOMER AGREEMENT BETWEEN TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION RESOURCES (DIR), TEXAS NICUSA, LLC AND CAMERON COUNTY FOR SERVICES PROVIDED BY TEXAS ONLINE FOR E-FILING. (JGR-COUNTY CLERK)
 - E. CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF A PROCLAMATION DECLARING OCTOBER, 2009 AS “NATIONAL DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT AWARENESS MONTH” IN CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS. (CHC-JUDGE)
 - F. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION TO APPROVE AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR A PUBLIC SAFETY INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS GRANT BETWEEN THE LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL (LRGVDC) AND CAMERON COUNTY. (JC-EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT)
 - G. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION TO APPROVE THE GOVERNOR’S DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FY 2009 GRANT SUB-RECIPIENT AGREEMENT FOR CAMERON COUNTY. (JC-EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT)
 - H. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR CAMERON COUNTY TO ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING GRANT AWARDED TO THE CAMERON COUNTY JUVENILE JUSTICE DEPARTMENT. (TR-JUVENILE JUSTICE)
 - I. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT WITH VALLEY BAPTIST TO FUND 2 POSITIONS FOR TRANSPORTING MENTAL HEALTH PATIENTS TO MENTAL FACILITIES. (DJV-LEGAL)

- J. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE ADOLPH THOMAE PARK SHORELINE STABILIZATION PROJECT PHASE 2. (JM-PARKS)
- K. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE A UTILITY EASEMENT WITH LAGUNA MADRE WATER DISTRICT FOR HILTON GARDEN INN (AFFILIATED MANAGEMENT SYSTEM) AT ANDY BOWIE PARK. (JM-PARKS)
- L. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM CONTRACT NO. 729101 BETWEEN THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF RURAL AFFAIRS AND CAMERON COUNTY. (FB-PD&M)
- M. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT WITH JM CONSTRUCTION FOR SANITARY SEWER CONNECTIONS FOR THE EL SALADO AREA (TCDP CONTRACT NO. 728035). (FB-PD&M)
- N. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF THE COUNTY OF CAMERON, TEXAS AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR TO PURSUE ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION BLOCK GRANT FUNDS TO IMPROVE THE COUNTY'S ENERGY EFFICIENCY EFFORTS. (FB-PD&M)
- O. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF NEW INDEPENDENT PROCEDURES. (MF-PURCHASING)
- P. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO UTILIZE NATIONAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL PURCHASING ALLIANCE FOR THE FOLLOWING: OFFICE & TONER SUPPLIES – ANNUAL (STAPLES). (MF-PURCHASING)
- Q. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO CONDUCT PROPOSER INTERVIEWS FOR THE FOLLOWING: (MF-PURCHASING)
 - a. CONSULTING SERVICES FOR THE DESIGN AND EVALUATION OF RFP'S FOR THE CAMERON COUNTY AUTO, PROPERTY, GENERAL LIABILITY, WINDSTORM, FLOOD, INTERNATIONAL BRIDGES INSURANCE, AND DISTRICT & COUNTY CLERK'S BONDS – RFP #090801 WITH EVALUATION COMMITTEE. (MF-PURCHASING)
- R. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD BIDS/RFP'S/RFQ'S FOR THE FOLLOWING: (MF-PURCHASING)
 - a. HOUSING RECOVERY PROGRAM PROVIDERS – RFP #090901 (HARLINGEN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION OF BROWNSVILLE)
- S. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO UTILIZE U.S. COMMUNITIES INTERLOCAL COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENT FOR THE FOLLOWING: PAINT & RELATED SUPPLIES (HOME DEPOT, BEHR). (MF-PURCHASING)

- T. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO RENEW THE FOLLOWING BIDS/RFP/RFQ FOR ONE (1) ADDITIONAL YEAR: (MF-PURCHASING)
- a. SAFETY SHOES – ANNUAL BID #2620 (REDWING SHOES)
 - b. SIGNS, POSTS & MISCELLANEOUS FOR ROADS – ANNUAL BID #2630 (VULCAN SIGNS)
 - c. GENERATOR REPAIRS – ANNUAL BID #1444 (ALICE SOUTHERN EQUIPMENT)
 - d. MOPS, MATS & APRONS CLEANING – ANNUAL BID #1535 (RIVER LINEN)
 - e. AUTOMOTIVE OEM PARTS CHRYSLER – ANNUAL BID #1996C (DON JOHNSON)
 - f. AUTOMOTIVE OEM PARTS FORD – ANNUAL BID #1996F (L.T. BOSWELL)
 - g. AUTOMOTIVE OEM PARTS GM – ANNUAL BID #1996G (LUKE FRUIA)
- U. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE TO FILE A JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT CONTINUATION APPLICATION WITH THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION FOR OPERATION BORDER STAR AND TO ACCEPT THE AWARD. (OL-SHERIFF)
- V. 103RD DISTRICT COURT STAFF (2): COURT ADMINISTRATOR MARIA G. CORTINA, AND COURT COORDINATOR SOCORRO T. HERRERA TO TRAVEL TO CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS, ON 11/10 TO 11/13/09, TO ATTEND THE 33RD ANNUAL TACA EDUCATION CONFERENCE.
- W. 197TH DISTRICT COURT STAFF (2): COURT ADMINISTRATOR NORA N. ANDERSON, AND COURT COORDINATOR JESSICA CARRIZALES TO TRAVEL TO CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS, ON 11/10 TO 11/13/09, TO ATTEND THE 33RD ANNUAL TACA EDUCATION CONFERENCE.
- X. 404TH DISTRICT COURT STAFF (1): COURT ADMINISTRATOR SANDRA BETANCOURT TO TRAVEL TO CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS, ON 11/10 TO 11/13/09, TO ATTEND THE 33RD ANNUAL TACA EDUCATION CONFERENCE.
- Y. 444TH DISTRICT COURT STAFF (2): COURT ADMINISTRATOR PRISCILLA GUAJARDO, AND COURT COORDINATOR MARISOL LOYA TO TRAVEL TO CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS, ON 11/10 TO 11/13/09, TO ATTEND THE 33RD ANNUAL TACA EDUCATION CONFERENCE.
- Z. COUNTY COURT AT LAW NO. 1 STAFF (3): COURT ADMINISTRATOR BRENDA CANTU, COURT COORDINATOR MIGUEL SANCHEZ, AND COURT CLERK LORRAINE PEREZ TO TRAVEL TO CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS, ON 11/10 TO 11/13/09, TO ATTEND THE 33RD ANNUAL TACA EDUCATION CONFERENCE.
- AA. COUNTY COURT AT LAW NO. 2 STAFF (3): COURT COORDINATOR PERLA DIAZ, COURT ADMINISTRATOR MARY ESTHER GARCIA, AND RECORDS COORDINATOR ELVIRA GONZALEZ TO TRAVEL TO CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS, ON 11/10 TO 11/13/09, TO ATTEND THE 33RD ANNUAL TACA EDUCATION CONFERENCE.
- BB. COUNTY COURT AT LAW NO. 3 STAFF (2): COURT ADMINISTRATOR NELLY SANCHEZ, AND COURT COORDINATOR ADELA BLANCO TO TRAVEL TO CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS, ON 11/10 TO 11/13/09, TO ATTEND THE 33RD ANNUAL TACA EDUCATION CONFERENCE.

- CC. COUNTY JUDGE TO TRAVEL TO HOUSTON, TEXAS, ON 11/5/09, TO ATTEND THE 2009 ALL-HAZARDS INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TRAINING AND EDUCATION CONFERENCE (AHIMT TEC) AS GUEST SPEAKER.
- DD. DISTRICT ATTORNEY TO TRAVEL TO LAREDO, TEXAS, ON 10/27 TO 10/29/09, TO ATTEND THE LAW ENFORCEMENT EXECUTIVE SYMPOSIUM.
- EE. DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE STAFF (4): INTELLIGENCE ANALYST FOSTER J. WATKINS, INTELLIGENCE ANALYST RICARDO BARRERA, INTELLIGENCE ANALYST JUAN MIJARES, AND INTELLIGENCE ANALYST JESUS VILLANUEVA, TO TRAVEL TO HARLINGEN, TEXAS, ON 10/26 TO 10/28/09, TO ATTEND THE FINANCIAL INVESTIGATIVE TECHNIQUES.
- FF. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT STAFF (3): COORDINATOR JOHNNY CAVAZOS, ASSISTANT COORDINATOR CHARLES HOSKINS, AND ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT AND PLANNER NAT FLORES TO TRAVEL TO HOUSTON, TEXAS, ON 11/3 TO 11/6/09, TO ATTEND THE 2009 ALL-HAZARDS INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TRAINING AND EDUCATION CONFERENCE (AHIMT TEC)
- GG. ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT STAFF (1): SURVEYOR DANIEL ORIVE, TO TRAVEL TO HOUSTON, TEXAS, ON 10/24/09 TO ATTEND THE CONTINUING EDUCATION COURSE FOR RESOLVING BOUNDARY LINE DISPUTES AND CONFLICTS.
- HH. EXTENSION OFFICE: ENRIQUE PEREZ CEA-AG TO TRAVEL TO VICTORIA, TEXAS, ON 10/28 TO 10/29/09 TO ATTEND THE REGIONAL COUNTY EXTENSION AGENTS CAREER LADDER REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING.
- II. HEALTH DEPARTMENT STAFF (1): CLINICAL SERVICES PROGRAM COORDINATOR, SANDRA DE LA CRUZ, TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, ON 11/3 TO 11/5/09, TO ATTEND TITLE V STAKE HOLDER SUMMIT.
- JJ. JUVENILE COURT STAFF (1): COURT COORDINATOR ELVIRA LEAL TO TRAVEL TO CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS, ON 11/10 TO 11/13/09, TO ATTEND THE 33RD ANNUAL TACA EDUCATION CONFERENCE.
- KK. JUVENILE PROBATION STAFF (4): JUVENILE PROBATION OFFICERS ROSA CASTILLO, AMANDA DRASH, RICHARD SOLIS, AND ADRIAN GOMEZ TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, ON 10/25 TO 10/28/09, TO ATTEND THE JUVENILE JUSTICE ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS TRAINING.
- LL. JUVENILE PROBATION DEPARTMENT STAFF (5): QUALITY CONTROL AUDITOR JANICE MEDINA, TRAINING COORDINATOR LAURA TORRES, OPERATION MANAGER JAVIER PEREZ, CAPTAIN SANTIAGO HERNANDEZ AND JJAEP ADMINISTRATOR KARLO RUIZ TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, ON 10/28 TO 10/30/09, TO ATTEND THE STANDARDIZED CURRICULUM TRAINING.

- MM. PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT & MANAGEMENT STAFF (1): CD COORDINATOR RAUL GARCIA, TO TRAVEL TO WESLACO, TEXAS, ON 10/8/09, TO ATTEND THE LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL SOLID WASTE ADVISORY COMMITTEE RANKING MEETING.
- NN. PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT & MANAGEMENT STAFF (1): CD COORDINATOR RAUL GARCIA, TO TRAVEL TO WESLACO, TEXAS, ON 10/14/09, TO ATTEND THE LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL PROFESSIONAL ADVISORY REVIEW PANEL (PARP).
- OO. SHERIFFS OFFICE STAFF (1): DEPUTY ROBERT OYERVIDEZ, TO TRAVEL TO FORT WORTH, TEXAS, ON 10/25 TO 10/31/09, TO ATTEND THE BASIC URBAN MARKSMAN COURSE (TTPOA).
- PP. SHERIFFS OFFICE STAFF (2): OFFICER WILLIAM JACKSON, AND OFFICER HUGO MARTINEZ, TO TRAVEL TO FORT HOOD, TEXAS, ON 11/13 TO 11/21/09, TO ATTEND THE BASIC SWAT COURSE.
- QQ. SHERIFFS OFFICE STAFF (2): INVESTIGATOR MARY ANN FLORES, AND INVESTIGATOR PALMIRA FERNANDEZ, TO TRAVEL TO GALVESTON, TEXAS, ON 11/16 TO 11/20/09, TO ATTEND THE STATE OF TEXAS SEX OFFENDER REGISTRATION CONFERENCE.
- RR. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND THE CAMERON COUNTY REGIONAL MOBILITY AUTHORITY. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)


ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION:

4. ACTION ITEMS.

- A. BUDGET AMENDMENTS, LINE ITEM TRANSFERS AND/OR SALARY SCHEDULES.
- B. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS.
- C. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR:
 - SEPTEMBER 17, 2009 – SPECIAL MEETING
 - SEPTEMBER 17, 2009 – REGULAR MEETING
- D. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO SEND A FORMAL LETTER TO THE SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS, ERIC SHINESKI, ASKING FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A VETERANS AFFAIRS HOSPITAL IN THE RIO GRANDE VALLEY. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)
- E. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR THE ISSUANCE OF A STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF VETERANS AND THEIR EFFORTS TO PASS PROPOSITION 8 ON THE NOVEMBER 3, 2009 BALLOT. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)

- F. CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING TO ALLOW PUBLIC INPUT CONCERNING THE CAMERON COUNTY STORM WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN OR IMPLEMENTATION PROCEDURES. (EH-CCDoT)
- G. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE RESULTS FROM THE ANDY BOWIE PARK LAND USE (ADHOC) COMMITTEE. (JM-PARKS)
- H. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON A BEACH FRONT CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATE AND DUNE PROTECTION PERMIT FOR LARRY MARK POLSKY, FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF SEA BREEZE ESTATES. (JM-PARKS)
- I. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING REIMBURSEMENTS FROM FEMA. (PSJ-ADMINISTRATOR)

SIGNED THIS 12th DAY OF OCTOBER 2009.



CARLOS H. CASCOS, CPA
COUNTY JUDGE