

THE STATE OF TEXAS §

COUNTY OF CAMERON §

BE IT REMEMBERED on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of May 2015, there was conducted a REGULAR Meeting of the Honorable Commissioners' Court of Cameron County, Texas, at the Courthouse thereof, in the City of Brownsville, Texas, for the purpose of transacting any and all business that may lawfully be brought before the same.

THE COURT MET AT:

PRESENT:

8:45 A.M.

PETE SEPULVEDA, JR.  
COUNTY JUDGE

SOFIA C. BENAVIDES  
COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO. 1

ALEX DOMINGUEZ  
COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO. 2

DAVID A. GARZA  
COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO. 3

DAN SANCHEZ  
COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO. 4

SYLVIA GARZA-PEREZ  
COUNTY CLERK

Aide A. Trejo Deputy Clerk

ABSENT:  
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**NOTE: Commissioner Benavides and Commissioner Sanchez were absent when the Meeting was called to order.**

The meeting was called to order by Judge Sepulveda at 8:45 A.M. He then asked for a moment of silence.

Mr. Xavier Villarreal, Auditor's Office, then led the Court and audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge of Allegiance to the State Flag.

The Court considered the following matters as posted and filed for Record in the Office of the County Clerk on May 18, 2015 at 8:20 a.m.:

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(1) **PUBLIC COMMENTS.**

None were presented at this time.

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## **CONSENT ITEMS**

(2) **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.**

DISCUSSION CONCERNING CONSENT ITEMS:

**Consent Items No. 2 (E), (F) and (N):**

Commissioner Dominguez asked to discuss these items separately.

**Consent Item No. 2 (Y):**

Commissioner Garza asked to discuss this item separately.

**Consent Item No. 2 (A):**

Judge Sepulveda asked to discuss this item separately.

**Consent Item No. 2 (KKK):**

Commissioner Dominguez asked to discuss this item separately.

**Consent Items No. 2 (G), (H), (I), (K) and (L):**

Mr. David Garcia, Interim County Administrator, asked to discuss these items separately.

**NOTE: Commissioner Benavides entered the Meeting at 8:49 a.m.**

**Consent Item No. 2 (GG):**

Mr. Joe Vega, Parks Director, asked to discuss this item separately.

**Consent Item No. 2 (O):**

Commissioner Benavides asked to discuss this item separately.

Commissioner Garza motioned to approve the "Consent Items", excluding Consent Items No. 2 (A), (E), (F), (G), (H), (I), (K), (L), (N), (O), (Y), (GG) and (KKK).

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried as follows:

AYE: Commissioner Benavides, Commissioner Dominguez and Commissioner Garza

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Judge Sepulveda as to Consent Items No. 2 (B) and (DDD)

ABSENT: Commissioner Sanchez

(A) **CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING MAY 17-23, 2015 AS "NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK". (PSJ-COUNTY JUDGE) (ACTION TAKEN SEPARATELY)**

(B) **CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF STATUS REPORT FOR THE SH 550 DIRECT CONNECTOR PROJECT. (AR-CCRMA)**

- (C) **CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO UPGRADE CELL PHONES AND ADD DATA PLANS FOR BUILDING MAINTENANCE PERSONNEL – PHONE NO. (956)465-8306 AND (956)466-8501, THROUGH DIR CONTRACT: DIR-SSD-1777. (AFJ-ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES)**
- (D) **CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE SAMSUNG GALAXY S5 CELL PHONE, PHONE NO. (956)459-8603, TO ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT TO THE DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES, ANTHONY LOPEZ. (AFJ-ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES)**
- (E) **CONSIDERATION AND ACTION FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF ERIC CISNEROS, NEHEMIAS BARRERA AND FELIPE MENDEZ, RESERVE PARK RANGERS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE FINDING THAT IT IS NECESSARY TO APPOINT THE RANGERS IN ORDER TO PROPERLY HANDLE THE BUSINESS OF THE PARK RANGER’S OFFICE THAT ORIGINATES IN THE PARK RANGER’S PRECINCT AND THAT THE APPOINTMENTS ARE VALID ONLY THROUGH THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR IN WHICH THE APPOINTMENTS ARE MADE OR THE CURRENT TERM OF THE APPOINTED PARK RANGER WHICH EVER ENDS SOONER. (AFJ-ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES) (*ACTION TAKEN SEPARATELY*)**
- (F) **CONSIDERATION AND ACTION FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF JUAN L. DE LEON RESERVE DEPUTY CONSTABLE FOR PCT. 5 IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE FINDING THAT IT IS NECESSARY TO APPOINT THE DEPUTY IN ORDER TO PROPERLY HANDLE THE BUSINESS OF THE CONSTABLE’S OFFICE THAT ORIGINATES IN THE CONSTABLE’S PRECINCT 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 ELECTED CONSTABLE WHICH EVER ENDS SOONER. (AFJ-ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES) (*ACTION TAKEN SEPARATELY*)**
- (G) **CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL TO PREPARE AND ADVERTISE BID NO. 150601 FOR CAMERON COUNTY JUDICIAL COMPLEX ELEVATOR(S) PROJECT. (DAG-INTERIM COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR) (*ACTION TAKEN SEPARATELY*)**
- (H) **CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL TO AUTHORIZE STAFF TO PREPARE AND TO ADVERTISE A REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR ENGINEERING/ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES FOR PUBLIC WORKS PRECINCT OFFICES AND HEAVY EQUIPMENT YARD LOCATIONS INCLUDING THE VEHICLE MAINTENANCE DIVISION. (DAG-INTERIM COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR) (*ACTION TAKEN SEPARATELY*)**
- (I) **CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND THE CAMERON COUNTY SPACEPORT DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION. (DAG-INTERIM COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR) (*ACTION TAKEN SEPARATELY*)**
- (J) **CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND THE CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND FOR DISASTER DEBRIS REMOVAL, MONITORING AND CONSULTING SERVICES AND DAMAGE ASSESSMENT DATA COLLECTION SUPPORT. (DAG-INTERIM COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR)**
- (K) **CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE GROUNDS MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT FOR THE INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE SYSTEM AS PER THE TEXAS BUYBOARD PRICING CONTRACT NO. 447-14. (DAG-INTERIM COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR) (*ACTION TAKEN SEPARATELY*)**
- (L) **CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO UTILIZE APPROVED EQUIPMENT LIST FUNDS TO PURCHASE COIN SORTING MACHINES FOR THE INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE SYSTEM FROM SOLE SOURCE VENDOR CUMMINS-ALLISON CORPORATION. (DAG-INTERIM COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR) (*ACTION TAKEN SEPARATELY*)**
- (M) **CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE MONTHLY FINANCIAL INFORMATION IN COMPLIANCE WITH LGC 114.023 AND 114.024. (MG-AUDITOR)**

- (N) CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL FOR FILING OF AMENDED EQUITABLE SHARING AGREEMENT AND CERTIFICATION FOR CAMERON COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES. (MG-AUDITOR) (*ACTION TAKEN SEPARATELY*)
- (O) CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR PRELIMINARY PLAT APPROVAL FOR SUPERNOVA SUBDIVISION BEING 8.70 ACRES OUT OF LOTS 2, 11 AND 10, BLOCK 311, EL JARDIN RE-SUBDIVISION IN THE CITY OF BROWNSVILLE, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS AS RECORDED IN VOLUME 4, PAGE 48 OF THE CAMERON COUNTY MAP RECORDS, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS. PCT. 1. (EH-CCDOT-ENG) (*ACTION TAKEN SEPARATELY*)
- (P) CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR PRELIMINARY PLAT APPROVAL FOR LOS HERNANDEZ SUBDIVISION BEING 1.151 ACRES OUT OF BLOCK 80C, RICE TRACT SUBDIVISION, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS ACCORDING TO THE PLAT RECORDED IN VOLUME 9, PAGE 3, OF THE CAMERON COUNTY MAP RECORDS, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS, PCT. 4. (EH-CCDOT-ENG)
- (Q) CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL FOR CONSTABLE PCT. 1 TO OBTAIN AND ENROLL IN A PROGRAM (ACCOUNT) OF "TEXAS 1033 SURPLUS PROPERTY PROGRAM" THE FUNDING TO ADMINISTER THIS PROGRAM IS PROVIDED BY THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY. THE FUNDING IS USED TO ADMINISTER THE PROGRAM AND TO PROVIDE SUPPORT AND ASSISTANCE TO THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES (LEAS) VIA COMPUTER/TELEPHONE ASSISTANCE AND OCCASIONAL PHYSICAL VISITS. (PD-CONSTABLE PCT. 1)
- (R) CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 2015 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT. (PD-CONSTABLE PCT. 1)
- (S) CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 2015 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT. (RC-CONSTABLE PCT. 3)
- (T) CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 2015 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT. (CRD-CONSTABLE PCT. 5)
- (U) CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 2015 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT. (CRD-CONSTABLE PCT. 5)
- (V) CONSIDERATION AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF THE COUNTY CLERK'S APRIL 2015 FEES COLLECTIONS REPORT. (SGP-COUNTY CLERK)
- (W) CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AND THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES TO CARRY OUT CPS/EBOLA EBOLA PUBLIC HEALTH PREPAREDNESS ACTIVITIES. (EG-INTERIM HEALTH ADMINISTRATOR)
- (X) CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AND WOMEN'S HEALTH AND FAMILY PLANNING ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS TO PROVIDE FAMILY PLANNING SERVICES IN CAMERON COUNTY. (EG-INTERIM HEALTH ADMINISTRATOR)
- (Y) CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT AMENDMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AND THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES TO CARRY OUT THE FY-2015 HOSPITAL PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM FOR TRAUMA SERVICE AREA V. (EG-INTERIM HEALTH ADMINISTRATOR) (*ACTION TAKEN SEPARATELY*)
- (Z) CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 2015 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT. (LS-JP PCT. 2-1)
- (AA) CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 2015 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT. (JG-JP PCT. 2-2)

- (BB) CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 2015 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT. (MEG-JP PCT. 2-3)**
- (CC) CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 2015 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT. (GA-JP PCT. 3-1)**
- (DD) CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 2015 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT. (DG-JP PCT. 3-2)**
- (EE) CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 2015 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT. (MT-JP PCT. 5-3)**
- (FF) CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 2015 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT. (AP-MAGISTRATE COURT)**
- (GG) CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL TO UPGRADE AND PURCHASE CELL PHONES AND LINES FOR JOSE LUIS CANTU, PARK SUPERINTENDENT, CLEMENTE VALDEZ, ANDY BOWIE PARK MANAGER AND OSCAR VALENZUELA, CONSTRUCTION FOREMAN THROUGH TDIR CONTRACT NO. DIR-SDD-177. (JEV-PARKS) (*ACTION TAKEN SEPARATELY*)**
- (HH) CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE ONE (1) NEW 60 MONTH LEASE COPIER PURCHASED THROUGH XEROX CONTRACT NO. DIR-SDD-1683 FOR THE BOB CLARK SOCIAL SERVICE CENTER. (JEV-PARKS)**
- (II) CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE ONE (1) NEW 60 MONTH LEASE COPIER PURCHASED THROUGH XEROX CONTRACT NO. DIR-SDD-1683 FOR EL CENTRO CULTURAL. (JEV-PARKS)**
- (JJ) CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE SAMSUNG GALAXY S5 MOBILE PHONE NO. 956.459.3930 TO THE NEW SPECIAL PROJECTS ADMINISTRATOR, ROBERTO LUCIO. (JEV-PARKS)**
- (KK) CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO REJECT AND RE-ADVERTISE BID #1340-141516 BEACH RENTAL CONCESSION LOCATED AT COUNTY BEACH ACCESS AREAS: ACCESS #4, ACCESS #5 (E.K. ATWOOD PARK) AND ACCESS #6 (LOCATIONS #14,15 AND 16). (JEV-PARKS)**
- (LL) CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 (ORDER NO. 2015O5020) TO AMEND/CORRECT THE SUBSTANTIAL COMPLETION DATE OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 (ORDER NO. 2015O4015) – FOR TIME EXTENSION TO CONTRACT NO. 2014C12430 WITH CLEAN AIR SOLUTIONS (CAS) FOR THE SEA RANCH RESTAURANT REPAIRS. (JEV-PARKS)**
- (MM) CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE AMENDMENT (CONTRACT NO. 2015C05103) TO INTERLOCAL COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT (CONTRACT NO. 2014C01019) WITH HOOKED FOR LIFE, INC., FOR UTB PORT ISABEL PALAPA PROJECT – KIDS GONE FISHING EVENT. (JEV-PARKS)**
- (NN) CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AWARD LETTER AMENDMENT NO. 4 FROM THE U.S. FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE (USF&WS) FOR CAMERON COUNTY COASTAL IMPACT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (CIAP) UTB PORT ISABEL PALAPA PROJECT, AWARD NO. F12AF70296 FOR HOOKED FOR LIFE KIDS GONE FISHING EVENT. (JEV-PARKS)**
- (OO) CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 TO CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT WITH VENSER CONTRACTORS, LLC, FOR SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE BIXBY AND ALTO REAL COLONIAS IN THE CITY OF LA FERIA SERVICE AREA (TDA CONTRACT NO. 713061). (RG-PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT)**
- (PP) CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A GRANT ADJUSTMENT NOTICE FOR THE 2013 CAMERON COUNTY OPERATION STONEGARDEN GRANT TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF**

**PUBLIC SAFETY, EXTENDING THE CONTRACT END DATE FROM MAY 31, 2015 TO AUGUST 30, 2015. (RG-PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT)**

- (QQ) CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR THE COUNTY'S PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT TO CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING ON MAY 28, 2015, PURSUANT TO THE 2015-2016 TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM INCLUDING THE COLONIA CONSTRUCTION FUND AND THE COLONIA PLANNING FUND. (RG-PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT)**
- (RR) CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR CAMERON COUNTY TO SUBMIT A TEXAS FEDERAL LANDS ACCESS PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATION AT THE REQUEST OF LAGUNA ATASCOSA NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE (LANWR). (RG-PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT)**
- (SS) CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 FOR CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT WITH RM WALSDORF, INC. FOR RESIDENTIAL SANITARY SEWER CONNECTIONS IN THE ST. LOUIS AVENUE, N. ILLINOIS AVENUE AND BONHAM ROAD NEIGHBORHOODS IN THE BROWNSVILLE PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD SERVICE AREA (TDA CONTRACT NO. 713025). (RG-PLANNING DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT)**
- (TT) CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO UTILIZE THE REGION ONE ESC – SOUTH TEXAS COOP INTERLOCAL COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENT FOR THE FOLLOWING: (MF-PURCHASING)**
- a. DISCOUNT WAREHOUSE PROPOSAL**
  - b. EQUIPMENT & SMALL KITCHEN WARES**
  - c. FOOD: BREAD, TORTILLAS**
  - d. FOOD: DAIRY & JUICE PRODUCTS**
  - e. DISPENSED PRODUCTS**
  - f. FOOD SERVICE: FULL LINE**
  - g. FOOD: FROZEN DESSERT PRODUCTS**
  - h. FOOD: PROCESSING OF USDA FOODS**
  - i. GREASE TRAPS CLEANING**
- (UU) CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO RENEW THE FOLLOWING BIDS/RFP'S/RFQ'S FOR ONE (1) ADDITIONAL YEAR: (MF-PURCHASING)**
- a. FIRE ALARM SYSTEMS INSPECTIONS & REPAIRS – ANNUAL BID NO. 1425 (ASG SECURITY)**
- (VV) CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD BIDS/RFP'S/RFQ'S FOR THE FOLLOWING: (MF-PURCHASING)**
- a. SCRAP WASTE MATERIALS & METALS – ANNUAL BID NO. 1977 (WILKINSON IRON & METAL)**
- (WW) CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF PURCHASING – INDEPENDENT PROCEDURES FOR THE FOLLOWING: (MF-PURCHASING)**
- a. VEHICLE BODY REPAIRS – PO NOTIFICATION**
- (XX) CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO UTILIZE THE FOLLOWING INTERLOCAL COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENTS FOR THE FOLLOWING: PLUMBING SUPPLIES. (MF-PURCHASING)**
- a. BUYBOARD – MOORE SUPPLY (BUSH)**
  - b. US COMMUNITIES – HOME DEPOT**
  - c. STATE OF TEXAS CMBL – ALBERT STERLING & ASSOCIATES**

- (YY) CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO ADD TO EVALUATION COMMITTEE FOR THE FOLLOWING: (MF-PURCHASING)
- a. AUDIT, ANALYSIS & RECONCILIATION OF TELEPHONE RATES & RELATED BILLING ISSUES – RFQ NO. 140401
- ADD EVALUATOR – JOE REYES INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
- (ZZ) CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR SHERIFF OMAR LUCIO TO NEGOTIATE AN INCREASED PER DIEM RATE AND INCREASE THE PRESENT ALLOCATED BED SPACE REGARDING THE USMS IGA. (OL-SHERIFF)
- (AAA) CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF THE FEDERAL SURPLUS PROPERTY PROGRAM APPLICATION FOR ELIGIBILITY. (OL-SHERIFF)
- (BBB) CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO REFUND TAXES ON CORRECTION OF SUPPLEMENTAL CHANGES AS AUTHORIZED BY CAMERON APPRAISAL DISTRICT AS PER SECTION 11.13 OF THE TEXAS PROPERTY CODE (ADD HOMESTEAD & OVER-65 EX), AS PER SECTION 2525B OF THE TEXAS PROPERTY CODE (CHANGE VALUE). (TYJ-TAX ASSESSOR COLLECTOR)
- a. DONNA L. SEYDLER 67-6400-0790-0120-00 \$2,539.52 ADD HS & OVER-65EX
- b. CHARMAINE DEVELOPMENT LLC 74-7582-0020-0230-00 \$3,086.42 CHANGE VALUE
- c. ABRAHAM GALONSKY 79-1900-0390-0200-00 \$4,480.35 CHANGE VALUE-APPLY AG VALUE
- d. DIPASA USA INC. 74-7575-0010-0020-00 \$4,765.77 CHANGE VALUE-DOUBLE ASSESS
- e. DIPASA USA INC. 74-7575-0010-0020-00 \$4,800.81 CHANGE VALUE-DOUBLE ASSESS
- (CCC) CONSIDERATION AND ISSUANCE OF ORDER APPROVING THE TREASURER’S APRIL 2015 FINANCIAL REPORT. (DAB-TREASURER)
- (DDD) CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 10 BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND MCCARTHY BUILDING COMPANIES FOR THE WEST RAIL RELOCATION PROJECT. (AR-CCRMA)
- (EEE) 404<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT COURT OFFICE STAFF (1): COURT REPORTER ELIZABETH F. TORRES TO TRAVEL TO FRISCO, TEXAS ON 6/24 TO 6/28/15 TO ATTEND THE TEXAS COURT REPORTERS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONVENTION.
- (FFF) COUNTY COURT AT LAW NO. 1 OFFICE STAFF (1): COURT REPORTER RANDALL SIMPSON TO TRAVEL TO FRISCO, TEXAS ON 6/24 TO 6/28/15 TO ATTEND THE 2015 TEXAS COURT REPORTERS ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONVENTION.
- (GGG) COMMISSIONER PCT. 1 SOFIA C. BENAVIDES TO TRAVEL TO SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS ON 5/19 TO 5/23/15 TO ATTEND THE WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT & PLANNING CONFERENCE.
- (HHH) COUNTY CLERK’S OFFICE STAFF (2): CHIEF DEPUTY SANDRA SANCHEZ AND PURCHASING AGENT MARIA ELENA GARZA TO TRAVEL TO SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS ON 6/24 TO 6/26/15 TO ATTEND THE 2015 ANNUAL NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PURCHASING MANAGEMENT RIO GRANDE VALLEY TRAINING SEMINAR.
- (III) DISTRICT ATTORNEY’S OFFICE STAFF (1): DOMESTIC VIOLENCE UNIT INVESTIGATOR MELISSA RESENDEZ TO TRAVEL TO ATASCOSA, TEXAS ON 5/30 TO 6/3/15 TO ATTEND THE “TACTICAL ENCOUNTER CONCEPTS FOR WOMEN IN LAW ENFORCEMENT.
- (JJJ) EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OFFICE STAFF (1): DEPUTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR CHARLES D. HOSKINS TRAVELED TO WESLACO, TEXAS ON 5/20/15 TO ATTEND THE RIO GRANDE VALLEY HOSPITAL PREPAREDNESS COMMITTEE (HPC) MEETING.

- (KKK) EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OFFICE STAFF (2): DEPUTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR CHARLES D. HOSKINS AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLANNER NAT FLORES TO TRAVEL TO WESLACO, TEXAS ON 5/27/15 TO ATTEND THE 5<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE RIO GRANDE VALLEY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PARTNERS HURRICANE MEETING. (ACTION TAKEN SEPARATELY)**
- (LLL) EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OFFICE STAFF (1): DEPUTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR CHARLES D. HOSKINS TO TRAVEL TO WESLACO, TEXAS ON 5/29/15 TO ATTEND THE DISASTER DISTRICT COMMITTEE (DDC) ORIENTATION TO DISASTER DISTRICT 21 EMERGENCY OPERATIONS WORKSHOP.**
- (MMM) EXTENSION AGENT/COUNTY-AGRICULTURE DR. ENRIQUE PEREZ AND OFFICE STAFF (4): COUNTY EXTENSION AGENT-HORTICULTURE JENNIFER HERRERA, COUNTY EXTENSION AGENT 4-H MARCO PONCE, COUNTY EXTENSION AGENT-COASTAL & MARINE RESOURCES TONY REISINGER AND COUNTY EXTENSION AGENT-FAMILY CONSUMER SCIENCES LILIAN MEZQUIDA TRAVELED TO SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS ON 5/12 TO 5/14/15 TO ATTEND THE DISTRICT 12 AGENTS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TRAINING.**
- (NNN) HEALTH DEPARTMENT OFFICE STAFF (2): PUBLIC HEALTH PREPAREDNESS DIRECTOR RAQUEL CASTILLO AND STRATEGIC NATIONAL STOCKPILE COORDINATOR VICTOR RIVERA TO TRAVEL TO FALFURRIAS, TEXAS ON 5/28/15 TO ATTEND THE HEALTH SERVICE REGION II STRATEGIC NATIONAL STOCKPILE QUARTERLY MEETING.**
- (OOO) HEALTH DEPARTMENT OFFICE STAFF (2): INTERIM HEALTH ADMINISTRATOR ESMERALDA GUAJARDO AND ACCREDITATION COORDINATOR RAQUEL CASTILLO TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS ON 6/2 TO 6/5/15 TO ATTEND THE TEXAS PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION "ON THE ROAD TO ACCREDITATION" TRAINING.**
- (PPP) HEALTH DEPARTMENT OFFICE STAFF (2): BREASTFEEDING PEER COUNSELORS MARIA C. GUETZOW AND JANETTE SERRATA TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS ON 6/16 TO 6/19/15 TO ATTEND THE CLINICAL LACTATION PRACTICUM.**
- (QQQ) HEALTH DEPARTMENT OFFICE STAFF (2): SOCIAL SERVICE DIRECTOR PATRICIA D. SANCHEZ AND CASE MANAGER SANTOS Y. CASTANEDA TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS ON 6/17 TO 6/19/15 TO ATTEND THE TEXAS PRIMARY CARE AND HEALTH HOME SUMMIT.**
- (RRR) HEALTH DEPARTMENT OFFICE STAFF (3): WIC DIRECTOR LETICIA LOPEZ, NUTRITION EDUCATION COORDINATOR TED O'DOWD AND BREASTFEEDING COORDINATOR AURORA C. MADRIGAL TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS ON 7/6 TO 7/9/15 TO ATTEND THE 2015 TEXAS WIC NUTRITION AND BREASTFEEDING CONFERENCE.**
- (SSS) JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PCT. 3-1 OFFICE STAFF (1): COURT ASSISTANT MANDY BARRIOS TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS ON 6/8 TO 6/11/15 TO ATTEND THE NEW COURT PERSONNEL SEMINAR.**
- (TTT) JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PCT. 5-2 OFFICE STAFF (1): COURT CLERK II SANDRA SALCEDO TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS ON 6/9 TO 6/11/15 TO ATTEND THE 2015 EXPERIENCE COURT PERSONNEL SEMINAR.**
- (UUU) JUVENILE PROBATION OFFICE STAFF (1): TRAINING OFFICER MARIO DAVILA TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS ON 6/14 TO 6/17/15 TO ATTEND THE TRAINING COORDINATORS CONFERENCE. (PRO FORMA APPROVAL)**
- (VVV) JUVENILE PROBATION OFFICE STAFF (1): FISCAL ADMINISTRATOR BERTHA MONICA DE LA CERDA TO TRAVEL TO MCALLEN, TEXAS ON 5/5/15, 5/19/15, 6/12/15, 6/26/15, 7/13/15, 7/14/15, 7/23/15, 7/24/15, 8/17/15, 9/3/15, 9/22/15, 10/13/15 AND 10/26/15 TO ATTEND THE FRED PRYOR SEMINARS CAREER TRACK. (PRO FORMA APPROVAL)**



- (WWW) SHERIFF'S OFFICE STAFF (3): PURCHASING CLERKS CARLOS HERNANDEZ, LAURA TREVINO AND DORA LOPEZ TO TRAVEL TO SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS ON 6/24 TO 6/26/15 TO ATTEND THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PURCHASING MANAGEMENT.**
- (XXX) SHERIFF OMAR LUCIO AND OFFICE STAFF (1): CHIEF JAILER MIKE LEINART TRAVELED TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS ON 4/30 TO 5/1/15 TO ATTEND THE TEXAS BORDER SHERIFF'S COALITION ANNUAL MEETING.**
- (YYY) SHERIFF'S OFFICE STAFF (3): INVESTIGATORS MATHEW WALKER, ELI ROCHA AND MARYANN FLORES TO TRAVEL TO ANAHUAC, TEXAS ON 5/14 TO 5/15/15 FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT PURPOSE. (ACTION TAKEN SEPARATELY)**
- (ZZZ) TREASURER DAVID A. BETANCOURT TO TRAVEL TO WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS ON 9/13 TO 9/17/15 TO ATTEND THE 67<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL COUNTY TREASURERS ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE.**

## **CONSENT ITEMS**

**(2) CONSENT ITEMS.**

- (A) CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING MAY 17-23, 2015 AS "NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK". (PSJ-COUNTY JUDGE)**

Mr. David Garcia, Interim County Administrator, introduced and recognized those Public Works Employees who were in attendance.

Commissioner Garza read and presented the Proclamation recognizing May 17-23, 2015 as "National Public Works Week".

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- (E) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF ERIC CISNEROS, NEHEMIAS BARRERA AND FELIPE MENDEZ, RESERVE PARK RANGERS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE FINDING THAT IT IS NECESSARY TO APPOINT THE RANGERS IN ORDER TO PROPERLY HANDLE THE BUSINESS OF THE PARK RANGER'S OFFICE THAT ORIGINATES IN THE PARK RANGER'S PRECINCT AND THAT THE APPOINTMENTS ARE VALID ONLY THROUGH THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR IN WHICH THE APPOINTMENTS ARE MADE OR THE CURRENT TERM OF THE APPOINTED PARK RANGER WHICH EVER ENDS SOONER. (AFJ-ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES) (ACTION TAKEN SEPARATELY)**

- (F) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF JUAN L. DE LEON RESERVE DEPUTY CONSTABLE FOR PCT. 5 IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE FINDING THAT IT IS NECESSARY TO APPOINT THE DEPUTY IN ORDER TO PROPERLY HANDLE THE BUSINESS OF THE CONSTABLE'S OFFICE THAT ORIGINATES IN THE CONSTABLE'S PRECINCT 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 ELECTED CONSTABLE WHICH EVER ENDS SOONER. (AFJ-ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES) (ACTION TAKEN SEPARATELY)**

Commissioner Dominguez stated that he has previously asked to receive documentation as to the background of the potential appointees and noted that he has not received any such information.

Commissioner Dominguez motioned to TABLE Consent Items No. 2 (E) and (F) until the background

documentation has been received.

Ms. Susie Marfileno, Human Resources, explained that she keeps all copies of the background documentation and said documentation is not sent out as per Legal.

Commissioner Benavides asked to approve the appointment of the Reserve Park Rangers.

Commissioner Dominguez suggested waiting to motion on these items in order to allow time for the proper documentation to be viewed by the Court.

Commissioner Garza stated that he does not wish to see any documentation as he feels that it is his within public policy role to allow Human Resources to review and verify such items.

Ms. Dylbia Jeffries-Vega, Legal Counsel, stated that she advised Human Resources to not place the background documentation in the Agenda Packet due to sensitive information being contained within those documents which should not allowed to be disclosed to the public. She added that the members of the Court can review the background documentation as they wish, but the information cannot be included with the Agenda Packet.

Commissioner Dominguez motioned to TABLE Consent Items No. 2 (E) and (F).

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

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**(G) CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL TO PREPARE AND ADVERTISE BID NO. 150601 FOR CAMERON COUNTY JUDICIAL COMPLEX ELEVATOR(S) PROJECT. (DAG-INTERIM COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR)**

Mr. David Garcia, Interim County Administrator, noted that there is change to the Bid from a 3-week period to a 4-week period.

Commissioner Garza motioned to approve to Prepare and Advertise Bid No. 150601 for Cameron County Judicial Complex Elevator(s) Project.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

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**(H) CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL TO AUTHORIZE STAFF TO PREPARE AND TO ADVERTISE A REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR ENGINEERING/ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES FOR PUBLIC WORKS PRECINCT OFFICES AND HEAVY EQUIPMENT YARD LOCATIONS INCLUDING THE VEHICLE MAINTENANCE DIVISION. (DAG-INTERIM COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR)**

Commissioner Garza motioned to authorize staff to prepare and to advertise a Request for Qualifications for Engineering/Architectural Services for Public Works Precinct Offices and Heavy Equipment Yard Locations including the Vehicle Maintenance Division utilizing either Road & Bridge or Parks as the funding source.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

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**(I) CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND THE CAMERON COUNTY SPACEPORT DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION. (DAG-INTERIM COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR)**

Ms. Martha Galarza, County Auditor, advised the Court that the funding must come from the General Fund.

Mr. David Garcia, Interim County Administrator, recommended utilizing lapsed salaries.

Commissioner Garza motioned to approve an Interlocal Agreement between Cameron County and the Cameron County Spaceport Development Corporation utilizing lapsed salaries as the funding source with a maximum of \$5,000.00.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

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**(K) CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE GROUNDS MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT FOR THE INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE SYSTEM AS PER THE TEXAS BUYBOARD PRICING CONTRACT NO. 447-14. (DAG-INTERIM COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR)**

**(L) CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO UTILIZE APPROVED EQUIPMENT LIST FUNDS TO PURCHASE COIN SORTING MACHINES FOR THE INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE SYSTEM FROM SOLE SOURCE VENDOR CUMMINS-ALLISON CORPORATION. (DAG-INTERIM COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR)**

Mr. David Garcia, Interim County Administrator, recommended using 2011 Bond Proceeds to fund both items.

Commissioner Garza motioned to approve Consent Items No. 2 (K) and (L) utilizing 2011 Bond Proceeds as the funding source.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

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**(N) CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL FOR FILING OF AMENDED EQUITABLE SHARING AGREEMENT AND CERTIFICATION FOR CAMERON COUNTY LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES. (MG-AUDITOR)**

Ms. Martha Galarza, County Auditor, stated that all the information was emailed to the members of the Court.

Commissioner Garza motioned to approve the filing of Amended Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification for Cameron County Law Enforcement Agencies.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

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- (O) **CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR PRELIMINARY PLAT APPROVAL FOR SUPERNOVA SUBDIVISION BEING 8.70 ACRES OUT OF LOTS 2, 11 AND 10, BLOCK 311, EL JARDIN RE-SUBDIVISION IN THE CITY OF BROWNSVILLE, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS AS RECORDED IN VOLUME 4, PAGE 48 OF THE CAMERON COUNTY MAP RECORDS, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS. PCT. 1. (EH-CCDOT-ENG)**

**NOTE: Commissioner Sanchez entered the Meeting at 9:09 a.m.**

Mr. Alex Sanchez, Assistant Staff Engineer, explained that the sewer and water services are already in place and there is no septic system.

Commissioner Garza noted that the backup documentation states that there is a septic system.

Mr. Sanchez replied that the information is a typographical error.

Commissioner Benavides motioned to approve authorization for Preliminary Plat Approval for Supernova Subdivision being 8.70 acres out of Lots 2, 11 and 10, Block 311, El Jardin Re-Subdivision in the City of Brownsville, Cameron County, Texas as recorded in Volume 4, Page 48 of the Cameron County Map Records, Cameron County, Texas. Pct. 1 with a correction to the notation of a septic system.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garza and carried unanimously.

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- (Y) **CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT AMENDMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES AND THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES TO CARRY OUT THE FY-2015 HOSPITAL PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM FOR TRAUMA SERVICE AREA V. (EG-INTERIM HEALTH ADMINISTRATOR)**

Ms. Esmeralda Guajardo, Interim Health Administrator, explained that the contract is to cover the Hospital Preparedness Program for Ebola preparedness activities.

Commissioner Garza stated that it has been brought to his attention by individuals with the Texas Department of Health that the person in charge of this program has not been in attendance at certain meetings in Austin and suggested revisiting how travel is budgeted regarding this grant program.

Ms. Guajardo explained that she was following County Policy as to required travel.

Commissioner Garza motioned to approve the Contract Amendment between Cameron County Department of Health and Human Services and the Texas Department of State Health Services to carry out the FY-2015 Hospital Preparedness Program for Trauma Service Area V.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sanchez and carried unanimously.

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**(GG) CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL TO UPGRADE AND PURCHASE CELL PHONES AND LINES FOR JOSE LUIS CANTU, PARK SUPERINTENDENT, CLEMENTE VALDEZ, ANDY BOWIE PARK MANAGER AND OSCAR VALENZUELA, CONSTRUCTION FOREMAN THROUGH TDIR CONTRACT NO. DIR-SDD-177. (JEV-PARKS)**

Mr. Joe Vega, Parks Director, noted that there are a few changes such that the item is for upgrading cell phones to include the data plan and instead of paying \$50 per month, the fee will be \$25 per month.

Commissioner Garza inquired as to whether there is funding within the budget.

Mr. Vega replied in the affirmative.

Commissioner Sanchez pointed out that the backup documentation says that the cost is \$50 each.

Mr. Vega responded that the correct cost is \$25 each.

Commissioner Benavides motioned to approve Consent Item No. 2 (GG).

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garza and carried unanimously.

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**(KKK) EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT OFFICE STAFF (2): DEPUTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR CHARLES D. HOSKINS AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLANNER NAT FLORES TO TRAVEL TO WESLACO, TEXAS ON 5/27/15 TO ATTEND THE 5<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE RIO GRANDE VALLEY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PARTNERS HURRICANE MEETING.**

Mr. Charles Hoskins, Assistant Emergency Management Coordinator, informed the Court that there is no cost associated with the travel.

Commissioner Benavides motioned to approve the Travel for Emergency Management Office Staff (2): Deputy Emergency Management Coordinator Charles D. Hoskins and Emergency Management Planner Nat Flores to travel to Weslaco, Texas on 5/27/15 to attend the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual National Weather Service Rio Grande Valley Emergency Management Partners Hurricane Meeting.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sanchez and carried unanimously.

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**(YYY) SHERIFF'S OFFICE STAFF (3): INVESTIGATORS MATHEW WALKER, ELI ROCHA AND MARYANN FLORES TO TRAVEL TO ANAHUAC, TEXAS ON 5/14 TO 5/15/15 FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT PURPOSE.**

Judge Sepulveda noted that there is a correction to the dates of travel.

Commissioner Garza motioned to approve the Travel for Sheriff's Office Staff (3): Investigators Mathew Walker, Eli Rocha and MaryAnn Flores to travel to Anahuac, Texas on 6/25 to 6/26 for Law Enforcement Purposes.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

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**(1) PUBLIC COMMENTS.**

Mr. Tom Keitz commented on a drainage ditch, located near 9600 Boca Chica, which is being used for mud races and noted that there is damage to the bridge. He asked the Court as to whom is the proper person to get in contact with in order to find out why this is allowed to occur.

Judge Sepulveda directed staff to meet with Mr. Keitz in order to connect him with the proper agency.

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**ACTION ITEMS**

**(3) ACTION ITEMS.**

**(EE) JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PCT. 2-1 OFFICE STAFF (1): COURT COORDINATOR CYNTHIA RODRIGUEZ TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS ON 6/9 TO 6/11/15 TO ATTEND THE TEXAS JUSTICE TRAINING CENTER 16 HOUR EXPERIENCED CLERK SEMINAR.**

Commissioner Garza motioned to approve the Travel for Justice of the Peace Pct. 2-1 Office Staff (1): Court Coordinator Cynthia Rodriguez to travel to Austin, Texas on 6/9 To 6/11/15 to attend the Texas Justice Training Center 16 Hour Experienced Clerk Seminar.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sanchez and carried unanimously.

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**PRESENTATIONS**

**(4) PRESENTATIONS/RESOLUTIONS.**

**(B) PRESENTATION BY HALFF ASSOCIATES ON CAMERON COUNTY COASTAL PARKS DRAFT MASTER PLAN. (JEV-PARKS)**

Mr. Jim Carrillo, Halff Associates, Inc., presented the Cameron County Coastal Parks Draft Master Plan.

Judge Sepulveda inquired as to the total cost.

Mr. Carrillo replied that the Plan is still being finalized and estimated that the total cost to be approximately \$15 million.

Judge Sepulveda suggested to seek out partnerships once a detailed cost estimate is available. He also asked that a financial plan be developed.

Commissioner Sanchez motioned to acknowledge the Presentation by Halff Associates on Cameron County Coastal Parks Draft Master Plan.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garza and carried unanimously.

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## **ACTION ITEMS**

**(3) ACTION ITEMS.**

**(Y) COUNTY COURT AT LAW NO. 2 JUDGE LAURA L. BETANCOURT TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS ON 6/17 TO 6/20/15 TO ATTEND THE 28TH ANNUAL RUSTY DUNCAN ADVANCED CRIMINAL LAW COURSE.**

County Court at Law No. 2 Judge Laura L. Betancourt informed the Court that this travel will provide her with the required (16) hours of continuing education.

Commissioner Garza motioned to approve the Travel for County Court at Law No. 2 Judge Laura L. Betancourt to travel to San Antonio, Texas on 6/17 to 6/20/15 to attend the 28th Annual Rusty Duncan Advanced Criminal Law Course.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sanchez and carried unanimously.

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**(Z) COUNTY COURT AT LAW NO. 2 OFFICE STAFF (1): COURT COORDINATOR KARLA LEAL TO TRAVEL TO SAN MARCOS ON 6/13 TO 6/19/15 TO ATTEND THE TEXAS COURT MANAGEMENT PROGRAM.**

Commissioner Sanchez motioned to approve the Travel for County Court at Law No. 2 Office Staff (1): Court Coordinator Karla Leal to travel to San Marcos on 6/13 to 6/19/15 to attend the Texas Court Management Program.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garza and carried unanimously.

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**(N) CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR APPROVAL OF THE CAMERON COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S "NO-REFUSAL" BILLBOARD CAMPAIGN. (LS-DISTRICT ATTORNEY)**

District Attorney Luis Saenz explained that the program is a collaborative effort between the DA's Office, TxDOT, Texas Department of Public Safety, the County Sheriff's Office, and Chiefs of Police across Cameron County and the objective of the "No-Refusal" Billboard Campaign is to give notice to the public.

Commissioner Benavides inquired as to the funding for the billboard campaign.

Mr. Saenz replied that the funding source is the Hot Check Fund.

Commissioner Sanchez motioned to approve the Cameron County District Attorney's "No-Refusal" Billboard Campaign.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dominguez.

Commissioner Garza expressed concern with a person's constitutional rights being violated.

Commissioner Sanchez explained that a person would have their blood drawn only after they are arrested.

Mr. Saenz assured the Court that a warrant will be acquired prior to anyone's blood being drawn. He

explained that a person must be arrested and refuse to take an Intoxilyzer result test in order have cause for a warrant to be drawn up.

Commissioner Garza asked to include the words “get arrested” after “drunk driving” on the billboard.

Commissioner Sanchez suggested that the wording on the billboard be changed to read “Arrested for Drunk Driving?”

Mr. Saenz agreed with Commissioner Sanchez’s suggestion.

Commissioner Sanchez amended his motion to approve the Cameron County District Attorney’s “No-Refusal” Billboard Campaign with the amendment to the billboard as stated.

The amended motion was seconded by Commissioner Dominguez and carried unanimously.

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**(AA) DISTRICT ATTORNEY’S OFFICE STAFF (3): ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEYS GABRIEL GUZMAN, RACHEL MICHALEWICZ AND SARAH PEMELTON TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS ON 7/19 TO 7/24/15 TO ATTEND THE 2015 TEXAS DISTRICT AND COUNTY ATTORNEYS ASSOCIATION (TDCAA) PROSECUTOR TRIAL SKILLS COURSE.**

District Attorney Luis Saenz explained that the persons traveling are new prosecutors and the training is required.

Commissioner Sanchez motioned to approve the Travel for District Attorney’s Office Staff (3): Assistant District Attorneys Gabriel Guzman, Rachel Michalewicz and Sarah Pemelton to travel to Austin, Texas on 7/19 to 7/24/15 to attend the 2015 Texas District and County Attorneys Association (TDCAA) Prosecutor Trial Skills Course.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garza and carried unanimously.

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**(BB) DISTRICT ATTORNEY’S OFFICE STAFF (4): INVESTIGATORS WILLIAM MITCHELL, RICHARD GARZA, ROBERT BASALDU AND ANALYST APRIL DOMINGUEZ TO TRAVEL TO TEMPE, ARIZONA ON 6/1 TO 6/4/15 TO ATTEND THE CAMERON “KIP” HOLMES TWENTY-THIRD (23) ANNUAL SOUTHWEST BORDER MONEY LAUNDERING CONFERENCE.**

District Attorney Luis Saenz explained that this travel is grant-funded.

Commissioner Garza motioned to approve the Travel for District Attorney’s Office Staff (4): Investigators William Mitchell, Richard Garza, Robert Basaldu and Analyst April Dominguez to travel to Tempe, Arizona on 6/1 to 6/4/15 to attend the Cameron “Kip” Holmes Twenty-Third (23) Annual Southwest Border Money Laundering Conference.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sanchez and carried unanimously.



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**(D) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND HIDALGO COUNTY TO HOUSE HIDALGO COUNTY JAIL INMATES IN CAMERON COUNTY. (PSJ-COUNTY JUDGE)**

Sheriff Omar Lucio informed the Court that there is space at the Jail to house Hidalgo County Jail Inmates and noted that all the booking, on average a 3-hour process, will be done in Hidalgo County.

Commissioner Benavides inquired as to the number of inmates to be housed.

Sheriff Lucio responded that there will be (100) Hidalgo County inmates to be housed in Cameron County.

Commissioner Sanchez expressed concern with the possibility of Cameron County's jail population being close to capacity and questioned whether there is any obligation to house (100) inmates for Hidalgo County.

Sheriff Lucio responded that there is no obligation.

Commissioner Garza stated that he does not want this issue to compromise Cameron County's contract and upcoming negotiations with the U.S. Marshall's Office for the housing of federal inmates.

Commissioner Garza then inquired as to whether Hidalgo County will pick up an inmate who becomes ill.

Sheriff Lucio replied in the affirmative.

Commissioner Sanchez asked that the Interlocal be amended to include wording that makes it clear that this Interlocal is temporary and that any inmate can be sent back to Hidalgo County at the discretion of Cameron County.

Judge Sepulveda pointed out that Item (7) of the Interlocal addresses the issue of sending back inmates.

Commissioner Garza motioned to approve an Interlocal Agreement between Cameron County and Hidalgo County to house Hidalgo County Jail Inmates in Cameron County.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sanchez and carried unanimously.

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**(FF) SHERIFF OMAR LUCIO AND OFFICE STAFF (1): CHIEF JAILER MIKE LEINART TO TRAVEL TO BALTIMORE, MARYLAND ON 6/24 TO 7/3/15 TO ATTEND THE NATIONAL SHERIFF'S ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND EXHIBITION.**

Judge Sepulveda noted that the Sheriff will also be meeting with the U.S. Marshals Service in Washington, D.C. while attending the Travel in Baltimore, Maryland.

Commissioner Dominguez motioned to approve the Travel for Sheriff Omar Lucio and Office Staff (1): Chief Jailer Mike Leinart to travel to Baltimore, Maryland on 6/24 to 7/3/15 to attend the National Sheriff's Association Annual Conference and Exhibition.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sanchez and carried unanimously.

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**(Q) CONSIDERATION AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ENGINEER ASSESSMENT OF THE ADOLPH THOMAE, JR. COUNTY PARK FISHING PIER AND AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED WITH REPAIR RECOMMENDATIONS. (JEV-PARKS)**

Commissioner Garza motioned to acknowledge the Engineer Assessment of the Adolph Thomae, Jr.

County Park Fishing Pier and to proceed with the repair recommendations.

The motion was seconded by Judge Sepulveda and carried unanimously.

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**(R) DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION TO APPROVE MANAGEMENT PLAN (CONTRACT NO. 2015C05106) BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND U.S. FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE (USF&WS) FOR THE ADOLPH THOMAE, JR., COUNTY PARK. (JV-PARKS)**

Commissioner Garza motioned to approve the Management Plan between Cameron County and U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (USF&WS) for the Adolph Thomae, Jr., County Park.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sanchez and carried unanimously.

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**(S) CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL TO USE THE JOB ORDER CONTRACT FOR REPAIRS TO THE FISHING PIERS AT ADOLPH THOMAE, JR., COUNTY PARK. (JEV-PARKS)**

Commissioner Garza motioned to approve to use the Job Order Contract for Repairs to the Fishing Piers at Adolph Thomae, Jr., County Park.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

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## **CONSENT ITEMS**

**(2) CONSENT ITEMS.**

**(E) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF ERIC CISNEROS, NEHEMIAS BARRERA AND FELIPE MENDEZ, RESERVE PARK RANGERS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE FINDING THAT IT IS NECESSARY TO APPOINT THE RANGERS IN ORDER TO PROPERLY HANDLE THE BUSINESS OF THE PARK RANGER'S OFFICE THAT ORIGINATES IN THE PARK RANGER'S PRECINCT AND THAT THE APPOINTMENTS ARE VALID ONLY THROUGH THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR IN WHICH THE APPOINTMENTS ARE MADE OR THE CURRENT TERM OF THE APPOINTED PARK RANGER WHICH EVER ENDS SOONER. (AFJ-ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES)**

**(F) CONSIDERATION AND ACTION FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF JUAN L. DE LEON RESERVE DEPUTY CONSTABLE FOR PCT. 5 IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE FINDING THAT IT IS NECESSARY TO APPOINT THE DEPUTY IN ORDER TO PROPERLY HANDLE THE BUSINESS OF THE CONSTABLE'S OFFICE THAT ORIGINATES IN THE CONSTABLE'S PRECINCT 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 ELECTED CONSTABLE WHICH EVER ENDS SOONER. (AFJ-ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES)**

Commissioner Dominguez motioned to approve Consent Items No. 2 (E) and (F).

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sanchez and carried unanimously.

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## **ACTION ITEMS**

**(3) ACTION ITEMS.**

**(A) BUDGET AMENDMENTS, LINE ITEM TRANSFERS AND/OR SALARY SCHEDULES.**

Commissioner Benavides motioned to approve the budget amendments, line item transfers and/or salary schedules.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garza and carried unanimously.

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**(B) APPROVAL OF CLAIMS.**

Ms. Martha Galarza, County Auditor, asked the Court to approve the Claims as follows: Warrant No. 00342078 thru 00342707, and Warrant No. 00342712 thru 00342911; Healthcare Claims in the amount of \$811,354.74; Payroll in the amount of \$1,710,204.41; and to VOID Warrant No. 00332219, Warrant No. 00341835, Warrant No. 00336274, Warrant No. 00329778, Warrant No. 00342612, and Warrant No. 00342880.

Commissioner Garza motioned to approve the Claims as presented.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried as follows:

AYE: Commissioner Dominguez and Commissioner Garza

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Commissioner Benavides as to Warrant No. 00342677; Commissioner Sanchez as to all Claims that may affect him; and Judge Sepulveda as to CCRMA Claims.

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**(C) APPROVAL OF MINUTES. (TABLED)  
MARCH 23, 2015 - SPECIAL MEETING  
MARCH 26, 2015 - REGULAR MEETING  
MARCH 30, 2015 - SPECIAL MEETING  
APRIL 9, 2015 - REGULAR MEETING  
APRIL 13, 2015 - SPECIAL MEETING**

Commissioner Benavides motioned to TABLE this item.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sanchez and carried unanimously.

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**(U) 44<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT COURT JUDGE DAVID A. SANCHEZ AND OFFICE STAFF (5):  
COURT COORDINATOR PRISCILLA GUAJARDO, DEFENSE ATTORNEY GUSTAVO  
C. RUIZ, PROBATION OFFICERS ELIAS GUERRA, JR. AND FERNANDO REYNA  
AND MENTOR COORDINATOR STEPHEN HARRIS TO TRAVEL TO NATIONAL  
HARBOR, MARYLAND ON 7/26 TO 7/30/15 TO ATTEND THE ANNUAL VETERANS  
COURT CONFERENCE.**

**(GG) VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER SALVADOR J. CASTILLO AND OFFICE STAFF (1):  
ASSISTANT VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER LAURA LEE ORTIZ TO TRAVEL TO**

**NATIONAL HARBOR, MARYLAND ON 7/26 TO 7/30/15 TO ATTEND THE ANNUAL VETERANS COURT CONFERENCE.**

444<sup>th</sup> District Court Judge David A. Sanchez explained the importance of the travel and noted that this is the only annual training regarding the Veterans Court that the County attends.

Judge Sepulveda expressed his concern with the number of persons traveling and the total expense.

Commissioner Dominguez questioned why probation officers should be attending.

Judge David Sanchez replied that he is not familiar as to the specific courses offered.

Commissioner Garza questioned whether the travel is mandatory.

Commissioner Dominguez expressed concern with the number of people traveling and asked if it would be possible for one probation officer and one employee from the Veterans Service Office to attend.

Commissioner Dominguez motioned to approve for (4) persons to travel to National Harbor, Maryland on 7/26 to 7/30/15 to attend the Annual Veterans Court Conference, with one of the persons traveling being with the Veterans Service Office.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garza and carried as follows:

AYE: Commissioner Benavides, Commissioner Dominguez, Commissioner Garza and Judge Sepulveda

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Commissioner Sanchez

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**NOTE: Commissioner Garza briefly exited the Meeting at 11:14 a.m.**

**(V) 444<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT COURT JUDGE DAVID A. SANCHEZ TO TRAVEL TO SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS ON 8/2 TO 8/6/15 TO ATTEND THE ADVANCED FAMILY LAW COURSE.**

Commissioner Dominguez motioned to approve the Travel for 444<sup>th</sup> District Court Judge David A. Sanchez to travel to San Antonio, Texas on 8/2 to 8/6/15 to attend the Advanced Family Law Course.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried as follows:

AYE: Commissioner Benavides, Commissioner Dominguez, Commissioner Garza and Judge Sepulveda

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Commissioner Sanchez

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**NOTE: Commissioner Garza returned to the Meeting at 11:16 a.m.**

**(E) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING UPDATE ON 84TH STATE OF TEXAS LEGISLATIVE SESSION. (PSJ-COUNTY JUDGE)**

Mr. David Garcia, Interim County Administrator, informed the Court that there are approximately (10) days left in the Legislative Session. He reported that the Healthcare District Bill has passed and is on its way to the Governor's Office. He noted that the Omnibus Bill and the Border Security Bill are still being heard.

Commissioner Garza motioned to acknowledge the Report regarding an update on the 84<sup>th</sup> State of Texas Legislative Session.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sanchez and carried unanimously.

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**(F) CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO MAINTAIN RETIREMENT PLAN PROVISION WITH TEXAS COUNTY AND DISTRICT RETIREMENT SYSTEM (TCDRS) FOR PLAN YEAR 2016. (AFJ-ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES)**

Commissioner Dominguez motioned to approve to authorization to maintain the Retirement Plan Provision with Texas County and District Retirement System (TCDRS) for Plan Year 2016.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garza and carried unanimously.

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**(G) CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE A BROKERAGE SERVICE AGREEMENT AND BUSINESS ASSOCIATE AGREEMENT WITH GALLAGHER BENEFIT SERVICE, INC., FOR CONSULTING/BROKER SERVICES FOR THE DESIGN, IMPLEMENTATION AND EVALUATION FOR THE CAMERON COUNTY SELF FUNDED HEALTH PLAN ADMINISTRATION, BENEFITS PLAN DESIGN AND FUNDING FOR SELF FUNDED HEALTH PLAN, STOP LOSS, AGGREGATE STOP LOSS, PREFERRED PROVIDER ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES, EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, CAFETERIA PLAN, DENTAL, VISION, AND WORKERS COMPENSATION. (AFJ- ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES) (TABLED)**

Commissioner Garza motioned to TABLE this item.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dominguez and carried unanimously.

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**(H) CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO UTILIZE JOB ORDER CONTRACT FOR PRE-ENGINEERED METAL MAINTENANCE STORAGE BUILDINGS AT LOS INDIOS AND VETERANS INTERNATIONAL BRIDGES. (DV-CCDOT-CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT)**

Commissioner Garza motioned to approve authorization to utilize Job Order Contract for Pre-Engineered Metal Maintenance Storage Buildings at Los Indios and Veterans International Bridges.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

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**(I) CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO UTILIZE JOB ORDER CONTRACT #464-14-BUY BOARD WITH ALPHA BUILDING CORPORATION FOR PRE-ENGINEERED METAL MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT STORAGE BUILDINGS FOR LOS INDIOS AND VETERANS INTERNATIONAL BRIDGES. (DV-CCDOT-CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT)**

Commissioner Garza motioned to approve authorization to utilize Job Order Contract #464-14-Buy Board with Alpha Building Corporation for Pre-Engineered Metal Maintenance Equipment Storage Buildings for Los Indios and Veterans International Bridges.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried as follows:

AYE: Commissioner Benavides, Commissioner Dominguez, Commissioner Garza and Judge Sepulveda

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Commissioner Sanchez

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**(J) CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO UTILIZE JOB ORDER CONTRACT FOR GATEWAY BRIDGE TOLL BOOTH AND CANOPY REFURBISHMENT. (DV-CCDOT-CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT)**

Commissioner Garza motioned to approve authorization to utilize Job Order Contract for Gateway Bridge Toll Booth and Canopy Refurbishment.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dominguez and carried unanimously.

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**(K) CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO UTILIZE JOB ORDER CONTRACT #PCA3-100-14 WITH HUNT AND ASSOCIATES INC./SCOGGINS CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTORS, INC. FOR GATEWAY BRIDGE TOLL BOOTH AND CANOPY REFURBISHMENT PROJECT. (DV-CCDOT-CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT)**

Commissioner Garza motioned to approve authorization to utilize Job Order Contract #PCA3-100-14 with Hunt and Associates Inc./Scoggins Construction Contractors, Inc. for Gateway Bridge Toll Booth and Canopy Refurbishment Project.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried as follows:

AYE: Commissioner Benavides, Commissioner Dominguez, Commissioner Garza and Judge Sepulveda

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Commissioner Sanchez

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**(L) CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO UTILIZE JOB ORDER CONTRACT FOR GATEWAY BRIDGE SOUTHBOUND CANOPY, PHASE II. (DV-CCDOT-CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT)**

Commissioner Garza motioned to approve authorization to utilize Job Order Contract for Gateway Bridge Southbound Canopy, Phase II.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

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**(M) CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO UTILIZE JOB ORDER CONTRACT #TXMAS-14-560110 WITH SPAWGLASS CONTRACTORS, INC. FOR GATEWAY BRIDGE SOUTHBOUND CANOPY, PHASE II PROJECT. (DV-CCDOT-CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT)**

Commissioner Garza motioned to approve authorization to utilize Job Order Contract #TXMAS-14-560110 with Spawglass Contractors, Inc. for Gateway Bridge Southbound Canopy, Phase II Project.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dominguez and carried as follows:

AYE: Commissioner Benavides, Commissioner Dominguez, Commissioner Garza and Judge Sepulveda

NAY: None

ABSTAIN: Commissioner Sanchez

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**(O) CONSIDERATION AND AUTHORIZATION TO REDUCE THE SALARY OF SLOT NO. 15 FROM \$34,750.00 TO \$29,745.00 AND INCREASE SLOT NO. 24, 26, 32, 42 AND 43 FROM \$21,970.00 TO \$22,000.00; INCREASE SLOT NO. 18, 20, 21, 22, 23, 28 AND 33 FROM \$23,610.00 TO \$24,000.00; INCREASE SLOT NO. 16, 19, 27, 35, 36 AND 37 FROM \$24,850.00 TO \$25,000.00; INCREASE SLOT NO. 6, 25, 40 FROM \$26,578.00 TO \$27,000.00; INCREASE SLOT NO. 9 FROM \$29,330.00 TO \$29,745.00; THEREBY SETTING THE BASE STARTING SALARY TIER 1 TO \$22,000.00, TIER 2 TO \$24,000.00, TIER 3 TO \$25,000.00, TIER 4 TO \$27,000.00. (EG-DISTRICT CLERK)**

Commissioner Garza motioned to approve authorization to reduce the salary of Slot No. 15 from \$34,750.00 to \$29,745.00 and increase Slot No. 24, 26, 32, 42 and 43 from \$21,970.00 to \$22,000.00; increase Slot No. 18, 20, 21, 22, 23, 28 and 33 from \$23,610.00 to \$24,000.00; increase Slot No. 16, 19, 27, 35, 36 and 37 from \$24,850.00 to \$25,000.00; increase Slot No. 6, 25, 40 from \$26,578.00 to \$27,000.00; increase Slot No. 9 from \$29,330.00 to \$29,745.00; thereby setting the base starting salary Tier 1 to \$22,000.00, Tier 2 to \$24,000.00, Tier 3 to \$25,000.00, and Tier 4 to \$27,000.00.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

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**(T) 103<sup>RD</sup> DISTRICT COURT OFFICE STAFF (1): COURT BAILIFF JOSE C. GARZA TO TRAVEL TO FORT WORTH, TEXAS ON 8/23 TO 8/26/15 TO ATTEND THE TRAINING ANNOUNCEMENT-ARMORER CERTIFICATION-SIG SAUER PISTOLS.**

Commissioner Garza motioned to approve the Travel for 103<sup>rd</sup> District Court Office Staff (1): Court Bailiff Jose C. Garza to travel to Fort Worth, Texas on 8/23 to 8/26/15 to attend the Training Announcement-Armorer Certification-Sig Sauer Pistols.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dominguez and carried unanimously.

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**(P) CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF WEBQA MASTER SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR SOFTWARE FOR TRACKING PUBLIC INFORMATION REQUESTS. (DJV-LEGAL) (TABLED)**

Commissioner Benavides motioned to TABLE this item.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garza and carried unanimously.

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**(W) COMMISSIONER PCT. 4 DAN SANCHEZ TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS ON 5/28 TO 5/29/15 TO MEET WITH STATE LEGISLATORS AND AGENCY OFFICIALS.**

Commissioner Benavides asked to be added to the travel as she would like to meet with the new Land Commissioner.

Commissioner Sanchez noted that the dates of travel can be changed as needed and also recommended to add staff from Legal to attend.

Commissioner Benavides motioned to approve the Travel for Commissioner Pct. 4 Dan Sanchez to travel to Austin, Texas on 5/28 to 5/29/15 to meet with State Legislators and Agency Officials; and to approve the addition of Commissioner Sofia Benavides and County staff as deemed necessary.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dominguez and carried unanimously.

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**(X) COUNTY CLERK SYLVIA GARZA-PEREZ AND OFFICE STAFF (2): DATA ENTRY SUPERVISOR ROSEMARY RODRIGUEZ AND COMMISSIONERS COURT SECRETARY AIDE TREJO TO TRAVEL TO HOUSTON, TEXAS ON 6/14 TO 6/18/15 TO ATTEND THE 120TH ANNUAL COUNTY & DISTRICT CLERKS' CONFERENCE.**

Commissioner Sanchez motioned to approve the Travel for County Clerk Sylvia Garza-Perez and Office Staff (2): Data Entry Supervisor Rosemary Rodriguez and Commissioners Court Secretary Aide Trejo to travel to Houston, Texas on 6/14 to 6/18/15 to attend the 120th Annual County & District Clerks' Conference.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.



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**(DD) HEALTH DEPARTMENT OFFICE STAFF (1): BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DIRECTOR AMANDA CORKILL TO TRAVEL TO HURST, TEXAS ON 5/26 TO 5/28/15 TO ATTEND THE REGIONAL HEALTH PARTNERSHIP 9 & 10 LEARNING COLLABORATIVE CONFERENCE.**

Judge Sepulveda noted that this travel is grant related with no impact to the General Fund.

Commissioner Garza motioned to approve the Travel for Health Department Office Staff (1): Behavioral Health Director Amanda Corkill to travel to Hurst, Texas on 5/26 To 5/28/15 to attend the Regional Health Partnership 9 & 10 Learning Collaborative Conference.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sanchez and carried unanimously.

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**(HH) DISCUSSION REGARDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016 BUDGET CALENDAR AND BUDGET PRIORITIES. (MG- AUDITOR)**

Mr. Xavier Villarreal, 1<sup>st</sup> Assistant Auditor, presented the most recent status as to the Budget and stated that the proposed Budget Calendar was emailed to the Court. He noted that the adoption of the tax rate and the Budget is scheduled for September 10, 2015 and asked for direction as to the transfer of the \$1.7 million back to the Road & Bridge Fund and the discretionary compensation allowance.

Commissioner Garza instructed Mr. Villarreal to make his projections incorporating the \$1.7 million and the discretionary compensation allowance and without.

Commissioner Garza motioned to acknowledge the discussion regarding the Fiscal Year-2016 Budget Calendar and Budget Priorities.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

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**(CC) EXTENSION AGENT/COUNTY-AGRICULTURE DR. ENRIQUE PEREZ TO TRAVEL TO COLLEGE STATION, TEXAS ON 5/27 TO 5/29/15 TO PARTICIPATE IN A MANDATORY 2015 TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY GRASSFED BEEF CONFERENCE. (TABLED)**

Commissioner Benavides motioned to TABLE this item.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garza and carried unanimously.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

**(4) PRESENTATIONS/RESOLUTIONS.**

**(A) PRESENTATION OF 2014 AUDIT ON COMMISSARY IN COMPLIANCE WITH LGC SECTION 351.0415. (MG-COUNTY AUDITOR)**

Mr. Rafael Garcia, Assistant County Auditor, presented the 2014 Audit on the Commissary and reported on his findings and recommendations.

Commissioner Garza motioned to acknowledge the Presentation of the 2014 Audit on Commissary in Compliance with LGC Section 351.0415.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sanchez and carried unanimously.

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**(C) PRESENTATION OF THE SECOND QUARTER REVENUE REPORT FOR THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT. (JEV-PARKS)**

Commissioner Garza motioned to acknowledge the Presentation of the Second Quarter Revenue Report for the Parks and Recreation Department.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sanchez and carried unanimously.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Sanchez and carried unanimously, the Court met in Executive Session at 12:08 P.M. to discuss the following matters:

**(5) EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**(A) DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1135 E. VAN BUREN STREET AND BEING BLOCK 177 OF THE BROWNSVILLE ORIGINAL TOWNSITE, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.**

**(B) CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING ANTONIO HUIZAR VS. CAMERON COUNTY CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION; IN THE 445TH DISTRICT COURT; CAUSE NO. 2015-DCL-01407-I, FOR AUTHORITY TO REPRESENT THE COUNTY, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071(1)(a).**

**(C) CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING POSSIBLE INCENTIVES FOR PROJECT SIZZLE ROMAN AND SIZZLE VIKING, COMPANIES PROPOSING TO LOCATE IN CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A., GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (2).**

**(D) DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF TAX ABATEMENT INCENTIVE REQUEST FOR ANNOVA LNG BROWNSVILLE PROJECT, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (2) AND 551.087.**

**(E) CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS COURT LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING THE STATUS, FUTURE HANDLING, POSSIBLE SETTLEMENT AND LEGAL ISSUES ARISING IN TWO**

**LOCAL PENDING CASES, POLSKY V. CAMERON COUNTY AND THE CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS, CASE. NO. 2014-DCL-02790, IN THE 103<sup>RD</sup> DISTRICT COURT OF CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS AND POLSKY V. CAMERON COUNTY AND JERRY PATTERSON, COMMISSIONER OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE, CASE NO. 2013-CCL-01414, IN THE COUNTY COURT AT LAW NO. 1, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS, DIRECTLY INVOLVING THE COUNTY, AND THEIR CONNECTION TO AND THEIR ABATEMENT ON ACCOUNT OF PENDING CURRENT APPELLATE LITIGATION BETWEEN THE PARTIES TO POLSKY V. STATE, CASE NUMBER 03-14-00068-CV IN THE 3<sup>RD</sup> COURT OF APPEALS, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071(1) (A) & (B) & (2).**

- (F) DELIBERATION REGARDING THE POSSIBLE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, EVALUATION, AND DUTIES OF THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR, AS PERMITTED BY V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.074.**

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Upon motion by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Sanchez and carried unanimously, the Court reconvened into Regular Session at 1:07 P.M. to discuss the following matters:

**(6) ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

- (A) DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1135 E. VAN BUREN STREET AND BEING BLOCK 177 OF THE BROWNSVILLE ORIGINAL TOWNSITE, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.072.**

Commissioner Dominguez motioned to acknowledge the Report.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sanchez and carried unanimously.

- (B) CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS COURT LEGAL COUNSEL CONCERNING ANTONIO HUIZAR VS. CAMERON COUNTY CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION; IN THE 445TH DISTRICT COURT; CAUSE NO. 2015-DCL-01407-1, FOR AUTHORITY TO REPRESENT THE COUNTY, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071(1)(a).**

Commissioner Garza motioned to allow the Legal Department to represent.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sanchez and carried unanimously.

- (C) CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS' COURT LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING POSSIBLE INCENTIVES FOR PROJECT SIZZLE ROMAN AND SIZZLE VIKING, COMPANIES PROPOSING TO LOCATE IN CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A., GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (2).**

Commissioner Dominguez motioned to acknowledge the Report.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sanchez and carried unanimously.

- (D) DISCUSSION AND CONSIDERATION OF TAX ABATEMENT INCENTIVE REQUEST FOR ANNOVA LNG BROWNSVILLE PROJECT, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (2) AND 551.087.**

Commissioner Dominguez motioned to acknowledge the Report.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Sanchez and carried unanimously.

- (E) CONFER WITH COMMISSIONERS COURT LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING THE STATUS, FUTURE HANDLING, POSSIBLE SETTLEMENT AND LEGAL ISSUES ARISING IN TWO**

**LOCAL PENDING CASES, POLSKY V. CAMERON COUNTY AND THE CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS, CASE. NO. 2014-DCL-02790, IN THE 103<sup>RD</sup> DISTRICT COURT OF CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS AND POLSKY V. CAMERON COUNTY AND JERRY PATTERSON, COMMISSIONER OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE, CASE NO. 2013-CCL-01414, IN THE COUNTY COURT AT LAW NO. 1, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS, DIRECTLY INVOLVING THE COUNTY, AND THEIR CONNECTION TO AND THEIR ABATEMENT ON ACCOUNT OF PENDING CURRENT APPELLATE LITIGATION BETWEEN THE PARTIES TO POLSKY V. STATE, CASE NUMBER 03-14-00068-CV IN THE 3<sup>RD</sup> COURT OF APPEALS, PURSUANT TO V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071(1) (A) & (B) & (2).**

Commissioner Dominguez motioned to acknowledge the Report.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garza and carried unanimously.

**(F) DELIBERATION REGARDING THE POSSIBLE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, EVALUATION, AND DUTIES OF THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR, AS PERMITTED BY V.T.C.A. GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.074.**

Commissioner Sanchez motioned to appoint Mr. David Garcia as the permanent County Administrator.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

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There being no further business to come before the Court, upon motion by Commissioner Sanchez, seconded by Commissioner Garza and carried unanimously, the meeting was **ADJOURNED** at 1:08 P.M.

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**APPROVED** this 30<sup>th</sup> day of **July 2015**

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**PETE SEPULVEDA, JR.**  
**COUNTY JUDGE**

**ATTEST:**

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**SYLVIA GARZA-PEREZ,**  
**COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO CLERK**  
**OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF**  
**CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS**