

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF CAMERON

BE IT REMEMBERED on the 4th day of FEBRUARY, 1997, there was conducted a **REGULAR Public 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:

5:05 P. M.

PRESENT:

GILBERTO HINOJOSA
COUNTY JUDGE

PEDRO "PETE" BENAVIDES
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 1

CARLOS H. CASCOS, C.P.A.
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 2

JAMES R. MATZ
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 3

HECTOR PEÑA
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 4

Hilda V. Treviño Deputy
COUNTY CLERK

ABSENT:

The meeting was called to order by Judge Gilberto Hinojosa. He then asked Mr. Bob Clark, Brownsville resident, for the invocation and Commissioner Cascos to lead the Court and the audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Court considered the following matters as posted and filed for Record in the Office of the County Clerk on January 31, 1997, at 2:15 P.M., and the Supplemental Agenda posted and filed for Record on January 31, 1997, at 3:23 P.M.:

(1) APPROVAL OF COUNTY CLAIMS

At this time, Mr. Mark Yates, County Auditor, highlighted the Tax Collection as referenced in the Budget Officer's Comments Report and presented an additional late claim as to the Texas Recreation and Parks System (T.R.A.P.S), Warrant No. 28855, in the amount of \$1,092.50, for approval.

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, the County Claims were approved as presented by the County Auditor, inclusive of the additional late claim, as to Warrant No. 28855, in the amount of \$1,092.50.

The Budget Officer's Comments Report is as follows:

(2) **APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENTS
AND/OR SALARY SCHEDULES**

At this time, Commissioner Cascos questioned whether the amount of the District Attorney's Hot Check Fund was an increase or an offset and the County Auditor responded that the Budget was set up yearly for said Fund, which was an offset to the Budget.

Commissioner Cascos moved that the Fiscal Year 1997 Budget Amendment No. 97-11 and the following Salary Schedules be approved:

Maintenance and Operation Consolidated Precincts - Fund No. 15-621;

Maintenance and Operation Precinct No. 1 - Fund No. 15-617;

Maintenance and Operation Precinct No. 2 - Fund No. 15-618;

Maintenance and Operation Precinct No. 3 - Fund No. 15-619;

Maintenance and Operation Precinct No. 4 - Fund No. 15-620;

Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 2-1 - Fund No. 10-454; and

County Attorney-Drug Forfeiture - Fund No. 90-475.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously.

The Budget Amendment and Salary Schedules are as follow:

(3) APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 28, 1997

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held January 28, 1997, at 5:05 P.M., were approved.

(4) IN THE MATTER OF A RESOLUTION HONORING RETIRED CONSTABLE CARLOS Z. GRACIA (TABLED)

Upon motion by Judge Hinojosa, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, this Item was (TABLED).

(5) ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMITTAL OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS, UNDER THE TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISASTER RELIEF FUND

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, the Resolution authorizing the submittal of a Grant Application to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs, under the Texas Community Development Disaster Relief Fund, was adopted.

The Resolution is as follows:

**(6) ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
THE SUBMISSION OF A CONTINUATION
GRANT APPLICATION TO THE GOVERNOR-S
OFFICE CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION FOR
THE PRECINCT NO. 8 CONSTABLE-S CRIME
WATCH PROGRAM**

Commissioner Cascos moved that the Resolution be adopted authorizing the submission of a Continuation Grant Application to the Governor-s Office Criminal Justice Division for the Precinct No. 8 Constable-s Crime Watch Program.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

The Resolution is as follows:

(7) **ADOPTION OF THE REVISED BY-LAWS FOR
THE CAMERON COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, the Revised By-Laws for the Cameron County Library System were adopted.

The By-Laws are as follow:

(8) ADOPTION OF A CHANGE IN THE HOUR OF DAY FOR THE REGULAR COMMISSIONERS-COURT MEETINGS FROM 5:05 P.M. TO 4:00 P.M. AND LEAVING TUESDAY AS THE DESIGNATED DAY OF THE WEEK FOR THE MEETING

At this time, Commissioner Cascos expressed his support for the hour change of the Meetings, with the condition that the Executive Session be held at 4:00 P.M. and that the Regular Meeting begin after 5:00 P.M. to allow public participation, but noted that his preference was to retain the hour of 5:05 P.M.

Judge Hinojosa expressed his opposition to the hour change and added that the Commissioners Court was the only Governmental Entity in the County that held the public meetings during the day, which was unfair to the public.

The County Auditor suggested that the Bid Openings be read for the record before 5:00 P.M. and added that the hour change of 5:00 P.M. caused conflicts with certain County Officials participation at City Commission Meetings held throughout the County.

Commissioner Cascos moved that the change in the hour of the day for the Regular Commissioners Court Meetings from 5:05 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. be adopted, and that Tuesday be retained as the designated day of the week for the Meetings; with the caveat that the Executive Session Items be held at 4:00 P.M. and that the Regular Meeting begin after 5:00 P.M. to ensure public participation.

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

AYE: Commissioners Benavides, Cascos, Matz and Peña

NAY: Judge Hinojosa.

(9) IN THE MATTER OF IMPROVEMENTS TO A CERTAIN ROAD PROVIDING ACCESS TO THE LEAL SUBDIVISION, RANGERVILLE, TEXAS, CAMERON COUNTY PRECINCT NO. 4 (TABLED)

(10) IN THE MATTER OF PROVIDING EGRESS AND INGRESS ON HERNANDEZ ROAD (TABLED)

There was some discussion regarding the maintenance of said road by the County, and whether the road was out of the city limits, and the suggestion was made that this Item be Tabled for further evaluation and research.

Upon motion by Commissioner Peña, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, these Items were **(TABLED)** for one (1) week.

(11) ACTION ON THE RELOCATION OF THE PERSONNEL DEPARTMENT AND THE COMMISSIONERS= COURT LEGAL DIVISION AND AUTHORIZATION FOR THE NECESSARY CONSTRUCTION TO IMPLEMENT THE RELOCATION

At this time, Mr. Doug Wright, Cameron County Counsel, stated that the cost of said Project would be the amount of \$500.00 to \$1,000.00, noting that said funding would be allocated from the Courthouse Maintenance and Operation Fund.

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, the relocation of the Personnel Department and the Commissioners=Court Legal Division, and the necessary construction to implement the relocation were approved.



(12) IN THE MATTER OF THE CONTRACT FOR JANITORIAL/CUSTODIAL SERVICES AT THE LA FERIA BRANCH-TAX OFFICE BETWEEN IRMA C. FLORES AND CAMERON COUNTY (TABLED)

At this time, there was some discussion concerning the Contract being reviewed by County Counsel and the Tax Assessor-Collector prior to the Meeting and the suggestion was made to Table the Item for further review.

Upon motion by Commissioner Peña, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, this Item was **(TABLED)** for one (1) week, subject to Legal review of the Contract.



(13) APPROVAL TO REVISE AND UPDATE ANY AND ALL SIGNATURE CARDS, WHERE APPLICABLE UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF MS. YOLANDA DE LEON/COUNTY (CRIMINAL DISTRICT) ATTORNEY WITH THE INTERNATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE

Commissioner Matz moved that the Signature Cards be revised and updated, where applicable, under the Supervision of Ms. Yolanda de Leon/County (Criminal District) Attorney with the International Bank of Commerce.

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

AYE: Commissioners Benavides, Cascos, Matz and Peña

NAY: None

ABSTAINED: Judge Hinojosa.

The Resolution is as follows:

(14) AUTHORIZATION TO SOLICIT BIDS FOR THE ANNUAL RENTAL OF A COMMERCIAL BROCHURE RACK AT THE NEW ISLA BLANCA PARK REGISTRATION OFFICE

Commissioner Matz moved that Bids be solicited for the Annual Rental of a Commercial Brochure Rack at the new Isla Blanca Park Registration Office.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously.

(15) ACTION ON THE POSSIBLE CONSTRUCTION OF A WAREHOUSE FOR THE STORAGE OF SEIZED VEHICLES

At this time, Mr. Lee Lozano, Fleet Maintenance Director, reported that the space for the storage of vehicles was costly and suggested that a storage warehouse be built to store the County vehicles.

Judge Hinojosa stated that once the Road Consolidation was in effect, all the equipment would be consolidated into the Precinct No. 3 Warehouse and added that a Security Guard would be hired to protect the assets at the facility. He suggested that the best approach would be to secure the existing fence, which would save the County the cost of obtaining an additional warehouse.

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, the possible construction of a warehouse for the storage of seized vehicles was acknowledged.

(16) AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN A NEW CELLULAR SERVICE LINE FOR THE CAMERON PARK INSPECTOR

Commissioner Cascos moved that a new Cellular Service Line be opened for the Cameron Park Inspector.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously.

(17) IN THE MATTER OF AWARDING THE CONTRACT TO DANNEBAUM ENGINEERING FOR THE UNIT ROAD CONSOLIDATION PROJECT (TABLED)

At this time, Judge Hinojosa recommended that a Proposal be submitted to the Court within ninety (90) days by the Road Consolidation Committee.

Commissioner Matz suggested that the Committee should evaluate the two (2) Proposals submitted in 1994, noting that the Proposals contained a former County Engineer which could provide insights to said Project and suggested that the Committee consult with other Counties utilizing the Road Consolidation System.

Judge Hinojosa recommended that the member of the Committee should tour Collins County and all the different Counties in the State that had good Consolidated Programs, noting that the expenses incurred by the Committee should be allocated from the Road and Bridge Budget.

Commissioner Matz stated that numerous information was submitted to the State Comptroller's Office by the Precincts and suggested that the State Comptroller's Audit be obtained to retrieve the information available, which would be useful for the Project.

Judge Hinojosa moved that this Item be **(TABLED)**.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cascos.

At this time, Mr. Doug Wright, Cameron County Counsel, recommended that this item be finalized as opposed to being Tabled, by taking action to reject the negotiations and added that the Court had previously directed the Engineering Department to negotiated with Dannebaum to enter into the Contract.

Commissioner Cascos expressed concern regarding whether the Committee had the background to perform the work that an Engineer would do and added that there were two (2) members of the Committee that were not advocates of road consolidation.

Judge Hinojosa stated that the two (2) individuals had publicly announced their support for the Road Consolidation and added that they would do what was in the best interest of the County.

Upon motion duly made to Table this Item by Judge Hinojosa, seconded by Commissioner Cascos; the motion carried as follows:

AYE: Commissioners Benavides, Cascos and Judge Hinojosa

NAY: Commissioners Matz and Peña.

(18) APPOINTMENT OF MS. HELEN A GUZMAN, MS. MARVELIA PIZAÑA AND MS. ELVIRA ORTIZ, TO THE CAMERON COUNTY CHILD WELFARE BOARD

Commissioner Cascos moved that the following individuals be appointed to the Cameron County Child Welfare Board:

Ms. Helen A. Guzman, Harlingen, Texas,

Ms. Marvelia Pizaña, Brownsville, Texas, and

Ms. Elvira Ortiz, Brownsville, Texas.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

(19) AUTHORIZATION FOR THE PARKS SYSTEM DIRECTOR TO TRAVEL TO AUSTIN, TEXAS, FOR 1-2 DAYS PER WEEK, AS NEEDED DURING THE LEGISLATIVE SESSION TO COORDINATE WITH THE STATE OFFICIALS, TEXAS RECREATION AND PARKS SYSTEM (T.R.A.P.S.) LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE AND THE LEGISLATIVE OFFICIALS ON MATTERS AFFECTING FUNDING FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT PARK GRANTS

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the Parks System Director was authorized to travel to Austin, Texas, for one (1) to two (2) days per week, as needed during the Legislative Session to coordinate with the State Officials, Texas Recreation and Parks System (T.R.A.P.S.) Legislative Committee and Legislative Officials on matters affecting funding for the Local Government Park Grants.

(20) ACCEPTANCE OF THE GRANT AWARD FOR THE UNIFIED NARCOTICS INTELLIGENCE TASK FORCE FROM THE OFFICE OF THE NATIONAL DRUG CONTROL POLICY (ONDCP) AND THE SOUTH TEXAS HIGH INTENSITY DRUG TRAFFICKING AREA (HIDTA)

Commissioner Cascos moved that the Grant Award for the Unified Narcotics Intelligence Task Force be accepted from the Office of the National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) and the South Texas High Intensity Drug Trafficking Area (HIDTA).

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Judge Hinojosa and carried unanimously.

(21) APPROVAL TO LEASE ADDITIONAL OFFICE SPACE FROM B. P. NEWMAN FOR THE UNIFIED NARCOTICS INTELLIGENCE TASK FORCE

Upon motion by Commissioner Benavides, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, additional office space was leased from B. P. Newman for the Unified Narcotics Intelligence Task Force.

The Agreement is as follows:

(23) **AUTHORIZATION FOR THE BROWNSVILLE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB TO COORDINATE PARKING DURING CHARRO DAYS ON COUNTY PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE ORIGINAL TOWNSITE OF BROWNSVILLE, BLOCK NO. 173, LOTS NO. 1 THROUGH NO. 6 (BEHIND 7TH AND 8TH STREETS ON HARRISON STREET)**

At this time, Mr. Mark Yates, County Auditor, expressed concern regarding the donation to a non-profit organization and the liabilities to the County.

Mr. Doug Wright, Cameron County Counsel, stated that there were policy problems involved due to the leasing of County Property to the general public.

Upon motion by Commissioner Benavides, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, the Brownsville Boys and Girls Club was authorized to coordinate parking during Charro Days on County Property located on the Original Townsite of Brownsville, Block No. 173, Lots No. 1 through No. 6 (behind 7th and 8th Streets on Harrison Street), subject to the execution of a License Agreement.

The Agreement is as follows:

(24) AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES FOR THE DESIGN OF THE SHERIFF/CONSTABLE RURAL SUB-STATIONS

Commissioner Cascos moved that the Request for Proposals be advertised for Architectural Services for the design of the Sheriff/Constable Rural Sub-Stations.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peña.

Commissioner Cascos explained that the Request for Proposals was to obtain an Architect to design one (1) prototype building for the Sheriff/Constable Rural Sub-Stations in the subdivisions within the County at a minimal cost.

Commissioner Matz suggested that the existing available buildings be considered before constructing the additional sub-stations.

Upon motion duly made by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the advertisement of Request for Proposals for the Architectural Services for the design of the Sheriff/Constable Rural Sub-Stations was approved.

(25) AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO AN AUTOMATED CLEARING HOUSE AGREEMENT WITH THE INTERNATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE

Commissioner Peña moved that the Automated Clearing House Agreement be executed with the International Bank of Commerce, subject to Legal review.

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

AYE: Commissioners Benavides, Cascos, Matz and Peña

NAY: None

ABSTAINED: Judge Hinojosa

The Agreement is as follows:

(22) **APPROVAL OF THE RESERVE DEPUTY
CONSTABLES FOR PRECINCTS NO. 1 AND 7**

At this time, there was some discussion concerning the establishment of control over the Deputies being hired by the County and the suggestion was made to Table the Reserve Deputy Constable for Precinct No. 1 for further evaluation.

Judge Hinojosa moved that Mr. Julio Gonzalez, Reserve Deputy Constable for Precinct No. 7, be approved and that the Reserve Deputy Constable for Precinct No. 1 be **TABLED**.

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

AYE: Commissioners Benavides, Cascos and Peña

NAY: None

ABSTAINED: Commissioner Matz.

The Bond is as follows:

CONSENT AGENDA ITEM

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE RECOMMENDED FOR ACONSENT® AND WERE EITHER RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT HEAD, WITHIN BUDGET OR AWARDED TO THE LOW BIDDER:

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the

AConsent® Agenda Items were approved as follow:

(26) APPROVAL OF TRAVEL AND/OR TRAVEL EXPENSES FOR THE FOLLOWING, SUBJECT TO FUNDS IN THEIR BUDGET:

- a) County Clerk and two (2) Deputies to attend the A25th Annual County and District Clerks-Continuing Education Seminar® in College Station, Texas, on March 19-22, 1997;
- b) Commissioners- Court to attend the A39th Annual County Judges and Commissioners Continuing Education Conference and Educational Exposition® in Weslaco, Texas, on February 23-25, 1997;
- c) Commissioner Precinct No. 4 Foreman to attend the AUsed Oil Conference® in Dallas, Texas, on February 24, 1997;
- d) Constable Precinct No. 5 and Deputy to attend the A24-Hour Civil Process Seminar® in Corpus Christi, Texas, on May 11-14, 1997;
- e) Commissioners- Court Civil Legal Department Attorney to attend the AUltimate Skills Workshop® in Austin, Texas, on February 1-4, 1997;
- f) Two (2) Health Department employees to attend the ATexas Public Health Association 72nd Annual Convention® in San Antonio, Texas, on February 15-19, 1997;
- g) Health Department employee to attend the ADirector-s Training Meeting with Women-s, Infants, and Children (WIC) State Agency Officials® in Austin, Texas, on January 27-30, 1997;
- h) Health Department Administrator to serve as a Member of the Steering Committee for the Children-s Health Transition Project in Austin, Texas, on February 3, 1997;
- I) Health Department Administrator to participate in the AAll-Well Planning Conference® in San Antonio, Texas, on February 7, 1997;
- j) Health Department Administrator to serve as a Member of the Steering Committee for the Children-s Health Transition Project in Austin, Texas, on February 17, 1997;
- k) Health Department Administrator to serve as a member of the Steering Committee for the Children-s Health Transition Project in Austin, Texas, on February 10, 1997;

- l) Health Department employee to attend the ATexas Perinatal Association Planning Committee Meeting@ in Weslaco, Texas, on February 11, 1997;
- m) Unified Narcotic Intelligence Task Force Investigator to attend the ATexas District and County Attorney-s Association@ in Austin, Texas, on February 24-28, 1997;
- n) Chief Juvenile Probation Officer to attend the ASouth Texas Chief-s Meeting@ in Laredo, Texas, on December 5, 1996;
- o) Chief Juvenile Probation Officer to attend the ALower Rio Grande Valley Development Council Meeting@ in Edinburg, Texas, on December 16, 1996;
- p) Juvenile Probation Officer to attend the A10th Annual Juvenile Law Conference@ in Austin, Texas, on February 21-22, 1997;
- q) County Engineer to meet with Mexican Officials regarding the Los Tomates International Bridge Project in Mexico City, Mexico, on February 5-6, 1997;
- r) Chief Juvenile Probation Officer to attend the ATexas Corrections Association Arrangements and Program Planning Committee Meeting@ in Laredo, Texas, on February 7, 1997;
- s) Five (5) Juvenile employees to attend the ATexas Corrections Association Regional Conference@ in Laredo, Texas, on February 15-18, 1997;
- t) Juvenile Probation IV-E Placement Officer to attend the ATexas Juvenile Probation Commission Training@ in Austin, Texas, on February 11, 1997; and
- u) Health Department employee to attend the AWomen-s, Infants, and Children (WIC) Directors Regional Meeting@ in Edinburg, Texas, on February 11, 1997.



(27) PRELIMINARY APPROVAL

a) Precinct No. 1

El Naranjal Section I Subdivision - being a 76.828 acre tract consisting of all of Lots Nos. 4, 5, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, and 19, acres of Lot No. 5 of Block No. 407, as shown on the Map of El Jardin Re-Subdivision, as recorded in Volume 4, Page 48;

b) Precinct No. 4

Taylor-Balli Ranch Subdivision - being a 4.99 acre resubdivision of all of Block No. 42, Stuart Place Subdivision; and

c) Precinct No. 4

Country Manor Subdivision - being a resubdivision of 3.49 acres of land out of Lot No. 2, Pendleton Resubdivision of Block No. 4, Stuart Place Subdivision.

(28) PRELIMINARY AND FINAL APPROVAL

a) Precinct No. 3

Northern Acres Subdivision - being a subdivision of 5.00 acres out of Block No. 29 and being the East half of the South half of Block No. 29, of the Briggs and Coleman Subdivision of Section 49;

b) Precinct No. 3

Dos Caballos de Fierro Subdivision - being 1.873 acres of land out of Block No. 210, San Benito Land and Water Company Subdivision.

(29) AUTHORIZATION TO RENEW THE ANNUAL BIDS/PROPOSALS FOR ONE (1) ADDITIONAL YEAR

- a) CAFETERIA INSURANCE PLAN
- b) FINANCING FOR EQUIPMENT REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NO. 96-02-01
- c) PEST CONTROL SERVICES NO. 1600
- d) ARMORED CAR SERVICES NO. 1180
- e) ROAD MATERIALS - DRAINAGE NO. 2520
- f) ROAD MATERIALS - EMULSION OILS NO. 2540
- g) ROAD MATERIALS - FLEXIBLE BASE NO. 2560
- h) ROAD MATERIALS - SURFACING NO. 2580
- I) MOSQUITO INSECTICIDES NO. 2430
- j) LUBRICANTS, OILS, GREASES AND ANTI-FREEZE NO. 2380

(30) AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN BIDS/REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

- a) ANNUAL BID NO. 1520 FOR MICROFILMING - VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS
- b) ANNUAL BID NO. 1500 FOR CAUSEWAY LIGHTING REPAIRS - QUEEN ISABELLA

The Bids/Request for Proposals follow:

(31) AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD BIDS

- a) ANNUAL BID NO. 1480 FOR VEHICLE LEASING

CAPPS RENT-A-CAR - Dallas, Texas

Description	Cost
Pontiac Grand Am	\$565.00
Chevrolet Monte Carlo 3.1 V6	\$585.00
Dodge Intrepid	\$635.00
Ford Crown Victoria	\$795.00
Ford Ranger Regular Cab Manual	\$385.00
Ford Ranger Super Cab Automatic	\$550.00
Ford or Chevy Full Size Aw® Wide	\$485.00

Silverado Regular Cab Fleet	\$510.00
Dodge Slt Laramie	\$510.00
Silverado Extended Cab Sportside	\$550.00
Silverado Extended Cab Fleetside	\$550.00
Dodge Extended Cab Slt Laramie	\$535.00
Silverado Extended Cab Z71 4x4	\$595.00
Dodge Extended Cab Slt Laramie 4x4	\$595.00
Ford F150 XLT Extended Cab V8 Fleet	\$550.00
Ford F150 XLT Extended Cab 4x4 V8	\$595.00
Ford Explorer XLT 2WD	\$595.00
Ford Cargo Van	\$595.00

b) **BID FOR TRASH COMPACTOR - PARKS SYSTEM DEPARTMENT**

CARDENAS MOTORS - Brownsville, Texas

Trash Compactor Truck 4 Wheel Drive - \$33,534.00



(30) AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN BIDS/REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

a) ANNUAL BID NO. 1520 FOR MICROFILMING - VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS

The Bids/Request for Proposals are as follow:

(30) AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN BIDS/REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

b) ANNUAL BID NO. 1500 FOR CAUSEWAY LIGHTING REPAIRS -
QUEEN ISABELLA

The Bids/Request for Proposals are as follow:

SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA

**(1) AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS NO. 97-02-01 FOR
EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, the advertisement for Request for Proposals No. 97-01-01 for Employee Health Insurance was approved.

At this time, Judge Hinojosa stated that there were problems regarding said issue at the Committee Meeting and suggested that all the issues should be addressed prior to the Meetings and the Personnel Director responded that the Insurance Committee did not get an opportunity to discuss the matter.

The County Auditor stated that the deadline to implement a new plan was May 1, 1997, and added that the authorization to advertise for the Proposals would allow the County to meet the deadline.

(32) EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, the Court met in Executive Session at 7:00 P.M. to discuss the following matters:

- a) Confer with County Counsel concerning the Personnel of the County Clerk's Office involving the matter in which the duty of the Attorney to the Governmental Body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of the Professional Conduct of the State Board of Texas clearly conflicts with the Open Meetings Act, and possible litigation; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071(A)&(2);
- b) Confer with County Counsel concerning the retention of Legal Counsel for purposes of acquiring Right-of-Way for a drainage outfall ditch for the development of the Harlingen Industrial Park; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071(2);
- c) Confer with County Counsel concerning the restrictive use of the thirty (30) acres at the Los Indios Trade Bridge; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071(2);
- d) Confer with County Counsel concerning the possible litigation regarding the Darrell Hester Juvenile Justice Center; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071(1)(A); and
- e) Confer with County Counsel concerning the proposed terms of the revised Lease with Charlie's Paradise Bar in the Isla Blanca Park; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071.

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, the Court reconvened in Regular Session at 7:55 P.M.

(33) ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a) Confer with County Council concerning the Personnel of the County Clerk's Office involving the matter in which the duty of the Attorney to the Governmental Body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Board of Texas clearly conflicts with the Open Meetings Act, and possible litigation.

Judge Hinojosa recommended that the Status Report by Mr. Joe G. Rivera, County Clerk, should be acknowledged regarding said matter.

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, the Status Report by Mr. Joe G. Rivera, County Clerk, was acknowledged regarding the Personnel of the County Clerk's Office, involving the matter in which the duty of the Attorney to the Governmental Body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Board of Texas clearly conflicts with the Open Meetings Act, and the possible litigation.

- b) Confer with County Council concerning the retention of Legal Counsel for purposes of acquiring Right-of-Way for a drainage outfall ditch for the development of the Harlingen Industrial Park.

Mr. Doug Wright, Cameron County Counsel, recommended that the County Judge should be authorized to sign the Contract for Professional Services for the acquiring the Right-of-Way for the drainage outfall ditch for the development involving the Texas Department of Transportation.

Commissioner Matz moved that the County Judge be authorized to sign the Contract for Professional Services for purposes of acquiring Right-of-Way for a drainage outfall ditch for the development involving the Texas Department of Transportation.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously.

- c) Confer with County Council concerning the restrictive use of the thirty (30) acres at Los Indios Trade Bridge.

The County Attorney recommended that the Status Report by County Council should be acknowledged regarding said matter.

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the Status Report by County Council was acknowledged regarding the restrictive use of the thirty (30) acres at Los Indios Trade Bridge.

- d) Confer with County Council concerning the possible litigation regarding the Darrell Hester Juvenile Justice Center.

Mr. Doug Wright, Cameron County Counsel, recommended that County Council should be authorized to file Civil Litigation regarding said matter.

Commissioner Matz moved that County Council be authorized to file Civil Litigation regarding the Darrell Hester Juvenile Justice Center.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously.

- e) Confer with County Council concerning the proposed terms of the revised Lease with Charlie-s Paradise Bar in the Isla Blanca Park.

The County Attorney recommended that County Council should be authorized to continue the negotiations with Charlie-s Paradise Bar.

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, County Council was authorized to continue the negotiations regarding the proposed terms of the revised Lease with Charlie-s Paradise Bar in the Isla Blanca Park.

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There being no further business to come before the Court, upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, the meeting was **ADJOURNED**.

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APPROVED this **11th** day of **February, 1997**.

COUNTY JUDGE

ATTEST:

**COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO CLERK
OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF
CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS.**