

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF CAMERON

BE IT REMEMBERED on the 15th day of APRIL, 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:

4:00 P. M.

PRESENT:

GILBERTO HINOJOSA  
COUNTY JUDGE

COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 1

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

COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 3

HECTOR PEÑA  
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 4

Hilda V. Treviño Deputy  
COUNTY CLERK

ABSENT:

PEDRO "PETE" BENAVIDES

JAMES R. MATZ

The meeting was called to order by Judge Gilberto Hinojosa.

The Court considered the following matters as posted and filed for Record in the Office of the County Clerk  
on April 11, 1997, at 2:42 P.M.:

**(1) AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN BIDS AND/OR REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

Commissioner Peña moved that the following Bids and/or Request for Proposals be opened:

- a) Disk Drive (DASD) 33G.B. - IBM AS/400 Model 510 (Add on);
- b) Pickup - Parks System Department; and
- c) Request for Proposal No. 97-03-01-1300 for the Collection of Delinquent Fines and Court Costs.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously.

**The Bids and/or Request for Proposals follow:**

**(1) AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN BIDS AND/OR REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

A)DISK DRIVE (DASD) 33G.B. - IBM AS/400 MODEL 510 (ADD ON)

**The Bids Are As Follow:**

**(1) AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN BIDS AND/OR REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

**B) PICKUP - PARKS SYSTEM DEPARTMENT**

**The Bids Are As Follow:**

**(1) AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN BIDS AND/OR REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

C) Request For Proposal No. 97-03-01-1300 For The Collection Of Delinquent Fines And Court Costs

**The Request For Proposals Are As Follow:**

**(2) EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Upon motion by Commissioner Peña, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, the Court met in Executive Session at 4:10 P.M. to discuss the following matters:

- a) Confer with County Counsel concerning the potential litigation regarding the Dancy Building; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071 (1)(A&B);
- b) Confer with County Counsel concerning the potential litigation regarding the Adult Probation Office Project; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071 (1)(A&B);
- c) Confer with County Counsel concerning the Cameron County Health Authority involving matters in which the duty of the Attorney to the Governmental Body conflicts with the V.T.C.A. Government Code, Section 551.001 et. seq.; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071 (2);
- d) Confer with County Counsel for the settlement offer in the case styled Cesario Leal, III, vs. Cameron County, 1995-CCL-00208-B; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071 (B); and
- e) Confer with County Counsel concerning the Employees Benefits/Health Insurance Program involving matters in which the duty of the Attorney to the Governmental Body conflicts with the V.T.C.A. Government Code, Section 551.001 et. seq.; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071 (2).

At this time, Judge Hinojosa 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.

Upon motion by Commissioner Peña, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, the Court reconvened in Regular Session at 5:30 P.M.



At this time, Judge Hinojosa reported that Commissioner Matz was recuperating at home and stated that he sent a Memorandum to the Court, which would be made part of the record.

**The Memorandum Is As Follows:**

**(3) ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- a) Confer with County Council concerning the potential litigation regarding the Dancy Building.

Judge Hinojosa recommended that the Status Report by County Council should be acknowledged regarding said matter.

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, the Status Report by County Council was acknowledged concerning the potential litigation regarding the Dancy Building.

- b) Confer with County Council concerning the potential litigation regarding the Adult Probation Office Project.

Judge Hinojosa recommended that the Status Report by County Council should be acknowledged regarding said matter.

Commissioner Cascos moved that the Status Report by County Council be acknowledged regarding the potential litigation concerning the Adult Probation Office Project.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously.

- c) Confer with County Council concerning the Cameron County Health Authority involving matters in which the duty of the Attorney to the Governmental Body conflicts with the V.T.C.A. Government Code, Section 551.001 et. seq.

Mr. Doug Wright, Cameron County Counsel, recommended that the Status Report by County Council should be acknowledged regarding said matter.

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, the Status Report by County Council was acknowledged regarding the Cameron County Health Authority involving matters in which the duty of the Attorney to the Governmental Body conflicts with the V.T.C.A. Government Code, Section 551.001 et. seq.

- d) Confer with County Council for the settlement offer in the case styled Cesario Leal, III, vs. Cameron County, 1995-CCL-00208-B.

Mr. Doug Wright, Cameron County Counsel, recommended that the settlement, in the amount of \$10,000.00, should be authorized.

Commissioner Cascos moved that the settlement offer, in the amount of \$10,000.00, be approved regarding the case styled Cesario Leal, III, vs. Cameron County, 1995-CCL-00208-B.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously.

- e) Confer with County Council concerning the Employees Benefits/Health Insurance Program involving matters in which the duty of the Attorney to the

Governmental Body conflicts with the V.T.C.A. Government Code, Section 551.001 et. seq.

Judge Hinojosa recommended that the Status Report by County Counsel should be acknowledged regarding said matter.

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, the Status Report by County Counsel was acknowledged concerning the Employees Benefits/Health Insurance Program involving matters in which the duty of the Attorney to the Governmental Body conflicts with the V.T.C.A. Government Code, Section 551.001 et. seq.



**(4) APPROVAL OF COUNTY CLAIMS**

At this time, Mr. Mark Yates, County Auditor, presented the following additional late claims for approval:

International Toll Bridge I & S, Fund No. 81, Warrant No. 33407, in the amount of \$200,000.00;

Los Tomates Bridge I & S, Fund No. 75, Warrant No. 33408, in the amount of \$65,000.00; and

Southwestern Bell, Warrant No. 33409, in the amount of \$19,830.43.

Upon motion by Commissioner Peña, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, the County Claims were approved as presented by the County Auditor, inclusive of the following additional late claims:

Warrant No. 33407, in the amount of \$200,000.00;

Warrant No. 33408, in the amount of \$65,000.00; and

Warrant No. 33409, in the amount of \$19,830.43.

**The Budget Officer's Comments Report is as follows:**



(5) **IN THE MATTER OF THE BUDGET AMENDMENTS AND/OR SALARY SCHEDULES (NO ACTION TAKEN)**

At this time, Mr. Mark Yates, County Auditor, reported that there were no Budget Amendments and/or Salary Schedules for approval.

(6) **IN THE MATTER OF THE MINUTES OF MARCH 25, 1997, AND APRIL 1, 1997 (TABLED)**

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

(7) **PRESENTATION OF THE AUDIT COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT, THE INTERNATIONAL TOLL BRIDGE SYSTEM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND THE PARKS SYSTEM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 1996, BY THE COUNTY AUDITOR-S OFFICE AND BURTON, MCCUMBER AND PRICHARD, CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS**

At this time, Mr. Mark Yates, County Auditor, presented Mr. John Whitten and Mr. Richard Burton, Auditing Firm of Burton, McCumber and Prichard, Certified Public Accountants, and noted that the Financial Report, which included the County's highlights, had been submitted to the Bond Underwriting Rating Agencies and the Reporting Agencies.

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, the presentation of the Audit Comprehensive Annual Financial Report, the International Toll Bridge System Financial Statements and the Parks System Financial Statements for the Fiscal Year 1996, by the County Auditor-s Office and Burton, McCumber and Prichard, Certified Public Accountants, was acknowledged.

**The Report is as follows:**

**(8) APPROVAL OF THE CONTRACT WITH ANTHEM HEALTH AND LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY FOR THE EMPLOYEES HEALTH/BENEFITS INSURANCE PLAN**

At this time, Mr. Mark Yates, County Auditor, recommended that County Counsel should be allowed to negotiate the Contract and that the County Judge should be authorized to sign off on any Contract.

Mr. Doug Wright, Cameron County Counsel, recommended that the County Auditor, and Mr. Remi Garza, Executive Assistant to the County Judge, be included in negotiating the Contract as a Committee.

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, the Committee consisting of Mr. Doug Wright, Cameron County Counsel, Mr. Mark Yates, County Auditor, and Mr. Remi Garza, Executive Assistant to the County Judge, were authorized to negotiate the Contract with Anthem Health and Life Insurance Company for the Employees Health/Benefits Insurance Plan, and the County Judge was authorized to execute the Contract.

**The Contract is as follows:**

**(9) APPROVAL OF THE OFFICIAL BOND FOR  
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE DAVID WISE**

Commissioner Cascos moved that the Official Bond for Justice of the Peace David A. Wise, Precinct No. 5 Place 2, be approved.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously.

**The Bond is as follows:**

**(10) ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE CREATION OF AN ADDITIONAL DISTRICT COURT EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 1998, AND AN ADDITIONAL COUNTY COURT AT LAW NO. 3, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 1999**

At this time, Judge Hinojosa explained that the Court passed a Resolution during the previous Legislative Session, supporting an additional County Court at Law, and adding that currently a proposed Bill would create a County Court at Law, which would provide Family Law Jurisdiction to all the other County Courts at Law, in order to divide up the workload among the District Courts in the area of Family Law. He stated that the County Court at Law would be effective January 1, 1999, in order to defer the time in terms of the cost, due to the Legislature proposing to create a Statutory Juvenile Court, which would handle all Juvenile matters, as a priority and all general jurisdiction matters as a second priority. Judge Hinojosa noted that the cost for the additional District Court would be the amount of \$150,000.00 to \$200,000.00, and that the cost of the additional County Court at Law would be \$300,000.00.

Commissioner Cascos expressed concern regarding whether the resources would be available to pay for the additional Courts and whether other services would be lessened, in order to the pay for the Courts.

Judge Hinojosa recommended that one (1) additional District Court be created and that the County Court at Law provide Family Law Jurisdiction, which would be handled in all the County Courts at Law.

Commissioner Peña moved that Resolution supporting the creation of an additional District Court effective January 1, 1998, and the additional County Court at Law No. 3, effective January 1, 1999, be adopted.

At this time, Commissioner Cascos expressed his opposition to the matter due to the lack of knowledgeable resources in paying for the additional Courts and suggested that the County Auditor identify the resources for the allocations. He expressed concern regarding the shortfall for the fiscal year in the Budget and the County Auditor responded that there would be a shortfall of \$250,000.00 in the General Budget for the current year.

Commissioner Cascos recommended that the County Auditor should produce a number that the County Court at Law would potentially generate, in order to examine and make a decision, and suggested that the matter be Tabled until the majority of Court was present.

Mr. Yates stated that he would produce a report including the number of cases filed yearly to show the growth and would work with the County Clerk's Office to retrieve the status of Court Collections.

Judge Hinojosa recommended that the Resolution be passed and sent to Representative Jim Solis, due to the time frame and stated that the Item would be placed on the Agenda for the next Meeting, in order to obtain a full vote for the Resolution.

Commissioner Peña moved that the Resolution supporting the creation of an additional District Court effective January 1, 1998, and an additional County Court at Law No. 3 effective January 1, 1999, be adopted.

The motion was seconded by Judge Hinojosa and carried as follows:

**AYE:** Commissioner Peña and Judge Hinojosa

**NAY:** None

**ABSTAINED:** Commissioner Cascos.

**The Resolution is as follows:**

(11) **APPROVAL OF THE PURCHASE WITHOUT THE PURCHASE ORDER, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$14.04, FROM ALAMO IRON WORKS**

Commissioner Cascos moved that the Purchase without the Purchase Order, in the amount of \$14.04, from Alamo Iron Works be approved.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously.

(12) **AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE A MOBILE PHONE/SERVICES FOR A CREW LEADER AND AN ASSISTANT CREW LEADER FOR PRECINCT NO. 1**

At this time, Commissioner Cascos recommended that this Item be Tabled until Commissioner Benavides was present and the Policy for Mobile Phone/Services was implemented, noting that the Road and Bridge employees were currently provided with radios to communicate with the Precinct Headquarters.

Judge Hinojosa suggested that a Policy should be established, in which each Precinct was allowed two (2) mobile phones for the Commissioner and the Foreman, in order to maintain consistency among the Precincts.

Commissioner Peña moved that one (1) Mobile Phone/Service be approved for Precinct No. 1.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cascos.

Mr. Mark Yates, County Auditor, expressed concern whether the Mobile Phone Service would be unlimited and the recommendation was made that the stipend, in the amount of \$100.00, should apply to said matter.

Commissioner Cascos suggested that a Policy should be developed for the mobile phones and clarified that the Policy was being adopted allowing each Precinct two (2) mobile phones for the Commissioner and the Foreman.

Upon motion duly made by Commissioner Peña, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, the Policy allowing two (2) mobile phones for each Precinct for the Commissioner and the Foreman was adopted.

At this time, the County Auditor presented and highlighted the Policy on Cellular Telephones that was implemented in January, 1997.

Judge Hinojosa stated that the County Attorney had advised him that the Policy for the Precincts, which was not part of the Agenda Item, could not be adopted at this time and clarified that only one (1) mobile phone/service was approved for Precinct No. 1 consistent with the Policy presented by the County Auditor.

Upon motion duly made by Commissioner Peña, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, the purchase of one (1) mobile phone/service was approved for Precinct No. 1, consistent with the Policy on Cellular Telephones presented by the County Auditor.

**The Policy on Cellular Telephones is as follow:**

**(13) AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE A MOBILE PHONE/SERVICE FOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PRECINCT NO. 7**

At this time, Judge Hinojosa stated that the Justices of the Peace had a significant problem responding to inquests and arraignment calls and added that the Justices of the Peace covered large areas of the County, due to the rotation on weekends

Judge Hinojosa moved that the Purchase of a Mobile Phone/Service for Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 7 be approved.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously.

**(14) IN THE MATTER OF ACCEPTING THE PUBLIC ROAD LEADING TO LEAL SUBDIVISION INTO THE COUNTY ROAD SYSTEM AND AUTHORIZING THE IMPROVEMENT AND MAINTENANCE**

At this time, Commissioner Peña stated that the sixty foot (60") Right-of-Way requested by the Court had been obtained and noted that Mr. Joe Paredes, Right-of-Way Agent - Precinct No. 1, had acquired the signatures of the residents donating the Right-of-Way.

Commissioner Cascos expressed concern regarding more roads being accepted into the County Road System and added that the County could not handle the workload on the current roads. He stated that if said road was accepted, the County should stand ready to accept every requested public road into the system.

Mr. Juan Bernal, County Engineer, stated that a survey needed to be conducted on the road.

Commissioner Peña stated that the survey could not be conducted until the drainage problem was corrected and suggested that the Item be Tabled, until the drainage problem was corrected, in order to conduct the survey.

Commissioner Cascos clarified that the road was not being accepted into the System and that the Court was giving Commissioner Peña permission to do the drainage work.

Mr. Doug Wright, Cameron County Counsel, stated that the Statutes that allowed the work to be performed on a public road were the same statutes that dealt with the drainage issue and questioned the status of determining whether the road was a public road and Commissioner Peña responded that the findings determined it to be a public road, which was established the week before.

Judge Hinojosa recommended that the Item should be Tabled with the understanding that the road was not being accepted into the County Road System and that the Court would give the permission to conduct the drainage

work. He explained to the Leal Subdivision residents that the drainage problem had to be addressed, in order to conduct the survey and start the process of accepting the road into the County Road System.

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

**(15) APPROVAL OF TAX REFUNDS**

Upon motion by Commissioner Peña, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, the following erroneous payment Tax Refunds were approved:

- a) Magna Mortgage, in the amount of \$770.68,
- b) Jim Johnson International Materials, in the amount of \$10,759.52, and
- c) Community Housing and Economic Development Corporation, in the amount of \$530.52.

**(16) AUTHORIZATION TO UTILIZE THE STATE OF TEXAS GENERAL SERVICES COMMISSION QUALIFIED INFORMATION SYSTEMS CATALOG VENDOR (QISV) - GOVERNMENT RECORDS SERVICES FOR HIGH SPEED DIGITAL CONVERSION PHOTOSTAT SOURCE IMAGES WITH SECURITY IMAGE FOR PHOTOSTATIC BOOK RECREATION SERVICES FOR THE COUNTY CLERK-S DEPARTMENT**

At this time, Mr. Manuel Saenz, Chief Deputy - County Clerk, stated that there were 437 books that needed to be microfilmed, in order to remain within State Guidelines, and added that Government Records Services, Incorporated, provided the best offer for scanning and recreating the Photostatic Record Books, that being \$686.50 per book.

Commissioner Cascos moved that the State of Texas General Services Commission Qualified Information Systems Catalog Vendor (QISV) - Government Records Services be utilized for High Speed Digital Conversion Photostat Source Images with Security Image for Photostatic Book Recreation Services for the County Clerk-s Department.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously.

**The Contract is as follows:**



**(17) APPROVAL OF THE CONTRACT AMENDMENT EXTENDING THE EXPIRATION DATE FOR THE EPA CAMERON PARK RECYCLING CENTER CONTRACT FROM MARCH 31, 1997, TO AUGUST 31, 1997**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, the Contract Amendment extending the expiration date for the Environmental Protection Agency Cameron Park Recycling Center Contract from March 31, 1997, to August 31, 1997, was approved.

**(25) AUTHORIZATION FOR CAMERON COUNTY PRO BONO PROJECT TO UTILIZE THE GARCIA ROOM, 4TH FLOOR CAMERON COURTHOUSE, ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING FOR OFFICE SPACE**

At this time, Mr. Remi Garza, Assistant to the County Judge, reported that there were no responses to the Memorandum sent regarding the utilization of the Garcia Room, but noted that the Room was utilized as the Emergency Management Center during hurricanes and other emergencies.

Judge Hinojosa clarified that the Garcia Room was utilized as the Emergency Management Center and became the County's Command Post in emergency situations, noting that the issue of any confidential files would need to be arranged.

Upon motion by Commissioner Peña, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, the Cameron County Pro Bono Project was authorized to utilize the Garcia Room, 4th Floor Cameron County Courthouse, Administrative Building for Office Space.

Judge Hinojosa recommended that a Memorandum of Agreement be executed with the County Attorney and Judge Ben Neece, Municipal Court, and added that the Cameron County Pro Bono Project would be transferred to the Old Courthouse once the renovations were completed.

**(18) ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE 1997 TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM COLONIA CONSTRUCTION FUND, ON BEHALF OF THE TIERRA BONITA, GRANDE ACRES AND LA PALOMA CUT-OFF COLONIAS, AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO ACT IN ALL MATTERS PERTAINING TO SAID APPLICATION**

**(19) ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION TO THE 1997 TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM COMMUNITY**

**DEVELOPMENT FUND, ON BEHALF OF THE VALLE ESCONDIDO AND VALLE HERMOSO COLONIAS AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO ACT IN ALL MATTERS PERTAINING TO SAID APPLICATION**

- (20) **ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE 1997 TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM COLONIA AREA PLANNING FUND, ON BEHALF OF THE DEL MAR AND ARROYO COLORADO ESTATES COLONIAS AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO ACT IN ALL MATTERS PERTAINING TO SAID APPLICATION**
- (21) **ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE 1997 TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM PLANNING AND CAPACITY BUILDING FUND, ON BEHALF OF THE OLMITO WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO ACT IN ALL MATTERS PERTAINING TO SAID APPLICATION**
- (22) **ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE 1997 TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM COLONIA COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING FUND, AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO ACT IN ALL MATTERS PERTAINING TO SAID APPLICATION**

Commissioner Peña moved that the Resolutions authorizing the submission of the Applications to the following 1997 Texas Community Development Program Funds be approved and that the County Judge be authorized to act in all matters pertaining to said Applications:

- a) Colonia Construction Fund, on behalf of the Tierra Bonita, Grande Acres and La Paloma Cut-off Colonias;
- b) Community Development Fund, on behalf of the Valle Escondido and Valle Hermoso Colonias;
- c) Colonia Area Planning Fund, on behalf of the Del Mar and Arroyo Colorado Estates Colonias;
- d) Planning and Capacity Building Fund, on behalf of the Olmito Water Supply Corporation; and
- e) Colonia Comprehensive Planning Fund.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously.

**The Resolutions are as follow:**

**(23) AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT HIDDEN DRIVE  
AND HIDDEN VALLEY SUBDIVISION INTO THE  
COUNTY ROAD SYSTEM**

Upon motion by Commissioner Peña, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, Hidden Drive and Hidden Valley Subdivision were accepted into the County Road System.

At this time, Judge Hinojosa expressed concern regarding the difference of said roads and the Leal Subdivision Road.

Mr. Doug Wright, Cameron County Counsel, explained that said roads were paved and improved roads and prescribed by the Subdivision.

Commissioner Cascos stated that the difference of the roads was the cost of bringing them up to County Standards and added that the Leal Subdivision roads would cost the amount of \$40,000.00 and that the Hidden Valley Subdivision Road would be at no cost to the County.

Mr. Wright explained that there was a difference in acquiring Title and stated that if donation deeds were received, the County would have a Fee Title, as opposed to the easements received which would be reverted back to the joint property owners in smaller areas.



**(24) APPROVAL OF THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF  
HEALTH DOCUMENT NO. 7460004207 96,  
CHANGE NO. 11, ATTACHMENT NO. 8A W&C -  
FAMILY HEALTH/FEE**

Commissioner Cascos moved that the Texas Department of Health Document No. 7460004207 96, Change No. 11, Attachment No. 8A W&C - Family Health/Fee be approved.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously.

**The Contract 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 Peña 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 Sheriff and Major to attend the ANational Hurricane Conference® in Houston, Texas, on April 22-26, 1997;
- b) Health Department employee to meet with the Emergency Management of the Laredo Clinic in Laredo, Texas, on April 7-10, 1997;
- c) Health Department employee to assist the Emergency Management of the Laredo Clinic in Laredo, Texas, on March 31, 1997, through April 3, 1997;
- d) Two (2) Health Department employees to attend the ATexas Perinatal Association Planning Committee Meeting® in Weslaco, Texas, on April 17, 1997;
- e) Free Trade Bridge Economic Development Specialist to attend the A1997 Economic Development Administration Southwestern Region Annual Conference® in San Antonio, Texas, on May 28-30, 1997;
- f) Two (2) Engineering Department employees to attend the ANational Hurricane Conference® in Houston, Texas, on April 22-25, 1997; and
- g) Two (2) Engineering Building Inspectors to attend the A28th Annual Municipal Inspectors Training School® in College Station, Texas, on May 12-17, 1997.

**(27) AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD BID FOR ONE (1) PICKUP TRUCK (IN STOCK FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY) - ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT**

**(28) PRELIMINARY AND FINAL APPROVAL**

**a) Precinct No. 3**

Estes Estates No. 2 - a 2.000 acre tract of land, more or less, being 1.000 acres out of the Southwest Corner of Block No. 328, and 1.00 acres out of the Northwest Corner of Block No. 317, San Benito Land Irrigation Company.

**(29) AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD BIDS/PROPOSALS FOR SPORTS  
UTILITY VEHICLE - SHERIFF-S DEPARTMENT**

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

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**APPROVED** this **19th** day of **May, 1997**.

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**GILBERTO HINOJOSA**  
**COUNTY JUDGE**

**ATTEST:**

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