

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF CAMERON

BE IT REMEMBERED on the 16th day of SEPTEMBER, 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

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 Pro-tem Carlos H. Cascos.

The Court considered the following matters as posted and filed for Record in the Office of the County Clerk on September 12, 1997, at 3:56 P.M.:

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

Upon motion by Commissioner Benavides, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, the following Bids and/or Request for Proposals were opened:

- a) County Community Centers Improvements;
- b) County Adult Probation Office Project - Renovations;
- c) Annual Bid No. 1880 Radio Tower Rental - Sheriff's Department; and
- d) Request for Proposal No. 97-08-01 Boca Chica Park and Wildlife Refuge - Architectural Services.

The Bids and/or Request for Proposals are as follow:

(2) EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Peña 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 Sunny Skies Colonia on a matter in which the duty of the Attorney to the Governmental Body conflicts with the Open Records Act; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071 (2);
- b) Deliberation regarding the Real Property concerning the Property Management Coordinator to conduct appraisal surveys of Brownsville Original Townsite, Block No. 173, Lots Nos. 7-11; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.072;
- c) Deliberation regarding the purchase of the Real Property located in La Feria; containing 1.50 acres, known as Part of Block No. 50, Minnesota-Texas Land and Irrigation Company Subdivision; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.072;
- d) Deliberation regarding the Real Property concerning the authorization to release County easements related to the General Services Administration Property in the Los Tomates Bridge Project; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.072;
- e) Confer with County Counsel concerning the possible lease of Atwood Park Land for a concession stand; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071 (1)(2); and
- f) Confer with County Counsel for consideration of the claim on the case styled Juanita Longoria, et. al. vs. Cameron County; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071 (1)(A).

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 Matz, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, the Court reconvened in Regular Session at 5:15 P.M.



(3) ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a) Confer with County Counsel concerning the Sunny Skies Colonia on a matter in which the duty of the Attorney to the Governmental body conflicts with the Open Meetings Act.

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, the settlement to Mr. Roman Smigiel, property lienholder, was approved and County Counsel was authorized to negotiate with Mr. Ovidio Farias, property lienholder, regarding the promissory notes concerning the Sunny Skies Colonia on a matter in which the duty of the Attorney to the Governmental body conflicts with the Open Meetings Act.

- b) Deliberation regarding the Real Property concerning the Property Management Coordinator to conduct appraisal surveys of Brownsville Original Townsite, Block No. 173, Lots Nos. 7-11.

Commissioner Cascos moved that the Property Management Coordinator be directed to conduct an appraisal survey of the Real Property Brownsville Original Townsite, Block No. 173, Lots Nos. 7-11, subject to a Reimbursement Resolution.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously.

- c) Deliberation regarding the purchase of the Real Property located in La Feria, containing 1.50 acres, known as, part of Block No. 50, Minnesota-Texas Land and Irrigation Company Subdivision.

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, the purchase in the amount of \$50,024.00, and the closing of the transactions regarding the Real Property located in La Feria, containing 1.50 acres, known as part of Block No. 50, Minnesota-Texas Land and Irrigation Company Subdivision were approved.

- d) Deliberation regarding the Real Property concerning authorization to release County easements related to the General Services Administration Property in the Los Tomates Bridge Project.

Commissioner Benavides moved that the Real Property concerning County easements related to the General Services Administration Property in the Los Tomates Bridge Project be released.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously.

- e) Confer with County Counsel concerning the possible lease of Atwood Park Land for a concession stand.

Commissioner Matz moved that the issuance of the Request for Proposal for a concession stand at Atwood Park be approved.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously.

- f) Confer with County Counsel for consideration of the claim on the case styled Juanita Longoria, et. al. vs. Cameron County.

Commissioner Matz moved that the Status Report by County Counsel be acknowledged regarding the claim on the case styled Juanita Longoria, et. al. vs. Cameron County.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.



(4) APPROVAL OF COUNTY CLAIMS

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

Warrant No. 43375, as to Isaac G. Cantu, in the amount of \$54.00;

Warrant No. 43376, as to Roy S. Garcia, in the amount of \$54.00;

Warrant No. 43377, as to Joseph Lopez, in the amount of \$54.00;

Warrant No. 43378, as to Jaime Muñivez, in the amount of \$54.00;

Warrant No. 43380, as to Frank Sanchez, Jr., in the amount of \$83.50;

Warrant No. 43381, as to Constable Precinct No. 8 Crime Watch, in the amount of \$1,500.00; and

Warrant No. 43382, as to United States Postmaster, in the amount of \$1,000.00.

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

Warrant No. 43375, in the amount of \$54.00;

Warrant No. 43376, in the amount of \$54.00;

Warrant No. 43377, in the amount of \$54.00;

Warrant No. 43378, in the amount of \$54.00;

Warrant No. 43380, in the amount of \$83.50;

Warrant No. 43381, in the amount of \$1,500.00; and

Warrant No. 43382, in the amount of \$1,000.00.

**(5) IN THE MATTER OF THE BUDGET
AMENDMENTS AND/OR SALARY SCHEDULES
(TABLED)**

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

**(6) APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF AUGUST 26,
1997**

Commissioner Matz moved that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held August 26, 1997, at 4:00 P.M., be approved.

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

AYE: Commissioners Benavides, Matz and Peña

NAY: None

ABSTAINED: Commissioner Cascos.



(26) APPROVAL TO MAKE BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENTS ON VOTING TABULATION DISTRICTS (VTD) 23 AND 25 FROM JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PRECINCTS NO. 3 AND NO. 7, PURSUANT TO VERNON-S ANNOTATED TEXAS CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 5, SECTION 18 AND SUBCHAPTER B, SECTION 420321 AND SECTION 42.032

At this time, Judge Hinojosa explained that when the redistricting of the Justices of the Peace and Constable Precincts was implemented, Judge Gualberto Weaver, Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 7, Place No. 1, was left out of his Precinct and placed in the next Voting Boundary.

Commissioner Cascos moved that boundary adjustments be made on the Voting Tabulation Districts (VTD) 23 and 25 from Justice of the Peace Precincts No. 3 and No. 7, pursuant to Vernon-s Annotated Texas Constitution, Article 5, Section 18 and Subchapter B, Section 420321 and Section 42.032.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously.



(7) ADOPTION OF A PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING OCTOBER 1997, AS AVOTER REGISTRATION MONTH®

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, the Proclamation designating October 1997, as AVoter Registration Month® was adopted.

The Proclamation is as follows:

(8) AUTHORIZATION TO REFUND TAXES

Commissioner Cascos moved that the taxes be refunded to the following:

- a) Zimmerman Brothers, Incorporated - in the amount of \$577.47, Change Value - Agreed Judgement;
- b) Joinville Finance - in the amount of \$604.91, Change Value - Agreed Judgement;
- c) National Seafood, Incorporated - in the amount of \$510.21, Change Value - Agreed Judgement; and
- d) Sara Salinas - in the amount of \$558.01, erroneous payment.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously.

(9) IN THE MATTER OF THE AGREEMENT WITH RANCHO VIEJO FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE TO PROVIDE DISPATCH SERVICES ON ITS RADIO COMMUNICATION SYSTEM AND TO PROVIDE JAIL SPACE FOR PRISONERS FROM RANCHO VIEJO (TABLED)

At this time, Commissioner Cascos expressed concern as to the compensation issues regarding a prisoner per diem and as to whether the County had similar Agreements with other municipalities. He suggested that an Addendum should be incorporated into the Agreement, in order to charge Rancho Viejo a per diem for their prisoners.

Mr. Mark Yates, County Auditor, responded that the County did not have similar Contracts and recommended that the wording on the Agreement reflect that the payments be payable to the County Treasurer, as opposed to the County Auditor.

Judge Hinojosa stated that the clarification needed to be established as to when the per diem would end for the prisoners being transferred.

Ms. Yolanda de Leon, District Attorney, noted that the different types of prisoners and cases would need to be clarified, in order to determine the per diem.

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, this Item was **TABLED** for further clarification on the matter regarding the per diem.

(10) AUTHORIZATION FOR THE C.A.S.A. PROGRAM TO UTILIZE A PORTION OF THE GARCIA ROOM IN THE CAMERON COUNTY COURTHOUSE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

At this time, Judge Hinojosa explained that the C.A.S.A. Program dealt with abused children and allowed volunteers to monitor the children under the Child Protective Services.

Mr. Remi Garza, Executive Assistant to the County Judge, noted that the Program would need to be prepared to evacuate the Garcia Room, which was the Emergency Operating Center, should the need occur.

Commissioner Benavides moved that the C.A.S.A. Program be authorized to utilize a portion of the Garcia Room in the Cameron County Courthouse Administration Building.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously.

At this time, Mr. Doug Wright, Cameron County Counsel, noted that there were confidentiality issues to consider, due to the two (2) Programs which would be housed at the same location.

(11) AUTHORIZATION OF THE WAIVER OF HOTEL REIMBURSEMENT FOR THE XXII MEETING OF THE UNITED STATES-MEXICO BINATIONAL GROUP ON BRIDGES AND BORDER CROSSINGS IN SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO, TO TAKE PLACE SEPTEMBER 22-23, 1997

At this time, Commissioner Cascos expressed concern as to the Policy being deviated regarding the \$75.00 limit on travel and suggested that a Travel Policy should be created incorporating the certain criteria regarding said issue.

There was some discussion as to when the amount over the \$75.00 should be applied when traveling and the suggestion was made that the Policy should include flexibility, in order to reimburse the additional funds being spent by the individuals.

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, the waiver of hotel reimbursement was approved for the XXII Meeting of the United States-Mexico Binational Group on Bridges and Border Crossings in Santa Fe, New Mexico, to take place September 22-23, 1997, subject to a Policy being created, in order to maintain fairness within the County Departments.

(12) APPROVAL TO PURCHASE FIVE (5) BILL BOARDS (TWO LARGE AND THREE (3) SMALL) FROM ROTULOS ABC FOR A TOTAL COST OF \$12,700.00, AS PART OF THE PROMOTION/ADVERTISING FROM THE APPROVED \$80,000.00, MARKETING BUDGET FOR THE FREE TRADE BRIDGE

(13) APPROVAL TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT FOR \$14,400.00, FOR TELEVISION AIR TIME/ADVERTISEMENT FROM THE TELEVISION STATION, XHAB-7, AS PART OF THE BROADCAST MEDIA ADVERTISING FROM THE APPROVED \$80,000.00, MARKETING BUDGET FOR THE FREE TRADE BRIDGE

- (14) **APPROVAL TO PURCHASE SIX (6) MONTHS (336 SPOTS) FROM THE RADIO STATION, XHMLS SOL 91.3 FM STEREO FOR A TOTAL COST OF \$2,520.00, AS PART OF THE BROADCAST MEDIA ADVERTISING FROM THE APPROVED \$80,000.00, MARKETING BUDGET FOR THE FREE TRADE BRIDGE**
- (15) **APPROVAL TO PURCHASE SIX (6) MONTHS (336 SPOTS) OF RADIO AIR TIME/ADVERTISEMENT FROM THE RADIO STATION, MATAMOROS XHVTH SUPER ESTELAR 107.1 FM STEREO FOR A TOTAL COST OF \$2,352.00, AS PART OF THE BROADCAST MEDIA ADVERTISING FROM THE APPROVED \$80,000.00, MARKETING BUDGET FOR THE FREE TRADE BRIDGE**
- (16) **APPROVAL TO PURCHASE TWELVE (12) MONTHS OF RADIO AIR TIME/ADVERTISEMENT FROM THE RADIO STATION, KGBT/1530 AM STEREO FOR A TOTAL COST OF \$10,800.00, AS PART OF THE BROADCAST MEDIA ADVERTISING FROM THE APPROVED \$80,000.00, MARKETING BUDGET FOR THE FREE TRADE BRIDGE**
- (17) **APPROVAL TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT FOR THE AMOUNT OF \$8,000.00, FOR A TELEVISION COMMERCIAL AND TELEVISION AIR TIME WITH THE TELEVISION ADVERTISING FIRM, CABLETIME, AS PART OF THE BROADCAST MEDIA ADVERTISING FROM THE APPROVED \$80,000.00, MARKETING BUDGET FOR THE FREE TRADE BRIDGE**

At this time, Mr. Joe Galvan, Bridge Systems Director, highlighted the Bridge Crossing Statistics from August 15, 1997, through September 15, 1997.

Judge Hinojosa expressed concern as to the Bridge being closed before the closing time at 12:00 P.M., which inconvenienced County residents and added that the Bridge would not be utilized by the public if their expectations were not met.

Commissioner Matz moved that following purchases and Contracts be approved as part of the promotion/advertising from the approved amount of \$80,000.00, Marketing Budget for the Free Trade Bridge:

- a) Purchase of five (5) bill boards (two (2) large and three (3) small) from Rotulos ABC for a total cost of \$12,700.00;
- b) Contract, in the amount of \$14,400.00, for television air time/advertisement from the Television Station, XHAB-7;
- c) Purchase of six (6) months (336 spots) from the Radio Station, XHMLS Sol 91.3 FM Stereo for a total cost of \$2,520.00;

- d) Purchase of six (6) months (336 spots) of radio air time/advertisement from the Radio Station, Matamoros XHVTH Super Estelar 107.1 FM Stereo for a total cost of \$2,352.00;
- e) Purchase of twelve (12) months of radio air time/advertisement from the Radio Station, KGBT 1530 AM Stereo for a total cost of \$10,800.00; and
- f) Contract, in the amount of \$8,000.00, for a television commercial and television air time with the Television Advertising Firm, Cabletime.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously.

The Report and Contracts are as follow:

(18) APPROVAL TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH THE CONSULTING FIRM OF CARTER AND BURGESS (HOUSTON/BROWNSVILLE) FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A STRATEGIC ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE FREE TRADE BRIDGE INDUSTRIAL CORRIDOR

Commissioner Peña moved that the Contract be executed with the consulting Firm of Carter and Burgess (Houston/Brownsville) for the development of a Strategic Economic Development Plan for the Free Trade Bridge Industrial Corridor.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously.

The Contract is as follows:

**(19) APPROVAL FOR THE ELECTIONS
ADMINISTRATOR TO CONTRACT WITH THE
BROWNSVILLE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL
DISTRICT TO CONDUCT THE BOND ELECTION
TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 8, 1997**

Upon motion by Commissioner Peña, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, the Election Administrator was authorized to contract with the Brownsville Independent School District to conduct the Bond Election to be held on November 8, 1997.

The Contract is as follows:

**(20) APPROVAL TO LEASE AN OPTICAL SCANNER
VOTING MACHINE TO THE LOS FRESNOS
CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL
DISTRICT FOR AN ELECTION TO BE HELD ON
SEPTEMBER 27, 1997**

Commissioner Peña moved that an optical scanner voting machine be leased to the Los Fresnos Consolidated Independent School District for an election to held on September 27, 1997.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously.

The Agreement is as follows:

- (21) **APPROVAL OF THE EARLY VOTING BRANCH OFFICE FOR THE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ELECTION OF NOVEMBER 4, 1997, AT THE HARLINGEN COUNTY BUILDING, 608 EAST HARRISON STREET, HARLINGEN, TEXAS**

- (22) **APPROVAL OF THE POLLING PLACES FOR THE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 1997**

At this time, Commissioner Matz questioned whether the concerns as to the polling places in the Laguna Heights area had been addressed and Ms. Amalia Cano Acevedo, responded that City Hall was recommended as a centralized location for said area.

Judge Hinojosa expressed concern as to the Brownsville Independent School Districts Bond Election and Constitutional Election being held on two (2) separate dates which would be costly to the School District.

Ms. Acevedo stated that the School District payed for their own election expenses plus an additional ten percent (10%) for Administrative Fees.

Upon motion by Commissioner Benavides, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, Early Voting Branch Office at the Harlingen County Building, 608 East Harrison Street, Harlingen, Texas, and the list of polling places were approved for the Constitutional Amendment Election of November 4, 1997.

The List is as follows:

(23) ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF THE CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION OF THE CONTINUING EDUCATION FOR MR. JOE G. RIVERA, CAMERON COUNTY CLERK, AS REQUIRED BY THE COUNTY AND DISTRICT CLERKS-ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, the Certificate of Completion of the Continuing Education for Mr. Joe G. Rivera, Cameron County Clerk, as required by the County and District Clerks= Association of Texas, was acknowledged.

The Certificate is as follows:

(24) AUTHORIZATION OF THE APPROVAL OF THE CONTRACT NO. 1165044: OUT STATIONED ELIGIBILITY WORKERS IN HEALTH CARE FACILITIES OF THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT FOR THE PERIOD OF OCTOBER 1, 1997, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 1998

At this time, Mr. Doug Wright, Cameron County Counsel, expressed concern as to the indemnification clause included in the Contract, but noted that there would be no exposure to the County.

Commissioner Peña moved that Contract No. 1165044: Out Stationed Eligibility Workers in Health Care Facilities of the Health Department for the period of October 1, 1997, through September 30, 1998, be approved.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

The Contract is as follows:

(25) APPROVAL OF THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH DOCUMENT NO. 7460004207A98, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$800,000.00, FOR FISCAL YEAR 1998

Upon motion by Commissioner Peña, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the Texas Department of Health Document No. 7460004207A98, in the amount of \$800,000.00, for Fiscal Year 1998, was approved.

The Contract is as follows:

(27) **AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE/RATIFY
RENEGOTIATED CONCESSION AGREEMENT
TERMS FOR CHARLIE-S PARADISE BAR**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, this Item was **TABLED** for one (1) week.

(28) **IN THE MATTER OF THE EXTENSION OF THE
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT
BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND
BICKERSTAFF, HEATH, SMILEY, POLLAN,
KEVER AND MCDANIEL, L.L.P. FOR THE LOS
TOMATES INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE
(TABLED)**

At this time, Mr. Mark Yates, County Auditor, stated that the expenditure, in the amount up to \$20,000.00, had been originally authorized by the Court and noted that a claim had been submitted two (2) weeks ago, in the amount of \$53,000.00, with an additional claim being currently submitted, in the amount of \$9,623.95.

Judge Hinojosa expressed concern as to where the expenditures were being originated and stated that an amount was paid to perform a substantial amount of work to negotiate the Construction Contract.

Mr. Mark Yates, County Auditor, stated that the Professional Services Agreement was made with a \$40,000.00 limit.

Judge Hinojosa expressed concern as to the work performed after the amount of \$53,000.00 was paid by the County.

Commissioner Matz suggested that the Item be Tabled, in order for the County Auditor and the County Attorney to review and renegotiate the bill and submit recommendations regarding the Contract.

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

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:**

At this time, Mr. Doug Wright, Cameron County Counsel, noted that there was concern as Item 30 Ab® in which an individual had constructed a roadway within a purchased lot and was intending to present the matter, in order to implement the road into the County Road System. He added that the developer intended to place a two foot (2') no

access easement across the adjoining property, in order to obtain contributions for the improvements and initial construction of the road.

Upon motion by Commissioner Benavides, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, the Consent Agenda Items were approved as follow, with Items No. 29 Ak and 30 Ab **TABLED**:

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

- a) Parks System Director to attend Meeting with Schlitterbahn Waterpark in New Braunfels, Texas, on September 6, 1997;
- b) Program Development and Management Director to attend the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council Solid Waste Committee Meeting in Weslaco, Texas, on September 9, 1997;
- c) Tactical Intelligence Agent to attend an Air Smuggling Techniques Training in Lajitas, Texas, on September 27, 1997, through October 5, 1997;
- d) Elections Administrator to attend the Secretary of State's Eighth Biennial Election Law Seminar for County Chairs in Austin, Texas, on September 26-27, 1997;
- e) Drug Enforcement Agent to exchange one (1) leased vehicle in San Antonio, Texas, on September 11, 1997;
- f) County Auditor to attend the Computer Training for new Software System in Houston, Texas, on September 23-26, 1997;
- g) Parks System Director to meet with Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) Officials and Texas Recreation and Parks System (TRAPS) Legislative Committee to discuss the Texas Recreation and Parks System Legislative Session for Fiscal Year 1997/1998;
- h) County Extension Agent (CEA-FCS) to attend the Governor's Volunteer Leadership Conference in San Antonio, Texas, on September 21-23, 1997;
- I) Two (2) County Extension Agents to attend the 1997 Training for ES237 in Laredo, Texas, on September 12, 1997;
- j) Two (2) County Extension Agents to attend the Annual Scheduling Meeting in Aguilares, Texas, on September 23-25, 1997;
- k) In the matter of the Assistant Health Administrator to attend the 5th Federal Emergency Management Act (FEMA) VI Hazardous Materials Workshop in Tulsa, Oklahoma, on September 22-25, 1997; **(TABLED)** and
- l) County Judge and International Bridge Systems Director to attend the AXXII Meeting of the United States-Mexico

(30) PRELIMINARY APPROVAL

a) Precinct No. 3

Nogalitos Subdivision - being a 49.58 acre tract of land which consists of all of Block No. 34, of the Fresnos Land and Irrigation Company Subdivision; and

b) Precinct No. 4

In the matter of Rancho Grande South Subdivision Section VI - being 101.465 acres comprised of all of Lot No. 30, Rio Bend Estates Subdivision, Unit No. 3 (7.928 acres; and 93.537 acres out of the Western and Northern portion of 591.85 acre tract, said 591.85 acres consisting of part of 392.50 acres per actual survey, same property described as a 389.2 acre tract in Deed Granting a 30 foot water transmission canal easement, form E.D. Palmer T.B. Mobley, dated February 9, 1955.
(TABLED)

(31) PRELIMINARY AND FINAL APPROVAL

a) Precinct No. 3

Lucila Barrera Subdivision - a 96.058 acre tract being Lot No. 5 and No. 6, Haris Gentry Subdivision, Section II;

b) Precinct No. 3

Mary Helen Subdivision - being the North five (5.00) acres of land out of Block No. 17, Hosfeld Park Subdivision; and

c) Precinct No. 4

Dos Camelias Subdivision - being 3.97 acres out of Block No. 23, Stuart Place Subdivision, Survey No. 296.

(32) AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR PATROL CARS (QUANTITY TWENTY-FOUR [24])

(33) AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD ANNUAL BID NO. 2620 FOR SAFETY SHOES

(34) AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD

a) ANNUAL BID NO. 2180 - MILK

HYGEIA DAIRY - Harlingen, Texas
2% Low Fat - 2 pint 0.1652 each

b) ANNUAL BID NO. 2220 - FOOD: TAMALES

LUPITA-S TORTILLAS - Brownsville, Texas
Tamales - Chicken \$2.39 per dozen
Tamales - Beef/Pork \$2.39 per dozen

c) ANNUAL BID NO. 2240 - FOOD: TORTILLAS

MISSION FOODS - Weslaco, Texas
Tortilla-s Flour 0.036 each

LUPITA-S TORTILLAS - Brownsville, Texas
Tortilla-s Corn 0.0125

(35) AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD

a) ANNUAL BID NO. 2120 - COFFEE

SYSCO FOODS - San Antonio, Texas
Coffee regular grain \$2.89 per pound
Coffee decaffeinated \$9.20 per box
Coffee Regular \$9.20 per box

b) ANNUAL BID 2160 - FOOD: EGGS

SYSCO - San Antonio, Texas
Eggs - Grade A \$0.870667 per dozen

c) ANNUAL BID NO. 2200 - FOOD: PAN DULCE

TONY-S TORTILLAS - Brownsville, Texas
Pan Dulce \$0.095 each

(36) AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD

a) ANNUAL BID NO. 2100 - FOOD: BREAD

BUTTER KRUST - San Antonio, Texas
Bread - White \$0.50 per pound
Rolls Cinnamon \$1.05 per pound
Hamburger Buns \$0.085 each
Bread Wheat \$0.54 per pound
Dinner Rolls \$1.17 per pound

b) ANNUAL BID NO. 2140 - FOOD: DRINK - MIX

DISPENSER SERVICES - Schertz, Texas
Drink Mix 0.36 per gallon

CAIN-S COFFEE - Corpus Christi, Texas
Iced tea mix 0.0775 per ounce

SYSCO - San Antonio, Texas
Iced tea bags 0.14302 per ounce

- (37) **AUTHORIZATION TO RENEW AWARD OF ANNUAL BID NO. 2630 FOR ROAD SIGNS, POSTS AND MISCELLANEOUS FOR ONE (1) ADDITIONAL YEAR**

CUSTOM PRODUCTS CORPORATION - Jackson, Mississippi
Signs, posts, miscellaneous - page 1 Total \$12,120.64

- (38) **APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING PURCHASES WITHOUT PURCHASE ORDERS**

- a) **OFFICE DEPOT - IN THE AMOUNT OF \$229.25 (COUNTY JUDGE); AND**
b) **ROY-S CAR WASH - IN THE AMOUNT OF \$13.00 (TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR).**

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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 7th day of **October, 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