

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF CAMERON

BE IT REMEMBERED on the 22nd day of OCTOBER, 1997, there was conducted a SPECIAL 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:

10:00 A. 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 Pastor Gayle Gardner, Good Shepherd Church, 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 October 17, 1997, at 11:23 A.M., and the Supplemental Notice filed on October 17, 1997, at 3:21 P.M.:

(1) APPROVAL OF COUNTY CLAIMS

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, the County Claims were approved as presented by the County Auditor.

The Budget Officer's Comments Report is as follows:

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

At this time, the County Auditor noted that there were no Budget Amendments and/or Salary Schedules for approval.



(3) **IN THE MATTER OF THE MINUTES OF OCTOBER 7, 1997, SALARY GRIEVANCE COMMITTEE, AND OCTOBER 7, 1997, REGULAR (NO ACTION TAKEN)**

At this time, the Deputy Clerk noted that there were no Minutes for approval.



(4) **IN THE MATTER OF THE QUARTERLY REPORT FROM THE LAW FIRM OF CALAME, LINEBARGER, GRAHAM AND PEÑA, ON THE COLLECTION OF AD VALOREM TAXES (TABLED)**

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



(5) **PRESENTATION OF THE SUMMARY OF THE MONTHLY REPORTS FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1997, AS REQUIRED BY LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE 114.026**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, the presentation of the summary of the Monthly Reports for Fiscal Year ending September 30, 1997, as required by Local Government Code 114.026, was acknowledged.

The Reports are as follow:

**(6) PRESENTATION OF THE FOURTH
QUARTERLY REPORT FOR THE
INTERNATIONAL BRIDGE SYSTEM**

At this time, Mr. Joe Galvan, Bridge Systems Director, presented and highlighted the 1997 Fourth Quarterly Report on the Bridge crossings and revenues for the Free Trade Bridge at Los Indios and the Gateway International Bridge at Brownsville. He noted that the development of the Economic Development Strategic Plan for the Free Trade Bridge had begun and added that Request for Proposals were advertised for the lease of four (4) parcels of land at the Free Trade Bridge for the development of businesses.

Judge Hinojosa questioned whether infrastructure had been implemented for said development and Mr. Galvan responded that the State of Tamaulipas and the private developers had plans to place the infrastructure.

Mr. Galvan reported that the amount of \$80,000.00, for the promotional campaign had been contracted out to the radio and television stations and added that the billboards, flyers and maps were currently being produced.

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the presentation of the 1997 Four Quarterly Reports for the International Bridge Systems were acknowledged.

The Reports are as follow:

**(7) REPORT BY CAMERON COUNTY
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH DIRECTOR ON
THE EXTENT OF THE MOSQUITO PROBLEM
AND HOW IT WILL BE ADDRESSED**

At this time, Mr. Ray Rodriguez, Chief Sanitarian, reported that the Sanitation Department was working together with the Health Department, in order to address the problems and added that the areas were being fumigated in the mornings and afternoons. He stated that the standing water areas were being larvacided and added that certain areas with running water in Precinct No. 3 that ran into the Laguna Madre could not be larvacided. Mr. Rodriguez noted that the County had contacted the news media, in order to educate the public and added that posters and pamphlets provided by the State were being placed in clinics and various businesses.

Judge Hinojosa stated that in the past the Precincts would handle the spraying of the insecticides and expressed concern as to who would be spraying the areas due to the consolidation of the Precincts.

Commissioner Cascos noted that the State Law precluded the individuals in the Precincts from spraying insecticides without a license.

Mr. Rodriguez confirmed that the State Law required that the individuals to be licensed on all the pesticides being sprayed and noted that the individuals not licensed would be fined.

Commissioner Benavides questioned the special permit which would allow the County employees to spray the areas due to the emergency situation of the mosquito infestation.

Mr. Rodriguez stated that the issue was addressed with the State and added that it was at the discretion of the Chief Sanitarian to request the assistance of the employees on a temporary basis.

Judge Hinojosa recommended that the issue be coordinated with the Emergency Management Coordinator and the County Engineer which was in charge of the Public Works Department. He reported that the Red Cross had informed the County regarding the drinking water in Green Valley Acres.

Mr. Rodriguez clarified that the standing water which was highly contaminated was not drinkable, but stated that the drinking water had been tested and was not contaminated.

Commissioner Matz expressed concern as to the availability of the pesticide spraying trucks and noted that private companies had donated the use of the trucks in the past. He questioned whether Mexico had been contacted for a cooperative arrangement and Mr. Rodriguez stated that Director of Nurses in the Health Department was handling the matter.

At this time, Mr. Rodriguez acknowledged the following Health Department employees who were assisting with the mosquito problem:

Ms. Maria San Pedro, Director of Nurses,

Ms. Yvette Salinas, Women-s, Infants and Children Program Director, and

Ms. Sonia Aldridge, Health Department.

Commissioner Cascos recommended that the Health Administrator should be informed of the problems and the Health Department employees assisting in the matter.

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, the Report by the Cameron County Environmental Health Director on the extent of the mosquito problem and how it would be addressed, was acknowledged.



**(8) ADOPTION OF A PROCLAMATION
DECLARING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER, 1997,
AS AHEAD START AWARENESS MONTH®**

Commissioner Cascos moved that the Proclamation declaring the month of October, 1997, as AHead Start Awareness Month® was adopted.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

The Proclamation is as follows:

**(9) APPOINTMENT OF MR. DESI NAJERA,
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR,
AS THE CAMERON COUNTY FIRE MARSHALL**

Upon motion by Commissioner Benavides, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, Mr. Desi Najera, Emergency Management Coordinator, was appointed as the Cameron County Fire Marshall.

At this time, Judge Hinojosa noted that Mr. Desi Najera, Emergency Management Coordinator, had been the Brownsville Fire Chief and added that he would be training for the certification. He commended Mr. Najera for the outstanding work performed during the previous flood.

Mr. Najera stated that he had a one (1) year deadline to become certified, but noted that the appointment would allow him to perform various duties as a Fire Marshall.

**(10) IN THE MATTER OF ROLLING BACK THE
PARKS SYSTEM-S ENTRY RATES TO THAT OF
FISCAL YEAR 1996/1997 (TABLED)**

At this time, Judge Hinojosa stated that a number of residents had requested that the fees for the Island Parks be decreased to the amount of \$3.00 and noted that the entry fee for the proposed Boca Chica Park had been an important issue for the residents during the Public Hearings.

The following individuals expressed their opinions regarding the rolling back of the Parks System-s entry rate:

Judge Benny Ochoa, Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 1;

Mr. Clark Owen, Insurance Agent,

Mr. Eliseo Vega, Port Isabel resident;

Mr. Mike Vega, Harlingen, Texas,

Ms. Maria Ochoa, Port Isabel resident; and

Mr. Eliseo Muñoz, Brownsville resident.

Commissioner Cascos expressed concern as to why the matter was not addressed at Budget time and as to where the difference of the decrease in revenues would be allocated from as a result of rolling back the rate.

Mr. Mark Yates, County Auditor, noted that the amount of \$140,000.00, was allocated for capital improvements of the Parks, but stated that equipment utilized for the beaches was replaced on a regular basis.

Commissioner Cascos reiterated that the issue should have been addressed during the Budget period and noted the recommendations made by the County Auditor as referenced in the Budget Officer-s Comments Report.

Mr. Yates recommended that the fees should be rolled back on an annual basis based on the projections of the revenues.

Commissioner Cascos suggested that the Item be Tabled for two (2) weeks, in order for the Parks System Director and the County Auditor to submit a report determining the Projects that would need to be cut for 1997/1998 Fiscal Year.

Mr. Yates clarified that the Report would only reflect recommendations for the Court to consider.

Judge Hinojosa stated that the services and facilities at the Parks should be addressed, in order to justify the fees being paid by the residents.

Mr. Kenneth Conway, Parks System Director, noted that the Bond money to be allocated for the additional parking spaces, the renovations of the restroom facilities and the demolition of the buildings, came from the additional \$1.00, entry fee.

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, this Item was **TABLED** for two (2) weeks.



(11) **APPROVAL OF THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND THE CITY OF LA FERIA TO PAVE NORTH PARKER ROAD IN LA FERIA**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, the Interlocal Agreement between Cameron County and the City of La Feria was approved to pave North Parker Road in La Feria.

The Agreement is as follows:

**(12) APPROVAL OF THE MUTUAL AID
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF PALM
VALLEY AND CAMERON COUNTY**

Commissioner Matz moved that the Mutual Aid Agreement between the Town of Palm Valley and Cameron County be approved.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

The Agreement is as follows:

(13) ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF THE CONTINUING EDUCATION IN THE AREA OF FINANCE COMPLETED BY MR. EDDIE A. GONZALEZ, CAMERON COUNTY TREASURER/COUNTY INVESTMENT OFFICER

Upon motion by Commissioner Peña, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, the Continuing Education in the area of Finance completed by Mr. Eddie A. Gonzalez, Cameron County Treasurer/Investment Officer, was acknowledged.



(14) APPROVAL OF AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND THE CITY OF BROWNSVILLE FOR THE COLLECTION OF AD VALOREM TAXES

Commissioner Cascos moved that the Intergovernmental Agreement between Cameron County and the City of Brownsville for the collection of Ad Valorem Taxes be approved.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously.

The Agreement is as follows:

**(15) APPROVAL OF THE APPOINTMENT/FUNDING
OF PUBLIC DEFENDER TO REPRESENT
INDIGENT DEFENDANTS IN THE 107TH
DISTRICT COURT**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the appointment and funding of Mr. Nathaniel C. Perez, Attorney at Law, as Public Defender to represent indigent defendants in the 107th District Court, were approved, said funding to be allocated from the Court's 1/5 of monies allotted for Court Appointed Attorney's compensation claims, Fund 10-435-082.

The Contract is as follows:

(16) AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS TO INSTALL AND RENOVATE WATER, SEWER AND ELECTRICAL SERVICE OF ONE HUNDRED (100) RECREATION VEHICLE SLIPS IN THE ISLA BLANCA PARK

Commissioner Benavides moved that the Bids be advertised to install and renovate water, sewer and electrical services of one hundred (100) recreation vehicle slips in the Isla Blanca Park.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously.



(17) AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE HUNDRED (100) ELECTRICAL BOXES FOR THE REPLACEMENT/RENOVATION OF ONE HUNDRED (100) VEHICLE SLIPS IN THE ISLA BLANCA PARK

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, the Bids were authorized to be advertised for the purchase of one hundred (100) electrical boxes for the replacement/renovation of one hundred (100) vehicle slips in the Isla Blanca Park.



(18) APPROVAL OF THE CONTRACT WITH BOBO CONSTRUCTION FOR THE COMPLETION OF THE ADULT PROBATION OFFICE PROJECT

Commissioner Cascos moved that the Contract with Bobo Construction be approved for the completion of the Adult Probation Office Project, subject to the approval of the Bonds by the County Auditor and the Commissioners= Court Legal Counsel.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously.

The Contract is as follows:

**(19) AUTHORIZATION TO AWARD THE BIDS FOR
PATROL CARS - SHERIFFS DEPARTMENT**

At this time, Mr. Mark Yates, County Auditor, stated that four (4) vehicles were budgeted and added that there was an option to finance the vehicles if the County did not receive the jail inmate reimbursements.

Commissioner Matz expressed concern as to the low bid which was not a local agency and whether the delivery costs were included in the total price.

Mr. Yates stated that the County could not give preference to the local vendors and confirmed that the cost of delivery of the vehicle was included in the total price. He noted that the first year's installment would be negotiated, in order to defer the payment until October 1, 1998.

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the Bids were awarded for the Patrol Cars in the Sheriff's Department.



**(20) APPROVAL OF THE RESERVE DEPUTY
CONSTABLES FOR PRECINCTS NO. 2, NO. 4
AND NO. 7**

Commissioner Benavides moved that the following Reserve Deputy Constables be approved for Precincts No. 2, No. 4 and No. 7:

- Mr. Carlos Martinez, Precinct No. 2;
- Mr. Pedro Zuniga, Precinct No. 2;
- Mr. Javier Hernandez, Precinct No. 2;
- Mr. Buster W. Jones, Precinct No. 4; and
- Mr. Efrain Cervantes, Precinct No. 7.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously.

The Bonds are as follow:

**(21) APPROVAL OF THE CONTRACT FOR THE
ADMINISTRATIVE PRESIDING JUDGES=
ASSISTANCE PROJECT FOR FISCAL YEAR 1998**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the Contract for the Administrative Presiding Judges= Assistance Project for Fiscal Year 1998 was approved.

The Contract is as follows:

SUPPLEMENTAL ITEM

**(3) APPOINTMENT OF MR. MANUEL FLORES TO
THE CAMERON COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT
NO. 4**

Upon motion by Commissioner Benavides, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, Mr. Manuel Flores was appointed to the Cameron County Drainage District No. 4.

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, there was some discussion regarding the Purchase without the Purchase Order to Raymond-s Automotive Storage, in the amount of \$2,600.00.

Major Gus Reyna, Sheriff-s Department, explained that the two (2) vehicles that were retained in the storage were to be returned to the rightful owners, based on the Court Order which cited that the owners did not have to pay the costs. He added that the Sheriff-s Department was responsible for paying the storage fees since it was the agency that seized the vehicles and noted that the County was being billed from the period of January 1, 1997, through April 25, 1997, based on the Court Order.

Commissioner Benavides moved that the following AConsent® Agenda Items be approved:

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

AYE: Commissioners Benavides, Matz and Peña

NAY: Commissioner Cascos, as to Item 23 Ab®.

**(23) APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING PURCHASES WITHOUT
PURCHASES ORDERS**

- a) **BENNY-S CALICHE HAULING SERVICE - IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,689.82, (COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO. 4);**
- b) **RAYMOND-S AUTOMOTIVE STORAGE - IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,600.00, (SHERIFF-S DEPARTMENT); AND**
- c) **AMBIOTEC ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS - IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,895.00, (PROPERTY MANAGEMENT).**

(24) AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN BIDS

- a) **ANNUAL BID NO. 0240 - LASER PRINTERS;**
- b) **ANNUAL BID NO. 1885 - RADIO TOWER RENTAL - SHERIFF-S DEPARTMENT;**

- c) CAMERON COUNTY COMMUNITY PARKS IMPROVEMENTS; AND
- d) CAMERON PARKS RECREATION CENTER - TEXAS
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM
CONTRACT NO. 714-005.

(25) AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN BIDS AND/OR REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS AND APPROVAL OF THE EVALUATION COMMITTEE

- a) ANNUAL REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NO. 97-10-02-0240 - PERSONAL COMPUTERS

(SUGGESTED EVALUATION COMMITTEE: RUDY JUAREZ, MARCO GAYTAN, ERIC VELIZ, MANUEL SALINAS AND MIKE FORBES

- b) REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NO. 97-10-03 FOR LEASE OF CAMERON COUNTY REAL PROPERTY AT THE FREE TRADE BRIDGE, LOS INDIOS, TEXAS

(SUGGESTED EVALUATION COMMITTEE: JOSEPH ARDITO, JOE GALVAN, MIKE FORBES AND SELECTION BY COMMISSIONERS= COURT)



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

At this time, Commissioner Matz expressed concern as to Item Ab@ regarding the hotel rates being higher than the standard rates.

Commissioner Cascos stated that the Policy for travel should be developed and recommended that the Agenda Item should only state the amount of \$75.00, for the hotel rates.

Mr. Francisco Martinez, District Attorney-s Office, clarified that the meals and the facility user fee was included in the total cost of the amount requested on the Agenda Item Request Form, noting that the travel would be funded from Grant Funds.

Mr. Mark Yates, County Auditor, stated that the Grant Funds were required to be in compliance with the County-s policy on travel and stated that the Travel Policy could be modified to make exceptions for the individuals that make presentations.

Mr. Remi Garza, Executive Assistant to the County Judge, noted that the individuals were being informed regarding the \$75.00, hotel rate and that the additional funds being requested needed to be placed on the Agenda.

Commissioner Cascos stated that the Court would arbitrarily have to decide who would receive the additional funds which would be unfair to the employees.

Mr. Yates suggested that the Policy be amended from the hotel rate, in the amount of \$75.00, to the amount of \$100.00, in order to avoid future discrepancies, noting that all taxes and fees were included.

Upon motion by Commissioner Benavides, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, the following travel and/or travel expenses were approved, subject to funds in their Budget, and the Travel Policy was amended, increasing the hotel rates from the amount of \$75.00, to \$100.00, with the exception of travel to New York, Mexico City and Washington D.C.

- a) Computer Center Operations/Technician/Programmer to attend ATraining on Supporting Windows NT 4.0" in Pharr, Texas, on October 20-24, 1997;
- b) County Task Force Commander to attend the ATNCP Training Conference@ in Balcones Springs, Texas, on November 16-19, 1997;
- c) Health Administrator to attend the AMeeting as a Member of the Panel for Immunization Grant@ in Austin, Texas, on October 20-21, 1997;
- d) Two (2) County Clerk Deputies to attend the AVital Statistic Conference@ in Austin, Texas, on December 7-9, 1997;
- e) County Task Force Director and Secretary to attend the AGrant Application Workshop Sponsored by the Criminal Justice Division@ in Weslaco, Texas, on October 24, 1997;
- f) Four (4) Health Department employees to attend the AMeeting on Tuberculosis Medicaid Billing Process@ in Hidalgo County@ on
- g) Health Educator to attend the ABi-National Conference on Families@ in South Padre Island, Texas, on November 12-14, 1997;
- h) Assistant Health Administrator to attend the ALocal Global Environmental Planning with Jonathan Plaut@ in Brownsville, Texas, on
- I) Chief Juvenile Probation Officer to attend the AHearing of the Senate Interim Committee on Gangs and Juvenile Justice; Texas Juvenile Probation Commission and Juvenile Justice Alternative Education Program@ in San Antonio, Texas, on October 2-4, 1997;
- j) County Judge and Commissioner Precinct No. 2 to attend the AMeeting with Railroad Company Representatives@ in Houston, Texas, on October 21, 1997; and
- k) County Judge to attend a AMeeting with John Sharp, Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts, Texas Performance Review Retreat@ in Austin, Texas, on October 22-23, 1997.

(26) EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion by Commissioner Peña, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the Court met in Executive Session at 11:30 P.M. to discuss the following matters:

- a) Deliberation regarding Real Property to discuss the potential concession Agreement of 14.9 acres of land in the Isla Blanca Park; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.072;
- b) Deliberation regarding the Real Property to discuss matters regarding the potential Concession Agreement of the Sea Ranch Marina in the Isla Blanca Park; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.072;
- c) Confer with County Counsel to discuss the status on the case styled State of Texas, County of Cameron vs. Dora De Pau, Cause No. 95-10-5761-B; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071 (1)(A);
- d) Confer with County Counsel to discuss the status of the case styled State of Texas, County of Cameron vs. Pace Fish Company, Incorporated, Cause No. 97-05-2298-C; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071 (1)(A); and
- e) Confer with County Counsel to discuss the status on the case styled Bexco Operating, Incorporated, vs. Cameron County, Cause No. 97-09-5849-C; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071 (1)(A).

SUPPLEMENTAL NOTICE

(1) EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a) Confer with County Counsel on the lawsuit styled Young Sales Corporation, doing business as, Young Building Restoration vs. Historic System, Incorporated, and Cameron County, Texas, A-97-CA-699-SS, in the United States District Court, Western District of Texas; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071 (1)(A).

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the Court reconvened in Regular Session at 12:35 P.M.

(27) ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a) Deliberation regarding the Real Property to discuss the potential Concession Agreement of 14.9 acres of land in the Isla Blanca Park.

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously, the continuation of the negotiations regarding the Concession Agreement of 14.9 acres of land in the Isla Blanca Park were approved and the County Judge was authorized to send out letters regarding the negotiations.

- b) Deliberation regarding the Real Property to discuss matters regarding the potential Concession Agreement of the Sea Ranch Marina in the Isla Blanca Park.

At this time, Commissioner Cascos stated that the Court would interview the two (2) potential concessionaires on October 28, 1997, at 8:45 A.M., and would allow twenty (20) minutes for each interview. He noted that the decision would be made at the conclusion of the Meeting based on the interviews.

Commissioner Benavides moved that Court make a decision based on the interviews of the two (2) potential concessionaires on October 28, 1997, at 8:45 A.M., regarding the potential Concession Agreement of the Sea Ranch Marina in the Isla Blanca Park.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously.

- e) Confer with County Counsel to discuss the status on Bexco Operating, Incorporated, vs. Cameron County, Cause No. 97-09-5849-C.

Upon motion by Commissioner Peña, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, the Status Report by County Counsel was acknowledged regarding the Bexco Operating, Incorporated, vs. Cameron County, Cause No. 97-09-5849-C.



(2) ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a) Confer with County Counsel on the lawsuit styled Young Sales Corporation, doing business as, Young Building Restoration vs. Historic System, Incorporated, and Cameron County, Texas, A-97-CA-699-SS, in the United States District Court, Western District of Texas.

Commissioner Benavides moved that outside Counsel be authorized to represent the County regarding the lawsuit styled Young Sales Corporation, doing business as, Young Building Restoration vs. Historic System, Incorporated, and Cameron County, Texas, A-97-CA-699-SS, in the United States District Court, Western District of Texas.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Peña and carried unanimously.

- c) Confer with County Counsel to discuss the status on the case styled State of Texas, County of Cameron vs. Dora De Pau, Cause No. 95-10-5761-B; and
- d) Confer with County Counsel to discuss the status on the case styled State of Texas, County of Cameron vs. Pace Fish Company, Incorporated, Cause No. 97-05-2298-C.

Upon motion by Commissioner Peña, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, the retained funds were released, as recommended by Mr. Richard Burst, Commissioners= Court Legal Counsel, regarding the case styled State of Texas, County of Cameron vs. Dora De Pau, Cause No. 95-10-5761-B, and the case styled State of Texas, County of Cameron vs. Pace Fish Company, Incorporated, Cause No. 97-05-2298-C, subject to Legal review.

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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 **10th** day of **November, 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

