

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF CAMERON

BE IT REMEMBERED on the 4th day of APRIL, 2000, 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:

9:30 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

NATIVIDAD ATIVIE@ VALENCIA
COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 4

Hilda V. Treviño Deputy
COUNTY CLERK

ABSENT:

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The meeting was called to order by Judge Gilberto Hinojosa at 10:15 A.M. 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 March 30, 2000, at 2:41 P.M.:

**(4) SELECTION OF A PROJECT FOR THE 2000 TEXAS
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM
COLONIA CONSTRUCTION FUND**

At this time, Mr. Frank Bejarano, Program Development and Management Director, stated that the Tierra Bonita and Grande Acres were requesting assistance for a Sanitary Sewer Project and reported that the previous Colonia Construction Fund had been utilized to extend first time water to the Colonias. He stated that the Colonias were requesting the funds to be utilized for a first time Sanitary Sewer Project and reported that Sanitary Sewer scored as a high priority. Mr. Bejarano stated that a survey had been performed for the previous project and noted that the project was a ready to go project.®

Mr. Javier Mendez, Santa Rosa City Manager, requested that the grant funding application be submitted for the two Colonias in the Santa Rosa area.

Judge Hinojosa stated that a meeting had been held with Commissioner Precinct No. 4, the City of Santa Rosa, the North Alamo Water Supply Corporation, the Program Development and Management Department and the County Judges Office to discuss the best option and reported that the Tierra Bonita Project had been the best option to apply and receive grant funds.

Mr. Bejarano stated that Colonia La Torre in the Santa Rosa area had also requested assistance to provide first time water, but noted that the City of Santa Rosa currently did not have the Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) or capacity to serve the Colonia. He stated that the Certificate of Convenience and Necessity was held by the North Alamo Water Supply Corporation and noted that the County recognized La Torre as an illegal subdivision. Mr. Bejarano added that a redevelopment study would be performed and that in the next year, there would be adequate information to certify La Torre, in order for the North Alamo Water Supply Corporation to apply for the Colonia Construction Fund to serve the Colonia.

Judge Hinojosa suggested that the grant funding applications be submitted for the Tierra Bonita Sanitary Sewer and the Harris Tract Water Extension Projects for the Colonia Construction Grant Funds. He noted that the project was \$1,000.00 short and Mr. Gale Armstrong, Jr., El Jardin Water Supply Corporation General Manager, responded that the difference would be made up.

Mr. Bejarano noted that Harris Tract was an illegal subdivision which would require a Determination Certificate.

Judge Hinojosa suggested that the funding be determined prior to submitting the application and added that if the matter was not resolved within the time constraints, the application would be submitted for Tierra Bonita only.

Commissioner Valencia moved that the selection of a joint project, consisting of Tierra Bonita and Harris Tract for the 2000 Texas Community Development Program Colonia Construction Fund be approved, noting that if the Harris Tract issues were not solved within the time constraints, the application would be submitted for Tierra Bonita and that the difference, in the amount of \$1,000.00 be made up by Mr. Gale Armstrong, El Jardin Water Supply Corporation General Manager.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously.

At this time, Judge Hinojosa stated that it was important for the residents from different Colonias to express their comments, in order for the Court to address the issues.

Commissioner Valencia expressed his gratitude to Mr. Charles Browning, North Alamo Water Supply Corporation, for his cooperation and participation at the meetings held with the City of Santa Rosa.

Mr. Browning stated that North Alamo Water Supply Corporation was committed to provide first time water to the rural areas of Santa Rosa and reported that a study concerning the needs in the area was in the process. He stated that the North Alamo Water Supply Corporation would submit a Grant Application to the Rural Development for main trunk lines for the residents in the area.

Judge Hinojosa expressed his gratitude to Mr. Browning and recommended that the Water Supply Corporation should continue to work closely with the County for funding assistance, in order to provide services to the rural residents.

(1) APPROVAL OF COUNTY CLAIMS

Commissioner Benavides moved that the County Claims be approved, as presented by the County Auditor.

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

AYE: Commissioners Benavides, Cascos, Matz and Valencia

NAY: None

ABSTAINED: Judge Hinojosa, as to Warrant No. 31329, payable to Sweezy Construction.

The Affidavit is as follows:

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

Commissioner Benavides moved that the 2000 Fiscal Year Budget Amendment No. 2000-22, be approved.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Valencia and carried unanimously.

The Budget Amendment is as follows:

(3) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MARCH 7, 2000

Commissioner Matz moved that the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held March 7, 2000, at 9:30 A.M., be approved.

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

AYE: Commissioners Benavides, Cascos and Matz

NAY: None

ABSTAINED: Commissioner Valencia and Judge Hinojosa.

**(14) POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING [REDACTED]
LINK BETWEEN THE CAMERON COUNTY BAIL
BOND ADMINISTRATOR AND THE SHERIFF-S
DEPARTMENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF UP TO
DATE INFORMATION REGARDING BAIL BOND
COMPANY-S AMOUNT OF DEPOSIT,
OUTSTANDING BONDS, CURRENT BALANCE
AND BOND FORFEITURE AMOUNTS AND
CURRENT STATUS**

At this time, Judge Hinojosa explained that concerns had been expressed by the Court regarding outstanding balances for the bond forfeitures and that bonding companies, which were not in compliance with the Bail Bond Board, were bonding out individuals. He stated that the Bail Bond Administrator was a full-time employee who could input information as it developed, concerning the current status of bonding companies bonding individuals. Judge Hinojosa stated that the bonding companies, which had gone beyond their limits and continued to conduct business with the County, should be identified in the computer, in order to access the information by the Sheriff-s Department.

Mr. Remi Garza, Executive Assistant to the County Judge, stated that the Bail Bond Administrator was linked to the Sheriff-s Department-s Jail System, noting that the issuance of bail bonds were reflected in the computer, but added that the current software did not have the ability to reflect the bonding companies which were passed their limits. He stated that discussions had commenced with the Software Provider to initiate the capability, but noted that the process was currently done on a manual basis in the form of a monthly report.

Commissioner Cascos expressed concern as to the monthly report provided to the Bail Bond Board regarding the bonding companies in default.

Mr. Eddie Gonzalez, County Treasurer, stated that the Monthly Reports reflected outstanding good bonds and noted that the concerns consisted of the final judgments which were reported by the District and County Clerks. He explained that good outstanding bonds versus collateral have a multiple of ten, noting that for every one dollar deposit,

there could be ten dollars in bonds, but noted that if there was a judgment in place, the County had to escrow out for every two dollars in judgments, one dollar in deposit, but noted that the process had not been done.

Judge Hinojosa expressed concern as to why the Bail Bond Administrator could not input the necessary information to notify the Jail.

Major Mike Leinart, Sheriff's Department, stated that a fraction of the bonds went to the County Jail and that the majority of the bonds went to the municipalities. Major Leinart explained that the Booking Officers at the Jail accessed the information from the monthly report provided by the Bail Bond Administrator.

Judge Hinojosa stated that there could be changes within the month that would not be reflected in the Report and added that if the information was input into the computer, the status of the bonding companies would be up-to-date. He stated that it was difficult for the Officers in the Booking area to determine whether the bonding companies were qualified to conduct business with the County and that the system should be simplified to inform the Sheriff's Department as to the current status of the company.

Commissioner Cascos questioned how many of the bonding companies went into the delinquency status within the thirty days of the report and Mr. Gonzalez responded that the number was minimal to none.

Judge Hinojosa clarified that the concern was addressing the current status of the bonding companies; whereas, the bonding companies went over their limit.

Major Leinart explained that the County was unaware if a bonding company wrote a bond at one of the municipalities and noted that said information was received by the Sheriff's Department on a monthly basis.

Mr. Gonzalez stated that the process was not on an automated system and added that in order for the process to succeed, the Justices of the Peace and municipalities would also need to be on-line to access the information.

Judge Hinojosa expressed concern as to why the individual departments were not required to call the County before they approved a bond, to determine whether the bonding company was in compliance.

Major Leinart stated that the process was the responsibility of the Bail Bond Administration, which was a separate function from the Sheriff's Department and explained that the Sheriff's Department handled the attorney surety bonds and accepted the bonds as they came in. He noted that an option would be for the bond to go through the Administrator first to be approved and the Administrator would then send it to the Sheriff's Department.

At this time, Mr. Rudy Juarez, Chief Information Officer, stated that the proposal was a web base system, but noted that the software which was previously presented to the Court, in the amount of \$260,000.00, would address the problems. He stated that the software would need to be purchased and implemented, in order to develop the program and suggested that the flow of the bonds would also need to be modified. He explained that the bonds were being issued, but

the bonds were not getting to the Bail Bond Administrator until the tail end of the process. Mr. Juarez stated that the Administrator should be involved with the beginning process of the bond, in order to administer the process of the bond, regardless of whether the bonds went to the Sheriff's Department, the Justices of the Peace or the municipalities. He explained that the Administrator was receiving the bond after the bond sat at the County Clerk's or District Attorney's Office, noting that there were times when the bond sat in the Justices of the Peace Offices for six (6) months. Mr. Juarez added that the County Clerk held on to a bond while the District Attorney's Office determined whether the case would be prosecuted and stated that the Bond should not go to the County Clerk's Office, unless the District Attorney's Office was intending to file. He stated that there political issues to be changed and explained that the Elected Offices would need to be directed to modify the process of the bonds. Mr. Juarez stated that the Bail Bond Board and the Commissioners= Court should dictate the process and policy of the bonds to said departments. He stated that the codes would be rewritten and enhanced, in order to have the computer system reflect the current status of a bonding company.

Judge Hinojosa recommended that the Bail Bond Administrator should be able to call the municipalities and Justices of the Peace on a daily basis to inquire the amount of Bonds being issued or that the entities be required to fax a daily log of the issued bond amounts.

Mr. Gonzalez stated that the County Clerk had reported approximately 26,000 bonds from 1995 to September, 1999, which averaged five to six hundred bonds a month and added that half of the bonds were generated by the Municipalities and Justices of the Peace.

Mr. Gonzalez stated that the Bail Bond Board and the Commissioners= Court could set the policies, but expressed concern as to implementation and execution of the process by the Justices of the Peace and Municipalities.

Judge Hinojosa reported that most of the Justices=of the Peace salaries had been increased significantly in the last year and stated that they would comply with the Policy set by the Court. He stated that the intent to resolve said matter by automating the process would prevent the bonding companies from becoming out of compliance and noted that the County would be impacted by losing the bonding company's business and the funds associated with the work performed in the County. Judge Hinojosa stated that the automated system would allow the bonding companies and the County to be more cautious concerning the issuance of bonds and added that if a bonding company reached its limits, it would allow another bonding company the opportunity to issue the bonds. He stated that the system would work more efficiently and would allow the public to have more faith in the County's operations.

Commissioner Cascos noted that there was a discrepancy in the current balance of the monthly report for Toscano Bail Bonding and expressed concern as to the bond forfeitures amount of the report.

Mr. Gonzalez explained that the Bond Forfeitures amount were the bonds with final judgments and added that the bonds had gone completely through the system. He stated that the amount shown, was the amount the particular bonding company owed to the County, subject to the arrangements made with the District Attorney's Office, and noted that the County was entitled to said amount, which was then allocated into the Road and Bridge Budget.

Judge Hinojosa stated that it would be difficult for the Booking Officers to determine, based on the monthly reports, whether the amount of deposit was less than one tenth of the outstanding bonds and that the bond forfeitures amount would have to be deducted from the amount of deposit to determine whether or not the outstanding bonds were over the limit or not.

Commissioner Cascos questioned why, based on the report, the bonding companies were allowed to conduct business with the county if the report showed a bond forfeiture balance and Judge Hinojosa replied that the rule stated that a two dollar to one dollar ratio was allowed.

Mr. Gonzalez clarified that the Booking Officer should compare the amount of the bond to the current balance on the report.

Judge Hinojosa stated that since the current status of the bonding companies were not reflected in the report, it would be difficult to track the amount of bonds on a daily basis.

At this time, Mr. Frank Martinez, District Attorney's Office, stated that the District Attorney's Office had been recommending the software to address said issues for the last year to the Bail Bond Board and concurred that it was difficult to track the amount of the bonds being issued on a daily basis.

Judge Hinojosa suggested that the Data Processing Department, the Bail Bond Administration and the Sheriff's Department should create a plan to implement a system to begin the process.

Commissioner Cascos stated that the revenues from the bonds had a direct impact on the Road and Bridge Budget and questioned whether the Road and Bridge Department could participate in financing the project.

Mr. Juarez stated that a cost would be incurred to manage the information and suggested that a Records Management Fee be assessed on each issued bond.

Commissioner Cascos suggested that a monthly fee be assessed on the Bail Bond Companies, in order to avoid allocating the funds from the General Fund and added that since the Road and Bridge benefited from the revenues, the Road and Bridge should supplement a portion of the funding.

Commissioner Valencia questioned the process to be taken to collect the funds and Mr. Martinez responded that the bonding companies were entitled to hearings before the Bail Bond Board, which were held every second Thursday of the month.

Mr. Martinez stated that the Board determined the payment by the bonding companies at the hearings and added that the active companies were making efforts to pay the bond forfeiture amounts owed to the County.

At this time, there was some discussion as to the procedures to collect the balances owed by the Bonding Companies and Mr. Martinez reported that the balances that remained uncollected were from the bonding companies that were closed or had no collateral.

Judge Hinojosa moved that the Resolution be adopted, instructing the Data Processing Department, the Bail Bond Board Administration, the Sheriff's Department and the District Attorney's Office to create a plan to set up the electronic link for the purpose of up-to-date information regarding Bail Bond Company's current status of Amount of Deposit, Outstanding Bonds, Current Balance and Bond Forfeitures.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Valencia and carried unanimously.

At this time, Ms. Juanita Brodecky, Rio Hondo resident, expressed her concerns regarding the availability of County equipment and resources to communicate the information concerning the current status of the bonding companies.

The Report is as follows:

(5) AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE THREE (3) SEPARATE SECURITIES FOR A TOTAL OF \$3,000,000.00, AT PAR, IN COLLATERAL TO FIRST NATIONAL BANK

Upon motion by Commissioner Benavides, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, the release of three (3) separate securities for a total of \$3,000,000.00, at par, in collateral to First National Bank was approved.

(6) IN THE MATTER OF THE VENDORS WHO SUPPLY SUPPLEMENTAL HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAMS TO BE ON THE PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS (TABLED)

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

(7) AUTHORIZATION TO ALLOW THE COUNTY ENGINEER-S OFFICE TO FILE CORRECTED DEEDS FOR LEAL ROAD

Commissioner Valencia moved that the County Engineer-s Office be allowed to file corrected Deeds for Leal Road.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

(8) AUTHORIZATION FOR TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF EDUARDO STREET, LOTS NOS. 35-42, CAMERON PARK, FOR THE CELEBRATION OF THE 26TH ANNIVERSARY OF IGLESIA BAUTISTA FUNDAMENTAL ON APRIL 6, 2000

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, the temporary closure of Eduardo Street, Lots Nos. 35-42, Cameron Park, for the celebration of the 26th Anniversary of Iglesia Bautista Fundamental on April 6, 2000, was approved.

(9) ACCEPTANCE OF ROAD MATERIALS AND AUTHORIZATION TO PROVIDE LABOR AND EQUIPMENT TO DO WORK ON KRETZ ROAD

Commissioner Matz moved that the road materials be accepted and that labor and equipment be provided to perform work on Kretz Road.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Valencia and carried unanimously.

**(10) ADOPTION OF A REVISED RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN
APPLICATION TO THE GOVERNOR-S OFFICE
CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION (CJD) FOR THE
JUVENILE PROBATION DEPARTMENT-S TEEN
COURT PROGRAM BROWNSVILLE GRANT**

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the revised Resolution authorizing the submission of an Application to the Governor-s Office Criminal Justice Division (CJD) for the Juvenile Probation Department-s Teen Court Program Brownsville Grant was adopted.

The Resolution is as follows:

- (11) **APPROVAL A RENEWAL TOWING PERMIT NO. T-1, ROBERTO RAMIREZ, DOING BUSINESS AS E-Z TOWING SERVICE**
- (12) **APPROVAL OF A RENEWAL TOWING PERMIT NO. T-2, ROBERTO RAMIREZ, DOING BUSINESS AS E-Z TOWING SERVICE**

Commissioner Valencia moved that Renewal Towing Permits No. T-1 and No. T-2, for Roberto Ramirez, doing business as E-Z Towing Service, be approved.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously.

- (13) **IN THE MATTER OF THE RENTAL LEASE FOR OFFICE SPACE BETWEEN PAUL GONZALES, SAN BENITO, TEXAS, AND CAMERON COUNTY JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PRECINCT NO. 3, PLACE NO. 1 (TABLED)**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Valencia 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:

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Valencia and carried unanimously, the AConsent® Agenda Items were approved as follow:

- (15) **TRAVEL AND/OR TRAVEL EXPENSES FOR THE FOLLOWING, SUBJECT TO FUNDS IN THEIR BUDGET AND ALL APPLICABLE COUNTY POLICIES:**
 - a) Three (3) Health Department employees to attend a APregnant Women and Infants Training Conference® in San Diego, Texas, on April 18, 2000;
 - b) Health Department employee to attend the APharmacotherapeutics for APN-s® in Austin, Texas, on April 7-8, 2000;
 - c) Six (6) Juvenile Probation Department employees to attend the ASecure Facilities Training Seminar® in South Padre Island, Texas, on May 22-26, 2000;
 - d) Juvenile Probation Department employee to attend the A7th Annual Title IV-E Placement Conference® in South Padre Island, Texas, on May 22-26, 2000;
 - e) Justices of the Peace Precinct No. 3-1, Precinct No. 5-2, Precinct No. 7-1 and Precinct No. 7-2, to attend the A20 Hour Justice of the Peace Seminar® in Corpus Christi, Texas, on April 9-12, 2000;
 - f) District Attorney Crime Victim Coordinator, Crime Victim Advocate and CPS Secretary to attend the A3rd Annual Border Issues Conference on Sexual Assault® in El Paso, Texas, on April 18-20, 2000;

- g) Constable Precinct No. 7 and three (3) Deputies to attend the ACivil Process Seminar@ in San Antonio, Texas, on April 16-19, 2000; and
- h) County Extension Agent to attend the ADistrict Family and Consumer Science Association Training@ in South Padre Island, Texas, on April 17-19, 2000.



(16) PRELIMINARY APPROVAL

a) Precinct No. 3

North Ridge Estates - being the West 5.00 acres of the NW 10.0 acres of Block No. 6, Briggs and Coleman Subdivision, Survey No. 28.

(17) OPEN BIDS

a) DUMP TRUCK - BOCA CHICA BEACH CLEANING

b) TRACTOR WITH LOADER - BOCA CHICA BEACH CLEANING

The Bids received and opened are as follow:

(18) RENEW THE AWARD OF BIDS ONE (1) ADDITIONAL YEAR

a) SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL - PARKS SYSTEM - ANNUAL BID NO. 1970

WASTE MANAGEMENT OF SOUTH TEXAS - Brownsville, Texas

Description	Cost
4 yd container 1 dump per week	\$54.83
2 dumps per week	\$109.65
3 dumps per week	\$164.48
30 yd container - rental fee per month	\$110.00
30 yd container - disposal fee per ton	\$35.00
30 yd container - haul fee/haul (pull rate)	\$150.00

b) VEHICLE LEASE - ANNUAL BID NO. 1480

CAPPS RENT-A-CAR - Dallas, Texas

Description	Cost
Dodge Stratus 4 door	\$615.00
Mustang 3.8 V6	\$625.00
Dodge Avenger Coupe V8	\$625.00
Mercury Sable/Ford Taurus	\$655.00
Mercury Grand Marquis 4 door	\$855.00
Ford Ranger Regular Cab	\$450.00
Ford Ranger Super Cab Automatic	\$550.00
Ford or Chevy Full Size AWT@ Wide B	\$500.00
Dodge Dakota Extended Cab	\$565.00
Silverado Regular Cab Fleetside V8	\$545.00
Dodge SLT Laramie Regular Cab V8	\$545.00
Ford XLT Regular Cab V8	\$545.00
Silverado Extended Cab Sportside 5.7 V8	\$575.00
Silverado Extended Cab Fleetside 5.7 V8	\$575.00
Dodge Extended Cab SLT Laramie 5.9 V8	\$575.00
Ford F150 XLT Super Cab V8	\$575.00
Ford F250 HD 2WD Super Cab V8	\$595.00
Silverado extended Cab Z71 4X4 5.7 V8	\$625.00
Dodge Extended Cab SLT Laramie 4X4 5.9 V8	\$625.00
Ford F150 XLT Extended Cab 4X4 V8	\$626.00
Jeep Wrangler Hardtop	\$575.00
Jeep Cherokee 2WD	\$595.00
Jeep Grand Cherokee 2WD	\$755.00
Dodge Durango 2WD	\$795.00
Ford Expedition XLT	\$895.00
Dodge Caravan (Minivan)	\$895.00
Ford Cargo Van (White only)	\$725.00

(19) AWARD BIDS AND/OR REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

a) ROAD MATERIALS: COLD PATCH - ANNUAL BID NO. 2566

BALLINGER - San Benito, Texas

Total \$66.00

(20) AWARD QUARTERLY BIDS

- a) DIETARY SUPPLIES: MISCELLANEOUS NO. 2050-2

JOINER FOODS - Harlingen, Texas

Total \$1,846.60

- b) FOOD: CANNED AND DRIED NO. 2110-2

E DE LA GARZA - Brownsville, Texas

Total \$18,037.74

- c) FOODS: FROZEN NO. 2165-2

LA BATT FOOD SERVICE - Harlingen, Texas

Total \$4,411.07

- d) FOOD: MEATS NO. 2170-2

H & H MEATS - Mercedes, Texas

Total Category A \$14,456.01

TEXAS MEATS - Harlingen, Texas

Total Category B \$1,147.00

- e) SPICES NO. 2210-2

LA BATT FOOD - Harlingen, Texas

Total \$857.18

(21) EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Valencia and carried unanimously, the Court met in Executive Session at 11:32 A.M. to discuss the following matters:

- a) Confer with County counsel concerning setting speed limits and placing speed limit signs on County Roads; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071 (2);
- b) Confer with County Counsel concerning legal representation against Alpine Assurance, Limited, for unpaid insurance claims; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071 (1)(A);
- c) Deliberation regarding the Real Property concerning possible Sea Turtle, Incorporated, License Agreement on Cameron County Park land, located adjacent to South Padre Island Convention Center; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.072; and
- d) Deliberation regarding the Real Property concerning Children-s Beach at Isla Blanca Park and other issues pertaining to this matter; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.072.

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the Court reconvened in Regular Session at 12:00 A.M.

(22) ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a) **Confer with County Counsel concerning setting speed limits and placing speed limit signs on County Roads.**

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the Status Report by County Counsel was acknowledged concerning setting speed limits and placing speed limit signs on County Roads.

- b) **Confer with County Counsel concerning legal representation against Alpine Assurance, Limited, for unpaid insurance claims.**

Commissioner Matz moved that the County Judge be authorized to enter into an Agreement for legal services for collection against Alpine Assurance, Limited.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

The Agreement is as follows:

- c) **Deliberation regarding the Real Property concerning possible Sea Turtle, Incorporated, License Agreement on Cameron County Park land, located adjacent to South Padre Island Convention Center.**

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the County Judge was authorized to sign the Sea Turtle, Incorporated, License Agreement on Cameron County Park land, located adjacent to South Padre Island Convention Center.

- d) **Deliberation regarding the Real Property concerning Children's Beach at Isla Blanca Park and other issues pertaining to this matter.**

Commissioner Matz moved that the Status Report by Mr. Joseph Ardito, Property Management Coordinator, be acknowledged regarding the Children's Beach at Isla Blanca Park and to object to the placement of spoils on County Property.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

There being no further business to come before the Court, upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the meeting was **ADJOURNED** at **12:02 P.M.**

APPROVED this **9th** day of **May, 2000**.

GILBERTO HINOJOSA
COUNTY JUDGE

ATTEST:

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