

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF CAMERON

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

The meeting was called to order by Judge Pro-tem Carlos H. Cascos, C.P.A., at 9:38 A.M. He then asked Mr. Bob Clark, Brownsville resident, for the invocation and Mr. Roger Ortiz, Building and Maintenance Director, and staff to lead the Court and the audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

NOTE: JUDGE HINOJOSA AND COMMISSIONER BENAVIDES JOINED THE MEETING.

The Court considered the following matters as posted and filed for Record in the Office of the County Clerk on August 11, 2000, at 2:09 P.M.:

(1) **APPROVAL OF COUNTY CLAIMS**

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

Warrant No. 40606, payable to Discount Oils, in the amount of \$4,544.39;

Warrant No. 40607, payable to Cameron County Jury Fund, in the amount of \$2,733.00; and

Warrant No. 40608, payable to Attorney General's Office, in the amount of \$1,250.00.

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

Warrant No. 40606, in the amount of \$4,544.39;

Warrant No. 40607, in the amount of \$2,733.00; and

Warrant No. 40608, in the amount of \$1,250.00.

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

At this time, Mr. Mark Yates, County Auditor, requested that the Salary Schedules for the District Clerk's Office be Tabled, until a representative from the District Clerk's Office was present.

Commissioner Cascos moved that the 2000 Fiscal Year Budget Amendment No. 2000-39, and the following Salary Schedules be approved, and that the Salary Schedules for District Clerk, Fund No. 100-4500, AG Child Support, Fund No. 580-4500, and AG Child Support, Fund No. 580-451, be **Tabled**:

Juvenile Probation, Fund No. 100-5710;

In the matter of District Clerk, Fund No. 100-4500; **(TABLED)**

In the matter of AG Child Support, Fund No. 580-4500; **(TABLED)** and

In the matter of AG Child Support, Fund No. 580-451; **(TABLED)**.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

The Budget Amendments and Salary Schedule are as follow:

- (3) **IN THE MATTER OF THE ORDER AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE, SALE AND DELIVERY OF \$24,090,000.00, OF CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS LIMITED TAX AND LIMITED PLEDGE REVENUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, SERIES 2000 AND MAKING OTHER PROVISIONS REGARDING SUCH CERTIFICATES AND MATTERS INCIDENT THERETO (NO ACTION TAKEN)**
- (4) **IN THE MATTER OF THE BOND PROCEEDS INVESTMENT PROGRAM (NO ACTION TAKEN)**
- (5) **IN THE MATTER OF THE FINANCIAL ADVISOR TO PROCEED WITH BOND PROCEEDS INVESTMENT PROGRAM (NO ACTION TAKEN)**

At this time, Mr. Mark Yates, County Auditor, noted that the amount to be borrowed was less than the \$24 million dollars and had been reduced to \$23,869,200.69.

Judge Hinojosa reported that two of the bond rating agencies had upgraded the County's bond ratings, noting that Fitch Investors Service, L.P., had upgraded the rating to an AA+ and that Moody's Investor Service had upgraded the County to an AA2 from AA3. He added that the rating given by Standard and Poor's Corporation had remained the same, based on the unemployment and poverty rates in the Rio Grande Valley.

Commissioner Cascos questioned the possibility of local taxpayers buying into the bonds and investing in Cameron County and Mr. Yates responded that the County's Financial Advisor would inform the Court regarding said matter.

At this time, Mr. Jesus A. Chuy Ramirez, Bond Counsel, noted that copies of the maturities and interest rates had been submitted to the Court for review and added that the purchase price had been calculated on the bond purchasing agreement, noting that it was his understanding that the underwriters would be present at the meeting to discuss said matter. He reported that local retail commercial bankers would be interested in investing in the bond proceeds and explained that once the cash was received in one (1) month from the bond sale, the County would have to invest the bond proceeds consistent with the Public Funds Investment Act and Policies. Mr. Ramirez suggested that the Investment Committee and/or Investment Officer should recommend an Investment Program for the bonds and that Legal Counsel should ensure the Investment Program was consistent with the State Law. He added that if the proceeds were not invested and a Certificate of Deposit was utilized, the County should hire Bond Counsel or Tax Counsel Services to ensure that tax issues were not created.

Judge Hinojosa questioned whether the Depository Contract contained said restrictions and Mr. Eddie Gonzalez, County Treasurer, responded that the County was allowed to invest outside the Depository Contract.

Mr. Ramirez stated that if the County spent the funds as required within the twenty-four (24) months, the County would not have to rebate the funds and added that under the Federal Tax Code Regulations, a draw out schedule was required if the Certificates of Deposits were utilized, consistent with the construction period.

At this time, the suggestion was made that these Items be deferred until the Financial Advisor was present and Mr. Yates stated that the legal aspects would need to be discussed with Bond Counsel.

(6) **POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE
AGREEMENT BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY
AND THE OLMITO WATER SUPPLY
CORPORATION TO PROVIDE WATER AND
WASTEWATER SERVICE FOR THE CAMERON
COUNTY DETENTION FACILITY AND SHERIFF-S
DEPARTMENT**

At this time, Mr. Juan Bernal, County Engineer, reported that a letter had been received from Noe Garza Engineers, Incorporated, confirming that the proposal from Olmito Water Supply Corporation would provide sufficient pressure of water for the facility and added that the water tower would be in place sixty (60) days before the opening date.

Mr. Doug Wright, Commissioners-Court Legal Counsel, stated that the Engineers and the Olmito Water Supply Corporation had met to discuss the issues and that the appropriate language had been incorporated into the Agreement.

Commissioner Benavides moved that the Agreement between Cameron County and the Olmito Water Supply Corporation to provide Water and Wastewater Service for the Cameron County Detention Facility and Sheriff-s Department be approved.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously.

The Letter and Agreement are as follow:

(7) **IN THE MATTER OF THE RECOMMENDATION OF S&B INFRASTRUCTURE AND THE SELECTION OF UTILITY PROVIDER FOR WATER AND WASTEWATER FOR THE CAMERON COUNTY DETENTION FACILITY AND SHERIFF-S DEPARTMENT (TABLED)**

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

(8) **AUTHORIZATION FOR PD&M DEPARTMENT TO SUBMIT A PRELIMINARY APPLICATION FOR FUNDING TO THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE COMMUNITY FACILITIES ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A FIRE/LAW ENFORCEMENT SUBSTATION NEAR ARROYO CITY**

At this time, Mr. Remi Garza, Assistant County Administrator, reported that the design of the substation had been modified to provide adequate storage space for equipment for the volunteer Fire Department and added that the Arroyo City and Shrimp Farms in the area had agreed to provide volunteers for the Fire Department. He explained that the volunteer firefighters would be trained to reduce the response time by twenty-five to thirty minutes and added that the United States Department of Agriculture would provide the funds on a percentage basis if necessary. Mr. Garza stated that the assistance would be requested from the local Congressman and added that many of the items such as the land, the paving of road into the facility, the parking lot and funds for the helipad would be contributed, and would alleviate a significant portion of the costs. He reported that a portion of the cost would be funded by the USDA and the County-s match would be allocated from the Tobacco Settlement Fund.

Commissioner Cascos questioned whether the verbal commitments had been placed in written form and Mr. Frank Bejarano, Program Development and Management Director, responded that the written commitments would be provided prior to the final application.

Commissioner Matz moved that the Program Development and Management Department submit a Preliminary Application for funding to the United States Department of Agriculture Community Facilities Assistance Program for the construction of a Fire/Law Enforcement Substation near Arroyo City.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously.

- (9) **IN THE MATTER OF PRIMERA ROAD, LINE 7 ROAD, TURNER/YOST ROAD, HAINE ROAD, STUART PLACE ROAD AND 77/83 PARALLEL CORRIDOR AS THE OFFICIAL RIGHT-OF-WAY ROUTES FOR CAMERON COUNTY (TABLED)**

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

- (10) **AUTHORIZATION TO OPEN A NOW ACCOUNT AND MONEY MARKET UNDER THE NAME OF THE COUNTY TREASURER, LOS INDIOS I&S FUND NO. 780**

Commissioner Valencia moved that a Now Account and Money Market be opened under the name of the County Treasurer, Los Indios I&S Fund No. 780.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

The Contract is as follows:

(11) **IN THE MATTER OF THE SELECTION OF LEGAL FIRM TO PROVIDE LEGAL SERVICES IN RELATION TO CAMERON COUNTY REDISTRICTING (TABLED)**

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, this Item was **TABLED** until 4:45 P.M.

(12) **AUTHORIZATION OF ADDITIONAL INVESTIGATOR FOR THE CAMERON COUNTY AUTOMOBILE CRIME ENFORCEMENT TASK-FORCE DIVISION AND PURCHASE OF NECESSARY EQUIPMENT FUNDED BY THE VEHICLE INVENTORY TAX ACCOUNT**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, the additional investigator for the Cameron County Automobile Crime Enforcement Task-Force Division and purchase of necessary equipment funded by the Vehicle Inventory Tax Account were approved.

(13) **POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING IMPROVEMENTS TO THE ENTRANCE OF BOCA CHICA BEACH**

At this time, Commissioner Benavides explained that improvements to the road leading to Boca Chica had been performed by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), but noted that the visibility of the beach entrance was a problem. He stated that thirty (30) telephone poles had been provided and placed at the entrance of the beach and added that the poles would be tied with cable and anchored down with cement. Commissioner Benavides stated that the telephones poles would be a significant improvement to the beach and noted that reflectors had also been placed to identify the entrance.

Commissioner Cascos moved that the improvements to the entrance of Boca Chica Beach be approved.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Valencia and carried unanimously.

(14) **IN THE MATTER OF THE APPOINTMENT OF BOARD MEETINGS TO THE CAMERON COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS (TABLED)**

Upon motion by Commissioner Valencia, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, this Item was **TABLED**, in order to schedule a Workshop regarding said matter.

(15) **AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A MOBILE VENDOR-S PERMIT (RENEWAL) NO. V7 TO FRANCISCO TORRES, DOING BUSINESS AS EL REY DEL ELOTE NO. 1**

(16) **AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE A MOBILE VENDOR-S PERMIT (RENEWAL) NO. V8 TO FRANCISCO TORRES, DOING BUSINESS AS EL REY DEL ELOTE NO. 2**

Commissioner Matz moved that the Renewal Mobile Vendor-s Permits No. V7 and No. V8 be issued to Francisco Torres, doing business as El Rey Del Elote No. 1 and El Rey Del Elote No. 2.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously.

(17) **APPROVAL OF JANITORIAL SERVICES CONTRACT (RENEWAL) BETWEEN CAMERON COUNTY AND SUSANA VELASQUEZ FOR THE ENGINEERING AND RIGHT-OF-WAY DEPARTMENTS**

Upon motion by Commissioner Valencia, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the Renewal Janitorial Services Contract between Cameron County and Susana Velasquez for the Engineering and Right-of-Way Departments was approved.

The Contract is as follows:

(18) AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR THE LEASING OF COUNTY OWNED LAND, LOCATED AT THE FREE TRADE BRIDGE AT LOS INDIOS

Commissioner Matz moved that the Request for Proposal for the leasing of County owned land, located at the Free Trade Bridge at Los Indios be advertised.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Valencia and carried unanimously.

(19) AUTHORIZATION TO AMEND AWARD OF ANNUAL BID NO. 1430 FOR FIRE EXTINGUISHER MAINTENANCE

Upon motion by Commissioner Valencia, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the Award of Annual Bid No. 1430 for Fire Extinguisher Maintenance was amended.

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. Remi Garza, Assistant County Administrator, requested that Travel Item 20 Ag® be excluded, as requested by the Personnel Department.

Mr. Sifuentes expressed his concerns as to Travel Items 20 Ac® and Ad® for the Juvenile Probation Department and the high amount of travel requested in the last six (6) months.

Commissioner Cascos recommended that the Departments be requested to justify the travel to determine whether the education was mandatory and as to the purpose of the travel. He noted that there were several Officials attending the Pre-Legislative Conference and suggested that one (1) or two (2) Officials should attend the conference and report back to the Court. Commissioner Cascos stated that Item No. 20 Aa® be deferred until the determination was made as to the Officials who would attend the conference and as to the purpose.

Commissioner Valencia noted that it was the same employees requesting and attending the meetings, seminars and/or conferences.

Mr. Mark Yates, County Auditor, confirmed that the travel requests were excessive, but noted that the budget was being examined to determine whether the travel appropriations could be reduced.

Upon motion by Commissioner Valencia, seconded by Commissioner Benavides and carried unanimously, the AConsent® Agenda Items were approved as follow, and Items 20 Aa® and Ag® were **Tabled**.

(20) TRAVEL AND/OR TRAVEL EXPENSES FOR THE FOLLOWING, SUBJECT TO FUNDS IN THEIR BUDGET AND ALL APPLICABLE COUNTY POLICIES:

- a) In the matter of County Clerk to attend the APre-Legislative Conference@ in Austin, Texas, on November 29-30, 2000; **(TABLED)**
- b) Assistant County Engineer and Building Official to attend a ASeminar on Colonias@ in Weslaco, Texas, on August 16, 2000;
- c) Two (2) Juvenile Probation employees to attend a AJuvenile Justice Association of Texas Meeting and Texas Juvenile Probation Commission-s Salary and Turnover Study@ in Austin, Texas, on August 24-25, 2000;
- d) Two (2) Juvenile Probation employees to attend the AJuvenile Justice Association of Texas and Texas Juvenile Detention Association 1st Annual Co-Conference@ in San Antonio, Texas, on October 14-18, 2000;
- e) Automobile Crimes Enforcement Task-Force Investigators to attend the ATexas Department of Transportation Advanced Auto Theft School@ in Austin, Texas, on September 10-16, 2000;
- f) Constable Precinct No. 6 and Deputy to attend ATraining for Critical Incident Commander@ in Bryan, Texas, on October 1-6, 2000;
- g) In the matter of two (2) Personnel Safety Risk employees to attend the ATexas Association of Counties Regional Loss Control Workshop@ in South Padre Island, Texas, on August 15, 2000; **(TABLED)**
- h) Two (2) Personnel Safety Risk employees to attend the ATexas County and District Retirement System Overview 2000 Seminar@ in San Antonio, Texas, on August 22-23, 2000;
- I) Assistant County Auditor to attend the ATexas County and District Retirement System Overview 2000 Seminar@ in San Antonio, Texas, on August 22-23, 2000; and
- j) Commissioner Court Legal Counsel to argue before the United States Federal Court of Appeals, 5th Circuit in New Orleans, Louisiana, on September 6-8, 2000.

(21) PRELIMINARY APPROVAL

a) Precinct No. 4

Aloe Vera Subdivision, being Blocks Nos. 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 273 and 274 Adams Gardens Subdivision AC.®

(22) OPEN BIDS

- a) CAMERON COUNTY AIRPORT ROOF REPAIRS
- b) DOUBLE WIDE TRAILER - WOMEN-S INFANTS AND CHILDREN (WIC) DEPARTMENT

The Bids received and opened are as follow:

(23) RENEW BIDS FOR ONE (1) ADDITIONAL YEAR

a) TRANSPORTATION OF INMATES - ANNUAL BID NO. 1890

TRANS COR - Nashville, Tennessee

	Out of State per mile - male	Out of State per mile - female
Ground travel	0.68	0.78
Air travel	case by case	case by case
In State travel	0.59	0.59

b) MATTRESSES - ANNUAL BID NO. 510

ROBINSON TEXTILES - Gardena, California

Mattresses \$30.23 each

(24) EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Valencia and carried unanimously, the Court met in Executive Session at 10:25 A.M. to discuss the following matters:

- a) In the matter of the Real Property concerning Sea Ranch Marina Concession, involving matters in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body discuss status of the case and authority to file counter-claim; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071 (1)(A); **(TABLED)**
- b) Deliberation regarding the Real Property concerning the possible assignment of the remainder of the lease hold interest from Kerlew Club, Incorporated, to NB Development, doing business as Schlitterbahn at South Padre Island; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.072;
- c) Confer County Counsel concerning the case styled Edward Alcala vs. Alex Perez, et. al., Civil Action No. B-96-203, in the United States District Court - Brownsville, for discussion and authorization of settlement and plaintiff-s attorney-s fees; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071(1)(A)(B); and
- d) Confer with County Counsel regarding the case styled Cameron County vs. E.P. Enterprises, Incorporated, et. al., for discussion and authorization of settlement; pursuant to Vernon Texas Code Annotated (V.T.C.A.), Government Code, Section 551.071(1)(A)(B).

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, the Court reconvened in Regular Session at 10:43 A.M.

(25) ACTION RELATIVE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a) **In the matter of the Real Property concerning Sea Ranch Marina, involving matters in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body, under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas, clearly conflicts with the Open Meetings Act. (TABLED)**

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

- b) **Deliberation regarding the Real Property concerning the possible assignment of the remainder of the lease hold interest from Kerlew Club, Incorporated, to NB Development, doing business as Schlitterbahn at South Padre Island.**

Commissioner Matz moved that the assignment of the remainder of the lease hold interest from Kerlew Club, Incorporated, to NB Development, doing business as Schlitterbahn at South Padre Island be approved, subject Legal review and the new Concessionaire complying with the existing operations at Charlie's Paradise.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously.

- c) **Confer with County Counsel concerning the case styled Edward Alcala vs. Alex Perez, et. al., Civil Action No. B-96-203, in the United States District Court - Brownsville, for discussion and authorization of settlement and plaintiff's attorney's fees.**

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, the Status Report by County Counsel was acknowledged regarding the case styled Edward Alcala vs. Alex Perez, et. al., Civil Action No. B-96-203, in the United States District Court - Brownsville, for discussion and authorization of settlement and plaintiff's attorney's fees.

- d) **Confer with County Counsel regarding the case styled Cameron County vs. E.P. Enterprises, Incorporated, et. al., for discussion and authorization of settlement.**

Commissioner Cascos moved that the settlement, in the amount of \$20,000.00, regarding the case styled Cameron County vs. E.P. Enterprises, Incorporated, et. al., be approved.

The motion was seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously.



(3) **ORDER AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE, SALE AND DELIVERY OF \$24,090,000.00, OF CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS LIMITED TAX AND LIMITED PLEDGE REVENUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, SERIES 2000 AND MAKING OTHER PROVISIONS REGARDING SUCH CERTIFICATES AND MATTERS INCIDENT THERETO**

At this time, Mr. Noe Hinojosa, Estrada-Hinojosa, stated that Chase Securities had submitted an offer to the County and added that once the Order was adopted by the Court, Chase Securities would then place the bonds on the market. He added that the County would receive the proceeds in approximately thirty (30) days to begin construction of the facility and briefly highlighted the \$23,860,000.00 Combination Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2000 Pricing Report.

Commissioner Cascos questioned the possibility of local taxpayers buying into the bonds and investing in Cameron County and Mr. Hinojosa responded that the interested individuals should contact Chase Securities.

At this time, Judge Hinojosa commended the County Auditor and the Financial Advisor, as well as the Court for their guidance and recommendations to obtain good bond ratings and maintain a strong financial level as the growth of County continued.

Commissioner Cascos moved that the Order be adopted authorizing the issuance, sale and delivery of \$23,860,000.00, of Cameron County, Texas Limited Tax and Limited Pledge Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2000 and making other provisions regarding such certificates and matters incident thereto.

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

AYE: Commissioners Benavides, Cascos and Valencia

NAY: Commissioner Matz, as to the issuance of Certificates of Obligation.

The Report is as follows:

(4) **IN THE MATTER OF THE BOND PROCEEDS INVESTMENT PROGRAM (TABLED)**

(5) **IN THE MATTER OF THE FINANCIAL ADVISOR TO PROCEED WITH BOND PROCEEDS INVESTMENT PROGRAM (TABLED)**

At this time, Judge Hinojosa suggested that the Financial Advisor, the County Treasurer and the County Auditor discuss the matter and make a recommendation to the Court at 4:45 P.M. He recommended that the bond proceeds to be received be maximized within the limits of the law, based on the contractual obligations with the existing Depository.

Upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner Matz and carried unanimously, these Items were **TABLED** until 4:45 P.M.

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Cascos and carried unanimously, the Court recessed the Regular Meeting at 11:10 A.M., until 4:45 P.M.

At this time, the Court reconvened in Regular Session at 4:45 P.M.

(11) **ACTION REGARDING SELECTION OF LEGAL FIRM TO PROVIDE LEGAL SERVICES IN RELATION TO CAMERON COUNTY REDISTRICTING**

At this time, Mr. Tony Yzaguirre, Tax Assessor-Collector, recommended that the Legal Services be awarded to the Law Firm of Rolando Rios, San Antonio, Texas, in the amount of \$31,000.00, based on the fees, which were reviewed by the Selection Committee consisting of Legal Counsel, the Tax Assessor-Collector, and the Purchasing Agent and noted that the Firm charged the amount of \$225.00 per hour for additional fees.

Commissioner Valencia moved that the selection of the Legal Firm of Rolando Rios, San Antonio, Texas, to provide Legal Services in relation to Cameron County Redistricting be approved, subject to negotiations with County Counsel.

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

AYE: Commissioners Benavides, Cascos, Matz and Valencia

NAY: None

ABSTAINED: Judge Hinojosa.

The Agreement is as follows:

- (4) **IN THE MATTER OF THE BOND PROCEEDS INVESTMENT PROGRAM (TABLED)**
- (5) **IN THE MATTER OF THE FINANCIAL ADVISOR TO PROCEED WITH BOND PROCEEDS INVESTMENT PROGRAM (TABLED)**

Upon motion by Commissioner Matz, seconded by Commissioner Valencia and carried unanimously, this Items were **TAB**.

There being no further business to come before the Court, upon motion by Commissioner Cascos, seconded by Commissioner l

ADJOURNED at **5:04 P.M.**

APPROVED this **12th** day of **September, 2000.**

GILBERTO HINOJOSA
COUNTY JUDGE

ATTEST:

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