

THE STATE OF TEXAS :
COUNTY OF HIDALGO :

BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 21ST day of
DECEMBER, 1993, after due notice having been given, there was
begun and holden, a SPECIAL MEETING of the Commissioners' Court
and the Drainage District, in the Commissioners' Courtroom of
the Administration Building in the City of Edinburg, Hidalgo
County, Texas with the following members of said Court present
and participating:

Hon. J. Edgar Ruiz
County Judge

Hon. Samuel Sanchez
County Commissioner, Precinct #1

Hon. Lalo Arcaute
County Commissioner, Precinct #2

Hon. Juan Rosel
County Commissioner, Precinct #3

Hon. Leonard Camarillo
County Commissioner, Precinct #4

WHEREUPON, the following proceedings

were had, to-wit:

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DECEMBER 21, 1993

The Honorable J. Edgar Ruiz, County Judge, called the Commissioners' Court meeting to order, whereupon the following proceedings were had, to-wit:

The County Judge began by announcing that this would be the last meeting of the year. Aside from that, a meeting of the Housing Finance Corporation was held earlier this morning, where they were in the process of selling some tax-free bonds for affordable housing and housing construction.

Judge Ruiz continued by stating that he had met yesterday with the County Judges, from Willacy, Cameron and Starr Counties, and the Valley Chamber of Commerce, where the discussion was with regards to trying to establish a joint venture for an empowerment zone. He then went on to elaborate on what this was and how it would be beneficial to the County.

Judge Ruiz then gave a brief review of the emergency meeting of the Drainage District, that was held Monday, with regards to the recent flooding which had occurred in parts of the County.

Lastly, the County Judge announced that the Courthouse would close at noon, on December 23rd, due to the annual Christmas Bar-B-Que that was given for all County employees.

CONSENT AGENDA
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ITEM 1. APPROVAL OF BILLS - County Auditor

General Fund	- #94850 - #95145	- \$1,300,581.92
Special Revenue Fund	- #93620 - #93806	- \$1,419,589.85
Debt Service Fund	- # 903 - # 904	- \$ 9,525.30
Capital Projects Fund	- # 4681 - # 4682	- \$ 54,105.77
Trust and Agency Fund	- # 3830 - # 3852	- \$ 362,855.34
Enterprise Fund	- # 1700 - # 1705	- \$ 4,672.32

(SEE "EXHIBIT A")

ITEM 2. APPROVAL OF VOTING MACHINES:

- A. McAllen Memorial High School - 4 machines
- B. Hidalgo County Irrigation District #6 - 2 machines
- C. Santa Cruz Irrigation District #15 - 1 machine
- D. City of Granjeno - 1 machine

(SEE "EXHIBIT B")

ITEM 3. APPROVAL OF MONTHLY FEE REPORTS:

- A. Justice of the Peace:
 - 1. Jesus Morales - \$2,991.50 - November
 - 2. Rosa E. Trevino - \$4,350.12 - "
 - 3. Adan Caballero - \$2,628.00 - "
- B. District Clerk - \$94,668.71 - November

(SEE "EXHIBIT C")

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ITEM 4. PLANNING DEPARTMENT:

A. Subdivisions:

1. Crossroad Center Subdivision - Pct. 3
2. Neighbors Subdivision - Pct. 3
3. Foodmaker Subdivision II - Pct. 4
4. Nolana Heights Subdivision - Pct. 4

4/A/1

Crossroad Center Subdivision is located on the north-east corner of State Highway 107 and F.M. 1924, City of Palmhurst, Precinct Three.

(SEE "EXHIBIT D")

4/A/2

Neighbors Subdivision is located approximately 100 feet west of Shary Road on the south side of East 28th Street, City of Mission, Precinct Three.

(SEE "EXHIBIT D")

4/A/3

Foodmaker Subdivision II is located on the southeast corner of North 10th Street and Pecan Boulevard, City of McAllen, Precinct Four.

(SEE "EXHIBIT D")

4/A/4

Nolana Heights Subdivision is located on the northwest corner of McColl Road and East Nolana Loop, City of McAllen, Precinct Four.

(SEE "EXHIBIT D")

ITEM 5. INTERNAL LINE ITEM TRANSFERS:

- A. County Court #4 - \$300.00
- B. 92nd District Court - \$500.00
- C. 332nd District Court - \$446.61
- D. Constables - \$200.00
- E. Election - \$115.41
- F. Historical Commission - NO ACTION
- G. Voter Registration - \$3,031.00
- H. J.P. Pct. 4, Pl. 1 (Pete Leal) - \$395.00
- I. J.P. Pct. 5, Pl. 1 (E. Jackson) - \$184.51
- J. Adult Probation (Education/Employment-State Funds) - \$131.64
- K. Adult Probation (Restitution Center - State Funds) - \$250.00
- L. Juvenile Probation (State Funds - 3-180-423-673) - \$665.01
- M. Juvenile Probation (State Funds-3-180-423-643) - \$22,294.91
- N. Buildings & Grounds - \$22,615.00
- O. Pct. 2 (Parks) - \$500.00
- P. County Wide Shop - \$400.00
- Q. Pct. 3 (Administration) - \$1,100.00
- R. Pct. 3 (Paved/Unpaved) - \$4,316.74
- S. Pct. 4 (Road & Bridge) - \$12,898.00
- T. Pct. 4 - Enterprise Fund - \$500.00
- U. County Judge - \$190.00
- V. Task Force (Financial Disruption) - \$1,000.00
- W. Computer Department - \$1,500.00

(SEE "EXHIBIT E")

ITEM 6. PERMITS:

- A. North Alamo Water Supply - Pct. 1, 2 & 4
- B. Enron Oil & Gas Company - Pct. 2

6/A

In Precinct One, North Alamo Water Supply is requesting a permit, for two inch water lines, to cross Mile 2 West North of Mile 11 North; to cross Mile 10 North, 400 feet west of F.M. 283; to go 2000 feet along Mile 14 North, beginning at Mile 6 West and going east; and for road crossings in Villa Del Mundo Subdivision and Sunrise Hill Subdivision.

In Precinct Two, North Alamo Water Supply is requesting a permit for a two inch water line to cross Eldora Road, 1/4 Mile east of Tower Road; and in Precinct Four they are requesting permission for a two inch water line to cross Mile 17 1/2 North, west of Deolittle Road. (SEE "EXHIBIT F")

6/B

In Precinct Two, Enron Oil & Gas Company is requesting a permit to lay a three inch gas line, to cross "I" Road, south of Pecina Road. (SEE "EXHIBIT F")

Judge Ruiz noted that there would be No Action on Item 5/F, which was a request for a line item transfer for the Historical Commission. He then asked if there were any questions and/or comments on the remaining items, there being none, a motion was made by Commissioner Camarillo and seconded by Commissioner Rosel, to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.
SEE "EXHIBITS A-F"

REGULAR AGENDA
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ITEM 1. IDA PATRICK, County Extension Service:
A. Presentation of Annual Extension Report

Ida (Patrick) Droomgoole, Extension Agent, came before the Commissioners' Court to present their Annual Extension Report. She introduced Brad Cowen, Elizabeth and Adelita Munoz, also from the Extension Service. Ms. Droomgoole stated that the report was a comprehensive report and she highlighted some of the programs that they managed.

NO ACTION.
SEE "EXHIBIT G"

ITEM 2. TAX OFFICE:
A. Approval of Tax Refund:
1. Ivy Terrace Apartments - \$1,869.84
B. Approval of 1993 Assessment Tax Roll

2/A

A motion was made by Commissioner Arcaute, seconded by Commissioner Sanchez, to approve a tax refund to Ivy Terrace Apartments in the amount of \$1,869.84.

MOTION CARRIED.
SEE "EXHIBIT H"

2/B

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The County Judge explained that this was the tax roll that was sent from the Appraisal District and approved by the Tax-Assessor/Collector. He mentioned that it gave the values within each district of taxation. A motion was then made by Commissioner Camarillo and seconded by Commissioner Rosel, to approve the assessment of the tax roll for 1993.

MOTION CARRIED.
SEE "EXHIBIT H"

ITEM 3. SHERIFF DEPARTMENT:

- A. Approval of Budget Appropriation - Sheriff Investigation
Fund Acct. #3-104-4221-100.64 - \$600.00

Judge Ruiz noted that this was for a reimbursement for the removal of the law enforcement equipment from the 1986 Ford LTD Station Wagon and the request was to appropriate it into Item 64. A motion was made by Commissioner Camarillo, seconded by Commissioner Arcaute, to approve a budget appropriation, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.
SEE "EXHIBIT I"

ITEM 4. HIDALGO COUNTY DETENTION CENTER:

- A. Authorization to exempt the following Professional Agreements from bidding process
B. Approval of Medical Services Agreement with Dr. Marin Garza & Dr. Gilbert Diaz

4/A

A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and seconded by Commissioner Arcaute, to approve the exemption from the bidding procedure, under professional services, for Dr. Marin Garza and Dr. Gilbert Diaz, to do work at the Adult Detention Facility.

MOTION CARRIED.
SEE "EXHIBIT J"

4/B

Mario Salinas, Chief of Detention, at the Sheriff's Department, came before the Court requesting approval of medical service agreements. He explained that there was a change in the contract, this being an increase of \$100.00 per month. A motion was then made by Commissioner Rosel and seconded by Commissioner Arcaute, to approve medical service agreements with the County of Hidalgo, for its Adult Detention Facility and Dr. Marin Garza and a separate contract with Dr. Gilbert Diaz; the contracts to run from January 1, 1994 through December 31, 1994 at a fee of \$1,100.00 per month.

MOTION CARRIED.
SEE "EXHIBIT J"

The County Judge then asked Mr. Salinas what the jail count was for this morning and Mr. Salinas replied that it was approximately 680, of which 77 were federal prisoners and 82 were paper-ready.

ITEM 5. TREASURER'S OFFICE:

- A. Approval of Temporary Loan from General Fund to Road &

Bridge County Wide

Judge Ruiz explained that he felt that these funds were necessary to complete the year because there were some revenue reports that had not come in, as of yet and this created a cashflow problem, in each County Precinct. The recommendation was for \$75,000.00 for each Precinct. After a brief discussion regarding Commissioner Arcaute's impression that the transfer was not really necessary, a motion was made by Commissioner Arcaute and seconded by Commissioner Sanchez, to approve a temporary loan from the General Fund to Road and Bridge, in the amount of \$300,000.00, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.
SEE "EXHIBIT K"

ITEM 6. PURCHASING DEPARTMENT:

A. Request to advertise for paving of Esperanza Rd. - Pct. 3

Commissioner Rosel explained that this was the portion that was 1 1/2 miles north of La Homa Road and the portion to be paved was approximately 1/4 of a mile. A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and seconded by Commissioner Camarillo, to authorize the advertising for bids for the paving of Esperanza Road, in Precinct Three; bid opening January 19, bid award January 25, 1994.

MOTION CARRIED.
SEE "EXHIBIT L"

ITEM 7. J.D. SALINAS, Project Coordinator:

- A. Authorization & Approval of accept, match & appropriate implementation of the National Maximum Speed Limit Grant & DWI (Driving While Intoxicated) Grant
- B. Discussion & Possible action to fund Non-profit Organization - Substance Abuse - Confiscated Funds
- C. Appointments to Tropical Texas Center - MH/MR
- D. Authorization to negotiate contract with Texas Louisiana League
- E. Authorization to negotiate contract with UT-Pan American University
- F. Commit funding for improvement at UT-Pan American Jodey Ramsey Stadium
- G. Issue Proclamation for Edinburg Police Chief - Raul Garza

7/A

J.D. Salinas came before the Court and stated that they had finished their first year and that they had received word that they had been approved for another year for their National Maximum Speed Limit (NMSL) and Driving While Intoxicated (DWI) grants. He explained that these grants were for payment of overtime for personnel who were involved in this program. He explained that the only condition, for this year's DWI grant, was the 25% matching plus the fringe benefits and the NMSL grant was only being approved for a six month period. He then introduced Mr. Gilbert Trevino, who made a brief presentation, where he stated that in the seven months that the NMSL program was in place they had issued approximately 1539 speeding citations, through the Sheriff's Office. He then noted that the match required for the NMSL grant was \$5,441.00, and this was only for a six month period. On the DWI grant, he stated that the match was \$22,068.62, plus fringes. A motion was then made by Commissioner Rosel and seconded by Commissioner Camarillo, to authorize the National Maximum Speed Limit Grant and the DWI Grant, accepting the proposed budgets and recommending a budget match of

\$5,441.00, for the DWI Grant and \$22,068.62 for the NMSL Grant.

MOTION CARRIED.
SEE "EXHIBIT M"

7/B

Judge Ruiz informed the Court that a Workshop had been held to consider the requests of many of the agencies that had previously been funded and others that were hoping to be funded, with confiscated funds. He stated that a large portion of these funds were used for drug rehabilitation and abuse programs. J.D. Salinas then stated that during Workshop four organizations had come in requesting funds, as follows:

Palmer Drug Abuse Program	- \$45,000.00
Horizons of Mission	- \$36,840.00
Migrant Council (MESA)	- \$15,000.00
Reserve Officers Association	- \$ 5,000.00

After some brief comments from Commissioner Rosel and a concern from Commissioner Sanchez, a motion was made by Commissioner Arcaute and seconded by Commissioner Camarillo, to authorizing the funding of non-profit organizations, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.
SEE "EXHIBIT M"

7/C

NO ACTION.
SEE "EXHIBIT M"

7/D, E&F

The County Judge informed the Commissioners that this item was being brought back to Court, for reaffirmation of their commitment in this project. He continued by informing the public that this County had the opportunity to attract a pro-baseball league, to this area and he felt that they had to restate the reasons why this project was necessary, these being the economic factor and the recreation factor. He added that there had been a previous commitment of \$200,000.00 for improvements at the baseball field and stadium at the University; this commitment he said had been reduced to no more than \$100,000.00. He felt that by improving the stadium, it would be more beneficial to not only the League, by also to the community. Judge Ruiz then said that the issue of priorities had come up before and he concurred with those priorities, but he noted that the community was based on many needs. He was at this time requesting that this Court reaffirm their decision, "asking that we give firm approval to this Texas-Louisiana League, authorize the renegotiation with the UT-Pan Am, for a lease for the Texas-Louisiana League, but more importantly commit to a commitment of \$100,000.00 towards attracting this particular industry". He then announced that in the audience there were members of the Edinburg Chamber of Commerce, Mayor Joe Ochoa, from Edinburg, as well as members of the sports complex, who have been studying this issue. He then allowed them to come to the podium and speak in favor or against this project.

Mayor Joe Ochoa, from Edinburg, was the first to come up and stated that he was in favor of "providing an economic opportunity to Edinburg", as well as to Hidalgo County. He also noted that there was a difference between economic problems and services. Martha Noell, from the Edinburg Chamber of Commerce, also came up and thanked the Court for considering this investment, into the Edinburg area and the region and she felt that it took this kind of investment to have a "well-rounded" community. She felt that it would have an economic impact, with regards to tourism. Dr. Esparza, from the Sports Committee, approached the podium and said that if the \$100,000.00 were approved, it would not mean that it would all be spent, because he did not feel that there were that many improvements that needed to be made to the stadium.

He also felt that it would bring a tremendous economic impact to the Valley, such as the dog-track has, in Harlingen. He continued by saying that it would also alleviate some of the juvenile crime, by giving our youth something constructive to do. He then introduced Coach Ogletree who reaffirmed his comments and also responded to Commissioner Rosell's questions regarding the seating capacity of the stadium.

Commissioner Arcaute then asked what the \$100,000.00 would be used for and Judge Ruiz responded that it would be used to extend seating, such as converting some of the bleacher systems into box seats, in essence renovating some of the seating, as well as the concession booth and the toilet facilities. Commissioner Camarillo then stated that this item had previously been brought before Commissioners' Court and it had been approved unanimously, with a \$200,000.00 commitment. Judge Ruiz then responded by saying that the only change at this time was bringing that commitment down to no more than \$100,000.00. Commissioner Camarillo then stated that he was not willing to commit this amount of money, to renovate the baseball park, but he did suggest that a committee be formed to try to attract the funds from the business community, as they are the ones who would gain from this venture. Commissioner Rosell concurred and added that the rate of success in this kind of venture was very low and he would not support this project. Commissioner Sanchez then brought up the point that he did not feel that, like State monies, County taxpayer monies should be used "to make improvements that would benefit private investors". He also felt that the County would not benefit from this in any way and he concurred with Commissioner Camarillo, that a committee should be formed to bring this project to fruition. Judge Ruiz then stated that since it was Commissioner Camarillo's idea, that maybe he should lead in the formation of this committee. Commissioner Arcaute then referred to his previous comments on this type of venture having a very low success rate, and he added that this was due to the issue of the sale of beer. After further discussion, no action was taken.

NO ACTION.
SEE "EXHIBIT M"

7/G

Judge Ruiz addressed Mayor Ochoa in saying to him that he had heard that the Mayor would be losing a Police Chief. Mayor Ochoa responded that he was and he invited the Commissioners' Court to a reception, on January 2, 1994, for Raul Garza. Judge Ruiz then gave a brief history of Mr. Garza's public service and he proceeded to read a proclamation in his honor. A motion was then made by Commissioner Sanchez and seconded by Commissioner Arcaute, to approve the proclamation, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 8. DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE ACTION ON IMPLEMENTATION OF CIVIL SERVICE FOR HIDALGO COUNTY

The County Judge reminded the Commissioners' Court that a petition had been received by approximately 800 employees, who were in favor of Civil Service. He then said that there was a legal procedure, whereby if action was not taken, by this Court, this issue would be placed on the ballot and the general public would have the chance of voting on this issue. Lisa Saucedo then informed the Court that on the December 15th pay period, they had conducted an independent poll, by attaching a memo, an information sheet and a ballot, regarding civil service, to each employees paycheck. They had setup nine ballot box locations, Countywide, with those departments that were being funded by the State being excluded. She stated that the total number of ballots received was 738, however, there were some that were received late and were not

in a ballot box and she did not accept these. The results of this poll were as follows:

FOR - Civil Service	- 606
AGAINST - Civil Service	- 127
UNDECIDED	- 5

Ms. Saucedo stated that there were approximately 200 ballots sent out. The County Judge then said that the ballot boxes were picked up at 12:00 PM and there were some ballots that were hand delivered; the latter ballots not being acceptable.

Judge Ruiz then recognized Mr. Billy Leo, County Clerk, who commented that he felt that he, as well as Pauline Gonzalez, District Clerk, and Ciro Trevino, Tax Assessor-Collector, supports the workers. He then gave a brief overview of how he thought civil service would work, taking into account the three member commission that would be appointed and the personnel director position that would be implemented. He felt that the elected officials, as well as the public, would have a lot of problems with this, due to this resulting in the creation of another paid position.

Judge Ruiz then stated that he felt that there was a need for civil service, and this would in essence change our personnel policies due to there being a whole new management system. He felt that through this there would be a checks and balances, as well as the creation of job descriptions, since there are none at present. Mr. Leo then responded by saying that they needed this issue clarified further, since the employees were the ones who would feel the impact. Judge Ruiz then proceeded to explain how civil service would work, in terms of grievances. Mr. Leo then continued with some closing statements, regarding how this would possibly affect his office and the way that an employee is hired or dismissed. The County Judge again responded by saying that he felt that this would not really affect the hiring, but he believed that it would have an impact on dismissals or reprimands. Commissioner Rosel then made some comments, against civil service, in terms of hiring the employees, this resulted in a discussion, with additional comments from the County Clerk and the County Judge. Commissioner Rosel then stated that he felt that this decision should be made by the voters, since it was a major change in County government. Commissioner Sanchez then added that their attempt to clarify the issue has added to more confusion, with the petition and the poll not showing similar figures. Mr. Leo voiced his opinion that this issue should be addressed by this Commissioners' Court and not by the public.

Commissioner Arcaute then brought up the point that one of the concerns that had been brought regarding the costs, should this system be implemented. Ciro Trevino, Tax Assessor-Collector, then voiced his concern regarding the new "bureaucracy" that would be involved and the cost, which could be used elsewhere. He did say that if it were to come about then they would work with it, but he did not really feel that it would benefit the employees. Commissioner Rosel then made a motion to deny the adoption of civil service into County government and this was seconded by Commissioner Sanchez.

MOTION CARRIED. (COMMISSIONERS ROSEL, SANCHEZ AND CAMARILLO VOTED IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION; COMMISSIONER ARCAUTE AND THE COUNTY JUDGE VOTED AGAINST)

ITEM 9. LISA SAUCEDA, Administrative Assistant:
A. Sole source justification for SAVE - Lutheran Services

Lisa Saucedo came before the Court requesting that because the Lutheran Social Services was under our grant, that they be declared

sole source. She stated that SAVE was the only project that the County was working with that dealt with abused victims. Judge Ruiz then asked the County Auditor if this type of justification had to come from the Purchasing Agent and Mr. Austin responded by giving a brief overview of the awarding of this grant to this organization. He then added that he would encourage the County Judge's Office to consult with CJD and advise them of the situation, to determine if there was any problem. A motion was then made by Commissioner Sanchez, seconded by Commissioner Rosel, to declare SAVE-Lutheran Services, as the agency that can give these services for Hidalgo County.

MOTION CARRIED.
SEE "EXHIBIT N"

ITEM 10. PLANNING DEPARTMENT:

- A. Subdivisions:
 - 1. Jehova Witness Subdivision - Pct. 3
- B. Variance Request:
 - 1. Sioux Estates Subdivision Unit No. 2 - Pct. 2
 - 2. Ryan Subdivision - Pct. 3

10/A/1

A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and seconded by Commissioner Camarillo, to approve the plat of Jehova Witness Subdivision, which is located approximately 1/2 mile south of the 3 Mile Line, on the east side of Schuerbach Road, City of Mission, Precinct Three.

MOTION CARRIED.
SEE "EXHIBIT O"

10/B/2

Emilio Garcia, Chief Planner, stated that the developer and his engineer requested that this be placed in the agenda. He then stated that this subdivision was located approximately 330 feet north of the 2 Mile Line on the east side of Glasscock Road. He added that it had been approved by all entities, except the County Planning Department, due to the proposed subdivision not fronting a public road. He stated that it was 270 feet from a public road, even though it did include a 30 foot ingress and egress, on the north side. Commissioner Rosel commented that he had gone out to see the subdivision and he did not see a problem with approving the variance because it is a recorded ingress/egress. In response to a question from the County Judge, Suzanne Ryan, the developer then stated that it was a thirty foot easement, of which the ten feet, in the center, were paved; this easement, however was not dedicated to the public, since it was a private drive. Travis Heister then clarified if this was a one lot subdivision, and it was and the County Judge then asked that the Chief Planner state his objection to this variance. Mr. Garcia stated that his objection was that the County regulations called for the abutting of a public road, for all subdivisions. After further discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and seconded by Commissioner Sanchez, to authorize a variance request for Ryan Subdivision, which is a one lot subdivision as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.
SEE "EXHIBIT O"

10/B/1

Mr. Garcia stated that he was also bringing Sioux Estates Subdivision, to Court at the request of the developer and the engineer. This subdivision was located in Precinct Two, on the northeast corner of Sioux Road and Tower Road. He explained that this subdivision was approved by all entities, with the exception of the County Planning Department. The developer was requesting a variance to waive the drive-

way culverts, and the amount of these would be \$3,729.60. Mr. Garcia was recommending that this subdivision not be approved until the developer pays for all the driveway culverts as required by the County rules and regulations. Commissioner Arcaute then asked what reason was for the waiver and Mr. Garcia stated that because the City of Alamo had not required the placement of culverts. Judge Ruiz then asked for clarification if this subdivision had been submitted before or after the rules were amended and Mr. Garcia responded that it was after, this resulted in a brief discussion. A motion was then made by Commissioner Arcaute and seconded by Commissioner Rosel, to DENY the request for variance, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.
SEE "EXHIBIT O"

ITEM 11. URBAN COUNTY:

- A. City of Alamo - Sewer Improvements - Change Order No. 2
- B. City of Elsa - Contract Award
- C. City of San Juan - Bid Award - South Texas Utility Contractors
- D. City of San Juan - Change Order No. 1 - South Texas Utility Contractors
- E. City of Weslaco - Change Order No. 1 from A.V. Welding Leasing Inc.
- F. City of Weslaco - Professional Service Agreement for Comprehensive Drainage Study
- G. Pct. 1 - Hauling Contract Award
- H. Pct. 2 - Request to advertise for street resurfacing of North Alamo Village & Sioux Rd.
- I. Pct. 2 - Subrecipient Agreement Between Pct. 2 & Amigos Del Valle, Inc.
- J. Pct. 3 - Subrecipient Agreement between Pct. 3 & Amigos Del Valle, Inc.
- K. First-time Home-buyer Agreements & Letter of Commitment to Mortgage Company
- L. Approval of Resolution authorizing the submission of 1993 CHAS Annual Performance Report & 1994 Annual Plan
- M. City of Elsa - Budget Amendment
- N. City of Edcouch - Program Amendment
- O. City of La Villa - Budget Amendment
- P. Authorization to amend Performance Statement on TCDP Contract No. 701015 - Tom Gill Rd. Project
- Q. Appointment of two (2) members to Hidalgo County Housing Finance Corporation
- R. Appointment of two (2) members to Hidalgo County Industrial Development Corporation
- S. Approval of bills

11/A

Anthony Covacevich informed the Court that the City of Alamo was requesting approval of change order #2, with Marchant Brothers, Inc. The change order amount is \$63,700.00 and the total contract with the change order will be \$1,608,747.85. A motion was made by Commissioner Arcaute and seconded by Commissioner Sanchez, to approve change order #2, with Marchant Brothers, the City of Alamo and the County of Hidalgo; the amount of the change order is \$63,700.00.

MOTION CARRIED.
SEE "EXHIBIT P"

11/B

The City of Elsa was asking permission to go into contract with R.V.I. Inc., for a street paving project, under Year 6, the amount of the contract is \$147,021.90, with engineering fees totaling

\$13,900.00. A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and seconded by Commissioner Arcaute, to award a contract, a low bidder to R.T.I. Inc., the contract amount is \$147,021.00.

MOTION CARRIED.
SEE "EXHIBIT P"

11/C

The City of San Juan was requesting permission to enter into contract with South Texas Utility Contractors, with the contract amount being \$384,413.38 and this will be for street improvements. A motion was made by Commissioner Arcaute and seconded by Commissioner Sanchez, to award bid to South Texas Utility Contractors, as low bidders, contract amount \$384,413.34; this is for street improvements in the City of San Juan.

MOTION CARRIED.
SEE "EXHIBIT P"

11/D

The City of San Juan was now requesting approval of a change order #1, for the contract that was previously awarded, the change order is for a decrease of \$96,014.87, bring the contract total to \$288,398.51. A motion was made by Commissioner Arcaute and seconded by Commissioner Sanchez, to approve the request by the City of San Juan to do a deduct in their contract with South Texas Utilities, in the amount of \$96,014.87.

MOTION CARRIED.
SEE "EXHIBIT P"

11/E

The City of Weslaco was asking approve of change order #1, with A.V. Welding and Leasing Inc., this was an increase in the amount of \$10,000.00 and it would be to replace an eight inch line along Second Street, to the west side of Texas Street. A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and seconded by Commissioner Arcaute, to approve a contract increase with A.V. Welding and Leasing Inc., as requested by the City of Weslaco; the change order is for \$10,000.00.

MOTION CARRIED.
SEE "EXHIBIT P"

11/F

The City of Weslaco was requesting permission to enter into contract with Sigler, Winston, Greenwood and Associates, in the amount of \$45,000.00, to produce a comprehensive drainage study and facility plan. A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and seconded by Commissioner Camarillo, to approve the comprehensive study, for the City of Weslaco, in the amount of \$45,000.00.

MOTION CARRIED.
SEE "EXHIBIT P"

11/G

Precinct One was asking permission to contract with four haulers: M. Castillo Dump Truck Service, 45 Trucking Co., Rendon Trucking and Ayala Trucking, to haul road material for the following streets:

Mile 4 W
Mile 2 W
Heidelberg Subdivision
Midway Village
Hutto Road

The contracts would be limited to under \$10,000.00. A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and seconded by Commissioner Rosel, to

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approve personal service contract with the trucking companies, as mentioned.

MOTION CARRIED.
SEE "EXHIBIT P"

11/H

Precinct Two was requesting permission to advertise for the resurfacing of North Alamo Village, Sioux Road, South Tower Road and Morningside Road. A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and seconded by Commissioner Rosel, to authorizing the advertising for bids for the resurfacing of the roads, as stated; bid opening January 19, bid award January 25, 1994.

MOTION CARRIED.
SEE "EXHIBIT P"

11/I

Precinct Two was asking for permission to enter into a subrecipient agreement with Amigos Del Valle, for \$5,000.00, to provide meals and services to the elderly. A motion was made by Commissioner Arcaute and seconded by Commissioner Sanchez, to approve a subrecipient agreement between Precinct Two and Amigos Del Valle Inc.

MOTION CARRIED.
SEE "EXHIBIT P"

11/J

Precinct Three was requesting permission to enter into a subrecipient agreement with Amigos Del Valle, for \$5,000.00, to provide meals and services to the elderly. A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and seconded by Commissioner Arcaute, to approve a subrecipient agreement between Precinct Two and Amigos Del Valle Inc.

MOTION CARRIED.
SEE "EXHIBIT P"

11/K

Anthony Covacevich, Urban County Director, was requesting the approval of two more contract agreements and letters of commitment, to the appropriate mortgage companies. The agreements would be with Renaul Amador, Jr. and Ruben Guerrero, in the amount of \$5,000.00, each. A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and seconded by Commissioner Arcaute, to approve designation to First-Time Homebuyer contract agreements and letters of commitment to the mortgage companies of Compass Mortgage, on behalf of Renaul Amador, Jr., out of Weslaco and Ruben Guerrero, out of Mission.

MOTION CARRIED.
SEE "EXHIBIT P"

11/L

Mr. Covacevich informed the Court that this was for approval of the submission of the 1993 CHAS Annual Performance Report and 1994 Annual Plan. He then gave a brief overview of a hearing that had previously been held, regarding this issue. A motion was then made by Commissioner Arcaute and seconded by Commissioner Rosel, to authorize the submittal of the Community Housing Affordability Strategy Annual Performance Report and the 1994 Annual Plan, to the Housing and Urban Development, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.
SEE "EXHIBIT P"

11/M

The City of Elsa was asking to amend its Year 6 budget by deleting their Rehabilitation-Single Family line item and increasing

their water/sewer facilities, street improvements, the Planning and Capacity and the Direct Economic Development line items. A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and seconded by Commissioner Arcaute, to approve the budget amendment requested by the City of Elsa, under their Year 6 Urban County Program.

MOTION CARRIED.
SEE "EXHIBIT P"

11/N

The City of Edcouch was requesting a program amendment by transferring from a revolving loan fund type of activity to a direct economic development grant, to the Delta Area Economic Corporation for staffing and operation expenses. This would be done jointly with the cities of La Villa and Elsa. A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and seconded by Commissioner Arcaute, to approve a program amendment to the City of Edcouch Year 6, Urban County Program, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.
SEE "EXHIBIT P"

11/O

The City of La Villa was asking for a Year 6 budget amendment, to create the line item Direct Economic Development and funding by \$22,000.00, by decreasing their Parks and Recreational Facilities line item. A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and seconded by Commissioner Arcaute, to approve a budget amendment, for the City of La Villa, under the Year 6 Urban County Program, for this Economic Development Program.

MOTION CARRIED.
SEE "EXHIBIT P"

11/P

Mr. Covacevich explained that this was a performance statement amendment on our contract with the Colonia 1-A project, which called for the laying of a water line on Tom Gill Road. He stated that the amendment was for the addition of a booster pump and a storage tank which were needed. A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and seconded by Commissioner Sanchez, to amend our performance standards on the contract, on Tom Gill Road, to add the booster pump and a storage tank.

MOTION CARRIED.
SEE "EXHIBIT P"

11/Q

Mr. Covacevich reported that the Commissioners' Court had the power to appoint members to the Hidalgo County Finance Corporation and at this time there were two vacancies. A motion was made by Commissioner Arcaute and seconded by Commissioner Camarillo, to authorize the appointment, to the Housing Finance Corporation, of Samuel Sanchez and Juan Rosel.

MOTION CARRIED.
SEE "EXHIBIT P"

11/R

A motion was made by Commissioner Arcaute and seconded by Commissioner Camarillo, to appoint Mr. Samuel Sanchez and Mr. Juan Rosel, to the Hidalgo County Industrial Development Corporation.

MOTION CARRIED.
SEE "EXHIBIT P"

11/S

A motion was made by Commissioner Camarillo and seconded by Commissioner Rosel, to approve the CDES bill #5490 in the amount

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of \$2,629.60; the 1991 Urban County bill #5491 totaling \$1,872.60; the 1992 Urban County bills #5492 thru #5495 totaling \$43,998.58; the 1993 Urban County bills #5496 thru #5501 totaling \$13,333.96 and the 1993 Emergency Shelter Grant bills #5502 and #5503 totaling \$18,282.45. The total Urban County memorandum to be approved is \$80,117.19.

MOTION CARRIED.
SEE "EXHIBIT P"

ADD. 1. BUDGET AMENDMENT:
A. Veterans' Service Office

A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and seconded by Commissioners Camarillo and Arcaute, to approve a budget amendment totaling \$2,839.74, which would go into salaries, labor tax, retirement and insurance.

MOTION CARRIED.
SEE "EXHIBIT Q"

There being no further business to come before the Court, a motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and seconded by Commissioner Arcaute, that said meeting of Commissioners' Court be hereby adjourned.

MOTION CARRIED.

DRAINAGE DISTRICT
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The Honorable J. Edgar Ruiz, County Judge, called the Drainage District meeting to order, whereupon the following proceedings were had to-wit:

ITEM 1. LINE ITEM TRANSFER

A motion was made by Commissioner Arcaute and seconded by Commissioner Sanchez, to approve a line item transfer totaling \$32,701.46.

MOTION CARRIED.
SEE "EXHIBIT R"

ITEM 2. AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS - Rancho Santa Cruz Project

A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and seconded by Commissioner Camarillo, to authorize the advertising for bids for the Rancho Santa Cruz Project and the Mile 5 Linda Vista Project; bid opening January 26, bid award February 1, 1994.

MOTION CARRIED.

SEE "EXHIBIT S"

ITEM 3. AWARD BIDS:

- A. Culvert pipe installation
- B. Supply culvert pipe

3/A

Mary Maldonado, Purchasing Agent, informed the Commission, that no bids were received for the installation of pipe, for the Mile 5 Linda Vista Project.

NO ACTION.

SEE "EXHIBIT T"

3/B

Ms. Maldonado reported that she had received two bids for the purchase of culvert pipes, from Varmicon and W.T. Liston. She was at this time recommending that the bid be awarded the low bidder being W.T. Liston. A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and seconded by Commissioner Camarillo, to award to low bidder being W.T. Liston Company, for the purchase of culvert pipe, at a total bid price of \$42,855.04.

MOTION CARRIED.

SEE "EXHIBIT T"

There being no further business to come before the Drainage District, a motion was made by Commissioner Camarillo and seconded by Commissioner Rosel, that said meeting be hereby adjourned.

MOTION CARRIED.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME
BEFORE SAID COURT, the meetings of the Commissioners' Court and
the Drainage District were hereby adjourned.

J. Edgar Ruiz
County Judge

Samuel Sanchez
County Commissioner, Precinct #1

Lalo Arcaute
County Commissioner, Precinct #2

Juan Rosel
County Commissioner, Precinct #3

Leonard Camarillo
County Commissioner, Precinct #4

Dated this 21ST day of DECEMBER, 1993.

ATTEST:

WILLIAM R. LEO, County Clerk
Hidalgo County, Texas

By: JH
Jennifer Castillo

