

THE STATE OF TEXAS :

COUNTY OF HIDALGO :

BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 30TH day of JANUARY, 1996, 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. Richard H. Garcia
Interim County Judge

Hon. Samuel Sanchez
County Commissioner, Precinct #1

Hon. Lalo Arcaute
County Commissioner, Precinct #2

Hon. Juan Rosel
County Commissioner, Precinct #3

Hon. Guadalupe "Lupe" Garces
County Commissioner, Precinct #4

WHEREUPON, the following proceedings

were had, to-wit:

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JANUARY 30, 1996

The Honorable Richard H. Garcia, Interim County Judge, called this meeting to order, whereupon the following items were had to wit:

CONSENT AGENDA

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- ITEM 1. APPROVAL OF BILLS - COUNTY AUDITOR
- GENERAL FUND - #116984 - #117170 - \$13,574,657.95
- SPECIAL REVENUE FUND - #117070 - #117272 - \$ 1,240,502.81
- DEBT SERVICE FUND - # 996 - # 996 - \$ 32,713.34
- TRUST AND AGENCY FUND - # 5253 - # 5277 - \$ 378,757.19
- ENTERPRISE FUND - # 2528 - # 2534 - \$ 4,910.54

(SEE EXHIBIT A)

ITEM 2. APPROVAL OF MONTHLY FEE REPORTS:

- A. ANZALDUAS PARK - \$ 2,644.00 - DEC.
- B. LAW LIBRARY - \$ 1,325.06 - DEC.
- C. JUSTICE OF THE PEACE:
 - 1. ISMAEL OCHOA - \$ 7,044.92 - DEC.
 - 2. ESPERIDION JACKSON - \$ 2,667.50 - DEC.
 - 3. ARNALDO CORPUS - \$ 3,731.66 - DEC.
 - 4. ROSA TREVINO - \$ 6,343.82 - DEC.
 - 5. CHARLIE ESPINOZA - \$ 10,042.00 - DEC.
 - 6. RENE TORRES - \$ 10,874.50 - DEC.
 - 7. RUBEN RAMOS - \$ 8,089.53 - DEC.
 - 8. JESUS MORALES - \$ 4,528.00 - DEC.
 - 9. ADAN CABALLERO - \$ 4,575.00 - DEC.
- D. COUNTY CLERK PART I - \$ 76,357.70 - DEC.
- " " " II - \$ 100,697.79 - DEC.
- E. 1995 ANNUAL REPORT PART I - \$1,080,537.27
- " " " " II - \$1,322,807.35

(SEE EXHIBIT B)

ITEM 3. COUNTY CLERK:

- A. REVISED COURT COST REPORT FOR THE THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER-'95

(SEE EXHIBIT C)

ITEM 4. PERMITS:

- A. NORTH ALAMO WATER SUPPLY - PCT. 1 & 4
- B. SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE - PCT. 3 & 4
- C. SHARYLAND WATER SUPPLY - PCT. 3 & 4

(SEE EXHIBIT D)

ITEM 5. INTERNAL LINE ITEM TRANSFERS : 1995

- A. RAMIRO M. GUERRA YOUTH VILLAGE - \$ 9.94
- B. COMPUTER DEPARTMENT - \$ 377.13
- C. LIBRARY SYSTEM - NO ACTION
- D. HUMAN SERVICES - \$ 200.00
- E. DISTRICT ATTORNEY - GENERAL FUND - \$ 4,390.00
- F. DISTRICT ATTORNEY - STATE - \$ 57.00
- G. DISTRICT ATTORNEY - INVESTIGATION FUND - \$ 2,329.00
- H. COUNTY COURT AT LAW #4 - \$ 1,429.92
- I. BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS - \$ 5,300.00
- J. PCT. 1 - LATERAL ROADS - \$29,000.00
- K. SOLID WASTE ENFORCEMENT - \$ 398.00
- L. 13TH COURT OF APPEALS - \$38,581.00
- M. ADULT DETENTION FACILITY - \$ 1,100.00

- N. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT - \$ 300.00
- O. PCT. 3 - ADMINISTRATION - \$ 700.00
- P. HEALTH DEPARTMENT - ADMINISTRATION - \$ 5,310.00
- Q. HEALTH DEPARTMENT - CLINICS - \$ 2,069.00
- R. HEALTH DEPARTMENT - MOBILE CLINIC - \$ 450.00

(SEE EXHIBIT E)

- ITEM 6. INTERNAL LINE ITEM TRANSFERS: 1996
- A. CONSTABLE PCT. 2 - \$ 150.00
 - B. COUNTY CLERK - \$ 250.00
 - C. HEALTH DEPARTMENT - MOBILE CLINIC - \$ 150.00
 - D. 332ND DISTRICT COURT - \$ 1,440.00
 - E. ADULT PROBATION - GENERAL FUND - \$ 300.00
 - F. COUNTY TREASURER - \$ 250.00

(SEE EXHIBIT F)

Judge Garcia opened the meeting and stated that item 5C will be withheld from action at this time. A motion was then made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Rosel to accept the Consent Agenda as is except deleting 5C.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBITS A-F)

Judge Garcia stated that item 5C will be for no action at this time.

REGULAR AGENDA
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- ITEM 1. COMMUNITY SERVICE AGENCY, MARIBEL NAVARRO:
- A. 1996 COMPREHENSIVE ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM CONTRACT
 - B. 1996 COMMUNITY SERVICE BLOCK GRANT AMENDMENT NO. 3
 - C. APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A LINE OF CREDIT FROM FIRST NATIONAL BANK EDINBURG

1A

Mrs. Navarro opened by stating that this was a continuation contract. This contract assists low income families with energy conservation and costs. Part of this contract will assist the elderly with the four highest bills on a year basis based on their consumption history. There are several other components in this contract such as the energy crisis component, heating and cooling component and the co-pay component. With the co-pay, the client is assessed during a six month period on a sliding scale and they will be assisted according to this assessment. The maximum obligation of this contract is \$744,403 and it is also anticipated at this time, that the department could receive an additional \$846,598. Mrs. Navarro stated that at this point, the department was working with approximately 75% of the total allocation for the fiscal year. Commissioner Sanchez asked if that was possible and she replied that it would depend on item c, which is the establishment of a line of credit. After further brief comments, A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve 1996 Comprehensive Energy Assistance Program Contract.

MOTION CARRIED

(SEE EXHIBIT G)

1B

Mrs. Navarro stated that this was the third amendment to the Community Service Block Grant. Due to the delays in congress and not knowing where the resolution is, they have to extend the 1995 contract and they will be allowed to operate on 21% of the allocations allowed. Ms. Navarro stated that this contract is the reason they've had to secure lines of credit. This contract allows for the cashflow and support of all other programs and contracts for the Agency. She estimates that this 21% allocation would allow them to operate for up to four months. The full allocation for 1996 has been appropriated by the State but they cannot access those monies without a continuing resolution which has not been passed. She also stated that she is in need of the line of credit because there are other monies that could help alleviate this matter, but it would still put a strain on the 21% allocation. This line of credit will help with cashflow. After further comments, a motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Arcaute to approve amendment No. 3 to the 1996 Community Service Block Grant. Mr. Crain clarified that according to a letter dated January 10, 1996, there was no gaurantee that any monies would be allocated aside from this 21% that is here now. The motion was put to a vote and all voted in favor.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT G)

1C

Mrs. Navarro stated that they have met with Micheal McCarthy of First National Bank and he offered to extend a line of credit of \$400,000. This money is needed to pay vendors, CP&L etc. and every-one else that is encumbered. Commissioner Sanchez asked how often did her agency get reimbursed and she stated that it was on a monthly basis. She stated, after being asked by Commissioner Sanchez that if all that was needed was enough to get by on a month to month basis, that she would like three to four hundred thousand so that they can work for three to four months because by the time they report the figures, they are already sixty days into expenditures. So the whole process, with the reporting and the month for getting reimbursed, is approximately ninety days and that would take all of the \$300,000 but they are asking for the \$400,000 to be on the safe side. The interest fees will be paid out of local funds because the the Federal Government will not allow for the grant to pay interest fees. A motion was then made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Rosel to approve the resolution authorizing the line of credit with First National Bank of Edinburg for the amount not to exceed \$400,000 effective February 1st.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT G)

AT THIS TIME, JUDGE GARCIA MOVED TO ITEM 28 WHICH IS THE CLOSED SESSION.

ITEM 28. CLOSED SESSION:
COMMISSIONER'S COURT MAY GO INTO CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 551, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTIONS 551.071 & 551.074 TO DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING MATTER:

A. LITIGATION/PERSONNEL - OFFICE OF EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING

At this time, the Commission retired into Executive Session.

ITEM 29. OPEN SESSION:

A. LITIGATION/PERSONNEL - OFFICE OF EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING

NO ACTION
(NO EXHIBIT)

ITEM 27. OFFICE OF EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING:

A. EXEMPTION FROM COMPETITIVE BIDDING FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES IN ORDER TO HIRE TEMPORARY ACCOUNTING SERVICES

Dick Dickinson opened by stating that this request was for the hiring of a temporary accounting service to comply with immediate timelines. OET must comply with the day to day accounting procedures but also that they must go back and reconstruct and prepare for a possible audit as instructed by the Texas Department of Commerce. Mr. Cortez, a Consultant to OET concerning this auditing, felt that to get the proficiency needed and the number of people necessary, they will have to expend about \$8,000 to \$10,000 a month. This will place them in compliance with the timelines that have been set. Mr. Cortez addressed the Court and stated that there were not enough people in the department to comply with all the times given to them and this is why they are needing to hire temporary accounting services. Commissioner Garces felt that they had to have something in writing from TDOC stating that they needed to overstaff in order to comply. Judge Garcia asked Mr. Dickinson if he was going to pay for this out of OET monies and he stated that he would like to pay for this out of the \$628,000 that have been advanced by the County to OET. If it is not able to be reimbursed, the County would be responsible for the payment. Judge Garcia also asked when the deadline was and Mr. Cortez stated that they were not to sure because the deadline date had been changed several times. It was 2/15, then 3/15 and now possibly 3/31/96. He also stated that with two or three people working on this task, it would be impossible to finish within the timelines for the job would be to monumental. Therefore, he is recommending that they overstaff or hire an outside agency. Commissioner Sanchez felt that if they were going to put money into this type of project, then he would rather put it into the County Departments and work out some type of system where they could do this over time since they already have problems. He felt that this type of money could do better within the County Departments instead of OET. Mr. Cortez felt that they did not have that luxury due to the County being the sponsoring agency and this auditing will be the defense of the County and if they take their time, the County will have no defense toward these issues that are raised by TDOC. Commissioner Rosel then asked how much OET was looking at for this cost and Mr. Cortez stated that approximately \$8,000 to \$10,000 for three months to properly conduct these auditing procedures. He also asked if this audit is conducted, will it address all the concerns the may arise concerning civil action, local and State concerns and will it address other areas of concern? Mr. Cortez then stated that this money will not be utilized for auditing purposes but it will ensure that all records of the Agency are current and auditable if necessary. Commissioner Sanchez again expressed his discontent with putting money in this agency and not getting anywhere. Mr. Cortez clarified what he and Mr. Dickinson have been trying to communicate to the Court. He stated that with the word overstaff,

he meant that they need to get more than just one or two people to get this job done properly so that the County may reap the benefits of having this done the correct way. What Mr. Cortez means by overstaffing is that they need to get maybe four or five people so that they may be able to pick good qualified personnel in the future to help serve the County. During the discussion, Commissioner Arcaute asked what the deadline was and Mr. Dickinson stated that on a weekly basis, there are three or four deadlines on specific things. As the discussion continued, The Commission asked Mr. Dickinson what exactly was he requesting in this item. Mr. Dickinson stated that he is looking for personnel to work at OET on a temporary basis but that they be paid from County funds until such time that they are able to reimburse the the County if and when it is ruled an allowed cost. Mr. Cortez again reiterated that fact that outsiders would not serve the needs of the County. They would need someone working for the County. Mr. Crain addressed the Court and stated that the way this was written on the agenda, alot of the conversation was not needed because that was another issue, as far as hiring employees. The agenda simply requested to hire temporary accounting services. When they do go through that process (employee), they will have to go through the personnel and civil service policies. Commissioner Arcaute stated to Mr. Dickinson that all he needed then was to contract those service out and Mr. Dickinson stated that that is what he has been trying to request all along from the Commission but before he can do that, he must have this exempt from the bidding procedure or he will have to go out for bids and if he does that, he will not meet the deadlines. This will be for contracted services or individual people that will qualify under professional services. Judge Garcia felt that this was being done backwards. He felt that these professional needed to be contacted first and then come to the Commission and ask for an amount. Mr. Dickinson stated that these were the figures that Mr. Cortez quoted him with which these types of professionals will be available for. Commissioner Sanchez then asked Mr. Cortez that since there is a contract with his firm, could their contract be amended so that they can provide accounting services. Mr. Cortez stated that the contract with them was as an auditor and the if there was that type of amendment to the contract then they are disqualified as independent auditors. They can consult the Commission or suggest Accountants to the Commission so that they can in turn take his recommendation. Mr. Cortez stated that they can do that. Mr. Dickinson again stated that they absolutely could not afford to wait any longer and this exemption would allow him to expedite these matters. After further comments, a motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Arcaute to exempt from the competitive bidding process seeking professional services in that we contract with a CPA firm to provide the accounting services necessary for the Office of Employment and Training for a period not to exceed ninety days and an amount not to exceed \$25,000 total expenditure and a list of objectives that are gonna be worked towards. The vote was unanimous.

MOTION CARRIED
(NO EXHIBIT)

ITEM 2. URBAN COUNTY:

- A. CITY OF ALAMO - TOWER ROAD LIFT STATION PROJECT - CHANGE ORDER NO. 1
- B. CITY OF ALAMO - PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES
- C. PCT. 3 - BUDGET AMENDMENT - YEAR 8

- D. PCT. 3 - STREET IMPROVEMENTS YEAR 7 - ENGINEERING SERVICES ADDENDUM
- E. HOME - FIRST-TIME HOME BUYER CONTRACT AGREEMENT & LETTER OF COMMITMENT TO MORTGAGE COMPANY
- F. DESIGNATION OF COMMUNITY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION UNDER THE HOME PROGRAM & APPROVAL TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH COLONIAS DEL VALLE, INC. AS A SUB GRANTEE FOR THE COUNTY'S HOME PROGRAM

2A

Raul Lozano opened by stating that this was a change order to allow an extension of days on a contract with A.V. Welding from thirty days to seventy days. There is no money involved in this change order. A motion was made by Commissioner Arcaute and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve the change order.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT H)

2B

Mr. Lozano stated that this was a contract with CEC Engineers for \$10,000 to be used for construction. A motion was made by Commissioner Arcaute and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve the contract with CEC Engineers.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT H)

2C

Mr. Lozano stated that this budget amendment was for the purpose of creating a new activity under planning and capacity building to assist with a drainage study. This study will include colonias in the ETJ in the City of Alton. The amount will be \$20,000. An additional \$8,000 will go to Youth Services for the Mission Boys and Girls Club. The public hearing has already been held. A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve the budget amendment in pct. 3 for year 8.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT H)

2D

Raul Lozano opened by stating that there is currently a contract in place with Hinojosa Engineering for \$62,606 and Commissioner Rosel has recommended adding an additional street that abuts the existing streets being improved. The additional street is Mile 6 road from In-spiration to Los Ebanos. The amount of the amendment will be for \$3,962. A motion was then made by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to accept the Engineering Services addition to the contract presently with Pct. 3 out of Urban County.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT H)

2E

Mr. Lozano stated that there were 4 families that quali-

fied under the program for \$3,500 and they are requesting approval of the families. A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Arcaute to enter into agreement with the First Time Home Buyer contract with names as stipulated by Urban County.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT H)

2F

Mr. Lozano stated that under the Home regulations, they were mandated to set aside 10% of the funds to go to community housing development organizations. There are currently three of these organizations. Proyecta Azteca, Texas Enterprise and South Texas Rural Development. At this time, Colonias Del Valle Inc. is asking to become a designee of the CHDO program. If and when any funds are awarded to the program, Urban County will come back to the Court for approval. A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT H)

ITEM 3. PLANNING DEPARTMENT:

A. SUBDIVISIONS:

- 1. SOUTH DONNA ESTATES - PCT. 1

3A1

Roy Gonzalez stated that all requirements had been met and he and the Planning Department recommended approval. A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Arcaute to approve South Donna Estates as presented.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT I)

ITEM 4. APPROVAL OF ARCHITECT PAYMENT NO. 1 - 13TH COURT OF APPEALS

A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Rosel to authorize the first installment of the contract with VA Architecture.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT J)

ITEM 5. WIC:

A. APPROVAL OF AMENDED LEASE - ALTON CLINIC

Norma Longoria stated that this was an amendment to the lease that had been brought before the Court. The amendment will be section 2.1 to read 59 full payments and 1 partial payment instead of 60 full payments. A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT K)

ITEM 6. ELECTIONS ADMINISTRATION:

- A. APPROVAL OF EARLY VOTING POLLING PLACES FOR MARCH 12, 1996 PRIMARY ELECTION
- B. APPROVAL TO INCREASE PAYMENT FOR ELECTION JUDGES & CLERKS FROM \$5 TO \$6 PER HOUR
- C. APPROVAL FOR MOBILE VOTING FOR MARCH 12, 1996 ELECTION
- D. APPROVAL TO RENT TWO MOBILE UNITS TO CONDUCT MOBILE VOTING FOR MARCH 12, 1996 ELECTION

6A

Noe Perez addressed the Court and stated that this was approval for ten locations for the polling places as per the exhibit. These places have been used with the past and all ADA requirements are met with these places. A motion was made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Rosel to approve said locations.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT L)

6B

Mr. Perez stated that this rate had been suggested by the Election Commission at their previous meetings. Commissioner Sanchez asked where this money would be coming from and whether this money was in Mr. Perez' budget. He stated that he had asked for this money in his budget but the Court did not approve it and he also was not given the chance to speak on his request. Commissioner Sanchez stated that the reason this was done to everyone and not just him is because the Commission had decided rather than giving everyone a 5% raise, they would operate on the '95 budget and give everyone a 7% raise. Mr. Perez felt that this should not have been done due 1996 being an election year and it being totally different than a non election year. Commissioner Rosel also entered the conversation and stated that the Commission did not have a problem with giving the judges & clerks a raise. However, their priority is that monies do come from the present budgets that the departments have. He felt that there were other means for the departments to pay for this. Either their budget be thoroughly reviewed to make sure there is no money to pay for this or obtain the monies through line item transfers from other accounts. Those avenues should be explored first and have budget amendments from the General Fund as a last resort. Commissioner Rosel felt that they should take no action at this time until this avenues are looked into. Commissioner Sanchez stated that the \$5 out the \$6 being discussed to his understanding was to be supplied by the Democratic Party. Mr. Perez stated that he has contracted with both parties to pay their clerks and judges \$6 and both party chairmans had no problem with the \$6. If the Commission approves this, he felt that he could get this from somewhere else. The Commission shared the view of Commissioner Rosel with regards that they should take no action until Mr. Perez has had a chance to figure out how he can pay for this raise. Commissioner Sanchez requested that Mr. Perez bring back an itemized list of how much of impact this will be on the budget so that they now what they have to work with. Judge Garcia stated that there will be no action at this time.

NO ACTION
(NO EXHIBIT)

6C&D

Mr. Perez stated that this was a request by the two

parties. He also stated that this has never been done as far as mobile voting for primaries. The parties feel that there is a need for it however. If this is approved, Mr. Perez will also have to figure out where this money is coming from. He did not anticipate this in his original budget being that it had never been done before. The cost for this was as per the exhibit and it was configured at the \$5 and \$6. The Commission felt that if this was to be approved, why would they need a mobile station where they already have sub stations? Commissioner Sanchez stated that he did not have a problem with the concept of mobile voting but what he did have a problem with was placing them where there was already sub stations. He felt that the whole concept of this was to reach potential voters that have no way of traveling ten, twelve miles to come vote and this would improve voter turn out. Ms. Mendez stated that there were several areas that they could not have these stations due to ADA requirements. She also stated that this was just the recommendation of the parties and Comm. Sanchez recommended to them that they address this concern so that it will help the voters that would otherwise not vote. Commissioner Sanchez could not support this at this time until locations are changed to accommodate all voters. Commissioner Garces was also against this issue at this time. Judge Garcia suggested that no action be taken at this time.

NO ACTION
(SEE EXHIBIT L)

ITEM 7. PRESENTATION & DISCUSSION OF SPECIAL REPORT - DOUGLAS BARTLEY

Douglas Bartley opened by stating that this was a proposal for management of employess of Hidalgo County. This does not address financial matters. It is strictly for the improvement of management of departments. He has consulted over 500 companies and governmental agencies for the past 23 years. He felt that the employee was not the one that made work in a department inefficient, it was the management. Examples of what he is referring to is the goals and objectives not being established and if they were, they were not being communicated properly to the supervisors. Also, the supervisor has not planned the work, the employee is not being trained. There are several reasons that there can be inefficiencies in departments. These are areas of concern that have been found in other agencies and he is here to propose to the County that they find out. The first part of the proposal is to set up an evaluation system. Part two is to look at the personnel policies of the County to try and avoid lawsuits and third, the supervisors should be trained on how to do the job. If the County does decide to take this proposal, then Mr. Bartley would ask that the Commission set up a committee and the consultant would be in contact with the members. The committee would be reponsible for suggesting changes or any alterations of any sort. Mr. Crain stated that no action could be taken due to it not being advertised and the Commission would have to request for proposals. Judge Garcia stated that he concurred with Mr. Crain and that there will be no action at this time.

NO ACTION
(SEE EXHIBIT M)

ITEM 8. COUNTY TREASURER:
A. INVESTMENT REPORT FOR 1995

Norma Gonzalez, County Treasurer reported that the total amount for 1995 was \$1,367,912.38. This was an increase of \$640,247.66 from the previous year. This was nearly double the interest from '94 to '95. A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to accept the report from the County Treasurer as presented.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT N)

ITEM 9. HEALTH DEPARTMENT:

A. APPROVAL OF CONTRACTS TO PAY MOBILE VAN UTILITIES

Omar Garza stated that this mobile van is done in conjunction with University of Texas Health Science Center in Houston. It is for the purpose of offering primary care services. The County provides \$150 per month for utilities. These contracts are for three months in '95 and one month in '96. There is an agreement to pay this much money even though they might incur more since they are providing a service to the community. After further brief comments, a motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve the \$150 a month contracts for the mobile van utilities.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT O)

ITEM 10. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT:

A. NARCOTICS TRAFFICKING TASK FORCE GRANT:

1. CONTINUED FUNDING OF THE GRANT FROM JUNE 1, 1996 TO MAY 31, 1997
2. APPROVAL OF COOPERATIVE WORKING AGREEMENT; EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM CERTIFICATION AND CERTIFIED ASSURANCES FORMS
3. APPROVAL OF PROPOSED BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$248,757.

10A1

Ramiro Castellano stated that with this grant, the County provides interim financing but they are totally reimbursed once the grant is received. Ms. Uriegas stated that this was the 10th year of funding of this grant with the City of McAllen. The total amount of the grant or proposed budget is \$248,757 and the local match will come from the program income from the City of McAllen. Commissioner Sanchez was attempting to ask how much the County would have to fund up front before they would get reimbursed and Ms. Uriegas felt that it would 1/12 of the total amount of the budget due to it being able to be reimbursed on a monthly basis. Commissioner Sanchez did not feel to comfortable with this because he felt that this was to open ended. Upon clarification a motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Arcaute to approve.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT P)

10A2

A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Rosel to approve.

MOTION CARRIED

(SEE EXHIBIT P)

10A3

A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Rosel to approve.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT P)

ITEM 11. JUVENILE PROBATION:

- A. SPECIALIZED TREATMENT AND REHABILITATION PROJECT (S.T.A.R.)
 - 1. ADJUST ANNUAL SALARIES
- B. TJPC CONSTRUCTION BOND FUNDS:
 - 1. PROPOSAL FOR SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION

11A1

Buddy Silva opened by stating that this was a request to adjust annual salaries. These funds were provided by the McAllen ISD. When he initially set the salaries, he had set them at \$30,000 for the project coordinator and \$20,000 for the drill instructors. He would like to adjust them to \$34,000 for the coordinator and \$22,000 for the drill instructors. The reason for this adjustment was because these were the original salaries but they did not get set at this time because of the initial start up date. It had change from November to January, which allowed additional monies to be used for this purpose. These funds will come from the McAllen ISD. When these contracts come up again, the officers will know how much they will be paid and since the funding is from the McAllen ISD, they will be responsible funding this program and how much the salaries will be. There are some monies that are in the budget for uniforms and things of that nature, but it is all dependent on the ISD. After brief questions, a motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to accept the Juvenile Probation Department adjusted annual salaries which come from the S.T.A.R. program with the understanding that this is on a year to year basis only. Commissioner Sanchez opposed.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT Q)

11B1

Mr. Silva stated that this was a proposal that has been submitted as requested by the Commission previously. This is a proposal for secure residential treatment services and possibly substance abuse programs and a boot camp program. Right now, there is only a youth village program and it just a basic child care program. They youth village program will still continue but at a different level than this new program which will concentrate more on the hard core kids that have more difficult problems. Commissioner Rosel asked Mr. Silva how much would this type of facility cost the County? His response was that as of right now, his placement budget is about \$800,000 that he uses to place juveniles. Because of this budget, Mr. Silva does not foresee it costing the County any additional monies other than what is already funded by the County which \$200,000 of the \$800,000. He only sees preliminary fees such as consulting fees, architectural fees, etc. The match on behalf of the County could be the property that will house this facility. It can be an in kind match and that would draw the money from the State. During the discussion, Commissioner Garces asked if there is an estimated

figure as to the fees that were mentioned. Mr. Silva stated that he had discussed this with an individual and it could be anywhere from \$9,000 to \$10,000. Judge Garcia recommended that the Commission go along with this proposal because the County was looking at getting 2 and 1/4 million dollars and it will not cost the County any additional funds to operate. A motion was then made by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to give Mr. Silva direction to submit a proposal to TJPC for obtaining a grant from the State of Texas in the amount to be determined later.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT Q)

- ITEM 12. DECLARE EQUIPMENT SURPLUS:
 - A. OFFICE FURNITURE - COUNTY COURT #2
 - B. OFFICE EQUIPMENT - 139TH DISTRICT COURT

12A

A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to declare equipment surplus as listed by County Court #2.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT R)

12B

A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to declare office equipment surplus for the 139th District Court.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT R)

- ITEM 13. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:
 - A. REMOVE ONE PAGER FROM INVENTORY DUE TO THEFT (POLICE REPORT ATTACHED)

A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Rosel to approve.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT S)

- ITEM 14. DISTRICT ATTORNEY:
 - A. APPROPRIATION OF 1996 BUDGET FOR INVESTIGATION FUND (6-103-412-710)
 - B. APPROPRIATION OF 1996 BUDGET FOR BAD CHECKS FUND (6-100-412-520)
 - C. AUTHORIZATION TO DECLARE TWO VEHICLES SURPLUS & APPROVAL TO ADVERTISE TO AUCTION VEHICLES

14A

Roy Casarez addressed the Court and stated that this budget amount was \$84,524 and he would like to appropriate this into the above account. It is being done now because Mr. Casarez did not submit it to Mr. Guerra when the overall budget was submitted. \$51,800 of this budget will be for salaries and after being asked if this was

inclusive the 7%, Mr. Casarez reminded the Court that they had given Mr. Guerra the approval to appropriate the raises as he saw fit. A motion was then made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Rosel to approve \$84,524.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT T)

14B

Mr. Casarez stated that this budget was in the amount of \$156,297. A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Arcaute to approve.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT T)

14C

Mr. Casarez stated that they wanted to declare these two vehicles, a 1934 Ford Coupe and 1982 Datsun 310, surplus and have them auctioned. A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT T)

ITEM 15. MARTHA SALAZAR, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT:

- A. APPROVAL TO SUBMIT APPLICATION FOR DRUG IMPACT COURT TO COG
- B. AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT SWEP GRANT FOR YEAR 1996-97 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$106,476.22
- C. APPROVAL TO MATCH SWEP GRANT
- D. APPROVAL TO APPROPRIATE BUDGET
- E. AUTHORIZATION TO ACCEPT SWEP BUDGET FOR YEAR 1996-97

15A

Martha Salazar stated that this was just an approval to submit a grant for the Impact Court for year '95-'96. She stated that in order to apply for the grant this year, they had to submit a proposed plan for the funds. This is the fifth year of this grant. They have to go through the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council to obtain the funds and they in turn submit the grant to the State. The deadline to apply will be February 2nd. As far as line items go, Mrs. Salazar anticipates the same with the exception of the 7% increase that had been approved by the Court plus fringes. This grant will require a 25% match from the County which will amount to approximately \$64,000. If the 7% increase is included, she anticipates that the budget would be approximately \$264,000 and the match would be approximately \$66,000. Commissioner Garces asked which way this grant was headed and whether the County would have to fund 100% in the future. Mrs. Salazar responded by saying that she had met with the State Auditor and they were given the understanding that there was enough monies to fund this program; consequently, the County will not have to fund this grant 100%. A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to authorize the administrative assistant to submit the application for the Drug Impact Court.

MOTION CARRIED

(SEE EXHIBIT U)

15B,C,D&E

Mrs. Salazar stated that she needed to inform the Court that there has been discussion concerning the grant application. Upon submission, they were ranked as to the order of allocation of funds. There were four applications and Hidalgo County ranked 2nd in that order. Since there was only \$110,000, after the distribution of funds, Cameron County and the City of McAllen were left out. The amount that the County is to receive is tentatively \$43,000 and Willacy County will tentatively get \$66,000. Mrs. Salazar stated that Cameron County had objected to being left out completely and they have since expressed an interest in having the 3 entities meet to try to come up with some type of agreement to divide the money among them. Some of the Commission expressed their opinion that the County not accept anymore grants that require a match. They felt that it was too much of a strain on the General Fund. Mrs. Salazar did suggest however, that the Commission attend the meeting that was requested by Cameron County in Weslaco. After further comments, Judge Garcia stated that there will be no action at this time on B, C, D or E.

NO ACTION

(SEE EXHIBIT U)

ITEM 16. COUNTY CLERK:

- A. APPROPRIATION OF 1996 FUND FOR RECORDS MANAGEMENT ACCOUNT #108-419-700
- B. CONSIDERATION & ACTION TO UPGRADE VARIOUS POSITIONS #6-106-415-300.03
- C. BUDGET AMENDMENT ACCOUNT #6-010-415-300.03
- D. CONSIDERATION & ACTION OF SALARY ADJUSTMENTS TO UPGRADE VARIOUS POSITIONS

16A

Mr. Pulido addressed the Court and stated that this was just a follow up that was brought to the Court on November 21, 1995. This was concerning the funding for the positions that were established on that date and Mr. Pulido was told that he had to come back in '96 and reappropriate the funding for this fiscal year. The total amount will be in the range of \$29,000 to \$30,000 for the year for the two positions. He went on to give an update on the status of the warehouse to this day. Everything is coming along. All the files are now on racks for easy retrieval. After further brief comments, a motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve the County Clerk's request to appropriate the 1996 funds for the records management account.

MOTION CARRIED

(SEE EXHIBIT V)

16B

Mr. Pulido stated that with this request, there was one position that falls under records management. Because of the responsibilities of the individual, he would like transfer monies from the Records Management Fund, the County Clerk's Fund that is, to upgrade the position or supplement it. It will not affect any other fund except the County Clerk's Records Management Fund. After further comments, a mo-

tion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve. The amount of the adjustment is \$2,300. The motion was put to a vote and all voted in favor.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT V)

16C

Mr. Pulido stated that this item was the same in almost every aspect as the previous item with the exception that it was a different person. This individual has been with the County 13 years and she has not been kept up to date as far as salary adjustments. The money for this individual will come from the County Clerk's General Fund. The amount of the raise will be \$1,850. A motion was made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Rosel to approve.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT V)

16D

Mr. Pulido stated that this item is approval to upgrade several positions. For this item, they are asking that it come from the County General Fund. The reason that this issue was not addressed at an earlier date is due to there being no budget workshops. This request is due to the added responsibilities of these individuals. Commissioner Rosel stated that Mr. Pulido was on the right track and he did agree that the employees needed to be taken care of. He went on to state that they felt they needed to address the Elections budget and the County Clerk's budget and they had told Mr. Perez that they needed to look at their fund balance from the previous year to see what they could come up with to make these adjustments. Commissioner Sanchez reverted back to what he was speaking of with regards to matches for grants and advancements of funds to OET and others instead of addressing the departments of the County that are understaffed and underpaid. During further comments, Commissioner Rosel asked Mr. Pulido if there was any problem waiting until the following week so they or the Judge's Office can look into how much money they can come up with as far as the existing budget that is there and then come in from the General Fund? Mr. Pulido stated that there was no problem with that. The Commission was in support of this issue. Judge Garcia then stated that there be no action at this time until they have met and figured something out.

NO ACTION
(SEE EXHIBIT V)

AT THIS TIME, JUDGE GARCIA TURNED THE CHAIR OVER TO COMMISSIONER ARCAUTE DUE TO A PREVIOUS ENGAGEMENT. COMMISSIONER ARCAUTE IS NOW PRESIDING.

ITEM 17. RESOLUTION FOR DESIGNATING AREA AS "NO PARKING AREA"

Ms. Vona Walker stated that the Highway Department had a problem with a new flea market that has recently opened near Hutto Rd. & Business 83. There is no parking for this market so consequently, the people are parking along side of U.S. 83 on either side. The Highway Department feels that it is too dangerous and is requesting that the area from 800 ft. west of 1423 to 800 ft. east of Hutto Rd. be declared a no

parking area. The Highway Department will be responsible for putting up the signs and they will enforce the no parking. The Commission was asking if this issue brought up any liabilities with the market developers and Ms. Walker stated that it would not because this is a State Highway and the Highway Department has taken the stand that this is the State's Right of Way for their use and not the General Public. The Commission asked why they needed to do this if it was a State Highway and she stated that it was because the Right of Way was within the County and in a rural area. If it was in the City, then they would go to the city and request the same be done. Commissioner Sanchez asked about Donna passing this and enforcing it since this was in their ETJ and Ms. Walker advised him that they would not be able to do this. The only authority they had as far as their ETJ was concerning subdivision regulations but they did not have the authority to pass ordinances of this nature. Emilio Vela addressed the Court and stated that he had spoken with the City of Donna and they can enforce it from Victoria Rd. and U.S. 83 but not from Hutto Rd. The Commission again expressed concern over the liability of keeping the owners from having business if they declare this a no parking area. Mr. Vela stated that it is the responsibility of the owners to provide parking for establishments and Commissioner Garces stated that the parking can't be on right of way of the State. Mr. Vela also stated that he working with the owners to provide some type of parking for the customers. Commissioner Sanchez stated that he had no problem with declaring this a no parking area as long as there was an effort put forth for the owners. After further comments, Commissioner Sanchez requested that this item be postponed for a week so that they can confer with the owners concerning the issue of parking and Mr. Vela agreed.

NO ACTION
(SEE EXHIBIT W)

- ITEM 18. PCT. 2:
A. SALARY SCHEDULE & SET ADJUSTED SALARIES AS APPROVED BY COMMISSIONER'S COURT ON 1/23/96

Commissioner Arcaute stated that there was a change in the salary schedule that had been approved the previous week and the reorganization of Pct. 2 staff. What he is doing today is submitting a corrected copy of what had been approved previously. A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT X)

- ITEM 19. PCT. 3:
A. APPROVAL TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR TWO NOTE PAYMENTS TO FIRST NATIONAL BANK - EDINBURG
B. APPROVAL TO AMEND BUDGET TO APPROPRIATE NOT PROCEEDS FOR TRUCK PAYMENTS
C. APPROVAL TO REMOVE ASSETS FROM INVENTORY DUE TO THEFT
D. APPROVAL TO DECLARE ASSETS SALVAGE/SURPLUS
E. APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NO. 1 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,600 - RUST ENVIRONMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE
F. ACCEPTANCE OF ROAD EASEMENT

Commissioner Rosel stated that this was the money for notes payable and they will come from '96 unappropriated monies of \$69,577.25 and \$6,069.15 comes from '95 fund balance. He is requesting approval to take this money and place it in the proper line items in order to pay the notes at the bank for the purchase of the motorgraders, and the dump truck in the amount of \$75,646.40. At this time, He moved to appropriate the monies and pay the notes in the amount of \$75,646.40 to the financial institution who financed the equipment. The monies will be transferred into Road & Bridge in account number 6-270-399.050 and from there it will be disbursed. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garces.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT Y)

19B

NO ACTION

19C

Commissioner Rosel stated that these items were stolen from the premisis and there is a Police Report and he would like to declare these items removed for the inventory list. He so moved to that effect and was seconded by Commissioner Garces.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT Y)

19D

Commissioner Rosel stated that there were two copiers that he would like to declare surplus. He moved to that effect. He was seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT Y)

19E

Commissioner Rosel stated that this was change order involving the landfill for Pct. 3. There was a need for additional work to what had been done as requested by the State. The work was related to an existing cell that had been developed and they were not sure if they would be allowed to use this cell. Consequently, they met with TNRCC and as a result of that meeting, they went ahead with the additional work. The amount of the Change order is \$15,600. This money will come from the Enterprise Fund. This item had not been brought before the Court for prior approval, but the work had to be done and it is being brought to the Court now for approval after the fact. It is just under the cap for change order limits, which is 25%. After further discussion, Commissioner Rosel made a motion to approve the change order in the amount of \$15,600. It was entered into the record that this was done after the fact by Commissioner Sanchez. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Garces and was put to a vote in which all voted in favor.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT Y)

19F

Vona Walker opened by stating that there was a property owner who owned over 300 acres and he was interested in selling the property in 10 to 20 acre tract. He was unable to do so since there was no dedicated Rd. along this tract. As a result, he would like to give the County an easement that he himself paved. The paving meets County specifications. The road is approximately 1 mile long and it is owned by Leonel Bazan. This property is out of share 4 of porciones 73, 74 & 75. It was stated that in order for Planning to come in, the easement had to be accepted. Commissioner Rosel stated that if there were any problems, the State would face most of them rather than the County due to the water availability. Ms. Walker stated that when talks first commenced, Mr. Bazan just wanted to give the County the easement. He then proposed to put in a Caliche Road. He finally went on to have it paved. At this time, Commissioner Rosel made a motion which was seconded by Commissioner Garces to accept the road easement as stated by Ms. Vona Walker.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT Y)

ITEM 20. PCT. 4:
A. ACCEPTANCE OF RAOD EASEMENT

Vona Walker stated that these easements were being done at the request of The City of Edinburg. They are within the ETJ. This is along Rodgers Road. They are requiring the applicants to leave an additional 20 feet of Right of Way along thier frontage. This is out of Lot 7, Section 243, Texas-Mexican Railway Company Subdivision. A motion was then made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Rosel. The applicants are Eva Burgess & Edward Troy Smith. The vote was unanimous.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT Z)

ITEM 21. PURCHASING DEPARTMENT:
A. AWARD BID FOR DATA PROCESSING HARDWARE & SOFTWARE SUPPORT-AUDITOR'S OFFICE
B. AURTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR HAULING OF CALICHE & HOT MIX - PCT. 1
C. AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR FIVE - 1996 PICK UP TRUCKS-PCT. 3
ADD. PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE FOR FRONT END LOADER - PCT. 1

21A

Mary Maldonado stated that there was one bid from Hewlett Packard out of San Antonio for \$17,328 and she recommended to accept this bid. A motion was then made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Rosel to accept the low and only bid.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT AA)

21B

A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to authorize Pct. 1 to advertise for Hauling of

Caliche and Hot Mix.

MOTION CARRIED
(SE EXHIBIT AA)

21C

Commissioner Rosel stated that the only clarification he had was that they needed to be new because there may be some '96's that are used. Ms. Maldonado stated that this would be included in the specifications. A motion was then made by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to advertise for five pick up trucks 1996 or better.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT AA)

ADD.

A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Rosel to approve the advertisement for a front end loader as per the addendum.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT AA)

ITEM 22. HUMAN SERVICES, RUDY DE LA VINA:

- A. APPROVAL TO ELIMINATE DIRECTORS POSITION & CREATE ONE ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY POSITION AT \$12,500 & ELIGIBILITY WORKER AT \$15,844.81

Mr. De La Vina stated that this request was due to the retirement of the Director. This will stay within the amount of money that she was earning. They simply want to split the salary. Any amount that they might have to offset, he feels can be accomplished with a line item transfer. Even with severance pay, there is still enough money to do this request. They would like to request that this be effective after her retirement date which is February 15, 1996. That date would be approximately March 1, 1996. The Commission thanked Ms. Cano for a job well done. A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to accept the recommendation of Mr. De La Vina and approve the elimination of the Director position to create an Administrative Secretary and Eligibility Worker at the salaries that have been set. To be effective March 15, 1996.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT BB)

ITEM 23. DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE ACTION IN REFERENCE TO FIRE MARSHALL DEPARTMENT

Commissioner Rosel stated that he had discussed this topic with Judge Garcia and in that discussion, there were some questions raised and he felt that this needed to be addressed further before taking on this issue. He is suggesting that no action be taken at this time due to other priorities that need to be addressed. The Commission felt that some type of workshop needed to be set up so that they can discuss this further. Mr. Quintanilla stated that they have talked to several fire chiefs concerning this issue but he did

agree with the Commission about the workshop.

NO ACTION
(SEE EXHIBIT CC)

ITEM 24. APPROVAL OF LINE ITEM TRANSFERS TO PAY UNEMPLOYMENT FUND BILLING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,592.04

NO ACTION
(SEE EXHIBIT DD)

ITEM 25. APPROVAL OF LINE ITEM TRANSFERS & TO PAY ATTORNEY'S FEES FOR 1995 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$46,728.64

A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT EE)

ITEM 26. APPROVAL OF ATTORNEY'S FEES FOR 1996 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,545

A motion was made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Rosel to approve.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT EE)

ADDENDUM: OFFICE OF EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING:
A. DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE NOMINATION AND/OR APPOINTMENT TO PRIVATE INDUSTRY COUNCIL

NO ACTION

A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Arcaute to adjourn.

MOTION CARRIED

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE COMMISSIONER'S COURT, THIS MEETING IS ADJOURNED.

The Honorable Lalo Arcaute, Pct. 2 Commissioner, called this Drainage District Board meeting to order, whereupon the following items were had to wit:

ITEM 1. AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR ONE TON CAB & CHASIS AND ONE USED EXCAVATOR

Vona Walker stated that this truck will be converted into a welding truck. She will be asking also for a used excavator and the reason for this is because it will be much cheaper. The difference in price is approximately \$200,000 and they can get the same work out of a reconditioned excavator. A motion was then made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Rosel to advertise for one ton cab & chasis and one used excavator.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT FF)

ITEM 2. APPROVAL TO DECLARE PICK UP TRUCK SURPLUS

A motion was made by Commissione Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Rosel to approve.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT GG)

ITEM 3. APPROVAL TO TRANSFER 1995 FUNDS CONVERED BY PURCHASE ORDER #98234 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,806.85 AND PURCHASE ORDER #98921 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,168.06 TO THE 1996 BUDGET IN ORDER TO PAY INVOICES RECEIVED IN 1996

Ms. Walker stated that the \$15,000 invoice was for a bid for a pump to be used in the Linda Vista Project. The pump has not been delivered and they have a purchase order to set aside '95 funds to pay for that. The \$1100 invoice is for some parts that were back ordered and they were not delivered until '96. The money for this was also set aside in 1995 and she would like to carry these funds forward. A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve the request.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT HH)

ITEM 4. PERMITS:
A. FINA OIL & CHEMICAL COMPANY
B. CITY OF McALLEN

4A

Ms. Walker stated that was a request for permission to drill a well on the South side of the Floodway Levy on the west side of 23rd Street. This is on the property owned by the Drainage District. This will not interfere with anything that is currently there from the County. They have already obtained a permit from the City of McAllen. They have paid a \$250 fee. A motion was made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Rosel to approve the permit by Fina Oil.

MOTION CARRIED
(SEE EXHIBIT II)

4B

NO ACTION

A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to adjourn.

MOTION CARRIED

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THIS DRAIANGE DISTRICT BOARD, THIS MEETING STANDS ADJOURNED.

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

Richard H. Garcia _____
Interim County Judge

Samuel Sanchez _____
County Commissioner, Precinct #1

Lalo Arcaute _____
County Commissioner, Precinct #2

Juan Rosel _____
County Commissioner, Precinct #3

Guadalupe "Lupe" Garces _____
County Commissioner, Precinct #4

Dated this 30TH day of JANUARY, 1996.

ATTEST:

JOSE ELOY PULIDO, County Clerk
Hidalgo County, Texas

By: Aaron Betancourt
AARON BETANCOURT, Deputy