

The Honorable J. Edgar Ruiz, County Judge, called this Commissioner's Court Meeting to order, whereupon the following items were had to wit:

### **EXECUTIVE AGENDA**

**ITEM 1. CLOSED SESSION:**

**COMMISSIONER'S COURT MAY GO INTO CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 551, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.074 TO DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING MATTER:**

**A. PERSONNEL:**

- 1. DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE ACTION ON HIDALGO COUNTY HEALTH ADMINISTRATOR**

At this time, the Commission retired into executive session.

**ITEM 2. OPEN SESSION:**

**A. PERSONNEL:**

- 1. DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE ACTION ON HIDALGO COUNTY HEALTH ADMINISTRATOR**

**2A**

Judge Ruiz stated that they have interviewed 3 of 4 candidates. Mr. James Michael Keenan. They will try to interview Mr. Keenan via phone conference. At this time, the Commission took no further action.

**NO ACTION**

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

**ITEM 1. APPROVAL OF BILLS - COUNTY AUDITOR**

GENERAL FUND	- #125520 - #125821 - \$523,404.51
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND	- #124988 - #125821 - \$575,167.51
TRUST AND AGENCY FUND	- # 5927 - # 2928 - \$ 55,639.87
ENTERPRISE FUND	- # 2929 - # 2933 - \$ 776.19

**(EXHIBIT A)**

**ITEM 2. PLANNING DEPARTMENT:**

**A. SUBDIVISIONS:**

1. EMERITUS SUBDIVISION - PCT. 2
2. JOHANA SUBDIVISION - PCT. 2
3. YOLANDA ESTATES SUBDIVISION - PCT. 2
4. BRIARWOOD ESTATES II SUBDIVISION - PCT. 3
5. INSPIRATION MANOR SUBDIVISION - PCT. 3
6. G.G. SUBDIVISION NO. 2 - PCT. 4
7. WEST UNIVERSITY BUSINESS PARK SUBDIVISION - PCT. 4
8. VILLA SAN MIGUEL SUBDIVISION - PCT. 2

**(EXHIBIT B)**

**ITEM 3. PERMITS:**

- A. NORTH ALAMO WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION - PCT. 1 & 2
- B. DEWBRE PETROLEUM CORP. - PCT. 1

**(EXHIBIT C)**

**ITEM 4. INTERNAL LINE ITEM TRANSFERS:**

A. COUNTY COURT AT LAW #3	- \$ 300.00
B. HEALTH DEPARTMENT (CTRPN)	- \$ 2,500.00
C. COUNTY EXTENSION	- \$ 500.00
D. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT	- \$29,067.00
E. CONSTABLE PCT. 5	- \$ 990.77
F. 93 <sup>RD</sup> DISTRICT COURT	- \$ 969.17
G. DISTRICT CLERK	- \$ 8,000.00
H. 332 <sup>ND</sup> DISTRICT COURT	- \$ 305.00
I. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT - INVESTIGATION	- \$ 3,500.00
J. PCT. 2 - PARK	- \$ 600.00
K. PCT. 2 - ADMINISTRATION	- \$ 100.00
L. PCT. 4 - ADMINISTRATION	- \$ 160.00
M. JAIL	- \$26,726.50
N. COUNTY JUDGE	- \$ 2,471.00
O. PCT. 3 - PAVED/UNPAVED	- \$61,200.00
P. PCT. 3 - ADMINISTRATION	- \$ 597.73
Q. PCT. 3 - PARK	- \$19,000.00

**(EXHIBIT D)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Arcaute to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

**MOTION CARRIED**  
**(EXHIBITS A-D)**

**REGULAR AGENDA****ITEM 1. DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE ACTION ON HIDALGO COUNTY EMPLOYEES PETITION**

Judge Ruiz asked Steve Austin if he was going to issue checks the Wednesday before the holiday. He stated that he is trying to do so but he does believe that they will be available late Wednesday afternoon. Commissioner Arcaute stated that he did not see what the problem was with the issuance of the checks being that everyone works on a salary basis. After further brief comments, **no further action was taken.**

**NO ACTION**  
**(EXHIBIT E)**

**ITEM 2. HEALTH DEPARTMENT:****A. APPROVAL OF CONTRACT FOR INTERIM CHIEF PHYSICIAN****2A**

Judge Ruiz stated that this was for the newly appointed Dr. Barrera. This contract has been consented to and signed by the doctor. This will be on a month to month basis for \$5,580 per month. **A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve the contract for the interim chief physician with the Health Department, Dr. Richard Barrera of Mission.**

**MOTION CARRIED**  
**(EXHIBIT F)**

**ITEM 3. DISTRICT ATTORNEY:**

- A. **APPROVAL OF CONTRACT FOR PROGRAMMING AND CONSULTING SERVICES**
- B. **BUDGET AMENDMENT - INVESTIGATION FUND**

**3A&B**

A representative of the District Attorney's Office stated that this was for programming and consulting services. They would also like a budget amendment in the amount of \$6,000 to pay for these services. **There was some question as to whether or not quotes were needed and Mrs. Salazar stated that they could have obtained some quotes being that this is more than \$5,000 but these are professional services. Judge Ruiz recommended that they work with the Purchasing Department to follow the proper procedures.**

***NO ACTION  
(EXHIBIT G)***

**ITEM 4. BUDGET AMENDMENT:**

- A. **MOBILITY TASK FORCE - \$26,000**
- B. **93<sup>RD</sup> DISTRICT COURT - \$1,750**
- C. **CRIPPLED CHILDREN'S HOME - \$3000**
- D. **LITIGATION - \$132,000**
- E. **LUNACY TRIALS - \$392**

**4A**

Judge Ruiz stated that this had previously been approved. The County's portion is \$21,000. **A motion was made by Commissioner Arcaute to approve a budget amendment of \$21,000 to the mobility task force for I-69 and other highway needs from the Department of Transportation.**

***MOTION CARRIED  
(EXHIBIT H)***

**4B**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Arcaute and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve a budget amendment of \$1,750 to the 93<sup>rd</sup> District Court's budget as presented.**

***MOTION CARRIED  
(EXHIBIT H)***

**4C**

Judge Ruiz stated that this is done annually. This is for the electric bill and it will cover November and December. **A motion was made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Arcaute to approve a budget amendment to crippled children's hospital in the amount of \$3,000.**

***MOTION CARRIED  
(EXHIBIT H)***

**4D**

Judge Ruiz stated that this was Attorney Fees. They are not Court Appointed Attorney Fees. They are separate. **A motion was made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Sanchez to approve a budget amendment of \$132,000 for litigation.**

**MOTION CARRIED  
(EXHIBIT H)**

**4E**

A motion was made by Commissioner Arcaute and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve a budget amendment of \$392 for court costs under the lunacy trials.

**MOTION CARRIED  
(EXHIBIT H)**

**ITEM 5. APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR BOARDING OF PRISONERS:**

- A. NUECES COUNTY - \$18,000 - OCTOBER
- B. VICTORIA COUNTY - \$2,884.50 - OCTOBER
- C. ATASCOSA COUNTY - \$3,842.00

**5A-C**

Joe Jackson stated that the total is \$24,726.50. This transfer has gone through the consent agenda. There are currently down to 9 prisoners outside the County. After further brief comments, a motion was made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Arcaute to approve payment of bills for Nueces, Victoria and Atascosa Counties. The amount totaling \$24,806.50.

**MOTION CARRIED  
(EXHIBIT I)**

**ITEM 6. LIBRARY SYSTEM:**

- A. RENEWAL OF LEASE OF HCLS OFFICE

**6A**

William McGee addressed the Court and stated that this renewal will be at the same rate of 1996. Steve Crain stated that this had not gone through purchasing. Mr. McGee stated that this has never gone through purchasing. **There was some question about the procurement process and Judge Ruiz stated that this must be checked before approval. No action was taken.**

**NO ACTION  
(EXHIBIT J)**

**ITEM 7. JUVENILE PROBATION DEPARTMENT:**

- A. APPROVAL TO PARTICIPATE IN THE TEXAS JUVENILE PROBATION COMMISSION TITLE IV-E FEDERAL FOSTER CARE REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM

**7A**

Buddy Silva addressed the Court and stated that this allows the County to retain some of the funds that are used in residential placement. 50% are reimbursed back to the County. The probation officer in charge has her salary also supplemented by this program which amounts to 50% as well as other administrative costs. This contract begins Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> of 1996. **A motion was made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Arcaute to authorize the participation of our Juvenile Probation Department with the Texas Juvenile Probation Commission, Federal Foster Care Reimbursement Program, effective Sept. 1, 1996.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**(EXHIBIT K)****ITEM 8. RIGHT OF WAY DEPARTMENT:**

- A. **AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE DEED TO STATE OF TEXAS CONVEYING .05 ACRE FROM COUNTY OWNED LAND FOR EXPANSION AND RE-ROUTING OF F.M. 1015 - RIGHT OF WAY**

**8A**

Vona Walker stated that this was on the side of the Community Center in Progreso. **A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to authorize the County Judge to execute deed to State of Texas conveying the southwest portion of .05 of an acre of County owned land to the State of Texas for right of way farm to market 1015.**

**MOTION CARRIED****(EXHIBIT L)****ITEM 9. COUNTY JUDGE:**

- A. **APPROVAL TO PAY COMP-TIME**  
B. **BUDGET AMENDMENT - ROAD & BRIDGE - \$2,391.57**

**9A**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve the comp-time of Mr. Balde Guerra. Commissioner Arcaute stated for the record that they have no approved any payment of comp. time to date for any other department. The motion was put to a vote.**

**MOTION CARRIED****(EXHIBIT M)****9B**

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

**MOTION CARRIED****(EXHIBIT M)****ITEM 10. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION PROVIDING A SECRETARIAL POSITION TO THE McALLEN OFFICE OF THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY NARCOTICS SERVICE**

Lieutenant Antonio Gonzalez addressed the Court and stated that this is needed due to the growth of the narcotic squads. The demand are too much for just the two secretaries that are currently there. They have approached the State but they were told that the funds cannot be allocated until the next legislative session but if they get this position, it will not be effective until September of 1997 or January of 1998. Judge Ruiz felt that this could be done under road and bridge being that they generate money for the County. Judge Ruiz wanted to research this issue to make sure that this can be covered. **No further action was taken at this time.**

**NO ACTION****(EXHIBIT N)****ITEM 11. PCT. 3:**

- A. **AUTHORIZATION TO PAY BALANCE - UCP YR. 8 - STREET IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT**

**11A**

Anthony Covacevich stated that this will be under urban county but this is now for the match to be provided by precinct 3. The total amount is \$57,214.19. During further brief comments, **a motion was made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Sanchez to authorize precinct 3 to match the project with urban county with road and bridge was totaling \$57,214.19 and authorizing to make appropriate budgetary changes.**

***MOTION CARRIED  
(EXHIBIT O)***

**ITEM 12. PCT. 4:**

**A. DISCUSSION & ACTION OF LANDFILL DEVELOPMENT AND CLOSURE REPORT**

**12A**

Brian Dudley addressed the Court and briefed the Court as per the exhibit. They are recommending that these landfills be closed out under pressure from the State. This would be the most economical for the County if they use county forces. There are 4 options to consider as far as the landfill in concerned. They range from closure to re-opening the landfill with an additional 21 acres for this purpose. After further discussion regarding this report as per the exhibit, **Judge Ruiz recommended that this report be reviewed under a workshop setting and no further action was taken.**

***NO ACTION  
(EXHIBIT P)***

**ITEM 13. PURCHASING DEPARTMENT:****A. DECLARE EQUIPMENT SURPLUS**

1. 1981 FOR TRUCK (TRADE IN) - PCT. 2
2. 1975 FOR F-750 DUMP TRUCK (TRADE IN) - PCT. 2
3. 1965 FORD - PCT. 2
4. VARIOUS ITEMS - PCT. 3

**B. APPROVAL OF CONTRACT WITH ASO NORTH AMERICA FOR IMPLEMENTING INDIGENT HEALTH CARE AND TREATMENT - DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICE**

**C. RECOMMENDATION REGARDING SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT UNIFORM BIDS AND POSSIBLE REQUEST TO ADVERTISE FOR SAME**

**D. AUTHORIZATION TO EXEMPT FROM BID PROCESS - PROFESSIONAL SERVICES/ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES**

**E. APPROVAL OF ARCHITECTURAL CONTRACT - VARGAS & ASSOC.**

**F. ADVERTISEMENT FOR THE REPLACEMENT AND REPAIRS TO THE HIDALGO COUNTY COURTHOUSE ROOF**

**G. RECOMMENDATION REGARDING AWARD OF COUNTY WIDE - BIDS FOR CULVERT PIPES**

**H. RESOLUTION GIVING NOTICE OF ITS INTENT TO UNDERTAKE EXPENDITURES NECESSARY TO MAKE CERTAIN CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND TO REIMBURSE ITSELF FOR THESE EXPENDITURES FROM THE PROCEEDS OF TAX EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS**

**I. REQUEST TO ADVERTISE AN RFP FOR A CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT TO PERFORM AN INDEPENDENT AUDIT FOR YEAR 1996 & 1997**

**13A1-3**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to declare items surplus.**

**MOTION CARRIED  
(EXHIBIT Q)**

**13A4**

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

**MOTION CARRIED  
(EXHIBIT Q)**

**13B**

Mrs. Salazar stated that there will be new language on item 8 which is the termination clause. There will also be language with regards to the budget not being able to pay, there will be cause for termination with a 30 day notice. There is currently a contract with ASO North America. It has been approved by legal counsel as well as ASO. Commissioner Arcaute recommended that this item be tabled until they have the corrected copy in front of them. A motion was made by Commissioner Garces but the Panel just took a no action.

**NO ACTION  
(EXHIBIT Q)**

**13C**

Mrs. Salazar stated that the department would like to reject the bid and re-advertise. This is due to one vendor claiming not received all of the specifications. They were mailed to the vendor. Commissioner Arcaute asked how these bids had changed from the first time and he stated that the bidder with the second lowest bid changed his bid the second time around and the Commission also wondered the same thing. Mrs. Salazar stated that this vendor stated he did not get all the specs until after he was afforded a copy of the bids that were submitted. The vendor was aware of what was being bid, specifically the pullovers because he had bid this the first time around. Commissioner Arcaute felt the County had left itself exposed to liability but Mr. Crain stated that they did not agree because the specs say that the County has the right to reject any and all bids and since the bid has not been awarded, this would leave them covered. After some questions regarding how the specs were issued, **a motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to accept the recommendation of the purchasing department and reject the bids and re-advertise.**

**MOTION CARRIED (REJECTED)  
(EXHIBIT Q)**

**13D**

Mrs. Salazar stated that this was related to the repairs of the Courthouse roof. It is with Vargas & Assoc. Commissioner Arcaute asked why an Architect was needed and Judge Ruiz stated that it is because there will be some re-designing. After further comments, **a motion was made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Arcaute to exempt from the bidding procedure, under professional services, the services of VA Architect for Architectural Services to repair the roof at the Courthouse which is estimated to cost \$82,583.35.**

**MOTION CARRIED  
(EXHIBIT Q)**

**13E**

Judge Ruiz stated that this has been reviewed by legal counsel and this is a standard contract. **A motion was made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Sanchez to approve the contract with Vargas & Assoc. for design of a roof on the Courthouse proper.**

***MOTION CARRIED  
(EXHIBIT Q)***

**13F**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to authorize the advertisements for bids for the replacements repairs of the Hidalgo County Courthouse roof as per plans and specifications to be prepared by Vargas & Assoc.**

***MOTION CARRIED  
(EXHIBIT Q)***

**13G**

Mrs. Salazar stated that there were 6 bidders as per the exhibit. She is recommending Varmicon for reinforced concrete pipe, Advanced Drainage Systems, Inc. for polyethylene pipes and Varmicon for heavy wall concrete pipes. This is just for the pipes. **A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to award the low bid in regards to the buying of culvert pipes for the County of Hidalgo, countywide.**

***MOTION CARRIED  
(EXHIBIT Q)***

**13H**

Judge Ruiz stated this resolution will cover for the expense of the roof repairs through the certificates of obligation. This resolution will include this project in long term financing. **A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Arcaute accepting a resolution giving notice of the intent to undertake these expenditures of the renovation of the Courthouse and to eventually if a certificate of obligation or general obligation be accepted that the reimbursement be made of these expenditures to tax exempt bonds.**

***MOTION CARRIED  
(EXHIBIT Q)***

**13I**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to authorize to advertisements for statements of qualifications for CPA's to perform the audit for the County of Hidalgo for the years 1996 & 1997.**

***MOTION CARRIED  
(EXHIBIT Q)***

**ITEM 14. URBAN COUNTY:**

- A. CITY OF MERCEDES - BUDGET AMENDMENT TO YR. 9 WORKPLAN
- B. CITY OF MERCEDES - SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT WITH THE MERCEDES AFFORDABLE HOUSING CORPORATION
- C. CITY OF PALMVIEW - PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT - SALINAS & ASSOCIATES INC.

- D. CITY OF PALMVIEW - PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT - SALINAS & ASSOCIATES INC.
- E. PCT. 3 - CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT AWARD YR. 8
- F. HOME/HOMEOWNER OCCUPIED HOUSING REHAB APPLICATIONS
- G. HOME - 1<sup>ST</sup> TIME HOMEBUYER CONTRACT AGREEMENT AND LETTER OF COMMITMENT TO MORTGAGE CO.
- H. CITY OF PROGRESO - HOME - CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT AWARD
- I. HOME/HOMEOWNER OCCUPIED HOUSING REHAB APPLICATIONS
- J. APPROVAL TO AMEND PROGRAM DESCRIPTION WITH HABITAT FOR HUMANITY - LA FRONTERA INITIATIVE
- K. CITY OF PALMVIEW - HOME - CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT AWARD

**14A**

Anthony Covacevich stated that this was a budget amendment will take from Street Improvements, Water Facilities and Recreational Facilities to fund the acquisition of real property housing. **A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve the budget amendment as requested by the City of Mercedes for their yr. 9 program.**

***MOTION CARRIED  
(EXHIBIT R)***

**14B**

Mr. Covacevich stated that this agreement is for \$100,000 and it will be used to acquire real property to construct affordable housing. **A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Arcaute to approve a subrecipient agreement, County of Hidalgo, City of Mercedes Affordable Housing Corporation.**

***MOTION CARRIED  
(EXHIBIT R)***

**14C**

Mr. Covacevich stated that this contract will be for \$11,265. This will be for water and sewer improvements. **A motion was made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Arcaute to approve a contract between the County of Hidalgo, City of Palmview and Salinas & Assoc. for engineering services, \$11,265.**

***MOTION CARRIED  
(EXHIBIT R)***

**14D**

Mr. Covacevich stated that this contract is for \$26,400 and it will be for street improvements. There is enough in the budget. **A motion was made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Arcaute to approve a contract for professional services between the County of Hidalgo, City of Palmview, Salinas & Assoc. for engineering services estimated cost \$26,400.**

***MOTION CARRIED  
(EXHIBIT R)***

**14E**

Mr. Covacevich stated that this will be for a contract match and it is with Mission Paving. The total bid is \$129,600. Road and Bridge will pay \$57,214.19 and Urban County will come in with \$72,385.81. The streets to be paved are as per exhibit. **A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve a contract**

award to Mission Paving Co. for street paving, Mile 4 to Mile 5, Stewart Rd, Mile 5 to Mile 7, Moorefield Road, Mile 3 to Mile 5, Minnesota Road. The contract amount is \$129,600.

**MOTION CARRIED**  
**(EXHIBIT R)**

14F

Mr. Covacevich stated that there are a total of 14 families in the Cities of Elsa, San Juan and Donna. The cities have the choice of going either \$12,000 or \$15,000. It depends on the amount of rehab that needs to be done. **A motion was made by Commissioner Arcaute and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve the recipients of the City of Elsa, City of San Juan and City of Donna Homeowner Occupied Housing Rehab applications.**

**(EXHIBIT R)**  
**MOTION CARRIED**

14G

Mr. Covacevich stated that this program is one of the more successful programs. There are two families to be approved for this program year. **A motion was made Commissioner Arcaute and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve the two recipients.**

**MOTION CARRIED**  
**(EXHIBIT R)**

14H

Mr. Covacevich is recommending the low bid Hi-Tech in the amount of \$35,500. This will cover 3 units. **A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve low bid to Hi-Tech Construction for the Housing Rehab Grant as presented.**

**MOTION CARRIED**  
**(EXHIBIT R)**

14I

Mr. Covacevich stated that this is for 1 individual in the City of Alamo. They had recently approved 5 families but one had chosen not to go through with this so this family will replace this applicant. **A motion was made by Commissioner Arcaute and was seconded by Commissioner Sanchez to approve the Manuel Saenz recipient of that homeowner occupied housing rehab program as presented.**

**MOTION CARRIED**  
**(EXHIBIT R)**

14J

Mr. Covacevich stated that this is an amendment to the program description. Instead of \$100,000 that was to be used to provide interim financing of 6 new housing units. They would now like to use this money for permanent financing of lots to be used for the new units. After further comments, **a motion was then made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Arcaute to approve the amendment as presented.**

**MOTION CARRIED**  
**(EXHIBIT R)**

14K

Mr. Covacevich stated that this contract is with Alpha Construction for option #1 for \$18,309. **A motion was made by Commissioner Arcaute and was seconded by Commissioner Sanchez to approve the low bidder, Alpha Construction in the amount of \$18,309.**

***MOTION CARRIED  
(EXHIBIT R)***

**ITEM 15. PLANNING DEPARTMENT:**

**A. SUBDIVISIONS:**

1. **LAS THREE D's SUBDIVISION - PCT. 1**
2. **AMENDED PLAT OF RIO RICO PHASE I - PCT. 1**
3. **McCOOK ACRES #2 - PCT. 3**
4. **I & L SUBDIVISION - PCT. 4**
5. **PALMVIEW WEST SUBDIVISION - PCT. 3**
6. **REBUD ESTATES NO. 1 SUBDIVISION - PCT. 4**

**B. PRELIMINARY PLAT APPROVAL:**

1. **EL SENDERO SUBDIVISION UNIT 1 - PCT. 3**

**15A1**

Emilio Garcia stated that this has been approved by the City of Elsa. **A motion was made by Commissioner Garces to approve Las Tres D's Subdivision in Pct. 1 as presented.**

***MOTION CARRIED  
(EXHIBIT S)***

**15A2**

Mr. Garcia stated that this had been approved back in 1993. Since then a lot has been re-subdivided and this will now be an 8 lot subdivision. Upon his recommendation, **a motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve Rio Rico Phase I amended plat as presented.**

***MOTION CARRIED  
(EXHIBIT S)***

**15A3**

Mr. Garcia stated that this subdivision had to go through the FEMA process and it has been approved by them. The flood zone has been changed from A to C. All lot face a state highway so no monies were escrow. There was some question as to the requirements of this subdivision. After further comments, **Judge Ruiz recommended that this subdivision be taken under advisement. Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to take McCook Acres #2 under advisement, Pct. 3 as presented for further drainage review.**

***MOTION CARRIED  
(EXHIBIT S)***

**15A4**

Mr. Garcia stated that this has been approved by the City of Edinburg and he is recommending the approval also. **A motion was made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Arcaute to approve I & L Subdivision in Pct. 4 as presented.**

***MOTION CARRIED  
(EXHIBIT S)***

**15A5**

Mr. Garcia stated that this 51 lot subdivision has been approved by the City. All requirements have been met in accordance with the County as well. **A motion was made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Sanchez to approve Palmview West Subdivision in Pct. 3 as presented.**

***MOTION CARRIED  
(EXHIBIT S)***

**15A6**

Mr. Garcia stated that this 65 lot subdivision has been approved by the City of Edinburg and they also conducted all inspections on this subdivision and requirements were met in accordance with the County. **A motion was then made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Sanchez to approve Redbud Estates #1 Subdivision in Pct. 4 as presented.**

***MOTION CARRIED  
(EXHIBIT S)***

**15B1**

Mr. Garcia stated that this subdivision was for prelim approval. All preliminary requirements have been met. He is recommending the approval of this subdivision subject to the street signs, traffic control devices, testing of the streets as well as the final letter from the corporation and the drainage affidavit. After further comments, **a motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Arcaute to give preliminary plat approval for El Sendero Subdivision Unit 1 in Pct. 3.**

***MOTION CARRIED  
(EXHIBIT S)***

**ITEM 16. PRESENTATION OF COUNTY RECORDS STORAGE PROPOSAL - VALLEY DOCU-SERVE**

Judge Ruiz stated that this was in an effort to maybe privatize records storage being that all records are scattered about the County and there are some departments and have a high retrieval rate. Adrian Reyes addressed the Court and stated this would consist of storage and retrieving documents. The rate shown in the proposal as per the exhibit is based on the records of the district clerk's office. This would consist of a two deliveries per day system. After further comments, Judge Ruiz encouraged the Commission to look at this proposal because he felt that this type of service was needed in some areas. **No further action was taken.**

***NO ACTION  
(EXHIBIT T)***

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

***MOTION CARRIED***

There being no further business to come before this Commissioner's Court, this meeting is adjourned.

**DRAINAGE DISTRICT**

The Honorable J. Edgar Ruiz, County Judge, called this Drainage District Board Meeting to order, whereupon the following items were had to wit:

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

**ITEM 1. LINE ITEM TRANSFER  
(EXHIBIT U)**

**ITEM 2. PERMIT:  
A. CITY OF PALMVIEW  
(EXHIBIT V)**

A motion was made by Commissioner Arcaute and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve the consent agenda as presented.

***MOTION CARRIED  
(EXHIBIT U-V)***

### **REGULAR AGENDA**

**ITEM 1. RECOMMENDATION OF AWARD ON REQUEST FOR BID - HALF TON PICKUP**

Martha Salazar stated that there were two bids and she is recommending the low bid of Bert Ogden at \$19,440. **A motion was made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Arcaute to award bid to the low bidder Bert Ogden for a price of \$19,440 with a maximum delivery date of 90 days.**

***MOTION CARRIED  
(EXHIBIT W)***

**ITEM 2. REQUEST TO REMOVE ITEM FROM FIXED ASSET INVENTORY LIST DUE TO RETURN OF ITEM TO VENDOR AND REFUND ON SAME**

Mrs. Salazar stated that this item had been purchased for a vehicle and was later returned for a refund. They would now like to remove it from the inventory list. **A motion was then made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Arcaute to remove asset #029356 as presented.**

***MOTION CARRIED  
(EXHIBIT W)***

**ITEM 3. REQUEST TO DECLARE ONE ROYAL TYPEWRITER SURPLUS**

A motion was made by Commissioner Arcaute and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to declare royal typewriter asset #020106 surplus and authorize purchasing department to dispose of said equipment.

***MOTION CARRIED  
(EXHIBIT W)***

**ITEM 4. EXEMPTION FROM BIDDING FOR ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES - PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**

Mrs. Salazar stated that this was related to the construction of the drainage district office. Judge Ruiz stated that the estimated cost for this building would be \$119,000. **They are requesting the exemption for architectural services under professional services for V.A. Architects & Assoc. Commissioner Garces so moved and was seconded by Commissioner Arcaute.**

***MOTION CARRIED  
(EXHIBIT W)***

**ITEM 5. AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITH V.A. ARCHITECTURE**

Judge Ruiz stated that this contract called for 8% of the cost. This is a boiler plate contract. **A motion was made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Arcaute to approve a contract with V.A. Architect, County of Hidalgo through it's Drainage District.**

***MOTION CARRIED  
(EXHIBIT W)***

**ITEM 6. AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS ON CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDING**

***A motion was made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Arcaute to authorize the advertisement for bids for the construction of a building at drainage district.***

***MOTION CARRIED  
(EXHIBIT W)***

**ITEM 7. ORDER/RESOLUTION - NO PLAN CHANGES - RETIREMENT SYSTEM**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Arcaute and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve a resolution and order accepting the no change status for our retirement system as presented.**

***MOTION CARRIED  
(EXHIBIT X)***

**A motion was made by Commissioner Arcaute and was seconded by Commissioner Garces adjourn.**

***MOTION CARRIED***

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