

DECEMBER 23, 1996

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

CONSENT AGENDA

ITEM 1. APPROVAL OF BILLS - COUNTY AUDITOR

GENERAL FUND - #126336 - #126477 - \$ 95,489.92
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND - #125880 - #126122 - \$118,694.50
ENTERPRISE FUND - # 2972 - # 2990 - \$ 11,075.35

(EXHIBIT A)

ITEM 2. APPROVAL OF MONTHLY FEE REPORT:

A. DISTRICT CLERK - \$164,286.36 - NOVEMBER

(EXHIBIT B)

ITEM 3. PLANNING DEPARTMENT:

A. SUBDIVISIONS:

1. SANTA ROSA SUBDIVISION - PCT. 2
2. OVER THE HILL SUBDIVISION - PCT. 4

(EXHIBIT C)

ITEM 4. PERMITS:

- A. MILITARY HIGHWAY WATER SUPPLY COMPANY - PCT. 2
- B. SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY - PCT. 3

(EXHIBIT D)

ITEM 5. INTERNAL LINE ITEM TRANSFERS:

A. JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PCT. 4 - CHARLIE ESPINOZA - \$ 972.28
B. JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PCT. 3 - ARNALDO CORPUS - \$ 730.00
C. COUNTY COURT AT LAW #2 - \$ 850.00
D. COUNTY COURT AT LAW #4 - \$ 2,384.94
E. 332ND DISTRICT COURT - \$ 700.76
F. PCT. 2 - PAVED/UNPAVED - \$ 3,000.00
G. PCT. 2 - PARKS - \$ 1,100.00
H. PCT. 4 - ADMINISTRATION - \$ 3,000.00
I. PCT. 4 - PAVED/UNPAVED - \$ 6,000.00
J. BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS - \$ 4,405.01
K. JAIL - \$30,840.00
L. CONSTABLE - PCT. 4 - \$ 126.06
M. JUVENILE PROBATION DEPARTMENT - \$ 6,000.00
N. ENTERPRISE FUND (LANDFILL) - \$ 400.00
O. HIDALGO COUNTY EXTENSION SERVICE - \$ 230.00
P. GENERAL LITIGATION - \$ 8,150.00

(EXHIBIT E)

Judge Ruiz opened with some announcements and stated that there would be no meeting the following week. This would be the last meeting of the year. He then proceeded to the Consent Agenda. **He stated that there were some deletions. Items 5B, 5L and 5M will be for no action. Item 5J will be corrected. The adjustment amount will be \$4,010.01. A motion was then made by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Sanchez to approve the consent agenda as amended.**

MOTION CARRIED

(EXHIBITS A-E)

REGULAR AGENDA**ITEM 1. PROCLAMATION HONORING LESLIE E. REED - DISTRICT ATTORNEY**

Rene Guerra addressed the court and stated that this was to honor Mr. Reed who has worked with the D.A. for 23 1/2 years. He addressed the court and stated that he was glad to have served the county for so long. After further brief comments, Judge Ruiz read the proclamation as per the exhibit. **No further action was taken.**

**NO ACTION
(EXHIBIT F)**

ITEM 7. 332ND DISTRICT COURT**A. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON ADJUSTMENT OF COURT COORDINATOR'S 1997 SALARY****7A**

Judge Mario Ramirez addressed the court and stated that he would like to adjust the salary of his coordinator commensurate to that of the other coordinators for the courts. She has fallen behind the rest of the coordinators due to him generally giving raises across the board. Judge Ruiz asked if this would be an adjustment to their budget or would it necessitate a budget amendment. Mrs. Etnire stated that it would necessitate an amendment. This increase is to be effective at the beginning of the year. After further comments, Judge Ruiz recommended the approval of this request to change the salary from \$38,693 to \$45,000 with a budget amendment to the 332nd District Court of \$6,307. **A motion was made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Sanchez to approve.**

**MOTION CARRIED (COMMISSIONER ARCAUTE OPPOSED)
(EXHIBIT G)**

ITEM 10. DISTRICT ATTORNEY:

- A. APPROVAL OF 1997 DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S BAD CHECK BUDGET**
- B. APPROVAL OF 1997 DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S INVESTIGATION FUND BUDGET**

10A

A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Arcaute to approve the bad check budget for 1997 as presented totaling \$141,779.27.

**MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT H)**

10B

A motion was made by Commissioner Arcaute and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve the investigation fund budget as presented for 1997.

**MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT H)**

ITEM 6. COUNTY COURT AT LAW #1:**A. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON ADJUSTMENTS OF 1997 SALARIES****6A**

Judge Delgado addressed the court and stated that he would like to adjust the salary of his bailiff/interpreter in an attempt to keep him in his current position. He has an opening

for court coordinator which his bailiff is lobbying for. He was like to keep him there and also hire someone as his coordinator. He feels that if he adjusts the salary of his bailiff, this will pacify him and he will stay at his current position. He would like to upgrade the bailiff salary to \$28,443.69 and leave the coordinator at \$32,000. The 03 category will remain the same. He will just adjust the salaries. **At this time, Judge Ruiz is recommending the approval of the adjustments to the salaries of County Court at Law #1, setting the court coordinator salary at \$32,000, court reporter salary at \$43,770.71 and the bailiff/interpreter at \$28,443.69. A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to adjust the salaries as presented.**

***MOTION CARRIED (COMMISSIONER ARCAUTE PROPOSED)
(EXHIBIT I)***

ITEM 14. BUDGET AMENDMENTS:

- A. **INSURANCE**
- B. **PUBLIC DEFENSE**
- C. **GENERAL LITIGATION**
- D. **LUNACY TRIALS**
- E. **AUTOPSIES**
- F. **JUSTICE OF THE PEACE PCT. 3, PL. 2 - ISMAEL OCHOA**

14A-F

Judge Ruiz stated that the **current fund balance is \$374,610.27**. These amendments plus 1 for court reporters fees would **amount to \$352,821.04**. The **fund balance would then be \$21,789.23**. Judge Ruiz stated that this amendment under insurance was in the **amount of \$4,555**. Under special legal services, the **amount is \$247,000**. Under other professional services, **it is \$20,000**, under lunacy trials, **it is \$1,331**, under autopsies, **it is \$76,125** and the justice of the peace, **it is \$150**. **A motion was made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Rosel under discussion**. Ofelia De Los Santos addressed the court on behalf of the court appointed attorneys. She stated that they would like to implement a system so that these attorneys in get paid in a more efficient manner. The process at this time, they feel, is entirely to slow. After her comments, Judge Ruiz stated that they are trying to improve this system but it will take the efforts of the district an county court judges. After further brief comments, **the motion to approve the budget amendments under insurance, public defense, general litigation, lunacy trials, autopsies, and justice of the peace as presented.**

***MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT J)***

ITEM 2. TAX OFFICE:

- A. **TAX REFUNDS:**
 - 1. **S. KLEIN GALLERIES - \$2,458.43**
 - 2. **LUIS CHAMPION - \$714.98**

2A1&2

A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve the tax refunds as presented.

***MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT K)***

ITEM 3. APPROVAL OF ELECTED OFFICIAL BONDS:

- A. **RENE O. TORRES - J.P. PCT. 4**
- B. **NORMA G. GONZALEZ - COUNTY TREASURER**

- C. **FEDERICO FRED GARZA, JR. - COUNTY COURT AT LAW #4**
- D. **SYLVIA HANDY - COUNTY COMMISSIONER - PCT. 1**

3A-D

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

MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT L)

ITEM 4. BUDGET AMENDMENT:

- A. **COURT REPORTER FEES - \$3,810.04**

ITEM 5. APPROVAL OF COURT REPORTER FEES:

- A. **JESSE SALAZAR - \$1,684.00**
- B. **MARK KVAPIL - \$2,126.04**

Judge Ruiz is taking items 4 and 5 together. A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve the budget amendment and authorize payment as presented.

MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT M)

ITEM 8. JAIL:

- A. **APPROVAL OF BILL:**
 - 1. **NUECES COUNTY - \$12,840 - NOV. (BOARDING OF PRISONERS)**

8A1

Judge Ruiz stated that this was a bill for the housing of inmates. A motion was made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Arcaute to approve the bill as presented.

MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT N)

ITEM 9. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT:

- A. **APPROVAL OF FEDERAL EQUITABLE SHARING AGREEMENT BETWEEN HIDALGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT**
- B. **APPROVAL OF 1997 INVESTIGATION FUND AND APPROPRIATE SAME**

9A

Emilia Uriegas stated that this agreement allows for the county to keep a portion of all forfeitures by the U.S. Treasury or U.S. Justice Department and it is for three years. A motion was then made by Commissioner Arcaute and was seconded by Commissioner Rosel to approve the equitable sharing agreement as prescribed by the federal government asset forfeiture and money laundering section criminal division and the U.S. Treasury for three years.

MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT O)

9B

Ms. Uriegas stated that they wanted to appropriate this budget. The amount is for \$53,413. **A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve the 1997 investigation fund in the amount of \$53,413.**

**MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT O)**

ITEM 11. HEALTH DEPARTMENT:

- A. SALARY EXTENSIONS UNTIL STATE CONTRACTS ARRIVE:**
- 1. T.B. ELIMINATION**
 - 2. IMMUNIZATION DIVISION**

11A1

Judge Ruiz stated that this has been done several times in the past. When the contracts arrive, the county gets reimbursed the amount of monies used for this purpose. The renewal of these grants have been approved. **A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve the extension of salaries for state contracts, TB Elimination and Immunization Division as presented.**

**MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT P)**

ITEM 12. PCT. 4:

- A. DISCUSSION TO FORM A COMMITTEE TO OVERSEE PSYCHIATRIC EVALUATION AND PSYCHIATRIC TREATMENT FOR HIDALGO COUNTY DETENTION INMATES**
- B. APPROVAL OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF EDINBURG AND HIDALGO COUNTY**

12A

Commissioner Garces stated that he has that with MHMR staff and stated that what they are trying to do is eliminate the possible abuse of this tactic by defense attorneys who may abuse this evaluation system to delay their trials and consequently the county having to pay for these unneeded services. Leroy Torres addressed the Court and stated that there is a recommendation to the court on how they could alleviate this problem. Dr. Moron stated that they would like to re-evaluate the memorandum of understanding that is currently in place with regard to emergency psychiatric evaluations and direct treatment to priority population patients. He stated that they would like to set up a task force to officially assess the areas of need and recommend remedies in those areas. Commissioner Garces feels that this task force would facilitate the needs of mental patients that are in the system. After further comments, **no further action was taken.**

**NO ACTION
(NO EXHIBIT)**

12B

Commissioner Garces stated that this was in relation to some projects that are be done by Pct. 4. This agreement will allow for the city to help with some equipment and some labor. **A motion was then made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Rosel to approve an Interlocal Cooperative Agreement between the City of Edinburg and Hidalgo County for the paving of certain roads, north sugar road, Ingle Road and north 10th St. as prescribed by the agreement.**

**MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT Q)**

ITEM 13. URBAN COUNTY:

- A. **CITY OF ELSA - WATER/SEWER IMPROVEMENTS - PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH SALINAS & ASSOCIATES, INC.**
- B. **CITY OF HIDALGO - PFI - WATER/SEWER IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT**
- C. **CITY OF LA VILLA - BUDGET AMENDMENT YEAR 9 (B-96-UCP-48-0501)**
- D. **HOME - FIRST TIME HOMEBUYER CONTRACT AGREEMENT AND LETTER OF COMMITMENT TO MORTGAGE COMPANY**

13A

Sylvia Garcia-Nunez addressed the court and stated that this was an agreement for the reconstruction of raw water basins at the existing facilities. This is with Salinas and Associates in the amount of \$13,848.87. **A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Arcaute.** Judge Ruiz asked if the issue that the City of Elsa had with some engineers. Mrs. Nunez stated that she was not sure. She also stated that they had met with Mayor Alvarado and he advised them that they were resolving that issue. Judge Ruiz did not feel comfortable with this issue because he has not seen any resolution to this effect and there was a substantial amount of money unless they were dealing with a different year allocation. Commissioner Sanchez stated that the year that was in question was year 8 but they had instructed or requested that they hold off any action until such time as this matter was resolved. **This being the case, he withdrew his motion and Commissioner Arcaute withdrew his second. Another motion was then introduced by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Arcaute to table the request by the City of Elsa.**

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

13B

Mrs. Nunez stated that they wanted this item tabled to it being mis-worded. **No action was taken.**

***NO ACTION
(EXHIBIT R)***

13C

A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Arcaute to approve a budget amendment for year 9 requested by the City of La Villa and as presented.

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

13D

Mrs. Nunez stated that there were 4 families that met the minimum qualifications for this program. Upon her recommendation, **a motion was made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Rosel to approve 4 first time home buyer contract agreements and authorize letter of commitment to the mortgage companies as presented.**

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

ITEM 15. PLANNING DEPARTMENT:

- A. **SUBDIVISIONS:**
 - 1. **HIDALGO COUNTY VILLA SUBDIVISION - PCT. 1**
 - 2. **MERCEDES HEIGHTS SUBDIVISION - PCT. 1**

3. **McCOOK ACRES #2 - PCT. 3**
- B. **FINAL PLAT APPROVAL WITH LETTER OF CREDIT:**
 1. **RMR SUBDIVISION - PCT. 1**

15A1

Roy Gonzalez addressed the Court and stated that all requirements have been met in accordance with the City of Mercedes and the County. At this time, the Planning Department is recommending approval. **A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Rosel to give approval to Hidalgo County Vela Subdivision in Pct. 1 as presented.**

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

15A2

Mr. Gonzalez addressed the Court and stated that this subdivision had also been approved by the City of Mercedes. It had also met with the approval of the County. The developer for this subdivision is requesting a waiver on the deposit for the installation of culvert pipes. The reason for this request is because he has installed the pipes himself. Commissioner Sanchez stated that he had inspected the pipes and they are in compliance. Judge Ruiz was discontent with the fact the pipes were installed without prior approval. During further comments, it was stated that being that the developer was requesting a waiver, it could not be done because the waiver issue was not on the agenda. After further comments, **a motion was then made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve Mercedes Heights Subdivision in Pct. 1 as presented.**

***MOTION CARRIED (JUDGE RUIZ OPPOSED)
(EXHIBIT S)***

15A3

Mr. Gonzalez stated that this subdivision has met the requirements of County and it is in the rural area. There was some questions raised concerning part of this subdivision being in a zone A area. After further comments, **a motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Sanchez to approve McCook Acres #2 in Pct 3 as presented.**

***MOTION CARRIED (COMMISSIONER ARCAUTE OPPOSED)
(EXHIBIT S)***

15B1

Mr. Gonzalez stated that this subdivision had been approved by the City of Weslaco. He also stated that all requirements had been met in accordance to the County and the city. Commissioner Sanchez then made a motion to approve. The developer, Mr. Ruiz, requested a waiver of the \$2,250 for the culvert pipes. Commissioner Arcaute stated that the owner of this subdivision was Maria Ruiz, the wife of Judge Ruiz. Commissioner Sanchez asked if the pipes had been installed and Mr. Ruiz stated that they had not but he will install them. Commissioner Sanchez stated that he did not have any problem with this request. After further brief comments, **a motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to give final approval with the waiver of \$2,250 and allow the developer to install the pipes himself.**

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

ITEM 16. PURCHASING DEPARTMENT:

- A. AUTHORIZATION TO REMOVE A TRIMMER FROM ASSET LIST (LANDFILL ACCOUNT)
- B. HIDALGO COUNTY PCT. 2 - RECOMMENDING AWARD OF BID - PICK UP TRUCKS
- C. HIDALGO COUNTY PCT. 3 - AUTHORITY TO ADVERTISE FOR OVERLAY
- D. HIDALGO COUNTY WIC PROGRAM - BID AWARD SAN JUAN OFFICE SPACE
- E. HIDALGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S - APPROVAL OF EXEMPTION AND LEASE
- F. HIDALGO COUNTY - AUTHORITY TO EXTEND TWO CONTRACTS
- G. HIDALGO COUNTY TAX OFFICE - SURPLUS AND REMOVAL FROM INVENTORY
- H. REQUEST AUTHORITY TO ADVERTISE FOR STATEMENTS OF QUALIFICATION IN CONNECTION WITH A FINANCIAL AUDIT FOR THE HIDALGO COUNTY ADULT PROBATION DEPARTMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING AUGUST 31, 1996

16A

A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to authorize the removal of trimmer from the asset list of the landfill account as presented.

**MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT S)**

AT THIS TIME, THE COMMISSION MOVED TO THE EXECUTIVE AGENDA.

EXECUTIVE AGENDA

ITEM 1. CLOSED SESSION:

COMMISSIONER'S COURT MAY GO INTO CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 551, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 & 551.072 TO DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING MATTER:

A. LITIGATION:

- 1. CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY
- 2. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY
- 3. OET - POTENTIAL CLAIM BY OET AGAINST PROVIDER
- 4. DISCUSSION ON LEGAL AUTHORITY ON THE INSTALLATION OF UTILITY LINES CROSSING COUNTY ROADS

At this time, the Commission retired into Executive Session.

ITEM 2. OPEN SESSION:

A. LITIGATION:

- 1. CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY
- 2. DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY
- 3. OET - POTENTIAL CLAIM BY OET AGAINST PROVIDER
- 4. DISCUSSION ON LEGAL AUTHORITY ON THE INSTALLATION OF UTILITY LINES CROSSING COUNTY ROADS

2A1&2

Judge Ruiz stated that there were some acres of land in which a judgment was pronounced in which the land was advertised for sale but there were no bidders. The Mission School District then continued to try to sell this land and they have now received a bid of

\$155,501. This figure is above the appraised value. At this time, Judge Ruiz is recommending approval of the bid of \$155,501. **A motion was then made by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to accept the bid of \$155,501 for the sale of this particular property and placing back on the tax roll.**

**MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT T)**

**2A3
NO ACTION**

**2A4
NO ACTION**

AT THIS TIME, THE COMMISSION REVERTED BACK TO ITEM 16 ON THE REGULAR AGENDA.

16B

Mrs. Salazar stated that there were three bids. She is recommending the low bid of Bert Ogden Motors at \$15,300 each. Commissioner Arcaute has not been satisfied with the service of Bert Ogden Motors and he did not want to award the low bid to them due to this dissatisfaction. He would also like to declare a truck surplus and he feels Bert Ogden will not honor this trade in. After further comments, **a motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to award the purchase of two pick up trucks to Bert Ogden. The price \$15,300 each.**

**MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT S)**

16C

A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to authorize the advertisements for bids for the purchase of service for overlay both labor and material for pct. 3 as presented.

**MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT S)**

16D

Mrs. Salazar stated that there were three bids. The first bid was Ladislado Garcia who offered 3850 sq. ft. This is over the amount being requested. The next bid was Loma Linda Ventures for 2,750 sq. ft. at .39 cents per sq. ft. The last bid is by the Real Estate Company/Magnum Land at 2100 sq. ft. which is below the amount being requested. Upon inspection by Mrs. Salazar, she is recommending that all bids be rejected. The closest bidder would be the present building but WIC has 20 to 30 parking spaces in the specs. along with 2 designated for handicap parking. The current bidder allows for this option to increase the spaces but this bidder is on a main thoroughfare and there is no room for expansion. There is the possibility that the individual who bid over the sq. ft. amount can offer these spaces but he is over the footage requested. Commissioner Garces did not see a problem with the fact that they are over the amount specified for sq. ft. Mrs. Salazar stated that she had spoken with the department and they stated that this amount of space would help their growth situation being that San Juan is one of their fastest growing areas. After speaking with Mrs. Salazar, Ms. Longoria stated that she would like to bid this again. **A motion was made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Arcaute to reject all bids as recommended by the department head and the Purchasing Department and re-advertise for said office space WIC in San Juan.**

**MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT S)**

**16E
NO ACTION**

16F

Mrs. Salazar stated that they wanted to extend the contracts for janitorial supplies and hot mix cold laid. She has spoken with the vendors and they are amenable to the extension. This is to have time to advertise for these products. **A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve a contractual extension between the County of Hidalgo and Gulf, Joiner, Century, Astro, Blue Star and Valley Caliche. One for janitorial supplies and other for hot mix cold laid.**

**MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT S)**

16G

Mrs. Salazar stated that she had been informed by Mr. Trevino that item 13 on page two of the listing had been found and they have notified the police and the report had been voided. **A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Sanchez to authorize the removal of the surplus items be it through theft or loss or found to be disposed of by the Purchasing Agent aside from item 13 on this list.**

**MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT S)**

16H

A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to authorize the advertisements for Statement of Qualifications for Independent Auditors for the Adult Probation Department year ending August 31, 1996.

**MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT S)**

ITEM 17. OFFICE OF EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING:

- A. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE PROGRAM YEAR 95 GOVERNOR'S REPORT**
- B. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION FOR APPROVAL TO ENTER INTO A RAPID RESPONSE CONTRACT WITH THE TEXAS WORKFORCE COMMISSION**

17A

Dick Dickinson opened by stating that this report is not in its final form. They are just waiting for that final draft and a letter from the Judge. **A motion was made by Commissioner Arcaute and was seconded by Commissioner Sanchez to accept the governor's report to approve the program year, '95 governor's report as submitted conditioned on the possibility of having two forwarding letters; one from the PIC Chair and one from the County Judge.**

**MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT U)**

17B

Mr. Dickinson stated that they have been meeting with Haggar and the State on a regular basis concerning the closure of Haggar's facilities. At this time, Mr. Dickinson stated that he is not aware when these plants to be closed down or which plants will be closed. They have been working with the State to develop a rapid response contract for when these closures take place. Haggar will be giving their employees 60 days notice. After further comments, **a motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Arcaute to authorize the rapid response contract and authorize the submittal of this to the Texas Workforce Commission as presented.**

***MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT U)***

ITEM 18. PARKS:

A. AMEND BUDGET FOR PARKS

18A

Judge Ruiz opened by asking that if they approve this item, they will be going back to the original way of funding each individual pct. Mrs. Etnire answered in the affirmative. **A motion was made by Commissioner Arcaute and was seconded by Commissioner Rosel to accept the budget amendments as presented.**

***MOTION CARRIED (JUDGE RUIZ OPPOSED)
(EXHIBIT V)***

ITEM 19. SET AND APPROVE AMOUNT OF COMPENSATION, OFFICE & AUTO ALLOWANCE AND OTHER ALLOWANCE FOR COUNTY AND PRECINCT OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES

Judge Ruiz stated that out of these 33 departments up for approval there is one salary increase which is in the law library. The reason for this is because it is not a general fund account. **A motion was made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Rosel to set and approve all amounts of compensation office and or auto allowances and or any other allowance provided for by budget for this county and precinct offices in these 33 departments.**

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to adjourn Commissioner's Court Agenda.

MOTION CARRIED

There being no further business to come before this Commissioner's Court, this meeting stands 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. INTERNAL LINE ITEM TRANSFER
(EXHIBIT X)**

ITEM 2. PERMIT:**A. CITY OF WESLACO
(EXHIBIT Y)**

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

**MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBITS X & Y)**

REGULAR AGENDA**ITEM 1. BUDGET AMENDMENT - TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM M & O INTO ADMINISTRATION**

Vona Walker addressed the Court and stated that this was for architectural fees for the new facility they are building. **A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve the budget amendment as presented.**

**MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT Z)**

ITEM 2. PURCHASING DEPARTMENT:

- A. REQUEST AUTHORITY TO ADVERTISE:**
 - 1. FIVE NEW 4 WHEEL DRIVE ½ TON PICK UP TRUCKS**
- B. REQUEST AUTHORITY TO SURPLUS - TRADE IN**
 - 1. FIVE VEHICLES:**
 - a. 1986 GMC**
 - b. 1987 GMC**
 - c. 1987 GMC**
 - d. 1981 FORD**
 - e. 1987 CHEVROLET**

2A1

Mrs. Walker stated that all these trucks have a lot of wear and tear and two are totally inoperable. The others have to be constantly repaired. **A motion was made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Rosel to authorize the advertisement for bids for the purchase of five new four wheel drive ½ ton pick up trucks.**

**MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT AA)**

2B1

A motion was made by Commissioner Sanchez and was seconded by Commissioner Arcaute to authorize the declaration of vehicles surplus and authorize these particular vehicles to be used as trade ins.

**MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT AA)**

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

MOTION CARRIED

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