

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 CHECK REGISTER AND PAYMENT OF CLAIMS/BILLS - COUNTY AUDITOR

GENERAL FUND	- #129252 - #129474	- \$1,660,274.63
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND	- #128505 - #128703	- \$1,319,333.65
DEBT SERVICE FUND	- # 1074 - # 1074	- \$ 418.92
TRUST AND AGENCY FUND	- # 6199 - # 6202	- \$ 406,687.88
ENTERPRISE FUND	- # 3097 - # 3101	- \$ 3,893.07

(EXHIBIT A)

ITEM 2. MONTHLY COLLECTION REPORTS:

- A. LAW LIBRARY - FEBRUARY 1997 - \$1,771.70
- B. DISTRICT CLERK - MARCH 1997 - \$149,962.16

(EXHIBIT B)

ITEM 3. PLANNING DEPARTMENT:

- A. SUBDIVISIONS:
 - 1. BRIANA ESTATES - PCT. 3
 - 2. AMENDED MAP LOTS A-J, CLOCKTOWER TOWNHOUSE - PCT. 4

(EXHIBIT C)

ITEM 4. RIGHT OF WAY:

- A. PERMITS:
 - 1. PCT. 1:
 - a. SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE - MILE 10 NORTH AT CELIA & MILE 4 NORTH EAST FROM FM 491
 - b. NORTH ALAMO WATER SUPPLY - COUNTY VIEW SUBDIVISION
 - c. NORTH ALAMO WATER SUPPLY - MILE 1½ EAST OF 491
 - 2. PCT. 2:
 - a. CITY OF ALAMO - MOORE ROAD EAST OF FM 907
 - b. NORTH ALAMO WATER SUPPLY - CARROL RD. 1/4 MILE EAST OF TOWER
 - 3. PCT. 3:
 - a. SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE - BENTSEN PALM DRIVE AND JEFFERSON AND SCHUEBACK NORTH OF US 83
 - 4. PCT. 4:
 - a. SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE - DOOLITTLE ROAD SOUTH OF SH 107 TO CITY PARK
 - b. NORTH ALAMO WATER SUPPLY - INGLE ROAD WEST OF TERRY ROAD

(EXHIBIT D)

ITEM 5. INTERNAL LINE ITEM TRANSFERS:

- A. HEALTH DEPARTMENT - MOBILE CLINICS - \$ 300.00
- B. HEALTH DEPARTMENT - HEALTH CLINICS - \$ 300.00
- C. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT - \$1,800.00

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- D. JUSTICE OF THE PEACE - PCT. 5, PL. 1 - \$
- E. CONSTABLE - PCT. 5, PL. 1 - \$ 250.00
- F. JUVENILE PROBATION - \$4,700.00
- G. PCT. 2 - PARKS AND RECREATION - \$ 700.00

(EXHIBIT E)

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

MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBITS A-E)

REGULAR AGENDA

ITEM. 1. APPROVAL OF PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING APRIL 13-19, 1997 AS
"WEEK OF THE
YOUNG CHILD"

Gloria Ramos addressed the Court and stated that this proclamation will recognize the children of the County as assets and that they come first. Her entity provides services for children who are in need of them. There services include child care for parents who are working and cannot afford child care. After further comments, a motion was made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Rosel to approve the proclamation.

MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT F)

ITEM 2. APPROVAL OF PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING APRIL 13-19, 1997 AS
"NATIONAL
COUNTY GOVERNMENT WEEK"

A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Arcaute to approve the proclamation.

MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT G)

ITEM 3. TAX OFFICE:
A. AUTHORIZATION FOR A TAX REFUND FOR ROY VILLARREAL IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$1,051.91

3A

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

MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT H)

ITEM 4. SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT:

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- A. AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSFER \$3,348.98 TO SHERIFF ACCOUNT #7-010-421-100.30 MOTOR VEHICLE REPAIR PARTS & SUPPLIES FROM GENERAL FUND - MONIES WERE RECEIVED FROM TAC FOR DAMAGES SUSTAINED DURING AN ACCIDENT
- B. APPROVAL OF BUDGET APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$473.68 TO SHERIFF'S INVESTIGATION FUND 104, POLICE & CAMERA SUPPLIES - ACCOUNT #7-104-421-100.28 - FROM FORFEITURE AWARD
- C. APPROVAL OF BUDGET APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,097.18 TO THE SHERIFF'S INVESTIGATION FUND 104, ACCOUNT 7-104-421-100.95 - MACHINERY & EQUIPMENT FROM A FORFEITURE AWARD

4A

Emilia Uriegas addressed the Court and stated that this money was received for insurance for damages to a vehicle. A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to authorize the transfer and appropriation of \$3,348.98 to sheriff's account.

MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT I)

4B&C

Ms. Uriegas stated that these were monies that were received from forfeitures in the amount of \$473.68 and \$3,097.18 and they would like to appropriate these monies in their respective line items as per the exhibit. A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to appropriate said funds.

MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT I)

ITEM 5. COUNTY AUDITOR:

- A. APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$129,108.47 - GENERAL FUND

5A

Manuel Cavazos stated that this money will be used to fulfill the needs of the County Auditor. They are in need of some personnel and equipment. The total amount he feels he needs is approximately \$300,000. He is willing to settle on \$129,108.47 to meet the basic needs. This will be for computers and printers for the Internal Auditing Division and also two Internal Auditors due to the increase in revenue by the tax office. The Commission felt that this was needed to increase the efficiency of the Auditing Office. After further comments, a motion was made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Handy to approve.

MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT J)

ITEM 6. PCT. 1:

- A. APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$62,853.17 FOR PAYMENT OF EQUIPMENT, MATERIALS AND MISC. ITEMS PURCHASED OR RENTED DURING THE FLOOD COUNTY WIDE ROAD & BRIDGE

6A

Raul Lozano addressed the Court and stated that this was needed to pay for items purchased or rented to relieve the flooding in her pct recently. After brief comments, a motion was made by Commissioner Arcaute and was seconded by Commissioner Rosel to approve the budget amendment of \$62,853.17 from county wide under the emergency status for improvements in pct. 1 after the rains.

MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT K)

ITEM 7. PCT. 2:

- A. APPROVAL TO CANCEL CONTRACT BETWEEN MISSION PAVING AND PCT. 2 FOR SEAL COATING PROJECT - DUE TO RAIN ROADS NOT SUITABLE FOR COMPLETION OF PROJECT
- B. AUTHORIZATION TO RENEW LEASE WITH UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD - PCT. 2 - MAINTENANCE YARD

7A

Commissioner Arcaute stated that the streets that needed to be seal coated now need to be re-surfaced. The seal coating was needed before the rain. As a result, Mission Paving has agreed to cancel the contract for the seal coating. A motion was made by Commissioner Arcaute and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to authorize the cancellation of the contract between County of Hidalgo through Pct. 2 and Mission Paving, contract amount was \$31,991.08.

MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT L)

7B

Commissioner Arcaute stated that this land is used to stockpile road materials and other materials. Union Pacific now needs a written contract for this purpose. Legal Counsel has reviewed this contract and approved it. The lease is for 3 years at \$4,080 per year with a 3% increase each year. A motion was made by Commissioner Arcaute and was seconded by Commissioner Handy to approve.

MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT L)

ITEM 8. PCT. 3:

- A. EXEMPT FROM COMPETITIVE BIDDING AND APPROVE CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH RUST ENVIRONMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE, INC. NOT TO EXCEED \$51,100

8A

Commissioner Rosel stated that this was brought the previous week and

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he was instructed by the Court to bring back a more detailed list of objectives to be accomplished. The firm has submitted this list. The amount of the contract is not to exceed \$51,100. Commissioner Rosel proceeded to run down the tasks to be performed as per the exhibit. Judge Ruiz still has some concerns regarding this contract as to the reimbursables. He feels that that they should approve this contract contingent on legal counsel clarifying the concerns. After further comments, a motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to appoint Rust Environment and Infrastructure as our Consultant Engineers for the pct. 3 landfill site and to authorize our legal counsel to prepare a professional service contract for said tasks.

MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT M)

ITEM 9. APPROVAL OF LEASE AGREEMENT WITH CARLOS TRUAN FOR OFFICE SPACE -
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

A motion was made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Rosel to approve a lease agreement to renew with the office of Senator Carlos Truan, through the State of Texas for a one year lease at \$218 per month.

MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT N)

ITEM 14. PURCHASING DEPARTMENT:

- A. AUTHORITY TO ADVERTISE FOR 1 1997 OR NEWER UTILITY VEHICLE - PCT. 3
- B. AWARD BID FOR LUBRICANTS AND ANTI-FREEZE FOR HIDALGO COUNTY
- C. AUTHORITY TO ADVERTISE FR NEW PAVING OF CONWAY NORTH OF MONTE CRISTO ROAD - APPROXIMATELY 4,000 FT. - PCT. 3
- D. AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR COUNTY WIDE COMPUTERIZATION AND NETWORKING PROJECT

14A
NO ACTION

14B
Martha Salazar stated that there were 3 bidders. She is recommending a multiple award to all 3 bidders, being Specialty Oil, Hollon Oil and J.A.M. Distributors being that all had low bids to certain items. A motion was made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Handy to approve the low bid of all 3 companies.

MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT O)

14C
A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to authorize the advertisements for bids for the service of paving

of Conway north of Monte Cristo approximately 3,300 ft.

MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT O)

14D

Mrs. Salazar stated that the RFP for this computerization project is complete and is ready to be advertised. After further comments, a motion was made by Commissioner Handy and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to advertise for bids for county wide computerization and networking system.

MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT O)

ITEM 10. OFFICE OF EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING:

A. DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF MATER PLAN MODIFICATION FOR
PY 96-97

10A

Dick Dickinson addressed the Court and stated that plan is reflective of the increase in funding for his agency. This has been approved unanimously by the private industry council. A motion was made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Rosel to approve.

MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT P)

ITEM 11. PLANNING DEPARTMENT:

A. SUBDIVISIONS:

1. PALOMA DEL VALLE SUBDIVISION - PCT. 4

B. FINAL PLAT APPROVAL:

1. WEST DOFFING SUBDIVISION - PCT. 3

C. PRELIMINARY PLAT APPROVAL:

1. JOEY SUBDIVISION - PCT. 1

2. MCISD (MISSION CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL
DISTRICT SUBDIVISION) - PCT. 3

3. PENA-BLANCA SUBDIVISION - PCT. 3

11A1

Emilio Garcia stated that this subdivision has been approved by the City of Edinburg as well as all the on sight inspections. He added that there was an existing street that runs between lots 17 & 32 and it is dedicated. This road is unopened and the regulations require that all roads be open if they are not. The entrance has not been completed. In his most recent inspection, it was caving in. The developer has still not completed this repair. He is not recommending the approval of this subdivision. A motion was made by Commissioner Arcaute. The motion died for lack of a second. The Commission then went on with the discussion concerning this subdivision. Judge Ruiz stated that they have talked to the developer and he is in the process of repairing the entrance. Mission Paving will be conducting the repairs. They also addressed the issue of the road. Judge Ruiz felt that the appropriate way to address this was that the deed

restrictions enforce that all residents face the paved road and that would place the easement in the back yards of the home owners. This applies to owners of lots 17-32. The also suggested that where the paved road ends and the county road begins be paved. With regards to the drainage, the developer has agreed to place swales north and south and they have been completed as of this time. After further comments, a motion was made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Rosel to approve Paloma Del Valle Subdivision in pct 4 with the restrictions that the entry way be improved, cull de sac be paved and the deed restrictions facing the paved road.

MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT Q)

11B1

Mr. Garcia stated that this subdivision was approve preliminarily on August 20 of 1996. Since then, all improvements have been completed in accordance with the City of Mission and the County. Upon the recommendation of Mr. Garcia, a motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve.

MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT Q)

11C1

Mr. Garcia stated that Commissioner Handy had requested no action on this subdivision previously until she could investigate further. He stated there was a drainage layout by the engineer. Upon review by the Commission and some comments from the engineer, a motion was made by Commissioner Handy and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve Joey Subdivision as preliminary plat.

MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT Q)

11C2

Emilio Garcia stated that this subdivision is in the ETJ of McAllen and it has been approved by them. This will be for a school. Half of the subdivision is in a zone A flood area and the other half is in a zone C. This subdivision has been routed to FEMA and they are recommending that the school district elevate the lowest floor of the school to 162 above the grade level out there now. They are requesting approval of this subdivision subject to the elevation certificate being issued by the engineer. The septic tank system design has not been approved by TNRCC. According to the engineer, it would take approximately 6 months to get approval by them. Judge Ruiz stated that they have received correspondence and stated that the engineer will abide by what TNRCC demands and Mr. Kurth stated that that was correct. There would be no occupancy of the school until all requirements have been met. There was further comments by the Commission where it was stated by the engineer that they will be getting easements for the drainage of this school. Commissioner Rosel also added that they have met several times concerning this and he feels that all issues have been addressed and he feels comfortable with this. Judge Ruiz then added that there are some concerns for drainage and the Court approves this with concern about the drainage. A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve the

preliminary plat to the Mission Consolidated Independent School District subject to FEMA approval, TNRCC and the drainage.

MOTION CARRIED

(EXHIBIT Q)

11C3

NO ACTION

ITEM 12. URBAN COUNTY:

- A. EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANT - APPROVAL 1996 EMERGENCY SHELTER GRANT SUB-RECIPIENT AGREEMENTS
- B. CITY OF SAN JUAN - APPROVAL TO AMEND SAN JUAN WATER PLAT CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT ENTERED INTO ON JUNE 20, 1996 WITH CBI WALKER, INC. TO INCLUDE THE COUNTY OF HIDALGO
- C. HOME FIRST TIME HOME BUYER CONTRACT AGREEMENT AND LETTER OF COMMITMENT TO MORTGAGE COMPANIES (2 FAMILIES)
- D. APPROVAL TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH PROYECTO AZTECA UNDER THE COUNTY'S CHDO HOME PROGRAM
- E. TERMINATE CHDO CONTRACT WITH MISSION PROJECT AND CANCEL HUD LINE OF CREDIT CONTROL SYSTEM (LOCCS PROJECT SETUP
- F. HOME/HOME OWNER OCCUPIED HOUSING REHAB APPLICATION

12A

Anthony Covacevich stated that these agreements were with Mujeres Unidas, Salvation Army and American Red Cross. The respective amounts are \$125,020, \$75,905 & \$22,325 as per the exhibit. A motion was made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Handy to approve sub-recipient agreements with Mujeres Unidas, Salvation Army and American Red Cross for homeless.

MOTION CARRIED

(EXHIBIT R)

12B

Mr. Covacevich stated that this agreement will now include the county. It was originally the City of San Juan and CBI Walker, Inc. This was to be a two phase project but they found that it would be more economical to do both phase at once. Since the county was to be part of phase 2, the city is asking that the county join in this contract for their portion. This is contingent them meeting all federal regulations. After further comments, a motion was made by Commissioner Arcaute and was seconded by Commissioner Handy to authorize the amending of the contract between CBI, the City of San Juan and the County of Hidalgo Urban County Program so that we can participate with the allocation of \$645,242.19.

MOTION CARRIED

(EXHIBIT R)

12C

Mr. Covacevich stated that this is for two families and they have met the

requirements for this program. A motion was made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Rosel to approve two first time home buyer contracts and letters of commitment as presented.

MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT R)

12D

Mr. Covacevich stated that this contract will approving \$300,000 to proyecto azteca. This has been requested of the Commission in the past but the amounts are now different. Upon the recommendation of Mr. Covacevich, a motion was made by Commissioner Handy and was seconded by Commissioner Arcaute to authorize a contractual agreement with Proyecto Azteca under the CHDO Home Program.

MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT R)

12E

A motion was made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Rosel to terminate the project with Mission Service Project.

MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT R)

12F

A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Arcaute to approve a housing rehab application for the City of Granjeno as presented.

MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT R)

ITEM 13. COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM:

- A. APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT FOR A BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$37,908 TO PAY INTERLOCAL AGREEMENTS AS PER CONTRACTUAL LANGUAGE

13A

Judge Ruiz stated that this issue was brought before the Court the previous week. There were some questions regarding this issue. They have since been resolved. A motion was made by Commissioner Arcaute and was seconded by Commissioner Handy to approve a budget amendment of \$37,908 for the County Library as presented.

MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT S)

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

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:

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. APPOINTMENT OF DRAINAGE DISTRICT DIRECTOR
 - 2. AMEND BUDGET AND SET SALARY OF DRAINAGE DISTRICT DIRECTOR

At this time, the Commission retired into the executive session.

ITEM 2. OPEN SESSION:
A. PERSONNEL

- 1. APPOINTMENT OF DRAINAGE DISTRICT DIRECTOR
- 2. AMEND BUDGET AND SET SALARY OF DRAINAGE DISTRICT DIRECTOR

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NO ACTION

REGULAR AGENDA

ITEM 1. AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO AN INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH
THE CITY OF WESLACO FOR UNDERGROUND DRAINAGE FACILITIES

Vona Walker stated that the cost of this project will be \$175,000. The City of Weslaco has agreed to contribute \$25,000. A motion was made by Commissioner Handy and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve the interlocal cooperation agreement as presented.

MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT T)

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ITEM 2. APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,500 FOR RENTAL OF EQUIPMENT

Ms. Walker stated that this will be going from the 200 budget to the 100 budget. A motion was made by Commissioner Garces and was seconded by Commissioner Rosel to approve the budget amendment of \$1,500 as presented.

MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT U)

ITEM 3. PURCHASING DEPARTMENT:

A. AWARD BID FOR LUBRICANTS AND ANTI-FREEZE - DRAINAGE DISTRICT #1

3A

Aurelio Zapata stated that they would like to award to multiple vendors. There were 3 bidders but only 2 will receive awards, them being Hollon Oil and Specialty Oil. There was one item that no bidder bid on. Mrs. Walker stated that that item was not needed. A motion was made by Commissioner Handy and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve low bid as presented.

MOTION CARRIED
(EXHIBIT V)

A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and was seconded by Commissioner Garces to adjourn Drainage District #1.

MOTION CARRIED

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