

DRAINAGE DISTRICT #1

The Honorable Abelardo "Lalo" Arcaute, County Commissioner for Precinct Two, called the Drainage District #1 meeting to order, whereupon the following proceedings were had, to-wit:

CONSENT AGENDA

ITEM 1. APPROVAL OF CHECK REGISTER AND PAYMENT OF CLAIMS AND BILLS – COUNTY AUDITOR

Commissioner Arcaute introduced the Consent agenda and asked if there were any changes. There being none, a motion was made by Commissioner Garces and seconded by Commissioner Rosel to approve.

MOTION CARRIED.

REGULAR AGENDA

ITEM 1. AUTHORIZATION FOR EXEMPTION FROM BIDDING PROCESS – PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Godfrey Garza, Drainage District Manage, came before the Court requesting an exemption from the bidding process, under professional services for Sesin Engineering. This was for a project with the Highway Department on putting a drain ditch underground. A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve the exemption as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.
(See Exhibit A)

ITEM 2. AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH SESIN ENGINEERING FOR WESLACO LATERAL DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS

A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve a contract with Sesin Engineering for the Weslaco Lateral Drainage improvements.

MOTION CARRIED.
(See Exhibit B)

ITEM 3. APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENT - MAIN DRAIN – ADMINISTRATION

Mr. Garza reported that the request for the budget amendment was for the Main Drain Administration. The amendment was to cover some computer expenses and the amount was \$4,000.00.

MOTION CARRIED.
(See Exhibit C)

There being no further business to come before the Drainage District #1 Board, a motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and seconded by Commissioner Garces that said meeting be hereby adjourned.

MOTION CARRIED.

COMMISSIONERS' COURT

The Honorable Abelardo "Lalo" Arcaute, County Commissioner for Precinct Two, called the Commissioners' Court meeting to order, whereupon the following proceedings were had, to-wit:

CONSENT AGENDA

ITEM 1. APPROVAL OF CHECK REGISTER AND PAYMENT OF CLAIMS AND BILLS – COUNTY AUDITOR

(See Exhibit D)

ITEM 2. LINE ITEM TRANSFERS

- A. Commissioner Pct. #1 - \$800.00
- B. Commissioner Pct. #2 - Paved & Unpaved - \$7,500.00
- C. Commissioner Pct. #2 - Parks - \$100,000.00
- D. Commissioner Pct. #4 - Lateral Roads - \$29,800.00
- E. Sheriff's Office - \$25,000.00
- F. 139th District Court - \$2.74
- G. 206th District Court - \$400.00
- H. JP Pct. 2 Pl. 1 - \$300.00
- I. Constable Pct. 4 - \$53.15
- J. Constable Pct. 2 - \$200.00
- K. County Extension Service - \$2,800.00

- L. Buildings & Grounds - \$1,000.00
- M. Criminal Auxiliary Court - \$700.00
- N. Adult Probation - Supervision - \$750.00
- O. Adult Probation - Community Corrections - \$300.00
- P. Computer Department - \$10,000.00
- Q. Planning Department - \$2,085.00

(See Exhibit E)

ITEM 3. DISTRICT ATTORNEY

- A. Approval of monthly processing fees report in the amount of \$12,642.72 for the month of July 1998

(See Exhibit F)

ITEM 4. URBAN COUNTY PROGRAM

- A. HOME First Time Homebuyer Contract Agreement and Letter of Commitment to Mortgage Company - 5 Families

(See Exhibit G)

ITEM 5. RIGHT OF WAY DEPARTMENT

- A. Permits
 - 1. Pct. #1 - North Alamo Water Supply
 - 2. Pct. #3 - Southwestern Bell Telephone
 - Western Geophysical Co.
 - Coastal Oil & Gas

(See Exhibit H)

ITEM 6. COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE

- A. Approval of monthly fee report in the amount of \$144,864.92 for the month of July, 1998

(See Exhibit I)

ITEM 7. COUNTY AUDITOR

- A. Approval of monthly collection reports for the following:

1. JP Espinoza	\$20,948.50	January 1998
2. JP Espinoza	\$47,491.00	February 1998
3. JP Espinoza	\$28,280.00	March, 1998
4. JP Espinoza	\$31,137.15	April, 1998
5. JP Espinoza	\$27,980.23	May, 1998
6. JP Espinoza	\$34,062.98	June, 1998
7. Sheriff Escalon	\$24,813.59	June, 1998
8. Anzalduas Park	\$ 7,688.00	June, 1998
9. Law Library	\$ 1,597.75	June, 1998
10. Constable Aguirre	\$ 495.00	June, 1998
11. Constable Alaniz	\$ 1,205.00	June, 1998

12. Constable Peña	\$ 1,125.00	June, 1998
13. Constable Cerda	\$ 990.00	June, 1998
14. Constable Bazan	\$ 0.00	June, 1998
15. JP Corpus	\$ 6,283.78	June, 1998
16. JP Morales	\$ 8,593.43	June, 1998
17. JP Jackson	\$18,442.20	June, 1998
18. JP Treviño	\$14,747.38	June, 1998
19. JP Saenz	\$21,879.96	June, 1998
20. JP Martinez	\$17,646.91	June, 1998
21. JP Ochoa	\$40,984.79	June, 1998

(See Exhibit J)

Commissioner Arcaute introduced the Consent Agenda and announced that there was a change with regards to Item 2/M. The change dealt with the account number where it was 498 instead of 497. A motion was made by Commissioner Garces and seconded by Commissioner Rosel to approve the Consent Agenda with the change.

MOTION CARRIED.

EXECUTIVE AGENDA

ITEM 1. CLOSED SESSION

Commissioners' Court may go into Closed Session pursuant to Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 to discuss the following:

A. Litigation

1. Noe Garza Engineers, Inc. and Ricardo Gomez -vs- Hidalgo County Water Development Board - C-094-97-C
2. Magdalena Valerio -vs- County of Hidalgo - C-4456-97-D
3. Alfredo Regalado & Maria Regalado -vs- County of Hidalgo - CL-28,600-A

B. Potential Litigation

1. State of Texas -vs- Zaragosa Hinojosa, Jr. and Jose Ruben Mata, Individually and d/b/a Zar-Mart Properties and Zar-Mart Properties
2. State of Texas -vs- Billy J. Basham and Basham Properties, Inc.
3. State of Texas -vs- John Gary Frisby, and JGF Enterprises, L.P.

ITEM 2. OPEN SESSION

A. Litigation

1. Noe Garza Engineers, Inc. and Ricardo Gomez -vs- Hidalgo County Water Development Board - C-094-97-C
2. Magdalena Valerio -vs- County of Hidalgo - C-4456-97-D

3. Alfredo Regalado & Maria Regalado -vs- County of Hidalgo - CL-28,600-A

B. Potential Litigation

1. State of Texas -vs- Zaragosa Hinojosa, Jr. and Jose Ruben Mata, Individually and d/b/a Zar-Mat Properties and Zar-Mat Properties
2. State of Texas -vs- Billy J. Basham and Basham Properties, Inc.
3. State of Texas -vs- John Gary Frisby, and JGF Enterprises, L.P.

2/A/1

Commissioner Arcaute indicated that no action would be required on this item at this time.

NO ACTION.
(See Exhibit K)

2/A/2

Commissioner Arcaute reported that no action would be required on this item at this time.

NO ACTION.
(See Exhibit K)

2/A/3

Commissioner Arcaute stated that no action would be needed on this item at this time.

NO ACTION.
(See Exhibit K)

2/B

A motion was made by Commissioner Handy and seconded by Commissioner Garces to authorize counsel to proceed as advised.

MOTION CARRIED.
(See Exhibit K)

REGULAR AGENDA

ITEM 1. OPEN FORUM

Commissioner Arcaute announced that one person had signed up for the Open Forum and he requested that Mr. Roberto Flores, Jr. come forward and informed him that he had five minutes. Mr. Flores came before the Court and stated that he had come before this Court on August 4th with regards to the naming of a street in the subdivision where he lived. At that time he had requested that a street be named in honor of Florentino Martinez, Jr., and he was again submitting his request. He

continued by saying that a similar matter was up for consideration before this Court, this morning and he was here to request that his recommendation be considered for the naming of the street within Evangeline Gardens Subdivision.

NO ACTION.

ITEM 2. PLANNING DEPARTMENT

A. Discussion and action on the following subdivisions:

1. Joey Subdivision - Pct. 1
2. Tropical Palm Estates - Pct. 1
3. Seminole Valley No. 2 - Pct. 4

B. Appointment of 5 members to the Hidalgo County Subdivision Advisory Board

2/A

Emilio Garcia, Chief Planner, came before the Court and announced that no action would be required on Items 2/A/1, 2/A/2 and 2/A/3; these subdivision had been approved the previous week.

NO ACTION.

2/B

Mr. Garcia then stated that he was requesting the appointment of five members to the Hidalgo County Subdivision Advisory Board. Commissioner Rosel then pointed out that he had talked to Anthony Covacevich with regards to where the implementation of this board had been derived. He continued by saying that Mr. Covacevich had stated that this had been a request from Valley Interfaith. He had also asked if this board could be eliminated and he was informed that it was part of the agreement that the Texas Water Development Board had asked that this County approve. Commissioner Rosel explained that he had named Cynthia Acevedo to the Board from his area and Commissioner Handy had named Mickey Pedraza as well. Commissioner Rosel was recommending that the members of this Board be appointed today so that they can begin taking care of some of the backlog at the Planning Department. A brief discussion ensued with regards to the need for this Board and Commissioner Garces indicated that he was "deeply opposed to the Advisory committee, but for the sake of un-stagnating some of the issues... he was going to recommend Socorro Gonzalez". He felt that they were going beyond what the statutes said that a County should do. Commissioner Arcaute recommended that Gilbert Ramirez be appointed and it was also recommended that Otto Hofland be named to the Board. After a brief discussion with regards to when this Board would commence their meetings, a motion was made by Commissioner Handy and seconded by Commissioner Garces to appoint, Mickey Pedraza from Precinct One, Cynthia Acevedo from Precinct Three, Socorro Gonzalez from Precinct Four, Gilbert Ramirez from Precinct Two and Otto Hofland from Precinct Two, to the Subdivision Advisory Board.

MOTION CARRIED.
(See Exhibit I)

ITEM 3. TAX OFFICE

A. Approval of Motor Vehicle License Distributor Agreement

Armando Barrera, County Tax Assessor-Collector, came before the Court requesting approval of a motor vehicle license distributor agreement with Mr. Tomas Guzman, with Guzman Insurance Agency. This agency is located right next to Matt's Cash and Carry right off the Expressway in Pharr. Mr. Barrera indicated that this agreement was similar to that with HEB and this agency also collected payments for other company's such CP&L, Southwestern Bell, Magic Valley Electric, TCI Cablevision, and Southern Union Gas. A motion was made by Commissioner Handy and seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve the request as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.
(See Exhibit M)

Mr. Barrera did stated that this approval was subject to the approval of the bond and once that was ready he would bring it to Commissioners' Court for approval.

ITEM 4. COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE

A. Consideration and Action on digital recreation of photostat books

Martha Salazar, the County Purchasing Agent, indicated that the County Clerk's Office had advised that this item be placed under her department on next week's agenda.

NO ACTION.
(See Exhibit N)

ITEM 5. JUVENILE PROBATION

A. Approval of the 1999 Hidalgo County Purchase of Juvenile Justice Alternative Grantee Acceptance Notice

Lisa Saucedo, Administrative Assistant to the County Judge, came before the Court and announced that this was a request for approval of the 1999 Hidalgo County purchase of Juvenile Justice Alternative grantee acceptance notice in the amount of \$30,000.00 for residential services. A motion was made by Commissioner Garces and seconded by Commissioner Rosel to approve the request as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.
(See Exhibit O)

ITEM 6. HUMAN SERVICES

A. Approval of budget amendment and appropriate the same

Rudy De La Viña, Human Services Director, came before the Court requesting a budget amendment and the appropriation of same to fund the contract that was approved by the Court on July 21st, 1998 with McAllen Hospital and Edinburg Hospital. The amount of the amendment was \$14,424.00. A motion was made by Commissioner Garces and seconded by Commissioner Rosel to approve the request as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.
(See Exhibit P)

ITEM 7. HEALTH DEPARTMENT

- A. Approval of Regional Administrative Services Grant
- B. Approval of TB-Prevention and Control Grant
- C. Approval of Title V (Bureau of Women and Children's Health/Fee Based Services) Program Grant
- D. Approval to set salaries on the above grants

7/A

Dr. James Michael Keenan, County Health Director, came before the Court requesting approval of the Regional Administrative Services Grant in the amount of \$139,485.00. A motion was made by Commissioner Garces and seconded by Commissioner Rosel to approve the request as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.
(See Exhibit Q)

7/B

A motion was made by Commissioner Garces and seconded by Commissioner Handy to approve the TB Prevention and Control Grant in the amount of \$122,320.00.

MOTION CARRIED.
(See Exhibit Q)

7/C

A motion was made by Commissioner Handy and seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve the Title V (Bureau of Women and Children's Health/Fee Based Services) Program Grant in the amount of \$600,000.00.

MOTION CARRIED.
(See Exhibit Q)

It was pointed out that the grants had to be appropriated before they could set the salaries and as a result the Court took the Health Department addendum into consideration before Item 7/D.

ADD. 3. HEALTH DEPARTMENT

- A. Approval to appropriate the following grants:
 - 1. Regional Administrative Services Grant
 - 2. TB Prevention and Control Grant
 - 3. Title V (Bureau of Women and Children's Health/Fee Based Services) Program Grant

A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and seconded by Commissioner Garces to appropriate the Regional Administrative Services Grant, the TB Prevention and Control Grant and the Title V (Bureau of Women and Children's Health/Fee Based Services) Program Grant.

MOTION CARRIED.
(See Exhibit Q)

7/D

Commissioner Rosel had a question concerning the salaries with regards to the pay increases and Dr. Keenan indicated that the increases would be coming out of the program income. A motion was made by Commissioner Garces and seconded by Commissioner Rosel to approve the salaries in the above-mentioned grants for the Health Department.

MOTION CARRIED.
(See Exhibit Q)

ITEM 8. DISTRICT ATTORNEY

- A. Approval to create an Administrative Assistant position
- B. Approval of budget amendment in the D.A. Investigation Fund
- C. Approval to set salary

8/A

Rene Guerra, the County District Attorney, came before the Court requesting the creation of an Administrative Assistant position to assist the DA with the walk-in traffic and to assist his secretary in providing services that are being called on frequently. He did point out that the monies for this position would be coming out of the Investigation Funds. A motion was made by Commissioner Garces and seconded by Commissioner Rosel to approve the request as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.
(See Exhibit R)

8/B

A motion was made by Commissioner Handy and seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve a budget amendment in the amount of \$13,064.95 in the District Attorney's Investigation Fund.

MOTION CARRIED.
(See Exhibit R)

8/C

A motion was made by Commissioner Handy and seconded by Commissioner Garces to set the salary for the Administrative Assistant for the District Attorney's Office at \$27,000.00 effective the following pay period.

MOTION CARRIED.
(See Exhibit R)

ITEM 9. COMMISSIONER PCT. 1

- A. Request authority to amend the 1998 Solid Waste Local Enforcement Grant to allow for the purchase of two (2) vehicles, communication equipment and emergency lighting

Raul Lozano, Administrative Assistant for Precinct One, was requesting authority to amend the 1998 Solid Waste Local Enforcement Grant to allow for the purchase of two vehicles, some communication equipment and emergency lighting. Commissioner Handy indicated that if this request is approved, Mr. Lozano and herself will be traveling to Austin to look at some of the surplus DPS vehicles for possible purchase. A motion was made by Commissioner Handy and seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve the amendment to the Solid Waste Enforcement Budget, as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.
(See Exhibit S)

ADD. 4. COMMISSIONER PCT. 1

- A. Approval of line item transfer to reflect amended Solid Waste Enforcement Grant

Mr. Lozano pointed out that he had an addendum for a line item transfer. The line item transfer would reflect the amendment to the Solid Waste Enforcement Grant. A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve the request as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.
(See Exhibit S)

ITEM 10. COMMISSIONER PCT. 3

- A. Approval of budget amendment - paved/unpaved

Commissioner Rosel stated that he was requesting a budget amendment in the amount of \$191,507.00. He stated that they were just appropriating the note proceeds for the purchase of two 1998 dump trucks and one water truck. A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and seconded by Commissioner Handy to approve the request as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.
(See Exhibit T)

ITEM 11. COMMISSIONER PCT. 4

- A. Authorization to name an unnamed County dedicated road in Evangeline Gardens Subdivision (Adam Lane)

Commissioner Garces informed the Court that he was requesting authorization to name an unnamed County dedicated road within Evangeline Gardens Subdivision Adam Lane. He stated that this road had been named a long time ago and they were just re-affirming it for mail delivery and he was asking that the name of the street be made official. Commissioner Rosel asked legal counsel if there was a policy for the naming of streets in the rural areas and legal counsel indicated that his concern was whether this street had already been named before and how the mail carriers had acquired that street name if it had not been named previously. After a brief discussion regarding the procedure for naming an unnamed county road, a motion was made by Commissioner Garces and seconded by Commissioner Rosel to approve the request as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.
(See Exhibit U)

ADD. 1. COMMISSIONER PCT. 4

A. Request discussion and possible action on Magnolia Village Subdivision

Commissioner Garces then stated that he had received some correspondence from Rabe-York, Inc. addressing the timeliness of the guidelines with respect to the subdivision regulations. William York approached the podium and indicated that they had received preliminary plat approval on February 17th, 1998 and they had completed the infrastructure as required under this preliminary approval. He was at this time requesting that Magnolia Village Subdivision be granted final plat approval. Commissioner Garces was asking that this Court take this subdivision in to consideration and approve it for final so that these people could move on with their business. A motion was made by Commissioner Handy and seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve the Magnolia Village Subdivision.

MOTION CARRIED.
(See Exhibit U)

ITEM 12. URBAN COUNTY PROGRAM

- A. Approval of sub-recipient agreement with Alamo Boys & Girls Club - the City of Alamo Year 10
- B. Approval of an amendment to the Youth Services Subrecipient Agreement City of Alton Boys & Girls Youth Club - year 9, 1996
- C. Approval of an Interlocal agreement between the City of Donna and Pct. #1 for PFI-Street Improvements Year 7, 8, 9 and 10
- D. Approval of Change Order #1 for Mission Paving Co. - Pct. #3 Urban County Year 9
- E. Approval of a 1998 Allocation of Funds - Emergency Shelter Grant Program - Urban County Year 11
- F. Public Hearing on proposed amendment to the 1995, 1997 and 1998 County Wide budget
- G. Approval of proposed amendments to the 1995, 1997 and 1998 County Wide budgets
- H. Approval of proposed amendments to the Interlocal Agreement between the Hidalgo County Water Development Board and the County of Hidalgo dated July 12, 1993

12/A

Anthony Covacevich, Urban County Director, came before the Court and reported that the City of Alamo was requesting approval of a subrecipient agreement with the Alamo Boys and Girls Club. The amount of the agreement is \$50,000.00 and it

will be paid out of Year 10 funds. A motion was made by Commissioner Garces and seconded by Commissioner Handy to approve the request as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.
(See Exhibit V)

12/B

The City of Alton was requesting approval of a sub-recipient agreement with the Alton Boys & Girls Youth Club. The funds for the agreement would be coming out of Year 9 in the amount of \$17,000.00. A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve the request as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.
(See Exhibit V)

12/C

The City of Donna was requesting approval of an interlocal agreement with Precinct One for a street improvement project under Years 7, 8 9 and 10. The agreement would provide for Precinct One to do work in the City of Donna. A motion was made by Commissioner Handy and seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve the request as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.
(See Exhibit V)

12/D

Precinct Three is requesting approval of change order number one with Mission Paving Company. This is under Year 9 and the change order is for \$39,777.68. A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve the request as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.
(See Exhibit V)

12/E

Mr. Covacevich indicated that he was requesting the approval of the 1998 allocation of funds for the Emergency Shelter Grant Program. This was for Year 11 and it was to fund the American Red Cross in the amount of \$20,000.00; Community Service Agency in the amount of \$25,000.00; Mujeres Unidas/Women Together in the amount of \$103,250.00; the Salvation Army in the amount of \$92,750.00; the Homeless prevention activity has not been decided as of yet. A motion was made by Commissioner Garces and seconded by Commissioner Rosel to approve the request as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.
(See Exhibit V)

12/F

Mr. Covacevich stated that the next item was for a public hearing on the proposed amendments to the 1995, 1997 and 1998 Urban County County Wide budgets. He then went on to explain how each budget was amended. Commissioner Arcaute then proceeded to call the public hearing open for public comments. There being none the public hearing was closed.

NO ACTION.
(See Exhibit V)

12/G

A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve the amendments to the 1995, 1997 and 1998 Urban County County Wide budgets as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.
(See Exhibit V)

12/H

Mr. Covacevich reported that he was requesting approval of proposed amendments to the Interlocal Agreement between the Hidalgo County Water Development Board and the County of Hidalgo dated July 12, 1993. He added that it had been discussed previously that this agreement did not provide for the payment of operation and maintenance activities and this amendment would amend Section 2 to read as follows: "All sums, provided for in Section 6 below, advanced by the County to the Board, pursuant to the provisions of this Agreement, shall be credited toward any sum of money required by S. 17.893, Texas Water code, for the required County's contribution to the total project cost of any and all projects submitted by ht e cities, to the Texas Water Development Board, with the assistance of this Board, for financial assistance pursuant to the terms of Chapter 17, Texas Water Code". It will also create a new section, Section 6 which will read as follows "The County of Hidalgo shall forward to the Hidalgo County Water Development Board such funds as it may deem necessary to administer the activities so mentioned above and maintain such records and take such actions as necessary to keep the Board in good legal standing and operation". A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve the amendment as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.
(See Exhibit V)

ITEM 13. PURCHASING DEPARTMENT**A. HIDALGO COUNTY PRECINCT NO. 1**

1. Requesting exemption from competitive bidding requirements under Texas Local Government Code, Section 262.024 (a)(9)(C) for the purchase of vehicles from Texas Department of Public Safety
2. Requesting authority to negotiate the purchase of two (2) vehicles from the Texas Department of Public Safety, Surplus Fleet Services for the Solid Waste Enforcement Division. Purchase price not to exceed \$10,000.00 for each vehicle

B. HIDALGO COUNTY PRECINCT NO. 2

1. Recommending Bid award for "One (1) 1998 or newer 5 ton capacity Tandem Truck with Mounted Water Tank"

C. HIDALGO COUNTY HEAD START PROGRAM

1. Requesting approval of Collaborative Agreements between the Hidalgo County Head Start program and the following School Districts for Special Education and related services:
 - a. McAllen I.S.D.
 - b. Sharyland I.S.D.
 - c. La Joya I.S.D.
 - d. Mission I.S.D.
 - e. Weslaco I.S.D.
 - f. Mercedes I.S.D.
 - g. Edcouch-Elsa I.S.D.
 - h. Donna I.S.D.
2. Requesting exemption from competitive bidding requirements for Professional Services/Mental Health Services for participants for the Hidalgo County Head Start Program
3. Requesting approval of professional services contract for Mental Health Services with several providers
4. Requesting exemption from competitive bidding requirements for Professional Services/Architectural Consulting Services
5. Requesting approval of a professional services contract for Architectural Services with V.A. Architecture
6. Requesting exemption from competitive bidding requirements for Professional Services/Medical and Dental Services for participants from the Hidalgo County Head Start Program
7. Requesting approval of professional services contracts for Medical and Dental with several providers

D. HIDALGO COUNTY HIDTA TASK FORCE

1. Requesting authority to reject all bids for "Rental of Office Space in the City of McAllen"
2. Requesting authority to re-advertise and approval of new revised specifications as attached hereto for "Rental of Office Space in the City of McAllen"

E. HIDALGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

1. Requesting exemption from competitive bidding requirements under TX. Local Govt. Code, Section 262.024 (a) (9) (C) for the purchase of vehicles from Texas Department of Public Safety

2. Requesting authority to the purchase of One (1) 1993 Ford Crown Victoria from the Texas Department of Public Safety of Austin, Texas. The total cost of the vehicle including paint job is \$5,000.00. (Will pay out of acct. #08-010-421-100-95)

13/A/1

Martha Salazar, the County Purchasing Director, came before the Court requesting an exemption from competitive bidding requirements under the Texas Local Government Code, Section 262.024 (a)(9)(C) for the purchase of vehicles from Texas Department of Public Safety. A motion was made by Commissioner Handy and seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve the request as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.
(See Exhibit W)

13/A/2

A motion was made by Commissioner Handy and seconded by Commissioner Garces to authorize the negotiation for the purchase of two vehicles from the Texas Department of Public Safety, Surplus Fleet Services for the Solid Waste Enforcement Division with the purchase price not to exceed \$10,000.00 per vehicle.

MOTION CARRIED.
(See Exhibit W)

13/B

Mrs. Salazar reported that this was for a bid award for Precinct No. Two. It was for "one 1998 or newer 5-ton capacity tandem truck with mounted water tank". She had received a sole bid from Rush Truck Center in Pharr for a bid of \$62,297.00. A motion was made by Commissioner Handy and seconded by Commissioner Rosel to approve the request as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.
(See Exhibit W)

Mrs. Salazar requested to proceed with the addendum at this time.

ADD. 2. PURCHASING DEPARTMENT:

- A. Recommending award of bid for One New Motor Grader to low bidder

Mrs. Salazar stated that this item was for Precinct Two and it was a bid award for one new motor grader to the low bidder. She indicated that they had received four bids: Waukesha Pierce with a no bid; JC Brown with a bid of \$142,914.86; Anderson Equipment with a bid of \$114,520.00 and Nueces Power Equipment with a bid of

\$128,000.00. Her recommendation at this time was for the low bidder of Anderson Equipment at \$114,520.00 for a Fiat Ellis 1998. A motion was made by Commissioner Handy and seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve the request as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.
(See Exhibit W)

She then returned to the regular order of the agenda.

13/C

Mrs. Salazar then requested that there be no action on all of Item 13/C, due to the absence of Head Start personnel because of a conference that they needed to attend. After a brief discussion regarding the contracts, no action was taken at this time.

NO ACTION.
(See Exhibit W)

13/D/1

Mrs. Salazar announced that this next item was for the HIDTA Task Force. She was requesting that all bids for the rental of office space in the City of McAllen be rejected because they were not specific in their request as to what the downtown area of McAllen was centered at and they will take care of that issue with modifications to the specifications. A motion was made by Commissioner Garces and seconded by Commissioner Rosel to reject all bids for the rental space in McAllen.

MOTION CARRIED.
(See Exhibit W)

13/D/2

A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and seconded by Commissioner Garces to authorize the re-advertising for bids and approval of the revised specifications for the rental of office space in the City of McAllen for the HIDTA Task Force.

MOTION CARRIED.
(See Exhibit W)

13/E/1

This next item was for the Sheriff's Department and it was for authority to exempt from competitive bidding requirements for the purchase of vehicles from the Texas Department of Public Safety. A motion was made by Commissioner Handy and seconded by Commissioner Garces to approve the request as presented.

MOTION CARRIED.
(See Exhibit W)

13/E/2

A motion was made by Commissioner Handy and seconded by Commissioner Garces to authorize the purchase of one 1993 Ford Crown Victoria from the Texas Department of Public Safety at a total cost of \$5,000.00, including paint job.

MOTION CARRIED.
(See Exhibit W)

ADD. 5. COUNTY JUDGE'S OFFICE

- A. Order Authorizing issuance, sale and delivery of County of Hidalgo, Texas Limited Tax Certificates of Obligation
- B. Order Authorizing issuance, sale and delivery of Hidalgo County, Texas Limited Tax General Obligation Refunding Bonds

Commissioner Arcaute indicated that this item would not be considered at this time.

NO ACTION.

There being no further business to come before the Commissioner Court, a motion was made by Commissioner Handy and seconded by Commissioner Garces that said meeting be hereby adjourned.

MOTION CARRIED.