

COUNTY OF HIDALGO COMMISSIONERS' COURT

BE IT REMEMBERED that on the 18th day of November, 1998 after notice duly having been given, a Special Meeting of the Commissioners' Court and the Drainage District #1 Board was begun and holden in the Commissioners' Courtroom, in the County Administration Building, in the City of Edinburg, County of Hidalgo, State of Texas, with the following being members of said Court:

**HONORABLE RENATO CUELLAR
COUNTY JUDGE**

**HONORABLE SYLVIA HANDY
COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 1**

**HONORABLE ABELARDO (LALO) ARCAUTE
COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 2**

**HONORABLE JUAN ROSEL
COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 3**

**HONORABLE GUADALUPE GARCES, JR.
COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 4**

and where the following proceedings were had to-wit:

COMMISSIONERS' COURT

The Honorable Renato Cuellar, County Judge, called the Commissioners' Court meeting to order, whereupon the following proceedings were had, to-wit:

ITEM 1. ACCEPTANCE OF SCHEMATIC DESIGN

Paul Vazaldua, Administrative Assistant to the County Judge, stated that the first item this morning called for the acceptance of the schematic design as presented by Mr. Joe Santopetro. Mr. Santopetro came before the Court and presented his schematic design for the proposed adult detention facility. As part of his presentation, he handed out a copy of the design for a 1,200-bed facility. He then proceeded to give an in-depth explanation of his schematic design, including the detention space, the administrative space, the kitchen space, etc. Mr. Santopetro pointed out that there were several types of cells in his design, to be used according to need. There were several discussions during the presentation, regarding the cost per bed, materials that would be used and how this facility compared to others in and around the State. After the presentation, Ramiro Castellanos, from the Sheriff's Department, asked that the Court take more time in considering this design, because the Sheriff has not had the opportunity to study this design. After further discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and seconded by Commissioner Garces to accept the schematic design as presented by Mr. Joe Santopetro. Steve Crain, the County legal counsel, pointed out that if they proceed on the design development phase then the design development phase is based upon the approved schematic design documents.

MOTION CARRIED.
(See Exhibit A)

ITEM 2. AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED WITH A SCHEMATIC DESIGN PHASE

A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and seconded by Commissioner Garces to give authorization to DiStefano/Santopetro to proceed with the design development phase of the adult detention facility.

MOTION CARRIED.

ITEM 3. AUTHORIZATION TO PAY ARCHITECT FOR SCHEMATIC DESIGN

A motion was made by Commissioner Rosel and seconded by Commissioner Garces to authorize the payment for the architectural services for schematic design to DiStefano/Santopetro in the amount of \$312,000.00, as per contract.

MOTION CARRIED.
(See Exhibit B)

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

MOTION CARRIED.

**There being no further business to come before said Court,
the meetings of the Commissioners' Court and the Drainage
District #1 Board are hereby adjourned.**

**RENATO CUELLAR _____
COUNTY JUDGE**

**SYLVIA HANDY _____
COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 1**

**ABELARDO ARCAUTE ___ ABSENT ___
COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 2**

**JUAN ROSEL _____
COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 3**

**GUADALUPE GARCES, JR. _____
COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 4**

Dated this the 14th day of December, 1999.

**JUAN D. SALINAS, III, County Clerk
Hidalgo County, Texas**

**By: _____
Jennifer Castillo, Deputy**

**Minutes approved by the Commissioners' Court and the Drainage District
#1 Board on the 28th day of December 1999.**