

SPECIAL MEETING – JANUARY 23rd , 2001

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this 23rd day of January, A.D., 2001, there was begun and held a SPECIAL MEETING of the Honorable Commissioners' Court of Hidalgo County, Texas, wherein the following members thereof were present, to-wit:

HONORABLE JOSE ELOY PULIDO	HIDALGO COUNTY JUDGE
HONORABLE SYLVIA HANDY	COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO.1
HONORABLE HECTOR (TITO) PALACIOS	COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO.2
HONORABLE JOSE FLORES	COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO.3

and **J.D. SALINAS, COUNTY CLERK & EX-OFICIO CLERK OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT** of Hidalgo County, Texas, wherein the following proceedings were had, to-wit:

**COUNTY OF HIDALGO
JOSÉ ELOY PULIDO
HIDALGO COUNTY JUDGE**

NOTICE is hereby given in accordance with Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, that a SPECIAL MEETING of the Commissioners' Court will be held on TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2001, at 9:30 A.M., in the Commissioners' Courtroom of the Administration Building, Edinburg, Hidalgo County, Texas, discussion and possible action relating to the following business will be transacted:

**NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC
CONSENT AGENDA**

The following items are of a routine or administrative nature. The Commissioners' Court has been furnished with background and support on each item, and/or it has been discussed at a previous meeting. All items will be acted upon by one vote without being discussed separately unless requested by a Commissioner, in which event the item or items will immediately be withdrawn for individual consideration in its normal sequence after the items not requiring separate discussion have been acted upon. The remaining items will be adopted by one vote.

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Flores, the Court made a
UNANIMOUS vote to approve all items listed under the Consent Agenda.

- 1. Approval of check register and payment of claims and bills - County Auditor**
- 2. Line item transfers - 2000: (SEE EXHIBIT A)**
 - A. Purchasing Department**
 - B. 206th District Court**
 - C. Rural Fire Fighting**
 - D. Sheriff Department – Jail**
 - E. Pct. #2 – Parks**
 - F. Pct. #3 – R & B**
 - G. Pct. #3 – Adm.**
 - H. Pct. #3 – Landfill**
 - I. Pct. #4 – R & B**
 - J. Health Department – Sanitation**
 - K. Pct. #1 – Parks**
 - L. Health Department – Adm. Co-pay**
- 3. Line item transfers – 2001: (SEE EXHIBIT B)**
 - A. 398th District Court**
 - B. Constable Pct. #5**
 - C. Pct. #4 – Adm.**
 - D. Pct. #2 – Landfill**
 - E. Pct. #2 – Parks**
 - F. County Extension Service**
 - G. 92nd District Court**
 - H. 370th District Court**
 - I. Courthouse Security**
 - J. Auxiliary Court**
 - K. Pct. #2 – Adm.**
 - L. Pct. #3 – Landfill**
- 4. Planning Department: (SEE EXHIBIT C)**
 - A. Approval of the following Certificates:**
 - Certificates of Plat & Utility Status under Local Government Code Section 232.028(b)**
 - Certificates of Residence Construction under Local Government Code Section 232.029 (c)(1)**
 - Certificates of Water Service Availability under Local Government Code Section (c)(2)**

5. Right of Way – Permits: (SEE EXHIBIT D)

Pct. #4:

- A. North Alamo Water Supply – east of Cesar Chavez on Ingle Rd.**
- B. North Alamo Water Supply – east of FM 907 on Trenton Rd.**

Pct. #1:

- C. North Alamo Water Supply – North of Mile 14 North on Mile 4 West**
- D. North Alamo Water Supply – NEC of Midway Rd. and Mile 7 North**

Pct. #4:

- E. Shell Western E & P – west on FM 490**

Pct. #3:

- F. Shell Western E & P – FM 681 and .1 of a mile north of Mile 14 Rd.**

6. Health Department: (SEE EXHIBIT E)

A. Release of the letter of credit:

- 1. Serenidad Subdivision - \$ 34,000.00 for OSSF**
- 2. The Hill Subdivision - \$ 57,000.00 for OSSF**

7. Approval of Minutes: (SEE EXHIBIT F)

- A. January 16, 2001**

8. Purchasing Department: (SEE EXHIBIT G)

- A. Hidalgo County Treasurers - Requesting approval of a maintenance contract for a check signer from Advance Business Equipment for \$349.00 per year. Effective January 2, 2001 to January 1, 2002.**
- B. Hidalgo County Precinct No. 4 -Requesting approval of a lease fee for 2 way radios with Mobile Relays for \$4,104.00 per year. Effective January 1, 2001 thru December 31, 2001.**
- C. Hidalgo County WIC Program (McAllen Clinic) -Requesting approval of a monitoring agreement for an alarm system from Superior Alarms for \$180.00 per year. Effective February 1, 2001 thru January 31, 2002.**
- D. Hidalgo County Elections Department -Requesting approval of a maintenance agreement for a scanner with Election Systems & Software for \$1,925.00 per year. Effective January 1, 2001 thru December 31, 2001.**

**COUNTY OF HIDALGO
JOSÉ ELOY PULIDO
COUNTY JUDGE**

NOTICE is hereby given in accordance with Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, that a SPECIAL MEETING of the Commissioners' Court will be held on TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2001 at 9:30 A.M., in the Commissioners' Courtroom of the Administration Building, Edinburg, Hidalgo County, Texas, discussion and possible action relating to the following business will be transacted:

1. Roll Call

All members of the Court were counted present with the exception of Commissioner Oscar Garza.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

At this time Judge Pulido called upon Lisa Aleman to lead the Court and Audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Prayer

Lisa Aleman led the Court and Audience in Prayer.

4. Open Forum

Tax Assessor and Collector Armando Barrera informed the public on paying their taxes on time without penalties.

5. Presentation by David Chavana, All-American City 10K Run/Walk Representative (SEE EXHIBIT H)

David Chavana made a presentation on the benefits of everyone participating in the All-American City 10K Run/Walk.

6. Sheriff Department: (SEE EXHIBIT I)

A. Request authorization to file a grant application with TxDOT for EI Protector Program in the amount of \$50,000.00 with a required cash match

On motion of Judge Pulido, seconded by Commissioner Palacios, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

7. 389th District Court: (SEE EXHIBIT J)

A. Approval to increase slot #2 (court coordinator) from \$ 38,000.00 to \$ 45,000.00

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Palacios, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval. For the record, the additional duties are those of the assistance court coordinator.

B. Approval of budget amendment in the amount of \$ 6,918.96 to be appropriated from General Fund

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Palacios, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

C. Request approval to increase slot #3 (court reporter) from \$ 50,000.00 to \$ 55,000.00

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Palacios, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

D. Approval of budget amendment in the amount of \$ 4,936.21 to be appropriated from the General Fund Account

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Flores, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

8. Criminal Auxiliary Court: (SEE EXHIBIT K)
A. Approval of interpreter pay for slot #6 - \$ 3,000.00

On motion of Commissioner Palacios, seconded by Commissioner Handy, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

9. Master Court #1 & #2: (SEE EXHIBIT L)
A. Approval to create one court clerk – Master Court #1

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Flores, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

B. Approval to set salary \$ 14,040.00

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Palacios, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

C. Approval of budget amendment - \$ 19,007.35

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Flores, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

D. Approval to create one court clerk – Master Court #2

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Flores, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

E. Approval to set salary \$ 14,040.00

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Flores, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

F. Approval of budget amendment - \$ 19,007.35

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Flores, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

10. 398th District Court: (SEE EXHIBIT M)
A. Approval of budget amendment to appropriate funds in the General Fund - \$ 8,179.00 (computers, furniture & remodeling)

On motion of Commissioner Palacios, seconded by Commissioner Handy, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

11. Head Start: (SEE EXHIBIT N)
A. Presentation of scoring and evaluation grids for acceptance and approval of Request for Qualifications (RFQ's) for the following Health Service Providers:
1. Dental & Medical Health Providers
2. Mental Health Providers
3. Special Service Providers

NO ACTION on taken on these items.

B. Requesting authority to finalize Contracts with the following Health Service Providers:

1. **Dental & Medical Health Providers:**
 - Delta Pharmacy
 - Iris E. Garcia, PNP
 - Dr. Mirmohammadi, DDS
 - La Blanca Family Health Clinic (Isabel Guzman)
 - Dr. Chang
 - Dr. Selso Martinez, DDS
 - Dr. Angelos

NO ACTION taken on these items.

2. **Mental Health Providers:**
 - David Saavedra
 - P.H.P. Consultants, Inc.
 - New Beginnings
 - Valley Medical Center – J.H. Whitcomb

NO ACTION taken on these items.

3. **Special Service Providers:**
 - McAllen Physical Therapy Clinic
 - Renaissance Outpatient Rehab
 - Quality Therapy
 - Therapy to Go

NO ACTION taken on these items.

12. Planning Department: (SEE EXHIBIT O)

A. Final Plat Approval:

1. **La Bonita Ranch Subdivision – Pct. #3**

On motion of Commissioner Flores, seconded by Commissioner Palacios, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

2. **Aguirre Subdivision – Pct. #4**

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Flores, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

B. Preliminary Plat Approval:

1. **Aztec Subdivision – Pct. #2**

On motion of Commissioner Palacios, seconded by Commissioner Flores, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

13. County Judge: (SEE EXHIBIT P)

A. Approval of Interlocal Agreement between the City of Mission and the County of Hidalgo (Library System)

On motion of Commissioner Palacios, seconded by Commissioner Handy, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

14. Pct. #4: (SEE EXHIBIT Q)

A. Request authorization to accept cost-share funds from the following pavement projects: Skinner, Tower & Ramseyer Roads

On motion of Commissioner Palacios, seconded by Commissioner Handy, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

B. Approval of 2000 Budget amendment - \$ 51,425.00 (appropriation of funds for backhoe loader purchased in December 2000)

On motion of Commissioner Flores, seconded by Commissioner Handy, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

C. Approval of 2001 Budget amendment - \$ 20,055.75 (transfer of funds from R & B to Debt Service Fund and appropriate same for note payable on backhoe loader)

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Flores, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

D. Approval of 2001 Budget amendment - \$ 5,325.00 (funding for Colonia Muniz street paving project)

NO ACTION taken on this item.

15. Urban County: (SEE EXHIBIT R)

A. Approval of a Professional Services Contract with Javier Hinojosa Engineering – City of Palmview – Parking Facilities – UC Year 12 (1999)

On motion of Commissioner Palacios, seconded by Commissioner Handy, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

16. Purchasing Department: (SEE EXHIBIT S)

A. HIDALGO COUNTY -

1. Discussion and/or action, including but not limited to the following items:

- a) **Present Hidalgo County Jail - Total inmate population:----(799)**
 - X **Physical Count-----(544)**
 - X **La Villa Facility Count---(221)**
 - X **Out of County Count-----(25 in Frio 9 in other)**

2. Current contract for the Housing of Inmates

Report Made

3. New Adult Detention Facility and Law Enforcement Center Project:

a) Detention Facility Law Enforcement Center Design-Build Contract Amendments (if any);

Noting to Report.

b) Acceptance and approval of Application and Certificate for Payment No. 5 by Landmark Organization, L.P. in the amount of \$ 126,559.95

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Flores, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

Agenda
January 23, 2001

- c) **County Auditor's Report on Detention Facility Law Enforcement Center Project paid and pending payment request approval;**

Report made.
- d) **Report and Recommendation of Owner's Consulting Architect**

Noting to report.
- e) **Acceptance and approval of a 100% of the Final Construction Documents as presented by Design/Builder, Landmark Organization, L.P. in connection with the design and construction of a New Adult Detention Facility and Law Enforcement Center Project and to include: 1200 beds, with infrastructure sufficient to sustain maximum beds of 2000 beds and both detention and law enforcement personnel, with ancillary support services, and a 30,000 sq. ft. law enforcement center. Certification of Schematic Design by Texas Jail Standards Commission must accompany said designs.**

NO ACTION taken on this item

- f) **Discussion, consideration and action on method of selection of architect to design, draft specifications, prepare bid document packets for competitive procurement, tabulate, evaluate and recommend bid award for the construction including the supervision of the project that includes the following structure (s): Maintenance and Motor Building (and);**

NO ACTION taken on this item.

4. The Hidalgo County Law Enforcement Training Facility:

- a) **Authorize and approve the publishing of a Request for Qualifications for Architectural Services**
- b) **Rank and select, for negotiation of a contract, an architect or firm from the Pre-Qualified Pool of architects for Hidalgo County.**

NO ACTION taken on these items.

5. Requesting authority to advertise for Bank Depository-Hidalgo County RFP.

On motion of Commissioner Palacios, seconded by Commissioner Handy, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

6. Recommending award of bid for Mailing Services-Hidalgo County to low bidder.

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Flores, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

7. Recommending approval of contracts for Mailing Services-Hidalgo County to low bidder.

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Flores, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

8. Requesting the ranking (as evaluated by Consulting Architect) of the three firms for Construction Materials Testing for New Adult Detention Facility & Law Enforcement Center-Hidalgo County RFQ&P.

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Flores, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

9. **Requesting authority to negotiate with number one ranked firm and contract for Construction Materials Testing for New Adult Detention Facility & Law Enforcement Center-Hidalgo County RFQ&P.**

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Flores, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

B. HIDALGO COUNTY PRECINCT NO. 3 -

1. **Recommending bid award for Overlay at La Sueña Street to sole bidder meeting all requirements.**

On motion of Commissioner Flores, seconded by Commissioner Handy, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

2. **Requesting approval of contract for Overlay at La Sueña Street to sole bidder meeting all requirements.**

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Flores, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval, subject to legal review.

C. HIDALGO COUNTY H.I.D.T.A. TASK FORCE -

1. **One (1) 2000 Model Jeep Grand Cherokee 2-WD@ from Capps Van & Car Rentals for the H.I.D.T.A. Task Force for a period of Twelve (12) Months from January-December , 2001 for the amount of \$ 695.00 per month. Grand Total \$ 8,340.00 for twelve (12) months.**
2. **One (1) Ford Super Crew P/U@ from Capps Van & Car Rentals for the H.I.D.T.A. Task Force for a period of Twelve (12) Months from January-December, 2001 for the amount of \$ 605.00 per month. Grand Total \$ 7,260.00 for twelve (12) months.
GRAND TOTAL FOR BOTH VEHICLES: \$ 15,600.00.**

On motion of Commissioner Palacios, seconded by Commissioner Flores, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval on these items.

On motion of Commissioner Palacios, seconded by Commissioner Handy, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval to go into Executive Session.

17. Closed Session: (SEE EXHIBIT T)

Commissioners' Court may go into Closed Session pursuant to Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, Section 551.072 to discuss the following:

A. Real Estate Acquisition

NO ACTION taken on this item.

18. Open Session:

A. Real Estate Acquisition

Only action taken was for legal counsel to proceed instructed by Court.

19. Closed Session:

Commissioners' Court may reconvene into Closed Session for the discussion regarding the agenda items listed

NO ACTION taken on this item.

20. Open Session:

Commissioners' Court may reconvene into Open Session for the discussion regarding the agenda items listed

NO ACTION taken on this item.

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Flores, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval to adjourn.

**COUNTY OF HIDALGO
JOSÉ ELOY PULIDO
COUNTY JUDGE**

NOTICE is hereby given in accordance with Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, that a SPECIAL MEETING of the Drainage District #1 Board of Directors will be held on TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2001 at 9:30 A.M., in the Commissioners Courtroom of the Administration Building, Edinburg, Hidalgo County, Texas, discussion and possible action relating to the following business will be transacted:

**NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC
CONSENT AGENDA**

The following items are of a routine or administrative nature. The Drainage District #1 Board of Directors has been furnished with background and support on each item, and/or it has been discussed at a previous meeting. All items will be acted upon by one vote without being discussed separately unless requested by a Commissioner, in which event the item or items will immediately be withdrawn for individual consideration in its normal sequence after the items not requiring separate discussion have been acted upon. The remaining items will be adopted by one vote.

DRAINAGE DISTRICT

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Flores, the Court made UNANIMOUS vote to approve the Drainage District Consent Agenda.

- 1. Approval of check register and payment of claims and bills - County Auditor (SEE EXHIBIT U)**
- 2. Approval of Minutes:
A. January 16, 2001**
- 3. Line item transfer**
- 4. Discharge Permit – City of Weslaco – Eagle’s Nest Estates, Unit 11**

**COUNTY OF HIDALGO
JOSÉ ELOY PULIDO
COUNTY JUDGE**

NOTICE is hereby given in accordance with Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, that a SPECIAL MEETING of the Drainage District #1 Board of Directors will be held on TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2001 at 9:30 A.M., in the Commissioners Courtroom of the Administration Building, Edinburg, Hidalgo County, Texas, discussion and possible action relating to the following business will be transacted:

DRAINAGE DISTRICT

1. Approval to create new slot in Administration for District Administrative Assistant (SEE EXHIBIT V)

On motion of Commissioner Palacios, seconded by Commissioner Handy, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

2. Approval to set salary @ \$ 36,000.00 and appropriate funds

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Flores, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

3. Approval to create new position in Main Drain for Assistant Shredder Supervisor

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Flores, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

4. Approval to set salary @ \$ 22,232.59 and appropriate funds

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Flores, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

5. Approval to advertise for installation of 48" pipe on drainage facility in Weslaco

On motion of Commissioner Palacios, seconded by Commissioner Flores, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

6. Approval to increase contract for Monte Alto Drainage Project in the amount of \$ 8,000.00 to cover Environmental Study

On motion of Commissioner Palacios, seconded by Commissioner Handy, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

7. Purchasing Department:

- A. Requesting approval to cancel the bid project (previously authorized) for: One 2001 Hauling Truck as requested by Drainage District Manager after the purchasing department forwarded information received from vendors of continued inability to meet district specifications.**

On motion of Commissioner Palacios, seconded by Commissioner Handy, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

8. Closed Session:

Commissioners' Court may go into Closed Session pursuant to Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, Section 551.072 to discuss the following:

A. Real Estate Acquisition

NO ACTION taken on this item.

9. Open Session:

A. Real Estate Acquisition

NO ACTION taken on this item.

10. Closed Session:

Commissioners' Court may reconvene into Closed Session for the discussion regarding the agenda items listed

NO ACTION taken on this item.

11. Open Session:

Commissioners' Court may reconvene into Open Session for the discussion regarding the agenda items listed

NO ACTION taken on this item.

On motion of Commissioner Palacios, seconded by Commissioner Handy, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval to adjourn.

**COUNTY OF HIDALGO
JOSÉ ELOY PULIDO
HIDALGO COUNTY JUDGE**

NOTICE is hereby given in accordance with Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, that a SPECIAL MEETING of the Commissioners' Court will be held on TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2001, at 9:30 A.M., in the Commissioners' Courtroom of the Administration Building, Edinburg, Hidalgo County, Texas, discussion and possible action relating to the following business will be transacted:

ADDENDUM

1. Adult Probation:

- A. Approval of budget amendment decreasing Acct. #1-010-423-510 increasing Master Courts budgets to fund the two (2) court clerks**

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Flores, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

2. Discussion and action on County Investments

Discussion item only.

3. Criminal Auxiliary Court:

- A. Line item transfer - \$ 3000.00 (interpreter fees)**

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Palacios, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

4. Planning Department:

- A. Final Plat Approval with Release of the Letter of Credit:**

1. The Hill Subdivision – Pct. #3

On motion of Commissioner Palacios, seconded by Commissioner Flores, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

5. Purchasing Department:

- A. Discuss, consider and action necessary regarding the current contract with Rx America as it relates to insurance certificate compliance including, but not limited to rescission and/or termination: in the alternative:**

NO ACTION taken on this item.

- B. Approval of claims of Rx America in the amount of \$ 61,963.00 and authority for Auditor to issue payment for said invoices**

On motion of Commissioner Palacios, seconded by Commissioner Handy, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

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

JOSE ELOY PULIDO _____
COUNTY JUDGE

SYLVIA HANDY _____
COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 1

HECTOR (TITO) PALACIOS _____
COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 2

JOSE FLORES _____
COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 3

OSCAR L. GARZA _____ **ABSENT**
COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 4

Dated this the 23RD day of January, 2001

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

By: _____
Norma Garza, Deputy

Minutes approved by the Commissioners' Court and the Drainage District #1 Board on the 30th day of January, 2001.