

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

NOTICE is hereby given in accordance with Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, that a JOINT WORKSHOP of the Commissioners' Court & Elections Commission will be held on TUESDAY, MAY 01, 2001 at 2:00 P.M., in the Commissioners' Courtroom of the Administration Building, Edinburg, Hidalgo County, Texas, discussion relating to the following business will be transacted:

WORKSHOP

HIDALGO COUNTY ELECTIONS DEPARTMENT -

- 1. Discussion on, but not limited to the following:**
 - a) Report on the current Voting System in Hidalgo County**
 - 1. Age, condition, and maintenance costs of machines**
 - 2. Current users of the system and the revenue generated**
 - 3. Options available (if a new system is approved for acquisition) on disposition of the present system**
- 2. Report on the Voting Systems Fair hosted by Hidalgo County on Discussion on April 5, 2001**
 - a) Attendance**
 - b) Results of any exit surveys**
 - c) Estimated costs associated with new system:**
 - 1. Redistricting - possible additional precincts**
 - 2. Additional staff required to operate new system**
 - 3. Technical assistance by vendor (i.e., what's offered as basic technical support and maintenance and included services; optional services requested by the County and their cost;**
 - 4. Comprehensive training to for Administrator and (selected) key personnel (which will permit the training of election workers)**
 - 5. Storage and transporting requirements of new equipment (note: new van is being purchased through CIP)**
 - 6. Election department and rewiring and cabling necessary**
 - 7. Computer department (any additional cost to accommodate new system requirements)**
- 3. Discussion or comments from any members of delegates from political subdivisions regarding the present or new systems.**
- 4. Discussion on the options available to the County for the acquisitions of a new Voting System and the funding for the project.**