

REGULAR MEETING – FEBRUARY 04, 2003

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this 4th day of Feb., A.D., 2003, there was begun and held a REGULAR MEETING of the Honorable Commissioners' Court of Hidalgo County, Texas, wherein the following members thereof were present, to-wit:

HONORABLE RAMON GARCIA	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
RAMON GARCIA
COUNTY JUDGE**

NOTICE is hereby given in accordance with Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, that a REGULAR MEETING of the Commissioners' Court will be held on TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 04, 2003 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 Garza.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Judge R. Garcia called on Commissioner Handy to lead the Court and Audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Prayer

Commissioner Handy led the Court and Audience in Prayer.

4. Open Forum

No presentations made under Open Forum.

5. Approval of Consent Agenda

At this point, the Court took up the Consent Agenda.

6. Law Library: (SEE EXHIBIT H)

A. Approval of budget amendment to increase salaries for three (3) slots - \$ 9,614.56 (due to additional duties and responsibilities)

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Flores, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval, in the corrected amount of \$9,534.73 as recommended by the Auditor.

B. Approval to set salaries for three (3) slots:

(1) Librarian - \$ 40,111.71

(2) Library Aides - \$ 12,528.00/each

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Palacios, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval, with the amendments as a return for the additional duties as specified.

7. Sheriff Department: (SEE EXHIBIT I)

A. Presentation and discussion of Racial Profiling Statistics submitted by the Hidalgo County Sheriff's Department in accordance with Texas Code of Criminal Procedure Article 2.134

Presentation made. NO ACTION taken on this item.

B. Approval to authorize the County Auditor to process payment of clothing allowance to a non-uniform officer in the Sheriff's Office; and make payment of same in conjunction with the next regular payroll

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

8. HIDTA – Task Force: (SEE EXHIBIT J)**A. Approval of Interlocal Agreement between Hidalgo County HIDTA Task Force and the Edinburg C.I.S.D. Police Department**

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

9. Budget Office: (SEE EXHIBIT K)**A. Approval to create obj. 431**

See item G.

B. Approval of line item transfer - \$ 500.00

See item G.

C. Pct. #1:

1. **Approval to create obj. #320 (Professional) under Acct. #3-1100-432-00-121-001-0 (Sanitation)**
2. **Approval to transfer funds from Sanitation Acct. #3-1100-432-00-121-001-0 - \$ 1,000.00**

See item G.

D. County Auditor:

1. **Approval to create obj. # 412**
2. **Approval of line item transfer - \$ 480.00**

See item G.

E. Right of Way:

1. **Approval of budget amendment to de-obligate the original budget of \$ 800,000.00 in the Right of Way Department Acct. #3-1200-431-00-260-001-711 (Right of Way Acquired) and appropriate same into separate Right of Way Accounts for each Commissioner (\$ 200,000.00/each)**

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

F. Urban County:

1. **Approval to create obj. #864 Other Interest**
2. **Approval of line item transfer - \$ 6,000.00**

See item G.

G. Elections Department:

1. **Approval to create obj. 606**
2. **Approval of line item transfer - \$ 1,000.00**

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Palacios, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote to approve items 9. A, B, C, D, F, G.

H. Approval to de-obligate \$ 1,200,000.00 from various departments to cover negative balances and to transfer out to the indigent health fund (budgetary impact is \$ 0.00)

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

I. Approval of budget amendments from General Fund - \$ 600,000.00

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

At this time, the Court continued with item 15.

10. County Auditor: (SEE EXHIBIT L)**Colonia Access Program –****1. Approval to appropriate Colonia Access Program salaries Fund 1200 – budgetary impact - \$ 215,794.69**

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Palacios, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval in the corrected amount of \$234,681.39

2. Approval of line item transfer - \$ 10,720.89 – Pct. #4

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

11. Risk Management: (SEE EXHIBIT M)**A. Notice of Reappointment of Charlie Montgomery to Emergency Management Coordinator for Hidalgo County**

Presentation made. NO ACTION taken on this item.

12. Urban County: (SEE EXHIBIT N)**A. Approval of a Construction Contract with S & G Paving Co. – City of Elsa – Water/Sewer Improvements – UC Year 13 (2000), Year 14 (2001)**

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

B. Request for authorization to purchase equipment from Four Alarm Mes for the – City of Donna – Fire Station/Equipment activity using Urban County Program funds from Year 14 (2001) and Year 15 (2002)

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

C. Approval of Construction Contract with Parke Construction System for – City of Weslaco – Parks, Recreational Facilities Project using – UCP funds from – Year 13, 14 & 15 (2000, 2001 & 2002)

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

D. Requesting exemption from competitive bidding requirements under the Texas Local Government Code 262.024 (a) for Professional Engineering Services with Raul Flores Engineers in connection with City of Penitas for the design of a Waste Water Treatment Plant

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

E. Approval of professional services engineering contract with Raul Flores Engineers with City of Penitas for the design of a Waste Water Treatment Plant

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

13. Godfrey Garza: (SEE EXHIBIT O)

A. Approval of Federal Emergency Management Agency Cooperating Technical Partners Partnership Agreement

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

14. Pct. #1: (SEE EXHIBIT P)

A. Request approval of payment application No. 4 & 5 to Border Contractors, Inc. for the Monte Alto Drainage Improvement Project

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Flores, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval to pay with a manual check.

B. Requesting authority to purchase and activate a cellular phone for Pct. #1

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

C. Approval of service agreement with Nextel QISV vendor through the State of Texas Contract award program with Nextel

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

15. Pct. #3: (SEE EXHIBIT Q)

A. Requesting approval to increase the following slots due to assignment of additional duties – Colonia Access Program Department:

1. Slot #005-010	Assistant Field Operations Director	\$ 5,000.00	(Corrected)
2. Slot #005-039	Invoice Clerk	\$ 2,000.00	
3. Slot #005-040	Executive Assistant	\$ 3,975.00	
4. Slot #005-043	Chief Administrator	\$ 5,500.00	

On motion of Commissioner Flores, seconded by Commissioner Handy, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote to approve item 15.A.1-4, with corrections.

B. Approval to set salary

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

16. Planning Department: (SEE EXHIBIT R)

A. Release of Letter of Credit:

1. Cascabel Estates Phase I – Pct. #1

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

B. Variance Request for Easement Encroachment:

1. Lot 15, Pena Blanca Estates Subdivision – Pct. #3

NO ACTION taken on this item.

17. Human Services: (SEE EXHIBIT S)

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

1. Authorization to transfer out funds from General Fund to Indigent Health Care Fund

NO ACTION taken on this item. Commissioner Flores is away from the Court on this item.

2. Authorization to pay 2002 claims

On motion of Commissioner Palacios, seconded by Commissioner Handy, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote to approve item 17.A.2 in the amount of \$134,356.43. Commissioner Flores is away from the Court on this item.

3. Indigent Health Care expenditures

4. Modify Services being provided

5. Report and Recommendations regarding Indigent Health Care

NO ACTION taken on item 17.A. 3-4. Commissioner Flores is away from the Court on this item.

18. Purchasing Department: (SEE EXHIBIT T)

A. HIDALGO COUNTY -

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

a)	Present Hidalgo County Jail-Total inmate population	1072
	• Physical Count:	539
	• Out of County Count: La Villa Facility (LCS):	239
	Brooks:	295

2. Current inter-local(s) and/or contract(s) for the “Housing of Inmates”;

Nothing to report. NO ACTION taken on this item.

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

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

Nothing to report. NO ACTION taken on this item.

b) Requesting approval of “Modification No. 2” to the current contract with Superior Alarms (for the installation of telephone system at the New “ADF & LEC” Facility in connection with the relocation of existing phone drops and installation of ADF-LEC 34 new phone drops in an amount not to exceed \$ 6715.48).

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

c) Report and Recommendation from Design/Builder, Consulting Architect and/or other on-site projects Architect in connection with the completion, turn-over, occupancy and transition into the New Adult Detention Facility and Law Enforcement Center including certification of the jail portion and other structures under construction on site.

Report made. NO ACTION taken on this item.

- d) **County Auditor’s Report on Detention Facility Law Enforcement Center Project paid and pending payment request approval;**
- e) **Report of Hidalgo County Sheriff’s Department on the Transition and Occupancy of the New Adult Detention Facility and Law Enforcement Center Project.**

Nothing to report. NO ACTION taken on item 18.A.3. D & e.

- 4. **Requesting exemption from competitive bidding requirements for professional services/arbitrage compliance services with Ernst & Young as previously recommended by Hidalgo County’s financial advisors, Estrada/Hinojosa;**

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

- 5. **Requesting acceptance and approval of a “Letter of Engagement” for professional services in connection with arbitrage compliance services for Hidalgo County with firm of Ernst & Young;**

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

- 6. **Requesting authority to advertise a “Request for Qualifications” for: “Arbitrage Compliance Services” for Hidalgo County.**

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

B. HIDALGO COUNTY PRECINCT NO. 1 -

- 1. **Requesting exemption from competitive bidding requirements under the Texas Local Government Code Section 262.024(a) for professional engineering services in connection with but not limited to (surveying, engineering, mapping & technical assistance) with Rodriguez Engineering on an as needed basis.**

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

- 2. **Requesting approval of a professional engineering services contact with Rodriguez Engineering, in connection with but not limited to (surveying, engineering, mapping & technical assistance) on an as needed basis.**

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

- 3. **Requesting acceptance and approval of claim (invoices) from: Rodriguez Engineering in the amounts as follows:**

- i) **Invoice #0404 \$2,200.00 Re: Las Palmas Cul-De-Sacs (Engineering Svcs. For Survey & Design Plans)**
 - ii) **Invoice #0405 \$1,200.00 Re: La Plazita Right-Of-Way (In-house Survey and Preparation of Metes and Bounds)**
- TOTAL \$3,400.00**

as requested by Precinct No. 1 on January 28, 2003.

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

C. HIDALGO COUNTY PRECINCT NO. 2 –

- 1. Requesting exemption from competitive bidding requirements for professional/engineering services for Colonia Access Program – Construction Materials Testing with Millennium Engineering Group.**

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

- 2. Requesting approval of a professional engineering services contract with Millennium Engineering Group for Construction Materials Testing with Hidalgo County Precinct No. 2.**

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

D. HIDALGO COUNTY PRECINCT NO. 4 -

- 1. Recommending bid award to bidder meeting all requirements for “Hauling Services of All Road Materials (Excluding Hot-Mix)”.**

On motion of Commissioner Palacios, seconded by Commissioner Flores, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote to approve Roy’s Hauling @ \$1.90 per ton.

- 2. Requesting approval of contract for “Hauling Services of All Road Materials (Excluding Hot-Mix)” to bidder meeting all Requirements. Note: A fully executed copy of the contract will be forwarded to the Hidalgo County Auditor’s Office.**

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

E. HIDALGO COUNTY PURCHASING DEPARTMENT – (Corrected)

- 1. Presentation for consideration, discussion and approval of a Work Site Training Provider Agreement between Hidalgo County and WorkForce Solutions;**

NO ACTION taken on this item.

F. HIDALGO COUNTY TAX OFFICE -

- 1. Requesting approval of modification to existing contract to include new Tax Office substation located (Community Resource Center - Precinct No. 2) in San Juan, Texas.**

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

G. HIDALGO COUNTY WIC PROGRAM -

- 1. Recommending bid award to sole bidder (current lessor) meeting all specifications attached hereto for: “Lease space WIC-Clinic in the City of Alamo”**

Commissioner Flores is away from the Court.

On motion of Commissioner Palacios, seconded by Commissioner Handy, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote to approve C. P. R. D. Incorporated/First American Realty.

- 2. Requesting approval of contract to sole bidder meeting all requirements and specifications hereto for: “Lease space WIC-Clinic in the City of Alamo” Note: A fully executed copy of the contract will be forwarded to the Hidalgo County Auditor’s office.**

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

At this point, the Court proceeded with #17.

19. Closed Session: (NO EXHIBITS)

1. On first motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Palacios, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval to go into Executive Session.
2. On second motion of Commissioner Palacios, seconded by Commissioner Handy, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval to go back into Executive Session to discuss item 19.C.

Commissioners' Court may go into Closed Session pursuant to Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, Sections 551.071 & 551.072 to discuss the following:

- A. Real Estate Acquisition**
- B. Cause #C-1162-02-C; County of Hidalgo vs. Alvarado Architects & Associates, LLC in the 139th District Court of Hidalgo County, Texas**
- C. Census Litigation**
- D. Nicholas R. Cantu vs. Hidalgo County, Cause #M-00-265**
 1. NO ACTION taken during Executive Session.
 2. NO ACTION taken during Executive Session the second time.

Commissioner Flores joined the meeting.

20. Open Session:**A. Real Estate Acquisition**

NO ACTION taken on this item.

B. Cause #C-1162-02-C; County of Hidalgo vs. Alvarado Architects & Associates, LLC in the 139th District Court of Hidalgo County, Texas

NO ACTION taken on this item.

C. Census Litigation

On motion of Commissioner Palacios, seconded by Commissioner Handy, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval to authorize the attorneys to dismiss the Cross Appeal.

D. Nicholas R. Cantu vs. Hidalgo County, Cause #M-00-265

NO ACTION taken on this item.

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

21. Closed Session:

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

NO ACTION taken on this item.

22. 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 Palacios, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval to adjourn.

**COUNTY OF HIDALGO
RAMON GARCIA
HIDALGO COUNTY JUDGE**

NOTICE is hereby given in accordance with Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, that a REGULAR MEETING of the Commissioners' Court will be held on TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 04, 2003, 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 the Consent Agenda, with the exception of items 2 & 3.

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Palacios, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote to approve item 2, with correction/point of information.

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Palacios, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote to approve item 3, with the point of information.

1. Approval of check register and payment of claims and bills - County Auditor

2. Line item transfers – 2002: (SEE EXHIBIT A)

- A. Pct. #2 – Landfill**
- B. Auxiliary Court**

3. Line item transfers – 2003: (SEE EXHIBIT B)

- A. County Extension Service**
- B. Sheriff Department**
- C. Computer Department**
- D. Health – Sanitation**
- E. J.P. Pct. #4, Pl. 2**
- F. District Clerk**
- G. Pct. #1 – R & B (2)**
- H. Pct. #1 – Adm.**
- I. Pct. #2 – Landfill**
- J. Pct. #2 – County Shop**
- K. Pct. #2 – Parks**
- L. Pct. #3 – Parks**
- M. Pct. #3 – Landfill**
- N. Pct. #3 – Paved/unpaved**
- O. County Clerk**
- P. Youth Village**
- Q. County Commissioners**
- R. Risk Management**
- S. J.P. Pct. #4, Pl. 1**
- T. 332nd District Court**
- U. Health – Clinics**
- V. County Auditor**
- W. WIC**
- X. 92nd District Court**
- Y. Constable Pct. #5**

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. **Urban County:** (SEE EXHIBIT D)
 - A. **Request for approval of one (1) applicant under the HOME Homeowner Occupied Housing Rehabilitation Program – City of Donna**
6. **Right of Way – Permits:** (SEE EXHIBIT E)
 - A. **Southwestern Bell – along Moorefield Rd. & Mile 3 North Rd. (FM 1924)**
 - B. **Southwestern Bell – along Big 5 Rd. north of Monte Cristo Rd.**
 - C. **North Alamo Water Supply – south of 1st county road west of Mile 4 ½**
 - D. **North Alamo Water Supply – north of Nolana Loop on Cesar Chavez Rd.**
 - E. **North Alamo Water Supply – Tower Rd. & Texan Rd.**
 - F. **North Alamo Water Supply – Mile 20 North Rd.**
 - G. **BP America – Dicker Rd. from north to south**
7. **Approval of Minutes:** (SEE EXHIBIT F)
 - A. **January 14, 2003**
8. **Purchasing Department:** (SEE EXHIBIT G)
 - A. **HIDALGO COUNTY COMPUTER DEPARTMENT -**
 1. **Requesting authority to purchase computer hardware and peripherals from QA System, a QISV vendor, through the Resolution with the State of Texas, General Services Commission, Catalogue Purchasing Program – (1) Dell Mobile Pentium 4 in the amount of \$2,794.92.**

**COUNTY OF HIDALGO
RAMON GARCIA
COUNTY JUDGE**

NOTICE is hereby given in accordance with Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, that a REGULAR MEETING of the Drainage District #1 Board of Directors will be held on TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 04, 2003 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
(SEE EXHIBIT U)**

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

- 1. Approval of check register and payment of claims and bills - County Auditor**
- 2. Permit:**
 - A. BP America, Inc. – lot 8, blk. 18 northwest corner**
- 3. Discharge Permit:**
 - A. City of Pharr – Rio Vista Estates**
- 4. Approval of Minutes:**
 - A. January 14, 2003**

**COUNTY OF HIDALGO
RAMON GARCIA
COUNTY JUDGE**

NOTICE is hereby given in accordance with Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, that a REGULAR MEETING of the Drainage District #1 Board of Directors will be held on TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 04, 2003 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
(SEE EXHIBIT V)**

1. Roll Call

All Members of the Court were counted present, with the exception of Commissioner Garza

2. Open Forum

No presentations made under Open Forum.

3. Approval of Consent Agenda

The Court took up the Consent Agenda.

4. Approval of Advance Funding with TXDOT in the amount of \$242,550.00 (Mission Inlet drainage channel crossing – FM 1016)

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

5. Authorization for County Auditor to issue check payable to TXDOT for \$ 242,550.00 from acct. #3-7100-433-00-000-06-0-733

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

6. Purchasing Department:

A. Recommending bid award for: “Pipes (Reinforced Concrete, Polyethylene, Heavy Wall Concrete, Corrugated PVC & Steel Storm Sewer Pipes) to multiple vendors as follow:

- I. Varmicon Industries - Reinforced Concrete Pipes – From 15” to 60”
Heavy Wall Concrete Pipes – From 15” to 48”
- II. Hughes Supply - Polyethylene Pipes – From 15” to 60”
- III. Rio Valley Pipe - Reinforced Concrete Pipe – “72”
- IV. Contech Const - Corrugated Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC) Storm Sewer Pipes – From 12” to 36” and Corrugated Steel Storm Sewer Pipes – Type IR, IA & I

On motion of Commissioner Flores, seconded by Commissioner Handy, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote to approve item 6.A I-IV.

B. Requesting approval of contract(s) for: "Pipes" (Reinforced Concrete, Polyethylene, Heavy Wall Concrete, Corrugated PVC & Steel Storm Sewer Pipes) to multiple vendors as follow:

- I. **Varmicon Industries - Reinforced Concrete Pipes – From 15" to 60"
Heavy Wall Concrete Pipes – From 15" to 48"**
- II. **Hughes Supply - Polyethylene Pipes – From 15" to 60"**
- III. **Rio Valley Pipe - Reinforced Concrete Pipe – "72"**
- IV. **Contech Const - Corrugated Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC) Storm Sewer Pipes – From 12" to 36" and Corrugated Steel Storm Sewer Pipes – Type IR, IA & I**

Note: A fully executed copy of the contract will be forwarded to the Hidalgo County Auditor's Office, before the commencement of any work or presentations of any invoices for payment.

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Palacios, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote to approve item 6.B.I-IV.

7. Closed Session:

Board of Directors 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.

8. Open Session:

A. Real Estate Acquisition

NO ACTION taken on this item.

9. Closed Session:

Board of Directors may reconvene into Closed Session for the discussion regarding the agenda items listed

NO ACTION taken on this item.

10. Open Session:

Board of Directors 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 the Drainage District Meeting.

After adjournment, the Court then resumed with the Regular Agenda, and continued with the Executive Session item 20.C.

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.

RAMON GARCIA _____
COUNTY JUDGE

SYLVIA HANDY _____
COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 1

HECTOR (TITO) PALACIOS _____
COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 2

JOSE FLORES _____
COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 3

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

Dated this the 4th day of FEBRUARY, 2003

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

By: _____
Priscilla Torres, Deputy

Minutes approved by the Commissioners' Court and the Drainage District #1 Board on the _____ day of _____ 2003.