

**SPECIAL MEETING – JULY 15, 2003**

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of July, A.D., 2003, 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 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
HONORABLE OSCAR L. GARZA JR.	COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 4

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  
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, July 15, 2003, at 9:00 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being discussed separately unless requested by a Commissioner, in which event the item or items will immediately be withdrawn for individual consideration in its normal sequence after the items not requiring separate discussion have been acted upon.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 Palacios, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval of the Consent Agenda with the exception of items 2.K, 2.N & 7.F.1.

- 1. Approval of check register and payment of claims and bills - County Auditor**
- 2. Line item transfers: (SEE EXHIBIT A)**
  - A. Pct.# 1- R&B**
  - B. Pct.# 2- R&B**
  - C. 398<sup>th</sup> District Court**
  - D. County Judge**
  - E. 139<sup>th</sup> District Court**
  - F. J.P. Pct #4, Pl. 2**
  - G. Elections Department**
  - H. Purchasing Department**
  - I. Planning Department**
  - J. Texas Cooperative Extension**
  - K. Human Services (2)**

On motion of Commissioner Palacios, seconded by Commissioner Handy, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval of item 2.K.

- L. Sheriff – Narcotics Trafficking Task Force Grant**
- M. Sheriff – Auto Theft Enforcement Center**
- N. Sheriff – Cops More 2002**

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Flores, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval of item 2.N.

- 3. Planning Department: (SEE EXHIBIT B)**
  - 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)**
- 4. Right of Way- Permits:**
  - A. North Alamo Water Supply- approximately 500' west of Victoria Road on De Leon Avenue.**
  - B. North Alamo Water Supply- on Capisallo Park Subdivision Lot # 2.**

**5. Monthly Fee Reports: May 2003**

- A. J.P. Mary Alice Palacios - \$56,332.42
- B. J.P. Charlie Espinoza – \$33,458.51
- C. J.P. Jesus E. Morales - \$27,849.45
- D. J.P. Jose Ismael Ochoa - \$63,656.65
- E. J.P. Gilberto Saenz - \$32,562.91
- F. J.P. Rosa Trevino - \$55,677.83
- G. J.P. Luis J. Garza - \$51,358.92
- H. J.P. Bobby Contreras - \$60,933.25
- I. J.P. Espiridion Jackson - \$17,076.44
- J. Law Library - \$569.25
- K. Sheriff Enrique Escalon - \$119,968.47
- L. Anzalduas Park - \$3,752.18
- M. Delta Lake - \$1,786.00
- N. Constable Horacio Aquirre - \$1,390.00
- O. Constable Gilberto Alamiz - \$1,350.00
- P. Constable Lazaro Gallardo, Jr. - \$655.00
- Q. Constable Andy Rios - \$5,460.00
- R. Constable Eduardo Bazan - \$780.00

**6. Tax Refunds:**

**Taxpayer**

A. Scott Homer	Scott Homer	975.50
B. Benjamin & Monica Burillo	Wells Fargo Real Estate	566.79
C. Dean Donald Welch	Wells Fargo Real Estate	480.07
D. Maria De La Luz Martinez	Washington Mutual	1,650.55
E. Gustavo A. & Albesa Vela	INDY MAC Bank	11,357.90
F. Patricia Gonzalez	Patricia Gonzalez	629.54
G. Ricardo Javier Garcia	Law Office of Armando Puente	1,317.21
H. Jose Humberto Cubria	Law Office of Armando Puente	1,660.56
I. Natasha Tobola	Wells Fargo Real Estate	1,804.61
J. Oscar Garza	Laredo National Bank	1,545.27
K. Manuel Villalobos	TransAmerica Real Estate	1,932.10
L. Edward Argueta	Valley Land Title	823.18

**7. Purchasing Department: (SEE EXHIBIT C)**

**A. HIDALGO COUNTY ADULT PROBATION-**

- 1. Requesting authority to purchase a computer laptop from a QISV, vendor, CDW-Government, through the State of Texas Building and Procurement Catalogue Purchasing Program in the amount of \$ 802.61.

**B. HIDALGO COUNTY COMPUTER DEPARTMENT-**

- 1. Requesting authority to purchase computer software and equipment from QISV vendors, through the State of Texas Building and Procurement Catalogue Purchasing Program for the following;

<u>Req</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Obj</u>
29200	CDW-G	IPSwitch Imail	\$ 3,190.00	747
29942	S.J.S. Computers	Equipment	\$ 156.00	664
29521	CDW-Government	Equipment	\$ 440.00	745

**C. HIDALGO COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT-**

- 1. Requesting authority to purchase Computer software from a QISV vendor, SPSS INC., through the State of Texas Building and Procurement Catalogue Purchasing Program in the amount of \$ 1,431.00
- 2. Requesting authority to purchase Computer software from a QISV vendor, CDW-Government, through the State of Texas Building and Procurement Catalogue Purchasing Program in the amount of \$ 1,431.00

**D. HIDALGO COUNTY TAX OFFICE-**

- 1. Requesting authority to purchase computer monitors from a QISV vendor, Multiwave, through the State of Texas Building and Procurement Catalogue Purchasing Program in the amount of \$ 384.94

**E. HIDALGO COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT-**

- 1. Requesting authority to purchase computer software from a QISV vendor, D.L.T. Solutions, through the State of Texas Building and Procurement Catalogue Purchasing Program in the amount of \$268.00**
- 2. Requesting authority to purchase Digital Cameras from a QISV vendor, CDW-Government, through the State of Texas Building and Procurement Catalogue Purchasing Program in the amount of \$ 378.00**

**F. HIDALGO COUNTY PRECINCT NO. 4-**

- 1. Recommending award of quote for “ Discing of Farm Land in the Edinburg Area” to the lowest bidder in order to proceed with the final closure of the Precinct Four Landfill.**

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Flores, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval of item 7.F.1.

**8. Approval of Minutes:**

**A. July 08, 2003**

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RAMON GARCIA  
COUNTY JUDGE**

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**1. Roll Call**

All members of the Court were counted present.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

Commissioner Handy led the Court and Audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. Prayer**

Teresa Navarro led the Court and Audience in Prayer.

**4. Open Forum**

Virginia Townsend addressed the Court in reference to a study that her group has been doing by comparing Precincts.

**5. Approval of Consent Agenda**

At this time, the court moved to review the Consent Agenda.

**6. Approval of Resolution honoring Marlene Ramirez, Army 1<sup>st</sup> Medical Brigade, Fort Hood, Tx coming home to Donna, Tx from "Operation Iraqi Freedom" (SEE EXHIBIT D)**

Commissioner Handy read the Resolution into the record.

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

**7. Elections Department: (SEE EXHIBIT E)**

**A. Approval, discussion and possible action of the following, but not limited to:**

**1. Appointment of Election Judges from August 1, 2003 to August 1, 2004 as per Texas Election Code Section 32.002 (Exhibit A & B)**

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

**2. Approval of Budget Amendment or line-item transfer for the possible renovation of the Elections Department Atrium**

NO ACTION taken on this item.

**3. Update on Constitutional Amendments Elections (September 13, 2003)**

Commissioner Flores and Commissioner Garza stepped away from the meeting.

NO ACTION taken on this item.

**4. Update on Elections Department Phone Bank (location)**

NO ACTION taken on this item.

Commissioner Garza joined the meeting.

**8. Tax Office: (SEE EXHIBIT F)**

**A. Approval of Amendment to Inter-Local Cooperation Agreement for Tax Assessment and Collection of property taxes for South Texas Community College**

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

**9. County Auditor: (SEE EXHIBIT G)**

**A. Presentation of Headstart Audit for the periods of January 1, 2000 - June 30, 2001.**

Presentation made by Antonio Sandoval, County Auditor.

NO ACTION taken on this item.

**10. Planning Department: (SEE EXHIBIT H)**

**A. Partial Release of Letter of Credit:**

**1. Rancho Esquina Subdivision – Pct # 4**

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

**B. Release of with Letter of Credit: (SEE EXHIBIT I)**

**1. Pueblo De Palmas Phase 5 Subdivision – Pct. # 3**

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

**11. County Judge: (SEE EXHIBIT J)**

**A. Consideration and action to establish a Community Based Advisory Committee to provide recommendations to the Urban County Program.**

NO ACTION taken on this item.

**12. Urban County Program: (SEE EXHIBIT K)**

**A. Approval of Budget and Program Amendments- City of Palmhurst –Urban County Years 11,13,14, & 15 (1998, 2000, 2001 & 2002).**

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

**B. Requesting exemption from competitive bidding requirements under the Texas Local Government Code 262.024 (a) (4) for professional engineering services with Dannenbaum Engineering Corporation in connection with the City of Palmview- Street Improvements.**

**C. Approval of a professional services engineering contract with Dannenbaum Engineering Corporation with the City of Palmview using UCP Year 12 (1999) & Year 15 (2002) funding from the Street Improvements Activity.**

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Garza, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval on items 13.B&C.

- D. Requesting exemption from competitive bidding requirements under the Texas Local Government Code 262.024 (a) (4) for professional architectural services with Alcocer Garcia Associates Design Consulting in connection with the City of Palmview using UCP Year 12 (1999) and Year 13 (2000)-Parks, Recreational Facilities Project.**
- E. Approval of a professional architectural services contract with Alcocer Garcia Associates Design Consulting of McAllen, Tx with the City of Palmview using UCP Year 12 (1999) and Year 13 (2000) funding from the Parks, Recreational Facilities Activity.**

On motion of Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Handy and Palacios, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval of items 12.D&E.

- F. 2000 Colonia Planning TCDP Contract No. 720075  
2001 Colonia Planning TCDP Contract No. 721135**

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

**13. Budget Office: (SEE EXHIBIT K)**

- A. Approval to pay invoice to Cameron County subject to audit, review and approval by County Auditor**

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

- B. Constable Pct. # 5**

- 1. Approval to create object code (346), hauling and freight services.**

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

- C. Pct. # 2**

- 1. Authorization to delete Maintenance I position for Community Resource Center Department**
- 2. Authorization to create position Custodian/Janitorial position.**

Record, Valde Guerra: This has been cleared through the Human Resources Department.

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

- D. Pct.# 3**

- 1. Requesting authorization to appropriate Pct. #3 Parks Unreserved Fund Balance into 2003 Parks operating budget.**

Record, Valde Guerra: It will go into their Parks account object numbers:

#452- \$50,000.00  
 #739- \$60,000.00  
 #609- \$10,000.00  
 #431- \$20,000.00  
 #748-\$40,000.00  
 #890-\$20,000.00  
 #432- \$5,000.00  
 #439- \$55,000.00

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

**14. Sheriff's Office: (SEE EXHIBIT L)**

**A. Requesting approval to accept twenty (20) rifles from the United States Army.**

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

**B. Requesting authorization for County Auditor to issue payment in the amount of \$443.47 payable to U.S. Dept. of Treasury for shipment of weapons.**

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

Commissioner Palacios stepped away from the meeting.

**15. Human Services: (SEE EXHIBIT M)**

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

**1. Authorization to pay 2002 claims: \_\_\_\_\_**

NO ACTION taken on this item.

**2. Authorization to pay 2003 claims: \_\_\$46,4556.09\_\_**

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

**3. Indigent Health Care expenditures**

Presentation made by Rudy De La Vina.

NO ACTION taken on this item.

**4. Modify Services being provided**

NO ACTION taken on this item.

**5. Report and Recommendations regarding Indigent Health Care**

NO ACTION taken on this item.

**B. Presentation for consideration, discussion, and approval, to relocate the Department of Human Services (Indigent Health Program) to the administration portion of the former site of the Hidalgo County Sheriff's Department located at 3100 South Highway 281, Edinburg, Texas with a report on the status of necessary repairs and/or renovations.**

NO ACTION taken on this item.

**16. Colonia Access Program: (SEE EXHIBIT N)**

**A. Discussion and possible action authorizing County Judge Ramon Garcia to approve necessary Storm Water Discharge Notices.**

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

**17. Purchasing Department: (SEE EXHIBIT O)**

**A. HIDALGO COUNTY -**

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

<b>1. New Hidalgo County Jail:</b>	Total inmate population:	<u>1198</u>	Other information:
	Physical Count:	<u>1091</u>	Males <u>1008</u>
	Out of County: La Villa	<u>103</u>	Females <u>83</u>
	Brooks	<u>          </u>	Federal <u>10</u>

**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. Requesting acceptance and approval of Inv. # 4700 (dated 7-04-03) in the amount of \$ 6,750.00 from Quintanilla, Headly & Associates for the engineering services rendered under the contract for said services for the Maintenance & Motor Pool and the Law Enforcement Training Facility;**

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

- b. County Auditor’s Report on Detention Facility Law Enforcement Center Project paid and pending payment approval;**

Presentation made by Antonio Sandoval.

NO ACTION taken on this item.

- c. Reports by Hidalgo County Sheriff’s Department and Rey Vargas (V-A Architecture), consulting architect regarding on-site projects 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 and preliminary information and request for clarification and direction on the possible construction options for additional pod(s) with staffing and maintenance and operations analysis and impacts including the status of the old facility;**

Report made by Marty Salazar.

NO ACTION taken on this item.

Commissioner Palacios joined the meeting during the discussion.

Commissioner Handy stepped away from the meeting.

- 4. Presentation for consideration, discussion, acceptance and approval of the revised drawings and details for the alternate exterior ground level entry/access (on the northeast side) to the basement of the Hidalgo County Courthouse for the Sheriff’s Dept. Sub-station as submitted by project architect, George A. Garcia, AGADC as a solution to the ground water concerns.**

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

- 5. Presentation for consideration, discussion, acceptance and approval with authority for Auditor to pay (after review, verification and processing procedures completed) Application and Certification for payment number six(6) in the amount of \$ 116,044.25 (dated 06-25-03) from Finco Construction, Inc. and as certified by project architect, George A. Garcia, AGADC and subject to all applicable documentation provided in connection with the remodeling and renovations at the basement of the Hidalgo County Courthouse for the Sheriff’s Dept. Sub-station;**

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

- 6. Requesting approval of Change Order No. 1 in connection with “Oxford Rd. Paving Improvements” in the amount of \$ 385.71 with Mission Paving Company, Inc.**

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

- 7. Requesting approval to exercise the one (1) additional year (as provided in Article 3 of the current contract) extension with Carmeron Land and Cattle, Inc. for the disposal of tires.**

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

- 8. Presentation for discussion, consideration and approval for Hidalgo County to exercise the option to renew for an additional one (1) year term with AB Flores Insurance Consultants.**

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

**B. HIDALGO COUNTY PRECINCT NO 1-**

- 1. Recommending award of bid and approval of Contract for: “Pot Hole Repairs” to sole bidder meeting all requirements and/or specifications. Fully executed copies of the contract will be forwarded to both the Budget & Auditor Offices.**

At this time, the Court moved to item 17.C.1 due to Commissioner Handy being away from the meeting.

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Palacios, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval with the understanding, as stated by Commissioner Palacios, that Precinct #1 will not come back to Court to request a budget amendment.

The Court now moved to review the Addendum.

**C. HIDALGO COUNTY PRECINCT NO 3-**

- 1. Requesting authority to re-advertise for: “Hauling Services (Crushed Caliche)” due to no bids received.**

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

- 2. Recommending to reject all bids received and authority to re-advertise for: “Preparation of New Landfill Disposal Cells “O” and “P” at the Piñatas Landfill”, due to budgetary constraints & modification of specifications.**

Correction made by Marty Salazar: Should read “*Penitas Landfill*”.

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

- 3. Requesting authority to advertise and approval of specifications as attached hereto: “One (1) 6x6 Diesel Powered Trash Pump & Two (2) 4x4 Diesel Powered Trash Pumps”**

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

**D. HIDALGO COUNTY DISRTICT ATTORNEY-**

1. **Requesting authority to purchase thru Texas Building and Procurement Commission Cooperative Purchasing Program (fka GSC) Centralized Masters Bidders List with Mobile Mini, Inc., from Dallas, Texas, thru local dealership stores located in Harlingen, Texas for the purchase of: One (1) 12x44 Mobile Custom Office-----\$ 21,900.00**  
**Delivery & Setup ----- \$ 500.00**  
**12x44 Skirting Installation ----- \$ 672.00**  
**Total ----- \$ 23,072.00**

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

**E. HIDALGO COUNTY CSCD (ADULT PROBATION)-**

1. **Requesting authority to advertise and approval of requirements as attached hereto: “TAIP Assessments, Outpatient and Residential Services-CSCD.”**

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

**F. HIDALGO COUNTY BUDGET OFFICE-**

1. **Requesting approval and authorization for County Auditor to issue payment (after review, audit, and processing procedures completed) for Carolyn Arnold-CACC Communications Consultant in the amount of \$ 402.39 for the following:**
  - a. **SWBT ACCOUNT 956-315-2000 Invoice # 03422-\$ 9.18 USBI refund of (\$30.59) fro unauthorized Astrocalls monthly plan charges billed in July 2001 to three lines**
  - b. **Adjustment of \$ 1,310.70 issued directly from MCI as payment of award of class Action Suit for Non-Subscriber Rates Charged.**

On motion of Commissioner Palacios, seconded by Commissioner Garza, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval of item 17.F.1.a&b.

**G. HIDALGO COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEMS-**

1. **Requesting approval of a “Sole Source Declaration” as per Texas Local Government Code Section 262.024 (a) (7) (A) and (D) for SIRSI for Hidalgo County Library Systems.**

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

2. **Requesting approval to enter into a maintenance agreement with SIRSI for their annual software maintenance in the amount of \$ 30,248.00. Effective August 1, 2003 through July 31, 2003.**

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

**H. HIDALGO COUNTY TAX OFFICE-**

1. **Recommending bid award and approval of contract to the lowest bidder meeting all specifications as attached hereto for: “Printing Tax Rolls Folding, Inserting, Pre-Sorting and Delivery of Tax Statements for the year 2003 to the Edinburg Post Office”. Fully executed copies of contract will be forwarded to both Budget & Auditor Offices.**

Commissioner Handy joined the meeting.

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

2. **Requesting authority to purchase Computer equipment and peripherals from a QISV vendor, Multiwave, through the State of Texas Building and Procurement Catalogue Purchasing Program; Eight (8) Computers in the amount \$ 6,240.00**

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

**I. HIDALGO COUNTY SHERIFF’S DEPARTMENT-**

1. **Recommending multiple award of bid(s) and approval of contracts’ for: “Tires” to bidder meeting requirements and/or specifications. Fully executed copies will be forwarded to both Budget & Auditor Offices.**

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

At this time the Court went back to review item 17.B.1.

On motion of Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioners’ Handy and Palacios, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval to move into Executive Session, which also will include the Addendum.

**18. Closed Session: (SEE EXHIBIT P)**

**Commissioners’ Court may go into Closed Session pursuant to Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, Sections 551.071 & 551.074 to discuss the following:**

- A. **Interview and possible appointment of Veterans Service Officer**
- B. **Potential litigation regarding insurance coverage**

NO ACTION taken on this item during Executive Session.

**19. Open Session:**

- A. **Interview and possible appointment of Veterans Service Officer**

On motion of Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Handy the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval to appoint Emilio De Los Santos as Veteran’s Service Officer subject to agreeing to the salary schedule.

- B. **Potential litigation regarding insurance coverage**

Proceed as directed.

**20. Closed Session:**

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

NO ACTION taken on this item.

**21. 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  
RAMON GARCIA  
COUNTY JUDGE**

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**DRAINAGE DISTRICT  
(SEE EXHIBIT Q)**

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Garza, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval of the Drainage District Consent Agenda.

- 1. Approval of check register and payment of claims and bills - County Auditor**
- 2. Approval of Minutes:  
A. July 08, 2003**
- 3. Line item transfer- Acct#  
A. 3-7100-433-00-000-003-0 - \$500.00  
B. 3-7100-433-00-000-006-0 - \$7,000.00**
- 4. Discharge Permits:  
A. City of McAllen – V & L Estates**

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**DRAINAGE DISTRICT  
(NO EXHIBITS)**

**1. Roll Call**

All members of the Court were counted present, except Commissioner Flores.

**2. Open Forum**

NO ACTION taken on this item.

**3. Approval of Consent Agenda**

The Court now moved to review the Drainage District Consent Agenda.

**4. Closed Session:**

**Board of Directors may go into Closed Session pursuant to Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 to discuss the following:**

**A. Potential litigation regarding insurance coverage**

NO ACTION taken on this item.

**5. Open Session:**

**A. Potential litigation regarding insurance coverage**

NO ACTION taken on this item.

**6. Closed Session:**

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

NO ACTION taken on this item.

**7. Open Session:**

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

NO ACTION taken on this item.

**COUNTY OF HIDALGO  
RAMON GARCIA  
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, July 15, 2003 at 9:00 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  
(NO EXHIBITS)**

Valde Guerra read the Addendum for the record and it will be taken up during Executive Session.

At this time, the Court moved back to item 18 on the Regular Agenda.

- 1. Closed Session:**  
**Commissioners' Court may go into Closed Session pursuant to Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, Sections 551.071 to discuss the following:**

  - A. M-03-182 Aureliano Miranda vs Luciano Garza, and Hidalgo County Commissioner Pct. 1 Hon. Sylvia Handy, Individually and as Agents of Hidalgo County, and Hidalgo County**

NO ACTION taken on this item during Executive Session.
- 2. Open Session:**  
**Commissioners' Court may go into Closed Session pursuant to Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, Sections 551.071 to discuss the following:**

  - A. M-03-182 Aureliano Miranda vs Luciano Garza, and Hidalgo County Commissioner Pct. 1 Hon. Sylvia Handy, Individually and as Agents of Hidalgo County, and Hidalgo County**

NO ACTION taken on this item.
- 3. Closed Session:**  
**Commissioners' Court may reconvene into Closed Session for the discussion regarding the agenda items listed**

NO ACTION taken on this item.
- 4. 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.

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 \_\_\_\_\_ PRESENT \_\_\_\_\_  
COUNTY JUDGE

SYLVIA HANDY \_\_\_\_\_ PRESENT \_\_\_\_\_  
COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 1

HECTOR (TITO) PALACIOS \_\_\_\_\_ PRESENT \_\_\_\_\_  
COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 2

JOSE FLORES \_\_\_\_\_ PRESENT \_\_\_\_\_  
COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 3

OSCAR L. GARZA JR. \_\_\_\_\_ PRESENT \_\_\_\_\_  
COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 4

Dated this the 15<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2003

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

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Michelle L. Mendoza, Deputy

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