

SPECIAL MEETING – AUGUST 05, 2003

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this 5th day of August, 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
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, AUGUST 05, 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:

1. Roll Call

All members of the Court were counted present, with the exception of Commissioners' Handy and Garza. Commissioners' Handy and Garza arrived shortly after commencement of the meeting.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Judge R. Garcia led the Court and Audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Prayer

Judge Garcia called on Tony Sandoval, County Auditor, to lead the Court and Audience in Prayer.

4. Open Forum

Ms. Virginia Townsend made some recommendations on how to use the old County Jail.

5. Approval of Consent Agenda

At this point, the Court moved to approve the Consent Agenda.

6. Approval of Proclamation honoring the eleven (11) Senators in Albuquerque, New Mexico (SEE EXHIBIT G)

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

Commissioners' Handy and Garza joined the meeting.

7. Juvenile Probation: (SEE EXHIBIT H)

A. Request approval and acceptance of FY 2004 (June 1, 2003 to May 31, 2004) JB-Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grant in the amount of \$87,164.00

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

B. Request approval to appropriate Cash Match requirement in the amount of \$ 9,685.00 for FY 2004 (June 1, 2003 to May 31, 2004) JB-Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grant

NO ACTION taken on this item. These monies were already appropriated.

C. Report on the proposed Juvenile Justice Facility Construction Project (Juvenile Probation Office and Secure Detention Facility)

Report made by Buddy Silva, Alfonso Quintanilla, and Marty Salazar.

NO ACTION taken on this item.

D. Report on the Hidalgo County Youth Village Boys and Girls Residential Programs

Report made by Buddy Silva. NO ACTION taken on this item.

8. Juvenile Justice Court: (SEE EXHIBIT I)**A. Request approval to accept the JB-Juvenile Justice Incentive Block Grant #JB-01-J20-14800-05 for the fifth year funding of the Juvenile Justice Court through the Office of the Governor and the Office of Court Administration**

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

B. Request approval to appropriate grant funding through the Juvenile Justice Incentive Block Grant in the amount of \$ 127,766

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

C. Request to appropriate county cash match for the Juvenile Justice Court for the grant period covering 08/01/03 – 07/31/04 in the amount of \$ 97,437.00

NO ACTION taken on this item. These monies have already been allocated.

D. Set salaries (no change requested)

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Flores, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval, and will be effective August 1st 2003-July 31st 2004. Commissioner Garza Abstained.

9. District Clerk: (SEE EXHIBIT J)**A. Approval of Amendment No. 1 Cooperative Agreement between the Office of the Attorney General of the State of Texas and Hidalgo County, Contract #01-02006**

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

10. Sheriff Department: (SEE EXHIBIT K)**A. Acceptance of the South Texas Auto Theft Enforcement Task Force Grant with the City of Brownsville (grant period September 01, 2003 to August 31, 2004)****B. Approval of local cash match (budget amendment – general fund) for \$ 84,036.00 and the appropriation of same**

On motion of Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Palacios, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote to approve item 10 A. & B.

C. Approval of the appropriation of \$ 87,281.00 representing the ATPA funding portion of the grant

NO ACTION taken on this item. Money was already appropriated.

D. Set salaries for one (1) lieutenant and two (2) investigator positions

On motion of Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Flores, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approve item 10.D effective January 01, 2004.

E. Approval of Interlocal Agreement

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioners Garza and Flores, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote to approve the Interlocal Agreement between Hidalgo County and the City of Brownsville.

F. Approval to appropriate monies received from the Office of the Attorney General for \$ 2,590.00 – Acct. #3-1100-421-00-280-001-0-331 (physician services)

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

11. Discussion, consideration and action on request from Sheriff Escalon that County hire a lawyer to represent him in his official capacity (SEE EXHIBIT L)

Judge Garcia moved to hire/appoint an attorney for Sheriff Escalon. Motion did not carry due to a lack of a second.

12. Urban County: (SEE EXHIBIT M)

A. Approval of a Subrecipient Agreement with Amigos Del Valle, Inc. (Senior Services) and the Urban County Program on behalf of Hidalgo County Pcts. #2 & #4, the cities of Elsa, San Juan & Mercedes – UCP Year 16 (2003)

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

13. Budget Office: (SEE EXHIBIT N)

A. Approval to de-obligate \$ 17,629.00 (OCA CJD/JJAPG Grant)

B. Approval to de-obligate \$ 2,315.00 (JAIBG – Juvenile Probation Grant)

C. Approval to de-obligate \$ 28,964.00 (designated purpose grant fund – South Texas Auto Theft Task Force)

On motion of Commissioner Palacios, seconded by Commissioner Handy, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote to approve item 13. A-C.

D. Constable Pct. #3 – Project S.T.O.P.:

1. Approval of line item transfer - \$ 1,745.73

E. Human Resources:

1. Approval to create obj. #663 (small tools) & line item transfer - \$ 550.00

F. Buildings & Grounds:

1. Authorization to create obj #673 (road material) & line item transfer - \$ 10,000.00 (to cost share paving of parking area at Longoria House on Moorefield Rd. in Mission – Relocation site of Department of Human Services

Valde Guerra stated for the record: Pct. 3 under Project Stop \$1,745.73 transfer, under Human Resources \$550.00 transfer and under Buildings and Grounds \$10,000.00 transfer.

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Flores, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote to approve items 13. D.1, E. 1, & F.1.

14. County Judge: (SEE EXHIBIT O)

A. Discussion and approval to plan and support the landscaping of the Courthouse and Administration Building

Commissioner Garza and Commissioner Flores left the meeting.

Discussion made by Lori Ochoa, Arnold Vera, and Gene Espinosa, mayor Pro-temp of Edinburg. NO ACTION taken on this item.

15. WIC: (SEE EXHIBIT P)

A. Approval to designate August 2003 as Breastfeeding Awareness Month in Texas

Commissioner Garza returned to the meeting.

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

Commissioner Flores returned to the meeting.

16. Right of Way: (SEE EXHIBIT Q)

- A. Approval for Right of Way Acquisition on TXDOT Off-System Project CSJ0921-02-057 (Hargill, 2/10 mile east of FM 493 on 12th St.)**

Commissioner Palacios left the meeting.

On motion of Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioners' Handy and Palacios, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote to approve in the amount \$9,117.60 subject to funding.

17. Pct. #1: (SEE EXHIBIT R)

- A. Request for payment #9 and final payment for Release of Retainage – Border Contractors, Inc. – total \$74,038.32**
B. Request approval of contract change order request #4 from Border Contractors, Inc. for the Monte Alto Drainage Project
C. Request for approval of Certificate of Substantial and/or Certificate of Construction Completion

On motion of Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Handy, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote to approve item 17. A – C.

- D. Approval of Resolution honoring Pete Leal for his service to the community and the Veterans of Hidalgo County**

NO ACTION taken on this item.

- E. Approval to support Resolution honoring Miss Hidalgo County 2003-2004, Laura Jane Talbert of Weslaco, Texas**

Commissioner Handy read the resolution into the record.

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

- F. Approval to support Resolution honoring Miss Hidalgo County 2003-2004, Joanna Perez of Alamo, Texas**

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

- G. Appointment and approval of the Commissioners to the Hidalgo County Rural Fire Prevention District #2 – Emergency Ambulance Service**

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Garza, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval to appoint Irma G. Solis of Elsa, and Edmundo E. Garcia of La Villa.

- H. Approval to create obj. # 890 (other) and line item transfer - \$ 700.00**

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

18. Colonia Access Program: (SEE EXHIBIT S)

- A. Discussion and possible action authorizing line item transfer for Colonia Access Program – Group II Subdivision – Pct. #1**

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

- B. Approval of budget amendment**

NO ACTION taken on this item.

C. Discussion and possible action authorizing line item transfers for Colonia Access Program – Hilda Subdivision – Pct. #4

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

19. Pct. #4: (SEE EXHIBIT T)

A. Request authorization to rename a county dedicated road as follows:

From: 83rd Street To: Uresti Street

Judge Garcia left the meeting.

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

B. Requesting approval and authorization for County Auditor to issue payment (after review and processing procedures completed) to Mission Paving Co. Inc. in the amount of \$ 12,262.60 for the following:

1. Invoice #5332199 - \$ 12,262.60 (paving on Mile 20 Road) P.O. #515657

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

20. Human Services: (NO EXHIBITS)

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: \$213,905.32

This item was approved through the Consent Agenda.

3. Indigent Health Care expenditures

With 2003 claims being approved through the Consent Agenda, total is \$9,166,785.00.

4. Modify Services being provided

NO ACTION taken on this item.

5. Report and Recommendations regarding Indigent Health Care

Report was made by Rudy de la Vina.

NO ACTION taken on items A.1-A.5.

21. Purchasing Department: (SEE EXHIBIT U)

A. HIDALGO COUNTY -

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

1. **New Hidalgo County Jail:**

Total inmate population:	<u>1158</u>	Other Information:
Physical Count:	<u>1083</u>	Males <u>1073</u>
Out of County:	<u>La Villa 75</u>	Females <u>85</u>
	<u>Brooks 0</u>	Federal <u>10</u>

2. **Current inter-local(s) and/or contract(s) for the "Housing of Inmates"**

Judge Garcia and Commissioner Palacios joined the meeting.

NO ACTION taken on items A.1-A.2.

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

- a) **Presentation for consideration, discussion and approval of the engagement of a consultant (Quintanilla, Headley and Associates a recommendation by Reynaldo Vargas, AIA, V-A Architecture, project architect for the MP&M-LETF and related ancillary projects to provide professional engineering services in connection with the construction of the Hidalgo County Shooting Range Facility;**

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

- b) **Requesting exemption from competitive bidding requirements for professional engineering services and approval of a contract in connection with the construction of the Hidalgo County Shooting Range Facility and related ancillary projects with Quintanilla, Headley & Associates in the amount of \$ 106,300.00 and subject to appropriation (if approved);**

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

- c) **Requesting authority to solicit and issue a Request For Offer (RFO) through the Texas Building & Procurement Commission Certified Masters Bidders List (CMBL) for: "X-Ray with Related Services incidental thereto" on an "AS NEEDED BASIS";**

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

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

NO ACTION taken on this item.

- e) **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;**

NO ACTION taken on this item.

B. HIDALGO COUNTY PRECINCT NO 1-

1. **Recommending bid award for "Metal Roof Installations, Hidalgo County Pct. 1 Multi-Purpose Center" RFB (Phase II) to low bidder meeting all specifications.**
2. **Recommending approval of contract for "Metal Roof Installations, Hidalgo County Pct. 1 Multi-Purpose Center" to low bidder meeting all specifications. Fully executed copies of the contracts will be forwarded to both Budget Officer and Hidalgo County Auditor's Office, before the commencement of any or presentations of any invoices for payment.**

On motion of Commissioner Palacios, seconded by Commissioner Handy, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote to approve items 20.B.1&2, subject to legal review.

3. **Recommending bid award for “Mold Remediation, Hidalgo County Pct.1 Multi-Purpose Center” RFB (Phase 1) to low bidder meeting all specifications.**
4. **Recommending approval of contract for “Mold Remediation, Hidalgo County Pct.1 Multi-Purpose Center” to low bidder meeting all specifications. Fully executed copies of the contracts will be forwarded to both Budget Officer and Hidalgo County Auditor’s Office, before the commencement of any or presentations of any invoices for payment.**

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioners’ Flores and Garza, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval to award item 20.B.3 & 4 to ARC Abatement.

5. **Recommending bid award and approval of contract for: “Road Construction of Loma Alta, La Palma, Angela, Chapa No. III & Delmiro Jackson” to low bidder meeting all specifications. (C.A.P.-Colonia Access Project)**

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

C. HIDALGO COUNTY PRECINCT NO.2-

1. **Requesting authority to advertise for: “One (1) New 2003 Current Production Motor Grader”.**
2. **Requesting authority to advertise for: “Four (4) Belly Dump Trailers”.**
3. **Requesting authority to advertise for: “One (1) Industrial Material Handling Brush Loader”.**
4. **Requesting authority to advertise for: “Three (3) New or Current Tandem Heavy Duty Dump Truck with Bed”.**

On motion of Commissioner Palacios, seconded by Commissioner Handy, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of to approve item 20.C.1-4.

D. HIDALGO COUNTY PRECINCT NO 4-

1. **Requesting approval of the final negotiated contract in connection with RFO for “Landfill Cap and Closure, Phase II-Part C Project” with Absolute Industries L.L.C/ Environmental Evolutions Holdings, LTD.**

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

2. **Requesting approval of a correction on the current contract with Millennium Engineers Group to reflect the initial expiration date as June 6, 2002 and not completion of project.(as erroneous presented).**

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

E. HIDALGO COUNTY PRECINCT NO. 3 J.P. PLACE 2-

1. **Requesting authority to advertise and approval of specifications attached hereto for: “Lease of Office Space J.P. Precinct No. 3 Place 2” RFB**

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

F. HIDALGO COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT-

1. **Consideration, discussion and review of the scoring grid (if any) of the statements of qualification (SOQ’s) received from participants responding to the Hidalgo County’s RFQ/P for “Chief Physician” for the Health Department for the purpose of ranking;**
2. **Authority for Purchasing Department to draft a contract with the number one ranked participant as “Chief Physician” for the Hidalgo County Health Department.**

Presentation made on item 21 F.1&2. NO ACTION taken on these items.

3. **Requesting exemption from competitive bidding requirements under Texas Local Government Code §262.024 (a) (7) (A), "... existence of patents copyrights..." Testout Corporation.**

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

4. **Requesting authority to purchase computer software from Testout in the amount of \$ 2,025.00. Forwarded and Subject to Computer Departments Review.**

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

G. HIDALGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT-

1. **Requesting authority to re-advertise the RFB "Staffing Services for Other Medical Positions" for the Sheriff's Department due to no bids received, including but not limited to Medical Assistants.**

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

At this time, the Court took up the Addendum.

22. Closed Session: (SEE EXHIBIT V)

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

Commissioners' Court may go into Closed Session pursuant to Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, Sections 551.071, 551.072 & 551.074 to discuss the following:

- A. **Real Estate Acquisition**
- B. **Landmark Organization, L.P. vs Hidalgo County ET AL**
- C. **Civil Service File No. 0802-BG-T-0026; (Ruben Mancias vs. County of Hidalgo Buildings & Grounds Department**

NO ACTION taken during executive session.

23. Open Session: (SEE EXHIBIT V)

- A. **Real Estate Acquisition**

NO ACTION taken on this item.

- B. **Landmark Organization, L.P. vs Hidalgo County ET AL**

Attorneys' will proceed as directed.

- C. **Civil Service File No. 0802-BG-T-0026; (Ruben Mancias vs. County of Hidalgo Buildings & Grounds Department**

On motion of Commissioner Handy, seconded by Commissioner Garza, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote to approve a settlement for Ruben Mancias in the amount of \$21,328.88, providing all proper documentation be received by the County Auditor's office. At which time a manual check will be provided.

24. Closed Session:

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

NO ACTION taken on this item.

25. 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 Garza, seconded by Commissioner Handy, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval to adjourn.

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

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**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.

Commissioner Handy and Garza were not present for the vote.

On motion of Commissioner Palacios, seconded by Commissioner Flores, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote to approve all items listed on the Consent Agenda, with the exception of item 2.B.

- 1. Approval of check register and payment of claims and bills - County Auditor**
- 2. Line item transfers: (SEE EXHIBIT A)**
 - A. Pct. #2**
 - B. Jail – NO ACTION** taken on this item. This item is a duplicate of last week.
 - C. Constable Pct. #5**
 - D. Fire Marshal**
 - E. Pct. #3 – Sanitation**
 - F. Tax Office**
 - G. Tax Office (Gen. Fund)**
 - H. Purchasing Department**
 - I. Planning Department**
 - J. J.P. Pct. #1, Pl. 1**
 - K. J.P. Pct. #1, Pl. 2**
 - L. Criminal Auxiliary Court**
 - M. Law Library**
 - N. Pct. #1 – Parks**
 - O. Pct. #2 – Parks**
- 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: (SEE EXHIBIT C)**
 - A. Southwestern Bell – along Canton & Cesar Chavez**
 - B. North Alamo Water Supply – west of county road 3330 on south side of Mile 22 North**
 - C. El Paso Production Oil & Gas Co. – Brushline Rd. & Chapa Rd.**
 - D. Republic Resources – Moorefield Rd.**

5. Tax Refunds: (SEE EXHIBIT D)

A. Herminia O. Cuevas	Union Planters Mort.	\$ 742.13
B. Yolanda & Jessica Reyna	Yolanda & Jessica Reyna	\$ 960.58
C. Maria R. Josephina Zapata	USDA Dept. of Agriculture	\$1,660.97

6. Approval of Minutes: (SEE EXHIBIT E)**A. July 29, 2003****7. Purchasing Department: (SEE EXHIBIT F)****A. HIDALGO COUNTY PRECINCT NO 1-**

1. Requesting authority to purchase computer equipment from a QISV vendor, CDW-Government through the State of Texas Building and Procurement Catalogue Purchasing Program in the amount of \$ 610.00. Forwarded and Subject to Computer Departments Review.

B. HIDALGO COUNTY CONSTABLE PRECINCT NO.4-

1. Requesting authority to purchase and install a Norstar Telephone System through a QISV vendor, Phone Den, through the State of Texas Building and Procurement Catalogue Purchasing Program in the amount of \$ 1,794.00

C. HIDALGO COUNTY 206th DISTRICT COURT-

1. Requesting authority to purchase computer equipment from a QISV vendor, The Software Group, through the State of Texas Building and Procurement Catalogue Purchasing Program in the amount of \$ 615.00. Forwarded and Subject to Computer Departments Review.

D. HIDALGO COUNTY DISTRICT CLERK-

1. Requesting authority to purchase telephone upgrade from a QISV vendor, Starr Telecommunication, through the State of Texas Building and Procurement Catalogue Purchasing Program in the amount of \$ 1,200.00
2. Requesting authority to enter into a maintenance agreement for thirteen (13) typewriters with Southwest Business Machines for \$ 72.00 each in the total amount of \$ 936.00. Effective July 30, 2003 through July 29, 2004.
3. Requesting authority to purchase two (2) computer hardware and peripherals from a QISV vendor, Dell marketing, through the State of Texas Building and Procurement Catalogue Purchasing Program in the amount of \$ 1,629.38. Forwarded and Subject to Computer Departments Review.

E. HIDALGO COUNTY INDIGENT DEFENSE PROGRAM-

1. Requesting authority to enter into a rental agreement with Minolta for a DI200 Copier utilizing the State of Texas Building and Procurement State Contract 9852-A5 in the amount of \$ 178.00 a month. Effective upon approval. Forwarded and Subject to Computer Department Review.

F. HIDALGO COUNTY LAW LIBRARY-

1. Requesting authority to purchase computer equipment from a QISV vendor, CDW-Government, through the State of Texas Building and Procurement Catalogue Purchasing Program in the amount of \$ 603.20. Forwarded and Subject to Computer Department Review.

G. HIDALGO COUNTY PURCHASING DEPARTMENT-

1. Requesting authority to enter into a rental agreement with Minolta for a DI 551 Copier utilizing the Texas Building and Procurement's State Contract 985-A5 in the amount of \$ 378.00 a month. Effective upon approval.

H. HIDALGO COUNTY AUDITOR'S OFFICE-

1. Requesting authority to purchase a router from a QISV vendor, CDW-Government, through the State of Texas Building and Procurements Catalogue Purchasing Program in the amount of \$ 1,999.00

**COUNTY OF HIDALGO
RAMON GARCIA
COUNTY JUDGE**

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DRAINAGE DISTRICT

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

- 1. Approval of check register and payment of claims and bills - County Auditor**
- 2. Discharge Permits: (SEE EXHIBIT W)**
 - A. City of Weslaco – Park Meadows Unit I**
 - B. City of Edinburg – Stratosphere Estates Phase I & II**
- 3. Line item transfers - \$ 5,000.00 (SEE EXHIBIT W)**
- 4. Approval of Minutes: (SEE EXHIBIT E)**
 - A. July 29, 2003**

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DRAINAGE DISTRICT

1. Roll Call

All members of the Court were counted present.

2. Open Forum

No presentations made.

3. Approval of Consent Agenda

The Court moved to approve the Consent Agenda.

4. Discussion and possible action regarding the District's Federal Communication Commission Frequency 453.625 (SEE EXHIBIT W)

Presentation made by Godfrey Garza. NO ACTION taken on this item.

5. Discussion and action regarding Raymondville Drain and the Corp of Engineers Status: (SEE EXHIBIT X)

A. Hydrologic & Hydraulic Analysis

B. Phase II – Environmental Report

Godfrey Garza requested for the Court to consider extending the contract until December 31, 2003 for the review from the Corp on items mentioned previously, and continuing the next phase of the project. Phase II is to be completed no later than August 04, 2004, pending the Corp's ability to review the document.

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

6. Purchasing Department: (SEE EXHIBIT Y)

A. Requesting acceptance and approval of final negotiated "Letter of Engagement", in response to the District's Request for Qualifications for Legal services for "Mineral Lease Investigations" with the Hon. John B. Thomas.

NO ACTION taken on this item.

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:

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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 Flores, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval to adjourn this day's meeting.

**COUNTY OF HIDALGO
RAMON GARCIA
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, AUGUST 05, 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

1. Health Department:

A. Discussion, consideration and action on compensation to Mrs. Ofelia Espinoza, Interim Health Director

It was decided by the Court that Mrs. Ofelia Espinoza would get a stipend of \$715.52 each additional week of work, for up to 12 weeks or until a Director is hired. Effective date will be today, August 05, 2003.

On motion of Commissioner Flores, seconded by Commissioner Garza, 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.

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. _____
COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 4

Dated this the 5th day of August, 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.