



## Hidalgo County Emergency Services District #2

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November 13, 2009

Honorable Sylvia S. Handy, Commissioner  
1902 Joe Stephens Avenue  
Weslaco, Texas 78596

Re: Board Member Removal & Replacement

Dear Commissioner Handy,

Please be advised of the following:

For your review, comments and concerns, attached, please find correspondence from Mr. Fernando Saenz, Attorney for ESD#2 in connection to two (2) Board Members and their lack of participation at ESD meetings.

The letter specifies that: 1) Mr. Gregorio Trevino, Jr. (Board Member), has missed more than three (3) consecutive meetings in a row and has not participated with the District Board in over a year; and 2) Mr. Jorge Salinas (Board Member), also lacks participation in most of the meetings this past year, however, much to his credit he attended the last months meeting and promised that he would be more active in the future.

However, at this time, I, am hereby respectfully requesting, that you please make arrangements to replace Board Member (Gregorio Trevino, Jr.), thus, "lack of participation" and "attendance" and proceed to appoint a new board member. At this time I would like for you to take into consideration my recommendation in selecting a resident of the district that I have known for over twenty (20) years. This individual is very interested in serving in our community and has expressed on various occasions his interest in serving in our ESD board. The name of the candidate I am referring to is: Mr. David Rodriguez.

Thank you in advance for your prompt attention, consideration and cooperation to this important matter and request.

Should you require further information or may have any questions, please advise.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Daniel Guzman". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "D" and a long, sweeping underline.

Daniel Guzman, Chairman  
Hidalgo County Emergency Services District #2



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February 27, 2009

*VIA Hand Delivery*

Sylvia Handy  
County Commissioner, Precinct 1  
1902 Joe Stephens Ave.  
Weslaco, TX 78596

**RE: Status of Board Members of Hidalgo County ESD #2**

I have been requested by a member of the above named Board to bring to your attention a concern regarding attendance at Board meetings by Board Members Gregorio Trevino and Jorge Salinas. Both have failed to attend at least half of the meetings over the past year as required by Health and Safety Code Section 775.042 although Mr. Salinas' attendance has been more consistent in the recent months. In addition, it has also been brought to my attention that these same two board members have failed to receive various mandatory training for board members. The HCESD #2 Board has not yet taken formal action against these members, but it intends to take such action soon if the situation does not improve.

As such, the Board wishes to bring this to your attention, so you may attempt to resolve this situation informally should you so desire. If you can convince these Board Members to voluntarily resign their positions, it will spare the HCESD #2 Board and Hidalgo County the expense and embarrassment of going through the formal removal and appeal process.

I look forward to speaking with you regarding this matter. Please feel free to contact me at the number on this letterhead or on my cell phone at 497-3100. I look forward to a quick resolution to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

LAW OFFICE OF FERNANDO SAENZ

FERNANDO SAENZ  
General Counsel  
Hidalgo County Emergency Services District #2

xc: Danny Guzman, Chairman of the Board