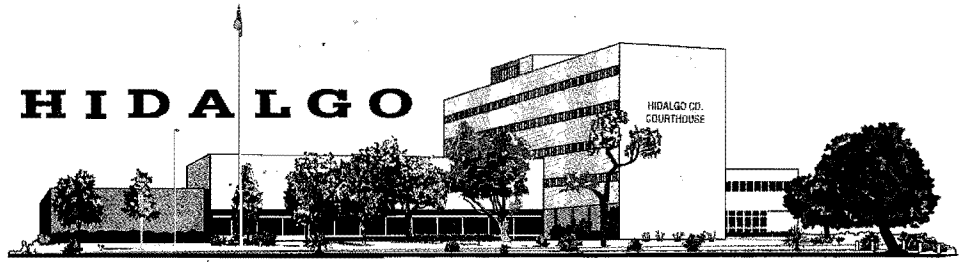


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COUNTY COMMISSIONER, PCT. No. 4

January 26, 2011

VIA: FIRST CLASS MAIL

Greg Pekar, Mitigation Section Administration
Texas Department of Public Safety Emergency Management
P.O. Box 4087
Austin, Texas 78773-0226

Re: Texas Safe Shelter Initiative

Dear Mr. Pekar

Hidalgo County in collaboration with the Edinburg Consolidated Independent School District (ECSD) and the Boys & Girls Clubs of Edinburg RGV is hereby submitting a letter of intent to apply for a "Safe Shelter" grant through the Texas Safe Shelter Initiative.

The facility will conform to the specifications and requirements of the program with respect to size, design and usage. It will be built in the San Carlos community, an especially impoverished area of Hidalgo County. The specific location is property between JFK Elementary (Rt 1 Box 232-R Edinburg, Texas 78539) and San Carlos Elementary (505 S. 83rd Street, Edinburg, Texas 78539).

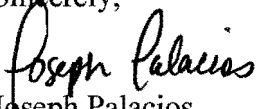
The exact size and cost is currently being determined by architects and engineers. These figures will be provided and certified as part of the final required submission. It is estimated that the facility will be a minimum of 15,000 square feet and cost \$2,000,000. The local share of 25% of the construction costs will be provided by a combination of the three collaborating parties.

The secondary use of facility will be a Boys & Girls Club branch. The new Club branch will be in an area of the County that is growing rapidly and has great need for the services of the Club. The Club serves children that are subject to multiple risks factors including dropping out of school, delinquency, substance abuse, domestic violence, etc. Club programs have been found, through rigorous national evaluations, to reduce these risks among client populations. Although the Club serves all income levels the great preponderance of its members are from families living at or below poverty levels.

We have attached a floor plan showing the projected facility and its ability to meet both its primary and secondary purposes.

Thank you very much for this opportunity to serve the citizens of Hidalgo County with much needed refuge from hurricane and other natural disasters while enabling our children and youth to participate in the acclaimed and research validated program of the Boys & Girls Club.

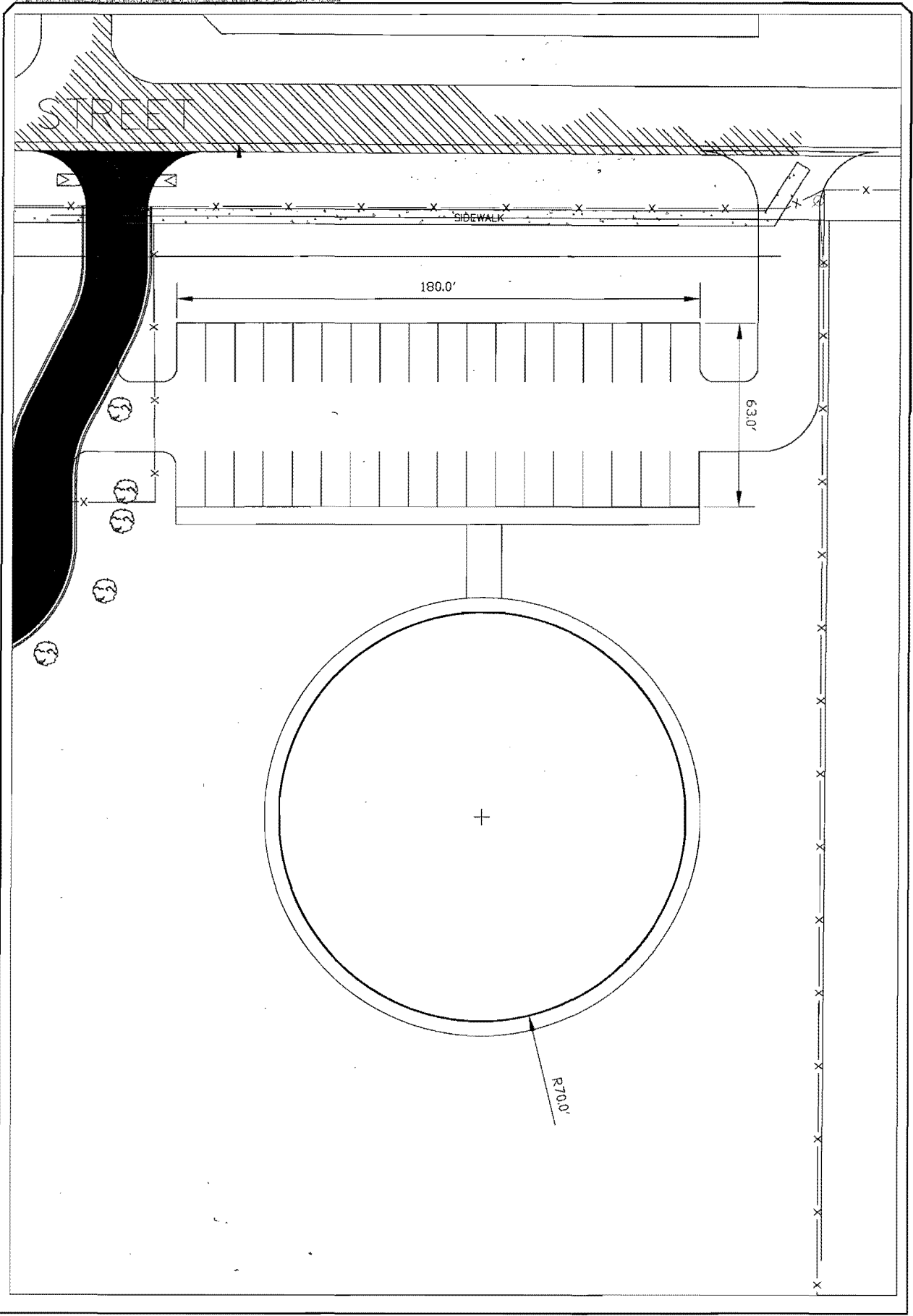
Sincerely,


Joseph Palacios
County Commissioner

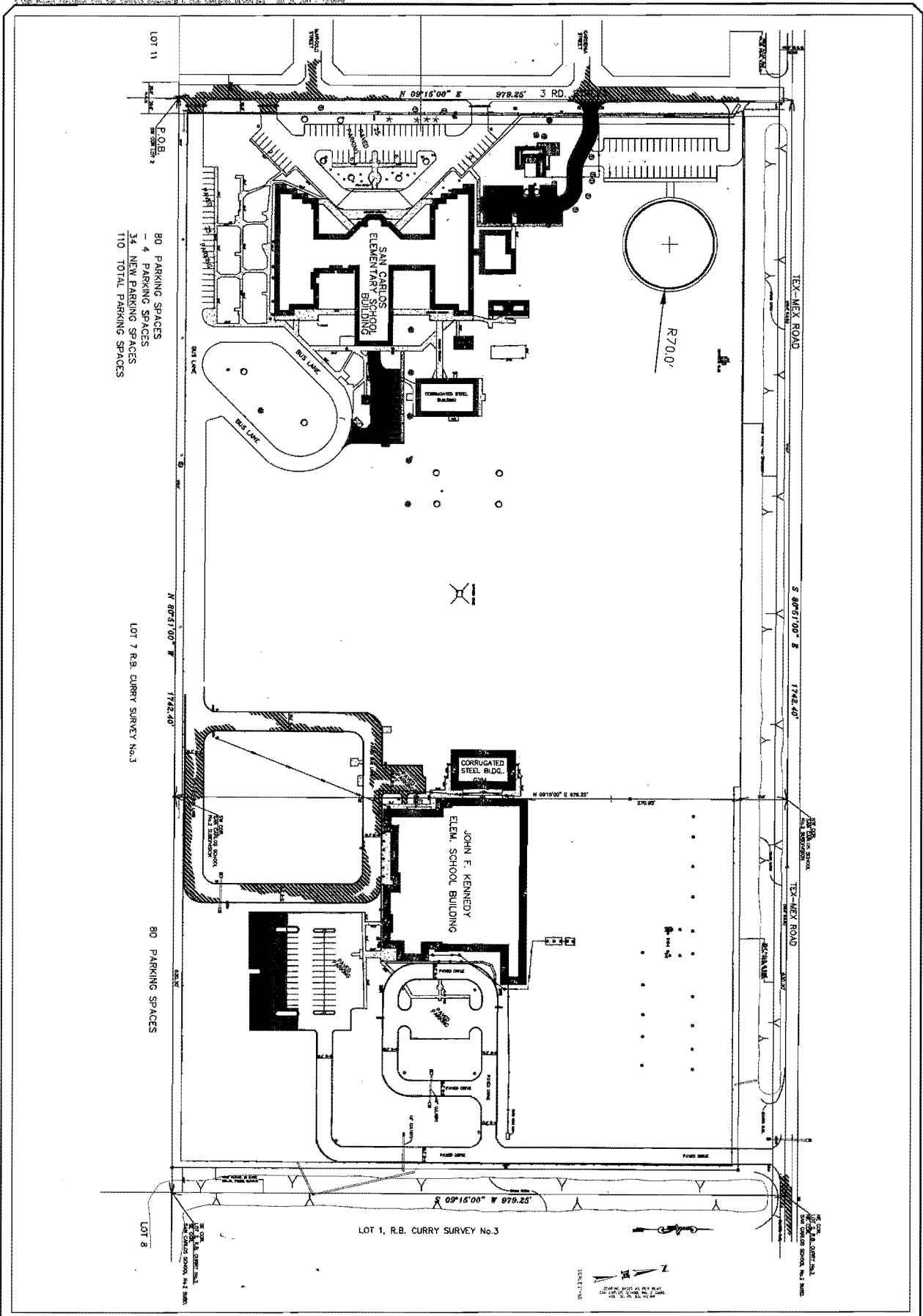
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Eddie Olivarez, Director-Health Department
Tony Pena, Emergency Management Coordinator
Juan Martinez, Hidalgo County Fire Marshal
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