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**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Hidalgo County Commissioners' Court

**From:** Raul E. Sesin, P.E., C.F.M., Planning Administrator

**Date:** March 27, 2013

**Via:** Court Agenda

**Re:** Installation of Filling Stations in New Subdivisions in NAWSC Area  
Black Fire Hydrants

**C:** Juan Martinez, Hidalgo County Fire Marshal

*R. E. S.  
for R.E.S.  
3-27-13*

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As per recent discussions with North Alamo Water Supply Corporation, the Hidalgo County Fire Marshal, Emergency Management and our department, we respectfully request the approval of the requirement to have "filling stations" installed in new County Subdivisions. These filling stations are in essence black painted fire hydrants that are to be used to fill up fire trucks in order to fight fires within the general vicinity of the hydrant.

Currently, the County subdivisions located within extra-territorial jurisdictions of municipalities have fire hydrants in many instances. The Cities require the fire hydrants as part of the subdivision approval. We are attempting to provide similar services for the rural area of the County. Our opinion is that this service promotes the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Hidalgo County, therefore, we ask for your consideration on this item.

Attached, you will find a letter that shall be sent to North Alamo Supply Corporation with each development proposed as part of the agreement to allow the filling stations to be installed within their service area.

You may contact me at (956) 318-2840 with any questions or via e-mail at [raul.sesin@hchd.org](mailto:raul.sesin@hchd.org). Thank you.

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