



AGENDA
CC REGULAR
HIDALGO COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS COURT
MEETING
September 30, 2014
9:30 A.M.

NOTICE is hereby given in accordance with Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, that a SPECIAL MEETING of the Commissioners' Court will be held at the Edinburg Council Chambers 415 W. University Drive, 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.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

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

3. **Prayer**

Virginia Townsend led the Court and Audience in Prayer. Judge Garcia requested a moment of silence for Ms. Lydia Velasco whom was a Registered Nurse with the Hidalgo County Health Department.

4. **Approval of Consent Agenda**

The Court moved to approve the Consent Agenda for the exception of Items 11.A.5, 11.K, and 11.L to be pulled for discussion.

5. **Open Forum**

Opal Billman expressed that she had been arrested and tried for trespassing twice and found not guilty because she cannot trespass on her own land. No one ever testified at her trials that she was trespassing on their land. She still wants to know who was awarded her community property.

Virginia Townsend commented on a possibility of getting a break on taxes from the County. She also commented on the politiquera issue and how the only ones to stop to it are the elected officials.

Commissioner Pct. 4, Joseph Palacios, disclosed an issue there was with the heavy rains in his Precinct receiving 5 – 6 inches of water. He wanted to express his appreciation to the American Red Cross, Hidalgo County Drainage District, Victor Garza from the D.A.'s Office, Sheriff's Department, Precinct 4 staff and all the agencies that assisted in the relief.

The Court proceeded to Items 19.A and 20.A.1.

6. **County Judge's Office:**

- A. **AI-46748** Update to the Hidalgo County Regional Mobility Authority Strategic Plan by Pilar Rodriguez, Executive Director

At this time, Commissioner Tito Palacios and Judge Ramon Garcia stepped away from the meeting.

Mr. Pilar Rodriguez, Executive Director, along with Louie Jones and Eric were present to give an update on the RMA Strategic Plan. He explained that there was an amendment approved by the Board of Directors last week which made a significant change to the financing ability. The original plan was based on an Intermediate Grade Traffic and Revenue Study, but they now are working with an Investment Grade Traffic and Revenue study. Revenues increased by 25%, but costs also increased 10%. Because they have more money to leverage for the project, locally, TXDOT may consider it favorable.

Commissioner Joseph Palacios asked Mr. Rodriguez about the negative publicity that the Highway 68 Project has attracted and if there were other alternatives to realign the highway for the sake of the residents it is affecting. Mr. Rodriguez stated that they have recommended to TxDOT that they consider other alternatives.

Vote: 5 - 0 - Unanimously

- D. **AI-46502** Sheriff Office (1100):
 1. Approval of Certification of Revenues by County Auditor for the Sheriff.
 2. Approval of 2014 appropriation of funds for Sheriff in the amount of \$9,434.56 to fund equipment and vehicles repair and maintenance supplies.

On motion by COMMISSIONER PCT. 1, A.C. CUELLAR, JR., seconded by COMMISSIONER PCT. 4, JOSEPH PALACIOS, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval of Items 1 and 2.

Vote: 5 - 0 - Unanimously

- E. **AI-46710** 1. Presentation and discussion on financing of Capital Improvement Plan projects.

Mr. Noe Hinojosa, Hidalgo County Financial Advisor with Estrada and Hinojosa Investment Bankers, demonstrated their plan of finance to attempt to fund a portion of 342 million dollars in capital improvement planning. The proposed new courthouse, estimating 187 million dollars and improvements to the Adult Detention Center, estimating 63 million dollars equal almost 72% of the entire Capital Improvement Plan. The plan he presented was an attempt to fund a portion and prepare for future funding of these projects. The packet he provided demonstrated the sources of funding and further describe how the plan would work.

- 2. Consideration and approval of resolution authorizing publication of the County's Notice of Intent to Issue with respect to the Hidalgo County, Texas Certificates of Obligation, Series 2014.

On motion by COMMISSIONER PCT. 3, JOE M. FLORES, seconded by COMMISSIONER PCT. 1, A.C. CUELLAR, JR., the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

Vote: 5 - 0 - Unanimously

- 3. Consideration and approval of an order authorizing the issuance, sale and delivery of Hidalgo County Limited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2014; delegating certain authority to the County Judge pursuant to the provisions of Texas Government Code, Sections 1207.007 and 1207.008; levying a continuing direct annual ad valorem tax; authorizing the refunding of certain outstanding bonds; authorizing the execution of a bond purchase contract; approving an official statement, execution of an escrow and trust agreement, and making other provisions regarding such bonds and matters incident thereto.

On motion by COMMISSIONER PCT. 4, JOSEPH PALACIOS, seconded by COMMISSIONER PCT. 1, A.C. CUELLAR, JR., the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

Vote: 5 - 0 - Unanimously

- 4. Consideration and approval of resolution designating the County Judge of Hidalgo County as authorized representative of Hidalgo County to give notice of intent to reimburse expenditures with proceeds of tax exempt obligations.

On motion by COMMISSIONER PCT. 4, JOSEPH PALACIOS, seconded by COMMISSIONER PCT. 1, A.C. CUELLAR, JR., the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

Vote: 5 - 0 - Unanimously

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Purchasing Department - Marty Salazar:

Notes:

A. FOR ANY CONTRACT(S) AWARDED AND APPROVED UNDER THIS AGENDA, EXECUTED COPIES OF THE CONTRACT(S) WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE COUNTY INTRA-NET WEBSITE AND WILL BE FOWARDED VIA E-MAIL, FAX OR HAND DELIVERED TO HIDALGO COUNTY AUDITOR'S OFFICE.

B. ANY AND ALL REQUESTS FOR PAYMENT(S) APPROVED WILL BE SUBJECT TO COUNTY AUDITORS PROCESSING PROCEDURES INCLUDING AUTHORITY FOR COUNTY TREASURER TO ISSUE PAYMENT(S)/CHECK(S).

- A. Hidalgo County

- 2. **AI-46519** Presentation of the responsible vendor submitting the lowest and best bid (as detailed in tabulation sheet contained herein & meeting all specifications and/or requirements) for the purpose of award and approval of contract for: RFB titled: Hidalgo County-"CRS-2 (Cationic Rapid Setting) Emulsified Asphalt" through project No.: 2014-315-09-03-SGS.

This Item was discussed after 18.B. Judge Ramon Garcia and Commissioner Tito Palacios were not present.

On motion by COMMISSIONER PCT. 1, A.C. CUELLAR, JR., seconded by COMMISSIONER PCT. 3, JOE M. FLORES, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval to contract Ergon.

Vote: 3 - 0 - Unanimously

- 3. **AI-46569** Acceptance and approval to exercise the County's option to extend the 3rd and final one (1) option with same rates, terms and conditions as stated on contract with Brown & Brown Lone Star Insurance Services, dba, Alamo Group Insurance for "Consulting Services for Self-Funded Insured Group Health" project.

On motion by COMMISSIONER PCT. 3, JOE M. FLORES, seconded by COMMISSIONER PCT. 1, A.C. CUELLAR, JR., the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

Vote: 3 - 0 - Unanimously

The Court proceeded to Item 20.B.1.

- 4. **AI-46729** Pursuant to RFQ contents, action on the designation/appointment of Evaluation Committee for the scoring and grading of Statements of Qualifications received in response to the RFQ PROFESSIONAL ARCHITECTURAL CONSULTING SRVS-DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION OF COURT HOUSE & JUDICIAL BLDG.

On motion by COMMISSIONER PCT. 3, JOE M. FLORES, seconded by COMMISSIONER PCT. 1, A.C. CUELLAR, JR., the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval to appoint the Chiefs of Staffs.

Vote: 4 - 0 - Unanimously

The Court proceeded to Item 6.

B. Sheriff's Office

- 1. **AI-46636** a. Presentation of the scoring/evaluation grid (for purpose of CC determination as "Qualified" so as to proceed with next step of the procurement process) of the sole response received from Dr. John Lung, MD (as detailed in documentation attached herein) for:**Professional Physician Services for Inmates for Hidalgo County Sheriff's Office-** RFQ 2014-343-09-17-YZV.

NO ACTION taken on this Item.

b. Authority for Purchasing Department and/or other County Staff to negotiate a professional services contract with the qualified participant _____ for the provision of "**Professional Physician Services for Inmates**" for Hidalgo County Sheriff's Office.

NO ACTION taken on this Item.

C.  County Clerk

- 1. **AI-46546** A. Presentation of scoring grid for the purposes of ranking by Commissioners' Court, the responses received in connection with the Request for Proposals for: "**Records Management & Document Imaging Process**"- RFP 2014-286-09-03:

APPROVED

On motion by COMMISSIONER PCT. 1, A.C. CUELLAR, JR., seconded by COMMISSIONER PCT. 3, JOE M. FLORES, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

Vote: 3 - 0 - Unanimously

COMPANY	AVERAGE SCORE	RANKED
Kofile Systems, Inc	95.60	1
Property Info Corporation	76.40	3

Xerox Services (Government Records Services, Inc.)	77.60	2
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APPROVED

B. Requesting authority for Purchasing Department to proceed to negotiate a "Best and Final Offer" with the number one ranked company of KOFILE SYSTEMS, INC. for the provision of "**Record Management & Document Imaging Process**" for Hidalgo County Clerks' Office.

On motion by COMMISSIONER PCT. 3, JOE M. FLORES, seconded by COMMISSIONER PCT. 1, A.C. CUELLAR, JR., the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

Vote: 3 - 0 - Unanimously

- 21. Closed Session:**
Commissioners' Court may go into Closed Session pursuant to Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, Sections 551.071 & 551.072 to discuss the following:
- A. Real Estate Acquisition
 - B. Pending and/or potential litigation
 - C. **AI-46694** Civil Action No. 7:13-cv-00262; Ezequiel C. Jurado, et al v Guadalupe Trevino, Sheriff of Hidalgo County & Hidalgo County
 - D. **AI-46670** Claim of Adan R. Garza
 - E. **AI-46672** Claim of Ezequiel Casanova
 - F. **AI-46674** Claim of Sergio Rodriguez
 - G. **AI-46724** Claim of Gabriela L. Ventura
- NO ACTION taken on Items 21.A - 21.G.*

- 22. Open Session:**
- A. Real Estate Acquisition and appropriation for same
NO ACTION taken on this Item.
 - B. Pending and/or potential litigation
NO ACTION taken on this Item.
 - C. **AI-46695** Civil Action No. 7:13-cv-00262; Ezequiel C. Jurado, et al v Guadalupe Trevino, Sheriff of Hidalgo County & Hidalgo County

On motion by COMMISSIONER PCT. 1, A.C. CUELLAR, JR., seconded by COMMISSIONER PCT. 3, JOE M. FLORES, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval settle with one plaintiff, Miguel Flores, in the amount of \$12,500.
Vote: 3 - 0 - Unanimously

On motion by COMMISSIONER PCT. 1, A.C. CUELLAR, JR., seconded by COMMISSIONER PCT. 3, JOE M. FLORES, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval to give authority to Valarie Glass to continue settlement negotiations with the balance of the plaintiffs.
Vote: 3 - 0 - Unanimously
 - D. **AI-46671** Claim of Adan R. Garza

On motion by COMMISSIONER PCT. 1, A.C. CUELLAR, JR., seconded by COMMISSIONER PCT. 3, JOE M. FLORES, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval for settlement authority in the amount of \$7,500 to be made payable to Adan R. Garza and Loncar & Associates.
Vote: 3 - 0 - Unanimously