

SPECIAL MEETING – DECEMBER 22, 2009

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this 22nd day of December A.D., 2009, 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 RENE A. RAMIREZ

HIDALGO COUNTY JUDGE

HONORABLE SYLVIA HANDY

COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 1

HONORABLE HECTOR (TITO) PALACIOS

COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 2

HONORABLE JOE M. FLORES

COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 3

HONORABLE OSCAR L. GARZA JR.

COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 4

and ARTURO GUAJARDO, JR., COUNTY CLERK & EX-OFFICIO CLERK OF THE COMMISSIONERS' COURT of Hidalgo County, Texas, wherein the following proceedings were had, to-wit:

Security, Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) in the amount of \$10,000.00.

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

2. Approval of Certification of Revenues as certified by the County Auditor for the ICE Overtime Funding.

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

3. Approval to appropriate funds in the amount of \$10,000.00.

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

E. AI-19008 1. Approval to accept overtime funding from the U.S. Department of Justice, U.S. Marshal's Service in the amount of \$16,000.00.

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

2. Approval of Certification of Revenues as certified by the County Auditor for the DOJ-USMS-DFTF Funding.

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

3. Approval to appropriate funds in the amount of \$16,000.00.

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

14. Health & Human Services Department - Eddie Olivarez: (Exhibit S)

A. Discussion and/or action, including but not limited to Indigent Health Care Program and/or Expenditures

NO ACTION taken on this item.

15. Emergency Services Divison - Tony Pena: (Exhibit T)

A. AI-19097 Fire Marshal:

Approval of Donation Agreement between the Rio Grande Valley Arson Dog Association and Hidalgo County.

On motion of Commissioner Flores, seconded by Commissioner Garza, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval, with the fair market value for each dog being \$6,000.00.

16. IT Department - Renan Ramirez: (Exhibit U)

A. AI-19022 Health & Human Services:

1. Authorization to purchase (requisition # 165463) throught the County's membership/participation with CONTRACT: C-09-231-09-22 with awarded vendor H.E.B. WIRELESS for the following services:

Quantity:	Description:	One Time Equipment Cost:	Monthly Service Cost:	Notes:
5	Novatel Sprint MIFI 2200	\$99.99 X 5 = \$499.95	5 @ \$42.99 = 214.95 X 9 months = \$1,934.55	Data Cards will be for various employee use

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

2. Approval of the attached application for cell phone service request under the county's cell phone policy.

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

B. AI-19058 Safety Division:

1. Authorization to purchase through the County's membership/participation with CONTRACT: C-09231-09-22 with awarded vendor H.E.B. WIRELESS for the following services (REQUISITION #s 167129 & 167130):

Quantity:	Description:	One Time Equipment Cost:	Monthly Service Cost:	Notes:
4	UT Starcomm CDM7025	4 CDM7025 @ \$35 + 4 car chargers @ \$10 + 4 cases @ \$10 = \$220 - \$80 credit for ic502 = \$140	4 Pocket Plans @ \$27.50 X 1 Month = \$110	Cell Phones for Armando Guzman, Mario Martinez, Pedro Luna & Adolfo Trevino

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

AI-19097

15. A.

CC REGULAR

Meeting Date: 12/22/2009

Submitted For: Erika Reyna

Submitted By: Mari Gutierrez,
COMM. PCT.
#1

Department: COUNTY JUDGE

CAPTION

Fire Marshal:

Approval of Donation Agreement between the Rio Grande Valley Arson Dog Association and Hidalgo County.

BACKGROUND

Fiscal Impact

FISCAL YEAR: 9

ACCT. #: 9-1100-422-10-300-001-0-XXX

FUNDS AVAILABLE Y/N?: **MATCHING FUNDS Y/N?:**

BUDGETARY IMPACT:

Fiscal Impact, as per donation agreement:

1. As consideration for receipt of the Dogs, the County shall incur all costs associated with providing trained handlers for the Dogs, including but not limited to, accelerant handler K-9 training, room and board of handlers during training and any other expenses associated with handler training for the Dogs.

Funding will addressed as these expenditures arise.

Attachments

RGV Arson Dog Agreement

Form Review

Inbox	Reviewed By	Date
Budget & Management	Erika Zamora	12/18/2009 01:40 PM
Auditor's Office		12/18/2009 05:09 PM
Form Started By: Mari Gutierrez		Started On: 12/18/2009 11:43 AM
Final Approval Date: 12/18/2009		

THE STATE OF TEXAS §
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COUNTY OF HIDALGO §

**DONATION AGREEMENT
BETWEEN RIO GRANDE VALLEY ARSON DOG ASSOCIATION
AND HIDALGO COUNTY, TEXAS**

THIS Donation Agreement is made on this the ____ day of December 2009 by and between the **RIO GRANDE VALLEY ARSON DOG ASSOCIATION** and the **COUNTY OF HIDALGO, TEXAS**.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Rio Grande Valley Arson Dog Association is an unincorporated association (the "Association") in the State of Texas created to unite in a common cause for fire response agencies utilizing the services of canines as an accelerant detection tool;

WHEREAS, Hidalgo County is a county in the State of Texas;

WHEREAS, Hidalgo County (the "County"), through its Fire Marshal's Office (the "County"), desires to own and facilitate the use of canines for the sole purpose of performing arson inspections/investigations at suspect fires throughout the County;

WHEREAS, the Association desires to donate two (2) canines trained in arson detection for structures and vehicle fires (collectively the "Dogs");

WHEREAS, Local Government Code Section 81.032 permits the Commissioners Court to accept a donation on behalf of the County for the purpose of performing a function conferred by law on the county or a county officer;

NOW, THEREFORE, Association and County, in consideration of the mutual covenants expressed hereinafter, agree as follows:

1. The Association agrees to donate to County the Dogs for use as an accelerant detection tool at fires of structures or vehicles in which the County's Fire Marshal is dispatched to response and provide services.
2. As consideration for receipt of the Dogs, the County shall incur all costs associated with providing trained handlers for the Dogs, including but not limited to, accelerant handler K-9 training, room and board of handlers during training and any other expenses associated with handler training for the Dogs.

3. The Association shall be responsible for all costs associated with the Dogs, including but not limited to food, medical care, supplies, etc. Further, the Association shall be responsible for all annual costs associated with recertification of the dogs as accelerant detectors.
4. The Hidalgo County Fire Marshal or designated representative shall be given charge/credit account access to the Association's veterinarian and food/material supplier for the care of the Dogs and the Association shall be responsible for payment of all legitimate charges made by County in furtherance and care of the Dogs.

WITNESS THE HANDS OF THE PARTIES effective as of the day and year first written above.

HIDALGO COUNTY

Rene Ramirez, County Judge

ATTEST:

Arturo Guajardo, Jr., County Clerk

**RIO GRANDE VALLEY ARSON DOG
ASSOCIATION**

Juan Martinez, President

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Atlas & Hall, L.L.P.

By: Stephen L. Crain