



**AGENDA
CC REGULAR
HIDALGO COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS COURT
MEETING**

January 5, 2016

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 in attendance.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

Judge Garcia led the courtroom in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. **Prayer**

Virginia Townsend led the courtroom in Prayer.

Judge Garcia requested a moment of silence in memory and honor of Staff Sgt. Michael Anthony Cinco. Sergeant Cinco was a native of the Rio Grande Valley, he was killed in Afghanistan during a suicide bombing.

The court also offered a moment of silence in memory of former State Rep. Antonio "Tony" Garcia. The Mercedes native served in World War II, served as City Commissioner and Municipal Judge for the City of Pharr.

A moment of silence was also offered in memory of former Hidalgo County Auditor, Mr. Manuel Cavazos. He served as county auditor for 4 years under Judge Joe Evans.

Commissioners Cantu and Palacios stepped away from the meeting.

Court proceeded to Item.6.C.

4. **Approval of Consent Agenda**

The court moved to approve the Consent Agenda for the exception of Item.8.B to be pulled for discussion.

5. **Open Forum**

Commissioner Cuellar stepped away from the meeting.

Rosie Tijerina spoke in relation to the public lighting in the colonias, she mentioned that they have collected 75% of signatures and have turned the signatures to the precinct. She clarified to Commissioner Palacios that this was in reference to the Gulineros subdivision.

Commissioner Cuellar joined the meeting.

Martha Sanchez, with LUPE organization acknowledged all the work done by the commissioners last year and hopes to move forward with the public lighting in the colonias. They are hopeful to see action by the end of January and not any further than that. She added that aside from all the talking about budget and salary increases, people in the colonias want to actually see services and not just well paid county employees. Mrs. Sanchez also suggested to the members to allocate some money for the infrastructure of the subdivisions.

John Dimas addressed Commissioner Palacios requesting to please not forget the people from the Rio Grande Road. Mr. Dimas commented to the commissioner that his staff had assured to him that something was going to be done by the end of 2015, yet they are still waiting.

- C. AI-52746 Salary Schedule - Various Departments:
 1. Approval to correct salary schedule discrepancies adopted during the budget process as listed in Exhibit A, effective first full pay period of 2016.

Mr. Cruz stated this would not affect the fund balance, and there is a \$4,000 increase to Road & Bridge.

On motion by COMMISSIONER PCT. 2, EDUARDO "EDDIE" CANTU, seconded by COMMISSIONER PCT. 1, A.C. CUELLAR, JR., the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

Vote: 5 - 0 - Unanimously

- 2. Approval of transfer(s).

On motion by COMMISSIONER PCT. 1, A.C. CUELLAR, JR., seconded by COMMISSIONER PCT. 2, EDUARDO "EDDIE" CANTU the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

Vote: 5 - 0 - Unanimously

On motion by COMMISSIONER PCT. 1, A.C. CUELLAR, JR., seconded by COMMISSIONER PCT. 2, EDUARDO "EDDIE" CANTU the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval to rescind action on Item.22.C.2.

Vote: 5 - 0 - Unanimously

- 3. Approval to revise the salary schedule in accordance with Commissioners Court action.

On motion by COMMISSIONER PCT. 1, A.C. CUELLAR, JR., seconded by COMMISSIONER PCT. 2, EDUARDO "EDDIE" CANTU the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

Vote: 5 - 0 - Unanimously

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Purchasing Department:

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



- 1. AI-52714 a. Presentation of scoring grid for the purpose of ranking by Commissioners' Court, the Statement of Qualification responses received in connection with the Request for Qualifications for: "Professional Auditing Services" - RFQ-2015-328-12-02;

COMPANY	AVERAGE SCORE	RANKED
Patillo, Brown & Hill	93.14	3
Burton, McCumber & Cortex	96.57	1
Long Chilton, LLP	93.86	2
Belt Harris Pechacek, LLLP	91.43	4

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

b. Authority for Purchasing Department to commence negotiations with the number one ranked participant/firm of **Burton, McCumber & Cortex** in order to finalize an engagement/contract for the provision of professional independent audit services for Hidalgo County including all applicable agencies and/or programs.

On motion by COMMISSIONER PCT. 1, A.C. CUELLAR, JR., seconded by COMMISSIONER PCT. 2, EDUARDO "EDDIE" CANTU the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

Vote: 5 - 0 - Unanimously


2. **AI-52724** a. Requesting exemption from competitive procurement requirements pursuant to Texas Local Government Code, 262-024 (a)(7); an item that can only be obtained from only one source;

On motion by COMMISSIONER PCT. 4, JOSEPH PALACIOS, seconded by COMMISSIONER PCT. 3, JOE M. FLORES, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval.

Vote: 5 - 0 – Unanimously

b. Approval of a "**Sole Source Declaration**" for "**R Communications**" for the Service of "**Broadcasting of Commissioners' Court Meetings**" with said service to remain in effect unless revoked by Hidalgo County Commissioner's Court or terminated as provided under page four (4) of contract section sixteen (16).

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.

Vote: 5 - 0 – Unanimously 

3. AI-52751 Presentation of "sealed quotes" received for the purpose of award and approval of contract document to the responsible vendor submitting the lowest and best quote [while meeting all specifications and/or requirements as attached hereto] for: Hidalgo County: "Healthcare Reform Employee Tracking Consultant" for RFSQ #2016-026-12-30-YZV.

Ms. Salazar recommended Eligibility Tracking Calculators.

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.

Vote: 5 - 0 – Unanimously

4. AI-52621 Presentation of sole responsible vendor submitting the lowest and best bid meeting all specifications and/or requirements for the purpose of award and approval of contract for Request for Bids titled: Hidalgo County - "Turnkey Burial Services (Including Cemetery Plots) for Unidentified Pauper Remains" through project No.: 2016-009-12-02-HGO.

Ms. Salazar recommended Mid Valley Cemetery Incorporated, DBA. Val Verde Memorial Gardens.

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.

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B. Pct. 1

1. AI-52799 Authority to advertise with approval of RFB plans and specifications developed by project engineer, SAMES, Inc., for two Hidalgo County Precinct No. 1 Projects, including the re-advertising of projects in the event no Bid responses are received and/or are rejected and project is still required for:
1) "Paving & Drainage Improvements to: Mile 4W (10N - 12N)" RFB No. 2016-027-01-27-MSS.
2) "Paving & Drainage Improvements to: Mile 12N (FM1015 - 2W)" RFB No. 2016-028-01-27-MSS.

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 on 1 and 2.

Vote: 5 - 0 - Unanimously

C. Pct. 2

1. AI-52794 Pursuant to current contract with L&G Engineering (Article 14), a request for approval by engineer to permit the subcontracting of R.O.W. Surveying Services, LLC. in connection with Work Authorization No. 3 for the Pct 2 Regional Linear Park 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: 5 - 0 - Unanimously

APPROVED

Purchasing Department
23. A. 2.

AI-52724

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Meeting Date: 01/05/2016

Submitted Marty Salazar, PURCHASING DEPT.

For:

Submitted Yolanda Velasquez, PURCHASING DEPT.

By:

Department: PURCHASING DEPT.

Information

CAPTION

a. Requesting exemption from competitive procurement requirements pursuant to Texas Local Government Code, 262-024 (a)(7); an item that can only be obtained from only one source;

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BACKGROUND

Fiscal Impact

FISCAL YEAR: ACCT. #:

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

BUDGETARY IMPACT:

This aspect of the project would need to be addressed by both the Executive & Budget Officers.

Funding will be appropriated as needed.

Attachments

TLGCode-262.024

Sole Source-Declaration-Contract

Sole-Source-affidavit.pdf

Sole Source Letter

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