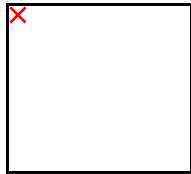


SPECIAL MEETING - March 24, 2020

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on this 24th day of March A.D., 2020, 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 RICHARD F. CORTEZ	HIDALGO COUNTY JUDGE
HONORABLE DAVID FUENTES	COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 1
HONORABLE EDUARDO "EDDIE" CANTU	COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 2
HONORABLE JOE M. FLORES	COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT NO. 3
HONORABLE ELLIE TORRES	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:



**AGENDA
CC REGULAR
HIDALGO COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS COURT
MEETING
March 24, 2020
10:00 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 in the Commissioners Courtroom of the Administration Building, 100 E. Cano, 1st floor, Edinburg, Hidalgo County, Texas. Discussion and possible action relating to the following business will be transacted:

1. **Roll Call** (Audio Reference 12m:04s)

Judge Cortez called the meeting to order at 10:09 A.M. All members of the court were present during the roll call.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance** (Audio Reference 12m:57s)

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

3. **Prayer** (Audio Reference 13m:26s)

Judge Cortez read a prayer by Cameron Wiggins Bellm.

The court proceeded to item 27 - Closed Session.

4. **Approval of Consent Agenda**

Judge Cortez reconvened the regular Commissioners' Court meeting at 11:50 A.M. (Audio Reference 28m:04s)

On motion by COMMISSIONER PCT. 1, DAVID FUENTES, seconded by COMMISSIONER PCT. 3, JOE M. FLORES, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval to reconvene the regular Commissioners' Court meeting.

Vote: 5 - 0 - Unanimously

The Court proceeded to the approval of the Consent Agenda. (Audio Reference 28m:14s)

Valde Guerra asked the court to pull items 13.A, 13.B, 13.C, 14.A, 14.C for further discussion.

Commissioner Torres requested to pull consent agenda item 12.A. as well for further discussion. (Audio Reference 28m:32s)

The Court proceeded to the Consent Agenda.

of approval on item 24.A.

Vote: 5 - 0 - Unanimously

The court continued to item 25.A.

The court

25. **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 FORWARDED 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. AI-74841 Requesting to approve an Amendment to the Provider/Network Participation Agreement to our existing agreement with Aetna, and other necessary documents as provided by the vendor. (Audio Reference 1h:10m 22s)
- Commissioner Fuentes abstained from any discussion and/or action on item 25.A.
- On motion by COMMISSIONER PCT. 2, EDUARDO "EDDIE" CANTU, seconded by COMMISSIONER PCT. 3, JOE FLORES, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval on item 25.A.
- Vote:** 4 - 0 -Unanimously
- The court continued to item 25.B.
- B. AI-74806 Acceptance and approval of a rebate check from Staples (awarded contract through TASB-BuyBoard cooperative purchasing program), in the amount of \$23,394.54. (Audio Reference 1h:10m 59s)
- On motion by COMMISSIONER PCT. 1, DAVID FUENTES, seconded by COMMISSIONER PCT. 3, JOE M. FLORES, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval on item 25.B.
- Vote:** 5 - 0 - Unanimously
- The court continued to item 25.C.
- C. **Hidalgo County**
1. AI-74893 Discussion, consideration and/or action on approval of Amendment to Commercial Electricity Service Agreement between Gexa Energy, LP and Hidalgo County in connection with energy/power with authority for Mr. Valde Guerra, HC Exec. Officer to sign any necessary documents related to the amendment and/or service-related as previously approved by HCCC [ai # 73951 01-14-20] for the term of April 01, 2020, through December 31, 2022 subject to legal final review and approval (Audio Reference 1h:11m 17s)
- Martha Salazar stated that to her understanding this agreement was til December 31,2020, and if needed, agreed to clarify the ending date at the next

Commissioners' Court meeting.

The court agreed for approval subject to the term of April 01,2020 through December 31, 2020, and that Valde Guerra would have the authority to negotiate and sign at the price of 0.44 or lower.

On motion by COMMISSIONER PCT. 1, DAVID FUENTES, seconded by COMMISSIONER PCT. 3, JOE M. FLORES, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval on 25.C.1. subject to the term of April 01,2020 through December 31, 2020 at the price of 0.44 or lower.

Vote: 5 - 0 - Unanimously

The court proceeded to item 25.C.2.

2. AI-74929 Acceptance and approval to execute Amendment No. 6 between Hidalgo County and Architect, HDR Architecture, Inc., [C-16-141-10-31] to include additional services [described in document] for the lump sum of \$265,000.00 for the "Construction of the New Hidalgo County Courthouse" Project. (Audio Reference 1h:16m 01s)

Commissioner Flores stepped away from the meeting.

The court agreed to approval subject to maintaining the ability to decide in phases whether or not to proceed with the project.

On motion by COMMISSIONER PCT. 2, EDUARDO "EDDIE" CANTU, seconded by COMMISSIONER PCT. 1, DAVID FUENTES, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval on item 25.C.2 subject to statement above.

Vote: 4 - 0 -Unanimously

The court continued to item 25.C.3

3. AI-74953 Requesting approval of Work Authorization #2 in the amount of \$875,000.00 under the current agreement with Jacobs Project Management Services Co. (C-16-267A-07-25), for the provision of added scope [described in document] for the Hidalgo County Courthouse Project. (Audio Reference 1h:25m 37s)

On motion by COMMISSIONER PCT. 2, EDUARDO "EDDIE" CANTU, seconded by COMMISSIONER PCT. 4, ELLIE TORRES, the Court made a UNANIMOUS vote of approval on item 25.C.3.

Vote: 4 - 0 -Unanimously

The court continued to item 25.C.4.

4. AI-74970 Acceptance and approval to execute Amendment No. 2 between Hidalgo County and Rike Ogden Figueroa Alex Architects, Inc. [#C-18-025-11-20] to reflect a reduction from original scope of services and rename project to, "Hidalgo County Precinct No. 4 Justice Center." (Audio Reference 1h:26m 16s)

On motion by COMMISSIONER PCT. 4, ELLIE TORRES, seconded by COMMISSIONER PCT. 2, EDUARDO "EDDIE" CANTU, the Court made a

March 24, 2020

There being no further business to come before said Court, the meetings of the Commissioners' Court and the Drainage District #1 Board are now hereby adjourned.

Dated this the 24th day of March, 2020

ARTURO GUAJARDO, JR., County Clerk
Hidalgo County, Texas

By: _____
Carolyn Thornton, Deputy

I, ARTURO GUAJARDO, JR., County Clerk attest that this is an accurate accounting of a proceeding of the Commissioners' Court held on March 24, 2020.

Signed this 26th day of March 2020

ATTEST:
ARTURO GUAJARDO, JR.
County Clerk and Ex-Officio Clerk
Of the Commissioners' Court of
Hidalgo County

By: _____
(Seal) Carolyn Thornton, Deputy