

**THE STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF ZAPATA  
IN THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF ZAPATA COUNTY, TEXAS**

Be it remembered, that on this the 8<sup>th</sup> day of March, A. D., 2010, the Commissioners Court of Zapata County, Texas, convened in **REGULAR SESSION** of said Court, at the regular meeting place thereof, in the Courthouse of Zapata, Texas, with the following members of said Court, to-wit:

**PRESENT:**

Hon. Rosalva Guerra	County Judge
Jose Emilio Vela	Commissioner, Precinct No. 1
Gabriel Villarreal	Commissioner, Precinct No. 2
Eddie Martinez	Commissioner, Precinct No. 3
Norberto Garza	Commissioner, Precinct No. 4
Saíd Alfonso Figueroa	County Attorney
Mary Jayne Villarreal-Bonoan	County Clerk

**VISITORS:** Romeo Salinas, Hector Uribe, Carlos Treviño, Jr., Guillermo Saenz, Doroteo N. Garza, Mario Gonzalez-Davis, Brian Martinez, Juan J. Meza, Roger W. Miller, Caleb Eaton, Nereida Garza, Jose F. Mendoza, George Jimenez, Lee Jimenez, Tom Oaks, Delia Mendoza, Pete Canales, Lupe Canales, Diana C. Villarreal, Luis L. Gonzalez, Maribel Bustamante, Hector Lopez, Jr., Hector Hugo Gonzalez, Marco A. Serna, Fortunato Paredes, Ricardo S. Ramos, Berry O'Bryan, Peggy Umphres Moffett, Dr. Hildegardo E. Flores, Olga M. Flores, and Romeo Rodriguez.

**WHEREUPON**, the following Orders and Proceedings were had by said Court, to-wit:

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 9:00 A. M.**

**ROLL CALL BY MARY JAYNE VILLARREAL-BONOAN, COUNTY CLERK**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**PRAYER BY REV. ROGER MILLER**

**ORDER APPROVING MINUTES FOR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 8  
AND FEBRUARY 10, 2010**

Motion was made by Commissioner Vela, seconded by Commissioner Villarreal, to approve the Minutes of February 8, and February 10, 2010 as presented by Mary Jayne Villarreal-Bonoan, County Clerk.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

Dr. Edmundo Garcia, Zapata County Medical Group, presented Commissioners' Court his monthly report. He stated that they had seen 854 patients in the month of February. Dr. Garcia reported that Dr. Ricardo Cigarroa may be coming to Zapata every Wednesday. Doctors are currently paying a nominal amount of rent per month. (Report attached for the record.)

Judge Rosalva Guerra congratulated the winning candidates of the 2010 Democratic Primary Election. She also congratulated the County Fair Association for the successful fajita cook off and car show which took place this past weekend. She also congratulated the Zapata Visitor's Bureau for their success on the dog show and the Zapata Chamber of Commerce for the Winter Texan Appreciation Day event.

Commissioner Vela advised the Court that Conoco Philips held an awards ceremony and Zapata County was given \$35,000 in grant monies.

Dr. and Mrs. Hildegardo Flores addressed the Court regarding their concern on item #13 in which pens and a dipping vat for livestock would be constructed East on Hwy. 16 near their home. They stated that chemicals used in dipping vat might cause a health hazard being that there is a main waterline in the area. They asked Commissioners' Court to vote against said item.

Dr. Flores also expressed his concerns regarding the cracks in floor of the museum. He stated that the placement of carpet would enhance the acoustic sound of the auditorium.

## **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

Luis Lauro Gonzalez, Zapata County Tax Assessor/Collector, reported that the tax office collected \$553,464.83 for the month of February, at a rate of 95%. Also collected were \$23,967.68 in Hotel Motel Tax funds.

Romeo Salinas, Zapata County Treasurer, presented Commissioners' Court with a written Treasurer's Report. (Report attached for the record.)

Caleb Eaton, Zapata County Extension Agent, presented Commissioners' Court with a written report. (Report attached for the record.)

## **ORDER ADOPTING JURY QUALIFICATION PLAN RECOMMENDED BY DISTRICT JUDGE**

Motion was made by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Villarreal, to approve a Jury Qualification Plan recommended by the District Judge in accordance with Section 62.01 and 62.011 of the Texas Government Code and 35.03 of the Texas Code of Criminal Procedures as requested by Hon. Judge Joe Lopez and Dora Ramos, District Clerk.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

**ORDER APPROVING INVOICES**

Motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Garza, to approve invoices, with corrections, as presented by Doroteo N. Garza, County Auditor.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

**MONTHLY BUSINESS REPORT OF ZAPATA COUNTY  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CENTER**

Peggy Umphres Moffett, ZCEDC President, gave monthly report for the Zapata County Economic Development Center

**ORDER APPROVING USE OF ZAPATA COUNTY PAVILION ON APRIL 9, 2010 FOR  
FUND-RAISER DANCE TO BENEFIT MARIACHI HALCON**

Motion was made by Commissioner Vela, seconded by Commissioner Villarreal, to approve use of the Zapata County Pavilion on April 9, 2010 for a fund-raiser dance to benefit the Mariachi Halcon as requested by Maribel Bustamante, Mariachi Booster President.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

**ORDER APPROVING PROCLAMATION FOR DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES  
AWARENESS MONTH**

Motion was made by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Villarreal, to approve a Proclamation for Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month as requested by Cindy Buruato, Border Region MHMR.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

**ORDER APPROVING HIRING INDIVIDUAL TO MAINTAIN ZAPATA COUNTY  
LITTLE LEAGUE FIELD AND PAINT REQUIRED LINES BEFORE GAMES**

Motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Garza, to approve hiring of an individual to maintain the Zapata County Little League Field and paint required lines before games as requested by Commissioner, Norberto Garza, Pct. 4.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

**ORDER APPROVING PURCHASE OF GRAPPLE - 2009 PETERBUILT 335**

Motion was made by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to approve purchase of a Grapple - 2009 Peterbuilt 335 from Rush Trucking Center for \$106,158.00 as requested by Commissioner, Norberto Garza, Pct. 4.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

**DISCUSSION TO LEASE 1 ACRE TRACT OF LAND LOCATED EAST ON HWY. 16 FOR 25 YEARS TO CONSTRUCT PENS AND DIPPING VAT FOR LIVESTOCK**

Motion was made by Commissioner Villarreal, to approve to lease a one (1) acre tract of land located East on Hwy. 16 for 25 years. Land will be used to construct pens and dipping vat for livestock. Zapata County will make a one time payment of \$5,000.00 to be paid out of Royalty Fund (10-370-901) and at the end of the lease, land and improvements will be returned to Lessor, Leonardo Flores, if Lessor and Lessee fail to renegotiate another lease as requested by Commissioner Gabriel Villarreal, Pct. 2.

Motion died for lack of a second.

**ORDER APPROVING INSTALLATION OF BACKFLOW TRAP AT SOUTH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DUE TO UNFITTED SEWER CONNECTION INSTALLED BY SCHOOL BUILDER/CONTRACTOR**

Motion was made by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to approve installation of backflow trap at the South Elementary School due to an unfitted sewer connection installed by the school builder/contractor as requested by Commissioner Jose Emilio Vela, Pct. 1.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

**ORDER APPROVING RE-ADVERTISING FOR HIRING OF STATE CERTIFIED CDL DRIVERS FOR ZAPATA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION GRANT**

Motion was made by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to table this item. However, after further discussion of this item, the motion to table was withdrawn by Commissioner Garza and Martinez.

Motion was made by Commissioner Vela, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to approve re-advertising for hiring of State Certified CDL drivers for Zapata County Transportation Grant at a rate of \$13.50 per hour as requested by Commissioner Jose Emilio Vela, Pct. 1.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

**ORDER TO FILE INJUNCTION TO HALT CONSTRUCTION OR OPERATIONS OF ANY SLOT MACHINE BUSINESS (CASINO) IN RESIDENTIAL AREA OF FALCON, TEXAS**

Motion was made by Commissioner Vela, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to file an injunction to halt construction or operations of any slot machine business (casino) in the residential area of Falcon, Texas as requested by Commissioner Jose Emilio Vela, Pct. 1.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

**ORDER APPROVING INSTALLATION OF CARPET FOR ZAPATA COUNTY MUSEUM**

Motion was made by Commissioner Vela, seconded by Commissioner Garza, to approve the installation of carpet for the Zapata County Museum, in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00, payable from the Museum Construction Fund, as requested by County Judge Rosalva Guerra.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

**ORDER AMENDING COMMISSIONERS' COURT ORDER DATED JULY 13, 2010 APPROVING ELECTION TO CREATE COUNTY ASSISTANCE DISTRICT WITH AUTHORITY TO LEVY SALES TAX AND SET RATE AT ONE-HALF OF ONE PERCENT TO FINANCE OPERATIONS OF DISTRICT AND BE PLACED ON ELECTION OF NOVEMBER 3, 2009 AND CHANGE ELECTION DATE TO NOVEMBER 9, 2010.**

Motion was made by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to amend Commissioners Court order dated July 13, 2009 approving the order for an election to create a County Assistance District with the authority to levy a sales tax and set the rate at one-half of one percent to finance the operations of the district and be placed on the ballot for the general election of November 3, 2009 and change election date to November 9, 2010 as requested by Mary Jayne Villarreal-Bonoan, Zapata County Clerk.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

**NO ACTION WAS TAKEN ON REQUEST BY HECTOR LOPEZ, JR. TO APPROVE HECTOR LOPEZ, JR. AS A GRANT WRITER IN SOLID WASTE/RECYCLING WITH EPA AND STDC ON AN ADMINISTRATIVE FEE AT NO COST TO THE COUNTY**

**ORDER APPROVING DESIGNATION OF OFFICE SPACE FOR NEW TEXAS RANGER**

Motion was made by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to approve designation of office space in the County Courthouse for a new Texas Ranger to be assigned to Zapata County, effective April 1, 2010, as requested by Sigifredo Gonzalez, Jr., County Sheriff.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

**ORDER TO TABLE REQUEST BY SIGIFREDO GONZALEZ, JR., COUNTY SHERIFF TO APPROVE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN ZAPATA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND ZAPATA COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT REGARDING DEPUTY SHERIFF ASSIGNED TO ZCISD ON A PART-TIME BASIS**

Motion was made by Commissioner Villarreal, seconded by Commissioner Garza, to table, Memorandum of Understanding between Zapata County Sheriff's Office and Zapata County Independent School District regarding Deputy Sheriff's assigned to ZCISD on a part-time basis as requested by Sigifredo Gonzalez, Jr., County Sheriff.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

**ORDER APPROVING PURCHASE OF 2010 FORD F-150 PICK-UP TRUCK FOR COUNTY SHOP**

Motion was made by Commissioner Vela, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to approve

purchase of a 2010 Ford F-150 pick-up truck for county shop, \$4,000 will be paid per commissioner and county shop for a total of \$20,000.00, as requested by Jose Mendoza, Shop Foreman.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

**ORDER APPROVING INCREASE OF HOLDING FEE FOR ANIMAL SHELTER  
TO \$10.00 PER DAY**

Motion was made by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to increase the holding fee for animal shelter from \$10 flat rate to \$10 a day as requested by Guillermo Saenz, Environmental Director.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

**MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER GARZA, SECONDED BY  
COMMISSIONER MARTINEZ, TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**MOTION WAS MADE BY COMMISSIONER GARZA, SECONDED BY  
COMMISSIONER MARTINEZ TO RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION**

**ORDER RESCINDING COURT'S ORDER OF FEBRUARY 10, 2010 AWARDING BID  
TO ANDERSON COLUMBIA, INC., AND AWARDING BID TO ABCT  
CONSTRUCTION, LOW BIDDER FOR STREET IMPROVEMENT IN PRECINCT  
TWO, PHASE FOUR**

Motion was made by Commissioner Villarreal, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to rescind the court's order of February 10, 2010 awarding bid to Anderson Columbia, Inc., and award bid to ABCT Construction, lowest bidder for street improvement in Pct. 2, Phase 4 as requested by Juan J. Cruz, Escamilla, Poneck & Cruz, LLP.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

**ORDER RESCINDING COURT'S ORDER OF FEBRUARY 8, 2010 WHERE NEW  
MEMBERS OF HISTORICAL COMMISSION WERE APPROVED**

Motion was made by Commissioner Vela, seconded by Commissioner Garza, to rescind court's order of February 8, 2010 Commissioner's Meeting Agenda, Item #19 where new members of Zapata County Historical Commission were approved. Members that were removed will remain as requested by Commissioner Jose Emilio Vela, Pct. 1.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

**NO ACTION WAS TAKEN ON REQUEST BY COMMISSIONER JOSE EMILIO  
VELA, PCT. 1, ON DISCUSSION OF PERSONNEL MATTERS**

**NO ACTION WAS TAKEN ON REQUEST BY COUNTY ATTORNEY SAID ALFONSO FIGUEROA ON CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE RECONSIDERATION OF BID AWARDED FOR STREET IMPROVEMENT IN PCT. 2, PHASE 4**

**ORDER AUTHORIZING COUNTY ATTORNEY SAID ALFONSO FIGUEROA TO SETTLE CASE IN REFERENCE TO DAMAGE TO A VEHICLE ON COUNTY PROPERTY**

Motion was made by Commissioner Vela, seconded by Commissioner Garza, to authorize County Attorney Said Alfonso Figueroa, to settle case in reference to damage to a vehicle on county property as requested by County Attorney Said Alfonso Figueroa.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

**ORDER AUTHORIZING COUNTY ATTORNEY SAID ALFONSO FIGUEROA TO ENTER INTO SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT AND REIMBURSE JENNINGS ROAD OWNERS AS PER PARAMETER SET BY COURT**

Motion was made by Commissioner Vela, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to authorize County Attorney Said Alfonso Figueroa, to enter into settlement agreement and reimburse Jennings Road owners as per parameter set by court as requested by County Attorney Said Alfonso Figueroa.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

**ORDER TO TABLE REQUEST BY COMMISSIONER NORBERTO GARZA, PCT. 4, ON CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY AND/OR ACTION IN REGARDS TO COUNTY'S POTENTIAL ROLE IN A CEMENT PROJECT ALONGSIDE AN ARROYO IN MEDINA ADDITION**

Motion was made by Commissioner Vela, seconded by Commissioner Villarreal, to table, request by Commissioner Norberto Garza, Pct. 4, on consultation with attorney and/or action in regards to the county's potential role in a cement project alongside an arroyo in Medina Addition.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

**NO ACTION WAS TAKEN ON REQUEST BY MARIA G. DAVILA, ZCHC CHAIRPERSON TO PRESENT GOVERNING BOARD OF THE ZAPATA COUNTY HISTORICAL COMMISSION**

**ORDER APPROVING FUNDS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF ROPING ARENA**

Motion was made by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Martinez, to approve funds in the amount of \$59,464.00 for construction of roping arena, to be paid from line item 10-409-706 (restricted account). The \$59,464.00 is the balance after deduction of \$150,000.00 (\$75,000.00 carry over 2008-2009 budget and \$75,000.00 2009-2010 budget) of Fig Co's proposal of \$209,464.00. The county will advertise for bids. Item was requested by Jose F. Mendoza, County Shop Foreman.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of Commissioners Garza, Martinez, and Villarreal. Commissioner Vela voted against. Motion carried.

**ORDER APPROVING SUBMISSION OF TWO GRANTS: JUVENILE PROBATION LIAISON OFFICER AND JUVENILE JUSTICE ALTERNATIVE TO THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR, CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION TOTALING \$154,755.00**

Motion was made by Commissioner Vela, seconded by Commissioner Garza, approving the submission of two grants: Juvenile Probation Liaison Officer and Juvenile Justice Alternative to the Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division, totaling \$154,755.00 as requested by Roger Miller, Juvenile Probation Officer.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

**ORDER APPROVING TERMINATION OF OSCAR MEDINA'S CONTRACT AS LANDFILL CONSULTANT**

Motion was made by Commissioner Vela, seconded by Commissioner Garza, to approve termination of Oscar Medina's contract as Landfill Consultant due to the Municipal Solid Waste Management Class A Certification from TCEQ having been acquired by Guillermo Saenz, local Environmental Director as requested by Guillermo Saenz, Environmental Director.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

**ORDER APPROVING NEW CONTRACT FOR GRANDE GARBAGE AT A RATE OF \$30.00 PER TON**

Motion was made by Commissioner Villarreal, seconded by Commissioner Vela, to table this item. However, motion was rescinded by Commissioner Villarreal and Vela.

Motion was made by Commissioner Villarreal, seconded by Commissioner Vela, to approve new contract for Grande Garbage at a rate of \$30.00 per ton instead of \$25.00 per ton, as requested by Guillermo Saenz, Environmental Director.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

**ORDER APPROVING INSTALLATION OF SPEED HUMPS SECURITY LIGHTS**

Motion was made by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Villarreal, to approve the installation of a speed hump between Alamo and 1<sup>st</sup> Street as requested by Commissioner Norberto Garza, Pct. 4.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

Motion was made by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Villarreal, to approve the installation of a security light at 1409 Medina as requested by Commissioner Norberto Garza, Pct. 4.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

Motion was made by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Villarreal, to approve the installation of a speed hump at 406 Zapata as requested by Commissioner Norberto Garza, Pct. 4.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

Motion was made by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Villarreal, to approve the installation of a speed hump at 602 Zapata as requested by Commissioner Norberto Garza, Pct. 4.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court

Motion was made by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Villarreal, to approve the installation of a security light at 141 Valle Verde in the town of San Ygnacio as requested by Commissioner Gabriel Villarreal, Pct. 2.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court

Motion was made by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Villarreal, to approve installation of speed humps at the following locations:

- a. 19<sup>th</sup> and Diaz Street on Roma Street
- b. 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> on Diaz Street

as requested by Commissioner Norberto Garza, Pct. 4.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

#### **ORDER APPROVING LINE ITEM TRANSFERS**

Motion was made by Commissioner Garza, seconded by Commissioner Villarreal, to approve the following line item transfer:

From: Custodial & Maintenance	10-516-730	Contract Services	\$699.00
To: Custodial & Maintenance	10-516-731	Annual Elevator Cont.	\$699.00

for Elevator Contract Services as requested by Maria Gutierrez, Custodian Supervisor.

From: Pct. 1	09-001-679		\$40,000.00
To: Pct. 1	10-001-392	Parks	\$40,000.00

to meet budget requirements as requested by Commissioner Jose Emilio Vela, Pct. 1.

From: Pct. 2	10-002-667	Year Flood	\$15,000.00
To: Pct. 2	10-002-107	Parks, Building, Construction	\$15,000.00

to meet budget requirements as requested by Commissioner Gabriel Villarreal, Pct. 2.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

#### **ORDER APPROVING RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR ZAPATA COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CENTER TO APPLY FOR GRANT THROUGH U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE - RURAL BUSINESS PROGRAMS RURAL BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY GRANT**

Motion was made by Commissioner Vela, seconded by Commissioner Garza, to approve the Resolution of Support for the Zapata County Economic Development Center to apply for a grant through the U.S. Department of Agriculture - Rural Business Programs Rural Business Opportunity

Grant for implementation of projects identified in the South Texas Economic Development Council CEDS and for completion of a Zapata County Economic Development Strategic Plan as requested by Peggy Umphres, ZCEDs President.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

**ORDER APPROVING RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR ZAPATA COUNTY  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CENTER TO APPLY FOR GRANT THROUGH U.S.  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE - ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
ADMINISTRATION**

Motion was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Villarreal, to approve Resolution of Support for the Zapata County Economic Development Center to apply for a grant through the U.S. Department of Commerce - Economic Development Administration for implementation of projects identified in the South Texas Economic Development Council CEDS and for completion of a Zapata County Economic Development Strategic Plan as requested by Peggy Umphres, ZCEDs, President.

The above motion, being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

**NO ACTION WAS TAKEN ON REQUEST BY PEGGY UMPHRES, ZCEDs  
PRESIDENT TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE ZAPATA  
COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CENTER TO APPLY FOR A GRANT  
THROUGH THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF RURAL AFFAIRS PROGRAM FOR THE  
IMPLEMENTATION OF PROJECTS IDENTIFIED IN THE SOUTH TEXAS  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL CEDS AND FOR COMPLETION OF A  
ZAPATA COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIC PLAN**

**NO ACTION WAS TAKEN ON REQUEST BY PEGGY UMPHRES, ZCEDC  
PRESIDENT, TO CONSIDER AND APPROPRIATE ACTION, INCLUDING  
APPROVAL AND ADOPTION OF THE PROPOSED TAX ABATEMENTS AND  
FINANCIAL INCENTIVES TO ENHANCE AND PROMOTE BUSINESS GROWTH IN  
ZAPATA**

**NO ACTION WAS TAKEN ON REQUEST BY PEGGY UMPHRES, ZCEDC  
PRESIDENT, ON DISCUSSION AND THE CONSIDERATION AND APPROPRIATE  
ACTION, INCLUDING APPROVAL AND ADOPTION OF THE PROPOSED TAX  
ABATEMENT AND FINANCIAL INCENTIVES AND CORRESPONDING  
GUIDELINES AND CRITERIA TO ENCOURAGE AND PROMOTE JOB CREATION,  
TAX BASE ENHANCEMENT AND EXPAND BUSINESS GROWTH IN ZAPATA  
COUNTY**

**NO ACTION WAS TAKEN ON REQUEST BY PEGGY UMPHRES, ZCEDC  
PRESIDENT, TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE INCENTIVE PROPOSAL OF  
PROJECT TUMBLEWEED**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Sheriff Sigifredo Gonzalez, Jr., addressed Commissioners' Court regarding Project Tumbleweed. He advised Commissioners' Court to be very cautious with these types of facilities and stated that many times these facilities are non-compliant. He will be meeting with developers and commissioners at a later date.

**ADJOURN**

Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Martinez, seconded by Commissioner Garza, and being put to a vote, was approved by the affirmative vote of all members of the Court.

There being no further business for disposition at this term, the Court adjourned.

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ROSALVA GUERRA, COUNTY JUDGE  
ZAPATA COUNTY, TEXAS

ATTEST:

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MARY JAYNE VILLARREAL-BONOAN  
COUNTY CLERK AND EX-OFFICIO CLERK  
OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF  
ZAPATA COUNTY, TEXAS