

Official Minutes for Webb County Commissioners Court Meeting

Monday, June 14, 2010 at 9:00 AM
(approved June 28, 2010)

Call to order by Judge Danny Valdez

Let it be remembered that a regular meeting of the Webb County Commissioners Court was held at 9:00 a.m. at the regular meeting place with the following members present to wit:

Danny Valdez	County Judge
Frank Sciaraffa	Commissioner, Pct. 1
Rosaura "Wawi" Tijerina	Commissioner, Pct. 2
Jerry Garza	Commissioner, Pct. 3
Sergio "Keko" Martinez	Commissioner, Pct. 4

Thus constituting a quorum, the Commissioners Court proceeded to act upon the Agenda as posted in the meeting notice of the 11th of June 2010. Present also were Mrs. Imelda Diaz, Deputy County Clerk representing Mrs. Margie Ramirez Ibarra, Ex-officio Clerk of the Commissioners Court, various officers and others interested in the business of the Court.

Item No. 1. Roll Call by Honorable Margie Ramirez-Ibarra, Webb County Clerk

Item No. 2. Pledge of Allegiance

Item No. 3. Approval of Minutes for May 24, 2010

Comr. Sciaraffa motioned to approve item as submitted. Comr. Tijerina seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

Item No. 4. Approval of Bills, Payroll, and Monthly Report

Mr. Leo Flores, County Auditor, explained the end of the month report.

Comr. Tijerina motioned to approve item as submitted. Comr. Sciaraffa seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

Item No. 5. Communications

Judge Valdez wished Comr. Garza a belated happy birthday. He sent his condolences to Longino Garcia on the passing of his father and wished everyone happy flag day.

Comr. Sciaraffa had no items under communications.

Comr. Tijerina wished Comr. Garza a belated happy birthday. She welcomed all county employees and congratulated Ms. Jessica Thomas on being named Miss Laredo 2010, Mr. Jorge Solis on the spelling bee, and all the 2010 graduates. Comr. Tijerina sent her condolences to Lonnie Garcia on the passing of his father as well as to Dr. Compean, Ana Chavez, and Mr. Victor Jacaman.

Cmr. Garza had no items under communications.

Cmr. Martinez wished Cmr. Garza a belated happy birthday.

Item No. 6. Public Comment - This section provides the public the opportunity to address the Commissioners Court on any items on the Agenda. Members of the public wishing to participate must complete a Witness Card specifying which agenda item they wish to comment on. Each public member will be allowed a total of Three (3) minutes within which to make any/all public comments.

1st witness card- Tony Peterson

Mr. Peterson spoke on item 7. He stated that the deputies provide valuable service to the residents of Webb County and that more monies should be allotted to the collective bargaining. Mr. Peterson advised that the starting pay for patrols should be more than the deputies working at the jail and the Sheriff Martin Cuellar should remain in the collective bargain committee since he should be there to represent the deputies.

2nd witness card – John Gil

Mr. Gil stated that he was the President of the Webb County Sheriff's Association. He stated that he was once again present asking the Court to support the collective bargaining committee being that their decision would secure the necessities of their employment.

3rd witness card – Sheriff Martin Cuellar

Sheriff Cuellar stated that he was in support of the deputies of this county. He stated that they need to stay competitive to other agencies to avoid losing the officer to these agencies. Sheriff Cuellar stated that he was in support of the contract.

Honorable Danny Valdez, Webb County Judge

Item No. 7. Discussion and possible action to enter into a collective bargaining agreement for the period of October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2015 among Webb County, Webb County Sheriff Martin Cuellar, and the Webb County Deputy Sheriffs Association; and to authorize the County Judge to execute said agreement on behalf of Webb County; and to take any other action related to said agreement. [Co-sponsored by Commissioner Rosaura "Wawi" Tijerina, Pct. 2] [Closed session is requested pursuant to Texas Government Code, Title 5, Subchapter D, Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) and 551.074 (Personnel Matters)].

Discussion on file at the Webb County Clerks Office under the June 14th Commissioner's Court meeting dvd.

Cmr. Tijerina motioned to approve the item as submitted. Cmr. Sciaraffa seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

Item No. 8. Presentation by building maintenance director regarding proposed cost containment recommendations for Webb County buildings and properties with discussion and possible action to approve and implement suggested measures; and any other matters incident thereto.

Cmr. Sciaraffa motioned to table the item. Cmr. Garza seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

Item No. 9. Discussion and possible action to appoint a committee comprised of county officials who will review requests and make recommendations to the Commissioners Court for a proposed 2010 certificate of obligation bond series; and any other matters incident thereto.

Discussion on file at the Webb County Clerks Office under the June 14th Commissioner's Court meeting dvd.

Judge Valdez motioned to appoint Mr. Leo Flores, Dr. Cecilia Moreno, Mr. Juan Vargas, and Mr. Leroy Medford to review requests and make recommendations to the Court. Cmr. Tijerina seconded the motion.

Motion failed 2-3 with Cmr. Garza, Cmr. Sciaraffa and Cmr. Martinez voting against.

Cmr. Garza motioned to have all department heads and elected officials submit requests to Mr. Leo Flores' office by next Monday, and then have Mr. Flores submit the list to the Commissioner's Court for a special workshop. Cmr. Sciaraffa seconded the motion.

Motion carried 3-2 with Cmr. Tijerina and Judge Valdez voting against.

Item No. 10. Discussion and possible action to authorize the Webb County Attorney to enter into negotiations with the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) to lease the former USDA Cattle Dipping Vat Facility, property of Webb County, to the USDA; to prepare all agreements and necessary documents; and any other matters incident thereto.

Cmr. Sciaraffa motioned to approve item as submitted. Cmr. Tijerina seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

Item No. 11. Discussion and possible action to approve the transfer of employee in Slot #1561, Dept. 1002 to Slot # 2282 Dept. 0200, effective June 15, 2010.

Cmr. Tijerina motioned to approve item as submitted. Cmr. Sciaraffa seconded the motion.

After discussion, Cmr. Tijerina amended her motion to authorize filling of slot 2282 effective June 15, 2010. Cmr. Sciaraffa seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

Item No. 12. Discussion and possible action to authorize the filling of Slot #0068 within the County Judge's office, effective July 16th, 2010; and any other matters incident thereto.

Cmr. Sciaraffa motioned to approve item as submitted. Judge Valdez seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

Item No. 13. Status report from the county attorney's office regarding the county's proposal to purchase the downtown property located at 1101 Scott St., Webb County, Texas, for the purpose of securing additional county parking and/or office space; with discussion and possible action to proceed with offer to purchase; and any other matters incident thereto. [Executive Session may be requested pursuant to Texas Government Code Title 5, Subchapter D, Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney)]

Status report on file at the Webb County Clerks Office under the June 14th Commissioner's Court meeting dvd.

No action taken.

Item No. 14. Discussion and possible action to approve the amendments to the contractual lease agreement between Webb County and the State of Texas for the Texas Parks & Wildlife Law Enforcement Building; and any other matters incident thereto. [Executive Session may be requested pursuant to Texas Government Code Title 5, Subchapter D, Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney)]

Judge Valdez motioned to approve item as submitted. Cmr. Martinez seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

Honorable Rosaura "Wawi" Tijerina, Webb County Commissioner Pct. 2

Item No. 15. Discussion and possible action to fill employee Slot #1877 in Department 2200 (Emergency Medical Service), at the same budgeted amount; effective June 14, 2010; and any other matters incident thereto.

Cmr. Sciaraffa motioned to fill slot 1877. Judge Valdez seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

Commissioners Court

Item No. 16. Discussion and possible action to further short-list the engineering firms to the top three firms in accordance with the evaluation scores as a continuation of the second phase of the selection process of the procurement of professional services for the preparation of plans, specifications and estimates (PS&E) for the Loop 20 Stimulus Initiative Project; and furthermore, schedule a special meeting to interview the short-listed three engineering firms to select the best qualified firm. [Executive Session may be requested pursuant to Texas Government Code, Title 5, Subchapter D, Section 551.071] (Consultation with Attorney)

Dr. Cecilia Moreno, Purchasing Agent, stated that the top three firms were: Civil Engineering Consultants, Dannenbaum Engineering Department, and Kellogg Brown & Root Services (KBR).

Cmr. Sciaraffa motioned to approve the top three engineering firms. Cmr. Tijerina seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

Judge Valdez advised Dr. Moreno that she contact the three firms for a second interview.

Item No. 17. Discussion and possible action to authorize the Purchasing Agent to prepare Request for Proposals (RFP'S) for Emergency Medical Services (EMS) for the unincorporated areas of Webb County; and any other matters incident thereto. [Executive Session may be requested pursuant to Texas Government Code Title 5, Subchapter D, Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney)]

Cmr. Martinez motioned to approve item as submitted. Cmr. Tijerina seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

Com. Martinez motioned to move up items 36 and 37 as submitted. Com. Tijerina seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

Honorable Jesus Garza, County Court at Law 2 Judge

Item No. 36. Discussion and possible action to approve the transfer of a 2006 Toyota Avalon VIN#4T1BK36B76U241404 from the District Attorney to County Court at Law # 2.

Item No. 37. Discussion and possible action to approve the following line item transfers.

From:	001-1011-7053	Detention Hearing	4,000
	001-1011-7051	Juvenile Misdemeanor	4,000
	001-1011-7052	Juvenile Felony	1,000
To:	001-1011-6026	Visiting Judge	9,000
From:	001-1011-7053	Detention Hearing	10,000
	001-1011-7051	Juvenile Misdemeanor	10,000
	001-1011-7052	Juvenile Felony	10,000
	001-1011-6024	Court Appointed Attorneys	3,000
To:	001-1011-7050	Adult Misdemeanors	33,000

Com. Sciaraffa motioned to approve items 36 and 37 as submitted. Com. Tijerina seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

Item No. 18. Discussion and possible action to enter an Order prohibiting the sale and use of certain types of fireworks (referred to as "restricted fireworks" as defined to be "skyrockets with sticks" and "missiles with fins") within the unincorporated areas of Webb County during the 4th of July fireworks season and establishing a criminal penalty for violation of the Order, and authorizing the County Judge to sign all relevant documents; and any other matters incident thereto.

Item No. 19. Discussion and possible action to enter an Order to establish a Ninety (90) day burn ban for the unincorporated areas of Webb County, effective June 14, 2010.

Com. Tijerina motioned to approve items 18 and 19 as submitted. Com. Sciaraffa seconded the motion.

Mr. Leroy Medford, Executive Administrator to the County Judge, explained that due to the indices that the county has as of right now, no action could be taken.

Com. Tijerina and Com. Sciaraffa withdrew their motions.

No action taken on items 18 and 19.

Honorable Anna L. Cavazos Ramirez, County Attorney

Item No. 20. Discussion and possible action to approve a Sales Order Agreement with Votec to

purchase Eight (8) Vote-Safe e-Poll Book Software in the amount of EIGHT THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$8,650.00) and authorize the Webb County Judge to execute all relevant documents. [Requested by Oscar Villarreal, Webb County Elections Administrator]

Item No. 21. Discussion and possible action to enter into a Worksite Agreement between Webb County and Workforce Solutions of South Texas TANF Summer Youth Work Experience Program Subsidized Employment beginning July 7, 2010 through August 20, 2010 and authorize the County Judge to execute all relevant documents. [Requested by Cynthia Mares, Webb County Administrative Services Director]

Item No. 22. Discussion and possible action to enter into a Thirty-Nine (39) month FMV Contract Lease Agreement between Webb County and Nevill Imaging Solutions beginning on June 14, 2010 and ending June 13, 2011 for a Taskalfa 181 Digital copier located at the Webb County Head Start at a monthly charge of SEVENTY-SEVEN DOLLARS AND THIRTEEN CENTS (\$77.13) for a total cost of THREE THOUSAND EIGHT DOLLARS AND SEVEN CENTS (\$3,008.07) and authorizing the County Judge to execute all relevant documents. [Requested by Anna Laura Cavazos Ramirez, Webb County Attorney]

Item No. 23. Discussion and possible action to enter into a Twelve (12) month Maintenance contract between Webb County and Nevill Business Machines, Inc. Solutions beginning on June 14, 2010 and ending June 13, 2011 for a Taskalfa 181 copier located at the Webb County Head Start at a maintenance fee of \$.00665 per month per copy and \$.002 per scanned print and authorizing the County Judge to execute all relevant documents. [Requested by Anna Laura Cavazos Ramirez, Webb County Attorney]

Cmr. Sciaraffa motioned to approve items 20, 21, 22, and 23 as submitted. Cmr. Tijerina seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

Item No. 24. Discussion and possible action to enter into an agreement between Webb County and FQR Architects to provide professional services for the renovation of the Juan Francisco Farias Veterans Museum Project and authorize the County Judge to execute all relevant documents. [Requested by Anna Laura Cavazos Ramirez, Webb County Attorney]

Cmr. Garza motioned to approve item as submitted. Cmr. Sciaraffa seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

Item No. 25. Discussion and possible action to enter into a Medical Health Service Contract with Dr. Antonio C. Rodriguez, M.D. for children enrolled in the Webb County Head Start Program for a period of One (1) year from April 1, 2010 through August 31, 2011 and authorizing the County Judge to execute all relevant documents, and any other matters incident thereto. [Requested by Aliza Oliveros, Webb County Head Start Director]

Item No. 26. Discussion and possible action to enter into a contract Amendment to a Memorandum of Understanding dated March 2, 2010 between Webb County Head Start Program under Section 1A and United Independent School District concerning the coordination and collaboration of preschool educational services to utilize relocation site being Alicia Ruiz Elementary School campus to be designated as a relocation site effective July 2010, and authorizing the County Judge to execute all relevant documents. [Requested by Aliza Oliveros, Webb County Head Start Director]

Cmr. Martinez motioned to approve items 25 and 26 as submitted. Cmr. Sciaraffa seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

Item No. 27. Discussion and possible action to enter into an Agreement between Webb County and ThyssenKrupp Elevators to "Modernize" the Jail elevator system located at the Webb County Jail for the Contract sum of FOUR HUNDRED FORTY-NINE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED EIGHTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$449,285.00) and authorizing the County Judge to execute all relevant documents. [Requested by Martin Cuellar, Webb County Sheriff]

Item No. 28. Discussion and possible action to approve owner-contractor construction agreement between Webb County, Texas and CG Construction, Inc. D/B/A CC Construction Commercial & Residential for Webb County Sheriff's Department Wilson Road Substation Parking Lot for the stipulated fixed sum of \$26,287.96 to be paid from Sheriff's forfeiture fund account; authorizing the County Judge to execute any relevant documents; and any other matters incident thereto. [Requested by Martin Cuellar, Webb County Sheriff]

Cmr. Sciaraffa motioned to approve items 27 and 28 as submitted. Cmr. Martinez seconded the motion.

Motion carried 4-0 with Judge Valdez not present.

Item No. 29. Discussion and possible action to approve the contract for and grant authorization for payment to purchase property formerly known as Webb County Title and Abstract building located at 1620 Santa Ursula Ave., Laredo, Texas. The Court may also discuss and take any necessary action on the results of an inspection of the premises including possible renovation and office space allocation. [Executive Session may be requested pursuant to Texas Government Code Title 5, Subchapter D, Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney)]

Cmr. Martinez motioned to approve item as submitted. Cmr. Garza seconded the motion.

Motion carried 4-0 with Judge Valdez not present.

Item No. 30. Discussion and possible action to approve the following line item transfers:

From:	001-1101-5601	Administrative Travel	2,000
	001-1101-6205	Materials & Supplies	4,000
To:	001-1101-6011	Training & Education	6,000
From:	001-1101-6005	Postage & Courier Services	608
To:	001-1101-6224	Minor Tools & Apparatus	608

Item No. 31. Discussion and possible action to authorize the approval of a grant EDI-Special Project No. B-09-SP-TX-0481 between the Department of Housing and Urban Development and the County of Webb for the amount of ONE HUNDRED NINETY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$190,000.00) and authorizing the County Judge to execute all relevant documents. [Requested by Juan Vargas, Webb County Economic Development Director]

Cmr. Sciaraffa motioned to approve items 30 and 31 as submitted. Cmr. Martinez seconded the motion.

Motion carried 4-0 with Judge Valdez not present.

Item No. 32. Discussion and possible action to approve an Interlocal Agreement for One (1) Year (October 1, 2009 to September 30, 2010) between Webb County and the City of Laredo for the City of Laredo Health Department to provide public health services to Webb County.

Item No. 33. Discussion and possible action to authorize Mr. Gabriel Lopez, TAMIU student, access to lists of veterans served by the Webb County Veterans Service Office for purposes of conducting a survey of veterans served as part of a master's program class study. Mr. Lopez will provide the results of the survey and program evaluation upon termination of said project sometime in July.

Honorable Raul Vasquez, 111th District Court Judge

Item No. 34. Discussion and possible action to authorize the filling of Slot #1561, effective June 15, 2010.

Cmr. Martinez motioned to approve items 32, 33, and 34 as submitted. Cmr. Sciaraffa seconded the motion.

Motion carried 4-0 with Judge Valdez not present.

Honorable Oscar Hale, Jr., 406th District Court Judge

Item No. 35. Discussion and possible action to approve a Resolution to approve the submission of the 406th District Court Drug Court Program grant application #2056403 from the office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division and to accept the grant funding on behalf of the 406th District Court to use in accordance with said application; and any other matters incident thereto.

Cmr. Sciaraffa motioned to approve item as submitted. Cmr. Garza seconded the motion.

Mr. Leroy Medford, Executive Administrator to the County Judge, asked to include in the item to approve and ratify a Resolution.

Cmr. Sciaraffa motioned to amend his motion to include approving and ratifying a Resolution. Cmr. Garza seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

Margie Ibarra, County Clerk

Item No. 38. Discussion and possible action to approve the following line item transfers:

From:	001-1120-6403	Repairs and Maintenance of Vehicle	400
	001-1120-6402	Repairs and Maintenance of Equipment	950
	001-1120-6014	Equipment Rental	700
To:	001-1120-6205	Materials and Supplies	1,550
	001-1120-6005	Postage	500

Honorable Hector Liendo, Justice of the Peace Pct. 1 Pl. 1

Item No. 39. Discussion and possible action to approve the following line item transfer:

From:	001-1040-6022	Professional Services	300
To:	001-1040-6010	Books & Subscriptions	300

Cmr. Sciaraffa motioned to approve items 38 and 39 as submitted. Cmr. Martinez seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

Honorable Ruben Reyes, Constable Pct. 2

Item No. 40. Discussion and possible action to approve the following line item transfers:

From:	001-2503-6205	Material & Supplies	3,000
	001-2503-6007	Dues & Memberships	50
	001-2503-6011	Training & Education	99
To:	001-2503-6204	Fuel & Lubricants	3,000
	001-2503-6014	Equipment Rental	149

Cmr. Sciaraffa motioned to approve item as submitted. Cmr. Martinez seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

Honorable Martin Cuellar, Sheriff

Item No. 41. Discussion and possible action to approve the acceptance of a Texas Border Gang Prevention Coordination Assistance Program grant award (Grant #2311001) from the Office of the Governor Criminal Justice Division in the amount of \$387,091 for the implementation of juvenile gang prevention/intervention program; authorizing the County Judge to act as the authorized authority in all matters related to the grant; and to approve an exemption to the current County Wide hiring freeze to allow the Webb County Sheriff's Office to fill the following grant-funded slots to support the operations to support the overall operations of the grant project, effective March 1, 2010 to August 31, 2011. This grant will have no impact on the general fund.

Job Title	Hourly Rate
Counselor/Case Manager/Retention Specialist	\$12.28
Juvenile Services Coordinator	\$10.84
Outreach Worker/Gang Awareness Trainer	\$10.84
Project Leader	\$13.71

Cmr. Martinez motioned to approve item as submitted. Cmr. Sciaraffa seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

Item No. 42. Discussion and possible action to approve the following line item transfer:

From:	001-2060-6023-03	Contract Services Dimmit	23,000
To:	001-2060-5605	Special Travel	23,000

Cmr. Garza motioned to approve item as submitted. Cmr. Martinez seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

Item No. 43. Discussion and possible action to approve an intergovernmental agreement (IGA) for One (1) year (July 1, 2010-June 30, 2011) between Webb County and Corrections Corporation of America (CCA) for housing federal inmates in excess of the County Jail's available space. CCA shall pay Webb County an administrative fee of \$1.50 per inmate per day for services rendered under this IGA and authorizing the County Judge to sign all relevant documents.

Cmr. Martinez motioned to approve item as submitted. Judge Valdez seconded the motion.

Motion carried 3-2 with Cmr. Sciaraffa and Cmr. Tijerina voting against.

Administrative Services

Item No. 44. Discussion and possible action to extend Webb County's Agreement with Robert W. Lazarus & Associates, Inc. and RWL Benefits, Inc. d/b/a RWL Group for insurance consulting services for a period of time to be determined by Commissioner's Court for the amount of \$3,000.00 per month. Services to be provided include preparation of a request for services related to property and casualty insurance coverage and employee benefits such as employee enrollment/eligibility system, disease management, prescription drug network, claim administration service, w/c audit, P/C renewals, stop loss insurance matters and retiree Medicare supplement insurance as well as a possible proposal for group health and dental insurance coverage, and other matters incident thereto. Commissioners' Court is requested to grant an exemption to competitive bidding pursuant to Section 262.024, Texas Local Government Code and to authorize the Webb Judge to execute all relevant documents.

Item No. 45. Discussion and possible action to approve the receipt of Plan Year-End Forfeitures from National Plan Administrator, as per Internal Revenue Code Section 125, for years, 2004, 2007 and 2008 for a total amount of \$27,282.35.

Cmr. Martinez motioned to approve items 44 and 45 as submitted. Cmr. Tijerina seconded the motion.

Ms. Cynthia Mares, Administrative Services Director, asked that a extension time needed to given.

Cmr. Martinez amended his motion to include under item 44 the extension of sixty days. Cmr. Tijerina seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

Judge Valdez motioned to go into executive session. Cmr. Tijerina seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

(Closed Session/Executive Session 10:43 a.m. – 11:23 a.m.)

Item No. 73. Discussion and possible action to expand the professional services agreement with Mr. Steve Whitworth, Attorney at Law, to include services regarding comprehensive review of the license agreement between Webb County and L.I.F.E.; the legal implications of potential future uses of the property which is the subject of the L.I.F.E. license agreement including, but not limited to possible lease of the subject property to Laredo Race Park LLC, and any matters incident thereto, and to authorize the County Judge to execute any relevant documents. [Executive Session is requested pursuant to Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) and 551.072 (Deliberations About Real Property)]

Discussion on file at the Webb County Clerks Office under the June 14th Commissioner's Court meeting dvd.

Cmr. Martinez motioned to extend the agreement and to include looking at the possibility of what is our legal status in regards to the license agreement with LIFE Downs. Cmr. Tijerina seconded the motion.

Motion carried 3-2 with Cmr. Sciaraffa and Cmr. Garza voting against.

Item No. 74. Discussion, status report, and possible action regarding Civil Action No. L-05-CV-76; Luis Montes vs. Webb County, Texas, and Cynthia Mares; In the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas, Laredo Division. [Executive Session is requested pursuant to Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney)]

Mrs. Anna Laura Cavazos Ramirez, County Attorney, stated that Mr. Kyle Watson was consulted via telephone and he had advised that trial was set for August 9th before Judge Saldana; therefore, no action was needed at this time.

No action taken at this time.

Item No. 75. Discussion and possible action to retain counsel to represent Webb County in Cause No. 2010-CVQ-000296-D3; Good Government League, Cut Fat, Xavier Cantu, M.D., and Marissa Martinez vs. Webb County; In the 341st Judicial District Court of Webb County, Texas; and to take any other action pertaining to this lawsuit and related matters. [Executive Session is requested pursuant to Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney)]

Mrs. Anna Laura Cavazos Ramirez, County Attorney, stated that their office had a conflict with this matter and that no insurance coverage was available. She stated that her understanding was that the Court wanted to hire Mr. Jim Allison at no more than \$250 hourly rate.

Cmr. Sciaraffa motioned to hire Mr. Jim Allison at no more than \$250 hourly rate. Cmr. Martinez seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

Item No. 76. Discussion and possible action to assign a job title, job description, work assignment, working restrictions, and/or supervisor to employee, Fernando

Gonzalez, Jr., Slot no. 30, Department 101 (Commissioners Court); action may also include transferring the employee and slot to another department; and any other matters incident thereto. [Closed Session is requested pursuant to Texas Government Code Title 5, Subchapter D, Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) and 551.074 (Personnel Matters)]

Cmr. Martinez motioned to transfer slot no. 30 to the Tax Assessor's Office, be under the supervision of Ms. Patricia Barrera, and have the title be changed to Clerk. Cmr. Tijerina seconded the motion.

Motion carried 4-1 with Cmr. Sciaraffa voting against.

Item No. 77. Discussion and possible action to settle Bodily Injury claims involving Two (2) claimants, resulting from a collision between a Webb County vehicle and a vehicle being driven by Ignacio Godina on or about June 26, 2008. [Executive Session is requested pursuant to Texas Government Code Title 5, Subchapter D, Section 551.071 (Consolation with Attorney)]

Mrs. Anna Laura Cavazos Ramirez, County Attorney, recommended settlement for the two claimants which were Mr. Godina at \$8500 and Ms. Lopez not to exceed \$9500.

Cmr. Garza motioned to approve recommendations made by Mrs. Anna Laura Cavazos Ramirez. Cmr. Sciaraffa seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

Community Action Agency

Item No. 46. Discussion and possible action to authorize the following changes in title, effective June 14, 2010. [Requested by Javier H. Martinez, Webb County Community Action Agency Director; Account #920-4200-5001]

	Slot #	Title	Salary
From:	2485	Field Inspector Assessor	\$9.00
To:	2485	Driver/Custodian	\$9.00
From:	1847	Driver/Custodian	\$10.00
To:	1847	Field Inspector Assessor	\$10.00

Item No. 47. Discussion and possible action to fill Slot #1809, Program Support Specialist full-time with benefits, at a salary rate of \$9.00 per hour, for the Comprehensive Energy Assistance Program effective June 15, 2010. No impact to the General Fund. [Requested by Javier H. Martinez, Webb County Community Action Agency Director; Account #911-4200-5001]

Economic Development

Item No. 48. Discussion and possible action to authorize the submission of a Rural Business Opportunity Grant (RBOG) Application to the U.S. Department of Agriculture-Rural Business and Cooperative Program that will propose the creation of a Webb County Rural Business Incubator Program to benefit colonia and rural communities in the amount of \$125,000.00; and authorizing the County Judge to act as the County's

Executive Officer and Authorized Representative in all matters pertaining to the County's participation in the Small Business Incubator Program. An in-kind match of \$25,000.00 in administration services provided by the Economic Development Department will have no financial impact on the County's general fund.

Item No. 49. Discussion and possible action to authorize the submission of a Housing Preservation Grant application to the United States Department of Agriculture - Rural Development in the amount of \$100,000.00; and authorizing the County Judge to act as the County's Executive Officer and Authorized Representative in all matters pertaining to the County's participation in the Housing Preservation Grant Program.

Item No. 50. Discussion and possible action to authorize the submission of an American Recovery and Reinvestment (ARRA) Special Vehicle and Equipment Initiative Program Application to the U.S. Department of Agriculture- Rural Development that will propose the acquisition of a law enforcement vehicle for Annette Munoz, Webb County Constable Pct. 3 in the amount of \$41,477; and authorizing the County Judge to act as the County's Executive Officer and Authorized Representative in all matters pertaining to the County's participation in the ARRA Special Vehicle and Equipment Initiative Program. A cash match of \$20,738.00 or 50% is required under this grant solicitation.

Cmr. Tijerina motioned to approve items 46, 47, 48, 49, and 50 as submitted. Cmr. Sciaraffa seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

El Cenizo Community Center

Item No. 51. Discussion and possible action to approve the following line item transfer:

From:	001-6101-6502	Janitorial Supplies	500
To:	001-6101-6219-2	Goods for Public Events	500

Cmr. Sciaraffa motioned to approve item as submitted. Cmr. Tijerina seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

Engineer

Item No. 52. Discussion and possible action to designate a funding source to fund as much as \$500,000.00, pending final construction cost for improvements consisting of slope improvements and modifications, slope stabilization and seeding, vegetation management, and erosion protection in response to TCEQ Dam Safety Inspection Program recommendations for Lake Casa Blanca dam. The work is contingent to TCEQ approval of final construction plans that are being prepared under a current contract.

Discussion on file at the Webb County Clerks Office under the June 14th Commissioner's Court meeting dvd.

Cmr. Martinez motioned to table the item. Judge Valdez seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

Item No. 53. Discussion and possible action to approve the following line item transfers for Webb County Water Utilities Department.

From:	801-3001-6402	Repairs and Maintenance Equipment	13,000
	801-3001-6048	License and Permits	5,000
	801-3002 6006	Advertising	1,000
	801-3002 6048	License and Permits	400
	801-3004-6007	Dues and Memberships	500
	801-3004-6014	Equipment Rental	1,000
		Total	20,900
To:	801-3001-6004	Telephone	3,000
	801-3001-6214	Chemicals	11,000
	801-3001-6014	Equipment Rental	1,000
	801-3002-6201	Utilities	5,900
		Total:	20,900

Cmr. Martinez motioned to approve item as submitted. Cmr. Sciaraffa seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

Item No. 54. Discussion and possible action to approve this department to contract a sanitary sewer line extension and service line and that funding be provided by another source given our lack of resources and funding for the cost of said work for a Sheriff Sub-Station in the City of Rio Bravo, Texas; the work requires the use of various equipment for excavation and concrete handling not available by the department. [Requested by Webb County Commissioner Frank Sciaraffa, Pct. 1]

Mr. Joe Lopez, Sheriff's Office, stated that the funding will be coming out of the forfeiture funds.

Cmr. Tijerina motioned to approve item as submitted. Cmr. Martinez seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

Item No. 55. Discussion and possible action to designate a funding source to lease or purchase a water tanker or tanker truck unit to transport potable water to a public water dispenser at the US 59 Colonias or alternatively to modify the rate and quantity, or hours and dispensing criteria structure as appropriate that could encourage that available quantities by the plant will target drinking and personal use water quantities, and any other matters incident thereto.

Cmr. Tijerina motioned to instruct Mr. Leo Flores, Mr. Fitzgerald Sanchez, and Mr. Juan Vargas to develop a study of the water dispensers, bring back the study to the court and identify a funding source for the \$150,000. Cmr. Martinez seconded the motion.

Motion carried 4-1 with Cmr. Garza voting against.

Head Start

Item No. 56. Discussion and possible action to approve the Program Improvement Plan developed based on information gathered during the Federal On-site Monitoring Review. [Requested by Aliza Oliveros, Webb County Head Start Director]

Cmr. Tijerina motioned to approve item as submitted. Cmr. Garza seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

La Presa Community Center

Item No. 57. Discussion and possible action to approve the following line item transfers:

From:	001-6115-6402	Repairs & Maintenance Equipment	500
	001-6115-6205	Materials & Supplies	500
	001-6115-6502	Janitorial Supplies	300
To:	001-6115-6204	Fuel & Lubricants	1,300

Cmr. Tijerina motioned to approve item as submitted. Judge Valdez seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

Management Information Systems

Item No. 58. Discussion and possible action to approve an exemption to the current Countywide hiring freeze and to allow the M.I.S. Department to fill the following full-time Slot at the budgeted rate effective June 15, 2010. This Slot is part of the General Order of Positions for FY 2009-2010. [Requested by Jaime F. Alvarado, Webb County MIS Director; Account #008-0101-5001 (Payroll)]

Slot #	Title	Hourly Rate
640	Records Management Specialist II	up to \$17.55

Planning

Item No. 59. Discussion and possible action to approve a "Certificate of No Plat Required" pursuant to the exemption provisions of Section XVI.1A (5) of the Webb County Subdivision Regulations to a 273.33 acre tract of land, more or less, located within Survey, 106, Abstract 3096, Jose Dovalina Original Grantee, as requested by Dr. George V. Garcia M.D.; issue a certificate pursuant to Section 242.001(h) of the Texas Local Government Code; accept, by separate instrument, the dedication of approximately 2.66 acres consisting of the existing prescriptive easement and additional ROW of the Las Tiendas Road fronting said subdivision as needed to bring road into compliance with minimum Webb County road standards; said dedication to be accepted by the County in exchange for the relocation of the existing fence at County expense and at such time as Webb County deems it necessary for public purposes; and authorization for the County Judge to sign all relevant documents contingent upon compliance with staff comments in the agenda back-up.

Item No. 60. Discussion and possible action to issue a "Certificate of Compliance with Plat

Requirements Regarding the Connection of Utilities” pursuant to 232.028, L.G.C. and authorize an electrical service connection pursuant to Section 232.029 (b), L.G.C. to the following properties:

1. An unplatted 0.6202 acre tract known as Tract B-1W Tanquecitos, Phase II, being an unplatted/unrecorded subdivision, as more particularly described in Vol. 2446, Pgs. 222-224 Webb County Deed Records. Approval is limited to one dwelling only (limited to a total of two dwellings unless replatted).

Staff recommends the Court’s approval contingent upon receipt of the Premise Report from the City of Laredo Health Department evidencing the decommissioning of existing septic systems.

Public Defender

Item No. 61. Discussion and possible action for approval of the following line item transfer.

From:	001-1102-5602	Local Mileage	500
To:	001-1102-6204	Fuel & Lubricants	500

Mr. Jaime Alvarado, MIS Director, stated that under item 58 the title should be Records Management Specialist not Records Management Specialist II.

Cmr. Tijerina motioned to approve items 58 with correction, 59, 60 and 61. Cmr. Sciaraffa seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

Purchasing

Item No. 62. Discussion and possible action to purchase the Commodity Code List for Purchasing Department, pursuant to Section 271.101, and 271.102, Subchapter F., Cooperative Purchasing Program, Texas Local Government Code from Periscope in the amount of \$9,162.76 and to approve the software modification to be done by New World Systems at a cost of \$1,980.00. [Requested by Dr. Cecilia May Moreno, Webb County Purchasing Agent Account (General Fund) #001-0600-6205, #001-0600-6022]

Cmr. Sciaraffa motioned to approve item as submitted. Cmr. Martinez seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

Item No. 63. Discussion and possible action to authorize the Webb County Purchasing Agent to solicit bids for the completion of a land survey and fair market appraisal for the Ten (10) acre tract property to be purchased near the existing water facility in Las Lomas on HWY 59 to be identified by the Webb County Engineering Department, and any matters incident hereto. [Requested by Juan Vargas, Webb County Economic Development Director; Fund #709]

Item No. 64. Discussion and possible action to award Bid No. 2010-30 “Video Surveillance Cameras for the Webb County Justice Center” (to the lowest and best bidder) for the Webb County Sheriff’s Department; and any other matters incident thereto. [Requested by Martin Cuellar, Webb County Sheriff]

Item No. 65. Discussion and possible action to approve the following line item transfer:

From:	001-0600-6205	Materials & Supplies	62
To:	001-0600-6202	Uniforms	62

[Requested by Dr. Cecilia May Moreno, Webb County Purchasing Agent; Account #001-0600-6205]

Item No. 66. Discussion and possible action to award Bid 2010-71 "Annual Contract Improvements for Water and Wastewater House to Line Connections", to Chavarría Plumbing. [Requested by Dr. Cecilia May Moreno, Webb County Purchasing Agent; Grant Fund #710, #507, #675 & #636]

Dr. Cecilia Moreno, Purchasing Agent, stated that on item 63 it should be to acquire land survey and fair market appraisal for the Ten (10) acre tract property to be purchased near the existing water facility in Las Lomas on HWY 59. She asked to table item 64 being that she had not heard from the Sheriff's Department. Mr. Joe Lopez, Sheriff's Office, stated that under item 64 the lowest bidder had pulled out and that he was asking to award the bid to the second lowest qualified bidder which was Convergent Technologies Inc. Mr. Lopez stated that the additional funding will come from contract services and forfeiture funds.

Com. Martinez motioned to approve item 63 with its changes, 64 to reflect the second lowest qualified bidder being Convergent Technologies Inc., 65, and 66. Com. Sciaraffa seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

Item No. 67. Discussion and possible action to award ITB 2010-31 Mario Torres, 2010-32 Remigio Cisneros-2010-33 Alicia Navarro and Juan Cedillo 2010-34, Self Help Center houses, to the following contractors;

ITB 2010-31	Mario Torres	AA Builders	\$29,350.91
ITB 2010-32	Remigio Cisneros	JCI Enterprises	\$29,525.00
ITB 2010-33	Alicia Navarro	Laredo Artistic Builders	\$23,335.00
ITB 2010-34	Juan Cedillo	Laredo Artistic Builders	\$28,263.00

[Requested by Alice Garcia, Webb County Self-Help Center Director]

Com. Tijerina motioned to approve item as submitted. Com. Sciaraffa seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

Item No. 68. Discussion and possible action to purchase the One (1) HP Printer with a Three (3) year extended service agreement for Planning Department, pursuant to Section 271.101, and 271.102, Subchapter F., Cooperative Purchasing Program, Texas Local Government Code from CDW-G, DIR SDD-1364, in the amount of \$7,519.20. [Requested by Rhonda Tiffin, Webb County Planning Director; Account #010-2202-8405 (Road & Bridge Funds)]

Item No. 69. Discussion and possible action to purchase CT-4A/B Audio Video Digital Recording System from Jefferson Audio Video Systems, Inc., to grant an exemption to competitive bidding pursuant to Section 262.024, Texas Local Government Code, (a) 7 (Sole Source), for the 49th District Court, in the amount of \$49,686.73.

[Requested by Joe Lopez, Webb County 49th District Court Judge; Account #001-1001-1501]

Item No. 70. Discussion and possible action to accept the ARRA Weatherization Program assignments to the following contractors, and fourth series of homes for weatherization.

AA Builders & Border Insulation

- 1. Blanca Perez - 1814 Salinas
- 2. Alicia Romo – 525 Palencia
- 3. Anacleto Mendoza- 302 Coronado
- 4. Jose Luis Sanchez – 109 Larga Vista
- 5. Deanira Garcia – RR-5134 F. Mangana
- 6. Dora Villarreal – 23011 Mines Rd.
- 7. Concepcion Montemayor – 4519 Brea
- 8. Francisco Garza – 10215 Center Rd.
- 9. Richardo Villafranca – P.O. Box 17 -14 HN

Laredo Accurate

- 1. Maria Gutierrez- Rt. 3 Box 212 Hwy 359
- 2. Pedro A. Garza – 3811 San Dario
- 3. Marilu Garza – 2595 Jackson
- 4. Marion Ornelas – 5010 Ceros

Marion Services LLC on

- 1. Lydia Garcia – 406 Amhurst
- 2. Belia T. Gutierrez – 2020 Davis Ave
- 3. Irma Cortez – 4534 Christine Ln
- 4. Gerardo Garcia Jr. – 702 Lane
- 5. Ricardo Saucedo – 477 Spuce Ln.
- 6. Ernesto Adams – 604 E. Travis
- 7. Eduardo Castillo – 1413 E. San Carlos Rear
- 8. Rosa Maria Aboytz – 115 W. Calton Rd. Lot 8
- 9. Maria M. Guzman – 508 Boston
- 10. Andrea Ortiz – 1003 Eden Lane

Zertuche Construction

- 1. Martha Garza – 2305 Irland
- 2. Maria Aguilar – 3820 Santa Isabel
- 3. Gerardo Pina – 1304 Espejo Molina
- 4. Abigail Valdez – 1304 Espejo Molina

Marion Services LLC & Border Insulation

- 1. Elida De Anda- 4101 Vidaurr
- 2. Everardo Sibrian – 3010 San Eduardo
- 3. Sonia A. Cuellar – 3307 Saint Kathryn

[Requested by Javier Martinez, Webb County Community Action Agency Director; (ARRA Funds)]

Cmr. Sciaraffa motioned to approve items 68, 69, and 70 as submitted. Cmr. Martinez seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

Item No. 71. Discussion and possible action to award RFP Contract Number CSJ: 0922-33-123, CSJ: 0922-33-124 & CSJ: 0922-33-126 ARRA Project to Civil Engineering Consultants following the second step evaluation process, upon concurrence from TXDOT. [Requested by Dr. Cecilia May Moreno, Webb County Purchasing Agent; (ARRA Funds)]

Rio Bravo Community Center

Item No. 72. Discussion and possible action to approve the following line item transfer:

From :	001-6305-6201	Utilities	5,000
To:	001-6105-6201	Utilities	5,000

Cmr. Tijerina motioned to approve items 71 and 72 as submitted. Cmr. Sciaraffa seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.

Item No. 78. Adjourn

Cmr. Sciaraffa motioned to adjourn. Judge Valdez seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0 by unanimous consent.