

LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL



AGENDA

MEETING OF THE LRGVDC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Notice is hereby provided that the LRGVDC Board of Directors will hold a Regular

IN-PERSON Meeting at 301 W. Railroad St. Weslaco, Texas

Wednesday, October 29, 2025, at 12:00 P.M

Provide the public with the ability to view the meeting via the

Internet Live-streaming at: [LRGVDC COG - YouTube](#)

Presiding: Mayor Norie Gonzalez Garza, President

Item #1: Call to Order

- A. Roll Call
- B. Invocation
- C. Pledge of Allegiance

Item #2: Consideration and ACTION to Approve September 24, 2025, Minutes.....President

Item #3: Public Comment

Item #4: Administration.....Manuel Cruz
Executive Director

1. Presentation and consideration for ACTION to approve a Participation Agreement between the Texas County & District Retirement System (TCDRS) and the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council (LRGVDC) as detailed in the Plan Agreement, pursuant to Section 391.005(b)(4)(B) of the Texas Local Government Code, Chapter 391 Regional Planning Commissions, with an effective date of January 1, 2026.....
.....Kristina Fox, TCDCRS
Employer Services Rep.
2. Presentation on Proposition 1 The Technical Institution Infrastructure Fund (TIIF).....Eladio Jaimez
Associate Provost TSTC
3. Consideration and ACTION to approve the resolution supporting an educational campaign regarding Proposition 4.....Saul Garcia
Hidalgo County Pct.1

4. Consideration and **ACTION** to Adopt Annual Investment Policy and Accept Quarterly Investment Report.....Crystal Balboa
Finance Director
5. Consideration and **ACTION** for approval and adoption of the revised LRGVDC Procurement Policies and Procedures Manual, Version 3, revised as of October 2025.....Felipe Lopez
Assistant Director
6. Consideration and **ACTION** to approve award and enter into agreement with Total Lawn Care (TLC) for Lawn and Landscapes Services.....Felipe Lopez
Assistant Director
7. Consideration and **ACTION** to Appoint Board Designee and Alternate to Texas Association of Regional Councils (TARC).....Manuel Cruz
Executive Director

B. Executive Director Report

1. Introduction of New Staff Members
2. Updates on Regional News, Funding Opportunities, Training, and Legislation

Item #5: Department Reports

- A. Community & Economic DevelopmentMelisa Gonzalez-Rosas
Director

1. Consideration and **ACTION** to approve amending the Economic Development Advisory committee (EDAC) Bylaws, under Article IV: Membership.
2. Consideration and **ACTION** for approval for LRGVDC to accept Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) Rider PM 2.5 Local Air Quality 2026-2027 grant funds.

Program Status Reports

- Economic Development Administration
- Regional Small Cities Coalition
- Community & Economic Development Assistance Fund
- Solid Waste Management Program
- Water Quality Program
- Regional Water Resource Advisory Committee
- Rio Grande Regional Water Planning Group (Region M)
- Reservoir Levels

- B. Health & Human Services.....Margarita Lopez
Director

1. Consideration and **ACTION** to approve the recommendation to obtain the GUIDE Contract, which will generate a new, sustainable revenue stream and support caregivers of Medicare participants living with Alzheimer's and Dementia through comprehensive respite services, education and care navigation.

Program Status Reports

- Direct Consumer Services
- Care Coordination Services
- Senior Subrecipient & Senior Center Operations
- Home Delivered and Congregate Meal Program
- Special Services
- Care Transition Program
- Ombudsman Program
- Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC)
- Housing Navigator
- Special Initiatives Report
- Information Referral and Assistance

C. Public Safety.....Manuel Cruz
Executive Director

Criminal Justice & Homeland Security.....Cesar Merla
Assistant Director

1. Consideration and **ACTION** to approve the Homeland Security Advisory Committee (HSAC) Policies, Procedures and Scoring Criteria for FY2026-2027 Grant Cycle.
2. Consideration and **ACTION** to approve the Homeland Security Advisory Committee (HSAC) Bylaws and Membership Roster for FY 2026-2027 Grant Cycle.
3. Consideration and **ACTION** to approve the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee (CJAC) Policies, and Procedures and Scoring Criteria for FY 2026-2027 Grant Cycle.
4. Consideration and **ACTION** to approve the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee (CJAC) Bylaws and Membership Roster for FY 2026-2027 Grant Cycle.

Program Status Reports

- Committee Meetings: Criminal Justice, Homeland Security and Regional Response Group
- Local Emergency Safety & Planning Meeting within Cameron and Hidalgo Counties.
- Communication with Regional Preparedness with State Counterparts.

Police Academy Program.....Javier Solis
Assistant Director

Program Status Reports

- Inservice Courses
- Officers Trained
- Contact Hours

Rio Grande Valley Emergency Communication District..... Dennis Moreno
Assistant Director

Program Status Reports

- GIS Division
- 9-1-1 Information Technology
- Community Engagement Division

D. Transportation Valley Metro.....Nancy Sanchez
Project Manager I

1. Consideration and **ACTION** to approve the updated Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan for Valley Metro.
2. Consideration and **ACTION** to Approve contract award for Bulk Diesel, DEF and Fluids for LRGVDC Valley Metro Transit Operations.
3. Consideration and **ACTION** to Approve entering into a building lease agreement between the Edinburg Economic Development Corporation (EEDC) and the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council (LRGVDC)- Valley Metro for the Edinburg Transit Terminal 1st floor.

Valley Metro Status Reports

- Ridership Report

Rio Grande Valley MPO.....Michael Medina
Executive Director

RGVMPO Status Reports

Item #6 New & Unfinished Business

Item #7 Adjourn

Next Meeting
December 10, 2025

Agenda items may be considered, deliberated, and/or acted upon in a different order than those numbered above. The Board of Directors of the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council reserves the right to adjourn into an Executive (Closed) session at any time during this meeting to discuss any of the items listed on this agenda as authorized by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapters 551.071, 551.072, 551.074, and 551.075, Texas Government Code. No final action will be taken in the Executive Session.

PUBLIC INPUT POLICY:

At the beginning of each LRGVDC meeting, the LRGVDC will allow for an open public forum/comment period. This comment period shall not exceed one-half (1/2) hour, and each speaker will be allowed a maximum of three (3) minutes to speak. All individuals desiring to address the LRGVDC must sign up to do so, before the open comment period. The purpose of this comment period is to provide the public with an opportunity to address issues or topics under the jurisdiction of the LRGVDC. For issues or topics that are not otherwise part of the posted agenda for the meeting, LRGVDC members may direct staff to investigate the issue or topic further. No action or discussion shall be taken on issues or topics which are not part of the posted agenda for the meeting. Members of the public may be recognized on the posted agenda items deemed appropriate by the Chair as these items are considered, and the same 3minute