

# LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL



## AGENDA VIRTUAL MEETING OF THE LRGVDC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

LRGVDC Main Campus, 301 W. Railroad Street, Building B

Weslaco, TX 78596

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Wednesday, October 28, 2020, 12:00 Noon

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Presiding: President Jim Darling  
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### **Item #1: Call to Order**

- A. Roll Call
- B. Invocation
- C. Pledge of Allegiance
- D. In Memoriam – Mayor Pro-tem Jesse Zuniga, La Feria

**Item #2: Consideration and ACTION to Approve Meeting Minutes (September 30, 2020) ..... President**

**Item #3: Public Comment and/or Report from Legislative Delegation**

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

**A. Presentation on Updates from the Texas Workforce Commission ... Julian Alvarez  
TWC Commissioner**

**B. Consideration and ACTION to Adopt Annual Investment Policy and Accept Quarterly Investment Report ..... Crystal Balboa  
Finance Director**

**C. Consideration and ACTION to Approve Contract for Landscaping..... Rick Carrera  
Business Operations Director**

**D. Executive Director Report**

**ACTION MAY BE TAKEN ON ANY OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS**

LRGVDC Updates & Activities

1. Introduction of New Staff Members and Announcement of Promotions
2. It's Time Texas (Melissa Garcia, RGV Regional Manager)
3. Census 2020
4. Texas Association of Regional Councils (TARC) Updates
5. RGV Day at the Capitol
6. Upcoming 87<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session

**Item #5: Department Reports**

- **Community & Economic Development..... Rick Carrera  
Director**

Program Action Items:

1. Consideration and **ACTION** to Approve Texas State University to Provide Professional Services to Update the Solid Waste Management Plan (SWMP) and Authorize the Executive Director to Enter into an Interlocal Agreement for these Services.

Program Status Reports:

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

▪ **Health & Human Services** ..... **Jose L. Gonzalez**  
**Director**

Program Action Item:

1. Consideration and **ACTION** to Add Vendors (Contractors) to Vendor Pool
2. Consideration and **ACTION** to Authorize Executive Director Manuel Cruz to Sign all Documents Related to Community Development Block Grant Funding

Program Status Reports:

- Medicare Open Enrollment Period

▪ **Public Safety** ..... **Randall Snyder**  
**Director**

Program Status Reports:

- Criminal Justice Program
- Homeland Security Program
- 9-1-1/Emergency Communications
  - Emergency Communication District Update
- Regional Police Academy

▪ **Transportation** ..... **Tom Logan, Valley Metro Director**  
**Andrew Canon, RGVMPPO Executive Director**

Program Action Item:

1. Consideration and **ACTION** to Authorize the Executive Director to Negotiate and Enter into an Interlocal Agreement with City of Edinburg for the Purpose of Establishing Valley Metro Microtransit Service

Program Status Reports:

- Valley Metro
  - Ridership Report
  - COVID-19 Precautionary Measures
  - Regional Transportation Advisory Panel (RTAP)
- Rio Grande Valley MPO

**Item #6: New or Unfinished Business**

**Item #7: Adjourn**

**\*REMINDER\***

*No Meeting in November*

Next Meeting Date:  
**Wednesday, December 9, 2020**  
**12:00 PM**

Agenda items may be considered, deliberated and/or acted upon in a different order than numbered above.

The Board of Directors of the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council reserves the right to adjourn into Executive (Closed) session at any time during the course of 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 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 in length and each speaker will be allowed a maximum of three (3) minutes to speak. All individuals desiring to address the LRGVDC must be signed up to do so prior to the open comment period. The purpose of this comment period is to provide the public an opportunity to address issues or topics that are under the jurisdiction of the LRGVDC. For issues or topics which 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 posted agenda items deemed appropriate by the Chair as these items are considered, and the same 3-minute time limitation applies.”