MEETING OF THE
LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

THURSDAY, MARCH 25, 2010 - 2:00 P.M.
LRGVDC TRANSPORTATION CENTER BOARD ROOM
510 S. PLEASANTVIEW DR., WESLACO, TEXAS

PRESIDING: COMMISSIONER JOHN INGRAM, PRESIDENT

1. Call to Order & Roll Call .................................................................President

2. Consider Approval RE: February 25, 2010 Meeting Minutes ........President

   ACTION ITEM

3. Administration ..................................................................................President

   A. Public Comment

   B. Consider Approval RE: 2009 Annual Productivity Report ..........President

      ACTION ITEM

   C. Consider Board Member Appointment to Fill
      Vacancy on Executive Committee..............................................President

      ACTION ITEM

   D. Consider Board Member Appointment to Represent LRGVDC
      on Texas Association of Regional Council Board of Directors........President

      ACTION ITEM
4. TRACS Report from Professional Advisory Review Panel (PARP) ............ Oscar Cuellar Committee Chairman

**BOARD ACTION REQUIRED FOR THE FOLLOWING APPLICATIONS**

A. PARP Meeting of March 10, 2010

1. Rio Grande Valley Council, Inc. – Strengthening Opportunities to Adapt to Reentry (SOAR) Program
   $400,000.00 ................................................................. DHHS

2. Town of Combes – Armadillo Road Park
   $103,335.00 ................................................................. TPWD

3. City of La Feria – Outdoor Park Grant
   $1,000,000.00 ................................................................. TPWD

4. City of Los Fresnos – Los Fresnos Community Park Improvements
   $498,736.00 ................................................................. TPWD

5. County of Hidalgo Community Service Agency – The Rio Grande Valley RSVP
   $218,767.00 ................................................................. CNCS

6. South Texas College – STC CAMP Program
   $2,042,670.00 ................................................................. DOE

7. Texas A&M University – Colonias High School Equivalency Program
   $1,979,456.00 ................................................................. DOE

8. City of La Feria – Community Facilities Loan & Grant Program
   $3,000,000.00 ................................................................. USDA

9. Texas State Technical College – TSTC-Harlingen CAMP Program
   $465,300.00 ................................................................. DOE

10. Texas State Technical College – TSTC-Harlingen HEP Program
    $494,962.00 ................................................................. DOE

B. Consider PARP Recommendation RE: Appointment of Officers

**ACTION ITEM**
5. Report from Area Agency on Aging ....................................................... Jose L. Gonzalez
   Director
   A. Act Upon Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council Recommendation
      1. Consider Approval RE: Additional Vendor to the
         Direct Purchased Service Pool
   
   ACTION ITEM

B. Program Status Report
   1. Network of Care Website to be Launched

6. Report from Economic Development Department................................. Terrie Salinas
   Director
   A. Economic Development Administration (EDA)
      1. Status on B-HIT Premier Training Conference
         a. Economic Development & Emergency Management Conference
            1. Confirmed Speakers and Presentations
            2. List of Confirmed Sponsors and Vendors
            3. Special Invitation for Public Officials & City Managers
         
         Disaster Resilient Communities
      
      3. Status on Economic Development Grant Administration Projects

B. Small Business Administration (SBA)
   1. Status on Financial Literacy Program “MoneyWise”

C. Regional Strategic Plan
   1. Timeline Status
7. Report from Transportation Department ..................................................... Manuel Flores
   Director
   
   A. Rural and Urban Transit System
      
      1. Consider Approval RE: Implementation of Seatbelt Policy
         
         ACTION ITEM
         
      2. Consider Approval RE: Implementation of DOT Physical Exam Policy
         
         ACTION ITEM
         
      3. Consider Approval RE: Hidalgo County Rio Metro Routes Fare Reduction
         
         ACTION ITEM
         
      4. Program Status Report
         
         a. Report on Ridership
         

8. Reports from Regional Planning & Services ........................................ Marcie Oviedo
   Director
   
   A. Natural Resources
      
      1. Water Resources
         
         a. Program Status Reports
            1. Rio Grande Regional Water Planning Group Activity
            2. Rio Grande Regional Water Authority (RGRWA)
         
      2. Solid Waste Management
         
         a. Program Status Report
            1. Solid Waste Program Activity
B. HUD Disaster Recovery Funding

1. Ratification of Executive Committee Action RE: Time Extension and Revision of Current SOQ Process and Board Consideration of Detailed Revisions for Web Posting ............... Victor Morales
   Procurement Director

2. Round 1 Funding Status

9. Homeland Security .................................................................................................. Manuel Cruz
   Director

   A. Report from Homeland Security

      1. Status Reports

         a. FY 2007 SHSP/LETTP/UA/COG Planning
         b. FY 2008 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP)
         c. FY 2009 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP)
         d. FY 2010 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP)
         e. Regional Communications
         f. FY 2008 Interoperable Communications Grant Program (IECGP)
         g. FY 2009 Interoperable Communications Grant Program (IECGP)
         h. Citizen Corps Program (CCP)

B. Criminal Justice Program

   1. Program Status Reports

      a. CJD Planning
      b. Justice Assistance Grant (Federal)

C. Metropolitan Medical Response System Steering Committee (MMRSSC)

   1. Status Reports

      a. FY 2008 MMRS/COG Planning
      b. FY 2009 MMRS/COG Planning
10.  9-1-1 Department .................................................................................................................. Juan Gomez
      Director
      A.  Program Status Reports
          1.  Database
          2.  Mapping
          3.  Addressing
          4.  PSAP

11.  Regional Police Academy and Training Center Report ................................. Paul Williams
      Academy Coordinator/Director
      A.  Status Reports from Police Academy
          1.  In-Service Training
          2.  Basic Peace Officer Academy
          3.  Training Courses Presented
          4.  Activities of Interest

12.  Old or New Business ....................................................................................................... Ken Jones
      Executive Director
      A.  Reservoir Levels

13.  Adjourn

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 (LRGVDC) 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, 551.073, 551.074, and 551.075, Texas Government Code. No final action will be taken in Executive Session.

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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 Chairman as these items are considered, and the same time limitations (3 minutes) applies.”

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