AGENDA
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
LRGVDC Main Campus, Building B
301 W. Railroad Street
Weslaco, TX 78596

Wednesday, May 30, 2018
Ken Jones Executive Board Room

(IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING ANNUAL ELECTIONS MEETING SCHEDULED TO BEGIN AT 12:00 P.M.)

Presiding: Mayor Ambrosio “Amos” Hernandez, President

Item #1: Call to Order

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

Item #2: Consider Approval of Meeting Minutes (April 25, 2018)

ACTION ITEM

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

Item #4: Administration

A. Act on Recommendations from Nominating Committee.......................... Mayor Ambrosio Hernandez Committee Chair

1. Selection of Five (5) Persons for Election as Members-at-Large to the General Membership

ACTION ITEM

2. Selection of Three (3) Members-at-Large to be Elected to the 2018-2019 Board of Directors

ACTION ITEM
B. Executive Director Report

ACTION MAY BE TAKEN ON ANY OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS

1. Introduction of New Staff Members

LRGVDC Updates & Activities
2. RGV to DC 2018
3. RGV 2020 (CEDS)
4. 2018 Road to Recycling – Regional Tire Collection Project
5. 2020 Regional Census Taskforce
6. BikeShare RGV

Item #5: Department Reports

A. Economic Development

Economic Development Status Report ...................................................... Terrie G. Salinas, Director

- Status on Kari’s Law
- Status on Keeping PACE in Texas

Explore RGV Status Report ............................................................. Blanca Davila, Economic Development Specialist

- Status on Explore RGV Project

B. Community & Environmental Services

Community Development Status Report .............................................. Marcie Oviedo, Director

- HUD Disaster Recovery Housing Program

Environmental Resources Status Report

- Solid Waste Management Program
- Water Resources
  - Rio Grande Regional Water Planning Group (Region M)
  - Reservoir Levels
C. Health & Human Services

Area Agency on Aging (AAoA) Status Reports ....................................................... Jose L. Gonzalez, Director

- Annual Centenarian Recognition
- Medicare Improvement for Providers and Patients Act (MIPPA) Events

D. Public Safety

Criminal Justice Status Report .................................................................................. Manuel Cruz, Director

- Criminal Justice Division (CJD) Planning
- Computerized Criminal Justice History Compliance
- Regional Crime Victim’s Liaison Program

Emergency Communications Status Report ................................................................ Manuel Cruz, Director

1. Consider Approval to Purchase One (1) Vehicle for Emergency Communications/9-1-1 Division

   ACTION ITEM

- Location Validation Program
- Database Program
- Mapping Program
- System and Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) Operations Program
- Public Education/Training Program

Homeland Security Status Report .............................................................................. Manuel Cruz, Director

- Homeland Security Program & Funding Opportunity FY 2018
- Citizen Corps Program (CCP)/Preparedness
- FY 2017 Homeland Security Grant Program

Regional Police Academy Status Report ......................................................... Randall Snyder, Training Coordinator

- In-Service Training Hours Reported
- Basic Peace Officer Academy Cadets Enrolled
- June 2018 In-Service Schedule
- Basic Peace Officer Course Upcoming Academies
- Academy Graduation Dates
E. Transportation

Hidalgo County Metropolitan Planning Organization Status Report .......... Andrew Canon, Director

Valley Metro Status Report.................................................................Tom Logan, Director

1. Consider Approval to Purchase a Vehicle Lift

2. Consider Approval of Revisions to Vehicle Maintenance & Facility Maintenance Policy

3. Recognition of PSJA Southwest Marketing for RTAP Marketing Plan

   • Ridership Report
   • Regional Transportation Advisory Panel (RTAP) Activity

Item #7: New or Unfinished Business

Item #8: Passing of the Gavel

Item #9: Adjourn

*REMINDER*

Next Meeting Date:
Wednesday, June 27, 2018

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.”
ITEM #2.

MINUTES
Vice President Norma Garcia called the meeting to order at 12:01 p.m. Roll call was taken and a quorum was declared.

The Vice President then moved to item 2: Consider Approval of Meeting Minutes (March 28, 2018).

Mr. Ronald Mills made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mayor David Suarez seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.

Vice President Garcia then moved to item 3: Public Comment and/or Report from Legislative Delegation and recognized young Mr. Joel Chavarin, Student Council Representative for Rodriguez Elementary in Harlingen CISD. Mr. Chavarin is in the 5th grade and stated that he and his class were present to observe government in action and to voice their support for the programs the LRGVDC oversees.

The Vice President then moved to item 4: Administration

A. Consider Approval of Quarterly Investment Report.
   Executive Director Ron Garza was recognized and gave the Quarterly Investment Report.
   Mayor Jim Darling made a motion to approve the Quarterly Investment Report. Mr. Ronald Mills seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.

B. Presentation Texas Gas Services Energy Efficiency Program Updates
   Ms. Haley Cunningham, Energy Efficiency Program Manager was recognized and provided an update on this program that included an overview, program highlights from 2017, 2018 budget progress, and upcoming education and outreach activities. No action needed.

C. Presentation on Texas Gas Service Cost of Service Adjustment Filing
   Ms. Stacey McTaggart, Director of Rates and Regulatory was recognized and gave a presentation on the Cost of Service Adjustment Filing (COSA) that explained the reason for this annual adjustment. The deadline for cities to take action on the COSA is July 28, 2018 and COSA increase will be in place in August 2018.

D. Consider Approval for LRGVDC Staff to Coordinate with Valley Cities Gas Coalition (VCGC) on Upcoming Texas Gas Services Cost of Services Adjustment (COSA) Filing
Mayor Jim Darling made a motion to approve LRGVDC staff to coordinate with the VCGC on the upcoming COSA filing. Mr. Gilbert Ortiz seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously. Mayor Jim Darling stated that City of McAllen Attorney Kevin Pagan has offered to be the point of contact for the VCGC again this year.

E. Executive Director Report

1. Staff Recognition for Years of Service
   Vice President Garcia was honored to present LRGVDC staff members with awards recognizing 5, 10, 15, 20, and 25 years of service. A special mention was made for Ms. Anna M. Hernandez, recently retired Director of Human Resources, who served the LRGVDC for 40 years.

2. Introduction of New Staff Members
   Mr. Garza introduced:
   - Carlos Saldana, Vehicle Maintenance, Valley Metro
   - Victor Zuniga, Vehicle Driver II, Valley Metro
   - Juan A. Hernandez, Vehicle Driver II, Valley Metro
   - Guadalupe Saldivar, Vehicle Technician II, Valley Metro
   - James Salazar, Vehicle Driver II
   The Board warmly welcomed our new employees to the LRGVDC.

3. Consider Meeting Date for 2018 Nominating Committee
   Commissioner Danny Guzman made a motion to schedule the Nominating Committee meeting on Wednesday, May 16 at 12:00 noon at Arturo’s Restaurant in Weslaco. Mayor David Suarez seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.

4. Consider Approval of 2017 Annual Productivity Report
   Mr. Garza stated that almost every benchmark set in the 2017 Annual Work Program was achieved and is recorded in the 2017 Annual Productivity Report. Mr. Paul Hernandez made a motion to approve the 2017 Annual Productivity Report as presented. Mayor Pro-tem Norie Gonzalez Garza seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.

LRGVDC Updates & Activities

5. Consider Approval to Form Census 2020 Ad Hoc Committee
   Staff recommends the name of this group to be “Census 2020 Regional Taskforce”. This taskforce will meet at least quarterly and develop a regional calendar to ensure all entities move through the phases of the census timeline together and share best practices. In coordination with the US Census Bureau the group has scheduled the next meeting on May 10. Mr. Garza emphasized that the Census 2020 Regional Taskforce is a resource and sources of technical assistance for all 43 cities, all counties and all other categories of complete count committees in the RGV. Upon conclusion of discussion Mayor Henry Hinojosa made a motion to approve forming the Census 2020 Regional Taskforce. Commissioner Danny Guzman seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.
6. RGV 2020 (CEDS)

- **Focus Group Outcomes**
  Mr. Garza stated that the RGV 2020 (CEDS) process is going very well. Focus groups for education and the private sector met and staff has garnered a tremendous amount of valuable information from this process.

- **Steering Committee Representative – College Category**
  The previously mentioned focus group session centered on education, and it was the consensus of those present to include newly appoint Texas Southmost College President Dr. Jesus Rodriguez on the committee to represent junior colleges. Mr. Garza asked the Board to consider approving this recommendation. **Mr. Richard Sanchez made a motion to approve Dr. Jesus Rodriguez of Texas South Most College as a member of the RGV 2020 (CEDS) Steering Committee. Mayor Henry Hinojosa seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.**

7. 2018 RGV to DC

Mr. Sergio Contreras, RGV Partnership Executive Director was recognized and informed the Board that the 2018 RGV to DC trip is scheduled for June 11-14, 2018, the Legislative Tour of the RGV is scheduled for January 24, 2019, and that the next RGV Day at the Capitol is scheduled for February 5, 2019. Mr. Contreras stated that these events are being coordinated in partnership with the LRGVDC.

8. Explore RGV

- **RFP Selection**
  Mr. Garza provided an update on the results for the previously approved Request for Proposals (RFP) process for a company to develop a website, an app, and social media awareness for the Explore RGV project. Six (6) qualified bids were received and RG Vision has been awarded this project. A launch party for Explore RGV will happen near the end of this summer.

- **Photo Contest Winner**
  A photo contest was developed to create awareness of the Explore RGV project. The LRGVDC Executive Committee judged photos in four (4) difference categories; the winners are as follows:
    - Attractions & Entertainment: Jose Castillo
    - Museums & Culture: Tony Garza
    - Outdoors & Recreation: Richard Loya
    - Shopping: April M. Vallejo
  The RGV Partnership has awarded prize packs valued at $75.00 to each winner.

Upon conclusion of Administration items, Vice President Garcia moved to item 5: Department Reports.

A. Economic Development

Ms. Terrie Salinas, Economic Development Director was recognized to address the following:
1. Consider Approval of City of Palmview’s Membership Nomination to the Regional Small Cities Coalition (RSCC)

Mayor Henry Hinojosa made a motion to approve Palmview’s Membership to the RSCC. Mayor David Suarez seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.

- Keeping PACE in Texas
  Ms. Salinas introduced Ms. Charlene Heydinger, Executive Director for Keeping PACE in Texas who gave a presentation titled “Advancing PACE (Property Assessed Clean Energy) in the LRGVDC”.

B. Community & Environmental Services

Community Development Status Report
Director Marcie Oviedo stated that the status report on the HUD Disaster Recovery Housing Program, and the Solid Waste Management Program were in the meeting packet for review.

Environmental Resources Status Report
Mayor Jim Darling urged all entities that provide municipal water to include their water management strategies in the Rio Grande Regional Water Plan in order to avoid having to make costly amendments to qualify for funding from the Texas Water Development Board. Ms. Oviedo added that the Region M Water Planning Group will advertise for two vacancies in the near future.

C. Health & Human Services

Area Agency on Aging Status Reports

1. Consider Approval of Memorandum of Understanding with the Health and Human Services Commission RE: Community Partner Program
Director Joe Gonzalez informed the Board that the purpose of this MOU is to address the online Community-based application assistance services under the YourTexasBenefits.com website. This is one of the deliverables under the Aging and Disabilities Resource Center (RIO-Net ADRC). Commissioner Pilar Garza made a motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the Health and Human Services Commission RE: Community Partner Program as presented. Judge Aurelio Guerra seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously. Upon conclusion of action Mr. Gonzalez noted that the status report on the Community Development Block Grant Presentations and the New Community Center to Provide Congregate Meals was in the meeting packet for review. He also announced that this years’ Centenarian Celebration is scheduled on May 3 at the Weslaco Community Center.

D. Public Safety
Vice President Garcia next recognized Public Safety Director Manuel Cruz to address the following items:
Criminal Justice Program Status Reports

   Mr. Cruz informed the Board that applications were submitted to the Office of the Governor’s Criminal Justice Division on February 20 and that the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee (CJAC) met April 11-12 to review, score, and rank both the JAG and JJDP grant applications. He stated that CJAC recommends full funding for all nineteen (19) of the JAG applications and all eleven (11) of the JJDP applications. Mr. Garza added that many times there are funding overages, so using the strategy of recommending full funding for all applications received will provide all applicants with the opportunity to receive any potential extra funds. **Commissioner Pilar Garza made a motion to approve the JAG and JJDP resolutions and full funding of all nineteen (19) JAG applications and all eleven (11) JJDP applications as recommended by the CJAC. Mayor Jim Darling seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.**

   Mr. Cruz informed the Board that applications were submitted to the Office of the Governor’s Criminal Justice Division on February 20 and that the CJAC met April 11-12 to review, score and rank both the VAWA and VOCA grant applications. CJAC recommends full funding for all six (6) VAWA applications and all twenty-three (23) VOCA applications. There were some questions and discussion regarding the ranking method that the CJAC employs to prioritize these applications, and it was determined that this process will be included in the next Board Member Orientation scheduled for June 27 at 11:00 a.m. Upon conclusion of discussion **Commissioner David Fuentes made a motion to approve the VAWA and VOCA resolutions and full funding of all six (6) VAWA applications and all twenty-three (23) VOCA applications as recommended by the CJAC. Mr. Paul Hernandez seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.** Upon conclusion of action Vice President Garcia noted that the status reports on the Public Safety Departments were in the meeting packets for review.

E. Transportation

Hidalgo County Metropolitan Planning Organization Status Report
Andrew Canon, Director of the HCMPO, was recognized and gave a brief presentation on the success of the 8th Annual Walk n Rolla event that took place on April 21 in Edinburg.

Valley Metro Status Report
Program Director Tom Logan was recognized and gave the status of ridership for Valley Metro.
Vice President Garcia next moved to item 7. – New or Unfinished Business; there being no further business to come before the Board Mr. Eddy Gonzalez made a motion to adjourn; Commissioner David Fuentes seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 1:16 pm.

ATTEST:

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Hon. Norma G. Garcia, 1st Vice President

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Deborah Morales, Recording Secretary
ITEM #4. A.

ADMINISTRATION

NOMINATING COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS
Item #4: Administration

A. Act on Recommendations from
Nominating Committee................................................Mayor Ambrosio Hernandez
Committee Chair

1. Selection of Five (5) Persons for Election as Members-at-Large to the General Membership

The Nominating Committee recommends the following five (5) persons for election as Members-at-Large to the General Membership:

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**Item #4: Administration**

A. Act on Recommendations from  
Nominating Committee................................................Mayor Ambrosio Hernandez  
Committee Chair

2. Selection of Three (3) Members-at-Large to be Elected to the 2018-2019  
Board of Directors

The Nominating Committee recommends the following individuals to fill the three (3) At-large seats on the Board of Directors for 2018-2019:

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ACTION ITEM
ITEM #4. B.

ADMINISTRATION EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT
ITEM #5. A.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
Item #5: Department Reports

A. Economic Development

Economic Development Status Report ........................................Terrie G. Salinas, Director

- Status on Kari’s Law

In February of this year Kari’s Law became an official law in the entire United States (a copy of the news article is attached). This event has brought national support and attention to Kari’s Law including the efforts being made by the LRGVDC in educating the public and our local businesses. Beginning this year, staff has been in the field contacting businesses to make sure they are in compliance with Kari’s Law. These visits have proven quite fruitful and Mrs. Salinas has found some cases that need further assistance by 9-1-1 Department staff or other types of action. On May 16 Mrs. Salinas met with Mr. Juan Chapa, 9-1-1 Assistant Director and staff to discuss the possibility of helping the 9-1-1 Department with the Interlocal Agreements between the LRGVDC and some of the police departments in Hidalgo County. Since some of the PD’s are member cities of the Regional Small Cities Coalition, Mrs. Salinas recommended that 9-1-1 staff conduct a presentation on the importance of these Interlocal Agreements, especially as they may impact Kari’s Law and 9-1-1 addressing. Copies of the brochures and actual law are also available by calling Mrs. Salinas in the Economic Development Department.

- Status on Keeping PACE in Texas

Staff has been contacting businesses to provide them with information on the Property Assess Clean Energy (PACE) Program. After Mrs. Heydinger’s visit to the Valley last month, staff was encouraged to begin formulating a contact list of potential businesses that the Texas PACE Authority could call on. Mrs. Heydinger will then make plans to visit these Valley businesses later this summer.
WASHINGTON — February 16, 2016, President Donald Trump signed Kari’s Law, a measure that will require businesses to enable direct-dial access to 911.

In 2013, Dunn was stabbed multiple times in a hotel room by her estranged husband as her children watched. Her then-9-year-old daughter repeatedly dialed 911 but was unable to reach emergency responders because she didn't understand that the hotel phone required her to first dial "9."

Kari’s Law, long championed by Tyler Rep. Louie Gohmert in the House, requires multi-line telephone systems, like those often found in hotels or offices, to have a default configuration that enables users to call 911 without a prefix. Gov. Greg Abbott approved a state version of Kari’s Law in 2015.

Gohmert called Trump’s approval of the bill "monumental." In a prepared statement, Gohmert added: "Although this law will not reverse the heartbreaking loss of [Dunn] and all the horrors of that day, her legacy will now live on and safeguard others from experiencing a situation of this magnitude."

Sen. Amy Klobuchar, D-Minn., sponsored the Senate version, with Texas Sens. John Cornyn and Ted Cruz among its co-sponsors. The legislation initially passed both chambers last year. After lawmakers in the House and Senate settled differences in their respective measures, it was re-approved by both chambers earlier this month.

After the bill first cleared the Senate in August, Dunn's father, Hank Hunt, who testified before Congress about the need for the law, called its passage "bittersweet." Even years after her mother’s death, he said, his granddaughter checks the phone lines in hotel rooms. Cornyn and Cruz praised the bill's passage on Friday.

"In an emergency situation, every moment counts, and this law will help ensure that no more precious lives are lost in such a senseless way," Cornyn said in a statement.

Cruz said the bill will save lives. "Had the technology been accessible during Kari's time of need, she might still be alive," he said in a prepared statement.

The measure gained the support of Federal Communications Commission Chairman Ajit Pai, who in a statement in August said: "This legislation will help ensure that every call to 911 directly connects those in need with those who can help. I also commend Hank Hunt, Kari's father, for channeling his pain into a passion for change."

On Friday, Pai said on Twitter that when he first began working with Hunt in 2013, "we didn't know how far we'd get in promoting direct access to emergency personnel when calling 911 (no access code). Today, we stood in the West Wing as @POTUS signed legislation named after Hank's late daughter. An emotional moment."

Gohmert first introduced the measure in 2015. Reintroduced after the 2016 election, the bill quickly cleared the House and a Senate committee but stalled as the GOP grappled with bigger-ticket items, such as its effort to overhaul the Affordable Care Act.

“I wasn’t concerned until after the election and I started seeing all the bickering going back and forth,” Hunt said last year. “That’s when I realized it would be a little bit of a wait.”

Mark Fletcher, an executive with the business communications software firm Avaya that has pushed for the bill, said many lawmakers told him the measure was a “no-brainer.” It’s “just the right thing to do,” he said.

(Nicole Cobler and Katie Leslie: This story was updated Feb. 16, 2018, to include President Donald Trump signing the bill into law.)
Item #5: Department Reports

A. Economic Development

Explore RGV .......................................................... Blanca Davila, Economic Development Specialist

- Status on Explore RGV Project

In May 2018, RGVision was contracted to develop the Explore RGV website and mobile app. We have met with the RGVision creative team to discuss the function and aesthetics of both tools. Thirty flyover video destinations across the Rio Grande Valley have been chosen through stakeholder feedback to be featured in the website. RGVision will commence capturing videos in June 2018.

Prior to Explore RGV rollout, two beta test stakeholder forums will be hosted in Mission, TX and Brownsville, TX.
ITEM #5. B.

COMMUNITY & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
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B. Community & Environmental Services ................................... Marcie Oviedo, Director

Community Development Status Report

• HUD Disaster Recovery Housing Program

The Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council is under contract with the Texas General Land Office as a subrecipient to administer HUD CDBG-Disaster Recovery funding issued as a result of Hurricane Dolly. Currently South Texas Economic Development Corporation – Donna Project for eight (8) units is the only outstanding multi-family rental project under construction. Construction on this project has begun and is expected to be completed before the end of June 2018.

Environmental Resources Status Report

• Solid Waste Management Program

  • Staff continues to provide technical assistance and outreach and continues to monitor all Solid Waste Management Projects. Contracts for FY 2018 projects awarded will be issued this month. All information pertaining to the Solid Waste Program is available at www.lrgvdc.org/solidwaste.html.

• Water Resources

  • Please visit the Region M Website at www.riograndewaterplan.org for updates on the 2021 Regional Water Plan and other Rio Grande Regional Water Planning Group activities. The next Region M Meeting has been scheduled for June 6, 2018 at the Zapata County Courthouse.

• Reservoir Levels
ITEM #5. C.

HEALTH

&

HUMAN SERVICES
Item #5: Department Reports

C. Health & Human Services

Area Agency on Aging Status Report ........................................ Jose L. Gonzalez, Director

- Annual Centenarian Recognition
  
  The 21st Annual Centenarian Recognition was a success. In attendance were 18 centenarians and their families. A lunch and entertainment were provided plus door prizes for each family. State Representative Armando Martinez was the keynote speaker and presented certificates of recognition to each centenarian. Congressman Vela also sent certificates to the honorees.

- Medicare Improvement for Providers and Patients Act (MIPPA) Events
  
  Area Agency staff is working on having four MIPPA events next month. These events will provide information to Medicare beneficiaries about the Medicare cost saving such as the low-income subsidy and assistance with the prescription drug plans. Other information includes the Medicare preventive care services.

  Representatives from the Texas Legal Services and Senior Medicare Fraud Patrol will also be present to talk about fraud prevention. The events are being planned for Raymondville, Brownsville, Weslaco, and McAllen.
ITEM #5. D.

PUBLIC SAFETY

CRIMINAL JUSTICE
D. Public Safety

Criminal Justice Program Status Report .................................. Manuel Cruz, Director

- Criminal Justice Division (CJD) Planning
  
The Office of the Governor – Criminal Justice Division continues to review all eGrant applications for FY 2018-2019. Applicants are standing by to receive the outcome of their applications and funding decision from CJD.

- Computerized Criminal Justice History (CCH) Compliance
  
  As per CJD, each county must reach 90% CCH status by August 1 in both categories (adult and juvenile) arrest dispositions in order for applicants to receive an award from CJD. Below are the latest updates that were provided as of May 3. The District Attorney’s Offices from each of the counties are the points of contact and the responsible agencies in meeting these requirements.

  Statewide Combined Completeness Percentage as of May 3:

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  *Source: Texas DPS, Crime Records Service*

- Regional Crime Victim’s Liaison Program
  
  On May 2 staff attended the “At The Table Project Privileged: Texas’ Victim-Advocate Law” in San Juan with the Victim Task Force of Hidalgo. On May 3 staff attended a National Day of Prayer in Edinburg. On May 11 staff visited Harlingen Police Department, Rio Hondo Police Department, Port Mansfield Police Department and San Perlita Fire Department. Staff will continue to conduct visits to police departments to continue collaboration efforts. Staff has also secured June 26 for the initial Regional Crime Victim Liaison Academy.
ITEM #5. D.

PUBLIC SAFETY

EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS
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D. Public Safety

Emergency Communications Status Report

1. Consider Approval to Purchase one (1) Vehicle for Emergency Communications/9-1-1 Division

Staff requests Board approval to purchase an eight (8) passenger vehicle that would be primarily utilized to transport staff and tow the ECOMMS/9-1-1 trailer to public education events. This vehicle would also provide transportation for department staff to local and out of region events.

The Commission on State Emergency Communications (CSEC) has approved this purchase which would be made through Texas Buy Board Purchasing Cooperative of which LRGVDC is a member. The Buy Board Purchasing Cooperative has selected Gunn Chevrolet through a competitive bid process to sell this vehicle at the cost of $54,777.00.

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D. Public Safety

Emergency Communications Status Report

- Location Validation Program
  Staff constantly generates address tickets, addresses new subdivisions and receives customer requests for their 9-1-1 Physical Address for Hidalgo and Willacy Counties. Staff is currently working with smaller communities to have them use our web-based address ticket application called Spartan Pro as a resource. This resource will provide them with a new and modern process to address their city and provide our department with the address points. This process will also enhance the 9-1-1 system and will provide responding agencies with the accurate location of a caller.

- Database Program
  Staff continues to update the 9-1-1 database and add new streets and ranges as new subdivisions are developed in Hidalgo and Willacy Counties. In April, 75 Telephone Numbers (TN) were corrected and 64 streets in the Master Street Address Guide (MSAG) were updated. Also, over 300 address request calls were received which resulted in 286 address tickets for 9-1-1 physical addresses. Staff continues to update the No Record Found (NRF) list received from West Inc. on a daily basis. NRFs are telephone numbers that do not show up when a caller dials 9-1-1; no record is reflected in the 9-1-1 system.

  Additionally, staff also validates 9-1-1 physical addresses for West Inc. on the new Voice Over Internet Protocol (VOIP) for TNs being issued in this Region. This process is performed because it is the telephone company’s responsibility to validate physical addresses for phone numbers before issuing them to customers.

- Mapping Program
  Staff has transitioned all 9-1-1 physical address data to the new State approved EGDMS Schema; this change is vital to the future of 9-1-1 call routing. It has been implemented at the LRGVDC Emergency Communications/9-1-1 Division as well as the host sites at McAllen PD and the Hidalgo County Sheriff’s Office. The GIS team is upgrading the system to use the new ArcMap 10.5.1 software to add new data to maps more efficiently. We continue collaborating with Hidalgo County Judge Ramon Garcia’s office to provide GIS data for the CENSUS 2020 LUCA program. Staff continuously works on address point verification to ensure
accurate call routing in the new I-3 9-1-1 Environment. Staff also continues to update address information on its local maps.

- System and Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) Operations
  Systems staff continues monitoring our PSAP sites. We completed installation of dual routers at every PSAP as they were the only single point of failure in the 9-1-1 network; with this work, if a router at the PSAP goes down, the other will pick up the 9-1-1 traffic. We have secured the circuits needed to receive 9-1-1 calls at our third host site. Systems team continues the installation of a third Host site at our Weslaco office that will create a segregated network. Our back-up network has been completely deployed with AT&T fiber, adding redundancy to our 9-1-1 networks which will significantly decrease down time.

- Public Education /Training Program
  Public Education is an ongoing priority for Emergency Communications/9-1-1 Division; and staff continues to reach out to communities to educate residents. The E-COMMS/9-1-1 Division recently attended several Hurricane Preparedness community events and distributed 7,520 promotional items throughout these events.

  Staff attended the Texas 9-1-1 Trainers (TNT) & the Public Educators of Texas (PETs) Quarterly meeting in Dallas, TX.

  Events are scheduled as they are requested through our Public Education Coordinator. To streamline the event request process a new online request form is being developed to facilitate scheduling new event requests. Efforts continue to focus on educating the Lower Rio Grande Valley on “Kari’s Law” along with “Text to 9-1-1” and “Know Your Location.”
ITEM #5. D. PUBLIC SAFETY HOMELAND SECURITY
Item #5: Department Reports

D. Public Safety

Homeland Security Program Status Report...............................Manuel Cruz, Director

- Homeland Security Program & Funding Opportunities FY 2018
  
  Staff continues to monitor the FY 2018 grant application process.
  
  Staff continues to monitor the FY 2018 grant applications: Texas Task Force-RGV Type 3 Project and the Hidalgo County OEM (RGRRA) sUAS Project.
  
  Staff continues to provide technical assistance to jurisdictions with Emergency Management Plans (EMP), and identifying training opportunities for first responders.

- Citizen Corps Program (CCP)/Community Preparedness
  
  The 1st Ready RGV! 2018 Community Preparedness event was held in Weslaco, TX on April 28. Attendees learned about how to prepare for disasters as well as volunteer opportunities with disaster response organizations in the RGV; approximately 75 attended.
  
  LRGVDC staff has been invited to return to the FEMA 2018 Community Preparedness Working Group that will be held at Texas State University in June. Reps from Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, and New Mexico will meet to discuss community preparedness projects and best practices. The LRGVDC is one of two representatives for Texas.

- FY 2017 Homeland Security Grant Program
  
  Staff continues to monitor active grants for the FY 2017 grant funding cycle and provide technical assistance to jurisdictions. Staff continues to manage the FY 2017 grants (Edinburg-Mission HAZ-MAT Team Project).
ITEM #5. D.

PUBLIC SAFETY

REGIONAL POLICE ACADEMY
Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council
Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday May 30, 2018

Item #5: Department Reports

D. Public Safety

Regional Police Academy Status Report

- In-Service Training Hours Reported

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- Basic Peace Officer Academy Cadets Enrolled

  196th Total Cadets – 54
  197th Total Cadets – 34

- June In-Service Scheduled
  - Child Safety Check Alert
  - Verbal De-Escalation
  - TCIC/NCIC Less than Full Access

- Basic Peace Officer Course Upcoming Academies

  - 196th BPOC Day Academy – Upper Valley Started: March 05, 2018
  - 196th BPOC Day Academy – Lower Valley Started: March 05, 2018
  - 197th BPOC Night Academy – Upper Valley Started: March 05, 2018
  - 197th BPOC Night Academy – Lower Valley Started: March 05, 2018
  - Testing for the 198th BPOC – Day Academy In Progress

- Academy Graduation Dates
  - 196th BPOC-Day Academy Scheduled: August 2018
  - 197th BPOC-Night Academy Scheduled: November 2018
ITEM #5. E.
TRANSPORTATION
Item #5: Department Reports

E. Transportation

Valley Metro Status Report .......................................................... Tom Logan, Director

1. Consider Approval Purchase of Vehicle Lift

Staff requests Board approval to purchase a vehicle lift to be used by the Valley Metro Maintenance Division. A vehicle lift is necessary for routine and preventative maintenance to vehicle transmissions, engines, etc.

Purchase of this item will be made using grant funds and has been approved by TxDOT through the Buy Board Purchasing Cooperative, of which LRGVDC is a member. The Buy Board Purchasing Cooperative has selected Reeder Distributors, Inc. through a competitive bid process to sell this vehicle lift at the cost of $25,990.00

ACTION ITEM
Item #5: Department Reports

E. Transportation

Valley Metro Status Report .......................................................... Tom Logan, Director

2. Consider Approval of Revisions to Vehicle Maintenance & Facility Maintenance Policy

The policy revisions consist of the addition of the International Starcraft Type 11 Preventative Maintenance checklist to the Valley Metro Vehicle Maintenance & Facility Maintenance Policy. This addition reflects new vehicles purchased and leased through the University of Texas Rio Grande Valley. No other changes have been made to this Policy other than placing this checklist at the end of the document.

Please see attachment
**BUS PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE**

UNIT: ___________________ Year/Model: ___________________ Date: __________

Odometer: ___________________ Next Oil Change: ___________________ Inspected by: ___________________ License Plate#: ___________________

### Wiper Blades
- **RF**: __________
- **LF**: __________
- **Front**: __________
- **Rear**: __________

### Check Battery
- **Actual**: __________
- **Actual**: __________

### Check Tires and Tread Depth
- **8/32 or Greater**: __________
- **7/32**: __________
- **6/32**: __________
- **5/32**: __________
- **4/32**: __________
- **3/32 or Less**: __________

### Change Engine Oil & Filter
- **OK**: __________
- **FILLED**: __________

### Check Fluid Levels
- **Engine oil**: __________
- **Transmission (if equipped w/dipstick)**: __________
- **Coolant recovery reservoir**: __________
- **Hydraulic Fluid**: __________
- **Windshield washer**: __________

### Additional Checks
- **Fuel system (also including gas cap seating)**: __________
- **Engine, transmission, drive axle, transfer case**: __________
- **Engine cooling system: leak/other**: __________
- **Shocks and struts - also check operation**: __________
- **Belts: engine and/or A/C V-drive**: __________
- **Hoses: engine, power steering and HVAC**: __________
- **Engine Air filter**: __________
- **A/C Filters**: __________
- **Steering components and steering linkage**: __________
- **Head Light, Parking, Interior and Brake Lights**: __________
- **Exhaust system components**: __________
- **Chassis components lubrication**: __________

### Air System
- **Hydraulic Fluid Pump**: __________
- **Roller Assemblies**: __________
- **Hydraulic Hoses**: __________
- **Cylinders**: __________
- **Lubricate Chain Mechanism**: __________
- **Bridge Plate**: __________
- **Power cables**: __________

### Wheelchair Lift Checklist
- **LF**: __________
- **RF**: __________
- **LR**: __________
- **RR**: __________

### On-Board Surveillance System
- **Cameras**: __________
- **DVR**: __________

### Comments/Maintenance/Repairs:
- **Technicians**: __________
- **Date**: __________

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LRGVDCA Transit Center
Maintenance Department
510 S. Pleasantview Dr.
Weslaco, Texas 78596

2/1/2017
International StarCraft XL Type 11 PM List

5,000 Miles

- Engine Oil & Filter
- Check For Air Cleaner & Piping Restrictions
- Retorque Axle U-Bolts

15,000 Miles

- Conduct Radiator Pressure Cap Test
- Check Batteries & Cables
- Replace Power Steering Filter (If Equipped)

30,000 Miles

- Check Cooling Fan Belt
- Check Cooling Fan Belt Tensioner
- Check Air Compressor Discharge Lines
- Repack Front Wheel Bearings

40,000 Miles

- Change Power Steering Fluid

50,000 Miles

- Retorque Power Steering Intermediate Shaft U-Joints

60,000 Miles

- Check Cooling System
- Check Radiator Hoses
- Change Rear Differential Oil
75,000 Miles
  o Change Crankcase Ventilation Filter

100,000 Miles
  o Inspect Rear Axle Ends For Leaks, Lube Level, & Check For End Play

120,000 Miles
  o Rear Axle Oil Change

150,000 Miles
  o Adjust Overhead Set
  o Replace Coolant Filter

200,000 Miles
  o Clean Aftertreatment Diesel Particulate Filter
  o Change Aftertreatment Diesel Exhaust Fluid Dosing Unit Filter

500,000 Miles
  o Replace Power Steering Filter
  o Full Teardown Of Rear Axle
  o Lube Wheel Bearings

6 Months
  o Replace Air Dryer

1 Year
  o Check Air Dryer Heater & Purge Valve

2 Years
  o Change Hydraulic Brake Fluid
Item #5: Department Reports

E. Transportation

Valley Metro Status Report .......................................................... Tom Logan, Director

3. Recognition of PSJA Southwest Marketing for RTAP Marketing Plan

We recognize the efforts of PSJA Southwest High School, Southwest Marketing class for the creation and development of the RTAP Marketing Plan. Students, under the direction of Mr. Eloy Garza worked to research, develop, and create the RTAP Marketing plan. Research activities included surveying riders at McAllen Metro and Brownsville Metro.
Item #5: Department Reports

E. Transportation

Valley Metro Status Report .......................................................... Tom Logan, Director

- Ridership Report
  Both the rural and urban transit systems are operating and all systems are monitored daily. For the month of April 2018 ridership for the urban system, which operates Monday through Saturday in the urban areas of Hidalgo, Cameron, and Starr Counties has been averaging 15,209 passengers a week. Ridership for the rural system which operates in the rural areas of Cameron, Hidalgo, Willacy, Starr, and Zapata Counties has an average of 1,568 passengers per week for the month of April.

- Regional Transportation Advisory Panel (RTAP) Activity

  The next RTAP meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 24th, 2018 at the Transit Conference room | 510 S. Pleasantview Dr. | Weslaco, TX 78596
## FY 2016 URBANIZED PERFORMANCE MEASURES

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### Distribution of Revenue Hours

- **Hidalgo County**: 64%
- **Cameron County**: 24%
- **Starr County**: 9%
- **Zapata County**: 1%
- **Willacy County**: 2%

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### Distribution of Revenue Miles

- **Hidalgo County**: 67%
- **Cameron County**: 22%
- **Starr County**: 8%
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## FY 2018 University of Texas Rio Grande Valley

### Valley Metro Routes

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#### FY 2017

- **24,877**
- **20,611**
- **13,401**
- **7,437**
- **11,570**
- **20,070**
- **10,623**
- **14,051**
- **5,167**
- **7,579**
- **5,177**
- **10,742**
- **151,305**

#### Change Over Previous Month

- **9,953**
- **14,181**
- **16,432**
- **1,367**
- **5,948**
- **5,960**
- **7,699**
- **16,234**

### 2017 - 2018 Valley Metro Routes UTRGV Student Passenger Count

#### Graphical Representation

![Graph showing passenger count trends for Valley Metro Routes UTRGV Student from 2017 to 2018.](image-url)
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## TSTC Student Ridership

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