

LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL



AGENDA

MEETING OF THE LRGVDC BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

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, May 27, 2026, 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 Meeting Minutes April 29, 2026.....President

Item #3: Public Comment

Item #4: Administration Manuel Cruz
Executive Director

- A. Consideration and **ACTION** on Recommendations from Nominating Committee.
 - 1. Selection of five (5) Persons for election as Members-at-Large to the General Membership.
 - 2. Selection of three (3) AT- Large Members to be elected to the 2026-2027 Board of Directors.
- B. **Ratification** of Executive Committee **ACTION** on Approving the purchase of Dell Pro Laptops and Docking Stations utilizing Disaster Funding Awarded as a result of the March 27, 2025, Harlingen Flood Event.

B. Executive Director Reports

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

Item #5: Department Reports

A. Community & Economic Development.....Melisa Gonzalez-Rosas
Director

- 1. Consideration and **ACTION** to approve Nomination of an Elected or Appointed official of a Non-Entitlement Community to be Considered of Appointment to the Unified Scoring Committee (USC) by the Texas Department of Agriculture Commissioner.

Program Status Reports

- Economic Development Administration
- Regional Small Cities Coalition
- Community & Economic Development Assistance Fund
- Air Quality
- South Texas Clean Cities & Communities Coalition (STC4)
- 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 ServicesMargarita Lopez
Director

- 1. Consideration and **ACTION** to approve the Final Lower Rio Grande Valley Area Plan FFY 2027-2029 following the conclusion of the public comment period and incorporation of any edits received.

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

C.1A. Emergency Services, Criminal Justice & Homeland Security.....Cesar Merla
Director

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.

C.1B Rio Grande Valley Emergency Communication District.....Cesar Merla
Director

Program Status Reports

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

C. 2. Police Academy Program.....Javier Solis
Director

1. Consideration and **ACTION** to approve an Interlocal Agreement between the LRGV Academy and the City of Donna Texas, for the surplus and donation of LRGV Academy police vehicles to the Donna police Department.
2. Consideration and **ACTION** to approve the addition of new policy to the LRGV Academy enrollment requirements for united States military Veteran's.

Program Status Reports

- Officers Certified
- Courses Taught
- Contact Hours

D. Transportation

Valley Metro.....Sandra Carrizales
Director

1. Consideration and **ACTION** to Rescind Prior Board Approval Authorizing Acceptance of Seven (7) MCI Coach Buses from Green Mountain Transit (GMT)

Program Status Reports

- Ridership Report

Program Status Reports

Item#6: New & Unfinished Business

Item#7: Adjourn

**Next Meeting
June 24, 2026**

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.

PUBLICINPUT 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 agenda posted for the meeting. Members of the public may be recognized on the posted agenda as items deemed appropriate by the Chair as these items are considered, and the same 3mins.