

LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL



AGENDA

MEETING OF THE LRGVDC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

LRGVDC Main Campus, 301 W Railroad Street Building B Weslaco, TX 78596

Wednesday, June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024, 12:00 Noon

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Presiding: Mayor Norma Sepulveda, President

Item #1: Call to Order

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

Item #2: Consideration and ACTION to Approve Meeting Minutes for  
(May 29, 2024).....President

Item #3: Public Comment

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

- A. AltaCair Foundation Introduction Presentation..... Dr. Rashmi Chandran
- B. Programs and Services that support the RGV Community.....Patricia Rosenlund  
Easter Seals Executive Director
- C. Executive Director Report
  - 1. Introduction of New Employees
  - 2. Updates on Regional News, Funding Opportunities, Training, and Legislation

## Item #5: Department Reports

### A. Community & Economic Development ..... Melisa Gonzalez Assistant Director

1. Consideration and **ACTION** to Approve reappointment for Even Number Year Regional Water Resource Advisory Committee (RWRAC) Members.
2. Consideration and **ACTION** to Approve Updated Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC) Bylaws.
3. Consideration and **ACTION** to Approve Reappointment for Even Number Year Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC) Members.
4. Consideration and **ACTION** to Approve the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling (SWIFR) Grant.

#### 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

#### 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 & Assistance

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

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

#### Program Status Reports

Criminal Justice & Homeland Security Program

**Police Academy Program Action Items ..... Javier Solis**  
**Assistant Director**

1. Consideration and **ACTION** to accept the donation of two surplus police vehicles for law enforcement training as part of an interlocal agreement between the Hidalgo County Constable Precinct 4 Office and the Lower Rio Grande Valley Academy.
2. Consideration and **ACTION** to approve an interlocal agreement, as authorized by the Interlocal Cooperation Act Chapter 791 Texas Government Code, with the City of Donna, Texas, by and through the Donna Police Department, to utilize the El Indio Law Enforcement Gun Range for law enforcement firearms training, and with authority to have LRGVDC Executive Director Manuel Cruz sign and finalize the agreement.
3. Consideration and **ACTION** to Approve an interlocal agreement, as authorized by the Interlocal Cooperation Act Chapter 791 Texas Government Code, with the City of La Joya, Texas, by and through the La Joya Police Department to utilize the La Joya Shooting Range for law enforcement firearms training, and with authority to have LRGVDC Executive Director Manuel Cruz sign and finalize the agreement.

Program Status Reports

- Regional Police Academy Status Report

**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 ..... Tom Logan**  
**Director**

1. Consideration and **ACTION** to approve Hardware Acquisition for LRGVDC Valley Metro.
2. Consideration and **ACTION** to Approve the Acquisition of Miscellaneous and Shop Equipment for LRGVDC Valley Metro.
3. Consideration and **ACTION** to Approve the request to submit the proposal to the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Notice Funding Opportunity (NOFO) application for Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) Planning Discretionary Grant.

Valley Metro Status Reports

- Ridership Report



**Item #7 New or Unfinished Business**

**Item #8 Adjourn**

**\*REMINDER\***

**NO MEETING IN JULY**

**Next Meeting:**

**Wednesday, August 28**

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. Public members 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.