

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, August 30, 2023, 12:00 noon

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Presiding: Mayor David Suarez, President.

Item #1: Call to Order

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

Item #2: Consideration and ACTION to Approve Meeting Minutes (June 28, 2023) -----President

Item #3: Public Comment

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

- A. Update from Legal Counsel on Texas Gas Services Proposed Rate Increase.....Mr. Thomas Brocato
Lloyd Gosselink Rochelle & Townsend
- B. Presentation and Consider ACTION Regarding the 2022 Annual Audit.....Adrian Webb, CPA
- C. Presentation and ACTION to Accept Quarterly Investment Report.....Crystal Balboa
Director of Finance

- D. Consideration and **ACTION** to Approve Resolution 2023-04 to Become a Member of the American Flood Coalition (AFC)Manuel Cruz
Executive Director

- E. Consideration and **ACTION** for the Executive Director to enter Negotiations and Approve the Contract for Hidalgo County Active Transportation and Active Tourism Plan.....Armando Perez
Asst. Director of Purchasing

- F. Presentation and **ACTION** to Approve Resolution 2023-05 for the Establishment and Membership of the RGV Reconnect Coalition and UTRGV's Submission of the RGV Reconnect Plan to Economic Development Administration (EDA).....Manuel Cruz
Executive Director

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

Item #5: Department Reports

- A. Community & Economic Development.....Manuel Cruz
Executive Director**

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 ServicesMargarita Lopez
Director**

Program Action Item

- 1. Consideration and **ACTION** to Approve the Lower Rio Grande Valley (AAA) Area Plan FY 2024 – 2026

- 2. Consideration and **ACTION** to Approve the List of Sub-recipients Proposal Fiscal Year 2024

- 3. Consideration and **ACTION** to Approve the Direct Purchase Service (DPS) Vendor/Contractor list for Fiscal Year 2024

4. Consideration and **ACTION** to Approve the Citizens Advisory Council Membership Application from Cesar Merla

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**

Program Action Items

1. Consideration and **ACTION** to approve the Homeland Security Advisory Committee (HSAC) Bylaws and Policies & Procedures for FY 2024-2025
2. Consideration and **ACTION** to approve the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee (CJAC) Bylaws, Biennium Form, and Policies & Procedures for FY 2024-2025

Program Status Reports

- Criminal Justice & Homeland Security Program Status Report.....Cesar Merla
Assistant Director
- Regional Police Academy Status Reports.....Manuel Cruz
Executive Director
- Rio Grande Valley Emergency Communication District
Status Report.....Dennis Moreno
Assistant Director
 - GIS Division
 - Community Engagement Division
 - 9-1-1 | Information Technology

D. Transportation

Valley Metro Action Item.....Tom Logan
Director

1. Consideration and **ACTION** to Approve the Valley Metro Policy and Facility Maintenance Plan Revisions.

Valley Metro Status Reports

- Ridership Report
- Regional Transportation Advisory Panel (RTAP) Activity
- Public Outreach Events

Rio Grande Valley MPO Status Report..... Andrew Canon
RGVMPO Executive Director

Item #6: New or Unfinished Business

Item #7 Adjourn

REMINDER

Next Meeting:

**Wednesday, September 27, 2023
12:00 noon**

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 an 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 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 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."