

LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL



AGENDA

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, GENERAL MEMBERSHIP & LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL CORPORATION

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

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Wednesday, January 29, 2020

12:00 Noon

Ken Jones Executive Board Room

Presiding: Mayor David Suarez

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(The complete meeting packet will be available will be available at <http://www.lrgvdc.org/meetings.html> on December 5, 2019)

Item #1: Call to Order

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

Item #2: Consideration and **ACTION to Approve Meeting Minutes:**

- A. Annual Elections of May 29, 2019**
- B. Board Meeting of December 11, 2019**

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

Item #4: Administration

- A. Consideration and **ACTION BY GENERAL MEMBERSHIP**
Regarding FY 2020 Annual Report and Budget.....**

Mayor Jim Darling
Committee Chair

- B. Consideration and **ACTION** Regarding Revisions to LRGVDC Personnel Policy Manual**..... Ron Garza
Executive Director
- C. Consideration and **ACTION** to Accept Quarterly and Annual Investment Reports** Crystal Balboa
Finance Director
- D. Executive Director Report**..... Ron Garza

ACTION MAY BE TAKEN ON ANY OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS

LRGVDC Updates & Activities

1. Introduction of New Staff Members
2. Census 2020
3. Mitigation & Disaster Recovery Funding
4. Explore RGV
5. RGV B-Cycle
6. 2020 Mayors' Walk for Wellness (It's Time Texas Community Challenge)

Item #5: Department Reports

A. Community & Economic Development

Program Action Items: Blanca Davila, Assistant Director

1. Consideration and **ACTION** to Approve Regional Small Cities Coalition (RSCC) Updated Bylaws

Program Status Reports:

- Regional Small Cities Coalition
- Explore RGV
- Census 2020
- HUD Disaster Recovery Housing Program
- 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

Program Status Reports: Jose L. Gonzalez, Director

- Visit by Health & Human Services Regional Director
- Older Americans Act Programs Fared Well on Appropriations

C. Public Safety

Program Action Items:

1. Consideration and **ACTION** to Approve Resolutions for Homeland Security Funding for Regional Planning, Fire Academy, and Statewide Emergency Radio Infrastructure.
2. Consideration and **ACTION** to Approve the Regional Animal Care Coalition (RACC) Bylaws

Program Status Reports:..... Manuel Cruz, Director

- 911/Emergency Communications
- Regional Police Academy
- Criminal Justice Program
- Homeland Security
 - DPS Presentation on Form 147 John O'Valle
TDEM District Coordinator
- Kari's Law Marcie Oviedo
Program Specialist VII

D. Transportation

Program Status Reports: Tom Logan, Director
Andrew Canon, Director

- Valley Metro
- Rio Grande Valley MPO

Item #6: Executive Session

- A. Personnel Matters pursuant to Section 551-074(1) to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee RE: Executive Director Annual Performance Evaluation
- B. Reconvene into Open Session to Consider **ACTION**, if any, on Items Related to Executive Session as Described above.

Item #7: New or Unfinished Business

Item #8: Adjourn

REMINDER

Next Meeting Date:
Wednesday, February 26, 2020
12:00 PM

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

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LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL ANNUAL ELECTION MEETING

WEDNESDAY, MAY 29, 2019 - 12:00 P.M.
LRGVDC MAIN CAMPUS - 301 W. RAILROAD ST., WESLACO, TEXAS
BUILDING B, KEN JONES EXECUTIVE BOARD ROOM

PRESIDING: HON. NORMA G. GARCIA, PRESIDENT

- DRAFT -

President Norma Garcia called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. Roll call was taken for the General Membership and the Board of Directors, who are scheduled to meet immediately after this meeting, and a quorum was declared for both entities.

The President then moved to item 2: Consider Approval of January 30, 2019 Board, General Membership and Corporation Meeting Minutes. *Commissioner David Fuentes made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mayor Armando O'Caña seconded and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.*

Upon conclusion of action President Garcia moved to item #3: Caucus to Seat New Board Members. Upon conclusion of the caucus the following entities were elected to the Board of Directors:

- A. Three (3) Directors Representing Member Cities with Population from 10,000-24,999

CITY	COUNTY
City of Alamo	Hidalgo
City of Mercedes	Hidalgo
City of Raymondville	Willacy

- B. Three (3) Directors Representing Member Cities with Population under 10,000

CITY	COUNTY
City of Los Fresnos	Cameron
City of Lyford	Willacy
Town of Primera	Cameron

- C. Two (2) Directors Representing Educational Institutions

EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION	COUNTY
South Texas College	Hidalgo
Texas State Technical College	Cameron

- D. Two (2) Directors Representing Special Governmental Units

ENTITY	COUNTY
Delta Lake Irrigation District	Hidalgo
Willacy County Navigation District	Willacy

E. One (1) Director Representing the Poor and Underprivileged (Grassroots Organizations)

NAME	ENTITY
Christina Patino Houle	RGV Equal Voice Network
Alternate - Lupita Sanchez	Proyeto Juan Diego

Their terms will begin at the next Board of Directors meeting scheduled for June 26, 2019.

Upon conclusion of caucusing President Garcia moved to item #4: Act on Recommendations of Nominating Committee and addressed the following:

A. Election of Five Members-at-Large to Serve on General Membership for the 2019-2020 Term

The Nominating Committee recommends the following individuals as at-Large Members to the LRGVDC General Membership:

NAME	CITY	COUNTY
Hon. Norma G. Garcia	Donna	Hidalgo
Ms. Ann Cass	McAllen	Hidalgo
Mr. David Penoli	McAllen	Hidalgo
Commissioner Ben Neece	Brownsville	Cameron
Ms. Celeste Sanchez	San Benito	Cameron

President Garcia noted that having City of Brownsville Commissioner Ben Neece as a member-at-large would put two elected officials from Brownsville on the General Membership since the City of Brownsville has an automatic seat. She then asked for nominations from the floor.

Mayor Marco Sanchez, City of Combes, nominated Mayor Cyndie Rathbun, Town of Rancho Viejo to replace Commissioner Neece.

Mayor David Suarez, City of Weslaco, nominated Commissioner Jesse Zuniga, La Feria. Hidalgo County Commissioner David Fuentes seconded the nomination of Commissioner Zuniga.

Mayor Sanchez withdrew his nomination of Mayor Rathbun.

President Garcia asked if there were any other nominations; there being none she called for a vote which was unanimously in favor of Commissioner Jesse Zuniga.

B. Election of Officers for the 2019-2020 Term

The Nominating Committee recommends the following slate of officers for the 2019-2020 term:

OFFICE	NAME	COUNTY
President	Mayor David Suarez	Hidalgo
1st Vice President	Mayor Jim Darling	Hidalgo
2nd Vice President	Judge Aurelio Guerra	Willacy
Secretary	Mayor Ambrosio Hernandez	Hidalgo
Treasurer	Mayor Chris Boswell	Cameron
Immediate Past President	Hon. Norma G. Garcia	Hidalgo

Mayor Dave Kusch made a motion to elect the slate of officers for the 2019-2020 term as presented. Mayor Cyndie Rathbun seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.

President Garcia next moved to item #6. – New or Unfinished Business; there being no further business to come before the General Membership ***Mayor Dave Kusch made a motion to adjourn; Commissioner Rick Guerra seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 12:35 pm.***

Hon. Norma G. Garcia, President

ATTEST:

Deborah Morales, Recording Secretary

MINUTES

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

12:00 PM WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2019
LRGVDC MAIN CAMPUS - 301 W. RAILROAD STREET, WESLACO, TEXAS
BUILDING B, KEN JONES EXECUTIVE BOARD ROOM

PRESIDING: MAYOR DAVID SUAREZ, PRESIDENT

- DRAFT -

President David Suarez called the meeting to order at 12:01 p.m. Roll call was taken and a quorum was declared.

He then moved to item 2: Consider Approval of Meeting Minutes (October 30, 2019). ***Ms. Celeste Sanchez made a motion to approve the October 30, 2019 Board Meeting minutes as presented. Judge Aurelio Guerra seconded, and upon a vote, the motion carried unanimously.***

President Suarez then moved to item 3: Public Comment and/or Report from Legislative Delegation. There being none, he moved to item 4: Administration and recognized Executive Director Ron Garza to address the following:

A. Consideration and Action on Date and Time for Annual Work Program & Budget Committee Meeting

Mr. Garza informed the Board that this is an annual meeting and that the committee is comprised of all Board Members and there is no quorum requirement. This year, in addition to reviewing the Annual Work Program and Budget, the committee will be presented with the draft revised Personnel Policy Manual for review. He suggested scheduling the meeting on Wednesday, January 22, 2020. ***Ms. Celeste Sanchez made a motion to schedule the Annual Work Program & Budget Committee meeting on Wednesday, January 22, 2020 at 12:00 noon at the LRGVDC Main Campus, Building B in the Ken Jones Executive Board Room. Commissioner David Garza seconded, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.***

B. Executive Director Report

LRGVDC Updates & Activities

1. Introduction of New Staff Members

Mr. Garza announced that the following individuals have recently joined the LRGVDC staff:

Ms. Aleida Gonzalez, Vehicle Driver for Valley Metro
Mr. Elias Lopez, Vehicle Driver for Valley Metro
Mr. Roberto Salinas, Vehicle Driver for Valley Metro
Mr. Feliciano Arreazola, Vehicle Driver for Valley Metro
Mr. Cristian Leal, Vehicle Technician for Valley Metro
Ms. Lorena Gonzalez, Case Manager for Area Agency on Aging

The Board warmly welcomed our new staff members.

2. 2020 Board Meeting Calendar/Schedule

Mr. Garza stated that the 2020 Meeting Calendar follows the same schedule as the 2019 calendar. Board meetings will be scheduled on the last Wednesday of the month, no meetings in July or November, and the December meeting will be on the seconded Wednesday to accommodate the holidays. ***Commissioner David Garza made a motion to approve the 2020 Board Meeting***

Calendar/Schedule as presented. Judge Aurelio Guerra seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

3. GLO Mitigation Action Plan

Mr. Garza informed the Board that there are two funding opportunities through the Texas General Land Office (GLO).

#1 - Disaster Mitigation which is primarily tied to damage from Hurricane Harvey. There is a \$4.2 billion allocation, the bulk of which will be allocated for Hurricane Harvey. However, Cameron County, Hidalgo County, and Willacy County are eligible for certain allocations based on impact from the 2015 and 2016 disasters. Mr. Garza stated that the 45-day comment period for the Disaster Mitigation Action plan is currently open and will close at 5:00 pm on January 6, 2020. The Rio Grande Valley area is eligible for approximately \$42 million of the \$4.2 billion allocation. LRGVDC staff is in close communication with GLO staff and will keep the Board informed as these programs develop.

#2 - Disaster Recovery Funding is for recovery efforts from the 2018 floods. The counties eligible for the \$46 Million in Disaster Recovery funds are Cameron, Hidalgo, and Jim Wells. The GLO has created an online survey through SurveyMonkey.com to receive feedback from affected entities. To date, only 12 entities have responded, and Mr. Garza strongly encouraged those present to take the survey as well as encourage others to also do so.

4. Census 2020

Mr. Garza thanked those who attended the November 18, 2019 Census Forum for its success. Currently, Census staff are focusing on staff recruitment. The Census Self-Response Operation begins on March 12, 2020 and is fast approaching.

Mr. Garza informed the Board that the State of Texas does not have an official complete count committee. So, the Center for Public Policies and Community Foundation of Texas has created one called "Texas Counts". Texas Counts is a state-wide collaborative effort working to engage cross sector leaders and organizations to leverage and share resources to promote the 2020 Census. They serve as a partner, connector, and hub for "get out the count" efforts in Texas, and they are providing grant opportunities to support census efforts.

Mr. Garza next recognized members of the US Census Bureau who informed the Board on the status of their successful recruitment efforts throughout the three-county area.

5. Explore RGV

Mr. Garza reminded the Board that a few months ago the Explore RGV project won the National Association of Development Organizations (NADO) "Impact Award" that honors significant advances in community and economic development. He was pleased to announce that in November, at the Southwest Region Economic Development Association (SWREDA) Annual Conference, the LRGVDC was awarded the "Star of the Southwest" for this project. This award recognizes projects funded by the Austin EDA Regional Office that demonstrate significant economic impact for the community, a meaningful commitment by the private sector, and a return on investment for EDA. Mr. Garza stated that this accolade is exciting because the project is still in the development stage. Through collaboration with our partner cities, staff will be able to see the actual marketing efforts and marketing campaign that will be driven by the Explore RGV Advisory Committee. The advisory committee will begin meeting in early 2020. He thanked the Explore RGV partner cities, Ms. Blanca Davila, Assistant Director of Economic Development, and Ms. Leticia Pantoja, Economic Development VISTA, for their work in developing this program.

6. RGV B-Cycle

Mr. Garza thanked the City of Harlingen and the City of Brownsville for becoming the first two partners that expand McAllen BCycle into RGV B-Cycle. The bikes and stations should be installed in these two cities within 60-90 days and their service will be launched simultaneously. The bikes and docking stations in these locations will create a network to ride between Brownsville, Harlingen, and McAllen. In addition, Mr. Garza announced that BCycle has developed a smaller dock they are calling the “Connected Dock” which is a dock for a single unit (bicycle) and could be placed strategically across the valley in smaller cities that might not have the funds for a 10-unit dock. Staff is excited to finalize plans and launch RGV B-Cycle in the next few months.

7. 2020 Mayors’ Walk for Wellness (It’s Time Texas Community Challenge)

Mr. Garza informed the Board that the 3rd Annual It’s Time Texas (ITT) Mayors’ Walk for Wellness and RGV Fit 5K is scheduled for Saturday, January 25, 2020. This time the 5K will offer an “Urban Adventure” that will incorporate obstacles using existing infrastructure along the racecourse. He reminded the Board that the Mayors’ Walk is a *state-wide* challenge to mayors to inspire their communities to become healthier. The LRGVDC organizes the Mayors’ Walk for Wellness to provide Valley mayors with the opportunity to earn bonus points for the ITT challenge. He reminded the Board of how well the Rio Grande Valley ranked in 2019:

CATEGORY	CITY
Metropolitan Areas - 300,000 +	Austin 1 st (<i>Valley does not qualify</i>)
Large Cities of 100,000 - 300,000	McAllen 1st, Brownsville 2nd
Mid-Size Cities of 40,000 - 100,000	Harlingen 1st, Pharr 3rd
Small Cities of 5,001- 40,000	Los Fresnos 1st, San Juan 3rd, Port Isabel 5th
Extra Small Cities of 1 – 5,000	Laguna Vista 4th

Mr. Garza added that ITT is in the process of printing the giant Mayors’ Pledge signature board for 2020, *and* because of input from the LRGVDC, ITT will also include a category for counties.

President Suarez next moved to item 5: Department Reports.

C. Community & Economic Development

Assistant Director Blanca Davila was recognized to address the following:

Program Action Items:

1. Consideration and Action to Approve the Professional Services Agreement for Economic Development Administration (EDA) Grant Administration by and between the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council (LRGVDC) and City of Weslaco and Brownsville Community Improvement Corporation

Ms. Davila stated that Board approval is needed for the LRGVDC to execute the Grant Administration Professional Agreements for:

- Weslaco Mid Valley Airport Hangar Expansion & Infrastructure Development: EDA Grant No. 08-79-05334
- eBridge: Center for Business & Commercialization: EDA Grant No. 08-79-05333

Commissioner David Garza made a motion to approve the Professional Services Agreement for EDA grant administration by and between the LRGVDC and the City of Weslaco and the Brownsville Community Improvement Corporation as presented. Ms. Veronica Gonzales seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.

2. Consideration and Action to Approve Regional Small Cities Coalition (RSCC) Officers for Year 2020

Ms. Davila stated that the officer nominees are:

- Chair: City of Palm Valley – Mayor George Rivera
- Vice Chair: City of Primera – Mayor R. Dave Kusch
- Secretary: City of Lyford – Mayor Pro-tem Rick Salinas

Judge Aurelio Guerra made a motion to approve the nominees as presented. Ms. Celeste Sanchez seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.

3. Consideration and Action to Appoint Member to the Regional Water Resources Advisory Committee (RWRAC)

Ms. Davila stated that Mr. Paul Greenhill from Willacy County has been nominated to fill the vacancy in the Special Purpose District category on the RWRAC. She added that the City of Brownsville has requested that Mr. David Licon, Jr. be appointed to the RWRAC and that Mr. Doroteo Garcia, Jr. be appointed as his alternate. ***Commissioner David Garza made a motion to approve Mr. Greenhill to fill the Special Purpose District Category, to appoint Mr. David Licon, Jr. to represent the City of Brownsville and appoint Mr. Doroteo Garcia, Jr. as his alternate to the RWRAC. Mr. Javier Deleon seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.***

Program Status Reports

Upon conclusion of action, Ms. Davila stated that the status reports were provided in the meeting packet for review.

D. Health & Human Services

Program Status Report

Program Director Joe Gonzalez was recognized and gave the status reports on the Medicare Open Enrollment and the Opioid Awareness and Prevention Project.

E. Public Safety

Program Action Items:

Public Safety Director Manuel Cruz was recognized to report on the following:

1. Consideration and Action to Approve Revisions to LRGVDC 9-1-1 Regional Advisory Committee Bylaws and Committee Name Change

Mr. Cruz informed the Board that staff and the 9-1-1 Bylaws Subcommittee convened in September to review the bylaws and make revisions. The 9-1-1 RAC convened in November to review the committee structure and bylaws. The bylaws revisions were made in order to be in compliance with changes made by the Office of the Governor.

The Advisory Committee also recommends approval to change its name from the “LRGVDC 9-1-1 Regional Advisory Committee” to the “LRGVDC 9-1-1 Emergency Communications Advisory Committee (LRGVDC 9-1-1 ECAC). ***Mr. Paul Hernandez made a motion to approve the revisions to the Advisory Committee bylaws and the advisory committee name change as presented. Mayor Pro-tem Norie Gonzalez Garza seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.***

2. Consideration and Action to Nominate an LRGVDC Board Director to Serve as Ex-Officio Liaison Member to the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee (CJAC)

Mr. Cruz informed the Board that the CJAC bylaws indicate the option for a current LRGVDC Board

Director to be appointed as an Ex-Officio (Non-Voting) member to this advisory committee. Upon conclusion of discussion ***Commissioner David Garza made a motion to appoint Ms. Christina Patiño Houle as the Board Ex-Officio (Non-Voting) Member to the CJAC. Commissioner Rick Guerra seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.***

3. Consideration and Action to Approve the Homeland Security Advisory Committee's (HSAC) Scoresheet and Updates to the Policy Manual for FY 2020-21 HSGD Funding Cycle

Mr. Cruz stated that the HSAC reviewed and updated the Application Scoresheet and Policy Manual for FY 2020-2021 funding cycle. These documents were developed by LRGVDC staff to provide committee members with scoring parameters and guidance for grantees applying for funding. The deadline to submit is December 31, 2019. ***Mr. Javier Deleon made a motion to approve the updated HSAC Scoresheet and Policy Manual for FY 2020-2021 HSGD funding cycle as presented. Commissioner Rick Salinas seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.***

4. Consideration and Action to Approve the Regional Animal Care Coalition (RACC) Nominations for Officers

Mr. Cruz informed the Board that at their October meeting the RACC nominated Mr. Eddie Olivarez, Hidalgo County Health and Human Services, as Chair and Mr. Gustavo Olivarez, Cameron County Health and Human Services as Vice Chair. These nominations require Board approval. ***Commissioner David Garza made a motion to approve Mr. Eddie Olivarez as RACC Chair, and Mr. Gustavo Olivarez as Vice Chair. Ms. Celeste Sanchez seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.***

Program Status Reports:

Mr. Cruz informed the Board that the department status reports were provided in the meeting packet for review.

F. Transportation

Program Status Reports:

Valley Metro Director Tom Logan informed the Board that year to date Valley Metro transported 190,000 passengers. This is a 12% increase, 35% of which is due to routes serving South Texas College, Texas State Technical College and University of Texas Rio Grande Valley.

President Suarez next moved to item 6. – Executive Session

- A. Consultation with Attorney: (advice of counsel concerning pending, potential and/or contemplated litigation, settlement offers, and/or legal matters subject to the attorney-client privilege): in accordance with Texas government code, Section 551.071, the Board reserves the right to retire into executive session for consultation with attorney.

Commissioner David Garza made a motion to go into executive session; Judge Aurelio Guerra seconded, and upon a vote executive session began at 12:36 pm.

- B. Reconvene into Open Session to Consider Action on Items Related to Executive Session as Described above

At 12:57 President Suarez reconvened open session. Commissioner David Garza made a motion to acknowledge the report given during executive session. Commissioner Marco Villegas seconded the motion and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.

President Suarez next moved to item 7. – New or Unfinished Business.

There being no further business to come before the Board, *Commissioner Rick Salinas made a motion to adjourn; Mayor Pro-tem Norie Gonzalez Garza seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 12:57 pm.*

Mayor David Suarez, President

ATTEST:

Deborah Morales, Recording Secretary

ITEM #4. A.

ADMINISTRATION

**FY 2020
ANNUAL
REPORT &
BUDGET**

Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council
Board of Directors, General Membership, & LRGVDCC Meeting

Wednesday, January 29, 2020

Item #4: Administration

A. Consideration and **ACTION BY GENERAL MEMBERSHIP**

Regarding FY 2020 Annual Report and Budget Mayor Jim Darling
Committee Officer

(2020 Performance Goals, 2019 Performance Outcomes, & 2020 Budget)

The Annual Report offers the general membership, board of directors, and members of the public a detailed outline of the LRGVDC's composition, organizational structure, and programmatic responsibilities.

The Annual Report outlines LRGVDC's performance goals and budget for the current year as well as performance outcomes for FY2019.

Budget Summary:

- 2020 Annual Budget is \$26,435,640; reflecting a decrease of \$959,448 from the 2019 budget due to some projects coming to the end of their contract.
- 2020 Annual Budget does not reflect an increase in Membership dues.
- 2020 Fringe Benefit rate is 51.85% and reflects a decrease of 2.65% over the 2019 fringe benefit rate of 54.50%.
- 2020 (Total Budget Expenditure) Indirect Rate is 14.37%; reflecting the State's revised guidance for calculation. Utilizing the revised calculation method, the 2020 indirect rate reflects an increase of 1.21% from the 2019 amount of 13.16%.
- 2020 Salary Recommendations for Staff includes a 3% performance-based salary increase for those employees who have successfully achieved all standards per annual evaluation process.

The Committee met on January 22 and reviewed the Annual Report and Budget. The Committee unanimously recommends approval.

ITEM #4. B.

ADMINISTRATION

REVISIONS TO

LRGVDC

PERSONNEL

POLICY MANUAL

Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council
Board of Directors, General Membership, & LRGVDCC Meeting

Wednesday, January 29, 2020

Item #4: Administration

- B. Consideration and **ACTION** Regarding Revisions to
LRGVDC Personnel Policy Manual Mayor Jim Darling
Committee Officer

LRGVDC's Personnel Policy Manual includes the comprehensive set of policies established to provide rules, guidelines, and standards to professional staff and representatives.

The revision process has been lengthy and inclusive. As previously reported at the December Board of Director meeting, the Executive Director hosted an all-staff meeting in which the initial draft was presented for feedback and comment. Additionally, each staff member had the opportunity to present written comments.

The draft manual has also been thoroughly reviewed by legal representation. The presented draft includes these additions and revisions.

The Annual Report & Budget Committee met on January 22 and reviewed the Revised Personnel Policy Manual.

The Committee unanimously recommends approval.

ITEM #4. C.

ADMINISTRATION

**INVESTMENT
REPORTS**

LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
Quarterly Investment Report
October 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019

This quarterly report is in full compliance with investment policy and strategy as established for the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council and the Public Funds Investment Act.

Recorded Interest Income for the quarter \$7,884.52

	Beginning 10/01/19	Ending 12/31/19
Investments in TexPool Prime:		
Water Plan	\$62,318.56	\$62,621.19
9-1-1	226,825.09	533,174.74
TCEQ	71,998.61	72,348.25
Transit	345,528.91	516,796.31
TWDB	199,126.21	163,723.34
GLO-Closing Cost	97,990.68	98,466.54
Kari's Law	74,990.79	75,354.95
Tire Project	22,640.27	22,750.21
RGV Explorer	0.00	56,265.44
Total	\$1,101,419.12	\$1,601,500.97

TexPool Prime Rate as of December 31, 2019 – 1.8342%

This report of pooled fund investments is in compliance with the written investment policy and investment strategy approved by the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council Board of Directors and is in compliance with the relevant portions of the Public Funds Investment Act.



Crystal Balboa
Director of Finance

LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
Annual Investment Report
January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019

This annual report is in full compliance with investment policy and strategy as established for the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council and the Public Funds Investment Act.

Recorded Interest Income for the year \$32,886.54

	Beginning 01/01/19	Ending 12/31/19
Investments in TexPool Prime:		
Water Plan	\$61,162.25	\$62,621.19
9-1-1	1,000,484.97	533,174.74
TCEQ	261,942.32	72,348.25
Transit	507,843.85	516,796.31
TWDB	71,193.59	163,723.34
GLO-Closing Cost	96,172.50	98,466.54
Kari's Law	126,627.56	75,354.95
Tire Project	22,220.22	22,750.21
RGV Explorer	0.00	56,265.44
Total	\$2,147,647.26	\$1,601,500.97

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Crystal Balboa
Director of Finance

ITEM #4. D.

ADMINISTRATION

**EXECUTIVE
DIRECTOR
REPORT**

ITEM #5. A.

**COMMUNITY
&
ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT**

**Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council
Board of Directors Meeting**

January 29, 2020

Item #5: Department Reports

A. Community & Economic Development

Program Status Report

1. Consideration and **ACTION** to Approve Regional Small Cities Coalition (RSCC) Updated Bylaws

RSCC members updated their bylaws to specify that member cities will have a population of no more than 24,999, according to the most current census numbers. There are currently thirty (30) such incorporated municipalities in Cameron, Hidalgo, and Willacy Counties that are eligible for membership to the RSCC.

**LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
REGIONAL SMALL CITIES COALITION (RSCC)
ADVISORY COMMITTEE
BYLAWS**



DRAFT

ARTICLE I: Organization:

The official, designated name of the advisory committee shall be Regional Small Cities Coalition (RSCC).

ARTICLE II: Authority:

The creation of the Regional Small Cities Coalition is authorized by the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council. The Regional Small Cities Coalition shall implement its purpose within the service area of Hidalgo, Cameron and Willacy Counties.

Committee progress, updates, and recommended actions shall be presented for discussion and/or required approvals during regular meetings of the LRGVDC Board of Directors.

ARTICLE III: Purpose & Function:

The Coalition shall serve as a regional capacity building and information sharing forum for the small cities of the Rio Grande Valley to further expand opportunities for economic growth, job creation, infrastructure development, and tourism.

The Coalition shall utilize partnerships and resources to engage in regional initiatives such as collaborative economic development planning, legislative advocacy, strategic planning, best-practice sharing, and resource and partnership development.

ARTICLE IV: Membership:

Incorporated municipalities of Hidalgo, Cameron, and Willacy Counties with a population (*of the most current census*) of no more than 24,999 shall be eligible as a member of the RSCC.

Prospective members to the Regional Small Cities Coalition should be carefully selected for their interest and commitment to improving the economic vitality and quality of life for residents living in small, rural areas. They should be able and willing to donate their time to attend regular scheduled meetings and to work on other assigned tasks to benefit the committee and the citizens it serves.

a. Composition

The Regional Small Cities Coalition members may be any of the following:

- Mayor or other municipal Elected Official;
- City Manager, City Administrator, or City Secretary; or
- City Economic Development Directors or Manager.

b. Voting

Participating cities may have multiple member attendees per city; however shall only have one vote per city for items requiring action.

Each city shall designate a primary member; however, any member of eligible composition in attendance shall serve as proxy for voting.

c. Officers

The Advisory Committee shall designate the following officers, as elected by the RSCC and approved by the LRGVDC Board of Directors:

- Chair Shall preside during advisory committee meetings.
- Vice-Chair Shall act on behalf of Chair during absence.
- Secretary Shall act on behalf of Vice-Chair or Chair during absence.

Officers shall also actively perform the following duties:

- Serve as representative of the RSCC at public gatherings and/or LRGVDC Board meetings;
- Promote the efforts and attendance of RSCC meetings;
- Encourage newly elected officials or city managers to engage in RSCC;
- Assist with fundraising, promotion efforts (when applicable); and
- Assist in the development of training and meeting topics.

Officers shall be elected annually and may be reappointed to multiple terms without term limits.

d. Officer Vacancies

An officer vacancy occurs when:

- Term expires without reappointment;
- Member voluntarily resigns;
- Member is physically unable to perform duties of committee; or
- LRGVDC Board of Directors reappoints committee member due to conduct, disqualification of representation, or other business-related reasons.

RSCC shall reappoint any vacancies immediately, or during the next scheduled regular meeting through committee level selection and recommendation process and approved by LRGVDC Board of Directors.

e. Attendance

Members who miss three consecutive meetings shall temporarily lose voting rights until effort is shown to attend three consecutive meetings.

f. Conduct.

Each Advisory Committee member shall maintain professionalism and objectivity when carrying out business of the Committee and is subject to LRGVDC's code of ethics and professionalism. Unbecoming conduct of RSCC members shall be addressed by LRGVDC staff liaison or executive director. Removal from RSCC advisory committee may result if necessary.

g. Conflict of Interest.

All Advisory Committee members must disclose perceived or actual conflicts of interest and/or abstain from applicable votes. It is the responsibility of each Committee Member to discharge his or her duties in those respective capacities in good faith, in a manner the person reasonably believes to be in the best interests of RSCC and LRGVDC.

h. Ex-Officio Membership:

As an inclusive resource to the region, executives and administrators representing publicly- funded, official-capacity federal and state organizations designated to provide resources or value to the scope of the committee shall be recommended to serve as ex-officio, non-voting member. Ex-officio members shall not count towards establishment of a quorum.

Article V: Procedures:

a. Meetings.

Regular meetings shall be held at least quarterly with written notice and agenda submitted to all members at least (3) business days prior to meeting date. Special meetings may be called more frequently, at the discretion of the Advisory Committee or a LRGVDC designated staff liaison with written notice and agenda submitted to all members at least (3) business days prior to meeting date. Advisory Committee meetings shall be conducted under Robert's Rules of Order.

b. Quorum.

The quorum for transaction of substantive action shall be ten (10) municipalities per regular scheduled meeting. In the absence of quorum, the Advisory Committee may choose to discuss topics informally but may take no action or accept recommendations.

c. Minutes.

A designated LRGVDC staff member shall maintain minutes of each Advisory Committee meeting. Minutes shall be reviewed and approved as a standing agenda item.

d. Subcommittees.

The Advisory Committee shall maintain the authority to designate standing, technical, ad-hoc and/or temporary subcommittees within scope to improve the recommendations and nature of the advisory committee. Subcommittee activity updates shall be recorded at Advisory Committee meetings.

e. Open Meetings.

RSSC Advisory Committee meetings shall be open to the public and generally subject to the Texas Open Meetings Act.

Article VI: Amendments:

The Advisory Committee shall propose amendments to bylaws by subcommittee recommendation, regular, or special meetings; however, shall not be effective or approved until formal action is taken by LRGVDC Board of Directors as per Article II.

Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council Board of Directors Meeting

January 29, 2020

Item #5: Department Reports

A. Community & Economic Development

Program Status Reports

- Regional Small Cities Coalition

The Regional Small Cities Coalition Meeting (RSCC) was held on Thursday, January 09, 2020 at 11:30 a.m. at City of Raymondville where regional funding opportunities were discussed, and bylaws were updated.

The next meeting for RSCC is scheduled for Thursday, February 13, 2020 at 11:30 a.m. at City of La Feria.

- Explore RGV

The Tourism & Travel Advisory Committee (TTAC) is scheduled to meet February 11, 2020 at 10:00 AM at the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council – Building B.

Download Explore RGV app at the Apple Store and Google Play or visit www.goexplorergv.com. Please follow @goexplorergv on Twitter, Instagram, and Facebook.

- Census 2020

Census 2020 Regional Taskforce is scheduled to meet February 14, 2020 at 10:00 AM at the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council – Building B to provide regional updates and best practices for community outreach. Self-response date begins March 12, 2020 and Census Day is April 1, 2020.

- HUD Disaster Recovery Housing Program

The LRGVDC was awarded contracts with the Texas General Land Office as a subrecipient to administer HUD CDBG-Disaster Recovery funding issued as a result of Hurricane Dolly. All funds have been expended for the following, Non-Family Rental, Multi-Family Rental and Administrative costs. The grants awarded to the LRGVDC were expended and projects have been completed at a 100%. The contract between LRGVDC and the Texas General Land Office (GLO) for Multi-Family Rental ended December 31, 2018. LRGVDC is working with GLO to finalize contract close-out.

- **Solid Waste Management Program**

The Solid Waste Grant opened on January 06, 2020 at 12:00 PM and will close on February 14, 2020 at 12:00 PM. The Request for Application (RFA), Solid Waste Grant Application, grant workshop date, and next Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC) Meeting information was posted on the LRGVDC website.

The next meeting for the SWAC will be in March 11, 2020 at the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council – Building B.

Staff continues to provide technical assistance and outreach and continues to monitor all Solid Waste Management Projects. All information about the Solid Waste Program is available at www.lrgvdc.org/solidwaste.html.

- **Water Quality Program**

Staff continues to provide education and outreach to the cities/communities on water quality issues by attending different functions.

- **Regional Water Resource Advisory Committee**

The Regional Water Resource Advisory Committee (RWRAC) was held on Wednesday, January 08, 2020 at 2:00 PM.

LRGVDC Staff submitted three Freshwater Flows Topics study proposals to Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) in December 2019. Study proposals priorities were as follows:

1. TWDB REON IBWC North Floodway
2. TWDB FY2020 Hidalgo & Willacy
3. TWDB REON Raymondville Drain

The next meeting for the RWRAC is scheduled for Wednesday, February 12, 2020 at 2:00 PM at the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council - Building B.

- **Rio Grande Regional Water Planning Group (Region M)**

The next meeting of the Region M Group is scheduled for Wednesday, February 5, 2020 at 10:30 AM. At this meeting the Voting Membership will take action on a request for local funds. This request is based on a \$0.05 per capita formula to fund administrative services for the Regional Water Planning Group. Municipalities within the 8-county Water Planning Group Region will receive a letter of explanation and an invoice in April.

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.

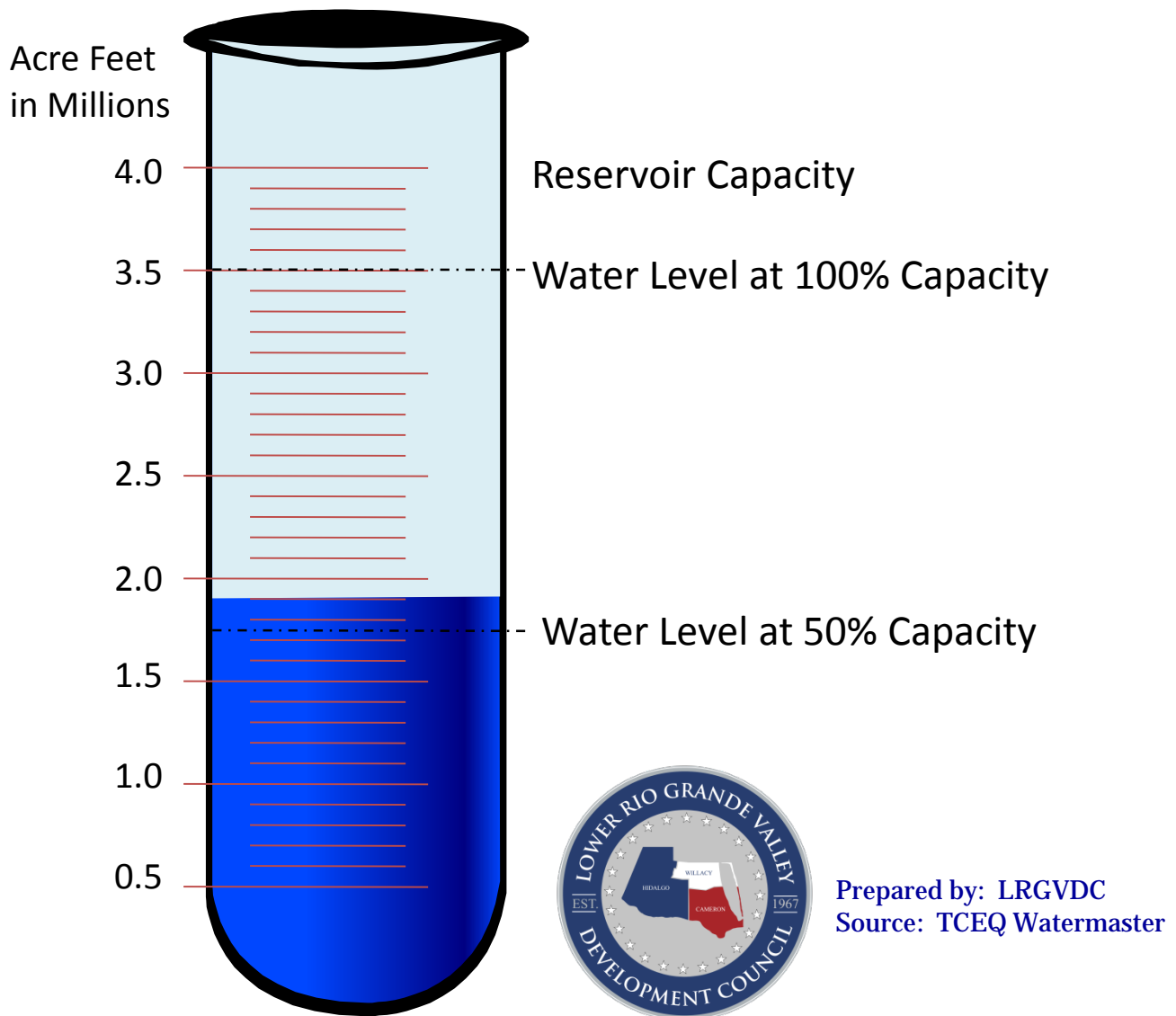
- **Reservoir Levels**

On January 18, 2020, the U.S. combined ownership at Amistad/Falcon stood at 55.45% of normal conservation capacity, impounding 1,880,847 acre-feet, down from 63.96% (2,169,460 AF) of normal conservation a year ago. Overall the system is holding 38.55% of normal conservation capacity, impounding 2,282,959 acre-feet with Amistad at 51.90% of conservation capacity, impounding 1,700,059 acre-feet and Falcon at 22.02% of conservation capacity, impounding 582,900 acre-feet. Mexico has 15.89% of normal conservation capacity, impounding 402,112 acre-feet at Amistad/Falcon.

Water Levels at Amistad and Falcon Reservoirs (U.S. Ownership)

1/18/2020, 55.45% of Capacity or 1,880,847 AF

down from 2,169,460 AF of Normal Conservation a year ago



**NOTE: Mexico Ownership/Reservoir Capacity for
January 18, 2020: 15.89% (402,112) A.F.**

Rio Grande Watermaster Report

01/18/20

Amistad

Normal Conservation Elevation	340.462	Meters	1,117.00 Feet	
Water Elevation	331.210	Meters	1,086.64 Feet	-30.35
Total Normal Conservation Capacity	4,040,325	TCM	3,275,532 Acre-Feet	
Total Combined Storage	2,097,000	TCM	1,700,059 Acre-Feet	51.90%
US Share of Current Storage	1,702,000	TCM	1,379,828 Acre-Feet	81.16%
Mexico share of Current Storage	395,000	TCM	320,230 Acre-Feet	18.84%
TOTAL RELEASES AVG	29.80	CMS	1,052 CFS	
US Release AVG	26.40	CMS	932 CFS	88.59%
Mexico Release AVG	3.40	CMS	120 CFS	11.41%
TOTAL INFLOWS AVG	59.30	CMS	2,094 CFS	
US Inflows AVG	40.60	CMS	1,434 CFS	
Mexico Inflows AVG	18.70	CMS	660 CFS	
US Reservoir Loss	7.62	CMS	269 CFS	

Falcon

Normal Conservation Elevation	91.805	Meters	301.20 Feet	
Water Elevation	80.595	Meters	264.42 Feet	-36.78
Total Normal Conservation Capacity	3,264,813	TCM	2,646,817 Acre-Feet	
Total Combined Storage	719,000	TCM	582,900 Acre-Feet	22.02%
US Share of Current Storage	618,000	TCM	501,019 Acre-Feet	85.95%
Mexico share of Current Storage	101,000	TCM	81,882 Acre-Feet	14.05%
Total Releases AVG	55.00	CMS	1,942 CFS	
US Release AVG	32.20	CMS	1,137 CFS	58.55%
Mexico Release AVG	22.80	CMS	805 CFS	41.45%
TOTAL INFLOWS AVG	44.40	CMS	1,568 CFS	
US Inflows AVG	35.60	CMS	1,257 CFS	
Mexico Inflows AVG	8.80	CMS	311 CFS	
US Reservoir Loss	2.78	CMS	98 CFS	

Overall Status

Normal Conservation Capacity - Amistad	4,040,325	TCM	3,275,532 Acre-Feet	
US Share of Amistad Normal Conservation	2,270,663	TCM	1,840,849 Acre-Feet	
Current US share of Normal Conservation	1,702,000	TCM	1,379,828 Acre-Feet	74.96%
Normal Conservation Capacity - Falcon	3,264,813	TCM	2,646,817 Acre-Feet	
US Share of Falcon Normal Conservation	1,913,180	TCM	1,551,034 Acre-Feet	
Current US share of Normal Conservation	618,000	TCM	501,019 Acre-Feet	32.30%
Normal Capacity - Amistad/Falcon System	7,305,138	TCM	5,922,348 Acre-Feet	
Normal Conservation Capacity - US	4,183,843	TCM	3,391,883 Acre-Feet	57.27%
Normal Conservation Capacity - Mexico	3,121,295	TCM	2,530,466 Acre-Feet	42.73%
Current Storage US	2,320,000	TCM	1,880,847 Acre-Feet	55.45%
Current Storage Mexico	496,000	TCM	402,112 Acre-Feet	15.89%
Current Storage - Amistad - Falcon System	2,816,000	TCM	2,282,959 Acre-Feet	
Percent of Storage Capacity	38.55%		38.55%	

ITEM #5. B.

**HEALTH
&
HUMAN SERVICES**

Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council Board of Directors Meeting

Wednesday, January 29, 2020

Item #5: Department Reports

B. Health & Human Services

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

- Visit by Health & Human Services Regional Director Fred Schuster

The Area Agency on Aging office has been notified that HHS Regional Director Fred Schuster will be in the area February 6 & 7. He is scheduled to visit the Area Agency on Aging the afternoon of February 6. On the agenda he would like to share the current HHS priorities, hear about the work the Area Agency is doing to assist senior citizens in the Rio Grande Valley and explore areas that HHS may be able to support our efforts.

- Older American Act Programs Fared Well on Appropriations

Lawmakers ultimately agreed upon important, but modest national funding increases for the Older American Act Title III programs. The committee boosted titles:

- Title III B Home and Community-Based Supportive Services by \$5 million, from \$385 million to \$390 million;
- Title III C1 Congregate Meals by \$15 million, from \$495 million to \$510 million;
- Title III C2 Home-Delivered Meals by \$15 million, from \$251 million to \$266 million; and
- Title III E National Family Caregiver Support Program by \$4.75 million, from \$181.25 million to \$186 million.

ITEM #5. C.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council
Board of Directors Meeting

Wednesday, January 29, 2020

Item #5: Department Reports

C. Public Safety

Program Status Report Manuel Cruz, Director

1. Consideration and **ACTION** to Approve Resolutions for Homeland Security Funding for Regional Planning, Regional Fire Training Academy, and Statewide Emergency Radio Infrastructure

As part of the Public Safety, Homeland Security Grant Divisions (HSGD) grant guidelines, applications from nonprofit organizations, local governments, and other political subdivisions must include a resolution that contains specific information, such as authorization by its governing body for the submission of the application to HSGD. Upon approval, the resolution(s) will be uploaded in eGrants on or before the grant deadline of February 29.



LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

REGIONAL HOMELAND SECURITY PROJECT

RESOLUTION: 2020 REGIONAL PLANNING AND RELATED COSTS

WHEREAS, The LRGVDC Board of Directors, Governing Body finds it in the best interest of the local governments and the citizens of the LRGVDC Region, that the Regional Homeland Security Planning be operated for 09/01/2020-08/31/2021; and

WHEREAS, The LRGVDC Board of Directors agrees that in the event of loss or misuse of the Office of the Governor funds, The LRGVDC Board of Directors assures that the funds will be returned to the Office of the Governor in full; and

WHEREAS, LRGVDC Board of Directors, designates the LRGVDC Executive Director as the grantee's authorized official. The authorized official is given the power to apply for, accept, reject, alter or terminate the grant on behalf of the applicant agency.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that The LRGVDC Board of Directors approves submission of the grant application for the Regional Homeland Security Planning Project to the Office of the Governor's, Homeland Security Grant Division.

Passed and Approved this 29th day of January 2020

Signed by:

The Honorable David Suarez, LRGVDC President

Grant Number: 2968006



LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

REGIONAL HOMELAND SECURITY PROJECT

RESOLUTION: 2020 REGIONAL FIRE TRAINING ACADEMY

WHEREAS, The LRGVDC Board of Directors, Governing Body finds it in the best interest of the local governments and the citizens of the LRGVDC Region, that the Regional Homeland Security Planning be operated for 09/01/2020-08/31/2021; and

WHEREAS, The LRGVDC Board of Directors agrees that in the event of loss or misuse of the Office of the Governor funds, The LRGVDC Board of Directors assures that the funds will be returned to the Office of the Governor in full; and

WHEREAS, LRGVDC Board of Directors, designates the LRGVDC Executive Director as the grantee's authorized official. The authorized official is given the power to apply for, accept, reject, alter or terminate the grant on behalf of the applicant agency.

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Signed by:

The Honorable David Suarez, LRGVDC President



LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

REGIONAL HOMELAND SECURITY PROJECT

RESOLUTION: 2020 STATEWIDE EMERGENCY RADIO INFRASTRUCTURE

WHEREAS, The LRGVDC Board of Directors, Governing Body finds it in the best interest of the local governments and the citizens of the LRGVDC Region, that the Regional Homeland Security Planning be operated for 09/01/2020-08/31/2021; and

WHEREAS, The LRGVDC Board of Directors agrees that in the event of loss or misuse of the Office of the Governor funds, The LRGVDC Board of Directors assures that the funds will be returned to the Office of the Governor in full; and

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Item #5: Department Reports

C. Public Safety

Program Status Report Manuel Cruz, Director

2. Consideration and **ACTION** to Approve the Regional Animal Care Coalition (RACC) Bylaws.

The RACC convened on January 9 to review the final draft of the committee bylaws. After much discussion the members unanimously approved the recommendations of the updates that were presented.

**Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council
Regional Animal Care Coalition
Bylaws**

Article I. Name, Purpose, Responsibilities

The name of the Committee shall be the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council (LRGVDC) Regional Animal Care Coalition (RACC).

The RACC serves the local governments in Cameron, Hidalgo and Willacy County within Regional Planning Commission (RPC) – Region 21. The primary purpose and responsibilities shall be to carry out essential governmental functions, including but not limited to providing direction and action in providing a leadership role within the LRGVDC Region for animal welfare concerns by developing a multi-jurisdiction animal control coalition to help develop or identify regional best practices, policies, regulations and for using financial resource efficiently.

Subject to LRGVDC Board of Directors specifying otherwise and pursuant to local and state guidelines established within Health and Safety Code, Regional Animal Care Coalition's specific responsibilities are:

- a. To provide recommendation to local governments and the LRGVDC Board of Directors on issues affecting local government interests in addressing the overpopulation of animals.
- b. To advise LRGVDC's member cities, counties and special districts, directly or through the LRGVDC Board of Directors, on matters within their jurisdiction pertaining to animal welfare and services and all other matters related to animal services.
- c. To maintain a continuous planning program to identify regional issues and determine the region's needs by analyzing existing data and available resources and establish goals and priorities.
- d. To assist, encourage and coordinate the activities of all parties concerned, both public and private, in implementing cost effective measures and conducting training and awareness workshops.
- e. Appointing technical advisory committees.

All operations of the RACC shall be managed by the LRGVDC Executive Director and other employees as assigned by the director.

Article II. Membership

The RACC is composed of member cities/counties that require a third-party service and/or provide a third parity service. DSHS and Texas Animal Commission will be non-voting members. Non-voting ex-officio members may be appointed by the LRGVDC Board of Directors. Local governments shall be appointed members based upon the following criteria.

- a. All governmental units situated within the geographic area of the planning region are eligible for membership. Governmental units eligible for membership who desire to join the RACC subsequent to the adoption of these by-laws may become members by passage of an ordinance, resolution, rule, order, or other means adopted by the RACC.
- b. An LRGVDC staff member, designated by the Executive Director, shall serve as RACC liaison and shall attend each RACC meeting.
- c. A representative of the LRGVDC Board of Directors may serve on the Advisory Committee.
- d. The membership of the RACC (having qualified under existing criteria) shall remain as members of the RACC, so long as they remain eligible pursuant to these Bylaws.
- e. Upon a vacancy, as described hereunder, the jurisdictions within the affected county shall appoint a replacement candidate. Thereafter, the proposed candidate must be confirmed by a simple majority of all committee members.
- f. Non-voting members from the state department of health and the animal health commission will be permitted.

Article III. Appointments and Qualifications

Member jurisdictions shall designate one or more individuals to exercise the member's voting and other privileges on the committee. Such individual shall be an elected official or an employee of the member jurisdiction. Each member jurisdiction shall appoint a primary representative and up to two alternative representatives representation on the committee. Appointments to the REGIONAL ANIMAL CARE COALITION shall be submitted in writing on agency official correspondence and by an Authorized Official and submitted to the committee by a duly authorized representative of the member jurisdiction.

The designation may be changed from time to time by the member jurisdiction by submitting an amended written designation. No person other than the persons so designated shall be eligible to exercise voting or other privileges for the member.

Article IV. Membership Terms

- a. The membership term shall be two (2) years by the LRGVDC Board of Directors.
- b. A member jurisdiction may be reappointed by the LRGVDC Board of Directors.
- c. In the case of a vacancy, the LRGVDC Board of Directors shall appoint a replacement to serve for the remainder of the unexpired term.
- d. A member jurisdiction may be removed for good cause at any time by the LRGVDC Board of Directors.

Article V. Removal Resignation and Disqualification

All members shall make a good faith effort to attend all REGIONAL ANIMAL CARE COALITION Meetings or shall designate the alternate to act on his/her behalf at any scheduled meeting. A record of attendance shall be kept of all meeting and shall be reviewed annually for good attendance and participation. The appointing authority shall be notified of attendance for appropriate action.

Article VI. Vacancies & Attendance

- a. Vacancies shall exist upon the death, removal, resignation or disqualification of any member. Vacancies shall be filled in the manner described in Article IV.
- b. Member jurisdictions shall be responsible for ensuring that the member's designated representative attends all meeting.
- c. Attendance records documenting member absences will be maintained by the LRGVDC liaison. If none of the representatives designated by a member are able

to attend a scheduled meeting, notification must be provided to the liaison prior to the meeting.

- d. A member jurisdiction failing to attend at least 50% of the meetings during a calendar year shall be automatically removed from the Committee. The member will be notified in writing of such removal.
- e. Members so removed may appeal in writing to the LRGVDC Board of Directors within two (2) weeks of the date of notification. Appeals will be handled in a timely manner and the member will be notified in writing of the decision.

Article VII. Elections

The REGIONAL ANIMAL CARE COALITION shall hold election in August of every odd year.

Election

- a. The REGIONAL ANIMAL CARE COALITION shall elect a Chair and Vice-Chair from among the primary representatives designated by the member jurisdiction. Election of a Chair and Vice-Chair will occur at the initial meeting of the Advisory Committee and, thereafter, at the first meeting of the calendar year. Only the individual elected by the committee shall be eligible to carry out the functions of the office to which that person is elected, i.e., alternative representatives from the same member jurisdiction do not serve in the officer's absence.

Term

- a. Officers serve one-year terms beginning on the date of election. Upon committee and LRGVDC Board of Directors approval, Officers may serve a maximum of three (3) consecutive terms.

Duties

- a. The Chair presides at the meetings and shall have full voting privileges.
- b. The Vice-Chair performs the Chair's duties in the absence of the Chair. In the event that both the Chair and Vice-Chair are absent from the meeting, the committee shall select a temporary chair from among those board members present at the meeting, who shall preside at the meeting.

Other Officers

The committee may elect other Officers from time to time to carry out its responsibilities. This may be done by a simple majority vote of the members at any regularly scheduled meeting where a quorum is present.

Article VIII. Officers

The REGIONAL ANIMAL CARE COALITION shall elect a Chair and a Vice Chair from its membership to serve (1) one-year term. Officers shall be eligible for re-election. Terms of office shall be for a period of (3) three years following election or appointment. The Chair shall preside at the meetings, appoint task forces or sub-committees as necessary and shall represent the committee. In the absence of the Chair, the Vice Chair shall perform the duties of the Chair.

Article IX. Voting

The voting procedures for the REGIONAL ANIMAL CARE COALITION shall be as follows:

- a. Each member or alternate on the committee, except for the Chair, shall have one (1) vote.
- b. The Chair votes only in the case of a tie.
- c. Committee members or alternates shall not vote if they have a vested interest in the matter being addressed or acted upon.
- d. The member present will represent its jurisdiction and shall assume the authority of its jurisdiction and vote on action items as presented on the agenda.

Article X. Meetings

- a. Regular Meetings

The REGIONAL ANIMAL CARE COALITION shall schedule meetings to occur as needed, but not less than quarterly, time and place specified by the LRGVDC Board of Directors, the LRGVDC liaison or the REGIONAL ANIMAL CARE COALITION as a whole.

Written notice, including an agenda, or each regular meeting shall be prepared by the LRGVDC liaison and electronically transmitted to each member at least five (5) business days before the meeting date provided, however, if the notice is not provided within the time indicated here, and a quorum of members are present at

the meeting, such meeting may proceed and the defect in notice shall not affect the validity of any action taken at such meeting.

In an emergency or public necessity, as determined by the Chair and Vice Chair, may conduct telephone and videoconference calls to conduct meetings. These meetings must be set up to provide live two-way communication during the entire conference call and the identity of each member must clearly stated prior to speaking.

b. Special Meetings

The committee shall meet specially if called upon by the LRGVDC Board of Directors, the LRGVDC liaison, the Chair or requested in writing by at least one third (1/3) of the membership, excluding vacancies of the committee.

A request by the membership for a special meeting must be in writing, addressed to the Chair and LRGVDC liaison and describe the purpose or purposes of the meeting. Only that business reasonably related to the purposes described in the request may be conducted at a special meeting.

When possible, notice of any special meeting shall be given at least 72 hours prior to the special meeting.

c. Quorum

A majority of the total voting membership, excluding vacancies, constitutes a quorum for conducting REGIONAL ANIMAL CARE COALITION business.

A majority vote of the members present at a meeting at which a quorum is present is necessary for action by the committee. During a meeting at which a quorum a quorum has been established, and then subsequently lost due to members leaving all remaining business items requiring a committee vote or action much be postponed until the next scheduled meeting at which a quorum is established.

An REGIONAL ANIMAL CARE COALITION member may not transfer voting rights by proxy to another jurisdiction.

d. Professional Conduct

REGIONAL ANIMAL CARE COALITION members should maintain objectivity and professionalism when carrying out business of the committee. In the event a member acts in a manner which brings the work of the committee into question or controversy, it shall be the responsibility of the LRGVDC Board of Directors to address the incident with the appointing member of the LRGVDC Board of Directors.

Article XI. Ad Hoc Committees

- a. Ad hoc committees may be appointed by the Chair with the approval of the REGIONAL ANIMAL CARE COALITION and shall serve for special purposes to comply with special needs.
- b. Membership on ad hoc committees shall be established to achieve the purpose for which the committee was created.
- c. The method for calling ad hoc committee meetings shall be the same as that for calling REGIONAL ANIMAL CARE COALITION meetings or at the discretion of the ad hoc committee membership to discharge their responsibility.
- d. Chairs of the ad hoc committees shall be appointed by the Chair of the REGIONAL ANIMAL CARE COALITION.

Article XII. Parliamentary Procedures, Open Meetings and Records

Except where these bylaws require otherwise, Robert's Rules of Order shall govern the conduct of REGIONAL ANIMAL CARE COALITION meetings in the event of any dispute regarding the conduct of business.

All regular meetings of the REGIONAL ANIMAL CARE COALITION shall be open to the public. Minutes of the meetings, documents distributed and other records are the property of the LRGVDC. The LRGVDC liaison shall keep the tape recordings of all meetings produced by the Secretary for a period of ninety (90) days after each meeting; print copies of summary minutes for each meeting shall be permanently maintained on file. These materials are available for public view, at the LRGVDC offices, upon receipt of a written request by the interested party.

When specifically authorized by a majority of the membership, the committee may conduct business via conference call and/or electronic transmissions, with any actions taken by the committee being placed on the next regularly scheduled meeting for ratification by the REGIONAL ANIMAL CARE COALITION.

Article XIII. Administrative Support

The staff of the LRGVDC shall serve as Administrative Support to the committee and shall be responsible for the scheduling of meetings, the development of agendas, meeting notices, preparation of appropriate presentations at such meeting, and maintenance of Committee minutes and other records. The LRGVDC staff will provide day-to-day administrative functions necessary to implement and operate the REGIONAL ANIMAL CARE COALITION.

Article XIV – Amendments

a. By LRGVDC Board of Directors

The LRGVDC Board of Directors may amend these bylaws at a regular or special meeting. The written text of a proposed amendment must be included with the notice of the meeting at which the amendment will be considered.

b. By REGIONAL ANIMAL CARE COALITION

The Committee may recommend amendments to these bylaws by a vote of two-thirds of its membership at a regular or special meeting. The written text of a proposed amendment must be included with the notice of the meeting at which the amendment will be considered. A recommendation for amendment adopted by the committee is not effective unless approved by the LRGVDC Board of Directors.

c. By LRGVDC Liaison or Staff

Pursuant to state guidelines and requirements, the LRGVDC may amend these bylaws at a regular or special meeting. The written text of a proposed amendment must be included with the notice of the meeting at which the amendment will be considered.

XV. Effective Date

An Amendment to the bylaws takes effect when approved by the LRGVDC Board of Directors unless the amendment specifies a later effective date. Copies of amended bylaws will be distributed to Committee members by the Committee liaison.

NOTE: these bylaws shall be in effect as of December 11, 2019 with the approval of the LRGVDC Board of Directors.

Bylaws History

Adopted – December 11, 2019

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Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council
Board of Directors Meeting

Wednesday, January 29, 2020

Item #5: Department Reports

C. Public Safety

9-1-1/Emergency Communications Status Report

- **Location Validation Program**
Staff continues routinely issuing 9-1-1 physical addresses and addressing new subdivisions for Hidalgo and Willacy Counties. Also, staff has initiated field work on 200 new wind turbines being built in the Willacy County area.
- **Database Program**
Database staff continues updating the 9-1-1 database and has finished reviewing the inside city limit plats; the findings have been transferred to GIS staff to add address points in the 9-1-1 GIS map. In December over 300 address request calls were received which resulted in 277 address tickets for 9-1-1 physical addresses.
- **Mapping Program**
The Mapping GIS team continues mapping all address tickets, while maintaining data quality. Staff is scheduled to attend a two-day NENA NG9-1-1 Standards & Best Practices conference in Austin the week of January 20
- **System and Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) Operations**
OurSystems team has completed its quarterly report to CSEC to ensure compliance with state standards in performance measures. We continue to monitor the 9-1-1 Network and focus on improvements to help progress with Next Gen 9-1-1.
- **Public Education /Training Program**
Public Education is an ongoing priority for the 9-1-1/Emergency Communications Division. Staff continues to reach out to communities to educate residents. This month staff participated at a Career Day presentation at J.P. LeNoir Elementary. Also, staff is preparing and planning for an ESRI Training and TC Week recognitions.

Event Request Notice: All event requests must be submitted through our online system. This “*Online Request Form*” must be submitted 14 business days prior to the event. All fields must be populated, and the event flier must be uploaded. To view the online system, visit our website: www.lrgvdc911.org and select the “*Event Request*” tab. Once the event has been submitted an ECOMMS staff member will receive the notification and approve or deny the event based on availability.

**Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council
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Wednesday, January 29, 2020

Item #5: Department Reports

C. Public Safety

Criminal Justice Program Status Report

- Staff hosted grant workshops for the FY2020-21 Criminal Justice Division Grants on January 14 and 16 at the LRGVDC Main Campus. Overall, 90 people from different agencies attended.
- Regional Crime Victim Program Advocates collaborated with other agencies (TAASA, Mujeres Unidas, Common Thread, and Border Workers United) to host the National Human Trafficking Awareness Day event on January 9 in Weslaco. The purpose of this event was to create awareness and encourage networking to better assist victims of crime.

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Homeland Security Program Status Report

- Four (4) grant workshops for the FY2020-21 State Homeland Security Program Grants and Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention activities were held on January 14 & 16 at the LRGVDC Main Campus in Weslaco. Overall 87 people from different agencies attend the workshops.
- Staff participated at the Tactical Pipeline Response Training (Homeland Security Exercises and Evaluation Program) Tabletop Exercise on January 8 in McAllen.
- Staff submitted the regional Homeland Security Implementation Plan to the Texas Homeland Security office.
- The first meeting of the Emergency Management Working Group was held on January 9 at the DPS Headquarters in Weslaco; more than 50 representatives from local jurisdictions, including state and federal agencies attended. The purpose of this group is to enhance the region's disaster preparedness capabilities with a focus on emergency management. It will also help staff identify strengths and gaps to input in assessments for the region. This group is scheduled to meet on a monthly basis.

Regional Animal Care Coalition (RACC)

- The RACC met on January 9 to review and finalize committee bylaws. Critical discussions have been taking place and one of the items on the agenda for the next meeting is to solidify regional priorities in writing. The major concern at this point is the overpopulation of animals in the three-county area; this will be a major topic for discussion that will be addressed once funding sources are identified. Other areas of concern for the RACC is the evacuation of animal before a natural disaster.

**Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council
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C. Public Safety

Regional Police Academy Status Report

- **Report on 201st Basic Peace Officer Course**
The 201st Basic Peace Officer Course will graduate on Wednesday, February 5, 2020. Currently 57 cadets are on track to graduate. The cadets will take their comprehensive final exam on Wednesday, January 29, 2020. The cadets are scheduled to take the TCOLE Licensing Exam on February 4 (35 Cadets) and February 6 (22 Cadets).
- **Report on 202nd Basic Peace Officer Course**
The 202nd Basic Peace Officer Course will begin on Monday January 27, 2020. This is the Night Academy that currently has 35 cadets registered. This Academy is being held in Weslaco.
- **Report on 203rd Basic Peace Officer Course**
Testing for the 203rd Basic Peace Officer Course was completed on Tuesday January 21, 2020. This class will begin on Monday, March 2, 2020.
- **The updated Basic Peace Officer Curriculum, course #1000696 will be utilized for all incoming academies. This is ahead of the April 1, 2020 deadline. The new curriculum includes all currently required legislative mandates. The Regional Police Academy will continue to provide classes beyond what the legislation requires.**

ITEM #5. D.

TRANSPORTATION

Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council
Board of Directors Meeting

Wednesday, January 29, 2020

Item #5: Department Reports

D. Transportation

Valley Metro Status Report Tom Logan, Director

- Ridership Report

Both the rural and urban transit systems are in operation and all systems are monitored daily. For the month of December 2019, ridership for the urban system, which operates Monday through Saturday in the urban areas of Cameron, Hidalgo, and Starr Counties has been averaging **10,136** 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 **3,637** passengers per week for the month of October.

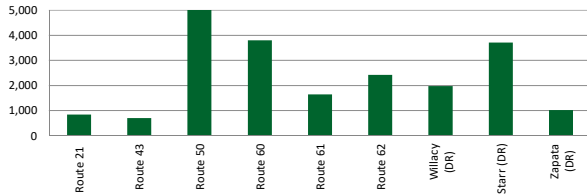
- Regional Transportation Advisory Panel (RTAP) Activity

The RTAP met in October to discuss regional planning and service coordination. The RTAP will meet again on January 30, 2020.

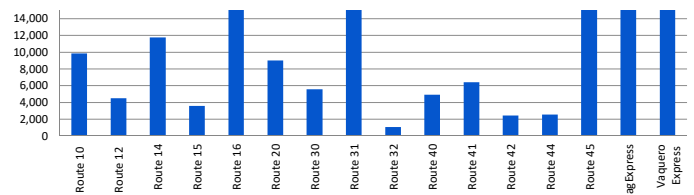


LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
Valley Metro Service Summary
FY 2020 December

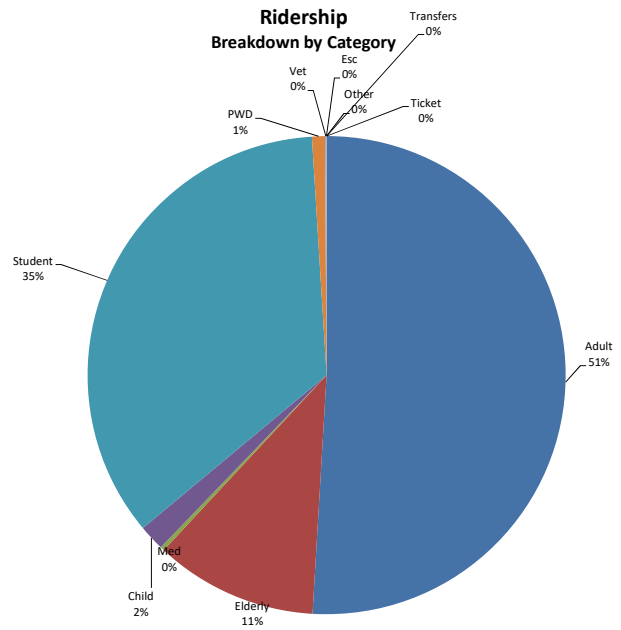
RURAL
Ridership by Route



URBAN
Ridership by Route



	Route	Total Passenger Trips	Route Activity	Area(s) Served
RURAL	Route 21	845	0%	Sullivan City, West Hidalgo County
	Route 43	697	0%	South Cameron County
	Route 50	20,004	6%	Brownsville, Port Isabel
	Route 60	3,808	1%	Roma, Rio Grande City
	Route 61	1,653	0%	Rio Grande City
	Route 62	2,423	1%	Rio Grande City
	Willacy (DR)	1,982	1%	Willacy County
	Starr (DR)	3,716	1%	Starr County
	Zapata (DR)	1,027	0%	Zapata County
URBAN	Metro Express	22,109	7%	Rio Grande Valley
	Route 10	9,854	3%	Edinburg
	Route 12	4,484	1%	Edcouch, Elsa, Edinburg
	Route 14	11,766	4%	Edinburg
	Route 15	3,568	1%	Edinburg
	Route 16	25,171	8%	Edinburg
	Route 20	9,024	3%	Mission
	Route 30	5,584	2%	Pharr, San Juan
	Route 31	20,904	6%	Hidalgo County
	Route 32	1,071	0%	Donna
	Route 40	4,916	1%	Harlingen
	Route 41	6,428	2%	Harlingen
	Route 42	2,448	1%	San Benito
	Route 44	2,565	1%	Primera, La Feria, Santa Rosa
	Route 45	15,082	5%	Cameron County
	JagExpress	28,599	10%	Weslaco, Pharr, McAllen
	Vaquero Express	120,712	36%	Edinburg
	Hidalgo	141	0%	City of Hidalgo
TOTAL		330,581	100%	



FY 2019 Sept-December
289,216

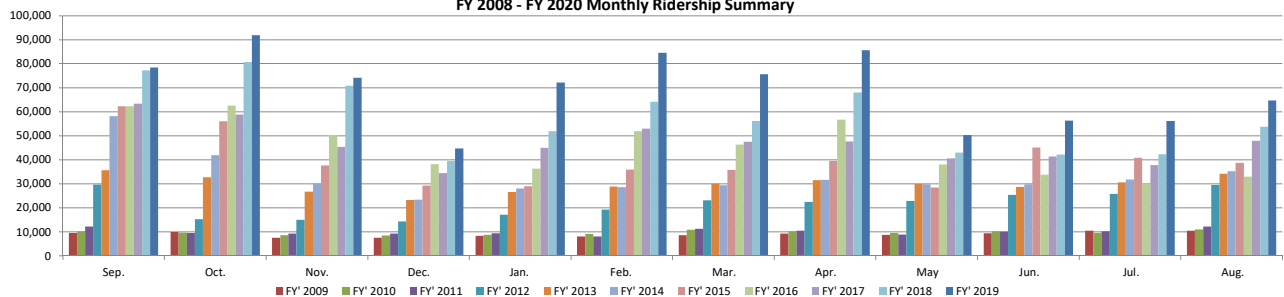
YEAR TO DATE RIDERSHIP REPORT
 FY 2020 Sept-December
330,581

DIFFERENCE
41,365

% DIFFERENCE
14%

* Rural service - service in rural low -population areas outside of urbanized areas
 * Urban service- service between or within urbanized areas

FY 2008 - FY 2020 Monthly Ridership Summary



Fiscal Year	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.	Aug.	Total	Difference	%Change
FY 2008	9,978	4,927	4,378	4,077	9,057	9,065	8,832	9,195	9,624	9,031	8,706	9,568	96,438	45,095	88%
FY 2009	9,538	9,913	7,540	7,562	8,323	8,113	8,567	9,344	8,720	9,363	10,483	10,428	107,894	11,456	12%
FY 2010	10,274	9,702	8,580	8,471	8,670	9,204	10,836	10,274	9,566	10,107	10,931	11,615	116,152	8,258	8%
FY 2011	12,184	9,480	9,336	9,254	9,445	8,016	11,255	10,460	8,801	10,046	10,176	12,111	120,564	4,412	4%
FY 2012	29,644	15,256	14,982	14,267	17,057	19,196	23,184	22,450	22,827	25,436	25,807	29,518	259,624	139,060	115%
FY 2013	35,707	32,758	26,634	23,293	26,542	28,858	30,087	31,465	29,911	28,744	30,596	34,255	358,850	99,226	38%
FY 2014	58,118	41,893	30,069	23,338	28,011	28,593	29,386	31,638	29,761	29,806	31,733	35,241	397,587	38,737	11%
FY 2015	62,315	55,976	37,648	29,214	29,063	35,854	35,785	39,503	28,431	45,056	40,891	38,683	478,419	80,832	20%
FY 2016	62,317	62,627	50,274	38,130	36,305	51,887	46,286	56,675	37,990	33,822	30,148	32,939	539,400	60,981	13%
FY 2017	63,305	58,773	45,397	34,433	45,012	53,051	47,542	47,628	40,601	41,409	37,719	47,917	562,787	23,388	4%
FY 2018	77,255	80,744	70,823	39,507	51,877	64,209	56,076	68,058	42,956	42,169	42,264	53,725	689,663	126,876	23%
FY 2019	78,440	91,930	74,137	44,709	72,199	84,562	75,604	85,670	50,318	56,330	56,234	64,773	834,906	145,243	21%
FY 2020	91,929	98,308	83,799	56,545									330,581		
Monthly Change from Previous FY	13,489	6,378	9,662	11,836											
% Change	17%	7%	13%	26%											

FY 2018 URBANIZED PERFORMANCE MEASURES*

COST EFFECTIVENESS
 Cost per revenue mile = \$2.40 State Avg. = \$4.85
 Cost per revenue hour = \$46.22 State Avg. = \$73.39
 Cost per passenger = \$4.16 State Avg. = \$5.21

SERVICE EFFICIENCY
 Passengers per revenue mile = 0.58 State Avg. = .93
 Passengers per revenue hour = 11.12 State Avg. = 14.10

FY 2018 NONURBANIZED PERFORMANCE MEASURES*

COST EFFECTIVENESS
 Cost per revenue mile = \$3.03 State Avg. = \$2.99
 Cost per revenue hour = \$71.08 State Avg. = \$59.91
 Cost per passenger = \$14.83 State Avg. = \$20.21

SERVICE EFFICIENCY
 Passengers per revenue mile = 0.20 State Avg. = .15
 Passengers per revenue hour = 5.44 State Avg. = 2.96

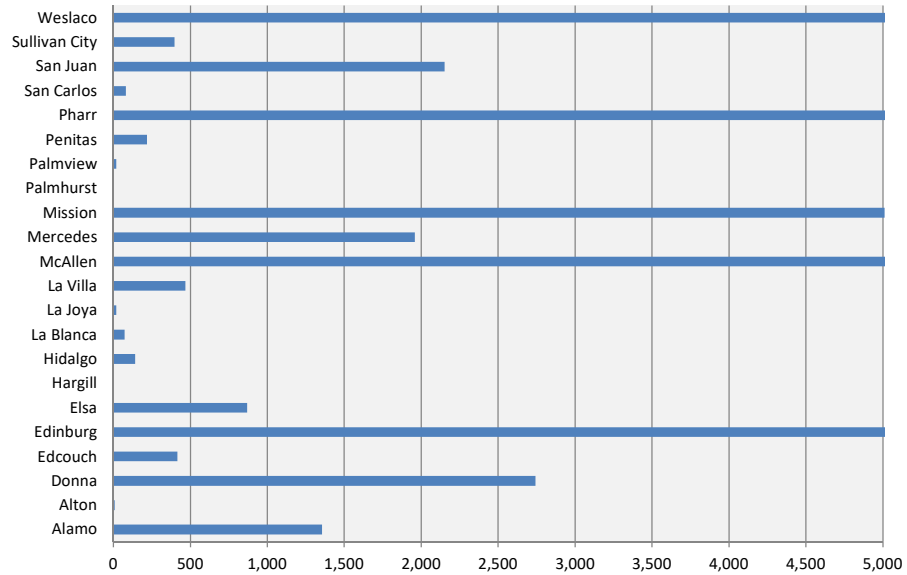
*2018 Texas Transit Statistics Preliminary Report

Distribution of Ridership

Hidalgo County

Alamo	1,356
Alton	9
Donna	2,741
Edcouch	415
Edinburg	168,424
Elsa	868
Hargill	0
Hidalgo	141
La Blanca	74
La Joya	18
La Villa	468
McAllen	49,948
Mercedes	1,959
Mission	5,011
Palmhurst	0
Palmview	18
Penitas	218
Pharr	7,306
San Carlos	81
San Juan	2,151
Sullivan City	398
Weslaco	5,727
Total	247,331

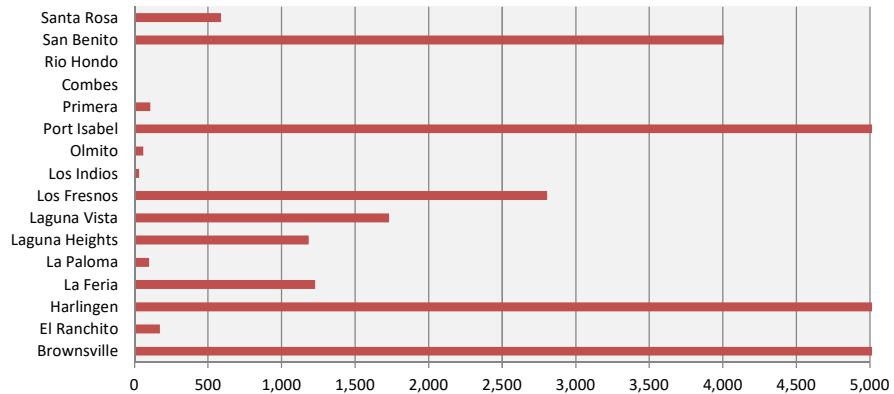
Hidalgo County by Cities



Cameron County

Brownsville	27,332
El Ranchito	172
Harlingen	20,744
La Feria	1,228
La Paloma	99
Laguna Heights	1,185
Laguna Vista	1,730
Los Fresnos	2,805
Los Indios	31
Olmito	60
Port Isabel	8,551
Primera	109
Combes	0
Rio Hondo	0
San Benito	4,007
Santa Rosa	588
Total	68,641

Cameron County by Cities



Willacy County

Total	1,982
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Starr County

Total	11,600
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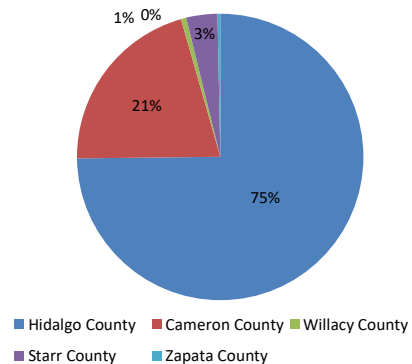
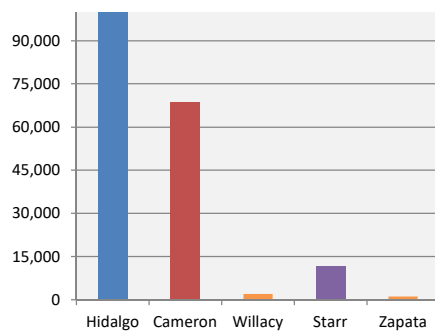
Zapata County

Total	1,027
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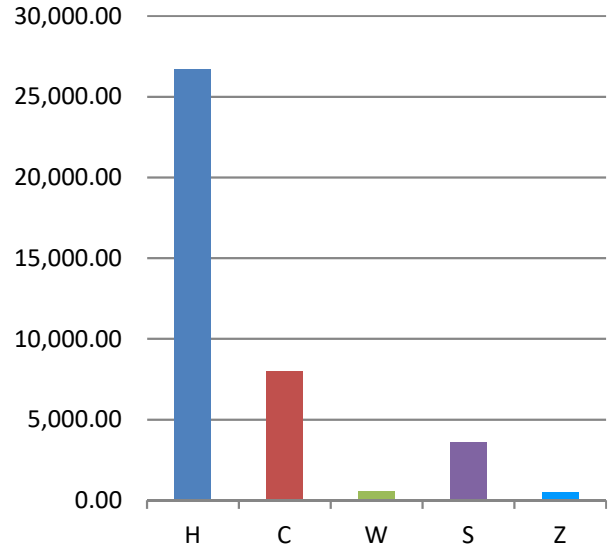
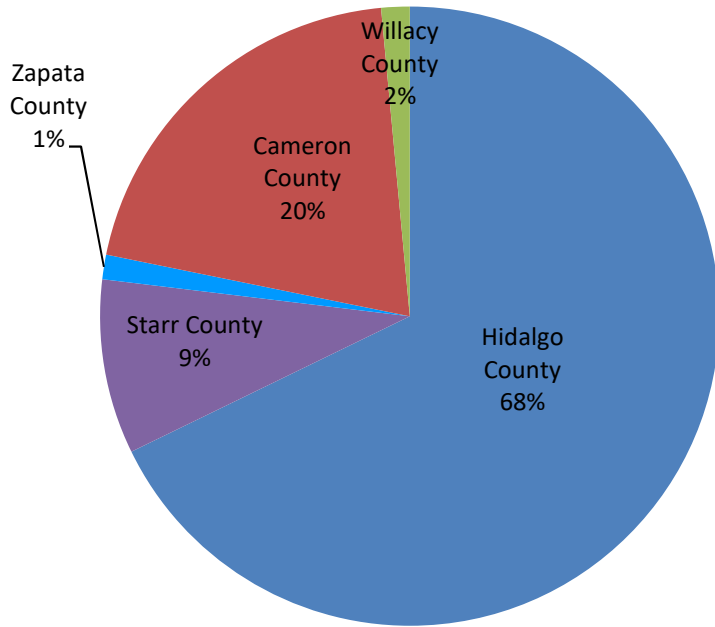
SYSTEM TOTAL

330,581

Ridership by County

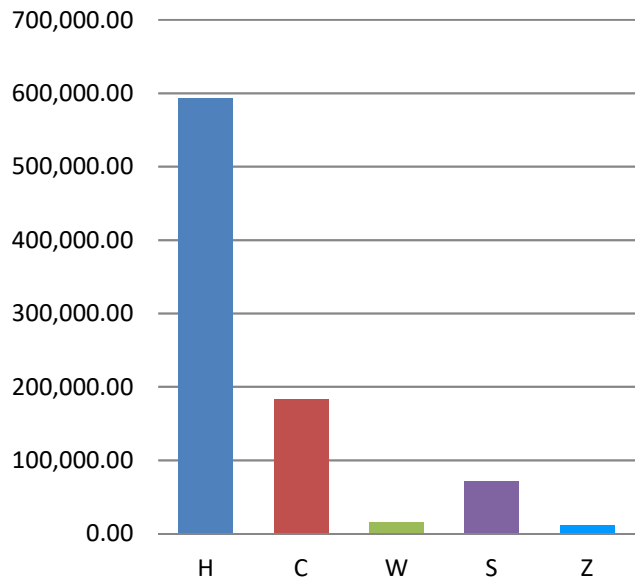
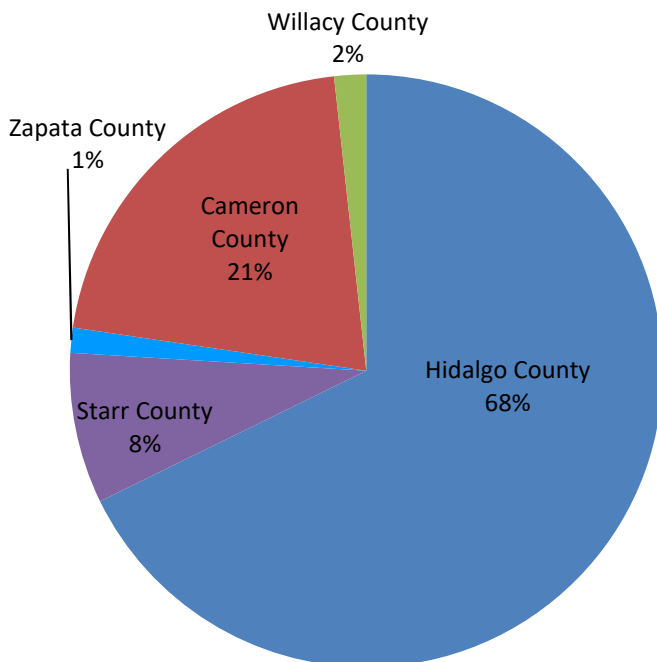


Distribution of Revenue Hours



Revenue Hours Provided	
Hidalgo County	26,722.55
Starr County	3,597.47
Zapata County	503.45
Cameron County	8,013.68
Willacy County	585.56
Total Revenue Hours	39,422.71

Distribution of Revenue Miles



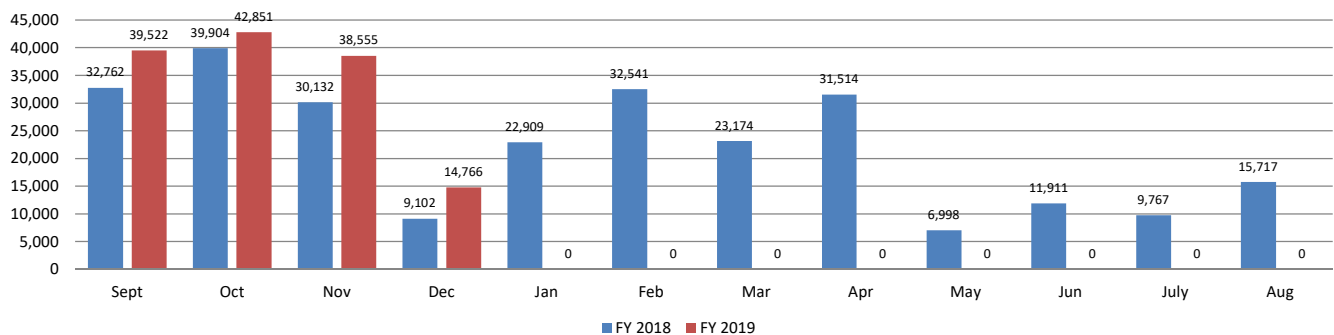
Revenue Miles Provided	
Hidalgo County	592,465
Starr County	71,974
Zapata County	11,879
Cameron County	183,180
Willacy County	15,149
Total Revenue Miles	874,647



**FY 2020 University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
Valley Metro Routes
Monthly Cumulative Passenger Counts**

Routes	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Total
10	176	203	201	116									696
12	521	538	400	171									1,630
14	3,555	3,918	2,433	828									10,734
15	38	10	8	0									56
16	0	0	0	0									0
20	217	251	179	139									786
21	0	0	0	0									0
30	53	61	50	35									199
31	3	3	0	2									8
32	0	0	0	0									0
40	0	0	0	0									0
41	0	7	0	0									7
42	0	0	0	0									0
44	9	3	3	0									15
45	147	298	241	114									800
50	24	12	10	5									51
Vaquero Express	34,779	37,547	35,030	13,356									120,712
Total	39,522	42,851	38,555	14,766	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	135,694
FY 2018	32,762	39,904	30,132	9,102	22,909	32,541	23,174	31,514	6,998	11,911	9,767	15,717	266,431
Change Over Previous FY	6,760	2,947	8,423	5,664									

2018 - 2019 Valley Metro Routes UTRGV Student Passenger Count





**South Texas College - FY 2020
Valley Metro Routes
Monthly Cumulative Passenger Counts**

Routes	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Total
10	7	10	24	10									51
12	161	173	108	37									479
14	0	0	0	0									0
15	0	0	0	0									0
16	0	0	0	0									0
20	18	24	0	0									42
30	0	1	0	0									1
31	8	66	69	72									215
32	0	0	0	0									0
40	0	0	0	0									0
41	10	1	3	1									15
42	0	2	3	0									5
44	16	2	11	5									34
45	145	113	101	88									447
60	880	1,037	744	339									3,000
61	100	177	128	76									481
62	62	136	108	58									364
DR-RGC	71	94	100	79									344
Purpleline	896	845	562	236									2,539
Greenline	1,361	1,558	1,205	564									4,688
Total	3,735	4,239	3,166	1,565	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12,705

Non Valley Metro Routes

Yellowline	2,638	2,862	2,160	898	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8,558
Park & Ride	4,075	4,608	2,817	1,040	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12,540
Total	6,713	7,470	4,977	1,938	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21,098
Grand Total	10,448	11,709	8,143	3,503	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	33,803
Change Over Previous Month			-3,566	-4,640	-3,503	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	



**South Texas College - Mid Valley JagExpress
STC Student Passenger Counts Comparison
FY 2019**

Direct Service

Routes	STC	UTRGV	General Public	Total
Route 12 Ecouch/Elsa-Edinburg	479	1,630	2,375	4,484
Route 31 Business 83	215	8	20,681	20,904
Purple Line	2,539		1	2,540
Yellow Line	8,558		0	8,558
Green Line	4,688		4,081	8,769
Park & Ride	12,540		0	12,540
Route 60 Greenline Roma	3,000		808	3,808
Route 61 RGC West	481		1,172	1,653
Route 62 RGC East	364		2,059	2,423
DR-RGC	344		3,372	3,716
Vaquero Express		120,712	0	120,712
Total	33,208	122,350	34,549	190,107

Connecting Service

Routes	Connection	STC	UTRGV	General Public	Total
Route 10 Edinburg - McAllen	12, 31	51	696	9,107	9,854
Route 14 UTRGV VABL	12	0	10,734	1,032	11,766
Route 15 Edinburg	12	0	56	3,512	3,568
Route 20 Mission - McAllen	31	42	786	8,196	9,024
Route 30 Pharr San Juan - Edinburg	31	1	199	5,384	5,584
Route 32 Donna International Bridge	31	0	0	1,071	1,071
Route 40 Harlingen Medical	31	0	0	4,916	4,916
Route 41 Harlingen Retail	31	15	7	6,406	6,428
Route 42 San Benito Harlingen	31	5	0	2,443	2,448
Route 44 La Feria/Santa Rosa/Primera	31	34	15	2,516	2,565
Route 45 Cameron Career Connection	31	447	800	13,835	15,082
Total		595	13,293	58,418	72,306

Total Service

	STC	UTRGV	General Public	Total
Grand Total	33,803	135,643	92,967	262,413



**FY 2020 TSTC
Valley Metro Routes
Monthly Cumulative Passenger Counts**

Routes	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Total
10	13	11	0	0									24
12	18	2	9	16									45
14	0	0	0	0									0
31	1	5	0	72									78
40	0	1	0	0									1
41	67	65	24	20									176
42	120	82	52	17									271
43	0	0	0	0									0
44	75	175	126	31									407
45	227	441	319	123									1110
50	1	0	1	0									2
Willacy	1	0	0	0									1
Total	523	782	531	279	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2115
Change Over Previous Month		259	-251	-252	-279	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-523

TSTC Student Ridership

