

# LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL



## AGENDA VIRTUAL MEETING OF THE LRGVDC BOARD OF DIRECTORS,

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

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Wednesday, March 31, 2021, 12:00 noon via GoToMeeting Video Conference

Members of the public can attend this meeting by calling 1-888-204-5987, Access Code 5435817

Presiding: President Jim Darling

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### **Item #1: Call to Order**

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

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

**Minutes (February 24, 2021).....President**

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

### **Item #4: Administration ..... President**

- A. Consideration and **ACTION** to Approve Lease Agreement  
between LRGVDC and RGVMPD ..... Manuel Cruz  
Executive Director
- B. Presentation on Economic Development Administration Programs .....Robert Peché  
Economic Development Representative
- C. Executive Director Report

**ACTION MAY BE TAKEN ON ANY OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS**

### LRGVDC Updates & Activities

1. Introduction of New Staff Members
2. 87<sup>th</sup> Legislature Updates
3. COVID-19 Vaccinations
4. American Rescue Plan Act of 2021

## **Item #5: Department Reports**

### **A. Community & Economic Development.....Rick Carrera Director**

#### Program Action Items

1. Consideration and **ACTION** to Approve Road-to-Recycling Tire Disposal Services Request for Proposal (RFP) Award (Tabled 2/24/2021)
2. Consideration and **ACTION** to Approve Resolution 2021-01 Proclaiming April as National Fair Housing Month and Supporting Awareness of Fair Housing

#### Program Status Reports:

- Economic Development Administration
- Pandemic Response
- Regional Small Cities Coalition
- Explore RGV
- 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 .....Jose L. Gonzalez Director**

#### Program Action Items:

1. Consideration and **ACTION** to Add Vendors (Contractors) to Vendor Pool
2. Consideration and **ACTION** to Amend Amigos Del Valle Budget

#### Program Status Reports:

- Senior Centers/Nutrition Sites
- American Rescue Plan Act Funding

### **C. Public Safety .....Randall Snyder Director**

#### Program Action Items:

1. Consideration and **ACTION** to Approve Homeland Security Advisory Committee Prioritization List of FY 2021-22 Homeland Security Grants Division Regional Grant Application
2. Consideration and **ACTION** to Approve Purchase of Tele-Communicators Week Items

Program Status Reports:

- Emergency Communications/9-1-1
- Criminal Justice Program
- Homeland Security Program
- Regional Police Academy

**D. Transportation ..... Tom Logan, Valley Metro Director  
Andrew Canon, RGVMPD Executive Director**

Valley Metro Action Item

1. Consideration and **ACTION** to Approve Amendment Number 5 to Interlocal Agreement for Joint Development of Edinburg Transit Terminal

Valley Metro Status Reports

- Ridership Report
- COVID-19 Precautionary Measures
- Regional Transportation Advisory Panel (RTAP) Activity

Rio Grande Valley MPO Status Report

**Item #6: New or Unfinished Business**

**Item #7: Adjourn**

**\*REMINDER\***

Next Meeting Date:  
**Wednesday, April 28, 2021**  
**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**

# MINUTES

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

12:00 PM WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2021  
GLOBAL GOTOMEETING VIDEO CONFERENCE PLATFORM  
INITIATED AND CHAIRED FROM  
LRGVDC MAIN CAMPUS - 301 W. RAILROAD STREET, WESLACO, TEXAS  
BUILDING B, KEN JONES EXECUTIVE BOARD ROOM

PRESIDING: MAYOR JIM DARLING, PRESIDENT

- DRAFT -

President Jim Darling called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was declared.

He then moved to item 2: Consideration and Action to Approve Meeting Minutes (January 27, 2021). Mayor George Rivera noted an error on page 2 under item E. as follows: "...Mercedes Mayor Jorge Ledezma, Primera Mayor Oscar Montoya..." should be "...Primera Mayor Jorge Ledezma, Mercedes Mayor Oscar Montoya". ***Mayor Rivera then made a motion to approve the minutes with this correction. Commissioner David Garza seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.***

President Darling then moved to item 3: Public Comment and/or Report from Legislative Delegation; there being none, he moved to item 4: Administration.

### A. Executive Director Report

#### 1. Introduction of New Staff Members

Mr. Cruz announced that Ms. Ashley Gomez has joined the Area Agency on Aging Staff as a Case Manager, Mr. Hernan Saucedo has joined the Homeland Security & Criminal Justice Department as a Program Specialist, Mr. Jorge Ortega has joined Valley Metro as a Motor Vehicle Technician, and Mr. George Castillo has joined Valley Metro as a Vehicle Driver. He also announced that Ms. Lorena Gonzalez has been promoted to an Ombudsman I and Ms. Ivonne Desiga has been promoted to an Ombudsman II in the Area Agency on Aging.

#### 2. 87<sup>th</sup> Legislature Updates

Mr. Cruz noted that all legislative sessions were cancelled the week of February 12-19 due to the severe winter weather event. However various hearings were held in February. The Senate Finance Committee began to hear the Articles of the Budget; the Senate Special Committee on Redistricting met, and it is predicted that Texas will gain 3 -US Congressional Seats. This is due largely to the increase in population as reported by the Texas Data Center. The 2020 data is tentatively scheduled to be released in July.

#### 3. GLO Update on Hurricane Harvey Disaster Recovery

Mr. Cruz reported that the Texas General Land Office held a meeting on February 18. They are tracking the anticipated changes within the federal government, including the transition of President Joe Biden's administration and shifts at the US Department of Housing and Urban Development. The 2018 and 2019 Action Plans were submitted to HUD on August 31. On October 15, 2020 HUD approved the state action

plans detailing the distribution of eligible uses of more than \$285 million in CDBG-DR funds. The GLO anticipates launching the 2018 and 2019 infrastructure competitions in late spring of this year. The GLO was notified that the State of Texas has been allocated an additional \$14 million in CDBG-DR grant funding, which will require an Action Plan Amendment to incorporate and utilize these funds.

#### 4. BikeShare RGV

The BikeShare RGV launch has been postponed due to last week's severe winter weather event. Staff will coordinate with McAllen, Harlingen, and Brownsville to reschedule.

#### 5. COVID-19 Vaccinations

Mr. Cruz reported that a workgroup has been meeting online on Tuesdays at 1:30 pm to discuss best practices on how to vaccinate homebound elderly people. A plan of action has been developed, but supply issues continue. President Darling added that there are challenges to this effort because of the logistics of personnel entering a private home and the required waiting period after the vaccination to see if there are any adverse reactions.

Regarding last week's severe winter weather event Mr. Cruz reported that the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) has created a self-reporting damage survey tool to identify damages sustained from the freeze across the RGV and the state. He encouraged board members to report damages in order to receive assistance from FEMA and he provided a link that will take the user directly to the survey.

Upon conclusion of Administration items President Darling moved to item 5: Department Reports.

#### A. Community & Economic Development

Director Rick Carrera was recognized to address the following items:

##### Program Action Items

#### 1. Consideration and Action to Approve an "Authorized Representative Agreement Execution Resolution"

Mr. Carrera informed the Board that this resolution authorizes the Executive Director to execute a grant agreement with the Texas Water Development Board for a study funded through their Flood Infrastructure Fund. The study falls under Category 1 Flood Protection Planning for Watersheds. This category of funding supports studies that conduct planning of entire watersheds to better inform the development of strategies using structural and nonstructural measures before flood events, such as determining and describing problems from or related to flooding, identifying, and planning solutions to flooding problems and estimating the benefits and costs of these solutions. The data obtained from this study will help develop flood planning strategies for the region. ***Commissioner David Garza made a motion to approve an Authorized Representative Agreement Execution Resolution as presented. Commissioner David Fuentes seconded, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.***

#### 2. Consideration and Action to Approve Road-to-Recycling Tire Disposal Services Request for Proposals (RFP) Award

Mr. Carrera stated that the Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC) met on February 23 and reviewed vendor proposals submitted in response to the RFP for the Road-to-Recycling Tire Disposal Services. The purpose of this RFP is to procure vendors to carry out all of the processes related to the Road-to-Recycling tire collection event. However, it was structured such that vendors could propose to fulfill all services or only some services. There were very few responses to this request and the SWAC approved only one

which was from Republic Services for transportation, staff requests approval of this proposal. Commissioner David Garza asked to see supporting documents for this proposal, however it was not readily available. Mayor Jorge Ledezma asked if Republic Services had the best price. Mr. Carrera stated that they were the only transportation company to submit a proposal. Upon conclusion of discussion, ***Mayor Oscar Montoya made a motion to table this item. Mayor Jorge Ledezma seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.***

3. Consideration and Action to Approve Regional Small Cities Coalition's (RSCC) Recommendation for Chair and Vice Chair

Mr. Carrera reported that as per RSCC bylaws, annual elections were held for the Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary. Mayor George Rivera, City of Palm Valley was re-elected as Chair, and Mayor Jorge Ledezma, City of Primera was elected as Vice Chair. The elected Secretary rescinded his acceptance due to unforeseen circumstances. That election will take place at the next RSCC meeting scheduled for April 22, 2021. ***Commissioner David Garza made a motion to approve the RSCC's recommendation for Chair and Vice Chair as presented. Mayor Oscar Montoya seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.***

4. Consideration and Action to Approve Regional Tourism & Travel Advisory Committee's (RTTAC) Annual Appointment/Reappointment of Officers and Representatives

Mr. Carrera stated that as per RTTAC bylaws, officers and representative shall be reappointed annually in alignment with current members. A member may be reappointed to multiple terms without term limits, however, must be re-designated each term by the LRGVDC Board of Directors. A list of committee members and the organizations they represent was provided in the meeting packet. ***Councilman Johnny Garcia made a motion to approve the RTTAC annual appointment/ reappointment of officers and representatives as presented. Commissioner David Garza seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.***

Program Status Reports

The status reports were provided in the meeting packet for review. President Darling brought the Board's attention to the reservoir level report noting that it is really dry in the Valley, and when irrigation begins, we will have a better handle on where we are with our water supply, but rainfall is absolutely needed in the watershed.

Mr. Carrera added that the 6<sup>th</sup> Cycle of Regional Water Planning is getting underway this year. President Darling reported that the Rio Grande Regional Water Plan has been posted on the Texas Water Development Board's website, and the next major item for Region M is to solicit an engineering consultant by this spring.

B. Health & Human Services

Director Jose Gonzalez was recognized to address the following items:

Program Action Item

1. Consideration and Action to Add Vendors (Contractors) to the Vendor Pool

Mr. Gonzalez informed the Board that in response to the open enrollment for the Direct Purchased Services contractor pool, the Area Agency on Aging received two (2) additional applications. The Advisory Council recommends the addition of MED Team, Inc. from Brownsville for Homemaker and Respite In-Home Care and Sentido Health from Tomball, Texas which provides state-wide coverage for medical supplies and durable medical equipment. ***Councilwoman Norie Garza made a motion to approve***

***Med Team, Inc. and Sentido Health as vendors (contractors) to Area Agency on Aging's vendor pool. Councilman Johnny Garcia seconded, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.***

#### Program Status Reports

The status reports on Face Coverings and Possible Additional COVID Funding were available for review in the meeting packet.

#### C. Public Safety

##### Program Action Items:

Director of Public Safety Randall Snyder was recognized to report on the following items:

1. Consideration and Action to Approve Criminal Justice Advisory Committee Recommendations for Chair, Vice Chair, and Parliamentarian

Mr. Snyder reported that as per CJAC bylaws, elections were held for officers. Mr. Tom Hushen, Cameron County was elected as Chair; Mr. Kelley McCormick, Hidalgo County was elected as Vice Chair; and Anette Hinojosa, Willacy County was elected as Parliamentarian. ***Mayor Rick Guerra made a motion to approve the election of CJAC officers as presented. Mayor George Rivera seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.***

2. Consideration and Action to Approve Criminal Justice Advisory Committee Member

Mr. Snyder informed the Board that based on his education and experience in law enforcement, Chief Jonathon Flores was selected to serve as a CJAC member representing the Law Enforcement Discipline for Hidalgo County. ***Councilman Johnny Garcia made a motion to approve Chief Flores' membership to the CJAC; Councilwoman Norie Garza seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.***

3. Consideration and Action to Approve Purchase of 9-1-1 Public Education Advertisement

Mr. Snyder reported that the Emergency Communications/9-1-1 Department plans to launch a new public education campaign that will display public service announcements at local movie theatres and across streaming platforms. These Public Education campaigns will address TEXT-to-9-1-1, Multi-line Telephone Systems, Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Know your Location, and will appear on streaming platforms and in Cinemark Theatres in Hidalgo County. The estimated cost is \$181,008. This initiative is required and was previously budgeted and approved by CSEC. As required by LRGVDC Procurement Policy, all procurements exceeding \$25,000 require approval from the Board of Directors. ***Mayor Chris Boswell made a motion to approve the Purchase of 9-1-1 Public Education Advertisement as presented. Mayor Rick Guerra seconded the motion, and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.***

4. Consideration and Action to Approve Purchase of Three-Year Generator Maintenance Plan

Mr. Snyder requested approval to procure a 3-year comprehensive maintenance plan to support generator systems at the PSAP level. The plan will provide Quarterly Preventive Maintenance visits for nineteen (19) generators for three years. This purchase will be made using HGAC contract – GE02-20. The cost of this maintenance plan is \$71,044 and is necessary to maintain system stability and availability during catastrophic events that disrupt normal power supply.

There was discussion regarding the bid process and Mr. Cruz clarified that procurement, ranking, and vetting for this contract was completed through HGAC.

Commissioner David Fuentes noted that sometimes generators fail during the most critical times when they are needed; he asked if there was a response criterion in the contract that obligated the company to respond during an emergency event should a generator fail. President Darling asked for a follow up report at the next meeting regarding the contractual obligations for generator failure during times of critical need. Mr. Cruz informed the Board that according to this contract, major maintenance tasks will be performed on a quarterly basis. In addition to that, the Commission on State Emergency Communications (CSEC) requires that staff performs audits at all PSAP 9-1-1 call centers using a checklist to make sure all tasks are performed. Mr. Cruz agreed with Commissioner Fuentes that during a crisis situation there is a chance, even if quarterly maintenance is performed on schedule, that a generator may not function properly. He will contact the generator company and find out if emergency service during a crisis is included, and if not, find out what the cost might be to have this service included. Upon conclusion of discussion ***Commissioner David Garza made a motion to approve the purchase of a 3-year generator Maintenance Plan as presented. Mayor Jorge Ledezma seconded the motion and upon a vote the motion carried unanimously.***

Program Status Reports:

The program status reports were provided in the meeting packet for review.

D. Transportation

Program Status Reports:

Valley Metro Director Tom Logan was recognized and stated he had no action items this month and that the program status reports were provided in the meeting packet for review.

Item 6. - New or Unfinished Business

There being no further business to come before the Board, ***President Darling adjourned the meeting at 12:54 pm.***

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Mayor Jim Darling, President

ATTEST:

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Deborah Morales, Recording Secretary

# **ITEM #4. A.**

## **ADMINISTRATION**

### **LRGVDC/RGVMPPO Lease Agreement**

Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council  
Board of Directors Meeting

March 31, 2021

Item #4: Administration

A. Consideration and **ACTION** to Approve Lease Agreement Between LRGVDC and RGVMPO

Recently, the RGVMPO has expressed interest in acquiring a larger office and relocating its operations to a facility that would be able to accommodate its number of staff. Its current location is not suitable for the overall number of staff that is required to efficiently conduct its day-to-day operations. The new location, Valley Metro Transit facility located at 617 W. University Dr. Edinburg, TX will provide the RGVMPO with the necessary office spaces required for the increased number of staff and future growth.

Furthermore, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) requires this document to be in place to satisfy and comply with the tri-annual audit requirements. The execution of the lease agreement by both parties is contingent upon RGVMPO receiving written approval from its funding agency and once approved, the LRGVDC Executive Director will execute the final document. Staff recommends approval.

STATE OF TEXAS           §

COUNTY OF HIDALGO   §

**INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT  
FOR LEASE OF TRANSPORTATION FACILITY**

This Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for Lease of Valley Metro Transportation Facility is entered into by and between the Rio Grande Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization (RGVMPO), (hereinafter "LESSEE"), and the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council, (hereinafter "LESSOR") a regional council of government and political subdivision of the State of Texas. In consideration of the mutual covenants and agreements herein set forth, and other good and valuable consideration, LESSEE and LESSOR agree as follows:

**ARTICLE 1**

**LEASED PREMISES**

1.01 LESSOR does hereby demise and lease to LESSEE, and LESSEE does hereby lease from LESSOR the following: Valley Metro Edinburg Transfer Station Facility. The lease premises constitute office spaces only located at 617 W. University Drive, Edinburg, TX 78539 (See Exhibit "A"):-

**ARTICLE 2**

**TERM**

2.01 The initial term of this Lease shall be for five years, unless sooner terminated, commencing \_\_\_\_\_, 2021, or at which time the space becomes available. This Lease will be automatically renewed on an annual basis; thereafter, not to exceed five years, unless the LESSOR or LESSEE gives the other party 120-days written notice of non-renewal before the applicable renewal date.

2.02 During any renewal period, either party may terminate this lease for any reason or no reason by giving the other party 120-days written notice.

### **ARTICLE 3**

#### **RENT**

3.01 LESSEE agrees to pay to LESSOR as a fixed rent, the sum of One Dollar and Fifty Cents No/100<sup>th</sup> (\$1.50) per sq. feet monthly on the commencing date of this lease agreement and each subsequent month throughout the term of this Lease for the term of this Agreement, based on fair market value. This amount totals to \$9,900.00 monthly following the non-terminal space of the second floor totaling 6,600 sq. ft. (Refer to Exhibit A, which will identify actual rental space.)

### **ARTICLE 4**

#### **USE OF PREMISES**

4.01 LESSEE shall use the Lease Premises for various programs under RGVMPPO or tenants. LESSEE'S use of the premises shall not unreasonably interfere with the other uses of the Lease Premises by LESSOR.

4.02 LESSEE shall have unlimited access to the building twenty-four (24) hours per day. Security of the individual office spaces will be the responsibility of the respective tenant.

4.03 LESSOR shall have unlimited access to second floor of the building.

### **ARTICLE 5**

#### **MAINTENANCE AND SURRENDER**

5.01 (a) LESSEE shall provide normal maintenance or remodeling needs, at LESSEE'S expense, for the Lease Premises are listed in Article 1. If the Lease Premises require repairs or replacement that are outside the scope of normal maintenance or remodeling, as determined by LESSOR, then LESSOR shall be responsible for making such repairs or replacement.

(b) If the Lease Premises require maintenance, remodeling or repair, which solely in the opinion of the LESSEE, are too costly and render this Lease Agreement uneconomical, then LESSEE may terminate this Lease Agreement upon thirty (30) days written notice.

(c) If the Lease Premises require maintenance, remodeling or repair, which solely in the opinion of the LESSOR, are too costly and render this Lease Agreement uneconomical, then LESSOR may terminate this Lease Agreement upon thirty (30) days written notice and within sixty (60) days must vacate the leased space.

(d) At the time of vacating, LESSEE shall remove all of its property, equipment and systems (furniture, computer, server and any and all necessary devices thereto) at LESSEE's sole risk and expense, within a reasonable amount of time, not to exceed 60 calendar days, after the termination of this Agreement. LESSEE shall remove any debris associated with the move. In the event LESSEE does not timely remove its equipment within this timeline, equipment shall be considered abandoned by LESSEE and shall become the property of the LESSOR.

5.02 LESSOR shall maintain the exterior landscape and facade of the building.

5.03 LESSEE shall provide or procure custodial services for interior routine maintenance and cleaning of the Leased Premises exclusively used by LESSEE.

5.04 Upon breach of the terms and agreements in this Lease Agreement by either party hereto, which breach shall not have been cured within thirty (30) days of written notice of same, the non-breaching party may terminate this Lease Agreement upon written notice to the breaching party.

## ARTICLE 6

### **OBLIGATIONS OF LESSOR AND LESSEE**

6.01 **Alterations, Additions, and Improvements.** All alterations, additions and improvements to the Leased Premises shall be made by the LESSEE, provided prior approval by LESSOR has been obtained for such improvements, prior to the installation or construction of same, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld. Alterations, additions, and improvement expenses shall be the obligation of LESSEE.

On expiration of the term of this Lease, LESSEE shall be allowed to remove any equipment or fixtures which LESSEE has installed or constructed; however, if such removal damages the Leased Premises, LESSEE shall repair or pay for the repair of any such damage.

6.02 **Signs.** LESSEE shall have the right to erect signs on the Leased Premises. LESSEE shall remove all signs at the termination of this Lease and shall repair any damage and seal/repair any holes caused by such removal.

6.03 **Utility Charges.** LESSOR shall pay utility charges for the Leased Premises for water, sewer, solid waste removal, gas, electricity, and any agreed security/fire service.

## **ARTICLE 7**

### **INSURANCE**

7.01 **Content Insurance.** LESSOR will provide fire and extended insurance coverage policy on all program and business property placed by LESSEE on the Leased Premises.

7.02 **Fire and Casualty Damages.** LESSOR shall provide fire and extended coverage insurance on the Leased Premises. If the building on the Leased Premises should be totally or partially destroyed by any disaster natural, technological or manmade and, if insurance coverage is not sufficient to rebuild or repair, this Lease shall terminate by LESSOR giving LESSEE written notice thereof; otherwise, LESSOR shall use such insurance proceeds for the repair or rebuilding of the premises. Rent shall be abated or partially abated in such amounts as may be agreed by LESSOR and LESSEE accordingly to useful area during the repair or rebuilding period. In the event all or any part of the Leased Premises shall be damaged by fire, casualty or other causes, or in the event all or any part of the Leased Premises is taken in any condemnation proceedings, LESSEE shall have the right to cancel this Lease, if in the sole judgment of LESSEE such casualty or condemnation proceeding has made the Leased Premises unsatisfactory for use by the LESSEE.

7.03 **Indemnification.** Each Party agrees to be solely responsible for the wrongful acts of its own employees, contractors, and agents. However, nothing contained herein shall constitute a waiver by either Party of any sovereign immunity rights available to it by law except as otherwise required by applicable law.

## **ARTICLE 8**

### **INSPECTION BY LESSOR**

8.01 LESSEE shall permit LESSOR and its agents to enter into and upon the Leased Premises at mutually agreeable times for the purpose of inspecting the same or for the purpose of maintaining or making repairs to the Leased Premises required hereby.

## **ARTICLE 9**

### **ASSIGNMENT AND SUBLEASE**

9.01 LESSEE shall not assign or sublet any part of the Leased Premises herein without prior written consent from the LESSOR.

## ARTICLE 10

### **DISCLAIMER**

10.01 **Disclaimer.** LESSEE represents that the Leased Premises will be used for administrative functions of the Rio Grande Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization. LESSEE acknowledges that it has made full and complete inspection of the Leased Premises and has independently satisfied itself that the Leased Premises are suitable for the stated use. LESSOR hereby disclaims, that this Lease Agreement carries with it any implied or expressed warranties by LESSOR and that such space is fit or suitable for any Intended use or purpose of LESSEE, including but not limited to law or regulations meeting the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act or similar State of Texas.

10.02 **Parties Bound.** This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective administrators, legal representatives, successors and assigns where permitted by this Agreement.

10.03 **Texas Law to Apply.** This Agreement shall be construed under and in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas, and all obligations of the parties created hereunder are performable in the Hidalgo County, Texas.

10.04 **Legal Construction.** In case any one or more of the provisions contained in this Agreement shall for any reason be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any respect, such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability shall not affect any other provision thereof, and this Agreement shall be construed as if such invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision had never been contained herein.

10.05 **Prior Agreements Superseded.** This Agreement constitutes the sole and only Agreement of the parties hereto and supersedes all prior written or oral agreements between the parties respecting the within subject matter.

10.06 **Amendments and Modifications.** No amendment, modification or alteration of the terms hereof shall be binding unless the same be in writing, dated subsequent to the date hereof and duly executed by the parties hereto.

10.07 **Notices.** Any and all notices or other communications required or permitted to be given pursuant to this agreement shall be in writing and shall be considered as properly given if sent by facsimile transmission or mailed by certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid, and addressed as follows:

LESSEE:

RGV Metropolitan Planning Organization  
Attn: Andrew A. Canon, Executive Director  
617 W. University Drive  
Edinburg, TX 78539.

LESSOR:

Lower Rio Grande Development Council  
Attn. Manuel Cruz, Executive Director  
301 W. Railroad St  
Weslaco, TX 78596

**10.08 Rights and Remedies Cumulative.** The rights remedies provided by this Lease Agreement are cumulative, and the use of any one right or remedy by either party shall not preclude or waive its right to use any or all other remedies. Said rights and remedies are given in addition to any other rights the parties may have by law, statute, ordinance or otherwise.

**10.09 Quiet Enjoyment.** LESSOR covenants and agrees that LESSEE on paying the rent and other charges herein provided for and observing and keeping the covenants, conditions, and terms of this Lease on LESSEE'S part to be kept or performed, shall lawfully and quietly hold, occupy, and enjoy the Leased Premises during the term of this Lease Agreement without hindrance or molestation of LESSOR or any person claiming under LESSOR.

**10.10 Environmental Representations By LESSOR.** LESSOR represents and warrants to LESSEE, which representations and warranties shall survive termination of this Lease, that as of the date hereof the Leased Premises are free of compounds defined as hazardous materials, substances, pollutants or contaminants under any federal or Texas statute, regulations, rule or ordinance, or amendments thereto, including without limitation the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation and Liability Act, and/or the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. LESSOR agrees, which agreement shall survive termination of this Lease Agreement, that if any contamination of said Leased premises is alleged to have occurred before the occupancy of said Leased Premises by LESSEE, then all obligation and liabilities for such contamination by LESSOR in connection therewith are assumed by LESSOR AND LESSOR shall indemnify and hold LESSEE harmless from any liability or obligation relating to or associated with such contamination. LESSOR'S obligation to hold LESSEE harmless shall include but not be limited to defending all claims suits and administrative proceedings (with counsel approved by LESSEE) even if such claims, suits or proceedings are groundless, false or fraudulent and/or the expense of the same become due, any and all judgments, penalties, or other sums relating directly to or associated with such claims, suits or proceedings.

**10.11 Environmental Representations By LESSEE.** LESSEE represents and warrants to LESSOR, which representations and warranties shall survive termination of this Lease, that during the term hereof it will not utilize the Leased Premises and keep the Leased Premises by and through its contaminants under any federal or Texas statute, regulation, rule or ordinance, or amendments thereto, including without limitation the Comprehensive and Recovery Act. LESSEE agrees, which agreement shall survive termination of this Lease Agreement, that if any contamination of the Leased Premises is caused by LESSEE, then all obligation and liabilities for such contamination by LESSEE in connection therewith are assumed by LESSEE and LESSEE shall indemnify and hold LESSOR harmless from any liability or obligation relating to or associated with such contamination. LESSEE'S obligation to hold LESSOR harmless shall include but not be limited to defending all claims suits and administrative proceedings (with counsel approved by LESSOR) even if such claims, suits or proceedings are groundless, false or fraudulent and/or the expense of the same become due, any and all judgments, penalties, or other sums relating directly or indirectly to or associated with such claims, suits or proceedings.

**10.12 Common Area Restrictions.** Common areas are not to be used other than for the benefit of all tenants unless prior written approval is obtained from all tenants.

**10.13 Waiver of Default.** No waiver by the parties hereto of any default or breach of any term, condition or covenant of this Lease shall be deemed to be a waiver of any other breach of the same or any other term, condition or covenant contained herein.

**10.14 Attorney's Fees.** In the event LESSOR or LESSEE breaches any of the terms of this Agreement whereby the party not in default employs attorneys to protect or enforce its rights hereunder and prevails, as determined by a court of competent jurisdiction, then the defaulting party agrees to pay the other party reasonable attorney's fees so incurred by such other party.

**10.15 Force Majeure.** Neither LESSOR nor LESSEE shall be required to perform any term, condition or covenant in this Lease so long as such performance is delayed or prevented by force majeure, which shall mean acts of God, strikes lockouts, materials or labor restrictions by any governmental authority, civil riot, floods and any other cause not reasonably within the control of LESSOR or LESSEE, and which by the exercise of due diligence LESSOR or LESSEE is unable, wholly or in part, to prevent or overcome.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the undersigned LESSOR and LESSEE hereto execute this Agreement as authorized by the respective governing bodies, as of the day and year first above written.

LESSOR:

**LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY  
DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL**

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Manuel Cruz, Executive Director  
Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council

ATTEST:

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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LESSEE:

**RGV METROPOLITAN PLANNING  
ORGANIZATION**

By:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Andrew A. Canon, Executive Director

**ITEM #4. C.**

**ADMINISTRATION**

**EXECUTIVE  
DIRECTOR  
REPORT**

**ITEM #5. A.**

**COMMUNITY  
&  
ECONOMIC  
DEVELOPMENT**

Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council  
Board of Directors Meeting

March 31, 2021

Item #5: Department Reports

A. Community & Economic Development

Program Action Item

1. Consideration and **ACTION** to Approve Road-to-Recycling Tire Disposal Services Request for Proposal (RFP) Award (Tabled 2/24/2021)

The Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC) met on February 23, 2021 to review the vendor proposals submitted in response to the RFP for the Road-to-Recycling Tire Disposal Services.

Two proposals were submitted, however; only one met the qualifications. The SWAC unanimously approved Republic Services as a vendor to continue to implement these services in the region for our Road-to-Recycling Tire Collection Event(s).

In addition, the SWAC met on March 16, 2021 to consider an additional provider of tire disposal services, the Brownsville Landfill. This addition will help better serve our region for this event by providing an additional option for the participating communities. The Brownsville Landfill has provided these services to the LRGVDC for several of these events. The SWAC unanimously approved the Brownsville Landfill to continue to implement these services.

**LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL  
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)  
FOR ROAD TO RECYCLING TIRE DISPOSAL SERVICES**



**(RFPs Received)**

Republic Services Inc.	Valley Tire Recycling LLC
<p><b>Container (per): \$150.00</b>  <b>Weighing (per container): \$20.00 per weight ticket</b>  <b>Disposal per tonnage: \$110.00</b>  <b>Transportation: (mileage varies per entity – depends on the drop off site)</b>    <b>TCEQ Permits in Place: Yes</b></p>	<p><b>Container (per): \$250.00</b>  <b>Weighing (per container): No charge</b>  <b>Disposal per tonnage: \$125.00</b>  <b>Transportation: (mileage varies per entity – depends on the drop off site)</b>    <b>TCEQ Permits in place: No/In process.</b>  <b>*Permits in place possibly by early April 2021.</b></p>

**SOLICITATION SCHEDULE:**

Release date of Request for Proposal:	January 22, 2021
Advertisement Run Dates & Newspaper:	January 24 & 31, 2021 (The Monitor, Valley Morning Star, & Brownsville Herald)
Pre-submittal Conference:	February 02, 2021 at 2:00 p.m.
Last day to submit written questions:	February 03, 2021 at 12:00 p.m.
Proposal Deadline:	February 12, 2021 at 12:00 p.m.
Public Proposal Opening:	February 16, 2021 at 2:00 p.m.

**\*\*\*LRGVDC will only pay for disposal fees. City/County is responsible to pay all other fees.**

# SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, May 8, 2021

## **ROAD TO RECYCLING**

Regional Tire Collection Project



### Consideration and **ACTION** to Approve Vendors for Road to Recycling Tire Disposal Service

<b>OPTION A</b>	<b>OPTION B</b>
<b>Republic Services</b>	<b>Brownsville Landfill</b>
<p>*LRGVDC responsible only for tire disposal fee for City/County</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• \$110 per ton</li></ul> <p>**City/County responsible for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Delivery of container fee (per container per site)</li><li>• Haul fee (fee will vary depending on your site location-mileage)</li><li>• Weigh fee (per load)</li></ul> <p>City/County will need to call Republic for container drop offs and pick-ups</p>	<p>*LRGVDC responsible only for tire disposal fee for City/County</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• \$100 per ton</li></ul> <p>**City/County responsible for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Must provide own container</li><li>• Must transport tires to landfill - (9000 FM 802 Brownsville, TX)</li><li>• Manpower to unload tires</li></ul>

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Item #5: Department Reports

B. Community & Economic Development

Program Action Item

2. Consideration and **ACTION** to Approve Resolution 2021-01 Proclaiming April as National Fair Housing Month and Supporting Awareness of Fair Housing

The principles of fair housing are not only national law and national policy, but a fundamental human concept and entitlement for all Americans. National Fair Housing Month in April provides an opportunity for all Americans to recognize that complete success in the goal of equal housing opportunity can only be accomplished with the help and cooperation of all Americans.

For Fair Housing information, resources, or assistance please visit our Fair Housing webpage at: <http://www.lrgvdc.org/fairhousing.html>



*Regional Council of Governments & Economic Development District serving Cameron, Hidalgo, and Willacy County*

## **RESOLUTION 2021-01**

### **PROCLAIMING APRIL AS NATIONAL FAIR HOUSING MONTH**

**WHEREAS**, the **Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council** (LRGVDC) finds that decent, safe, and affordable housing is part of the American dream and a goal of all Rio Grande Valley residents;

**WHEREAS**, individuals in the Rio Grande Valley have the right to choose where to live without discrimination based on race, color, religion, age, gender, familial status, marital status, national origin, and/or disability;

**WHEREAS**, acts of housing discrimination and barriers to equal housing opportunity are repugnant to a common sense of decency and fairness;

**WHEREAS**, federal and state laws affirm the right of every person to equal housing opportunity;

**WHEREAS**, fair housing is a positive community good;

**WHEREAS**, economic stability, community health, and human relations in all communities are improved by diversity and integration;

**WHEREAS**, stable, integrated, and balanced residential patterns are threatened by discriminatory acts and unlawful housing practices that result in segregation of residents and opportunities in our region;

**WHEREAS**, the talents of grassroots and non-profit organizations, housing service providers, financial institutions, elected officials, state agencies, and others must be combined to promote and preserve integration, fair housing, and equal opportunity.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I Mayor James E. Darling, President of LRGVDC do hereby proclaim the month of **April** as:

#### **“NATIONAL FAIR HOUSING MONTH”**

to establish an open and inclusive community committed to fair housing and to promote appropriate activities by private and public entities intended to provide or advocate for integration and equal housing opportunities for all residents and prospective residents of the Lower Rio Grande Valley.

**Adopted and approved by the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council Board of Directors this 31<sup>st</sup> day of March 2021.**

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Honorable Mayor James E. Darling  
LRGVDC Board President

# Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council Board of Directors Meeting

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## Item #5: Department Reports

### A. Community & Economic Development

#### Program Status Reports

- Economic Development Administration

Staff encourages any current or future partners to visit the LRGVDC Economic Development webpage, <http://www.lrgvdc.org/business.html> to learn more about EDA funding opportunities.

Staff will be initiating the formation of a CEDS Committee to develop the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy beginning in May-June 2021. For any questions, please contact Rick Carrera at [rcarrera@lrgvdc.org](mailto:rcarrera@lrgvdc.org).

Staff is available to provide technical assistance, project development, and grant administration on EDA proposals and projects. For any assistance, you may contact Rick Carrera, [rcarrera@lrgvdc.org](mailto:rcarrera@lrgvdc.org); Derek Katznelson, [dkatznelson@lrgvdc.org](mailto:dkatznelson@lrgvdc.org); and/or Valerie Ramos, [vramos@lrgvdc.org](mailto:vramos@lrgvdc.org)

- Pandemic Response

To better inform and keep our region up to date with COVID-19 and CARES Act resources, the LRGVDC developed this webpage designed to provide the latest resources and information available. The LRGVDC's intent is to improve capacity in our region to recover quickly from difficulties from current and forthcoming adversities with grant opportunities and resources to sustain living situations.

Additionally, the LRGVDC will proactively act as a liaison between various governmental levels and stakeholders. Staff will bring together different leaders and stakeholders to formulate best practices and actionable deliverables for sectors most affected by COVID-19 to establish a method of recovering from similar economic disasters.

On March 11, 2021, the American Rescue Plan Act became law. Our website has been updated to reflect new program details and other resources for our communities. We are awaiting details on EDA funding for states and communities that have suffered economic injury as a result of job and gross domestic product losses in travel, tourism, or outdoor recreation sectors.

Please reach out! We are happy to provide any information, resources, or assistance available. Please visit our COVID-19 Resources webpage at:

<http://www.lrgvdc.org/covid19.html>. For questions, comments, or concerns please contact Rey Soto at [rsoto@lrgvdc.org](mailto:rsoto@lrgvdc.org).

- Regional Small Cities Coalition

The next Regional Small Cities Coalition Advisory Committee (RSCC) meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 22, 2021 at 11:30 a.m. via GoToMeeting. The GoToMeeting link and public comment form can be found at LRGVDC's calendar page: <http://www.lrgvdc.org/calendar.html> or you can contact Brenda Salinas, [bsalinas@lrgvdc.org](mailto:bsalinas@lrgvdc.org).

- Explore RGV

At Explore RGV we highly encourage our locals to explore the many special hidden gems in the Rio Grande Valley that will help you make a deeper connection and discover a newfound pride in your surroundings. For this reason, we encourage you to #Search for events/locations near you, #Find one that piques your interest, and #Go discover something new! #ExploreRGV#Search#Find#Go

Explore RGV has hosted two FREE GIVEAWAYS with the support and donations of our partner cities. Be on the lookout for FUTURE GIVEAWAYS you don't want to miss!

We invite you to Download the Explore RGV app at the Apple Store and Google Play or visit [www.exploregv.com](http://www.exploregv.com) and to follow @goexplorergv on Twitter and Facebook.

- Community & Economic Development Assistance Fund

Visit our "Community & Economic Development" webpage, <http://www.lrgvdc.org/community.html> that provides information and resources on the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) funding opportunities. Eligible applicants are non-entitlement general purpose units of local government including cities and counties that are not participating or designated as eligible to participate in the entitlement portion of the federal Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG). Non-entitlement cities that are not participating in urban county programs through existing participation agreements are eligible applicants (unless the city's population is counted towards the urban county CDBG allocation).

The application deadline for the three (3) grant opportunities is May 3, 2021.

2021-2022 Community Development Fund is available on the application portal, TDA-GO! <https://texasagriculture.gov/GrantsServices/OpenGrants.aspx>. All applicants must refer to the Community Development Fund Application Guide for complete details and information: [CD App Guide 2021-2022 12.3.20.pdf](#). Contact [vramos@lrgvdc.org](mailto:vramos@lrgvdc.org) or [dkatznelson@lrgvdc.org](mailto:dkatznelson@lrgvdc.org) for technical assistance on the portal or application requirements.

- Solid Waste Management Program

Road to Recycling Tire Collection Event SAVE THE DATE, Saturday, May 8, 2021! Be on the lookout for tire disposal drop-off sites list. For questions regarding this event please contact Valerie Ramos, [vramos@lrgvdc.org](mailto:vramos@lrgvdc.org) or Rick Carrera, [rcarrera@lrgvdc.org](mailto:rcarrera@lrgvdc.org).

Staff continues to provide technical assistance, outreach, and monitoring for all Solid Waste Management Projects. Information about the Solid Waste Program is available at [www.lrgvdc.org/solidwaste.html](http://www.lrgvdc.org/solidwaste.html).

The next SWAC meeting date is yet to be determined; please contact Brenda Salinas, [bsalinas@lrgvdc.org](mailto:bsalinas@lrgvdc.org) for further information.

- Water Quality Program

Staff continues to educate the public on water quality issues in the month of March with the theme: Water Technologies. You can find our weekly educational social media postings on the LRGVDC Facebook page.

Watershed Protection Plan Steering Committee Meetings and Working Group Meetings for three (3) LRGV Watersheds, the Brownsville Ship Channel/Lower Laguna Madre, and the North & Central Watersheds are now underway. Please contact Derek Katznelson at [dkatznelson@lrgvdc.org](mailto:dkatznelson@lrgvdc.org) for further information.

- Regional Water Resource Advisory Committee

At the Regional Water Resource Advisory Committee (RWRAC) meeting on March 10, the committee was briefed on GLO and USACE programs and studies. Progress reports were given on the status of the region's Watershed Protection Plans - Phase 1, LRGVDC's FIF grant agreement, and a draft of a CRP white paper.

The next RWRAC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 21, 2021 at 2:30 p.m. via GoToMeeting. The GoToMeeting link and public comment form can be found at LRGVDC's calendar page: <http://www.lrgvdc.org/calendar.html>.

The RWRAC has a vacancy for a member from a Large City (population >25k). If you are interested or would like to nominate someone for membership, please email Derek Katznelson [dkatznelson@lrgvdc.org](mailto:dkatznelson@lrgvdc.org) with the nominee's resume and a completed nomination form which is available by clicking this link: [Nomination Form](#).

- Rio Grande Regional Water Planning Group (Region M)

The next meeting of the Region M Group is scheduled for Wednesday, April 7, 2021 via GoToMeeting. For more information on Region M, please visit their website: [www.riograndewaterplan.org](http://www.riograndewaterplan.org) or contact Debby Morales at [dmorales@lrgvdc.org](mailto:dmorales@lrgvdc.org).

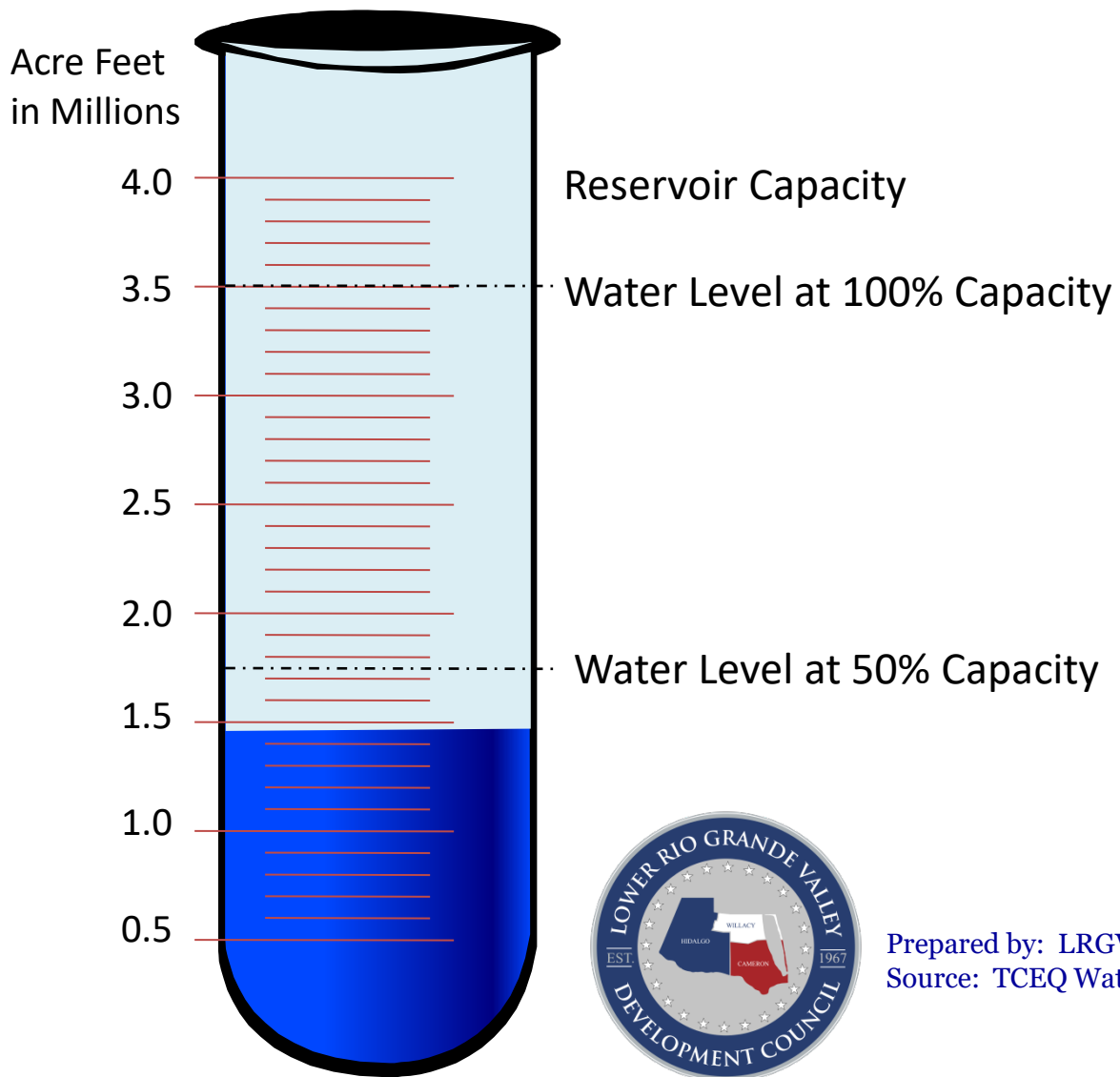
- Reservoir Levels

On March 20, 2021, the U.S. combined ownership at Amistad/Falcon stood at 43.85% of normal conservation capacity, impounding 1,487,472 acre-feet, down from 51.34% (1,741,405 AF) of normal, conservation a year ago. Overall the system is holding 27.80% of normal conservation capacity, impounding 1,646,171 acre-feet with Amistad at 36.43% of conservation capacity, impounding 1,193,414 acre-feet and Falcon at 17.11% of conservation capacity, impounding 452,757 acre-feet. Mexico has 6.27% of normal conservation capacity, impounding 158,699 acre-feet at Amistad/Falcon.

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

**3/20/2021, 43.85% of Capacity or 1,487,472 AF**

Down from 1,741,405 AF of Normal Conservation a year ago



**NOTE: Mexico Ownership/Reservoir Capacity for  
March 20, 2021: 6.27% (158,699) A.F.**

# Rio Grande Watermaster Report

03/20/21

## AMISTAD RESERVOIR

Normal Conservation Elevation	340.462	Meters	1,117.00 Feet	
Water Elevation	326.780	Meters	1,072.11 Feet	-44.89
Total Normal Conservation Capacity	4,040,325	TCM	3,275,532 Acre-Feet	
Total Combined Storage	1,472.060	MCM	1,193,414 Acre-Feet	36.43%
US Share of Current Storage	1,361.783	MCM	1,104,011 Acre-Feet	92.51%
Mexico share of Current Storage	110.277	MCM	89,403 Acre-Feet	7.49%
TOTAL RELEASES AVG	28.30	CMS	999 CFS	
US Release AVG	25.40	CMS	897 CFS	89.75%
Mexico Release AVG	2.90	CMS	102 CFS	10.25%
TOTAL INFLOWS AVG	26.70	CMS	943 CFS	
US Inflows AVG	20.90	CMS	738 CFS	
Mexico Inflows AVG	5.80	CMS	205 CFS	
TOTAL LOSSES AVG	11.40	CMS	403 CFS	
US Reservoir Loss AVG	10.50	CMS	371 CFS	
Mexico Reservoir Loss AVG	0.90	CMS	32 CFS	

## FALCON RESERVOIR

Normal Conservation Elevation	91.805	Meters	301.20 Feet	
Water Elevation	79.295	Meters	260.15 Feet	-41.04
Total Normal Conservation Capacity	3,264,813	TCM	2,646,817 Acre-Feet	
Total Combined Storage	558.470	MCM	452,757 Acre-Feet	17.11%
US Share of Current Storage	472.994	MCM	383,461 Acre-Feet	84.69%
Mexico share of Current Storage	85.476	MCM	69,296 Acre-Feet	15.31%
Total Releases AVG	71.20	CMS	2,514 CFS	
US Release AVG	57.50	CMS	2,031 CFS	80.76%
Mexico Release AVG	13.70	CMS	484 CFS	19.24%
TOTAL INFLOWS AVG	30.80	CMS	1,088 CFS	
US Inflows AVG	25.20	CMS	890 CFS	
Mexico Inflows AVG	5.60	CMS	198 CFS	
TOTAL LOSSES AVG	6.93	CMS	245 CFS	
US Reservoir Loss AVG	5.86	CMS	207 CFS	
Mexico Reservoir Loss AVG	1.07	CMS	38 CFS	

## OVERALL STATUS

Normal Conservation Capacity - <b>Amistad</b>	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	1,361,783	TCM	1,104,011 Acre-Feet	59.97%
Normal Conservation Capacity - <b>Falcon</b>	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	472,994	TCM	383,461 Acre-Feet	24.72%
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	2,530,465 Acre-Feet	42.73%
Current Storage US	1,834.777	MCM	1,487,472 Acre-Feet	43.85%
Current Storage Mexico	195.753	MCM	158,699 Acre-Feet	6.27%
Current Storage - Amistad - Falcon System	2,030,530	TCM	1,646,171 Acre-Feet	
Percent of Storage Capacity	27.80%		27.80%	

**ITEM #5. B.**

**HEALTH  
&  
HUMAN SERVICES**

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Item #5: Department Reports

B. Health & Human Services

Area Agency on Aging Program Action Item ..... Jose L. Gonzalez, Director

1. Consideration and **ACTION** to Add Vendor (Contractor) to the Vendor Pool

In response to the open enrollment for the Direct Purchased Services contractor pool, the Area Agency on Aging received one (1) additional application. The Advisory Council recommends the addition of Progressive Skilled Home Health Services from Pharr for Homemaker and Respite In-Home Care.

Amigos Del Valle - FY 2021 Budget						
Program	Prior Contract Award	Budget Amendment				Totals
		Categorical Transfer for FY 2021	Prior Year Partial Funding	Prior Year CARES Funding	Consolidated Appropriations Title III-C2	
Congregate Meals C1	\$ 1,197,092		\$ 607,586			\$ 1,804,678
Home Delivered Meals C2	\$ 1,003,491	\$ 533,854	\$ 591,279	\$ 1,003,397	\$ 691,374	\$ 3,823,395
Data Management	\$ 108,000					\$ 108,000
Transportation	\$ 200,000					\$ 200,000

**Prior Contract Award is the initial amount approved by the Board for fiscal year 2021. The additional amounts are \$607,586 for congregate meals and \$2,819,904 for home delivered meals to be included in the budget amendment. The last four columns indicate the source of funding. Amigos Del Valle, as the only nutrition contractor is the only organization eligible to receive this funding. Additional funds will be released sometime in April or May when the FY2020 closeout is approved and the balance of the prior year and COVID prior year funds allotted.**

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B. Health & Human Services

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

- Senior Centers/Nutrition Sites

Some senior centers are considering opening their doors for congregate settings. These senior centers have more than 50% of their participants vaccinated. The question that has been posed to HHSC is if they can provide congregate meals as well as grab-n-go meals for those that do not feel comfortable to attend the centers.

- American Rescue Plan Act Funding

Funding from the American Rescue Plan Act will include funds under Title III-B Support Services for the purpose of providing outreach for seniors to get vaccinated. A meeting was held with Amigos Del Valle and Senior Centers to start looking at outreach alternatives to address this directive.

**ITEM #5. C.**

**PUBLIC SAFETY**

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Item #5: Department Reports

C. Public Safety

Program Action Item ..... Randall Snyder, Public Safety Director

1. Consideration and **ACTION** to Approve Homeland Security Advisory Committee's (HSAC) Prioritized List of FY 2021-22 Homeland Security Grants Division Regional Grant Applications

The HSAC met on March 24 and recommends approval of the attached prioritization list for the FY 2021-22 Homeland Security Grants Division Regional Grant Applications.



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C. Public Safety

Program Action Item .....Randall Snyder, Public Safety Director

2. Consider and **ACTION** to Approve Purchase of Tele-Communicators Week Items

The week of April 11-17, 2021 is National Telecommunicators Week. The 9-1-1 program has consistently recognized our local telecommunicators for their dedication and hard work. This year we would like to continue to recognize them with tokens of our appreciation featuring the Public Safety 9-1-1 telecommunicator logos. The estimated cost for these items is \$46,634.97. This was previously budgeted and approved by CSEC. As required by LRGVDC Procurement Policy, all procurements exceeding \$25,000 require approval from the Board of Directors.

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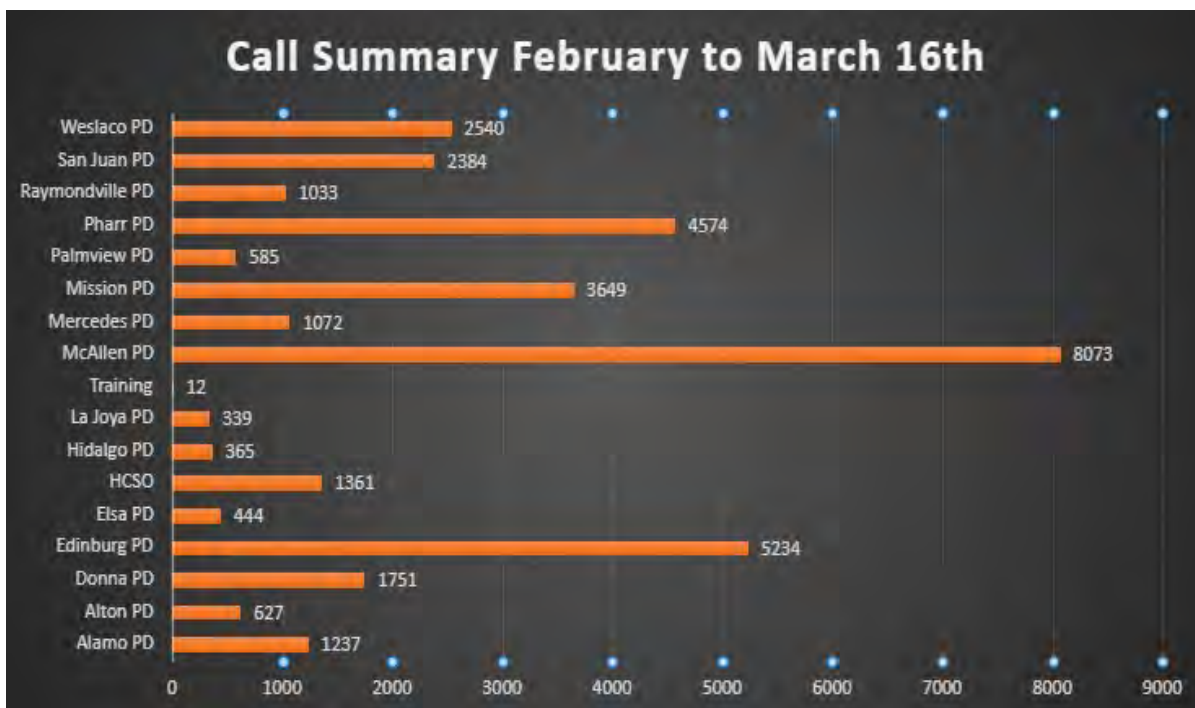
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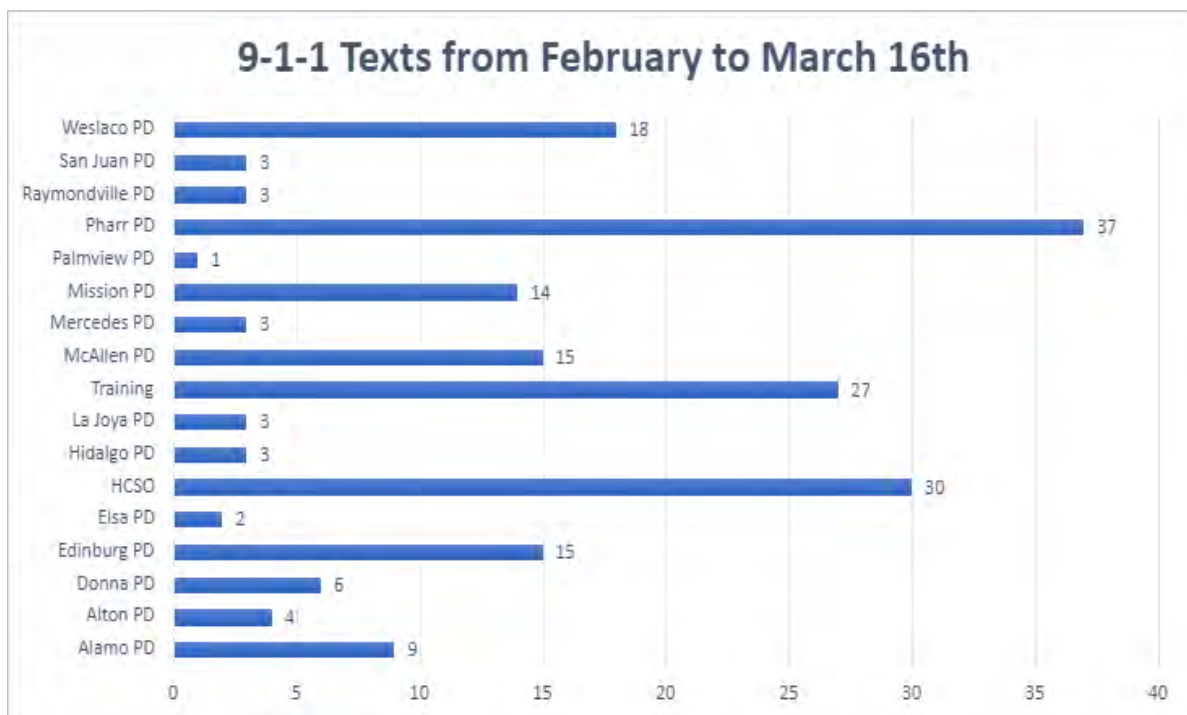
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### C. Public Safety

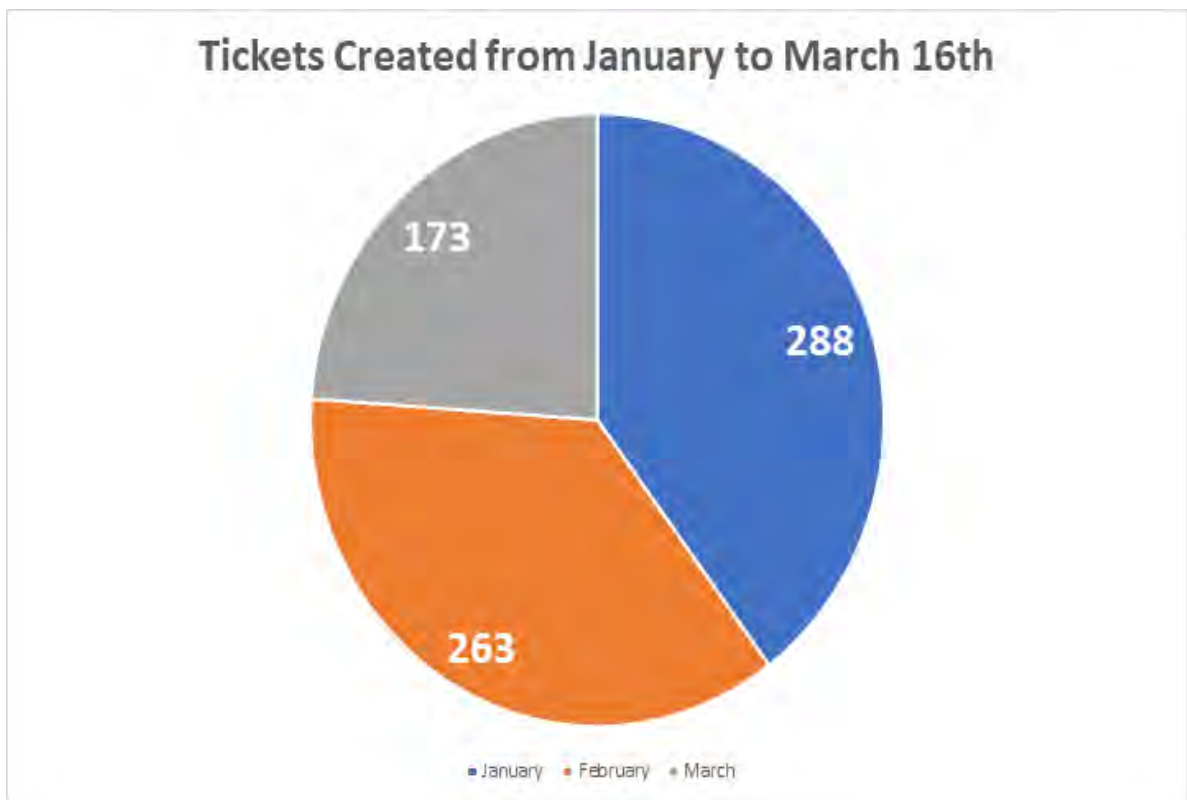
#### Program Status Report Emergency Communications/9-1-1

- Emergency Communications District  
Currently 26 of the required 27 resolutions have passed. Most recently Hidalgo County Commissioners Court passed their resolution, and the remaining resolution is from the City of Weslaco.
- Generator Maintenance Emergency Call Out Follow Up  
Emergency response pricing is based on time and materials. There are no provisions for a block of time or emergency repairs in the 3-year Generator Maintenance Plan that was approved last month. All callouts would be at cost. These costs, excluding materials are \$159 per hour straight time, \$238.50 per hour overtime and \$3.25 per mile.
- 2021 9-1-1 Call/Text Summary

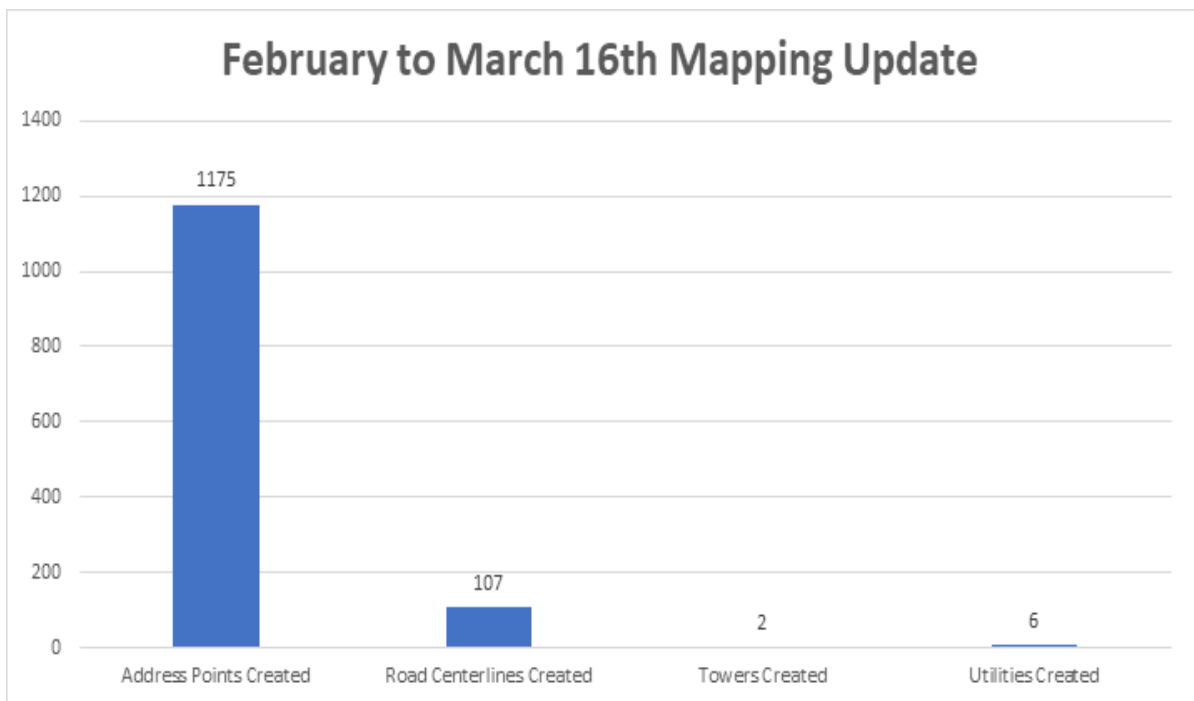




- Location Validation Program**  
 LV staff continue to focus on issuing 9-1-1 physical addresses and addressing new subdivisions for Hidalgo and Willacy Counties. Staff is working with the City of Mission planning department to ensure all the inside city limits addresses match our 9-1-1 GIS map and correct street name as well.
- Database Program**  
 Database staff continue validating addresses and updating the 9-1-1 database via its new Geodatabase application and in collaboration with the other internal programs. In February, the department received over 280 calls resulting in 263 new 9-1-1 physical addresses issued to the public. As new subdivisions are developed the new streets and/or street updates are added to our MSAG (Master Street Address Guide). Validating the address on the new VOIP (Voice Over Internet Protocol) TN's being issued is a continuation project. Staff continues searching missing address points in our 9-1-1 maps to better serve our residents.



- **Mapping Program**  
The Mapping GIS team continues mapping daily address tickets while maintaining data quality. The GIS team has continued to maintain the GeoMSAG. The mapping team has achieved 100% geocode matching on the GeoMSAG. With this matching, every call in Hidalgo/Willacy should route to the correct PSAP. The GIS team is coordinating with ESRI to launch our ArcGIS Hub which will allow streamlining open records requests and the showcase of local maps. The GIS team is continuing with the process of transitioning away from the traditional ArcMap software to the new ArcGIS Pro platform that will allow for stronger processing power.



- **System and Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP) Operations**  
Our Systems and PSAP Operations Team have installed software updates at all PSAPs. This software provides the ability to listen to live or non-live calls or immediately extract any desired calls. The Systems Team has hosted one (1) in-person training and two (2) virtual trainings for the new recording system. Our Systems and PSAP Operations Team continues to audit and support all PSAPs.
- **Public Education/Training Program**  
Public Education is an ongoing priority for the Emergency Communications/9-1-1 Program. We continue to reach out to the community through our LRGVDC Facebook page to educate residents on ECOMMS/9-1-1. Staff completed 9-1-1 System Training during the week of February 22-26 and 28 trainees participated. We helped coordinate the new Recorder Training for all PSAP supervisory and administration personnel. This training was conducted on March 10-11. We are currently at the final stage of developing the LRGVDC ECOMMS/911 informational video.

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C. Public Safety

Criminal Justice Program Status Report

- Staff attended the Texas State Operations Center Teleconference on March 12; the topic was the use of the Public Assistance State of Texas Assessment Tool.
- As per the Criminal Justice Grants Division, the LRGVDC COG-21 Regional Budget Expectations (RBE) for FY2021-22 are as follows:

Criminal Justice Programs	\$649,947.20
Juvenile Justice Programs	\$233,305.77
Truancy Prevention Program	\$123,277.27
General Victim Assistance Direct Services Program	\$4,002,941.34
Violence Against Women Justice and Training Program	\$187,969.72

*\*RBEs are only projections, not a guarantee.*

- Staff attended the virtual Texas Association of Regional Councils (TARC) Bi-Annual Training on March 30; staff received program and TARC updates.
- Staff is working on preparing CJD (Criminal Justice Division) applications for the Criminal Justice Advisory Committee (CJAC) to review; the CJAC will meet virtually on April 14 to review scores and rankings of the region's CJD applications.
- CJD released a Request for Funding Assistance (RFA) for the Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding for which only COGs are eligible; a total of \$1.3 million will be distributed amongst 24 COGs, LRGVDC's *approximate* allocation is \$37,642.10. Funds remaining after all eligible applications are submitted may be allocated to other regions.

Homeland Security Program Status Report

- Staff collected and submitted special events information for the COG-21 region as part of the LRGVDC's Homeland Security Grants Division Planning grant.
- Staff received feedback and scores on the LRGVDC's SPR (Stakeholder Preparedness Review) and Implementation Plan; the COG-21's score was 44.5 (out of 45 points).

- Staff participated in the first Texas Critical Infrastructure Protection (TCIP) Task Force Meeting on March 9; the purpose of the task force is to improve awareness of recent/upcoming critical infrastructure protection activities.
- Staff attended the Public Safety Joint Virtual Training on March 11; staff received updates on programs.
- Staff attended the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) meeting on March 18 via Zoom.
- Staff is working on hosting a Mass Casualty Attack Response Workshop in collaboration with state and regional partners; staff will be reaching out to partners to form a core planning committee.
- The Homeland Security Advisory Committee reviewed a total of 29 applications for the Homeland Security Grants Division FY2021-22 funding cycle; and met on March 24 to prioritize the projects.

Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council  
Board of Directors Meeting

Wednesday, March 31, 2021

Item #5: Department Reports

C. Public Safety

Regional Police Academy Status Report

- The 204<sup>th</sup> Mission Full time, 205<sup>th</sup> Hidalgo Full Time, 206<sup>th</sup> Raymondville Full Time, 207<sup>th</sup> Hidalgo Part Time, 208<sup>th</sup> Edinburg Full Time and the 209<sup>th</sup> Harlingen academies are underway.
- Entrance exams for future academies will resume at a later, yet to be determined, date to allow staff to focus on current academy operations.
- In-service training has resumed and is being conducted at various locations throughout the region. This allows the Academy to provide officers opportunities to attend training without having to travel long distances.
- The Regional Police Academy continues to identify training opportunities in support of agencies to educate their officers in dealing with COVID-19.

**ITEM #5. D.**

**TRANSPORTATION**

Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council  
Board of Directors Meeting

Wednesday, March 31, 2021

Item #5: Department Reports

D. Transportation

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

1. Consideration and **ACTION** to Approve Amendment Number 5 to Interlocal Agreement for Joint Development of Edinburg Transit Terminal.

Staff requests Board approval to finalize this project which will complete the terminal's first floor mixed use area, fulfill parking requirements, and implement necessary minor improvements. This second project of the Downtown Revitalization Streetscape will ensure the visibility and use of transit service, provide increased mobility and access for the elderly and disabled, improve safety, generate economic activity, and enhance the value of local property.

The amendment to the Interlocal Agreement reflects the updated expiration date of June 30, 2022 and includes additional funds that have been awarded through the FTA in the amount of \$800,000 with a \$200,000 local match from the EEDC. All other provisions of the Amendment dated December 2, 2014, not specifically in conflict with this Amendment Number 5, shall remain the same.

THE STATE OF TEXAS       §                   **AMENDMENT NUMBER 5 TO THE INTERLOCAL  
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LOWER RIO  
GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL,  
CITY OF EDINBURG, AND THE EDINBURG  
COUNTY OF HIDALGO       §                   ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FOR  
JOINT DEVELOPMENT OF THE EDINBURG  
TRANSIT TERMINAL**

**AMENDMENT NUMBER 5  
TO THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR THE JOINT DEVELOPMENT  
OF THE EDINBURG TRANSIT TERMINAL**

This Amendment is entered into by and between the Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council, hereinafter referred to as “**LRGVDC**”, the City of Edinburg, hereinafter referred to as “**EDINBURG**”, and the Edinburg Economic Development Corporation, hereinafter referred to as “**EEDC**”.

**RECITALS**

**WHEREAS**, on December 02, 2014, the LRGVDC, EDINBURG, and EEDC approved an Interlocal Agreement for the Joint Development and construction of the Edinburg Transit Terminal (hereinafter referred to as “the Agreement”).

**WHEREAS**, the PARTIES desire to cooperate in the joint development and construction of a transit terminal and parking facility in Edinburg, Texas as described in FTA Grant #TX-90-Y057; and

**WHEREAS**, this project will improve the visibility and use of transit services, provide increased mobility and access for the elderly and disabled, improve safety, generate economic activity, enhance the value of local property, and is the second project of the Downtown Revitalization Streetscape; and

**WHEREAS**, on June 28, 2016, the Edinburg City Council approved Amendment Number 1 for additional professional services and construction funds through the FTA and was awarded additional funds in the amount of \$1,652,955.00. The Agreement and Amendment Number 1 are attached as Exhibit A; and,

**WHEREAS**, all parties approved Amendment Number 2 of the Interlocal Agreement to extend the expiration date of the Agreement to June 30, 2018; and,

**WHEREAS**, all parties approved Amendment Number 3 of the Interlocal Agreement to extend the expiration date of the Agreement to June 30, 2019; and,

**WHEREAS**, all parties approved Amendment Number 4 of the Interlocal Agreement to extend the expiration date of the Agreement to June 30, 2020; and,

**WHEREAS**, all parties desire to amend the Interlocal Agreement to reflect the expiration date of June 30, 2022 and to include additional funds that have been awarded through the FTA in the amount of \$800,000 with a \$200,000 local match from the EEDC.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Agreement, is hereby amended by amending the following articles in the entirety as follows:

### **ARTICLE 3. TERM**

The term of this Interlocal Agreement begins when signed by both parties and automatically expires on June 30, 2022, as agreed to by the PARTIES. This Agreement may be amended or extended upon mutual agreement of the PARTIES.

All other provisions of the Agreement, not specifically in conflict with this Amendment Number 5, shall remain the same.

This fifth Amendment to Agreement is signed below by the duly authorized representative of the PARTIES.

EXECUTED by the PARTIES in triplicate originals on this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021

#### **CITY OF EDINBURG**

#### **LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUCNIL**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Ron Garza, City Manager

\_\_\_\_\_  
Manuel Cruz, Executive Director

**ATTEST:**

**ATTEST:**

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Myra L. Ayala, City Secretary

\_\_\_\_\_  
Crystal Balboa, Finance Director

**APPROVED TO FORM:**  
The Omar Ochoa Law Firm

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Omar Ochoa, City Attorney

#### **EDINBURG ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Blanca Davila, Director

Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council  
Board of Directors Meeting

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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 February 2021, ridership for the urban system, which operates Monday through Saturday in the urban areas of Cameron, Hidalgo, and Starr Counties has been averaging **2,344** passengers a week. Ridership for the rural system which operates in the rural areas of Cameron, Hidalgo, Willacy, Starr, and Zapata Counties has an average of **1,110** passengers per week for the month of February.

- COVID-19 Precautionary Measures
  - Daily cleaning with CDC-approved disinfectant
  - Usage of rear-doors to board/deboard passengers
  - Cordoning-off driver area
  - Installation of hand sanitizer dispensers inside buses
  - Issuing safety memos to staff

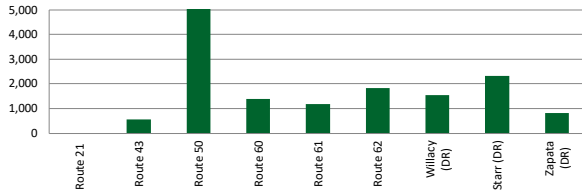
- Regional Transportation Advisory Panel (RTAP) Activity

The RTAP last met in August 2020 and discussed regional planning and service coordination; the next meeting is tentatively scheduled for April 27, 2021, at 9:30am via TEAMS.

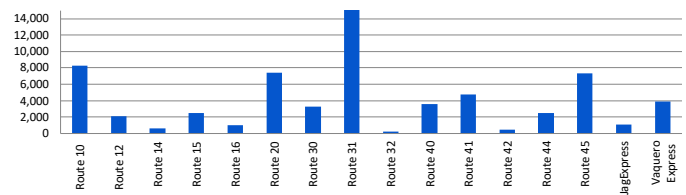


# LOWER RIO GRANDE VALLEY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL Valley Metro Service Summary FY 2021 February

## RURAL Ridership by Route

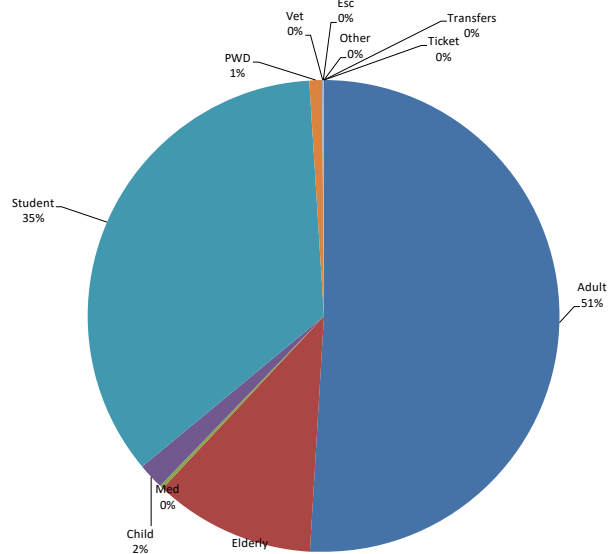


## URBAN Ridership by Route



	Route	Total Passenger Trips	Route Activity	Area(s) Served
RURAL	Route 21	0	0%	Sullivan City, West Hidalgo County
	Route 43	560	1%	South Cameron County
	Route 50	13,756	14%	Brownsville, Port Isabel
	Route 60	1,391	1%	Roma, Rio Grande City
	Route 61	1,181	1%	Rio Grande City
	Route 62	1,833	2%	Rio Grande City
	Willacy (DR)	1,524	2%	Willacy County
	Starr (DR)	2,314	2%	Starr County
	Zapata (DR)	801	1%	Zapata County
URBAN	Metro Express	9,533	10%	Rio Grande Valley
	Route 10	8,219	8%	Edinburg
	Route 12	2,064	2%	Edcouch, Elsa, Edinburg
	Route 14	647	1%	Edinburg
	Route 15	2,470	2%	Edinburg
	Route 16	1,010	1%	Edinburg
	Route 20	7,377	7%	Mission
	Route 30	3,274	3%	Pharr, San Juan
	Route 31	16,050	16%	Hidalgo County
	Route 32	264	0%	Donna
	Route 40	3,610	4%	Harlingen
	Route 41	4,743	5%	Harlingen
	Route 42	443	0%	San Benito
	Route 44	2,475	2%	Primera, La Feria, Santa Rosa
	Route 45	7,303	7%	Cameron County
	JagExpress	1,103	3%	Weslaco, Pharr, McAllen
	Vaquero Express	3,871	4%	Edinburg
	Hidalgo	97	0%	City of Hidalgo
TOTAL		97,913	100%	

## Ridership Breakdown by Category



FY 2020 Sept-Feb  
498,615

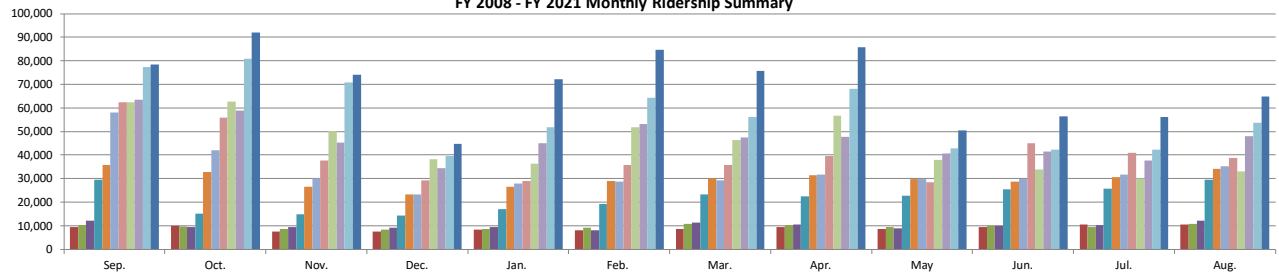
YEAR TO DATE RIDERSHIP REPORT  
FY 2021 Sept-Feb  
97,913

DIFFERENCE  
-400,702

% DIFFERENCE  
-80%

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

## FY 2008 - FY 2021 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	9,537	10,931	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	78,630	89,404	46,276	11,431	15,009	17,932	14,182	16,121	619,566	-215,340	-26%
FY* 2021	17,146	16,894	15,751	16,072	16,620	12,994	0	0	0	0	0	0	95,477	-739,429	-89%
Monthly Change from Previous FY	-61,294	-75,036	-58,386	-28,637	-55,579	-71,568	-75,604	-85,670	-50,318	-56,330	-56,234	-64,773	-739,429	18,367	2%
% Change	-78%	-82%	-79%	-64%	-77%	-85%	-100%	-100%	-100%	-100%	-100%	-135%	-131%	79%	51%

## FY 2018 URBANIZED PERFORMANCE MEASURES\*

COST EFFECTIVENESS  
Cost per revenue mile =  
Cost per revenue hour =  
Cost per passenger =

\$2.40 State Avg. = \$4.85  
\$46.22 State Avg. = \$73.39  
\$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 =  
Cost per revenue hour =  
Cost per passenger =

\$3.03 State Avg. = \$2.99  
\$71.08 State Avg. = \$59.91  
\$14.83 State Avg. = \$20.21

## SERVICE EFFICIENCY

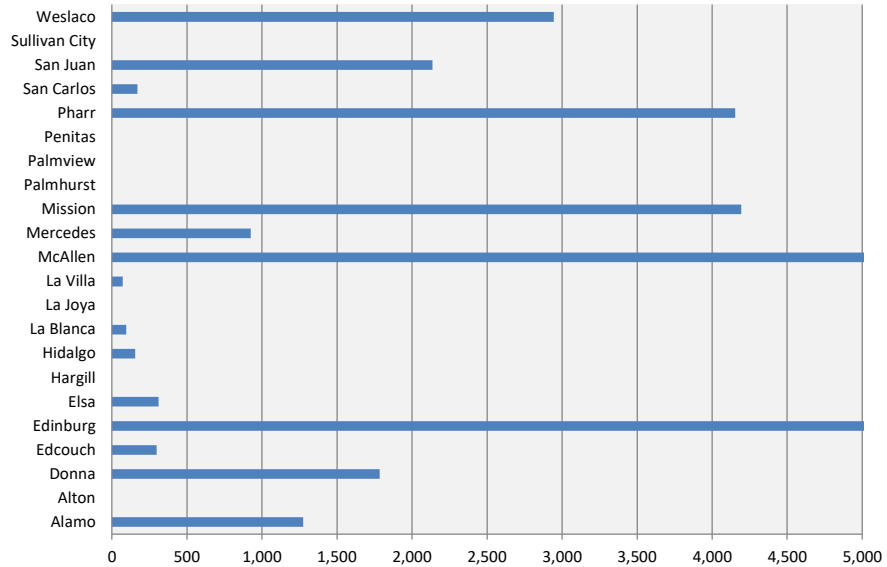
Passengers per revenue mile = 0.20 State Avg. = .15  
Passengers per revenue hour = 5.44 State Avg. = 2.96

## Distribution of Ridership

### Hidalgo County

Alamo	1,274
Alton	0
Donna	1,785
Edcouch	298
Edinburg	13,625
Elsa	310
Hargill	0
Hidalgo	156
La Blanca	95
La Joya	0
La Villa	72
McAllen	15,619
Mercedes	924
Mission	4,194
Palmhurst	0
Palmview	0
Penitas	0
Pharr	4,153
San Carlos	170
San Juan	2,137
Sullivan City	0
Weslaco	2,945
<b>Total</b>	<b>47,757</b>

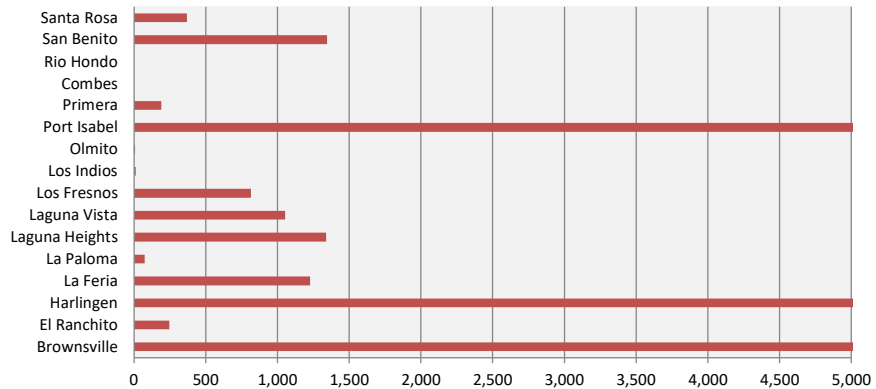
### Hidalgo County by Cities



### Cameron County

Brownsville	14,895
El Ranchito	245
Harlingen	11,369
La Feria	1,228
La Paloma	74
Laguna Heights	1,339
Laguna Vista	1,052
Los Fresnos	814
Los Indios	11
Olmito	6
Port Isabel	5,799
Primera	189
Combes	0
Rio Hondo	0
San Benito	1,346
Santa Rosa	368
<b>Total</b>	<b>38,735</b>

### Cameron County by Cities



### Willacy County

<b>Total</b>	<b>1,524</b>
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### Starr County

<b>Total</b>	<b>6,719</b>
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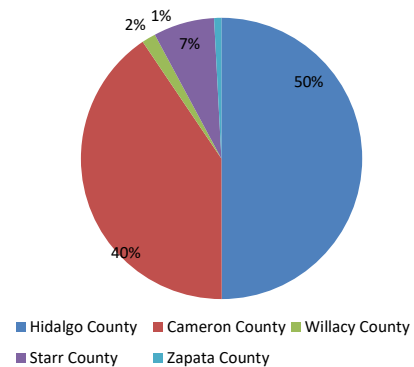
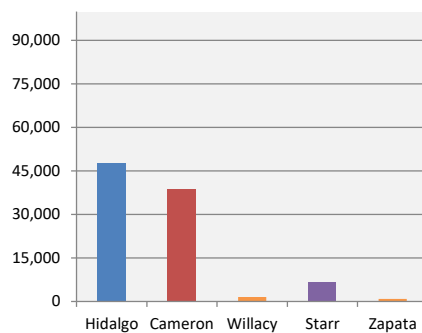
### Zapata County

<b>Total</b>	<b>801</b>
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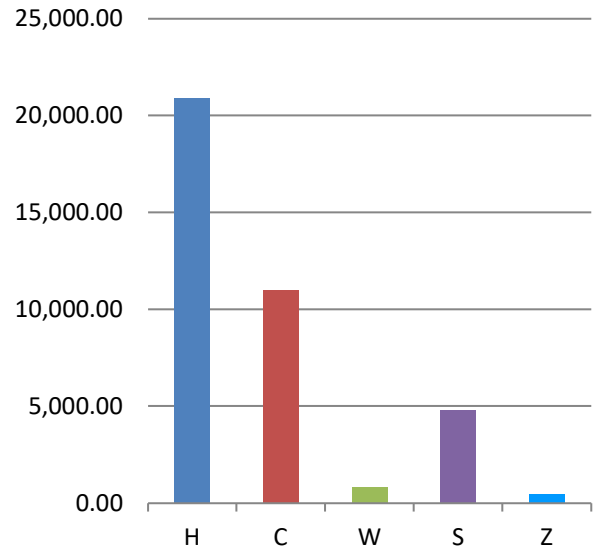
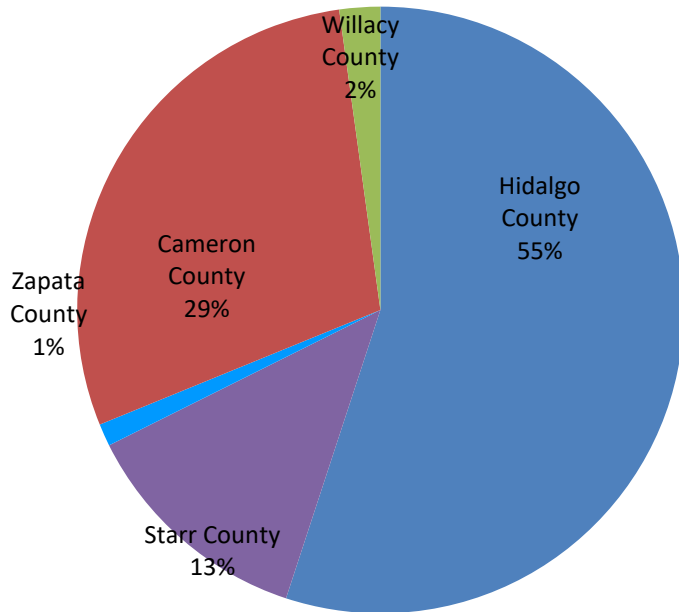
### SYSTEM TOTAL

**95,536**

### Ridership by County

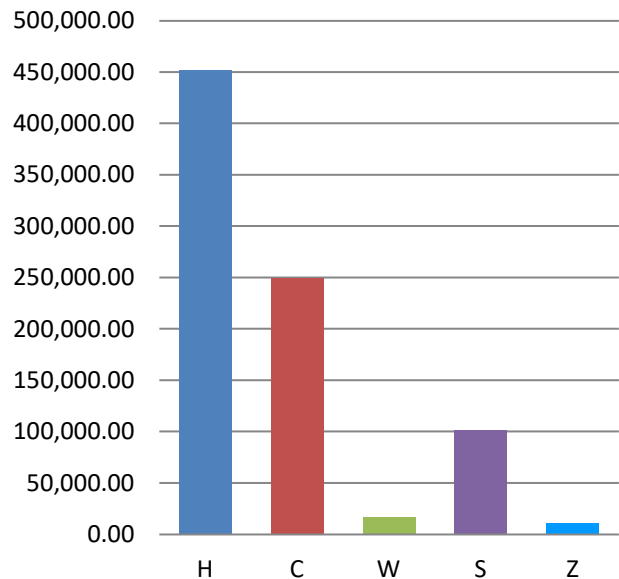
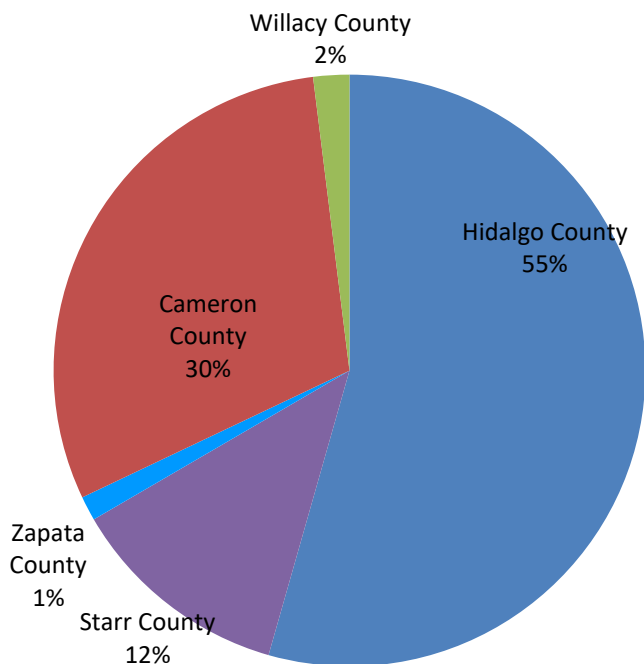


## Distribution of Revenue Hours



Revenue Hours Provided	
Hidalgo County	20,866.00
Starr County	4,775.00
Zapata County	458.54
Cameron County	10,988.00
Willacy County	824.00
<b>Total Revenue Hours</b>	<b>37,911.54</b>

## Distribution of Revenue Miles



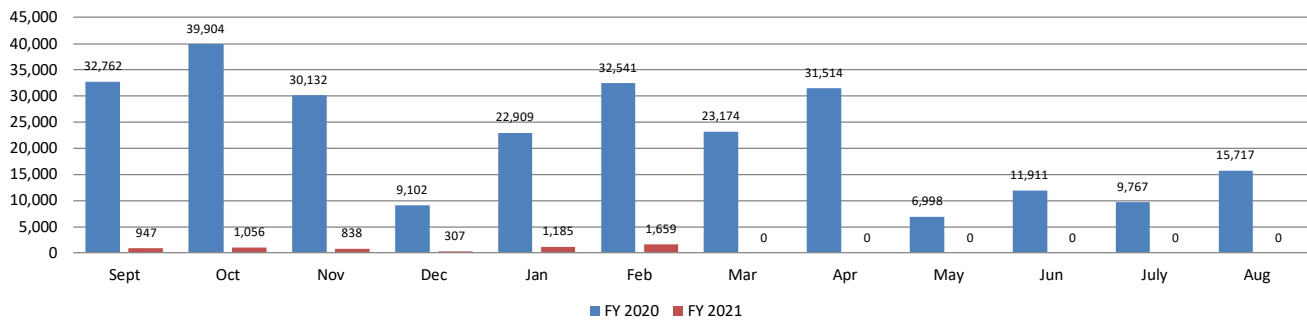
Revenue Miles Provided	
Hidalgo County	451,929
Starr County	101,179
Zapata County	11,095
Cameron County	249,850
Willacy County	16,327
<b>Total Revenue Miles</b>	<b>830,380</b>



**FY 2021 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	0	0	1	0	0	0							1
12	27	51	52	34	53	33							250
14	66	62	47	17	39	26							257
15	0	0	0	1	1	1							3
16	0	0	0	0	0	0							0
20	0	0	1	0	4	0							5
21	0	0	0	0	0	0							0
30	0	0	0	0	0	0							0
31	0	0	0	0	0	0							0
32	0	0	0	0	0	0							0
40	0	0	0	0	0	0							0
41	0	0	0	0	0	0							0
42	0	0	0	0	0	0							0
44	0	0	0	0	0	0							0
45	1	3	2	0	0	0							6
50	0	0	0	0	0	0							0
Vaquero Express	853	940	735	255	1,088	1,599							5,470
<b>Total</b>	<b>947</b>	<b>1,056</b>	<b>838</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>1,185</b>	<b>1,659</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5,992</b>
<b>FY 2018</b>	<b>32,762</b>	<b>39,904</b>	<b>30,132</b>	<b>9,102</b>	<b>22,909</b>	<b>32,541</b>	<b>23,174</b>	<b>31,514</b>	<b>6,998</b>	<b>11,911</b>	<b>9,767</b>	<b>15,717</b>	<b>266,431</b>
Change Over Previous FY	-31,815	-38,848	-29,294	-8,795	-21,724	-30,882	-23,174	-31,514	-6,998	-11,911	-9,767	-15,717	

**2020 - 2021 Valley Metro Routes UTRGV Student Passenger Count**





**South Texas College - FY 2021  
Valley Metro Routes  
Monthly Cumulative Passenger Counts**

Routes	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Total
10	0	0	0	0	0	0							0
12	8	1	0	1	2	0							12
14	0	0	0	0	0	0							0
15	0	0	0	0	0	0							0
16	0	0	0	0	0	0							0
20	0	0	0	0	0	0							0
30	0	0	4	0	0	0							4
31	43	52	58	43	56	51							303
32	0	0	0	0	0	0							0
40	0	0	0	0	0	0							0
41	0	0	0	0	0	0							0
42	0	0	0	0	0	0							0
44	3	3	6	3	0	0							15
45	0	0	0	0	0	0							0
60	17	21	13	0	0	0							51
61	9	0	6	0	0	6							21
62	6	0	0	0	0	4							10
DR-RGC	0	0	0	0	0	0							0
Purpleline	22	16	0	0	0	0							38
Greenline	87	122	58	18	26	50							361
<b>Total</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>815</b>
<b>Non Valley Metro Routes</b>													
Yellowline	97	100	60	21	28	55							361
Park & Ride	0	0	0	0	0	0							0
<b>Total</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>361</b>
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>292</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,176</b>
Change Over Previous Month			-110	-119	26	54	-166	0	0	0	0	0	



**South Texas College - Mid Valley JagExpress  
STC Student Passenger Counts Comparison  
FY 2021**

**Direct Service**

Routes	STC	UTRGV	General Public	Total
Route 12 Ecouch/Elsa-Edinburg	12	250	1,802	2,064
Route 31 Business 83	303	0	15,747	16,050
Purple Line	38		17	55
Yellow Line	361		0	361
Green Line	361		1,717	2,078
Park & Ride	0		0	0
Route 60 Greenline Roma	51		1,340	1,391
Route 61 RGC West	21		1,160	1,181
Route 62 RGC East	10		1,823	1,833
DR-RGC	0		2,314	2,314
Vaquero Express		3,871	0	3,871
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,157</b>	<b>4,121</b>	<b>25,920</b>	<b>31,198</b>

**Connecting Service**

Routes	Connection	STC	UTRGV	General Public	Total
Route 10 Edinburg - McAllen	12, 31	0	1	8,218	8,219
Route 14 UTRGV VABL	12	0	257	390	647
Route 15 Edinburg	12	0	3	2,467	2,470
Route 20 Mission - McAllen	31	0	5	7,372	7,377
Route 30 Pharr San Juan - Edinburg	31	4	0	3,270	3,274
Route 32 Donna International Bridge	31	0	0	264	264
Route 40 Harlingen Medical	31	0	0	3,610	3,610
Route 41 Harlingen Retail	31	0	0	4,743	4,743
Route 42 San Benito Harlingen	31	0	0	443	443
Route 44 La Feria/Santa Rosa/Primera	31	15	0	2,460	2,475
Route 45 Cameron Career Connection	31	0	6	7,297	7,303
<b>Total</b>		<b>19</b>	<b>272</b>	<b>40,534</b>	<b>40,825</b>

**Total Service**

	STC	UTRGV	General Public	Total
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>1,176</b>	<b>4,393</b>	<b>66,454</b>	<b>72,023</b>



**FY 2021 TSTC  
Valley Metro Routes  
Monthly Cumulative Passenger Counts**

Routes	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Total
10	0	0	0	0	0	0							0
12	0	0	0	0	0	0							0
14	0	0	0	0	0	0							0
31	0	0	0	0	2	0							2
40	0	0	0	0	0	0							0
41	0	0	0	0	0	0							0
42	0	0	0	0	0	0							0
43	0	0	0	0	0	0							0
44	6	4	7	3	1	0							21
45	9	16	10	6	11	2							54
50	0	0	0	0	0	0							0
Willacy	0	0	0	0	0	0							0
<b>Total</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>77</b>
<b>Change Over Previous Month</b>													
		<b>5</b>	<b>-3</b>	<b>-8</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>-12</b>	<b>-2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-15</b>

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