



RIO GRANDE COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

OCTOBER 28, 2016

10:00 A.M. MDT

PLACE: Rio Grande Council of Governments
8037 Lockheed, Ste. 100
El Paso, TX 79925

PRESIDING: Commissioner Carlos Leon
President, RGCOG

***EXECUTIVE
DIRECTOR:*** Annette Gutierrez

A G E N D A

ROLL CALL AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON AUGUST 26, 2016

ADMINISTRATION

1. **Update & Greetings from the Texas Association of Regional Councils, by Annette Gutierrez**

Ms. Gutierrez will introduce Ms. Ginny Lewis, Executive Director for Texas Association of Regional Councils, who will provide an update on activities from the state association.

THIS IS AN INFORMATION ITEM; NO ACTION IS REQUIRED

2. **Proposed revisions to the Rio Grande Council of Governments (RGCOG) Classification Plan, by Annette Gutierrez**

Board of Directors' approval is requested to revise the Rio Grande Council of Governments' Classification Plan.

DISCUSS AND ACT UPON AS NEEDED

3. **Rio Grande Council of Governments' Bylaws Committee by Annette Gutierrez**

Board of Directors' approval is requested to form a committee to review the RGCOG Bylaws.

DISCUSS AND ACT UPON AS NEEDED

4. **Evaluation Committee for Executive Director , by Annette Gutierrez**

Board of Directors' approval is requested to form an evaluation committee that will set goals and evaluate the Executive Director.

DISCUSS AND ACT UPON AS NEEDED

5. **Finance Committee, by Annette Gutierrez**

Board of Directors' approval is requested to form a Finance Committee for FY 17.

DISCUSS AND ACT UPON AS NEEDED

6. **Investment Officers, by Judy Cisneros**

Board of Directors' approval is requested to designate the Executive Director, Annette Gutierrez and Judy Cisneros, Assistant Finance Director as the RGCOG Investment Officers.

DISCUSS AND ACT UPON AS NEEDED

7. **Approval of Investment Policy, by Judy Cisneros**

Board of Directors' approval is requested to adopt the RGCOG Investment Policy.

DISCUSS AND ACT UPON AS NEEDED

8. **Public Funds Investment Policy Quarterly Report for Accounts held at Bank of America, by Judy Cisneros**

Presentation of the Public Funds Investment report for the fourth quarter of FY2016.

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9. **Public Funds Investment Policy Quarterly Report for Accounts held at Wells Fargo, NA, by Judy Cisneros**

Presentation of the Public Funds Investment report for the fourth quarter of FY2016.

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10. **Adoption of Corporate Resolution to Update Signatories for Bank Accounts held at Bank of America, by Judy Cisneros**

Board of Directors' approval is requested to authorize the Board President and Executive Director to sign a Corporate Resolution.

DISCUSS AND ACT UPON AS NEEDED

11. Update Signatories for Bank Accounts held at Wells Fargo, NA, by Judy Cisneros

Board of Directors' approval is requested to authorize the Board President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President and the Executive Director to sign the Addendum to Certificate of Authority.

DISCUSS AND ACT UPON AS NEEDED

REGIONAL SERVICES

12. RGCOG: Criminal Justice Advisory Committee (CJAC), by Marisa Quintanilla

Board of Directors' approval is requested on the submittal of the revised Plan Year 2018 CJAC Bylaws and Resolution.

DISCUSS AND ACT UPON AS NEEDED

13. RGCOG: Criminal Justice Advisory Committee, by Marisa Quintanilla

Board of Directors' approval is requested on the submittal of the revised Plan Year 2018 CJAC Policies, Procedures and Resolution.

DISCUSS AND ACT UPON AS NEEDED

14. RGCOG: Criminal Justice Advisory Committee, by Marisa Quintanilla

Board of Directors' approval is requested on the submittal of the revised Plan Year 2018 CJAC Roster and Resolution.

DISCUSS AND ACT UPON AS NEEDED

15. Office of the Governor Criminal Justice Division: FY 2017 Funding Outcome, by Marisa Quintanilla

Presentation of the FY 2017 funding outcome as they relate to the Victims of Crime Act, Violence Against Women Act, Juvenile Justice Programs and the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Program.

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16. Texas Division of Emergency Management Homeland Department of Public Safety: State Coordinator, Field Response Region 4, El Paso, by Marisa Quintanilla

Ms. Quintanilla will introduce Mr. David Marquez who will discuss his role and responsibilities as the District Coordinator of Disaster District 8, El Paso.

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17. RCGOG: First Responders Preparedness Planning Group (FRPPG), by Cynthia Mendez

Board of Directors' approval is requested on the submittal of the FY 2017 FRPPG Bylaws and Resolution.

DISCUSS AND ACT UPON AS NEEDED

18. RCGOG: First Responders Preparedness Planning Group (FRPPG), by Cynthia Mendez

Board of Directors' approval is requested on the submittal of the FY 2017 Emergency Preparedness Application Score Sheet and Resolution.

DISCUSS AND ACT UPON AS NEEDED

19. FY 2016 Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA), State Preparedness Report (SPR), by Cynthia Mendez

Board of Directors' approval is requested on the submittal of the Regional FY 2016 Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment, State Preparedness Report and Resolution to the Office of the Governor Homeland Security Grant Division.

DISCUSS AND ACT UPON AS NEEDED

20. Office of the Governor Homeland Security Grant Division: FY 2016 Funding Outcome, by Cynthia Mendez

Presentation of the FY 2016 Homeland Security Grant Division funding outcome.

THIS IS AN INFORMATION ITEM; NO ACTION IS REQUIRED

21. FY 2016 TCEQ: Regional Solid Waste Regional Priority List, by Cynthia Mendez

Board of Directors' approval is requested on the submittal of the FY 2017 Solid Waste Regional Priority List and Resolution.

DISCUSS AND ACT UPON AS NEEDED

AREA AGENCY ON AGING

22. Rural Area Enrollment Events, by Yvette Lugo

The Rio Grande Area Agency on Aging's benefits counselors will be conducting four different Enrollment Events in the Rio Grande region.

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- 9-13-16 Presented an update of RGCOG activities to Hudspeth County Commissioners Court
- 9-15-16 Attended the Rural and Small Town Economic Development Workshop hosted by Borderplex Alliance in El Paso, TX
- 9/20-9/23/ 16 Attended the 2016 TARC CONFERENCE in Austin, TX
- 9-29-16 Presented to Marfa City Council
- 10/15/16-10/19/16 Attended NADO Conference in San Antonio
- 10-20-16 West Texas/El Paso Transportation meeting in El Paso
- 10-20-2016 – Meeting with Betsy Keller at the El Paso County Courthouse
- 10-24-16 - Meeting at Sul Ross University to discuss improving the Law Enforcement Academy curriculum along with Office of the Governor, Criminal Justice Division

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Short Term Goals:

- Facilitate Aging to Perfection Expo in Las Cruces
- Identify what services can be offered to entities on a fee basis
- Assessment of what programs are being operated by other COGS as compared to RGCOG
- Assessment of what programs Counties/Cities are operating as compared to RGCOG region
- Have a strategic planning session for RGCOG to determine vision and mission statement for the organization

Long-Term Goals:

- Look into the creation of a nonprofit for RGCOG
- Conduct a study on the pros and cons of purchasing a building versus leasing for RGCOG
- Determine how much reserves do we want to have for our organization

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Madeleine Praino, Village of Vinton, will be retiring in November of 2016.

ADJOURNMENT