



ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

September 25, 2015

11:05 A.M. MDT

MINUTES

Member governments of the Rio Grande Council of Governments (RGCOG) met on Friday, September 25, 2015, at 11:05 AM, MDT at the Wyndham El Paso Airport Hotel, located at 2027 Airway Blvd., in El Paso, Texas.

ROLL CALL AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Mayor Jesus Calderon chaired the meeting. The attendees introduced themselves and their respective organizations. Everyone was welcomed and it was determined that a quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS ANNUAL MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 5, 2014

Mayor Jesus Calderon called for a motion to approve the previous Annual Meeting minutes. Mr. Art Fierro moved to approve the minutes and was seconded by Representative Lily Limon. Mayor Jesus Calderon then called for a vote and the minutes were unanimously approved.

ADOPTION OF BUDGET FOR FY 2016

Representative Larry Romero gave the Board a brief summary of Budget FY16. He also informed the Membership that the Board of Directors approved recommendation of the budget to the general membership on August 21, 2015. Representative Larry Romero motioned for the approval of the budget and Mr. Art Fierro seconded the motion and the motion was passed unanimously.

ADOPTION OF AMENDED BYLAWS

None

PRESENTATION OF ANNUAL AWARDS

The following awards were presented:

- The Organization of the Year award was presented to the El Paso Times for the El Paso Senior Fund.
- The Elected Official of the year award was presented to Commissioner Carlos Leon.

ELECTION OF NEW OFFICERS

Mayor Jesus Calderon informed the general membership that the Nominating Committee met prior to the General Membership meeting and announced that Representative Lily Limon served as Chair of the Nominating Committee. He then asked Representative Lily Limon to announce the nominations.

Representative Lily Limon announced the following nominations for the Director positions for the member cities:

1. Representative for member cities other than the City of El Paso within El Paso County - Mayor Walter Miller, Town of Horizon City
2. Representative for member cities within the five rural counties - Mayor Jesus Calderon, Town of Valentine
3. Representative for member cities within Doña Ana County - Mayor Ken Miyagishima, City of Las Cruces
4. Representative from all Special District members - Ms. Bonnie Moorhouse, Horizon Municipal Utility District

Representative Lily Limon asked for a motion to approve the directors as presented. Representative Larry Romero moved for approval and was seconded by Commissioner Carlos Leon. Mayor Jesus Calderon called for a vote and the motion was passed unanimously.

Representative Lily Limon then announced the following nominations for Officers:

1. Mr. Art Fierro, El Paso Community College - President
2. Judge Mike Doyal, Hudspeth County - 1st Vice President
3. Commissioner Carlos Leon, El Paso County - 2nd Vice President

Representative Lily Limon asked for a motion to approve the directors as presented. Commissioner David Garcia moved for approval and was seconded by Commissioner Carlos Leon. Mayor Jesus Calderon called for a vote and the motion was passed unanimously.

Ms. Annette Gutierrez presented Mayor Jesus Calderon with a plaque thanking him for his time serving as the President of the RGCOG Board of Directors for FY15.

BRIEF REMARKS BY RCGOG BOARD PRESIDENT MAYOR JESUS CALDERON

Mayor Jesus Calderon thanked his fellow Board members for serving with him and expressed his gratitude.

PRESENTATION OF GAVEL TO NEW PRESIDENT

Mayor Jesus Calderon presented the gavel to incoming Board President Mr. Art Fierro.

MOVE TO ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the membership, Mr. Art Fierro called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Representative Larry Romero made the motion to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Commissioner Carlos Leon. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:59 A.M. MDT.