



MINUTES - BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
JULY 22, 2016 10:03 A.M., MDT
8037 Lockheed, Ste. 100
El Paso, TX 79925

<u>Board Members Present:</u>	<u>Board Members Absent:</u>
Mr. Art Fierro, EPCC	Judge Jeannette Duer, Jeff Davis County
Judge Mike Doyal, Hudspeth County	Mayor Ken Miyagishima, City of Las Cruces
Commissioner Carlos Leon, El Paso County	Judge Veronica Escobar
Mayor Jesus Calderon, Town of Valentine	Mayor Oscar Leeser, City of El Paso
Representative Carl Robinson, City of El Paso	Alderman Walter Miller, Town of Horizon City
Judge Eleazar Cano, Brewster County	Governor Carlos Hisa, Ysleta del Sur Pueblo
Judge Cinderela Guevara, Presidio County	Ms. Angelica Rodriguez, SISD Board of Trustees
Commissioner Andrew Haggerty, El Paso County	Colonel Mike Hester, Ft. Bliss Garrison
Commissioner David Garcia, Doña Ana County	State Representative Marisa Marquez, District 77
Ms. Bonnie Moorhouse, Horizon Regional MUD	Texas State Senator Jose Rodriguez, District 29
Judge Carlos Urias, Culberson County	
Ms. Diane Dye, EPISD Board of Trustees	
Representative Lily Limon, City of El Paso	
Mr. Mike Rosales, YISD Board of Trustees	
<u>Alternates Present:</u>	<u>Guest Present:</u>
Mayor Dan Dunlap for Alderman Walter Miller	Anna Apodaca, Workforce Solutions Borderplex
Councilman Greg Smith for Mayor Ken Miyagishima	Daniel Hernandez, Senator Jose Rodriguez Office
Representative Peter Svarzbein for Mayor Oscar Leeser	Eliezer Flores, Representative William Hurd Office
	Karina Rivera, Representative William Hurd Office
<u>RGCOG Staff Present:</u>	<u>RGCOG Staff Present:</u>
Annette Gutierrez, Executive Director	Yvette Lugo, Area Agency on Aging Director
Rebecca Stauffer, MIS & Resources Director	Marisa Quintanilla, Regional Services Director
Judy Cisneros, Assistant Finance Director	Omar Martinez, Regional Services Coordinator II
Stella Rodriguez, Executive Administrative Assistant	Cynthia Mendez, Regional Services Coordinator
Phil Bowen, Attorney	

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ROLL CALL AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Roll call was taken and it was determined that a quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON May 20, 2016

Representative Carl Robinson motioned for approval and Councilman Greg Smith seconded the motion. Mr. Art Fierro called for a vote and the motion was approved unanimously.

ADMINISTRATION

1. Project Bravo Paint-A-Thon project, by Annette Gutierrez

Ms. Annette Gutierrez requested board approval to allow staff to participate in Project Bravo's Paint-A-Thon. The event is to benefit low-income, elderly and/or disabled homeowners.

Representative Carl Robinson motioned for approval and Mayor Jesus Calderon seconded the motion. Mr. Art Fierro called for a vote and the motion was approved unanimously.

2. Public Employees Benefits Alliance/Deer Oaks – Employee Assistance Program, by Annette Gutierrez

Ms. Annette Gutierrez requested board approval to allow the Rio Grande Council of Governments to submit a letter of intent to participate in the program starting October 1, 2016.

Mr. Art Fierro motioned for approval and Representative Lily Limon seconded the motion. Mr. Art Fierro called for a vote and the motion was approved unanimously.

3. FY 2016 Proposed Budget Amendment #2 (October 1, 2015 – September 30, 2016), by Annette Gutierrez

Ms. Annette Gutierrez requested board approval on the FY 2016 Proposed Budget Amendment #2 (October 1, 2015 – September 30, 2016).

Commissioner Andrew Haggerty motioned for approval and Mayor Dan Dunlap seconded the motion. Mr. Art Fierro called for a vote and the motion was approved unanimously.

4. **Public Funds Investment Quarterly Report, by Annette Gutierrez**

Ms. Annette Gutierrez gave the board a presentation of the Public Funds Investment report for the third quarter of fiscal year 2016 for the following bank account: Operating, 911 and Savings.

5. **Agreement for three year Cost Allocation Plan, by Annette Gutierrez**

Ms. Annette Gutierrez requested board approval on a three year agreement with MGT of America, Inc. to prepare the Rio Grande Council of Governments' Cost Allocation Plan.

Mayor Dan Dunlap motioned for approval and Commissioner Andrew Haggerty seconded the motion. Mr. Art Fierro called for a vote and the motion was approved unanimously.

REGIONAL SERVICES

6. **Regional Services Coordinator II , by Marisa Quintanilla**

Ms. Marisa Quintanilla introduced Mr. Omar L. Martinez, the new Regional Services Coordinator II, to the board.

7. **Economic Development Administration (EDA) VISTA Initiative, by Marisa Quintanilla**

Ms. Marisa Quintanilla informed the board that Mr. Jon M. Tabor is now the Economic Development Administration VISTA, his office is located in Alpine in the Centennial Building and will be working with the Rio Grande Council of Governments on economic development activities.

8. **Texas Department of Public Safety: Texas Computerized Criminal History System (CCH), by Marisa Quintanilla**

Ms. Marisa Quintanilla presented for the Board's review, the percentage of disposition cases by jurisdiction as of July 1, 2016.

9. **Commission on State Emergency Communications (CSEC): Geospatial Data, by Marisa Quintanilla**

Ms. Marisa Quintanilla informed the Board that the Rio Grande Council of Governments is the second Council of Governments to be selected by CSEC to transition from tabular data to a geospatial data platform for the 9-1-1 program.

10. Commission on State Emergency Communications (CSEC): Kari's Law-Rule 251.16, Direct Access to 9-1-1 Service, by Marisa Quintanilla

Ms. Marisa Quintanilla informed the Board of the new rule, adopted by CSEC, requiring direct access to 9-1-1 service.

11. FY 2016 Solid Waste Funding: El Paso County, by Marisa Quintanilla

Ms. Marisa Quintanilla provided the board with an update on the RGCOG's Solid Waste funding as it pertained to El Paso County's submissions of applications.

12. Texas Workforce Borderplex Inc. and RGCOG Summer Youth Initiative Update, by Cynthia Mendez

Ms. Cynthia Mendez provided the board with an update of the FY 2016 Texas Workforce Borderplex Inc. and Summer Youth Initiative.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- May 24, 2016 – Presented at Brewster County Commissioner's Court in Alpine, TX, conducted EDA interview for the Vista Initiative in Marfa, TX and attended the United States Department of Agriculture's Rural Development Community and Economic Development in Van Horn, TX.
- June 2, 2016 – Attended the Far West Texas Water Planning Group meeting and public meeting in Alpine, TX.
- June 6, 2016 – Attended a meeting with the State Long-term Ombudsman and also attended a meeting with the Texas Association Health Plans (TAHP) and the Managed Care Organizations (MCO) in Austin, TX.
- June 16-17, 2016 – Attended the Texas Association of Regional Councils' Executive Directors' Conference in Austin, TX.
- Attended a meeting with the Public Works Department from El Paso County to discuss the RGCOG's Solid Waste program.
- Hosted DOL Overtime Rule Change Training with Attorney Diana Valdez.
- Attended training sessions on July 18th and July 20th (annual leave) for the Paso Del Norte Health Foundation's new REALIZE Board program.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Representative Peter Svarzbein announced that he was recently appointed to the Sister International Board of Directors. He requested that he be placed on the Agenda to give the board a presentation regarding opportunities for other sister cities.

ADJOURNMENT

There was a motion and a second to adjourn. Mr. Art Fierro adjourned the meeting at 11:10 a.m.