

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF CAMERON
CITY OF BROWNSVILLE

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**NOTICE OF A REGULAR/SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
THE GREATER BROWNSVILLE INCENTIVES CORPORATION
TELECONFERENCE OPEN MEETING**

Pursuant to Chapter 551, Section 551.041, of the Texas Government Code, the Texas Open Meetings Act, notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors of the Greater Brownsville Incentives Corporation will conduct a Regular Meeting on Thursday, April 18, 2024 at 5:00 pm., in the Brownsville City Hall – Federal Building, 2nd Floor City Commission Chambers, 1001 East Elizabeth St., Brownsville, Texas 78520 and via WebEx Teleconference Meeting by logging on at:

<https://brownsvilletx.webex.com/brownsvilletx/j.php?MTID=m520aa4a31a5652d88f388a4bb579b8c8>

Meeting Number: 2532 448 4054

Password: gbic

Pursuant to Section 551.127, Texas Government Code, one or more Commissioners or employees may attend this meeting remotely using videoconferencing technology. The video and audio feed of the video conferencing equipment can be viewed and heard by the public at the address posted above as the location of the meeting.

This Notice and Meeting Agenda are posted online at: <https://greaterbrownsville.com/board-meeting-agendas/>. The members of the public wishing to participate in the meeting hosted through WebEx Teleconference can join at the following numbers:

Join by phone
+1 (844) 621-3956
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United States Toll
Access code: 253 244 84054

Members of the public who submitted a “Public Comment Form” will be permitted to offer public comments as provided by the agenda and as permitted by the presiding officer during the meeting. A recording of the meeting will be made and will be available to the public in accordance with the Open Meetings Act.

At any time during the course of the posted meeting, the Board of Directors of the Greater Brownsville Incentives Corporation may retire into Executive Session under Texas Government Code 551.071 to confer with legal counsel on any subject matter on this agenda in which the duty of the attorney to the Board of Directors under Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code. Further, at any time during this meeting, the Board of Directors may retire to deliberate on any subject slated for discussion at this meeting, as may be permitted under one or more exceptions to the Texas Open Meetings Act set forth in Title 5, Subtitle A, Chapter 551, Subchapter D of the Texas Government Code.

CALL TO ORDER

A) ROLL CALL

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Non-Agenda Items: Kindly submit a “Public Comment Form” stating the items of public concern that you wish to speak to an hour before the start of the scheduled meeting time with the City Secretary of the City of Brownsville or the Recording Secretary of Greater Brownsville. Forms are not reserved for anyone nor may time be deferred to anyone. PowerPoint presentations may not be accommodated. This period is limited to five (5) speakers with a time limit of three (3) minutes per speaker. The form can be requested by calling the Greater Brownsville Incentives Corporation office or In-Person at the meeting.

- **Agenda Items:** Kindly submit a “Public Comment Form” stating which item(s) on the agenda that you wish to speak to an hour before the start of the scheduled meeting time with the City Secretary or the Recording Secretary of Greater Brownsville. Speakers will be allowed to address the Greater Brownsville Board on the agenda item before it is to be considered. The speaker is limited to three (3) minutes.

- **Time Limits:** The Greater Brownsville Board shall have the discretion to modify its regulations regarding time limits on public comment if necessary. For example, the time limit may be shortened to accommodate a lengthy agenda, or it could be lengthened to allow additional time for discussion on a complicated matter or if there is a need for an interpreter.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- 1) Consideration and action, if any, on the following items:
 - a.) Approval of the Minutes of Special, Workshop & Regular Board Meetings –
 - A. Regular: March 21, 2024
 - b.) Approval regarding the payment of vendor services invoiced to the Greater Brownsville Incentives Corporation (Greater Brownsville) for the month of March 2024.

GREATER BROWNSVILLE STAFF REPORT

1. Business Recruitment. – (Jerry Briones, *Deputy Executive Director/COO*)
2. Workforce and Business Development Outreach. – (Karla De La Riva, *Director of Workforce & Business Development*)
3. Business Retention and Expansion Efforts. – (Jovanna Rangel, *Director of Business Retention & Expansion*)
4. Marketing and Communication Strategic Efforts. – (Alexa Perez, *Director of Marketing & Communications*)
5. Greater Brownsville Events & Partnerships. – (Elsa Galvan, *Director of Operations & Strategic Partnerships*)

ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

1. Discussion, consideration, and acknowledgment of Greater Brownsville Financials and Quarterly Investment Report. – (Salvador Villalpando, *Finance Manager*)
2. Discussion and possible action related to the Annual Compliance Report by First National Bank (FNBT). – (Jovana Rangel, *Director of Business Retention & Expansion*)
3. Discussion and action, if any, on projects with the University of Texas Rio Grande Valley (UTRGV). (Karla De La Riva, *Director of Workforce and Business Development*)
 - a. Project close-out report and payment for Cosmic Shielding Corporation.

- b. Project (no cost extension) for Future SQC.
- c. Consideration of 50% payment for services already completed. (Project Future SQC)

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Closed session pursuant to Texas Gov't Code Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) related to Employment Contracts.

CONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION, IF ANY, ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Consideration and **ACTION**, if any, including but not limited to the adoption of board resolutions, related to items discussed in executive session(s):

1.1 Employment Contracts

ADJOURNMENT

To the extent authorized by law, meetings of the Greater Brownsville Incentives Corporation are governed by the rules of meeting decorum as adopted by Resolution Number 2019 – 101719.

NOTE: The Greater Brownsville Incentives Corporation does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the admission of, access to, treatment of, or employment in its programs, activities, or public meetings. Any individual with a disability in need of accommodation it is encouraged to contact the ADA Coordinator at 956/548-6037 (voice or Relay TX) by Monday, April 15, 2024, no later than 5:00 P.M., to make proper arrangements.

By: Ankjaer Jensen
Chair of the Board of Directors of the Greater Brownsville

Signed this 15th day of April 2024 at 2 : 20 a.m./p.m. in Brownsville, Texas.

By:


Elsa Galvan, Director of Operations & Strategic Partnerships/Recording Secretary

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I certify that a copy of the April 18, 2024, Agenda of the items to be considered by the Greater Brownsville Board was posted on the Bulletin Board Area at the Brownsville City Hall - Federal Building at least 72 hours prior to the board meeting. I further certify that the Agenda was posted on the City's website and the Greater Brownsville website and can be downloaded by accessing: <https://greaterbrownsville.com/board-meeting-agendas/>.