

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF CAMERON
CITY OF BROWNSVILLE

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**TAKE NOTICE THAT A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE GREATER BROWNSVILLE INCENTIVES
CORPORATION (GBIC) WILL BE HELD AT:**

**BROWNSVILLE CITY HALL-OLD FEDERAL BUILDING
COMMISSIONERS' CHAMBERS, SECOND FLOOR
1001 E. ELIZABETH STREET
BROWNSVILLE, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS**

**COMMENCING AT 5:30 P.M. ON
THURSDAY, MARCH 19, 2020**

The Board of Directors has called this meeting as allowed pursuant to chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code and **Resolution 2019 - 101719**. The Board of Directors may recess from day to day when it does not complete consideration of a particularly long subject as authorized by law.

Further, at any time during the course of this meeting, the governing body may retire into a closed session pursuant to the Texas Government Code as may specifically be allowed by law.

- 1. ROLL CALL-EXCUSE MEMBERS.** - (*Graham Sevier-Schultz, Chairman of the Board*)

- 2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:** Kindly submit a "Public Comment Form" stating the Non-Agenda Item or Agenda Item you wish to speak to fifteen (15) minutes before the start of the scheduled meeting time with the GBIC staff. 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. Organizations and entities are limited to the applicable time period and shall designate a spokesperson.

- 3. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS** - All consent Agenda Items listed are considered to be routine by the Greater Brownsville Incentives Corporation and will be approved by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a GBIC Board member so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the Agenda.

Consideration and action, if any on the following items:

- A. Approval of the Minutes of Special, Workshop & Regular Board Meetings:
 - Regular: February 20, 2020

- B. Approval and acknowledgement of invoices and miscellaneous claims.

FINANCIALS

- 4. Discussion and Acknowledgement of GBIC Financials and investment reports.** - (*Lupe Granado, COB*)

ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION AND ACTION

5. **Discussion, consideration and acknowledgement of GBIC Executive Director & Staff reports regarding recent activities and progress related to current ongoing projects.** – *(Executive Director & Staff)*
6. **Discussion and possible action, if any, on the formation of an HR Committee for the purpose of strategic hiring.** – *(Graham-Sevier-Schultz, Chairman of the Board)*
7. **Discussion and possible action, if any, on contract award for GBIC marketing services following presentations by marketing firms** – *(Executive Director & Staff)*
8. **Discussion and possible action, if any, on contract award for the following studies and surveys:**
(Executive Director & Staff)
 - A. **Phase 1 Environmental**
 - B. **Cultural Resource Study**
 - C. **Geotechnical Investigation**
9. **Discussion and possible action authorizing advertisement for proposals for the Master Planning and Development of the 511 GBIC property.** - *(Graham-Sevier-Schultz, Chairman of the Board)*
10. **Discussion and possible action on legal services agreement with The Pruneda Law Firm, PLLC** - *(Executive Director & Staff)*
11. **Discussion and possible action regarding the MOU between UTRGV and GBIC, executed in April of 2014, related to StarGate.** - *(Executive Director & Staff)*

EXECUTIVE SESSION

12. **CLOSED SESSION:** In accordance with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, the Board of Directors hereby gives notice that it may meet in a closed, non- public session to discuss the items listed on the public portion of the meeting agenda, including items 7, 8, 9 in accordance with the following below:
 - A. Pursuant to Section 551.072, the Board of Directors may convene in a closed, non-public meeting to discuss any matters related to **real property and deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property as such would be detrimental to negotiations between the Board of Directors and a third party in an open meeting.** The Board of Directors and its attorney may also discuss such issues with the appropriate staff so as to obtain necessary and relevant information so that such discussion is informative and developed.
 - **Acquiring Property** *(Executive Director & Staff)*
 - B. Pursuant to Section 551.074, the Board of Directors may convene in a closed, non-public meeting to discuss any matters related to **appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties and discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee and to hear any complaints or charges against an officer or employee.** The Board of Directors and

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its attorney may also discuss such issues with the appropriate staff including members so as to obtain necessary and relevant information so that such discussion is informative and developed.

- **GBIC Staff Positions** (*Executive Director & Staff*)

C. Pursuant to Section 551.087, the Board of Directors may convene in a closed, non-public meeting to discuss any matters regarding **economic development issues**. The Board of Directors and its attorney may also discuss such issues with the appropriate staff so as to obtain necessary and relevant information so that such discussion is informative and developed.

- **Project Bobbin** (*Executive Director & Staff*)
- **Project Stone** (*Executive Director & Staff*)
- **Project Dragon** (*Executive Director & Staff*)
- **MOU/StarGate.** - (*Executive Director & Staff*)

RECONVENE

13. Reconvene for possible action on any item(s) as discussed in Executive Session and those that are listed on the public portion of the agenda.

- Discussion and possible action on negotiations related to Acquiring Property.
- Discussion and possible action on negotiations related to GBIC Staff Positions.
- Discussion and possible action on negotiations related to Project Bobbin.
- Discussion and possible action on negotiations related to Project Stone.
- Discussion and possible action on negotiations related to Project Dragon.
- Discussion and possible action on negotiations related to MOU/StarGate

14. ADJOURNMENT

NOTICE OF ASSISTANCE AT THE PUBLIC MEETING

City Hall is wheelchair accessible and accessible parking spaces are available. Requests for accommodations or interpretive services must be made 48 hours prior to this meeting. Please contact Greater Brownsville Incentives Corporation, 500 E. Saint Charles St. (Historic Young House), Brownsville, TX 78520, at 956-561-4133 or E-mail egalvan@greaterbrownsville.com for further information. Braille is not available.

Signed this 16 day of March 2020 at 10:16am in Brownsville, Texas.

BY:  (*permission to post via Email*)
Graham Sevier-Schultz, Chair of the Board of Directors

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I certify that a copy of the March 19, 2020 Agenda of the items to be considered by the GBIC Board was posted on the Bulletin Board Area at the Brownsville City Hall - Federal Building on March 16, 2020


Griselda Rosas, Interim City Secretary