

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 VIA ZOOM.US/JOIN AND TELEPHONIC
CONFERENCE:**

COMMENCING AT 2:00 P.M. ON MONDAY, APRIL 6, 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.

THIS REGULAR MEETING SHALL BE HELD BY VIDEOCONFERENCE and/or TELEPHONIC CONFERENCE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE NATIONAL STATE OF EMERGENCY AND TEXAS DISASTER DECLARATION AS WELL AS THE CAMERON COUNTY JUDGE'S EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ORDER WITH MANDATORY COUNTYWIDE SHELTER IN PLACE ORDER (as amended) PROHIBITING PUBLIC GATHERINGS. AS THE TEXAS GOVERNOR HAS BY EXECUTIVE ORDER SUSPENDED PROVISIONS OF THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT REQUIRING THE PHYSICAL PRESENCE OF THOSE ACTING IN AN OFFICIAL CAPACITY, THE MEMBERS OF THE GBIC BOARD OF DIRECTORS WILL ACT AS ALLOWED UNDER THE MODIFIED PROVISIONS AND IN FURTHERANCE OF THE BROWNSVILLE MAYOR'S DISASTER DECLARATION TO PROMOTE HEALTH AND SUPPRESS DISEASE AND FURTHER THE WELLBEING, SAFETY, AND INTERESTS OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

ZOOM Meeting invite to be emailed to each participant

2. **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 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 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*)
- **Project Maple** (*Executive Director & Staff*)
- **MOU/StarGate.** - (*Executive Director & Staff*)

RECONVENE

3. **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 Project Maple.
- Discussion and possible action on negotiations related to MOU/StarGate

PUBLIC NOTE: ANYONE WISHING TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MEETING MAY CALL IN, WITHOUT CHARGE OR JOIN THE MEETING VIA WEBINAR ON [HTTPS://ZOOM.US/JOIN](https://zoom.us/join) AND ENTER MEETING ID# 388 646 460.

4. **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.
5. **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:

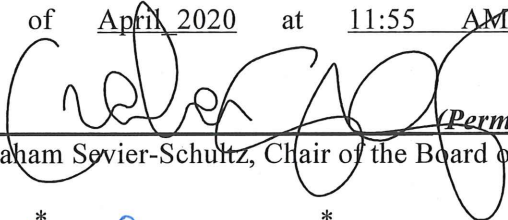
- A. Approval of the Minutes of Special, Workshop & Regular Board Meetings:
 - Regular: February 20, 2020
- B. Approval and acknowledgement of invoices and miscellaneous claims.

FINANCIALS

6. **Discussion and Acknowledgement of GBIC Financials and investment reports.**
7. **Discussion, consideration and acknowledgement of GBIC Executive Director & Staff reports regarding recent activities and progress related to current ongoing projects. – (Executive Director & Staff)**
8. **Discussion and possible action, if any, to fund the emergency hiring of a Temporary Support Team due to local economic and workforce needs by the business sector that include but are not limited to: loans, grants, and other resources due to the COVID-19 economic impact. – (Executive Director & Dennis Sanchez)**
9. **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)**
10. **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**
11. **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)**
12. **Discussion and possible action on legal services agreement with The Pruneda Law Firm, PLLC - (Executive Director & GBIC Attorney)**

13. ADJOURNMENT

Signed this 3 day of April 2020 at 11:55 AM in Brownsville, Texas.

BY:  (Permission to Post via Email)
Graham Sevier-Schultz, Chair of the Board of Directors

I certify that a copy of the April 6, 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 April 03, 2020*.



Griselda Rosas, Interim City Secretary