

STATE OF TEXAS §
COUNTY OF CAMERON §
CITY OF BROWNSVILLE §

**NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
GREATER BROWNSVILLE INCENTIVES CORPORATION**

TELECONFERENCE OPEN MEETING

Pursuant to Chapter 551, Title 5, 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 Tuesday, March 16, 2021, at 5:00 P.M. **via Webex Teleconference Meeting by logging on at:**

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The members of the public wishing to participate in the meeting hosted through Webex Teleconference can join at the following numbers:

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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.

CALL TO ORDER

- a) ROLL CALL
- b) INVOCATION

PROCLAMATION(S)

Designating March 2021 as Procurement Month in the City of Brownsville and Recognizing the City of Brownsville's Procurement and Contract Management Division of the Financial Services Department. (Commissioner Nurith Galonsky Pizana/Commissioner Cowen)

Designating March 2021 as National Nutrition Month in the City of Brownsville and Supporting the Nutrition Education and Information Campaign created annually by the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics. (Mayor Mendez/Commissioner Rose Gowen)

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

- **Non-Agenda Items:** Kindly submit a “Public Comment Form” stating the City business or City policy you wish to speak to an hour before the start of the scheduled meeting time with the City Secretary. 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.

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

The following are considered to be routine by the City Commission and will be approved by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a City Commissioner so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the Agenda.

- 1) Approval of the Minutes of the following:
 - a) Regular Meeting of March 02, 2021
- 2) Consideration and **ACTION** to approve a Routematch amendment in the amount of \$1,634.42, allowing for a one-month extension of the existing contract. (Multimodal Transportation-Transit)
- 3) Consideration and **ACTION** to approve **Resolution Number 2021-023** adopting an agreement between the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), an Agency of the State of Texas, and the City of Brownsville for Continuous Freeway Illumination, Annual Inspection, and Agreement for the Construction, Maintenance, and Operation of a Continuous Highway Lighting System. (Multi-Modal Transportation - Mobility)
- 4) Consideration and **ACTION** to approve an agreement with the State of Texas, through the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), for Construction, Maintenance and Operation of Continuous Lighting Systems for Highways within the City of Brownsville. (Multi-Modal Transportation - Mobility)
- 5) Consideration and **ACTION** to amend scope of work with Megamorphosis, Inc for design of the Cannery Public Market Project in the amount of 93,696.25, as budgeted. (City Manager's Office)
- 6) Consideration and **ACTION** to award the last annual extension of Term Contract AOE-03-1217 for the purchase and delivery of Asphalt, Oils and Emulsions from Ergon Asphalt and Emulsions Inc. and Crafcu Texas Inc. for the City of Brownsville streets, drainage, and miscellaneous projects for the Fiscal Year 2021 Capital Improvement Program (CIP). (Engineering & Public Works Department)
- 7) Consideration and **ACTION** to extend Dr. John Wells' contract for one-year as the City of Brownsville Fire Department Medical Director in the amount of \$60,000, as budgeted. (Fire Department)
- 8) Consideration and **ACTION** to approve a Vital Records Service Agreement with LexisNexis® VitalChek Network Inc. to provide online, remote application, processing, and delivery of requests for vital records for the Office of the City Secretary Vital Records. (Office of the City Secretary)

- 9) Consideration and **ACTION** on Notice of Public Health Threat and Health Authority Order for COVID-19 positive patients as authorized by Ordinance No. 2020-1674. (Public Health & Wellness Department)
- 10) Consideration and **ACTION** to ratify the FY 2021 Administrative Services Agreement between the City of Brownsville and the Greater Brownsville Incentives Corporation (GBIC). (City Manager's Office)
- 11) Discussion and **ACTION** on budget amendment reallocating funding within the Greater Brownsville Incentives Corporation (GBIC) FY 2021 budget from Project Stone to general budget and project funding purposes, including pending space industry projects. (City Manager's Office)
- 12) Consideration and **ACTION** to accept funding for, and the development of a Performance Agreement with the Greater Brownsville Incentives Corporation (GBIC) to fund the Brownsville/SPI Airport Spaceport License Application. (City Manager's Office)
- 13) Consideration and **ACTION** to accept funding and develop a Project Agreement, including an Economic Development Incentives Agreement and Joinder, between the Greater Brownsville Incentives Corporation (GBIC), the City of Brownsville and Spaced Ventures. (City Manager's Office)

PUBLIC HEARING(S)

- 1) **PUBLIC HEARING** and **ACTION** on **FIRST READING** to adopt budget amendment **Ordinance Number 2021-1680** to amend the Fiscal Year 2021 Budget for the General Fund, Capital Projects Fund, Airport Fund, and Enterprise Applications Fund. (Financial Services)

ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION(S)

- 1) Consideration and **ACTION** to award contract to RG Enterprises, LLC (dba G&G Contractors) for the construction of the Brownsville Metro Eastside Transfer Station as per IFB (ETS-04-0121) in the amount of \$1,035,188.50, as budgeted. (Multimodal Transportation - Transit).
- 2) Consideration and **ACTION** to award the Request for Qualifications (RFQ) #HCS-07-0121 for Healthcare Consulting Services to Higginbotham and authorize the agreement. (City Manager's Office.)
- 3) Consideration and **ACTION** to approve the Substantial Amendment to the 2017, 2018, and 2019 City of Brownsville Annual Action Plans to reallocate \$500,000 of uncommitted Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to the Samano Project. (City Manager's Office - Office of Strategic Initiatives)

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 1) Executive Session pursuant to Tex. Gov't Code Sec. 551.087(1) to discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information that the GBIC has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the City of Brownsville and with which the GBIC is conducting economic development negotiations regarding the following pending economic development projects and prospects: Project Custom (City Manager's Office)
- 2) Executive Session pursuant to Tex. Gov't Code Sec. 551.087(1) to discuss or deliberate regarding commercial or financial information that the GBIC has received from a business prospect that the governmental body seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the City of Brownsville and with which the GBIC is conducting economic development negotiations regarding the following pending economic development projects and prospects: Project Channel (City Manager's Office)
- 3) Closed Session pursuant to Section 551.072 of the Tex Govt Code regarding the lease of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have detrimental effect on the position of the City of Brownsville in negotiations with a third person; and pursuant to Section 551.087 of the Tex Govt code to deliberate financial or other incentives to a business prospect the City seeks to have locate within the City, in relation to the lease of land and provision of financial incentives for Project Sky. (City Manager's Office)

POSSIBLE ACTION ON ANY ITEM(S) AS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

NOTE: The City Commission of the City of Brownsville reserves the right to discuss any items in Executive Session whenever authorized under the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code.

- 1) Consideration and **ACTION** if any, to approve the provision of economic development incentives in part through the finalization and execution of the unimproved property real estate sales contract pertaining to Project Custom. (City Manager's Office)
- 2) Consideration and **ACTION** to approve funding for, and the development of, a 380 Economic Development Agreement between the City of Brownsville and principals of Project Channel to provide incentives for Project Channel. (City Manager's Office)

ADJOURNMENT

NOTE: The Greater Brownsville Incentives Corporation and the City of Brownsville 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 an accommodation is encouraged to contact the Organizational Development & Human Resources Department at 956/548-6037 (voice or Relay TX) by Monday, no later than 5:00 P.M., to make proper arrangements.

By: John F. Cowen, Jr.
Chair, GBIC, Board of Directors

Signed this 12th day of March, 2021 at 4:36 p.m. in Brownsville, Texas.

BY:



Elsa Galvan, GMC Executive Assistant/Recording Secretary

I certify that a copy of the **March 16, 2021**, Agenda of items to be considered by the Brownsville City Commission was posted on the Bulletin Area at City Hall – Federal Building, on March 12, 2021. I further certify that the Agenda was posted on the City’s website and can be downloaded by accessing: <http://www.cob.us/AgendaCenter>



Laure Morgan, City Secretary