

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF HIDALGO
CITY OF MCALLEN

The McAllen Community Development Board convened in a regular meeting on **Tuesday, April 7, 2026** in the City Commission Chambers, 3rd Floor, City Hall, 1300 Houston, and McAllen, Texas at 12:00 P.M. with the following present:

	Andrea L. Rodriguez	Chairperson
	Jesus "Jesse" Barba	Vice-Chair
	Joe A. Califa	Member
	Veronica Garza	Member
	Abner Gudino	Member
	Hiram Gutierrez	Member
	Mary Lou Henry	Member
	Heriberto Manrique	Member
	Steve Muenich	Member
	Aylaia Sifuentes	Member
	Jaime Solis	Member
Absent:	Aurora Regina Trevino	Secretary
	Madeleine Aubrey Treu	Member
	Alex Lamela	Member
Staff:	Julia D. Lash	Director of Grant Administration
	Priscilla Avila	Asst. Director of Grant Administration
	Natalie Carmona	Housing Program Coordinator
	Christina Garcia	Program Coordinator
	Ryan Patlan	CV Program Coordinator
	Crystal Montemayor	Administrative Assistant
	Lluliana Gallegos	Grants & Contracts Coordinator
	Martin Canales	Assistant City Attorney III

Call to Order

Chairperson Andrea Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 12:00 P.M.

1. Invocation

Heriberto Manrique delivered the invocation.

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Steve Muenich moved to approve minutes for March 30, 2026. Jaime Solis seconded the motion. All voted in favor of approving the minutes with no abstentions and no objections; motion passed.

3. Presentation of Construction Applications

The following agencies presented their applications:

1. McAllen Food Pantry
2. C.A.M.P. University
3. Easter Seals RGV
4. Dentists Who Care
5. Lower Rio Grande Valley Development Council

Joe Califa recused himself during the presentation of the Easter Seals RGV application.

4. CD Board 2025-2026 Calendar

Julia Lash informed the committee of the three upcoming board meetings dedicated to social services and noted that fifteen social service applications remain to be presented. Ms. Lash advised that the HOME application would be presented on the April, 21, 2026.

- Presentation of HOME and CDBG Social Service Projects: Tuesday, April 21, 2026 at 12:00PM, City Commission Chambers, 3rd Floor City Hall
- Presentation of CDBG Social Services Projects: Monday, April 27, 2026 at 12:00PM, City Commission Chambers, 3rd Floor City Hall
- Presentation of CDBG Social Services Projects: Tuesday, May 5, 2026 at 12:00PM, City Commission Chambers, 3rd Floor City Hall

5. Other Business

Aylaia Sifuentes, a new board member, introduced herself to the board. All board members also introduced themselves.

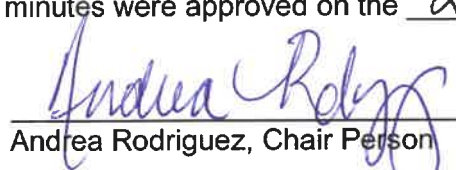
Ms. Lash informed the committee that this week is National CDBG Week and that a proclamation will be presented at the City Commission meeting on Monday, April 10, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. She asked for the committee to be in attendance.

6. Adjournment

Mary Lou Henry moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Manrique seconded the motion. All voted in favor of adjourning with no abstentions and no objections. The meeting adjourned at 12:54 P.M.

These minutes were approved on the 21st day of April, 2026.

By:


Andrea Rodriguez, Chair Person

Attest:


Aurora Trevino, Secretary