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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Protecting Texas by Reducing and Preventing Pollution

March 6, 2012

Mayor Richard H. Garcia
City of Edinburg
415 University Drive
P.O. Box 1079
Edinburg, Texas 78540

Re: TCEQ Grant and Texas Review and Comment System (TRACS) #2012-121, City of Edinburg, Hidalgo County – City Offices and Community Safe Room located at 26.308968N, 98.170804W

Dear Mayor Garcia:

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) has reviewed the above-referenced project and offers following comments:

A review of the project for General Conformity impact in accordance with 40 CFR Part 93 and Title 30, Texas Administrative Code § 101.30 indicates that the proposed action is located in the City of Edinburg, Hidalgo County, which is currently unclassified or in attainment of the National Ambient Air Quality Standards for all six criteria air pollutants. Therefore, General Conformity does not apply.

Although any demolition, construction, rehabilitation or repair project will produce dust and particulate emissions, these actions should pose no significant impact upon air quality standards. Any minimal dust and particulate emissions should be easily controlled by the construction contractors using standard dust mitigation techniques.

We do not anticipate significant long term environmental impacts from this project as long as construction and waste disposal activities associated with it are completed in accordance with applicable local, state, and federal environmental permits and regulations. We recommend that the applicant take necessary steps to insure that best management practices are utilized to control runoff from construction sites to prevent detrimental impact to surface and ground water.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this project. If you have any questions, please contact Ms Janie Roman at (512)239-0604 or Janie.roman@tceq.texas.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jim Harrison".

Jim Harrison, Director
Intergovernmental Relations Division

THE CITY OF EDINBURG

January 24, 2012

Mark Wolfe
State Historic Preservation Officer
P.O. Box 12276
Austin, TX 78711-2276



Mr. Wolfe:

Through a grant with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), the City of Edinburg plans to build a gymnasium and classrooms for Parks and Recreation, approximately 20,000 square feet. The structure will also be a Community Safe Room to be used by students and residents against high winds and tornadoes. It will be located at UTPA Site One 914 W. Van Week (2nd and Van Week), Edinburg, Texas.

Our project will have no adverse affects on any cultural, environmental or historical aspects of the community. In addition, this area is located directly adjacent to medium density population of public housing.

According to the guidelines for this project, a Section 106 Review by the Texas Historical Commission is necessary for an environmental assessment. We are asking for a review from the Texas Historical Commission declaring the land as not being a historical site. Included are pictures and a map of the current location.

If you have any comments or questions please feel free to contact us:

1. Shawn Snider, Acting City Manager
Phone: 956-388-8207 or email: acmsnider@cityofedinburg.com
2. Richard H. Garcia, Mayor
Phone: 956-388-1851 or Email: citysecretary@cityofedinburg.com

Respectfully,


Richard H. Garcia
Mayor, City of Edinburg

NO HISTORIC
PROPERTIES AFFECTED
PROJECT MAY PROCEED
by 
for Mark Wolfe
State Historic Preservation Officer
Date 30 March 2012



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