# MINUTES CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

## **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7, 2017**

## I. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council Members of the City of South Padre Island, Texas held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, June 7, 2017 at the Municipal Complex Building, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 4601 Padre Boulevard, South Padre Island, Texas. Mayor Patel called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. A quorum was present: Council Member Dennis Stahl, Ron Pitcock, Theresa Metty, Alita Bagley, with Council Member Paul Munarriz out with an excused absence. Also present was City Attorney Kathy Cunningham.

City staff members present were City Manager Susan Guthrie, Assistant City Manager Darla Jones, Police Chief Randy Smith, Public Works Director Alex Sanchez, Development Director Sungman Kim, Administrative Services Director Wendi Delgado, CVB Director Keith Arnold, Fire Chief Doug Fowler, Environmental Health Director Victor Baldovinos, Transit Director Jesse Arriaga, Shoreline Management Program Coordinator Manuel Aguilar, Assistant Pubic Works Director Jon Wilson, Information Technology Director Mark Shellard, Parks and Recreation Manager Anne Payne and City Secretary Susan Hill.

## II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Patel led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### III. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Public comments and announcements were given at this time.

## IV. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

None

## V. APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:

Council Member Pitcock made a motion, seconded by Council Member Stahl to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

- a. APPROVE MINUTES OF MAY 17, 2017 REGULAR MEETING. (S. HILL)
- b. APPROVE INVOICES FOR PAYMENT. (GIMENEZ)

Invoices approved for payment were paid by General Fund checks numbered 138335 through 138494 and EFT payments totaling \$633,462.43.

- c. AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO APPROVE THE INTERLOCAL COOPERATION ACT AGREEMENT, WHICH WILL TRANSFER OWNERSHIP OF THREE (3) METRO CONNECT BUSES FROM THE CITY OF BROWNSVILLE TO THE CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND. (ARRIAGA)
- d. APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$12,216 TO ACCEPT INSURANCE PROCEEDS ASSOCIATED WITH THE POLICE DEPARTMENT VEHICLE ACCIDENT. (GIMENEZ)
- e. APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$25,000 FOR THE PURCHASE, TRANSPORT AND INSTALLATION OF A NEW AIR CONDITIONING UNIT AT THE FIRE STATION. (WILSON)

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- f. APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,000 FOR DOWN PAYMENT FOR CORRAL LOT. (GUTHRIE)
- g. APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,000 TO PURCHASE TWO ATV'S WITH BEACH MAINTENANCE FUNDS. (SMITH)
- h. APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR \$20,000 FROM UNRESTRICTED RESERVES TO REPLACE THE ULV MACHINE USED FOR MOSQUITO MINIMIZATION AND PURCHASE CHEMICALS NEEDED. (BALDOVINOS)
- i. APPROVE EXCUSED ABSENCE FOR COUNCIL MEMBER PAUL MUNARRIZ FROM THE JUNE 7, 2017 CITY COUNCIL MEETING. (MUNARRIZ)
- VI. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND IT DEPARTMENT TECHNOLOGY REPLACEMENT PLAN. (SHELLARD)

Information Technology Director Mark Shellard gave a presentation regarding proposed Technology Replacement Plan. Mark explained that computers typically have a three to five year life span and many of the city's computers are much older. This plan would, on a yearly basis, identify and replace computers and/or electronic equipment that have exceeded their life span.

## VII. DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING OUTSIDE AGENCY FUNDING REQUESTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$116,000: (S. HILL)

- a. EL PASEO ARTS FOUNDATION \$49,000 (IN-KIND SERVICES)
- b. LAGUNA MADRE YOUTH CENTER \$25,000
- c. NATIVE PLANT CENTER \$25,000
- d. SANDCASTLE, INC. \$10,000
- e. **SEA TURTLE, INC. \$3,000**
- f. VALLEY PROUD ENVIRONMENTAL COUNCIL \$4,000

Representatives from El Paseo Arts Foundation, Laguna Madre Youth Center, Native Plant Center and Valley Proud Environmental Council gave short presentations on their Outside Agency Funding requests.

Council Member Metty made a motion to approve the El Paseo Arts Foundation request for \$49,000 in in-kind services. Council Member Pitcock seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Council Member Stahl made a motion, seconded by Council Member Metty to table Items 7b through 7f pending outcome of DMAIC's for fire, police, public works, fleet, buildings and technology. After some discussion, motion was withdrawn.

Council Member Stahl then made a motion to table the funding of Items 7b through 7f until the City finalizes the budget and the needs of the citizens of South Padre Island. Motion was seconded by Council Metty, which carried unanimously.

# VIII. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE THE REVISED SPECIAL EVENTS HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX USE GUIDELINES AND SPI HOT FUNDING APPLICATION FORM. (ARNOLD)

Mayor Patel made a motion to approve the revised Special Events Hotel Occupancy Tax Use Guidelines and SPI HOT Funding Application Form as presented. Council Member Pitcock seconded the motion, which passed on a unanimous vote.

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IX. APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$100,000 FROM SOUTH PADRE ISLAND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FOR A SKATE PARK AT JOHN L. TOMPKINS PARK. (LAPEYRE)

Council Member Pitcock made a motion, seconded by Council Metty to approve budget amendment in the amount of \$100,000 from the Economic Development Corporation for a skate park at John L. Tompkins Park. Motion carried on a unanimous vote.

X. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO AUTHORIZE STAFF TO PREPARE AND ADVERTISE A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FROM CONTRACTORS FOR THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF A SKATE PARK AT JOHN L. TOMPKINS PARK. (PAYNE)

Council Member Pitcock made a motion to authorize staff to seek Request for Proposals (RFQ) for the design and construction of the skate park at the John L. Tompkins Park. Motion was seconded by Council Member Metty. Motion passed unanimously.

XI. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$37,065, OR \$97,065 (WHICH WOULD INCLUDE OPTION ADD ON IN THE AMOUNT OF \$60,000), FOR COMPLETION OF PHASE TWO OF JOHN L. TOMPKINS PARK. (PAYNE)

Mayor Patel made a motion to approve budget amendment in the amount of \$37,065 for the completion of Phase Two of the John L. Tompkins Park. Council Member Bagley seconded the motion, which carried on a unanimous vote.

XII. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO GRANT A BEACH AND DUNE PERMIT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A RETAINING WALL, ELEVATED WOODEN DECK AND A 1,000-FOOT LONG FISHING PIER AT CLAYTON'S BEACH BAR LOCATED AT 6800 PADRE BOULEVARD. (B. HILL)

After some discussion, Council Member Pitcock made a motion, seconded by Council Member Stahl to approve the Beach and Dune Permit for construction of a retaining wall, elevated wooded deck and a 1,000 foot long fishing Pier at Clayton's Beach Bar. Motion carried on 4 to 1 vote with Council Member Metty casting a nay vote.

XIII. DISCUSSION REGARDING THE ENACTMENT OF HOUSE BILL 100 WHICH CREATES STATEWIDE REGULATIONS FOR RIDE-HAILING COMPANIES AND IT'S AFFECT ON PREEMPTING LOCAL REGULATIONS. (STAHL)

Discussion held, no action taken.

XIV. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE CONTRACT AMENDMENT WITH KIMLEY-HORN FOR ENGINEERING/DESIGN WORK FOR SIDE STREET IMPROVEMENTS. (JONES)

Mayor Patel made a motion to approve contract amendment for engineering/design work in the amount of \$231,800. with Kimley-Horn for side street improvements. Council Member Bagley seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Streets earmarked for improvement were (East side only):

Sheepshead Verna Jean Polaris Lantana Sunny Isle Venus Atol Jupiter

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# XV. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT TO ALLOCATE FUNDS FROM THE BEACH MAINTENANCE FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$40,224 FOR THE 'TREASURE IT...DON'T TRASH IT" CAMPAIGN. (BALDOVINOS)

Council Member Stahl made a motion, seconded by Council Member Metty to approve budget amendment in the amount of \$40,224 from the Beach Maintenance funds for the Treasure It...Don't Trash It Campaign. Motion carried on a unanimous vote.

# XVI. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR \$30,000 TO REPLACE THREE (3) ATVS WITH BEACH MAINTENANCE FUNDS. (BALDOVINOS)

Council Member Metty made a motion to approve a \$30,000 budget amendment from the Beach Maintenance Fund to replace three ATV's. Motion was seconded by Council Member Pitcock, which passed unanimously.

## XVII. UPDATE AND DISCUSSION ON VENUE TAX PROJECTS. (GUTHRIE)

City Manager Susan Guthrie gave a brief overview of the Venue Tax projects.

## XVIII. UPDATE AND DISCUSSION UPDATE ON SPRING BREAK: (GUTHRIE)

- a. PROPOSED SPRING BREAK/MASS GATHERING ORDINANCE
- b. SHORT-TERM RENTALS/NEIGHBORHOOD ISSUES

City Manager Susan Guthrie updated City Council on the status of the committee progress for both the Spring Break/Mass Gathering ordinance and Short-term Rentals/Neighborhood issues.

## XIX. ADJOURN.

There being no further business, Mayor Patel adjourned the meeting at 8:37 pm

Susan M. Hill, City Secretary

**APPROVED** 

Bharat R. Patel, Mayor