MINUTES CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2017

I. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council Members of the City of South Padre Island, Texas held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, January 18, 2017 at the Municipal Complex Building, 2nd 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, Alita Bagley and Paul Munarriz, with Council Member Theresa Metty out with an excused absence. Also present was City Attorney Paul Cunningham and Assistant City Attorney Kathy Cunningham.

City staff members present were City Manager Susan Guthrie, Assistant City Manager Darla Jones, Public Safety Director Randy Smith, Chief Financial Officer Rodrigo Gimenez, Public Works Director Alex Sanchez, Administrative Services Director Wendi Delgado, CVB Director Keith Arnold, Interim Fire Chief Albert Perez, Environmental Health Director Victor Baldovinos, Transit Director Jesse Arriaga, Shoreline Management Director Brandon Hill, Interim Information Technology Director Mark Shellard 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:

- a. PROCLAMATION: RETIREMENT OF JAY MITCHIM
- b. PROCLAMATION: RETIREMENT OF RUDY FALCON

Mayor Patel read and presented a proclamation to Jay Mitchim, who will be retiring with over 30 years of service to the City of South Padre Island. Rudy Falcon, who will retire at 18 years of service, was not present.

V. APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:

Council Member Bagley made a motion, seconded by Council Member Pitcock to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion passed on a unanimous vote.

- a. APPROVE MINUTES OF JANUARY 4, 2017 REGULAR MEETING. (S. HILL)
- b. APPROVE INVOICES FOR PAYMENT. (GIMENEZ)

Invoices approved for payment were paid by General Fund checks numbered 137221 through 137339 and EFT payments totaling \$826,723.13.

- **AMENDMENT** APPROVE BUDGET FROM THE BEACH C. MAINTENANCE FUND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$73,000 FOR THE **SERVICES FOR** THE BEACH AND DUNE **ENGINEERING** WALKOVERS AT MOONLIGHT CIRCLE, BEACH CIRCLE AND OCEAN CIRCLE. (B. HILL)
- d. APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,000 FOR PARC PROFESSIONAL FEES AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES TO BE TAKEN OUT OF BEACH MAINTENANCE FUND (\$45,000) AND GENERAL FUND (\$5,000). (B. HILL)

- e. APPROVE BUDGET ADJUSTMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,000 FOR INTERIM IT DIRECTOR PLACEMENT SERVICES. (GUTHRIE)
- f. APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,000.00 FROM THE GENERAL FUND EXCESS RESERVES TO PURCHASE BODY ARMOR AND REPLACE EXISTING UNIFORM SHIRTS, AND HONOR GUARD UNIFORMS. (SMITH)
- g. AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO APPROVE THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU), WHICH WILL ESTABLISH A COOPERATIVE AND MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND AND THE CITY OF BROWNSVILLE TO PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION SERVICES THROUGH THE INTERCITY BUS PROGRAM FROM THE METRO CONNECT SERVICES. (ARRIAGA)
- h. APPROVE EXCUSED ABSENCE FOR COUNCIL MEMBER THERESA METTY FOR THE JANUARY 4, 2017 AND JANUARY 18, 2017 CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS. (METTY)
- VI. PRESENTATION AND UPDATE REGARDING THE POLICE DEPARTMENT'S K-9 PROGRAM. (SMITH)

Police Chief Randy Smith introduced Officer Pelayo and K-9 Officer Brita and gave a brief overview of the K-9 program.

VII. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE/DENY A MASTER LICENSE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND AND MOBILITIE, LLC FOR USE OF PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY. (JONES)

After some discussion, Council Member Stahl moved to deny a Master License Agreement with Mobilitie, L.L.C. to erect poles in the public rights-of-ways. Motion was seconded by Council Member Bagley, which carried on a unanimous vote.

VIII. DISCUSSION AND ACTION RELATED TO PROVIDING PUBLIC PARKING FOR TRUCK AND BOAT TRAILERS IN THE VICINITY OF THE POLARIS STREET BOAT RAMP. (JONES)

Council Member Munarriz made a motion, seconded by Council Member Stahl to approve and begin work on Option B – Side Street Improvements to improve public property (side streets) to provide truck and boat trailer parking. Improvements to include curb and gutter, five feet sidewalk, grading and re-paving half street to the south side of Aries, south side of Verna Jean (1/2) and north side of Verna Jean. Motion passed unanimously.

IX. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE THE SAN JUAN/SOUTH PADRE ISLAND LAW ENFORCEMENT EMERGENCY REGIONAL RESPONSE TEAM AGREEMENT (LEERRT SWAT) WHOSE PRIMARY MISSION IS TO HELP SAVE LIVES BY BRINGING ADDITIONAL TRAINING, EQUIPMENT AND PERSONNEL TO SUPPORT THE EXTRAORDINARY ENFORCEMENT NEEDS OF THE PARTICIPATING POLICE DEPARTMENTS IN HIGHER RISK POLICE OPERATIONS OR CRISIS SITUATIONS. (SMITH)

Council Member Pitcock made a motion to approve the San Juan/South Padre Island Law Enforcement Emergency Regional Response Team Agreement (LEERRT SWAT). Motion was seconded by Council Member Munarriz, which carried on a unanimous vote.

X. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO NOMINATE AND SELECT A RECIPIENT FOR THE 2017 RIO GRANDE VALLEY WALK OF FAME. (GUTHRIE)

Council Member Bagley made a motion, seconded by Mayor Patel to select and nominate Courtney Hayden and the City's recipient for the 2017 Rio Grande Valley Walk of Fame. Motion passed on a unanimous vote.

XI. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPOINT MEMBERS TO VACANT AND/OR EXPIRING TERMS OF THE CITY'S COMMITTEES, BOARDS,

COMMISSIONS AND TASK FORCE (HEREIN CALLED COMMITTEES) FOR THE FOLLOWING: (S. HILL)

Mayor Patel announced that Item 11f and 11g would be tabled.

Council Member Bagley made a motion, seconded by Council Member Pitcock to make the following appointments. Motion passed unanimously

a. BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS AND APPEALS

Carol Bolstad, Chris Huffman and Jerry Pace as Regular members with Austin Morgan as Alternate member.

b. BOARD OF ETHICS

Chuck Costanza, Julian Castillo, Christiana Dijkman and Sue Warner. *Note:* DeeOnda Ahadi was appointed, but due to residency requirements, was unable to serve.

c. CONVENTION AND VISITORS ADVISORY BOARD

Hotel-Motel/Condominium Industry (2): Jimmy Hawkinson, Wally Jones *Entertainment Industry (1): Paul Curtin *Tachnical Industry (1): George Block

*Technical Industry (1): George Block

d. DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS REVIEW TASK FORCE

Kim Dollar, Gary Olle and Gabriel Vanounou

e. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Irv Downing, Susan Guthrie, Mickey Furcron, Jerry Pace and Dan Seitz

f. HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

This item was tabled

g. KEEP SPI BEAUTIFUL COMMITTEE

This item was tabled

h. PARKS, RECREATION & BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

Carol Bolstad, Debbie Huffman, Pat Rasmussen and Diane McDiarmid

i. PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

Robert Bujanos, Patrick McNulty, Gary Olle and Norris Fletcher

j. SHORELINE TASK FORCE

Troy Giles, Neil Rasmussen, Thor Lassen, Kerry Swartz and Stormy Wall

XII. ADJOURN.

There being no further business, Mayor Patel adjourned the meeting at 6:25 pm.

Susan M. Hill, City Secretary

APPROVED

Bharat R. Patel, Mayor

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^{*}Entertainment/Technical Industry or an individual who would provide a balanced business perspective and further the purposes of the board.