

## The Island Way

South Padre Island is in the process of updating its plan for the future, "The Island Way – South Padre Island's Comprehensive Plan." This plan is a collective effort between the residents, the City Council, staff and all associated stakeholders to chart the course for South Padre Island's future growth.

The City held the first public workshop for the plan on May 1 and members of the public were able to speak with Council Members, staff and Kimley-Horn consultants. This interactive workshop allowed attendees to tour different stations and let their voices be heard!

We encourage you to participate in the South Padre Island comprehensive planning process: The Island Way. This plan will bring together all the ideas in our community to create a shared vision for our future.

Click or scan the QR code to take the survey!



The next public comprehensive planning meeting is scheduled for June 19 at the Birding Center from 4 p.m. - 7 p.m.



## Did you know?

Guided daily bird walks are provided by the SPI Birding and Nature Center! For additional information call (956) 761-6801.

Click the QR code for job openings, descriptions and much more!



Current job openings

Beach Rescue Technician  
(Seasonal/Part Time)

Litter Enforcement Officer  
(Seasonal/Part Time)

City Attorney

## SPI makes history

A Great Black Hawk was spotted in the skies of South Padre Island.

This sighting is the FIRST U.S. record of the species!

The hawk was spotted at the Valley Land Fund migratory bird stop-over lots on West Sheepshead Street by local birders!



Photo Credit: Birding & Nature Center

## Keep It Green

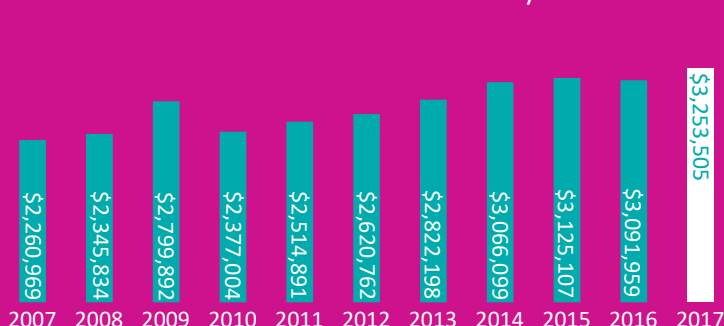
The Environmental Health Services Department, in conjunction with Republic Services, provides the community with a drop off location to recycle household items.

The City recycling hours are every Saturday from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Community Center, located at 4501 Padre Blvd.

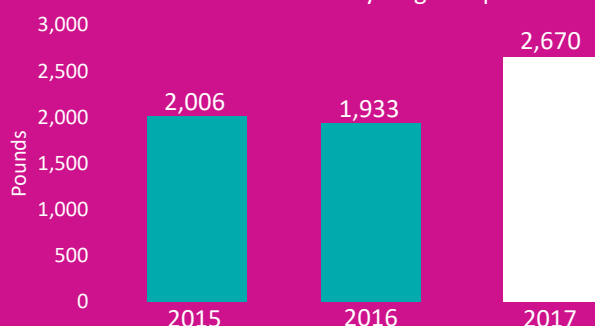
Republic Services provides 18-gallon recycling containers to residents that wish to subscribe to the weekly Recycling Collection Program.

To subscribe to the weekly Recycling collection, call Republic Service customer service at: (956) 392-7017.

## Sales Tax Collection History



## Electronic Recycling Comparison



Since 2015, over 6,600 pounds of electronic waste has been properly recycled.

## Council Highlights

City Council has awarded the construction of the Multimodal Facility to Noble Texas Builders, L.L.C. in the amount of \$4.5 million.

City Council approved a budget amendment in the amount of \$22,856 for a Homeschool Marketing Pilot Program. The Homeschool Coalition has identified over 120,000 registered students in Texas that are homeschooled. Marketing will target families that are homeschooled in an effort to attract them during non peak seasons.

City Council approved a budget amendment in the amount of \$17,144 for Texas Tourism Co-Op opportunities that will target millennials, generation X and baby boomers that are interested in the outdoor, beaches and fishing.

View the April 18 recorded meeting



## Side Street Reconstruction

REIM Contractors are currently removing sections of driveways on East Lantana and grading continues on East Atol. This project will improve side streets with sidewalks, improved drainage and additional parking spaces.



Birding and Nature Center Naturalist Javier Gonzalez presented the Painted Bunting as the Bird of the Month for April.

## Friends of the Animal

Sherry Pindard from the SPI Friends of Animal presented the April 2018 statistics.

Shelter Intake: 4 Dogs, 10 Cats, 6 Opossums, 16 Birds, 1 Raccoon  
Adopted: 4 Dogs and 6 Cats  
Reunited: 4 Dogs and 2 Cats

Click [HERE](#) for the Friends of Animal Rescues website!

## SPI Skatepark

The Parks committee is fundraising for revenue to be used to construct a skate park at Tompkins Park. We are asking you to join us and be a part of the newest recreational attraction. Your sponsorship of the new skatepark will link you or your company directly with this fun and active new landmark.

Currently, the City has a GoFundMe page for donations and sponsorships.

Click or scan the QR Code to donate and view sponsorship opportunities.



## Mobile Food Units

The Council passed a first reading of an amendment to Ordinance No. 18-15 Chapter 10, Section 10-31(C)(2) to add an additional six Mobile Food Unit Permits for a total of twelve permits allowed.

## Beach & Dune permits

City Council approved Beach & Dune permits for the following:

- 1010 Padre Blvd. to replace and extend beach mats at two existing walkways.
- 8100 Padre Blvd. to construct a five story hotel with a parking structure and an elevated beach walkover.



View the May 2 recorded meeting here

## April & May Proclamations

Administrative Professional's Day April 25

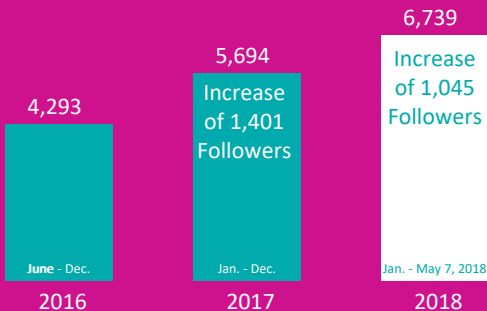
Child Abuse Prevention Month - April

Arson Awareness Week May 6 - May 1

National Travel & Tourism Week May 6 - May 12

Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Month - May

## City of SPI Facebook Followers



Since June 2016, over 2,400 people now follow the City's Facebook page.

# Island Vibes

## Stay informed

The City of South Padre Island has many ways to keep you informed!

### Subscribe

Sign up to receive newsletters and updates delivered to your inbox.  
<http://myspi.org/category/subcategory.php?categoryid=71>

### Facebook

City of South Padre Island's Facebook Page has more than 6,000 followers. Follow us today to stay up-to-date.  
<https://www.facebook.com/SouthPadreTexas/>

For tourism information follow us at:  
<https://www.facebook.com/sopadre/>

### Website

The City's website has the most information about your Island!

Key Information:

- Upcoming Meetings
  - Agendas
  - Live Stream Meetings
  - Press Releases
  - Departmental Documents
  - Financial Reports
- [www.myspi.org](http://www.myspi.org)

### Meetings

View upcoming meeting agendas, live stream meetings in session or watch archived meetings.

<http://www.myspi.org/egov/apps/services/index.egov?view=detail;id=20>

### Swift911

The City of South Padre Island utilizes Swift911 to notify citizens, businesses and visitors of emergency situations.

The emergency notification system is web-based, giving the City the ability to message residents and visitors any time day or night using text, voice or email alerts.

Click or scan the QR code to sign up



### Re-Entry sticker

Re-Entry stickers are available at the Police station for residents, property owners and businesses.

The stickers allow re-entry to the Island following a major storm event.

Click or scan the QR code for more information



Next City Council  
meeting is May 16  
at City Hall

## Key Contacts

Building Division (956) 761-8103  
City Hall (956) 761-6456  
Community Center (956) 761-8168  
Convention & Visitors Bureau (956) 761-3000  
Planning (956) 761-8112  
Economic Development Corporation (956) 761-6805  
Environmental Health (956) 761-8123  
Finance (956) 761-8130  
Fire Department (956) 761-3830  
Municipal Court (956) 761-3225  
Parks (956) 761-8168  
Police Non-Emergency (956) 761-5454  
Public Works (956) 761-8159  
Shoreline (956) 761-8166  
Transit (956) 761-8178  
Visitors Center (956) 761-6433

## Parks and Recreation

The City of South Padre Island maintains several City parks.

- Water Tower Park
- John L. Tompkins Park
- Turtle Park
- Butterfly Park
- Lis Memorial Park
- Queen Isabella Memorial Park

Click or scan the QR Code to view locations and amenities!



## Things To Do!

On South Padre Island, there are always exciting things to do and fun new activities to try all year long. Each member of your family or group is sure to find something that fits their personality and interests perfectly. If you enjoy getting out and having a crazy new adventure, you can try flyboarding, ziplining, tandem skydiving, surfing, kiteboarding, driving ATVs, stand-up paddleboarding, snorkeling, scuba diving, parasailing, jet skiing, and deep sea fishing.

Click or scan the QR Code to view events, deals and much more!

