

MINUTES CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2016

I. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council Members of the City of South Padre Island, Texas held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, September 7, 2016 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 full quorum was present: Council Member Dennis Stahl, Alex Avalos, Theresa Metty, Alita Bagley and Paul Munarriz. Also present was City Attorney Paul Cunningham.

City staff members present were Interim City Manager Darla Jones, Public Safety Director Randy Smith, Finance Director Rodrigo Gimenez, Development Director Sungman Kim, CVB Director Keith Arnold, Shoreline Management Director Patrick Barrineau, Shoreline Program & Project Manager Brandon Hill, Permit/Parks & Recreation Program Manager Mary Kay Hancock 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. PRESENTATION: CERTIFICATE OF ACHIEVEMENT FOR PLANNING EXCELLENCE

Certificate of Achievement for Planning Excellence was given to Dr. Sungman Kim.

V. APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:

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

a. APPROVE MINUTES OF AUGUST 17, 2016 REGULAR MEETING (HILL)

b. APPROVE INVOICES FOR PAYMENT. (GIMENEZ)

Invoices were paid by General Fund checks number 136172 through 136296 and EFT payments totaling \$813,136.19.

c. APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2016-24 IN SUPPORT OF AUTHORIZING CLOSURE OF PARK ROAD 100 (PADRE BOULEVARD) FOR THE 13TH ANNUAL WALK FOR WOMEN ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2016, 10:00 AM TO 12:00 PM; AND AUTHORIZING THE INTERIM CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TXDOT) FOR THE PERMITTING OF THE EVENT. (HANCOCK)

A true and correct copy of said Resolution was placed in the City's Resolution Book and entitled Resolution No. 2016-24, and, by reference hereto, included in these Minutes as if fully set out and spread upon the pages of the Minutes Book.

- d. **APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2016-25 IN SUPPORT OF AUTHORIZING CLOSURE OF PARK ROAD 100 (PADRE BOULEVARD) FOR THE ANNUAL SPI TRI (TRIATHLON) ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2016, 7:30 AM TO 11:00 AM; AND AUTHORIZING THE INTERIM CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TXDOT) FOR PERMITTING OF THE EVENT. (HANCOCK)**

A true and correct copy of said Resolution was placed in the City's Resolution Book and entitled Resolution No. 2016-25, and, by reference hereto, included in these Minutes as if fully set out and spread upon the pages of the Minutes Book.

- e. **APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2016-26 APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PLAN (CIP) FOR THE CITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2016/17. (JONES)**

A true and correct copy of said Resolution was placed in the City's Resolution Book and entitled Resolution No. 2016-26, and, by reference hereto, included in these Minutes as if fully set out and spread upon the pages of the Minutes Book.

- f. **APPROVE SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 16-18 MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR EACH DEPARTMENT, PROJECT, PROGRAM AND ACCOUNTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2016 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2017. (GIMENEZ)**

A true and correct copy of said Ordinance was placed in the City's Ordinance Book and entitled Ordinance No. 16-18, and, by reference hereto, included in these Minutes as if fully set out and spread upon the pages of the Minutes Book.

- g. **APPROVE SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 16-19 ESTABLISHING THE AD VALOREM AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX RATE FOR TAX YEAR 2016-2017, AND SETTING THE ASSESSED VALUATION AT ONE HUNDRED PERCENT (100%) OF THE FAIR MARKET VALUE AND PROVIDING FOR DISCOUNTS IN THE EVENT OF EARLY PAYMENT, AND PROVIDING FOR PENALTY AND INTEREST. (GIMENEZ)**

A true and correct copy of said Ordinance was placed in the City's Ordinance Book and entitled Ordinance No. 16-19, and, by reference hereto, included in these Minutes as if fully set out and spread upon the pages of the Minutes Book.

- h. **APPROVE EXCUSED ABSENCE FOR COUNCIL MEMBER PAUL MUNARRIZ FROM THE SEPTEMBER 21, 2016 CITY COUNCIL MEETING. (MUNARRIZ)**

- i. **APPROVE EXCUSED ABSENCE FOR MAYOR BHARAT PATEL FORM THE SEPTEMBER 21, 2016 CITY COUNCIL MEETING. (PATEL)**

- VI. **PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2016-27 AUTHORIZING TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF QUEEN ISABELLA MEMORIAL CAUSEWAY AND PARK ROAD 100 (PADRE BOULEVARD) ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2016 FOR THE GRAN FONDO/RAUL ALCALA CHALLENGE CYCLING EVENT; AND AUTHORIZE THE INTERIM CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TXDOT) FOR THE PERMITTING OF THE EVENT. (HANCOCK)**

This item was pulled.

- VII. **REPORT FROM THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION REGARDING CURRENT PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS. (LAPEYRE/EDC)**

Darla Lapeyre, Executive Director for the South Padre Island Economic Development Corporation gave an update their current projects and programs.

VIII. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE THE SOUTH PADRE ISLAND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION'S NEW PROJECT SAND DOLLARS FOR SUCCESS, A BUSINESS PLAN COMPETITION TO PROVIDE CAPITAL FUND GRANTS FOR NEW AND EXISTING BUSINESSES. (J. WILLIAMS/EDC)

Darla Lapeyre introduced the Sand Dollars For Success program, which was created to promote business retention and encourage entrepreneurs through the creation of new businesses in the City of South Padre Island. The goal is to allow the participants to gain a better understanding of how to develop and follow a realistic business plan. A maximum of \$25,00 can be awarded. Qualifying participants can request a share of the \$25,000 in capital funding grants as long as it stays within the business and is justified by the business plan.

Council Member Bagley made a motion to approve the South Padre Island Economic Development Corporation's new project "Sand Dollars for Success". Motion was seconded by Council Member Metty, which carried on a unanimous vote.

IX. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE THE SOUTH PADRE ISLAND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION'S NEW PROJECT, DESIGN FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT GRANT PROGRAM, TO PROVIDE MATCHING FUNDS TO BUSINESSES TO IMPROVE THE APPEARANCE OF THEIR STOREFRONTS. (J. WILLIAMS/EDC)

Darla Lapeyre explained that the Design Façade Improvement Grant Program is a program that the South Padre Island Economic Development Corporation will offer matching funds for the façade improvements of businesses within the Form based Code areas to improve the appearance of their businesses and enhance the economy of South Padre Island.

Mayor Patel made a motion to approve the Economic Development Corporation's new project, Design Façade Improvement Grant Program. Motion was seconded by Council Member Bagley. After some more discussion, motion was withdrawn.

Council Member Stahl made a motion, seconded by Mayor Patel to move forward with the Design Façade Improvement Grant Program in the amount of \$25,000 subject to the changes and improvements being made by Economic Development Corporation as suggested in discussion; and bring back to City Council no later than first City Council meeting in December (December 7, 2016). Motion passed unanimously.

X. DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF THE ATKINS GROUP RENEWAL OF ADVERTISING AGENCY SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016-17. (ARNOLD)

Council Member Bagley made a motion, seconded by Mayor Patel to approve the Atkins Group renewal agreement for advertising agency services for fiscal year 2016-17. Motion passed on a unanimous vote.

XI. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF REQUESTED EQUIPMENT TO BE USED FOR EL PASEO PRODUCTIONS AND OTHER CONVENTION CENTRE EVENTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$52,106.68. (ARNOLD)

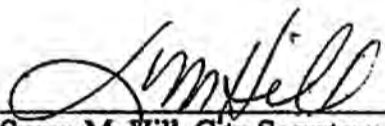
Council Member Stahl made a motion to approve the purchase of equipment for use in El Paseo productions and other related Convention Centre events in the amount of \$52,106.68. Motion was seconded by Council Member Bagley, which carried unanimously.

XII. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO CREATE A COMMITTEE TO PROPOSE A SILENT WATER SPORT FACILITY ON SOUTH PADRE ISLAND COMPRISING OF THREE CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS, MEMBERS FROM SHORELINE MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT OR TASK FORCE AND REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE SPI WINDSURFING ASSOCIATION. (BARRINEAU)

Council Member Bagley made a motion, seconded by Council Member Stahl to approve formalizing a committee regarding a proposed silent water sport facility on the island. Motion passed on a unanimous vote.

XIII. ADJOURN.

There being no further business, Mayor Patel adjourned the meeting at 6:30 p.m.



Susan M. Hill, City Secretary

APPROVED



Bharat R. Patel, Mayor

