

MINUTES CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND CITY COUNCIL AND SHORELINE TASK FORCE JOINT WORKSHOP
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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2017

I. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council Members and Shoreline Task Force of the City of South Padre Island, Texas held a Joint Workshop on Thursday, October 19, 2017 at the Municipal Complex Building, 2nd Floor, 4601 Padre Boulevard, South Padre Island, Texas. Mayor Patel called the meeting to order at 3:14 p.m. A quorum was present: Council Member Dennis Stahl, Theresa Metty, Alita Bagley (arriving at 3:27) and Paul Munarriz, with Council Member Ron Pitcock out of town. Shoreline Task Force members present were: Chairman Troy Giles, Members Virginia Guillot, Neil Rasmussen, Kerry Swartz and Norma Trevino. Absent were Members Thoren Thorbjornsen and Stormy Wall.

City staff members present were City Manager Susan Guthrie, Assistant City Manager Darla Jones, Shoreline Director Brandon Hill, Shoreline Project Manager Manuel Aguilar 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. REVIEW OF DUNE PROTECTION LINE AND HISTORIC BUILDING LINE.

Shoreline Director Brandon Hill gave a quick review of Dune Protection and Historic Building Lines. An explanation of the following was included:

- a. Historic Building Line – a line established by the Texas Attorney General that indicates the buildable depth line for the construction of buildings or structures on or to the landward side of the line.
- b. Dune Protection Line (TAC) – a line established by a county commissioners court or the governing body of a municipality for the purpose of preserving, at a minimum, all critical dune areas identified by the General Land Office pursuant to the Dune Protection Act.
- c. Dune Protection Line (Chapter 22) – a line established within the City of South Padre Island.
- d. Critical Dune Area - those portions of the beach/dune system as designated by the Texas General Land Office, that are located within 1,000 feet of mean high tide of the Gulf of Mexico that contain dunes and dune complexes that are essential to the protection of public beaches, submerged land and State-owned land.

V. DISCUSSION REGARDING GUIDELINES AND REGULATIONS:

- a. **GENERAL LAND OFFICE BEACH AND DUNE GUIDELINES**
- b. **TEXAS NATURAL RESOURCE CODE**
- c. **TEXAS ADMINISTRATIVE CODE**
- d. **CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND EROSION RESPONSE PLAN**

Discussion was held regarding the regulations and guidelines that the City must adhere to regarding dunes, dune walk-overs, and permitting.

VI. DISCUSSION, INCLUDING PROFESSIONAL OPINIONS, REGARDING BEACH ACCESS IMPROVEMENT OPTIONS.


Discussion included pros and cons regarding the use of raised walkovers and Mobi-mats; opinions regarding beach access options.

VII. DISCUSSION ON FUTURE ORDINANCE, GUIDELINES AND REGULATIONS.

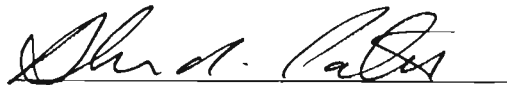
Discussion was held regarding ordinance and guidelines, especially for new construction.

VIII. ADJOURN.

There being no further business, Mayor Patel adjourned the meeting at 5:06 pm.


Susan M. Hill, City Secretary

APPROVED


Bharat R. Patel, Mayor

