# MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND

# **MONDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2023**

## 1.CALL TO ORDER

The City Council Members of the City of South Padre Island, Texas held a Special City Council Meeting on Monday, October 2, 2023 at the Municipal Complex Building, 2 Floor, 4601 Padre Boulevard, South Padre Island, Texas. Mayor McNulty called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. A quorum was present: Mayor Patrick McNulty, Council Members Joe Ricco, Ken Medders, Kerry Schwartz, and Rees Langston.

City staff members present were City Manager Randy Smith, Police Chief Claudine O'Carroll, Public Works Director Alex Sanchez, Assistant Public Works Director Jon Wilson, CVB Director Blake Henry, Shoreline Director Kristina Boburka, Transit Director Jesse Arriaga, EHSD Victor Baldovinos, Police Captain Gilbert Silva, EMS Lieutenant Emilio Hinojosa, Administration Coordinator Hilda Delgado, and City Secretary Angelique Soto.

#### 2.PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND TEXAS PLEDGE

Mayor McNulty led the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

#### 3.PUBLIC COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Public comments and announcements were given at this time.

#### 4.PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:

4.1. NATIONAL BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH PROCLAMATION. (BALDOVINOS)

## **5.APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:**

Council Member Medders made a motion, seconded by Council Member Langston to approve Consent Agenda Items 5.1 through 5.6. Motion passed unanimously.

5.1. APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 2023-21 FOR THE TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF PARK ROAD 100 (PADRE BOULEVARD) FOR THE ANNUAL 2023 CHRISTMAS PARADE, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2023 WITH A BACKUP DATE OF FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2023 IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT WITH THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TXDOT). (HUFFMAN)

A true and correct copy of said Resolution was placed in the City's Resolution Book and entitled Resolution No. 2023-21 and, by reference hereto, included in these Minutes as if fully set out and spread upon the pages of the Minutes Book.

- 5.2. APPROVE AN EXCUSED ABSENCE FOR COUNCIL MEMBER SCHWARTZ FROM THE SEPTEMBER 6, 2023 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING. (SCHWARTZ)
- 5.3. APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 20, 2023 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES. (SOTO)

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# 5.4. APPROVE INVOICES FOR PAYMENT. (GIMENEZ)

# 5.5. APPROVAL OF THE SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 23-10 AMENDING CHAPTER 15 OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND CODE OF ORDINANCES. (CITY COUNCIL)

A true and correct copy of said Ordinance was placed in the City's Ordinance Book and entitled Ordinance No. 23-10 and, by reference hereto, included in these Minutes as if fully set out and spread upon the pages of the Minutes Book.

# 5.6. APPROVAL OF THE SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 23-11 AMENDING CHAPTER 18 OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND CODE OF ORDINANCES. (CITY COUNCIL)

A true and correct copy of said Ordinance was placed in the City's Ordinance Book and entitled Ordinance No. 23-11 and, by reference hereto, included in these Minutes as if fully set out and spread upon the pages of the Minutes Book.

#### 6.REGULAR AGENDA

# 6.1. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND TRANSIT DEPARTMENT'S FY23/24-FY27 TITLE VI PROGRAM. (ARRIAGA)

Council Member Schwartz made a motion, seconded by Council Member Ricco to approve the City of South Padre Island Transit Department's FY23/24-FY27 Title VI Program. Motion passed unanimously.

# 6.2. UPDATE, DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING SIDE STREET IMPROVEMENTS PHASE II. (SANCHEZ)

Council Member Ricco made a motion, seconded by Council Member Schwartz to approve staff to go out for bids on east Bahama Street, east Retama Street, center Lantana Street, center Esperanza Street, east Gardenia, and central Gardenia Street with the option to include east Georgia Ruth for improvements. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Works Director Alex Sanchez provided an update regarding the Side Street Improvement Phase II.

Highlights included the 2022/2023 Road assessment, recorded video with GIS sent for analysis with software provided rating and used to improve the priority list.

Currently, east Bahama Street, east Retama Street, and center Lantana Street plans are at 90% and estimated at approximately \$1.2 Million. Estimated funding available is approximately \$860,000 which would allow staff to include center Esperanza Street, east Gardenia, and central Gardenia Street with the option to include east Georgia Ruth in the bid.

# 6.3. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO SELECT THE STYLE AND SPACING OF BOLLARDS ON LAGUNA BLVD. (SANCHEZ)

Council Member Ricco made a motion, seconded by Mayor McNulty to approve options 1, 5, and 6 including examples of 16-foot spacing with possible sleeve-type product to reduce the spacing during busy times and bring information back to the October 18, 2023 Council meeting with possible funding from TIRZ fund. Motion passed unanimously.

6.4. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO NEGOTIATE THE 2023-2024 MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) WITH THE FRIENDS OF ANIMAL RESCUE TO PROVIDE ANIMAL CARE SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND; AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE. (BALDOVINOS)

Council Member Ricco made a motion, seconded by Council Member Langston to negotiate the 2023-2024 Memorandum of Understanding with the Friends of Animal Rescue to provide animal care services for the City of South Padre Island; and authorize the City Manager to execute. Motion passed unanimously.

6.5. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE SOUTH PADRE ISLAND CONVENTION CENTER EXPANSION PROJECT CONTRACT WITH GIGNAC ARCHITECTS. (HENRY)

Council Member Ricco made a motion, seconded by Council Member Langston to approve the South Padre Island Convention Center Expansion Project Contract and authorize the City Manager to execute the contract subject to the City Attorney's approval. Motion passed unanimously.

## **7.EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

7.1. PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 551.071, CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY; 551.072, DELIBERATIONS ABOUT REAL PROPERTY; A CLOSED SESSION WILL BE HELD TO DISCUSS THE POSSIBLE PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY. (MCNULTY)

At 6:17 p.m., Council Member Ricco made a motion, seconded by Council Member Medders to go into Executive Session. Motion passed unanimously.

At 6:55 p.m., the City Council reconvened into open session.

### 8.OPEN SESSION:

8.1. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE CONTRACTS FOR THE PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY. (MCNULTY)

Council Member Ricco made a motion, seconded by Council Member Schwartz to authorize the City Manager to negotiate contracts for the purchase of real property. Motion passed on a 4 to 0 vote with Council Members absent from the Council Chambers.

#### 9.AD.JOURN.

There being no further business, Mayor McNulty adjourned the meeting at 6:57 p.m.

Angelique Soto, City Secretary

APPROVED

Patrick McNulty, Mayor

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