NOTICE OF CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16, 2025

1. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council Members of the City of South Padre Island, Texas held a Regular City Council Meeting on Wednesday, April 16, 2025 at the Municipal Complex Building, 2nd 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 Ken Medders, Rees Langston, Lisa Graves, Joe Ricco, and Kerry Schwartz.

City staff members present were City Manager Randy Smith, Director of Operations Wendi Delgado, CFO Rodrigo Gimenez, Fire Chief Jim Pigg, Police Chief Claudine O'Carroll, Human Resources Director Wendy Saldana, Public Works Director Alex Sanchez, Assistant Public Works Director Jon Wilson, Chief Building Official Filiberto Alba, Shoreline Director Kristina Boburka, Coastal Coordinator Emily Kornblum, Parks & Recreation Manager Debbie Huffman, Environmental Health Director Victor Baldovinos, Permit Technician Mayra Woods, Public Information Coordinator Karin Spinks, Administration Coordinator Hilda Delgado, and City Secretary Angelique Soto.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND TEXAS PLEDGE

Mayor McNulty led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Public comments were given at this time

4. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:

- 4.1. RECOGNITION OF THE RETIREMENT OF PLANNING COORDINATOR, MARTA MARTINEZ, AND PUBLIC WORKS FOREMAN, ROLANDO GONZALEZ. (CITY COUNCIL)
- 4.2. PRESENTATION LAGUNA MADRE WATER DISTRICT SEAWATER DESALINATION TREATMENT FACILITY BOND ELECTION. (COUNCIL)

5. APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:

Council Member Schwartz made a motion, seconded by Council Member Langston to approve Consent Agenda Items 5.1 through 5.13. Motion passed on a vote of 5 to 0 with Council Member Ricco abstaining from the vote.

- 5.1. APPROVE INVOICES FOR PAYMENT. (GIMENEZ)
- 5.2. APPROVE ACCEPTANCE OF TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PROJECT GRANT AMENDMENT #2 TO REQUEST TO INCLUDE RESIDUAL FUNDS OF \$11,968.00 FROM THE FY 2024 PROJECT GRANT AGREEMENT FOR STATE FUNDS. THIS AMENDMENT ALSO REQUIRES EXTENDING THE END DATE OF THE PROJECT GRANT AGREEMENT TO AUGUST 31, 2026. (ARRIAGA)
- 5.3. UPDATE REGARDING THE COMPARISON OF MARCH 2024 TO MARCH 2025 BUILDING PERMIT ACTIVITY. (MEDDERS)
- 5.4. APPROVE A BUDGET ENHANCEMENT FOR \$4,610.70 FROM 01-48045 INSURANCE PROCEEDS FOR PD-208 REPAIRS. (LEMONS)
- 5.5. APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,100.00 FOR TWO COMPOSITE MANHOLE COVERS FOR LAGUNA BOULEVARD. (SANCHEZ)
- 5.6. APPROVAL OF A BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,000 TO HOST THE TEXAS CERTIFIED PUBLIC MANAGER PROGRAM (CPM), OFFERED BY UTRGV PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT DIVISION ON APRIL 18TH & 19TH AND MAY 16TH & 17TH FOR 65 PARTICIPANTS. (BALDOVINOS, DELGADO)

- 5.7. APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$18,030.00 FOR ADDITIONAL ALLOCATION OF FEDERAL TRANSIT FUNDS TO (PGA) 5311-2024-SPI*-00077 AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER OR CFO TO EXECUTE BUDGET AMENDMENT. (ARRIAGA)
- 5.8. APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,547.00 FOR SIDE STREETS. (SANCHEZ)
- 5.9. APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$17,500.00 FROM THE CAPITAL REPLACEMENT FUND FOR UPGRADES TO THE EXISTING ELECTRICAL SERVICE THAT SUPPORTS THE SPI COMMUNITY CENTER, CITY SECRETARY STORAGE RETENTION, SHORELINE DEPARTMENT, AND MULTI-MODAL BUS BARN. (WILSON)
- 5.10. APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 2, 2025 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES. (SOTO)
- 5.11. APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$ 10,500.00 FROM THE GENERAL FUND EXCESS RESERVES FOR THE PURCHASE OF A NEW MOBILE WATER TANK TRAILER. (WILSON)
- 5.12. APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,500.00 FROM THE GENERAL FUND EXCESS RESERVES FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF MATERIALS USED IN THE SANDBOX PLANTING PROJECT. (WILSON)
- 5.13. APPROVAL OF AN EXCUSED ABSENCE FOR COUNCIL MEMBER JOE RICCO FROM THE APRIL 2, 2025 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING. (SOTO)
- 6. REGULAR AGENDA
 - 6.1. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE AN OCCUPANCY TAX PAYMENT PLAN FOR CONTINENTAL INN LLC. (GIMENEZ)

Mayor McNulty made a motion, seconded by Council Member Ricco that the full payment, including penalties and interest must be paid by April 25, 2025 and if the payment is not received by April 25, 2025 the City will file with Cameron County Courts to adjoin all three properties and citations issued for the noncompliance of paying Hotel Occupancy Taxes.

6.2. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 25-04 AMENDING CHAPTER 11, ARTICLE VII, SECTION 11-222 AND ADDING SECTIONS 11-223 AND 11-224 REGARDING SHORT TERM RENTALS. (SCHWARTZ)

Council Member Schwartz made a motion, seconded by Council Member Langston to approve the second and final reading of Ordinance No. 25-04 amending Chapter 11, Article VII, Section 11-222 and adding Sections 11-223 and 11-224.

After much discussion, Council Member Schwartz amended the motion, seconded by Council Member Ricco to approve the second and final reading of Ordinance No. 25-04 amending Chapter 11, Article VII, Section 11-222 and adding Sections 11-223 and 11-224 with the changes to Section 11-222 Minimum Standards of Conduct and Safety (g): There shall be posted on a yard sign or other sign visible to any visitor, not less than 5 feet from the right-of-way, a document being at least 18 inches by 24 inches in size and containing print no smaller than 64-point font size with the following information, unless prohibited by a written resolution approved by a majority vote of a lawfully organized Property Owners Association.

6.3. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE THE SUBMISSION OF THE COASTAL EROSION PLANNING & RESPONSE ACT (CEPRA) CYCLE 14 GRANT PROPOSALS AND TO ALLOW THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE LETTERS OF SUPPORT. (BOBURKA)

Council Member Medders made a motion, seconded by Council Member Langston to approve the submission of the Coastal Erosion Planning & Response Act (CEPRA) Cycle 14 Grant Proposals and to allow the Mayor to execute the Letters of Support. Motion passed unanimously.

6.4. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO SELECT PROJECTS FOR THE COASTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (CMP) CYCLE 31. (BOBURKA)

Council Member Medders made a motion, seconded by Council Member Schwartz to select the projects for the Coastal Management Program (CMP) Cycle 31. Motion passes unanimously.

NOAA: Engineering for City Beach Accesses 3, 7, 11, and 15.

GOMESA: 1 for land acquisition and 1 construction of City Beach Access 9.

6.5. DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING A BEACH AND DUNE PERMIT APPLICATION FOR 8206 BREAKERS BOULEVARD. (BOBURKA)

Council Member Medders made a motion, seconded by Council Member Graves to approve a Beach and Dune Application for 8203 Breakers Boulevard. Motion passed unanimously.

6.6. MID-YEAR BUDGET REVIEW FY 2024-2025 PRESENTATION. (GIMENEZ)

Chief Financial Officer Rodrigo Gimenez explained that the City is required by the Home Rule Charter, Section 5.08 to review the performance of the budget at mid-year. Rodrigo presented an overview of the current budget and highlighted several areas, such as, compliance with required reserves, excess reserves available, and funding for infrastructure.

6.7. PRESENTATION OF THE 1ST QUARTER 2025 CITY MANAGER'S REPORT. (SMITH)

The City Manager provided the 1st Quarter 2025 City Manager's Report that highlighted the department's updated and ongoing projects.

- 1. FINANCE
- 2. FIRE
- 3. POLICE
- 4. PUBLIC WORKS
- 5. ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH
- 6. BUILDING
- 7. HUMAN RESOURCES
- 8. MUNICIPAL COURT
- 9. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
- 10. CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE
- 11. TRANSIT
- 12. PARKS AND RECREATION
- 13. CVB VISIT SPI
- 14. SHORELINE

7. ADJOURN.

There being no further business, Mayor McNarty adjourned the meeting at 7:22 p.m.

APPROVED

Angelique Soto, City Secretary

Patrick McNulty, Mayor