

NOTICE OF CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND

WEDNESDAY, MAY 7, 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, May 7 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. PRESENTATION: CAMERON COUNTY WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS.

4.2. PROCLAMATION: NATIONAL POLICE WEEK.

5. APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:

Council member Schwartz made a motion, seconded by Council Member Langston to approve Consent Agenda Items 5.1 through 5.4. Motion passed unanimously.

5.1. APPROVE INVOICES FOR PAYMENT. (GIMENEZ)

5.2. APPROVE QUARTERLY INVESTMENT REPORT FOR THE QUARTER ENDING MARCH 31, 2025 AS PREPARED BY VALLEY VIEW CONSULTING L.L.C. (GIMENEZ)

5.3. APPROVAL OF APRIL 16, 2025 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES.(SOTO)

5.4. APPROVE CHANGES TO HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX PAYMENT AND PENALTY & WAIVER POLICIES. (GIMENEZ)

6. REGULAR AGENDA

6.1. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,510.00 FOR THE ROOFING AND STRUCTURE REPAIR AT THE TURTLE PARK PAVILION. (HUFFMAN)

Council Member Langston made a motion, seconded by Council Member Graves to approve a budget amendment in the amount of \$15,510.00 for the roofing and structure repair at the Turtle Park Pavilion. Motion passed on a 5 to 0 vote with Council Member Ricco abstaining.

6.2. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$600,000 FOR THE COASTAL EROSION PLANNING AND RESPONSE ACT (CEPRA) CYCLE 13 DUNE RESTORATION GRANT. (BOBURKA)

Council Member Schwartz made a motion, seconded by Council Member Medders to approve a budget amendment in the amount of \$600,000 for the Coastal Erosion Planning and Response Act (CEPRA) Cycle 13 Dune Restoration Grant. Motion passed unanimously.

6.3. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$84,000 FROM BEACH MAINTENANCE EXCESS RESERVES TO REPLACE SL-201 AND SL-207. (BOBURKA, LEMONS)

Council Member Ricco made a motion, seconded by Council Member Langston to approve a budget amendment in the amount of \$84,000 from Beach Maintenance Excess Reserves to Replace SL-201 and SL-207. Motion passed unanimously.

6.4. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT FROM GENERAL FUND EXCESS RESERVES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$100,000 TO COVER THE COST OF OUTSTANDING INVOICES AND THE ESTIMATED COST OF REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT, PUBLIC WORKS, AND CODE ENFORCEMENT VEHICLES FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE FISCAL YEAR. (LEMONS)

Council Member Langston made a motion, seconded by Council Member Ricco to approve a budget amendment from General Fund Excess Reserves in the amount of \$100,000 to cover the cost of outstanding invoices and the estimated cost of repairs and maintenance for Fire Department, Public Works, and Code Enforcement Vehicles for the remainder of the fiscal year. Motion passed unanimously.

6.5. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$17,800 FOR SECURITY ENHANCEMENTS OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT BUILDING ACCESS CONTROL AND REPAIRS OF THE INTERCOM SYSTEM. (MARTINEZ)

Council Member Ricco made a motion, seconded by Council Member Langston to table this item to the next meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

6.6. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$17,402.30 TO PURCHASE MOBILE DATA TERMINALS FOR 5 POLICE UNITS. (MARTINEZ)

Council Member Ricco made a motion, seconded by Council member Langston to approve a budget amendment in the amount of \$17,402.30 to purchase Mobile Data Terminals for 5 police units. Motion passed unanimously.

6.7. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 25-05 TO INCREASE THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICE RATES. (PIGG)

During Public Comments Mayor McNulty announced this item would be pulled from the agenda.

6.8. PRESENTATION BY VISIT SPI SPRING BREAK RECAP AND SUMMER 2025 MARKETING PLAN. (MCNULTY)

Convention and Visitors Bureau Executive Director Blake Henry highlighted the marketing efforts and results from Spring Break and briefed the Council on the summer marketing plan.

6.9. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE LANDSCAPING ARCHITECT PROPOSAL. (MCNULTY)

During Public Comments Mayor McNulty announced this item would be pulled from the agenda.

6.10. PRESENTATION, UPDATE, AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE SEPTEMBER 2024 - APRIL 2025 SPECIAL EVENTS POST REPORTS FUNDED BY THE CONVENTION AND VISITOR BUREAU MARKETING FUNDS. (RICCO)

During Public Comments Mayor McNulty announced this item would be pulled from the agenda.

6.11. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE HOTEL/MOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX PAST DUE AMOUNT OWED FOR RAMADA INN AND ISLAND INN. (GIMENEZ)

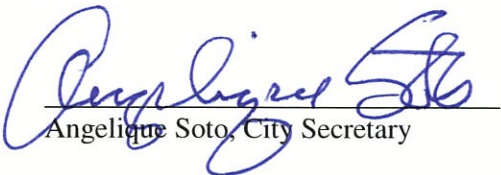
Council Member Schwartz made a motion, seconded by Council Member Langston approve a ten month (10) payment plan for the penalties & interest omitting the 2023 penalties & interest, for the hotel/motel occupancy tax past due amounts for owed for Ramada Inn an Island Inn, beginning June 1, 2025 and the owner shall stay current on the tax obligations and this requirement will be included in the payment plan agreement.

6.12. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO REGARDING THE HOTEL/MOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX PAST DUE AMOUNT OWED FOR CONTINENTAL INN LLC PROPERTIES SUNCHASE INN AND SUITES, SUPER 8, AND WIND WATER RESORT. (GIMENEZ)

Council Member Schwartz made a motion, seconded by Council Member Graves that if the checks do NOT clear, the City will proceed with adjoining the properties and if the checks do clear the Council approves the ten month (10) payment plan for the hotel/motel occupancy tax past due amounts owed, including penalties & interest for Continental Inn, LLC Properties: Sunchase Inn and Suites, and Super 8, beginning June 1, 2025 and the owner shall stay current on the tax obligations and this requirement will be included in the payment plan agreement.

7. ADJOURN.

There being no further business, Mayor McNulty adjourned the meeting at 6:34 p.m.


Angelique Soto, City Secretary

APPROVED




Patrick McNulty, Mayor