

**TOWN OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS**  
**WORKSHOP**  
**BOARD OF ALDERMEN**  
**SEPTEMBER 14, 2000**

**I CALL TO ORDER**

The South Padre Island Board of Aldermen held a workshop on Thursday, September 14, 2000 at the Visitor's Bureau, 600 Padre Boulevard. Mayor Ed Cyganiewicz called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Aldermen present at the workshop were Doyle Wells and David Eymard. Also present were Tony Gray, Diana Cisneros and J.J. Garza, Chief of Staff for Representative Rene Oliveira.

**II PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**III DISCUSSION OF UPCOMING LEGISLATIVE ISSUES WITH TEXAS REPRESENTATIVE RENE OLIVEIRA**

Mayor Cyganiewicz expressed his appreciation to Rep. Oliveira's staff for their help in assisting the Island on certain issues.

He asked for their diligence in staying on top of the issues of beach cleaning funds, the Erosion Response Act and for their assistance in getting certain issues before the legislature at next session.

Other topics of the Mayor's concerns were the collection of Sales Tax in ETJs, the School Calendar change, funding for a second causeway, funding for the Island's satellite Birding Center

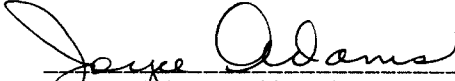
Chief of Staff, J.J. Garza said they would be of assistance to the Town, and that getting this information early was helpful.

Aldermen D. Wells and David Eymard spoke of the Island's uniqueness in needing a second causeway and in needing the (electric) utility lines placed on the bridge in stead of overhead or underground. Mr. Garza replied that funds were needed for transportation all over the state, and that they would press TxDOT about their policy of allowing no utility lines to be placed on any bridges. He stated the upcoming Legislature would be considering one hundred seventy bills in a period of one hundred forty days.

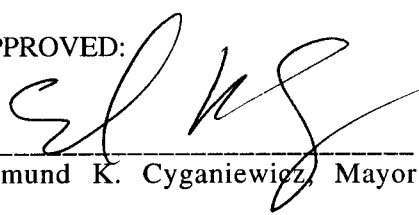
Mayor Cyganiewicz thanked Rep. Oliveira's staff for attending the meeting and working with the Town.

**IV ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Cyganiewicz adjourned the workshop at approximately 4:50 p.m.

  
 Joyce Adams, City Secretary

APPROVED:

  
 Edmund K. Cyganiewicz, Mayor

