MINUTES CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15, 2013

I. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council Members of the City of South Padre Island, Texas held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, May 15, 2013 at the Municipal Complex Building, 2nd Floor, 4601 Padre Boulevard, South Padre Island, Texas. Mayor Pinkerton called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. A quorum was present: Council Member Robert A. Fudge, Alex Avalos, Sam A. Listi and Alita Bagley. Council Member JoAnn Evans was out with an excused absence. Also present was City Attorney Paul Cunningham.

City staff members present were City Manager Joni Clarke, Assistant City Manager Darla Jones, Police Chief Randy Smith, Public Works Director Marcy Newman, Finance Director Rodrigo Gimenez, Interim CVB Director Sylvia Soliz, Administrative Services Director Wendi Delgado, Environmental Health Services Director Victor Baldovinos, Transit Director Jesse Arriaga, Coastal Resources Manager Reuben Trevino, Special Events Manager Mary Kay Hancock, Public Information Officer Naida Robles and City Secretary Susan Hill.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pinkerton led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Public comments and announcements were given at this time.

IV. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:

a. PROCLAMATION: 2013 TEXAS MUNICIPAL HUMAN RESOURCES
ASSOCIATION PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR
AWARD

Mayor Pinkerton read and presented a proclamation recognizing Wendi Delgado, Administrative Services Director, as the recipient of the 2013 Texas Municipal Human Resources Professional of the Year Award.

V. APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:

Council Member Listi made a motion, seconded by Council Member Avalos to approve the Consent Agenda.

- a. APPROVE MINUTES OF MAY 1, 2013 WORKSHOP AND REGULAR MEETING. (HILL)
- b. APPROVE INVOICES FOR PAYMENT. (GIMENEZ)

Invoices approved for payment were paid by General Fund checks numbered 127560 through 127652 and EFT payments totaling \$403,223.77.

c. APPROVE SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 13-09 AMENDING CHAPTER 20, SECTION 20-5 PERTAINING TO ZONING AND AMENDING THE "ZONING DISTRICT MAP" TO INCLUDE NEWLY ANNEXED PROPERTIES AND THE APPLICABLE ZONING DISTRICTS. (JONES)

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A true and correct copy of said Ordinance was placed in the City's Ordinance Book and entitled Ordinance No. 13-09, and, by reference hereto, included in these Minutes as if fully set out and spread upon the pages of the Minutes Book.

- d. APPROVE EXCUSED ABSENCE REQUEST FOR COUNCIL MEMBER JOANN EVANS FROM THE MAY 15, 2013 CITY COUNCIL MEETING. (EVANS)
- VI. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO NEGOTIATE THE **EXTENSION AND NECESSARY** AMENDMENTS RELATING TO THE LEASE AGREEMENT WITH CAMERON COUNTY TO CONTINUE THE USE OF LEASED LAND FOR RENOVATION AND POSSIBLE EXPANSION OPERATION, OF CONVENTION CENTRE AND A **POSSIBLE** HOTEL COMPLEX. (PINKERTON)

Council Member Bagley made a motion to authorize the Mayor to negotiate the extension/amendments of lease agreement with Cameron County for the Convention Centre Renovation and Expansion project. Motion was seconded by Council Member Fudge which passed on a unanimous vote.

VII. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO AUTHORIZE A REQUEST FOR A TWO-STEP PROCESS OF SOLICITATION FOR A HOTEL DEVELOPER IN PARTNERSHIP WITH CAMERON COUNTY TO DEVELOP A CONVENTION CENTER HOTEL IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE CONVENTION CENTRE RENOVATION AND EXPANSION PROJECT, SUBJECT TO SUCCESSFUL NEGOTIATIONS WITH CAMERON COUNTY. (PINKERTON)

Council Member Listi made a motion, seconded by Council Member Fudge move forward with the project. Council Member Listi and Fudge amended the motion to approve Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for the solicitation of a hotel developer to develop a Convention Center hotel in conjunction with the Convention Centre Renovation and Expansion Project. Motion passed on a 4 to 1 vote with Council Member Avalos casting a nay vote.

- VIII. PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND ACTION PERTAINING TO THE SOUTH PADRE ISLAND'S CONVENTION CENTRE RENOVATION & EXPANSION PROJECT. (PINKERTON)
 - a. PRESENTATION BY GIGNAC ARCHITECTS AND TVS REGARDING THE SCHEMATIC DESIGN.

Kevin Gordon, with TVS Design, gave a presentation regarding the schematic design for the Convention Centre Renovation & Expansion project and gave different scenarios based on perceived priorities for the renovation and/or future expansion needs.

b. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO PROVIDE DIRECTION TO GIGNAC ARCHITECTS AND TVS REGARDING THE COMPLETION OF THE SCHEMATIC DESIGN.

Mayor Pinkerton made a motion, seconded by Council Member Bagley to direct the Convention Center Transition Board to review and make a recommendation to the City Council of which priority to proceed with regarding the completion of the schematic design. Motion passed unanimously.

IX. DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF CONTRACT FOR MARKETING/ADVERTISING AGENCY TO PREPARE AND PLACE ADVERTISING AND MARKETING COMMUNICATIONS FOR THE CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND FOR THE REMAINDER 2012/13 FISCAL YEAR. (SOLIZ)

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Mayor Pinkerton made a motion to approve contract with Machete Creative, LLC for marketing/advertising for the City for the remainder to the 2012/13 fiscal year. Motion was seconded by council Member Avalos which carried on a unanimous vote.

X. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO: (NEWMAN)

- a. AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE A CONTRACT WITH KIMLEY-HORN AND ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR ENGINEERING AND DESIGN SERVICES FOR THE CITY'S 2013 STREET IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT.
- b. IF AN AGREEMENT CANNOT BE REACHED WITH KIMLEY-HORN AND ASSOCIATES, INC., APPROVE NEGOTIATING A CONTRACT WITH TEDSI INFRASTRUCTURE GROUP.

Council Member Fudge made a motion, seconded by Council Member Listi to approve Items a and b for the engineering and design services for the 2013 Street Improvement Project. Motion passed unanimously.

XI. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE SURVEY QUESTIONS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF BIENNIAL CITIZEN SURVEY. (ROBLES)

Council Member Listi made a motion to approve survey question for the biennial Citizen Survey. Motion was seconded by Council Member Avalos. Motion carried on a unanimous vote.

XII. DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING THE CITY'S PROPOSED BEACH USER FEE (PAID PARKING) PROPOSAL AND PROVIDE GUIDANCE TO STAFF TO AMEND CHAPTER 22 DUNE PROTECTION, BEACH RENOURISHMENT, AND ACCESS PLAN TO INCLUDE THE PROPOSED BEACH USER FEE. (LISTI/TREVINO/NEWMAN)

Council Member Avalos made a motion to table this item until the next City Council meeting. Motion was seconded by Council Member Bagley. Motion carried on a 3 to 2 vote with Council Members Fudge and Listi casting a nay vote.

XIII. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT TO ALLOCATE FUNDS FROM THE GENERAL FUND FISCAL YEAR 2012-2013 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,848.75 FOR THE ANTI-LITTER BEACH PROGRAM. (BAGLEY)

Council Member Avalos made a motion, seconded by Council Member Bagley to approve budget amendment to allocate \$8,848.75 for the Anti-litter Beach Program. Motion carried unanimously.

XIV. DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING AMENDMENTS TO THE CRITERIA FOR ELIGIBILITY AND POLICY FOR THE INSTALLATION OF TRAFFIC CALMING DEVICES. (NEWMAN)

Council Member Bagley made a motion to approve amendments to the Traffic Calming Devices Installation Policy and criteria for eligibility. Motion was seconded by Council Member Avalos. Motion passed on a 4 to 1 vote with Council Member Fudge casting a nay vote.

XV. DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING AMENDMENTS TO STANDARDS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR ACCEPTANCE OF PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND. (NEWMAN)

Council Member Fudge made a motion, seconded by Council Member Listi to approve the amendments to the Standards and Specifications for acceptance of public improvements. Motion carried on a unanimous vote.

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XVI. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE AGREEMENT AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH GIGNAC & ASSOCIATES, LLP FOR ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES FOR THE CITY'S FUTURE TRANSIT MULTI-MODAL PROJECT AND APPROVE PURCHASE ORDER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$262,500. (ARRIAGA)

Council Member Bagley made a motion to approve and authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Gignac & Associates for Architectural Services for the proposed Transit Multi-modal Project; and approve purchase order in the amount of \$262,500. Motion was seconded by Council Member Avalos, which passed unanimously.

XVII. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO ACCEPT TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PROJECT GRANT AGREEMENT RPT 1307 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$380,171 AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO GRANT AGREEMENT. (ARRIAGA)

Council Member Bagley made a motion, seconded by Council Member Fudge to accept TxDOT Grant in the amount of \$380,171 and authorize the City Manager to enter into grant agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

XVIII. ADJOURN.

There being no further business, Mayor Pinkerton adjourned the meeting at 7:51 p.m.

APPROVED

Susan M. Hill, City Secretary

Robert N. Pinkerton, Ir. Mayor