

**MEETING MINUTES  
SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING  
CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND**

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2021**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The Special Events Committee of the City of South Padre Island, Texas, held a regular meeting on Tuesday, November 16, 2021, at the South Padre Island City Council Chambers, 2nd Floor, 4601 Padre Boulevard, South Padre Island, Texas. Chairman Christian Hasbun called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm. A quorum was present: Committee Members Cody Pace, Tomas Saenz, Sean Slovisky, and Amy Salander were present. Vice Chairwoman Lisa Graves was absent

CVB staff members present were CVB Director Ed Caum, Operations and Services Manager Lori Moore, Special Events Manager April Brown, Special Events Coordinator Duvie Alcozer, and Management Assistant Linette Hernandez.

City officials present were City Manager Randy Smith and City Council Members Kerry Shwartz, and Lydia Caballero.

**II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

SEC Chairman Christian Hasbun led the pledge of allegiance.

**III. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Special Events Manager April Romero made a public announcement regarding the lighted Boat Parade scheduled for December 4th and registration being open.

**IV. APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA**

- 4.1. Approve the excused absences for Committee Members Sean Slovisky and Amy Salander for the October 19, 2021 regular meeting. Committee Member Tommy Saenz made a motion to approve, seconded by Committee Member Cody Pace.
- 4.2. Approve the meeting minutes for the October 19, 2021 regular meeting. Committee Member Tommy Saenz made a motion to approve, seconded by Committee Member Cody Pace.
- 4.3. Approve the Special Events Committee post-event reports for the following events. Committee Member Tommy Saenz made a motion to approve, seconded by Committee Member Cody Pace.
  - \* CAF Airshow! 2021
  - \* Sandcastle Days 2021
  - \* Ride for Rotary 2021

## V. REGULAR AGENDA

- 5.1. Discussion and possible action to approve the funding request for SPI Music Festival in September 2022. Event producer Stewart Ramser was present virtually and answered questions from the committee regarding the event. Committee Member Amy Salander made a motion to table the item and requested that the date of the event be re-considered, and requested more information on the participating venues and a marketing plan. Committee Member Sean Slovisky seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.
- 5.2. Discussion and possible action to approve the funding request for the 82nd Annual Texas International Fishing Tournament (TIFT) in August 2022. Tournament Directors Kristi Collier and Daniel Bryant presented at the podium. Committee Member Sean Slovisky made a motion to approve the funding request for \$35,000, seconded by Chairman Christian Hasbun.
- 5.3. Discussion and possible action to approve the funding request for the Ron Hoover Fishing Tournament in July 2022. Dustin Hoover and Omar Puentes presented at the podium and shared a video recap of the 2021 tournament. The requested funding amount was \$28,000. Committee Member Sean Slovisky made a motion to approve the funding request for \$5,000 and \$8,000 in in-kind from the SPI Convention Center, seconded by Committee Member Amy Salander. Motion carried unanimously.
- 5.4. Update and discussion on the Sea Turtle Arts Trail. April Brown spoke at the podium and updated the board on the continuing efforts being made for the Sea Turtle Arts Trail which is still receiving attention from visitors.
- 5.5. Discussion and action concerning new meeting date for December 2021. The next meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, December 15th at 2:00pm

## VI. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 3:17pm.

  
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Linette Hernandez, CVB Management Assistant

Approved by:

  
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SEC Chairman, Christian Hasbun