NOTICE OF PARKS & KEEP SPI BEAUTIFUL COMMITTEE MEETING CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND

WEDNESDAY, MAY 18, 2022

9:00 AM AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 2ND FLOOR 4601 PADRE BOULEVARD, SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Public Comments and Announcements: This is an opportunity for citizens to speak to Committee relating to agenda or non-agenda items. Speakers are required to address Committee at the podium and give their name before addressing their concerns. [Note: State law will not permit the Parks & Keep SPI Beautiful Committee to discuss debate or consider items that are not on the agenda. Citizen Comments may be referred to City Staff or may be placed on the agenda of a future Parks & Keep SPI Beautiful Committee meeting]
- 4. Regular Agenda
 - 4.1. Approval of the minutes from the April 20, 2022 regular meeting.
 - 4.2. Update and discussion regarding City Parks Maintenance. (Wilson)
 - 4.3. Update and discussion on Phase II and Phase III of John L. Tompkins Park. (Huffman)
 - 4.4. Discussion and possible action to change the Yard/Landscape of the Quarter program to a monthly award. (Coker)
 - 4.5. Discussion on ideas to acquire land for a future Dog Park. (Coker)
 - 4.6. Discussion and possible action regarding the Parks and Keep SPI Beautiful Calendar of Events. (Coker)
 - 4.7. Discussion and possible action to consider additional landscaping to beautify the South Padre Island monument sign area. (Gardner)
- 5. Adjourn

NOTE: One or more members of the City of South Padre Island City Council may attend this meeting; if so, this statement satisfies the requirements of the OPEN MEETINGS ACT.

DATED THIS THE 13TH DAY OF MAY 2022

Marta Martinez, Assistant City Secretar

I, THE UNDERSIGNED AUTHORITY, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE PARKS & KEEP SPI BEAUTIFUL COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF SAID NOTICE AND THAT I POSTED A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF SAID NOTICE ON THE BULLETIN BOARD AT CITY HALL/MUNICIPAL BUILDING ON MAY 13, 2022, AT/OR BEFORE 9:00 AM AND REMAINED SO POSTED CONTINUOUSLY FOR WELL STORY TO THE SCHEDULED TIME OF SAID MEETING.

Marta Martinez, Assistant City Secretar

THIS FACILITY IS WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE, AND ACCESSIBLE PARKING SPACES ARE AVAILABLE. REQUESTS FOR ACCOMMODATIONS OR INTERPRETIVE SERVICES MUST BE MADE 48 HOURS PRIOR TO THIS MEETING. PLEASE CONTACT BUILDING OFFICIAL, GEORGE MARTINEZ AT (956)761-8103.

MEETING DATE: May 18, 2022

NAME & TITLE: Debbie Huffman

DEPARTMENT: Planning/Parks & Rec. Department

ITEM

Approval of the minutes from the April 20, 2022 regular meeting.

ITEM BACKGROUND

N/A

BUDGET/FINANCIAL SUMMARY

N/A

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN GOAL

N/A

LEGAL REVIEW

Sent to Legal: No

Approved by Legal: No

MINUTES CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND PARKS & KEEP SPI BEAUTIFUL COMMITTEE

1. Call to order.

The Parks & Keep SPI Beautiful Committee of the City of South Padre Island, Texas held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, April 20, 2022, at the Municipal Complex Building, 2nd Floor, 4601 Padre Boulevard, South Padre Island, Texas. Chairman Berman called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. A quorum was present: Committee Members Evelyn Alpert, Travis Kayser, Laurie Coker, Sandra Tarpey (9:10 am), and Gail Gardner (9:31 am). Committee member Javier Gonzalez was absent.

City staff members present were Parks and Recreation Manager Debbie Huffman, Public Works Director Alex Sanchez, City Secretary Angelique Soto, and City Manager Randy Smith. Also, present City Councilmen Ken Medders.

2. Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Berman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Public Comments and Announcements

Public comments and announcements were given at this time.

4. Regular Agenda

4.1. Approval of the minutes from the March 30, 2022, special meeting.

Committee Member Coker made a motion, seconded by Chairman Berman to approve the special meeting minutes as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

4.2. Update and discussion regarding City Parks Maintenance.

Parks and Recreation Manager Debbie Huffman gave an update regarding the city parks maintenance for Assistant Public Works Director Jon Wilson.

4.3. Update and discussion on Phase II and Phase III of John L Tompkins Parks.

Parks and Recreation Manager Debbie Huffman gave an update on Phase II and Phase III of John L. Tompkins Park.

4.4. Update and possible action to select the Yard/Landscape of the Quarter for April.

A motion to accept 131 E. Mesquite as the Best Yard of the Quarter was made by Committee Member Tarpey and seconded by Committee Member Coker. Motion carried unanimously.

4.5. Discussion and possible action for City Park signage.

A motion to purchase no Barbecuing signs with city ordinance Sec. 25-7 noted on the signs was made by Chairman Berman and seconded by Committee Member Alpert. Motion carried unanimously.

4.6 Update and discussion on the Adopt-a-Plot art program.

Committee Member Kayser gave an update on the progress of the program.

4.7. Discussion and possible action to promote a lights-out campaign in October in coordination with the monarch migration.

Chairman Berman made a motion to move forward to promote a lights-out campaign and was seconded by Committee Member Alpert. Motion carried unanimously.

4.8. Discussion and possible action to have a tree planting event for Arbor Day on April 29, 2022.

Chairman Berman made a motion to have a tree planting event for Arbor Day on April 29, 2022, and was seconded by Committee Member Tarpey. Motion carried unanimously.

5. Adjourn.

Chairman Berman adjourned the meeting at 9:40 a.m.

Debbie Huffman, Parks Manager

Julie Berman, Chairman

MEETING DATE: May 18, 2022

NAME & TITLE: Debbie Huffman

DEPARTMENT: Planning/Parks & Rec. Department

ITEM

Update and discussion regarding City Parks Maintenance. (Wilson)

ITEM BACKGROUND

On going maintenance update of all city parks

BUDGET/FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Park Maintenance 09-572-0433

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN GOAL

PR.C Provide safe and well-maintained facilities - Development of a park system and facilities that provide a safe environment will contribute to a positive user experience. Well-maintained facilities will improve safety while addressing aesthetic and functional standards associated with the park system. Safe and well-maintained park facilities will reduce long-term replacement costs/needs.

LEGAL REVIEW

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ITEM

Update and discussion on Phase II and Phase III of John L. Tompkins Park. (Huffman)

ITEM BACKGROUND

Update on the progress of Phase II and Phase III of John L Tompkins park.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL SUMMARY

\$ 500,000 Texas Parks and Wildlife grant for Phase II

\$ 125,000/\$ 125,000 Texas Parks and Wildlife matching funds grant for Phase III

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN GOAL

PR.D Build new facilities-Provide new amenities associated with a Community Park System on the Island. The construction of new facilities and amenities will contribute to a diverse park system that can meet the demands of a diverse resident and visitor population.

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ITEM

Discussion and possible action to change the Yard/Landscape of the Quarter program to a monthly award. (Coker)

ITEM BACKGROUND

The yard of the quarter award will be presented in quarterly to a business and/or residence that take pride in their yards and/or landscaping. Committee Member Coker has offered to lead this program on a monthly basis instead of quarterly.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL SUMMARY

N/A

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN GOAL

PR. B Enhance natural resources-Enhanced natural resource management will provide a gathering place to be physically active, socialize and connect with the natural world. Enhancing natural resources will protect and preserve environmentally sensitive areas promoting environmental sustainability and healthy ecosystems that can be enjoyed by residents and visitors.

LEGAL REVIEW

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ITEM

Discussion on ideas to acquire land for a future Dog Park. (Coker)

ITEM BACKGROUND

BUDGET/FINANCIAL SUMMARY

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN GOAL

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ITEM

Discussion and possible action regarding the Parks and Keep SPI Beautiful Calendar of Events. (Coker)

ITEM BACKGROUND

The Parks and Keep SPI Beautiful committee events include the July 4th Walking Beach Parade, a park event, the Causeway Memorial event(every other year), Christmas Street Parade and the SPI tree lighting at City Hall. We are asking if anyone on the committee that would like to take the lead on any of these events.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Line item 09-572-9185

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN GOAL

Resolution 2017-40 Set goals and objectives, and create a Calendar of Events

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ITEM

Discussion and possible action to consider additional landscaping to beautify the South Padre Island monument sign area. (Gardner)

ITEM BACKGROUND

South Padre Island has gorgeous Palms/Sea Grapes as we exit the bridge on to our Isle. The big freeze left many areas transformed from the original beauty! We can consider recommendations to look at a refresh to the landscaping at our major scenic area as we come off the bridge. Ideas: Writing of a Grant for restoration, cement edging, plants and additional seascape structures!

BUDGET/FINANCIAL SUMMARY

To be determined.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN GOAL

PR.C Provide safe and well maintained facilities.

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