# MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND

## **WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2022**

#### 1.CALL TO ORDER

The City Council Members of the City of South Padre Island, Texas held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, February 2, 2022 at the Municipal Complex Building, 2 Floor, 4601 Padre Boulevard, South Padre Island, Texas. Mayor McNulty called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m. A quorum was present: Mayor Patrick McNulty, Council Members, Ken Medders, Joe Ricco, Kerry Schwartz, Lydia Caballero, and Eva-Jean Dalton.

City staff members present were City Manager Randy Smith, Police Chief Claudine O'Carroll, Public Works Director Alex Sanchez, Assistant Public Works Director Jon Wilson, Fire Operations Captain Oziel Garcia, Public Information Coordinator Selena Trevino, CVB Operations & Services Manager Lori Moore, CVB Senior Marketing & Communications Manager Teresa Rodriguez, CVB Special Events Manager April Brown, and City Secretary Angelique Soto.

#### 2.PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor McNulty led the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

### 3.PUBLIC COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Public comments and announcements were given at this time.

#### 4.PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:

4.1. PRESENTATION: COMPREHENSIVE PLAN (MCNULTY, DELGADO)

#### **5.APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:**

Council Member Schwartz made a motion, seconded by Council Member Caballero to approve Consent Agenda Items 5.1 through 5.3. Motion carried unanimously.

5.1. APPROVE INVOICES FOR PAYMENT. (GIMENEZ)

Invoices approved for payment by General Fund check numbers 151310 through 151400 and EFT payments totaling \$454,997.57.

- 5.2. APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$23,275 FROM THE BEACH MAINTENANCE FUND FOR PORTABLE RESTROOMS. (BOBURKA)
- 5.3. APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 19, 2022 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING. (SOTO)

## 6.REGULAR AGENDA

6.1. PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION OF THE RGV CHAPTER OF THE TEXAS MASTER NATURALISTS REGARDING A POLLINATOR GARDEN AT SPI CONVENTION CENTRE. (MCNULTY, MEDDERS)

Council Member Medders made a motion, seconded by Council Member Ricco to authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement with the RGV Chapter of the Texas

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Master naturalists regarding a Pollinator Garden at the Convention Centre and approve up to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to fund the project. Motion carried unanimously.

6.2. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE PLANNING ASSISTANCE TO STATES PLANNING INFORMATION FOR SOUTH PADRE ISLAND ON FLOOD RISK AND WATER QUALITY AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY AND CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND. (SANCHEZ)

Council Member Dalton made a motion, seconded by Council Member Caballero to authorize City Manager to execute an agreement and authorize the Mayor to sign the certifications with the Department of the Army for the Planning Assistance to States Planning Information for South Padre Island for Flood Risk and Water Quality. Motion carried unanimously.

6.3. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT UP TO \$132,500 FROM GENERAL FUND EXCESS RESERVES TO FUND THE PLANNING ASSISTANCE TO STATES PLANNING INFORMATION FOR SOUTH PADRE ISLAND ON FLOOD RISK AND WATER QUALITY AGREEMENT. (SANCHEZ)

Council Member Dalton made a motion, seconded by Council Member Caballero to approve a budget amendment up to \$132,500 from General Fund Excess Reserves to fund the Planning Assistance to States Planning Information for South Padre Island on Flood Risk and Water Quality agreement. Motion carried unanimously.

6.4. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT UP TO \$24,800 FROM GENERAL FUND EXCESS RESERVES FOR THE SYNCHRONIZATION THE TRAFFIC SIGNALS ALONG PR 100 (PADRE BOULEVARD) ON THE NORTH SIDE OF THE ISLAND. (SANCHEZ)

Council Member Ricco made a motion, seconded by Council Member Schwartz to approve a budget amendment up to \$24,800 from General Fund Excess Reserves for the synchronization of the traffic signals along PR 100 (Padre Boulevard) on the north side of the Island. Motion carried unanimously.

6.5. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT UP TO \$100,000 FROM EXCESS RESERVES GENERAL FUND TO INSTALL NEW REFLECTORS AND ARMADILLOS TO FURTHER ENHANCE PEDESTRIAN SAFETY IN HIGH TRAFFIC AREAS ALONG GULF BOULEVARD. (WILSON)

Council Member Ricco made a motion, seconded by Council Member Dalton to approve a budget amendment up to \$100,000 from General Fund Excess Reserves to install new reflectors and armadillos to further enhance pedestrian safety in high traffic areas along Gulf Boulevard. Motion carried unanimously.

6.6. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$139,055 FROM EXCESS RESERVES GENERAL FUND TO UPGRADE THE CITY'S NETWORK INFRASTRUCTURE. (MARTINEZ)

Council Member Dalton made a motion, seconded by Council Member Ricco, to approve a budget amendment in the amount of \$139,055 from General Fund Excess Reserves to upgrade the City's network infrastructure. Motion carried unanimously.

6.7. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE FUNDING REQUEST FOR THE ROAR BY THE SHORE AIR SHOW IN AUGUST 2022. (MOORE/BROWN)

Council Member Ricco made a motion, seconded by Council Member Caballero to approve the funding request for the Roar by the Shore Air Show in August 2022. Motion carried unanimously.

6.8. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE KVUE/TEGNA 3 MONTH MARKETING CAMPAIGN FOR TEXAS FOR FY 2021/2022. (RODRIGUEZ/MOORE)

Council Member Ricco made a motion, seconded by Council Member Medders to approve the KVUE/TENGA 3 month marketing campaign for Texas FY 2021/2022. Motion carried unanimously.

6.9. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE ZIMMERMAN AGENCY MEDIA PLAN FOR FY 21/22. (MOORE)

Council Member Schwartz made a motion, seconded by Council Member Caballero to approve the Zimmerman Agency Media Plan for FY 21/22. Motion carried unanimously.

6.10. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT OF \$800,000 FROM HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX EXCESS RESERVES FUND TO BE USED FOR MEDIA PLACEMENT IN FY 21/22. (MOORE)

Council Member Dalton made a motion to approve a budget amendment of \$300,000 from Hotel Occupancy Tax Excess Reserves Fund to be used for media placement for Mexico and the Rio Grande Valley. Motion failed due to a lack of a second.

Council Member Caballero made a motion, seconded by Council Member Dalton to approve \$100,000 from Hotel Occupancy Tax Excess Reserves Fund to be used for media placement for Mexico and the Rio Grande Valley. Motion failed on a 3 to 3 vote with Council Members Ricco, Schwartz, and Medders casting a nay vote.

#### **7.EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

7.1. CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION: PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 551.071, CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY; 551.072, DELIBERATIONS ABOUT REAL PROPERTY; A CLOSED SESSION WILL BE HELD TO DISCUSS REAL PROPERTY AND DISCUSSION OF LEGAL ISSUES REGARDING A LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE SOUTH PADRE ISLAND HISTORICAL FOUNDATION AND THE CITY REGARDING THE PROPERTY WHICH IS LOCATED AT 610 PADRE BOULEVARD. (MCNULTY)

This item was pulled.

## **8.OPEN SESSION:**

8.1. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 22-01 AUTHORIZING A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE SOUTH PADRE ISLAND HISTORICAL FOUNDATION OF THE CITY OWNED PROPERTY LOCATED AT 610 PADRE BOULEVARD FOR THE OPERATION OF A HISTORICAL MUSEUM. (MCNULTY)

This item was pulled.

#### 9.ADJOURN.

There being no further business, Mayor McNulty adjourned the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

APPROVED

Patrick McNulty, Mayor