MINUTES CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2020

I. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council Members of the City of South Padre Island, Texas held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, September 16, 2020, at the Municipal Complex Building, 2nd Floor, 4601 Padre Boulevard, South Padre Island, Texas. Mayor McNulty called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. A quorum was present: Mayor Patrick McNulty, Council Members Ken Medders, Jr., Kerry Schwartz, Joe Ricco, Alita Bagley and Eva-Jean Dalton.

City staff members present were City Manager Randy Smith, Director of Operations Wendi Delgado, Chief Financial Officer Rodrigo Gimenez, Chief of Police Claudine O'Carroll, Fire Chief Jim Pigg, Public Works Director Alex Sanchez, Shoreline Director Kristina Boburka, CVB Director Ed Caum, Environmental Health Director Victor Baldovinos, and City Secretary Angelique Soto.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND TEXAS PLEDGE

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

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Public comments and announcements were given at this time.

IV. APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:

Consent Agenda Item 4.1 was pulled.

Council Member Ricco made a motion, seconded by Council Member Schwartz to approve Consent Agenda items 4.2 through 4.4. Motion carried unanimously.

- A. APPROVAL TO ALLOW THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION BETWEEN THE U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS (USACE), THE CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, AND CAMERON COUNTY FOR THE PLANNING ASSISTANCE TO STATES PROGRAM (PAS) TO DEVELOP A REGIONAL SEDIMENT MANAGEMENT PLAN. (BOBURKA)
- B. APPROVE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 2, 2020 REGULAR MEETING. (SOTO)
- C. APPROVE INVOICES FOR PAYMENT. (GIMENEZ)
 Approve invoices for payment by General Fund checks number 147784 through 147884 and EFT payments totaling \$398,186.43.
- D. APPROVE EXCUSED ABSENCE REQUEST FOR COUNCIL MEMBER ALITA BAGLEY FROM THE OCTOBER 21, 2020 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING. (BAGLEY)

V. REGULAR AGENDA

VI. UPDATE ON MONTHLY PERMIT ACTIVITY FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2020. (MEDDERS)

Council Member Medders provided a brief update on the building permits for the month of August 2020.

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- VII. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO RANK AND APPROVE SUBMISSION OF THE CITY'S FOLLOWING COASTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (CMP)'S CYCLE 26 APPLICATIONS AND ALLOW THE MAYOR TO SIGN A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THE SAME: (BOBURKA)
- 'III. -LIFEGUARD OBSERVATION TOWERS COASTAL HAZARD PREVENTATIVE
- IX. -SEA ISLAND CIRCLE BEACH ACCESS IMPROVEMENTS
- X. -SAPPHIRE CIRCLE BEACH ACCESS IMPROVEMENTS

Council Member Schwartz made a motion, seconded by Council Member Dalton to approve the submission of the City's Coastal Management Program Cycle 26 applications for the Lifeguard Observation Towers Coastal Hazard Preventative and Sea Island Circle Beach Access Improvements and to allow the Mayor to sign a letter of support for the same. Motion carried unanimously.

XI. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO DIRECT THE CITY MANAGER TO HAVE PUBLIC WORKS REVIEW PARKING RESTRICTIONS AND DIRECTIONAL TRAFFIC FOR EAST SUNSET. (MCNULTY)

Council Member Medders made a motion, seconded by Council Member Bagley to direct the City Manager to have Public Works review parking restrictions and directional traffic for East Sunset. Motion carried unanimously.

XII. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO MODIFY AND EXTEND THE EMERGENCY ORDER REGARDING BEACH OPERATIONS. (MCNULTY)

Council Member Bagley made a motion, seconded by Council Member Schwartz to extend the Emergency Order Regarding Beach Operations to until 11:59 p.m. on Thursday, October 15, 2020. Motion carried unanimously.

III. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO EXTEND THE CITY'S DECLARATION OF A LOCAL STATE OF DISASTER DUE TO COVID-19 VIRUS EPIDEMIC TO 11:59 P.M. ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2020. (MCNULTY)

Council Member Bagley made a motion, seconded by Council Member Schwartz to extend the City's Declaration of a Local State of Disaster due to COVID-19 virus epidemic to 11:59 p.m. on Friday, October 23, 2020. Motion carried unanimously.

XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 6:00 p.m., Council Member Schwartz made a motion to go into Executive Session and was seconded by Council Member Ricco. Motion carried unanimously.

At 7:05 p.m., the City Council reconvened into open session.

- A.) CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY TO DISCUSS LETTER OF INTENT FOR POSSIBLE LAND ANNEXATION.
- B.) CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY TO DISCUSS THE ATKINS GROUP PROFESSIONAL SERVICES 6 MONTH CONTRACT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021.
- C.) CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY TO DISCUSS REAL PROPERTY AND DISCUSSION OF LAND ACQUISITION IN REGARDS TO THE RESTORE ACT GRANT.
- XV. OPEN SESSION: REGULAR AGENDA

A.) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO SIGN LETTER OF INTENT PURSUING THE PROPOSED PLAYA DEL REY DEVELOPMENT. (MCNULTY)

Council Member Ricco made a motion, seconded by Council Member Medders to authorize the Mayor to sign a letter of intent pursuing the proposed Playa Del Rey Development. Motion carried unanimously.

B.) DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE THE ATKINS GROUP PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR SIX MONTHS IN FY 2020-2021, BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2020 THROUGH MARCH 31, 2021. (CAUM)

Council Member Ricco made a motion, seconded by Council Member Bagley to approve The Atkins Group Professional Services Contract for six months in FY 2020-2021, beginning October 1, 2020 through March 31, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

C.) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE RESTORE ACT FUNDS AND POSSIBLE PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY. (BOBURKA)

No action was taken.

XVI. ADJOURN.

There being no further business, Mayor McNulty adjourned the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

APPROVED

Patrick McNulty, Mayor