

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

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2020

1. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council Members of the City of South Padre Island, Texas held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, December 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, Assistant Public Works Director Jon Wilson, Parks and Recreation Manager Debbie Huffman, Shoreline Director Kristina Boburka, Environmental Health Director Victor Baldovinos, Building Official Belinda Tarver, and City Secretary Angelique Soto.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND TEXAS PLEDGE

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. APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:

Council Member Bagley made a motion, seconded by Council Member Dalton to approve Consent Items 4.1 through 4.4. Motion carried unanimously.

- 4.1. APPROVE ACCEPTANCE OF THE PIEDC 2020-2021 FUNDING TO CONTINUE THE CURRENT LEVEL OF TRANSIT SERVICES. (ARRIAGA)**
- 4.2. APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE DECEMBER 2, 2020 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING. (SOTO)**
- 4.3. APPROVE INVOICES FOR PAYMENT. (GIMENEZ)**
- 4.4. APPROVED EXCUSED ABSENCE FOR COUNCIL MEMBER EVA JEAN DALTON FROM THE DECEMBER 2, 2020 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING. (SOTO)**

5. REGULAR AGENDA

- 5.1. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPOINT A MAYOR PRO-TEM FOR A TERM TO BEGIN DECEMBER 16, 2020, AND WILL CONTINUE FOR ONE YEAR OR UNTIL SUPERSEDED BY NEW CITY COUNCIL APPOINTMENT; AND APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2020-25 DESIGNATING THE APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR PRO-TEM. (MCNULTY)**

Council Member Schwartz made a motion, seconded by Council Member Medders to appoint Council Member Ricco as Mayor-Pro Tem beginning December 16, 2020, and continue for one year or until superseded by new Council appointment and approved Resolution No. 2020-25 designating the appointment of Mayor Pro-Tem. Motion passes on a 5 to 1 vote with Council Member Bagley casting a nay vote.

A true and correct copy of said Resolution was placed in the City's Resolution Book and entitled Resolution No. 2020-25, and, by reference hereto, included in these Minutes as if fully set out and spread upon the pages of the Minutes Book.

5.2. UPDATE ON MONTHLY BUILDING PERMIT ACTIVITY FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2020. (MEDDERS)

Council Member Medders provided a brief update regarding the Building Permits activity for the month of November 2020.

5.3. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE FUNDING REQUEST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,000 TO THE POINT ISABEL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT. (MCNULTY)

Council Member Ricco made a motion, seconded by Council Member Schwartz to approve the funding request in the amount of \$4,000 to the Point Isabel Independent School District. Motion carried unanimously.

5.4. UPDATE, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPOINT THE PARKS, RECREATION AND BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE TO LOOK INTO AND ADMINISTER THE NATIONAL WILDLIFE FEDERATION "MAYORS MONARCH PLEDGE" IN WHICH CITIES AND MUNICIPALITIES ARE COMMITTING TO CREATE/RESTORE MONARCH BUTTERFLY HABITAT IN THE COMMUNITY. (MCNULTY)

Council Member Bagley made a motion, seconded by Council Member Schwartz appoint the Parks, Recreation And Beautification Committee to look into and administer The National Wildlife Federation "Mayors Monarch Pledge" In which cities and municipalities are committing to create/restore monarch butterfly habitat in the community. Motion carried unanimously.

5.5. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE PR-100 LANDSCAPING AND MONARCH TRAIL PROPOSED LANDSCAPE PLAN. (WILSON)

Council Member Ricco made a motion, seconded by Council Member Schwartz to table this item and return at the next Regular City Council Meeting on January 6, 2021. Motion passes on at 5 to 1 vote with Mayor McNulty casting a nay vote.

5.6. UPDATE, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING BUDGET AND CONCEPT TEST LOCATION FOR THE PADRE BOULEVARD SHADE STRUCTURE PROJECT. (WILSON)

Council Member Ricco made a motion, seconded by Council Member Schwartz to approve budget and concept test location for the Padre Boulevard Shade Structure Project. Motion carried unanimously.

5.7. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE THE FINAL DESIGN FOR THE SUNSET BEACH ACCESS WALKOVER AND AUTHORIZE ADVERTISING FOR CONSTRUCTION BIDS. (BOBURKA)

Council Member Medders made a motion, seconded by Council Member Schwartz to approve the final design for the Sunset Beach Access Walkover and authorize advertising for construction bids. Motion carried unanimously.

5.8. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON THE RENEWAL OF THE ADA BEACH ACCESS PORTABLE RESTROOMS. (BOBURKA)

Council Member Ricco made a motion, seconded by Council Member Medders to approve the renewal of the ADA beach access portable restrooms. Motion carried unanimously.

5.9. DISCUSSION AND ACTION FOR A BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$90,000 TO COVER THE REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES UNDER THE

**AWARDED BEACH AND DUNE STUDY FROM THE COASTAL
MANAGEMENT PROGRAM'S CYCLE 24. (BOBURKA)**

Council Member Bagley made a motion, seconded by Council Member Schwartz to approve a budget amendment in the amount of \$90,000 to cover the reimbursable expenses under the awarded beach and dune study from the Coastal Management Program's Cycle 24. Motion carried unanimously.

**5.10. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO EXTEND THE CITY'S DECLARATION OF A
LOCAL STATE OF DISASTER DUE COVID-19 VIRUS EPIDEMIC TO 11:59
P.M. ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 29, 2021. (MCNULTY)**

Council Member Ricco made a motion, seconded by Council Member Schwartz to extend the City's Declaration of a Local State of Disaster due COVID-19 virus epidemic to 11:59 p.m. on Friday, January 29, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

6.EXECUTIVE SESSION:

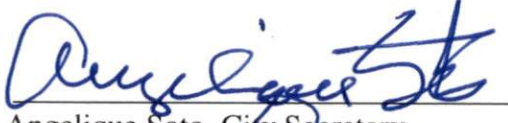
At 6:50 p.m., Council Member Bagley made a motion, seconded by Council Member Dalton to go into Executive Session. Motion carried unanimously.

At 8:00 p.m., the City Council reconvened into open session.

**6.1. A.) CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY TO DISCUSS SURFVIVE V. SPI
LAWSUIT.**

7.ADJOURN.

There being no further business, Mayor McNulty adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.


Angelique Soto, City Secretary

APPROVED


Patrick McNulty, Mayor

