# MINUTES CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

# **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2017**

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council Members of the City of South Padre Island, Texas held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, October 18, 2017 at the Municipal Complex Building, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 4601 Padre Boulevard, South Padre Island, Texas. Mayor Patel called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m. A quorum was present: Council Member Dennis Stahl, Theresa Metty, Alita Bagley and Paul Munarriz. Council Member Ron Pitcock was out with an excused absence.

City staff members present were City Manager Susan Guthrie, Assistant City Manager Darla Jones, Police Chief Randy Smith, Chief Financial Officer Rodrigo Gimenez, Public Works Director Alex Sanchez, Development Director Sungman Kim, Administrative Services Director Wendi Delgado, CVB Director Keith Arnold, Fire Chief Doug Fowler, Environmental Health Director Victor Baldovinos, Transit Director Jesse Arriaga, Shoreline Management Director Brandon Hill, Assistant Public Works Director Jon Wilson, Information Technology Director Mark Shellard, Public Information Officer Angelique Soto, Parks and Recreation Manager Anne Payne, Assistant Finance Director Eddie Salazar, Fire Captain Jim Pigg and City Secretary Susan Hill.

## II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Patel led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### III. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Public comments and announcements were given at this time.

## IV. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:

- a. RECOGNITION: PROMOTION-PINNING OF BADGE JIM PIGG
- b. PROCLAMATION: FRIENDS OF ANIMAL RESCUE
- c. PRESENTATION: BIRD OF THE MONTH
- d. PRESENTATION: LAGUNA MADRE WATER DISTRICT PROPOSITION A
- e. PRESENTATION: SHORT TERM RENTAL (STR) UPDATE

### V. APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:

Mayor Patel announced that Item 5e and 5f will be pulled to be considered separately.

Council Member Bagley made a motion, seconded by Council Member Munarriz to approve Items 5a, 5b, 5c, 5d and 5g from the Consent Agenda. Motion passed on a unanimous vote.

Council Member Bagley made a motion to approve second and final reading of Ordinance No. 17-14 as submitted. Council Member Munarriz seconded the motion. Motion carried on a 3 to 1 to 0 vote with Council Member Metty casting a nay vote and Mayor Patel abstaining from conversation and vote.

Council Member Munarriz made a motion, seconded by Council Member Stahl to approve second and final reading of Ordinance No. 17-15 as submitted. Motion passed on a 3 to 1 to 0 vote with Council Member Metty casting a nay vote and Mayor Patel abstaining from conversation and vote.

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- a. APPROVE MINUTES OF OCTOBER 4, 2017 REGULAR MEETING. (S. HILL)
- b. APPROVE INVOICES FOR PAYMENT. (GIMENEZ)

Invoices approved for payment were paid by General Fund checks numbered 139467 through 139594 and EFT payments totaling \$1,373,686.06.

- APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$220,000 c. FROM HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX RESERVES TO BE ALLOCATED TOWARDS THE FUNDING APPROVED BY COUNCIL AT THE 4, **OCTOBER** 2017 **MEETING FOR YOUNG STRATEGIES** COMPREHENSIVE TRAVEL MARKET RESEARCH STUDY AND THE UNIVERSITY OF **TEXAS-RIO GRANDE** VALLEY ECONOMIC IMPACT RESEARCH STUDY. (ARNOLD)
- d. APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$131,831 TO THE 2017-18 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET TO REFLECT THE 2016-17 FISCAL YEAR REMAINING BALANCES, PREVIOUSLY APPROVED BY COUNCIL, ALLOCATED FOR BUTTERFLY AND TOMPKINS PARK IMPROVEMENTS. (PAYNE)
- e. APPROVE SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 17-14
  OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND AMENDING THE ZONING
  DISTRICT MAP OF THE CITY BY REZONING CERTAIN BEACH AND
  SUBMERGED LAND AREAS, EAST OF BLOCK 20, PADRE BEACH
  ESTATES SUBDIVISION (LA QUINTA INN & SUITES), CONTRAN
  SUBDIVISION LOT 2 (CLAYTON'S BEACH BAR), EAST TRACT 17,
  PADRE BEACH ESTATE SUBDIVISION (CLAYTON'S FISHING PIER),
  AND EAST TRACT 16, PADRE BEACH ESTATE SUBDIVISION
  (MARRIOTT, COURT YARD) FROM DISTRICT "B" MULTI-FAMILY
  DWELLING, APARTMENT, MOTEL, HOTEL, CONDOMINIUM,
  TOWNHOUSE DISTRICT TO DISTRICT "PBN" PADRE BOULEVARD
  NORTH CHARACTER ZONE. (KIM)

A true and correct copy of said Ordinance was placed in the City's Ordinance Book and entitled Ordinance No. 17-14, and, by reference hereto, included in these Minutes as if fully set out and spread upon the pages of the Minutes Book.

f. APPROVE SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 17-15 OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS REFERRING TO THE SPECIFIC USE PERMIT BY MAKING A REFERENCE IN THE ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS; PROVIDING FOR A SPECIFIC USE PERMIT FOR A PRIVATE (COMMERCIAL) FISHING PIER AT EAST TRACT 17, PADRE BEACH ESTATE SUBDIVISION AND SUBMERGED LANDS BELONGING TO THE TEXAS GENERAL LAND OFFICE. (KIM)

A true and correct copy of said Ordinance was placed in the City's Ordinance Book and entitled Ordinance No. 17-15, and, by reference hereto, included in these Minutes as if fully set out and spread upon the pages of the Minutes Book.

g. APPROVE SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 17-16
OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS AMENDING
CHAPTER 2, SECTION 2-36 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES BY
ADDING THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT AND
CHANGING THE NAME OF THE SHORELINE MANAGEMENT
DEPARTMENT TO SHORELINE DEPARTMENT. (DELGADO)

A true and correct copy of said Ordinance was placed in the City's Ordinance Book and entitled Ordinance No. 17-16, and, by reference hereto, included in these Minutes as if fully set out and spread upon the pages of the Minutes Book.

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VI. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO AWARD CONTRACT TO HDR ENGINEERING FOR FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR ECO-LOTS ECOTOURISM AREA AND KAYAK LAUNCHING FACILITY AT AREA NEAR THE CONVENTION CENTRE; AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE SAME. (JONES)

Council Member Bagley made a motion, seconded by Mayor Patel to approve the award of contract, not to exceed \$50,000, to HDR Engineering for a Feasibility Study for Ecolots Ecotourism area and Kayak Launching Facility. Motion carried unanimously.

VII. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE THE 2017/2018 CONTRACT WITH CAMERON COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 1 FOR FIRE AND EMS SERVICES IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA DESIGNATED AS ZONE 6 ON SOUTH PADRE ISLAND. (FOWLER)

Council Member Stahl made a motion to approve the 2017/2018 contract with Cameron County Emergency Services District No. 1 for Fire and EMS services in the unincorporated areas of the Island. Council Member Metty seconded the motion which passed on a unanimous vote.

- VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION: PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 551.071(1)(A), CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY REGARDING PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION; 551.072, DELIBERATIONS ABOUT REAL PROPERTY; TO DISCUSS:
  - a. LA CONCHA CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION VS. CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND
  - b. REAL ESTATE PROPERTY CORRAL LOT

At 6:48 p.m., Council Member Stahl made a motion, seconded by Council Member Munarriz to go into Executive Session. Motion carried unanimously.

At 7:11 p.m., the City Council reconvened into open session.

IX. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING PENDING LITIGATION INVOLVING LA CONCHA CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION.

No action taken.

X. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING CORRAL REAL ESTATE PROPERTY.

Council Member Stahl made a motion to authorize the City Manager expend \$10,000 to extend contract to December 29, 2017 and, if necessary, an additional \$15,000 for an additional ninety day period. Motion was seconded by Council Member Metty, which passed on a unanimous vote.

XI. ADJOURN.

There being no further action, Mayor Patel adjourned the meeting at 7:15 pm.

Susan M. Hill, City Secretary

**APPROVED** 

Bharat R. Patel, Mayor

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