

<b>MINUTES CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING</b>
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**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2020**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

The City Council Members of the City of South Padre Island, Texas held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, January 8, 2020 at the Municipal Complex Building, 2<sup>nd</sup> 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, Public Works Director Alex Sanchez, Chief of Police Claudine O'Carroll, Fire Chief Jim Pigg, Environmental Health Director Victor Baldovinos, CVB Director Ed Caum, Planning Director Aaron Hanley, Assistant Public Works Director Jon Wilson, Information Technology Director Mark Shellard, Public Information Officer Angelique Soto and City Secretary Susan Manning.

**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. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:**

- a. **PRESENTATION: *TREASURE ISLAND DIVERS – THE DOCUMENTARY***

**V. APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:**

Council Member Medders made a motion, seconded by Council Member Schwartz to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

- a. **APPROVE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 11, 2019 REGULAR MEETING AND DECEMBER 16, 2019 SPECIAL MEETING. (MANNING)**

- b. **APPROVE INVOICES FOR PAYMENT. (GIMENEZ)**

Invoices approved for payment were paid by General Fund checks numbered 146070 through 146186 and EFT payments totaling \$424,545.58.

- c. **APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENT TO ALLOCATE FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,500 ASSOCIATED WITH THE U.S. FOOD DRUG ADMINISTRATION (FDA) THROUGH THE ASSOCIATION OF FOOD AND DRUG OFFICIALS (AFDO) RETAIL PROGRAM STANDARDS GRANT (CFDA #93.103). (BALDOVINOS)**

- d. **APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2020-01 TO DECLARE VARIOUS ASSETS AS SURPLUS PROPERTY AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO DISPOSE OF SUCH PROPERTY IN A MANNER THAT IS BENEFICIAL TO THE CITY AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FIXED ASSETS POLICY. (GIMENEZ)**

A true and correct copy of said Resolution was placed in the City's Resolution Book and entitled Resolution No. 2020-01, and, by reference hereto, included in these Minutes as if fully set out and spread upon the pages of the Minutes Book.

- e. **APPROVE EXCUSED ABSENCE REQUEST FOR COUNCIL MEMBER JOE RICCO FROM THE DECEMBER 16, 2019 SPECIAL MEETING. (RICCO)**
- f. **APPROVE EXCUSED ABSENCE REQUEST FOR COUNCIL MEMBER ALITA BAGLEY FROM THE DECEMBER 16, 2019 SPECIAL MEETING. (BAGLEY)**

**VI. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE THE FORMATION OF AN AD HOC HEALTHCARE COMMITTEE TO ADD A HEALTHCARE COMPONENT TO SOUTH PADRE ISLAND. (LAPEYRE)**

Council Member Ricco made a motion to approve the formation of an ad hoc Healthcare committee to assist the EDC in evaluating the feasibility of a healthcare component on South Padre Island. Motion was seconded by Council Member Schwartz, which passed on a unanimous vote.

**VII. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE SOUTH PADRE ISLAND HISTORICAL FOUNDATION TO LEASE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 610 PADRE BOULEVARD TO BE USED AS A MUSEUM DEDICATED TO PRESERVING THE LEGACY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO LEASE AGREEMENT. (RICCO/SMITH)**

Council Member Ricco made a motion, seconded by Council Member Schwartz to approve a lease agreement with the South Padre Island Historical Foundation to lease property located at 610 Padre Boulevard including an amendment regarding the use of parking areas. Motion carried unanimously.

**VIII. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE UNDEVELOPED WHITE SANDS RIGHT-OF-WAY WEST OF PADRE BLVD. (HANLEY)**

Council Member Schwartz made a motion to authorize the City Manager to negotiate a lease of the right-of-way for existing encroachment and additional development. Council Member Ricco seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

**IX. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE AND ENTER INTO CONTRACT FOR GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE PR 100 MEDIAN, BOARDWALK, AND SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS AND APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$55,000 TO FUND THESE SERVICES. (SANCHEZ)**

Council Member Bagley made a motion to authorize the City Manager to negotiate and enter into contract with MEG Engineers for geotechnical engineering services (construction materials testing) for the PR 100 Median, Boardwalk and Sidewalk Improvement project and approve a budget amendment in the amount of \$55,000. Motion was seconded by Council Member Schwartz, which carried unanimously.

**X. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE A BUDGET ENHANCEMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$30,000 FROM CVB EXCESS RESERVES FOR MEETINGS & GROUP MEDIA PLAN (594). (CAUM)**

Council Member Ricco made a motion to approve a budget enhancement in the amount of \$30,000 for Meetings & Group Media Plan which includes monies for The Atkins Group travel to attend the Convention and Visitors Advisory Board meetings and monies for groups and meetings. Council Member Bagley seconded the motion, which passed on a unanimous vote.

**XI. PRESENTATION AND UPDATE REGARDING THE \$200,000 PREVIOUSLY APPROVED FROM EXCESS RESERVE FOR IN-HOUSE MARKETING AND PUBLIC RELATIONS MEDIA AND CONTENT BUYS. (CAUM)**

CVB Director Ed Caum gave an update on the in-house marketing and public relations media and content buys that City Council previously approved.

**XII. UPDATE ON THE LAGUNA BOULEVARD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT. (SANCHEZ)**

Public Works Director Carlos (Alex) Sanchez gave a brief update on the status of the Laguna Boulevard Improvement Project.

**XIII. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE THE FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 20-01 AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 18-03 THAT UPDATES THE MASTER FLOOD HAZARD PREVENTION ORDINANCE TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM (NFIP). (SANCHEZ)**

Council Member Bagley made a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 20-01 amending the Master Flood Hazard Prevention ordinance. Council Member Schwartz seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

**XIV. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPOINT MEMBERS TO VACANCIES CREATED BY RESIGNATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING: (MCNULTY)**

- a. **BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS AND APPEALS**
- b. **BOARD OF ETHICS**
- c. **CONVENTION AND VISITORS ADVISORY BOARD**
- d. **DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS REVIEW TASK FORCE**
- e. **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**
- f. **HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMITTEE**
- g. **KEEP SPI BEAUTIFUL COMMITTEE**
- h. **PARKS, RECREATION & BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE**
- i. **PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION**
- j. **SHORELINE TASK FORCE**

Item 14a was pulled due to not enough applications submitted to fill the expired/vacant terms.

Council Member Bagley made a motion to approve the following to fill expired terms to the City's boards, committees, task force, commissions. Motion was seconded by Council Member Schwartz, which carried on a unanimous vote:

Board of Ethics: Christiana Dijkman, Meg Clifton, Heath Holland

Convention and Visitors Advisory Board: Arnie Crenin, Tom Goodman, Daniel Salazar

Development Standards Review Task Force: Gar Treharne, Charles Fox

Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors: Thomas Bainter, Ken Medders, Jr., Kevin Miller

Parks and Keep SPI Beautiful Committee: Carol Bolstad, Thomas Bainter, Jeff Hoxtell

Planning and Zoning Commission: Howard Avery, David Zipp, Chris Huffman

Shoreline Task Force: Virginia Guillot, Norma Trevino, Kyle Adams

**XV. CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION: ATTORNEY CONSULTATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 551.071 TEXAS GOV'T CODE RELATING TO PENDING LITIGATION STYLED AND NUMBERED, SURFVIVE, ANUBIS AVALOS, AND ADONAI RAMSES AVALOS VS. CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND CAUSE NO. 2019-DCL-01284; 138<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL DISTRICT, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS, AND RELATED MATTERS.**

At 6:36 p.m., Council Member Bagley made a motion, seconded by Council Member Schwartz to go into Executive Session. Motion carried unanimously.

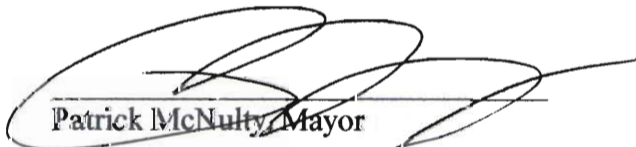
At 7:12 p.m., the City Council reconvened into open session.

**XVI. ADJOURN.**

There being no further business, Mayor McNulty adjourned the meeting at 7:14 p.m.

  
Susan M. Manning, City Secretary

APPROVED

  
Patrick McNulty, Mayor

