

**MINUTES
CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND
CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP**

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2017

I. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council Members of the City of South Padre Island, Texas held a Workshop on Wednesday, January 18, 2017 at the Municipal Complex Building, 2nd Floor, 4601 Padre Boulevard, South Padre Island, Texas. Mayor Patel called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm. A quorum was present: Council Member Dennis Stahl, Ron Pitcock, Alita Bagley and Paul Munarriz, with Council Member Theresa Metty absent. Also present was Assistant City Attorney Kathy Cunningham.

City staff members present were City Manager Susan Guthrie, Assistant City Manager Darla Jones, Public Safety Director Randy Smith, Chief Financial Officer Rodrigo Gimenez, Public Works Director Alex Sanchez, Development Director Sungman Kim, CVB Director Keith Arnold, Business Development Director Michael Flores, Transit Director Jesse Arriaga, Shoreline Management Director Brandon Hill 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. DISCUSSION OF VENUE TAX, TO INCLUDE:

- a. **VENUE TAX OVERVIEW**
- b. **FUNDING AND REVENUE**
- c. **MEDIANS AND IMPROVEMENTS**
- d. **CONVENTION CENTER ANNEX**
- e. **PARKING GARAGE**
- f. **WIND SPORT FACILITY**
- g. **AMPHITHEATRE**
- h. **PRIORITIZATION OF PROJECTS**

Discussion was held regarding the venue tax and projects. The voters elected, at the November 8, 2016 Election, to levy an additional 2% HOT (Hotel Occupancy Tax) to fund the above listed projects. It was noted that revenue could be used for M&O on the projects as well as debt service. To preserve the right to levy the venue HOT, the City must issue debt secured by HOT revenues within 1 year from the date the tax was levied (January 1, 2017). Each venue project was addressed which included citizen input, Council discussion and direction.

V. ADJOURN.

There being no further discussion, Mayor Patel adjourned the workshop at 3:04 pm.


Susan M. Hill, City Secretary

APPROVED


Bharat R. Patel, Mayor

