

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

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1, 2017

I. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council Members of the City of South Padre Island, Texas held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, March 1, 2017 at the Municipal Complex Building, 2nd Floor, 4601 Padre Boulevard, South Padre Island, Texas. Mayor Patel called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. A full quorum was present: Council Member Dennis Stahl, Ron Pitcock, Theresa Metty, Alita Bagley and Paul Munarriz. 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, Administrative Services Director Wendi Delgado, CVB Director Keith Arnold, Fire Chief William Fowler, Environmental Health Director Victor Baldovinos, Transit Director Jesse Arriaga, Assistant Public Works Director Jon Wilson, Interim Public Information Officer Angelique Soto and City Secretary Susan Hill.

At this time, Mayor Patel asked for a Moment of Silence for the late Paul Y. Cunningham, Jr.

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:

Mayor Patel took the opportunity to recognize Courtney Hayden as the City's recipient for the 2017 Rio Grande Walk of Fame award.

V. APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:

Council Member Pitcock made a motion, seconded by Council Member Bagley to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried on a 5 to 0 vote with Council Member Munarriz abstaining from the vote.

a. APPROVE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 15, 2017 REGULAR MEETING. (S. HILL)

b. APPROVE INVOICES FOR PAYMENT. (GIMENEZ)

Invoices approved for payment were paid by General Fund checks numbered 137596 through 137699 and EFT payments totaling \$518,640.00.

c. APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2017-05 APPROVING SUBMISSION OF GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE STONEGARDEN PROJECT TO THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR TO HELP ASSURE OPERATIONAL READINESS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT ALONG U.S. LAND BORDERS. (SMITH)

A true and correct copy of said Resolution was placed in the City's Resolution Book and entitled Resolution No. 2017-05, and, by reference hereto, included in these Minutes as if fully set out and spread upon the pages of the Minutes Book.

- d. **APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2017-06 APPROVING SUBMISSION OF GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE BORDERSTAR PROJECT TO THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR TO HELP PREVENT AND REDUCE BORDER-RELATED CRIMINAL ACTIVITY. (SMITH)**

A true and correct copy of said Resolution was placed in the City's Resolution Book and entitled Resolution No. 2017-06, and, by reference hereto, included in these Minutes as if fully set out and spread upon the pages of the Minutes Book.

- e. **APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH EGOV STRATEGIES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$16,812.50 TO UPGRADE AND MODIFY THE HOT REGISTRATION WEBSITE; AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT AND APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENT FROM THE HOTEL MOTEL FUND FOR SAME AMOUNT. (SHELLARD)**

- f. **APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$22,602 TO ALLOCATE 10% OF THE INCREASE IN HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX REVENUES TO CVB STAFF AS APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL ON AUGUST 3, 2016. (GUTHRIE)**

- g. **APPROVE SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 17-01 ADDING CHAPTER 25 TO ESTABLISH THE RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR PUBLIC PARKS AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES. (KIM)**

A true and correct copy of said Ordinance was placed in the City's Ordinance Book and entitled Ordinance No. 17-01, and, by reference hereto, included in these Minutes as if fully set out and spread upon the pages of the Minutes Book.

- VI. **PRESENTATION, DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE THE COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT (CAFR) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015-16 AS PRESENTED BY QUENTIN ANDERSON FROM CARR, RIGGS & INGRAM. (GIMENEZ)**

After a short presentation by Quentin Anderson, Carr, Riggs & Ingram, Council Member Stahl made a motion to approve the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for fiscal year 2015-16. Motion was seconded by Council Member Pitcock, which carried unanimously.

- VII. **UPDATE AND DISCUSSION ON VENUE TAX PROJECTS. (GUTHRIE)**

- a. **MEDIANS AND IMPROVEMENTS**
- b. **CONVENTION CENTER PROPERTY ACQUISITION**
- c. **PARKING**
- d. **WIND AND WATER SPORTS FACILITY**
- e. **AMPHITHEATER/VENUE**
- f. **TIMETABLE**

Discussion and a brief update were given.

- VIII. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,000 FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO PLANT AND IMPROVE THE BUTTERFLY PARK. (KIM)**

Council Member Stahl made a motion to approve budget amendment in the amount of \$15,000 to plant and improve the Butterfly Park; and requested for a legal review and Memorandum of Understanding with the other owner of the lot be implemented. Council Member Metty seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

IX. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO AWARD MORNINGSIDE ROAD DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$62,496 TO THE LOWEST BIDDER, G & T PAVING, L.L.C.; AND APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENT FROM THE GENERAL FUND FOR SAME AMOUNT. (A. SANCHEZ)

Mayor Patel made a motion, seconded by Council Member Metty to award contract for Morningside Road Drainage Improvements to the lowest bidder meeting specifications, G & T Paving, L.L.C, in the amount of \$62,496. Motion carried on a unanimous vote.

One other bid was received from Bryant Industrial Services in the amount of \$78,120.

X. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPOINT/REAPPOINT SIX MEMBERS TO THE TAX INCREMENT REINVESTMENT ZONE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR TWO YEAR TERM TO EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2018; APPOINT A CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN TO SERVE 1 YEAR TIME (EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 2017); AND TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2017-07 APPOINTING CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR. (JONES)

Mayor Patel made a motion to appoint the South Padre Island City Council and County Commissioner Sofia Benavides as the Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone Board of Directors; and approve Resolution No. 2017-07 appointing the Mayor as Chairman and Mayor Pro-tem as Vice-Chairman. Motion was seconded by Council Member Metty, which passed unanimously.

A true and correct copy of said Resolution was placed in the City's Resolution Book and entitled Resolution No. 2017-07, and, by reference hereto, included in these Minutes as if fully set out and spread upon the pages of the Minutes Book.

XI. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPOINT MEMBERS TO VACANCIES TO THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES:

- a. BOARD OF ETHICS (1 MEMBER)**
- b. KEEP SPI BEAUTIFUL COMMITTEE (5 MEMBERS)**
- c. PARKS, RECREATION & BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE (1 MEMBER)**

Council Member Stahl made a motion, seconded by Council Member Bagley to appoint the following:

Board of Ethics: Deborah Dawson

Keep SPI Beautiful Committee: Dee Onda Ahadi, Alexandra Brotzman, Kimberly Dollar, Javier Gonzalez and Mary Tannenbaum

Parks, Recreation & Beautification Committee: Bella Hernandez

Motion carried on a unanimous vote.

XII. EXECUTIVE SESSION: PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 551.071, CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY; 551.072, DELIBERATIONS ABOUT REAL PROPERTY; TO DISCUSS:


- a. DELIBERATION AND DISCUSSION OF REAL PROPERTY AS IT RELATES TO THE VENUE PROJECT.**
- b. DELIBERATION AND DISCUSSION OF REAL PROPERTY AS IT RELATES TO GRANT PROJECTS.**

At 6:07 p.m., Mayor Patel made a motion, seconded by Council Member Stahl to go into Executive Session. Motion carried unanimously.

At 6:58 p.m., the City Council reconvened into open session.

XIII. **ADJOURN.**

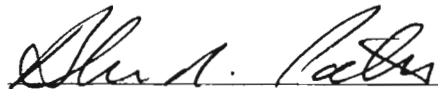
There being no further business, Mayor Patel adjourned the meeting at 6:58 p.m.



Susan M. Hill, City Secretary

APPROVED





Bharat R. Patel, Mayor