#### NOTICE OF MEETING CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE

# NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS WILL HOLD A MEETING ON:

#### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10, 2019 3:00 P.M. AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 2ND FLOOR 4601 PADRE BOULEVARD, SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS

- 1. Call to order.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3. Public announcements and comments: This is an opportunity for citizens to speak to the Special Events Committee relating to agenda or non-agenda items. Speakers are required to address the Special Events Committee at the podium and give their name before addressing their concerns. (Note: State law will not permit the Committee to discuss, debate or consider items that are not on the agenda. Citizen comments may be referred to Convention and Visitors Bureau staff or may be placed on the agenda of a future Special Events Committee meeting).
- 4. Consent Agenda:
  - a. Approve meeting minutes from March 6, 2019, regular meeting.
  - b. Approve excused absence for Committee Members Tomas Saenz and Alexandra Brotzman for March 6, 2019, regular meeting.
- 5. Discussion and possible action regarding the following special event funding applications and recommendation to Convention and Visitors Advisory Board for approval:
  - a. Shallow Sport Tournament
  - b. Wahoo Fishing Tournament
  - c. JJ Zapata Fishing Tournament
  - d. Zombie Charge
  - e. SPI Triathlon
  - f. Mariachi Run
  - g. Veterans' Day Weekend
  - h. Holiday Lights over Padre Weekend
  - i. HalloWings
- 6. Discussion and possible action to approve the funding request for AIRSHOW 2019. (Amaya)
- 7. Discussion and possible action to approve the funding request for the SandCastle Trail Maintenance. (Amaya)

- 8. Discussion and possible action to approve the funding request for Fishing's Future. (Amaya)
- 9. Discussion and possible action regarding Special Event funding categories. (Till)
- 10. Discussion and possible action regarding Special Event tiers. (Till)
- 11. Discussion regarding communication of Special Events to local stakeholders. (Till)
- 12. Discussion and possible action regarding UTRGV Special Event surveys. (Amaya)
- 13. Discussion and possible action concerning setting next Special Events Committee meeting date.
- 14. Adjournment.

DATED THIS THE 5th DAY OF APRIL 2019.

Rosa Zapata, CVB Executive Services Specialist

I, THE UNDERSIGNED AUTHORITY, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE NOTICE OF MEETING FOR THE SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF SAID NOTICE AND THAT I POSTED A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY OF SAID NOTICE ON THE BULLETIN BOARD AT THE CITY HALL/MUNICIPAL BUILDING ON <u>April 5, 2019</u>, at/or before 5:00 P.M. AND REMAINED SO POSTED CONTINUOUSLY FOR AT LEAST 72 HOURS PRECEDING WHE SUBJECT OF SAID MEETING.



Rosa Zapata, CVB Executive Services Specialist

THERE MAY BE ONE OR MORE MEMBERS OF THE SOUTH PADRE ISLAND CITY COUNCIL AND CONVENTION AND VISITORS ADVISORY BOARD ATTENDING THIS MEETING, AND IF SO, THIS STATEMENT SATISFIES THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT.

THIS FACILITY IS WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE AND ACCESSIBLE PARKING SPACES ARE AVAILABLE. REQUESTS FOR ACCOMMODATIONS OR INTERPRETIVE SERVICES MUST BE MADE 48 HOURS PRIOR TO THIS MEETING. PLEASE CONTACT BUILDING OFFICIAL DAVID TRAVIS; ADA RESPONSIBLE PARTY AT (956) 761-8103.

Item No. 4

#### CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND ADVISORY BOARD CONSENT AGENDA

#### **MEETING DATE:** April 10, 2019

#### ITEM DESCRIPTION

NOTE: All matters listed under Consent Agenda are considered routine by the Special EventsAdvisory Board of the City of South Padre Island and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be separate discussion of these items, unless discussion is desired, in which case that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.

Items to be considered are:

- a. Approve meeting minutes from March 6, 2019, regular meeting.
- b. Approve excused absence for Committee Members Tomas Saenz and Alexandra Brotzman for March 6, 2019, regular meeting.

**RECOMMENDATIONS/COMMENTS** 

Approve Consent Agenda

#### MINUTES CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING

#### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6, 2019

#### I. CALL TO ORDER.

The Special Events Committee of the City of South Padre Island, Texas held a Meeting on Wednesday, March 6, 2019 at the Municipal Complex Building, 2nd Floor, 4601 Padre Boulevard, South Padre Island, Texas. Chairman Sean Till called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. A quorum was present: Vice-Chairman Doyle Wells, Lisa Graves, Sean Slovisky, and Cody Pace. Absent was Tomas Saenz and Alexandra Brotzman.

City Council Members: Ken Medders and Kerry Schwartz.

CVA Board Members: Tom Goodman and Bob Friedman

Staff: Interim City Manager Randy Smith, Interim CVB Director Michael Flores, Executive Services Specialist Rosa Zapata, Events & Packaging Manager Marisa Amaya.

#### II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

Chairman Till led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **III. PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMENTS:**

No public comments were given at this time.

## IV. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING SPECIAL EVENT APPLICATION AND POLICIES.

Chairman Till made the motion, seconded by Committee Member Slovisky, to table this agenda item.

Motion carried unanimously by those present.

#### V. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING UTRGV MARKETING INTERNS.

Vice-Chairman Wells made the motion, seconded by Committee Member Graves to approve funding in the amount of \$4,500 for the UTRGV Marketing Program through May 2019. Motion carried unanimously by those present.

#### VI. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE FOLLOWING SPECIAL EVENT FUNDING APPLICATIONS AND RECOMMENDATION TO CONVENTION AND VISITOR'S ADVISORY BOARD FOR APPROVAL:

a. TIFT

Committee Member Wells made the motion, seconded by Committee Member Slovisky to increase funding amount to \$25,000 for The International Fishing Tournament. The motion carried

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unanimously by those present.

#### b. LKT

Chairman Till made the motion, seconded by Vice-Chairman Wells to approve funding in the amount of \$5,000. Motion carried unanimously by those present.

#### c. Jailbreak Obstacle Course Race

Chairman Till made the motion, seconded by Committee Member Graves to approve funding in the amount of \$30,000. Motion carried unanimously by those present.

#### d. MOF Ninja Warrior

Vice-Chairman Wells made the motion, seconded by Committee Member Pace to deny funding. Motion carried unanimously by those present.

#### e. Tailgate Weekend

Chairman Till made the motion, seconded by Committee Member Slovisky to deny funding and direct staff to cancel the event. Motion carried unanimously by those present.

#### f. Xpogo (2019 - 4 different dates)

Vice-Chairman Wells made the motion, seconded by Committee Member Till to direct staff to renegotiate the contract with promoter and cancel all future events. Motion carried unanimously by those present.

#### g. FAMFest

Vice-Chairman Wells made the motion to direct staff to restructure and recommend a funding amount to the Committee for this event. Seconded by Committee Member Pace and carried as follows:

Yea: Committee Members Pace, Graves, Slovisky, and Vice-Chairman Wells. Nay: Chairman Till

#### VII. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING PROPOSED SPECIAL EVENT SUBCOMMITTEE POLICY AND SUBMIT TO CVA BOARD & CITY COUNCIL FOR REVIEW.

Vice-Chairman Wells made the motion, seconded by Committee Member Pace to approve the Subcommittee Policy and recommend to CVA Board and City Council for review. Motion carried unanimously by those present.

#### VIII. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING REQUEST TO CITY COUNCIL TO DISSOLVE THE CURRENT SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE AND ALLOW THE CVA BOARD TO REFORM THIS COMMITTEE AS A SUBCOMMITTEE UNDER THE CVA BOARD.

Vice-Chairman Wells made the motion, seconded by Committee Member Till to approve to dissolve the current Special Events Committee and recommend to CVA Board to create a Special Events Subcommittee. Motion carried unanimously by those present.

## IX. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE FUNDING REQUESTS FOR THE 11TH ANNUAL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BAY CHALLENGE FISHING TOUR.

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Committee Member Graves made the motion, seconded by Committee Member Pace to approve the funding amount of \$5,000. Motion carried unanimously by those present.

## X. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING SETTING NEXT SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING DATE.

New meeting date was tentatively set for Wednesday, April 10, 2019.

#### XI. ADJOURNMENT.

There being no further business, Chairman Till adjourned the meeting at 10:11 a.m.

Approved this <u>6</u> day of <u>March, 2019</u>.

Sean Till, Special Events Committee Chairman

Attest:

Rosa Zapata, CVB Executive Services Specialist

#### CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND ADVISORY BOARD MEETING AGENDA REQUEST FORM

#### MEETING DATE: April 10, 2019

NAME & TITLE: Marisa Amaya, Event Development & Packaging Manager

**DEPARTMENT:** Convention and Visitors Bureau

#### ITEM

Discussion and possible action regarding the following special event funding applications and recommendation to Convention and Visitors Advisory Board for approval:

- a. Shallow Sport Tournament
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- h. Holiday Lights over Padre Weekend
- i. HalloWings

ITEM BACKGROUND

#### BUDGET/FINANCIAL SUMMARY

02-593-8099 Special Events Budget.

LEGAL REVIEV	V
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Sent to Legal:	YES:	
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Approved by Legal:

NO:			

YES: \_\_\_\_\_ NO: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments:

**RECOMMENDATIONS/COMMENTS** 

Approve funding requests.

Item No. 5a

#### CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA REQUEST FORM

#### MEETING DATE: April 10, 2019

NAME & TITLE: Marisa Amaya, Event Development & Packaging Manager

**DEPARTMENT:** South Padre Island Convention and Visitors Bureau

ITEM

Discussion and action to approve funding request for the Shallow Sport Tournament.

#### ITEM BACKGROUND

2019 Shallow Sport Tournament was originally approved for \$2,500. 2019 new application is now requesting \$5,000.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL SUMMARY

02-593-8099 Special Events Budget

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN GOAL

LEGAL REVIEW		
Sent to Legal:	YES:	NO:
Approved by Legal:	YES:	NO:
Comments:		

**RECOMMENDATIONS/COMMENTS** 

Recommend the Special Events Committee approve a funding amount.

#### **Application for Funding**

Date: February 08, 2019

#### **Organization Information**

Name of Organization: SHALLOW SPORT BOATS FISHING TOURNAMENT AND SCHOLARSHIP

Address: 41146 SCHAFER RD

City, State, Zip: LOS FRESNOS, TX. 78566

Contact Name: KYRA HUDSON Contact Office Phone Number: (956) 233-9489

Contact Cell Phone Number: (956) 434-9895

Web Site Address for Event or Sponsoring Entity: WWW.SHALLOWSPORTBOATS.COM/OWNERS-TOURNAMENT

Non-Profit or For-Profit status: 509 (a) (2) \*attached Tax ID #: 82-0749460 & 74-2838354

Entity's Creation Date: NON-PROFIT (2016), SHALLOW SPORT (1983)

Purpose of your organization: THE SHALLOW SPORT SCHOLARSHIP FUND WAS CREATED TO RAISE MONEY THROUGH OUR ANNUAL OWNERS FISHING TOURNAMENT TO PROVIDE AS MANY \$2000 COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS AS POSSIBLE FOR STUDENTS WHO LOVE THE OUTDOORS AND FISHING.

#### **Event Information**

Name of Event or Project: SHALLOW SPORT OWNERS FISHING TOURNAMENT

Date of Event or Project: MAY 17-18, 2019

Primary Location of Event or Project: LOUIE'S BACKYARD, SOUTH PADRES ISLAND TX

Amount Requested: \$5,000.00

Primary Purpose of Funded Activity/Facility:

WE WILL PLACE A WELCOME SIGN THROUGH THE CONVENTION CENTER ON THE MEDIAN ENTERING

THE INSLAND, AS WELL AS ADS IN THE LOCAL PAPERS. WE WILL BE BOOSTING SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS

AND ADS. THE MONEY WILL HELP TOWARDS THE PRINTING AND MAILING OF THOUSANDS OF

BROCHURES (ATTACHED) AND PRODUCTION OF OUR EVENT SHIRTS (ATTACHED) WHICH BOTH PROMINENTLY FEATURE SOUTH PADRE ISLAND IN THE ARTWORK.

How will the hotel tax funds be used: (please attach a list of the hotel tax funded expenditures) WE WILL ADVERTISE ON OUR WEBSITE AND SOCIAL MEDIA THE HOTEL PARTNERS WE CHOOSE AND THE RATES THEY PROVIDE US. WE WILL ALSO INCLUDE A QUESTIONNAIRE IN OUR REGISTRATION IN ORDER TO OBTAIN TRAVEL INFORMATION ON OUR OUT-OF-AREA PARTICIPANTS. MONIES CAN ALSO BE APPLIED TO TENT RENTALS.

#### Percentage of Hotel Tax Support of Related Costs

\_\_<2\_\_ Percentage of Total **Event Costs** Covered by Hotel Occupancy Tax

- \_\_\_0\_\_\_ Percentage of Total Annual **Facility Costs** Covered by Hotel Occupancy Tax for the Funded Event
- \_\_\_0\_\_\_ Percentage of Annual **Staff Costs** Covered by Hotel Occupancy Tax for the Funded Event

If staff costs are covered, estimate percentage of time staff spends annually on the funded event(s) compared to other activities \_\_\_\_\_0\_\_\_%

Are you asking for any cost reductions for city facility rentals or city services, and if so, please quantify and explain:

\_\_\_\_N/A\_\_\_\_\_\_

# Which Category or Categories Apply to Funding Request, and Amount Requested Under Each Category:

a) Convention Center or Visitor Information Center: construction, improvement, equipping, repairing, operation, and maintenance of convention center facilities or visitor information centers, or both. Amount requested under this category: \$\_\_\_\_\_

**b) Registration of Convention Delegates**: furnishing of facilities, personnel, and materials for the registration of convention delegates or registrants. Amount requested under this category:

c) Advertising, Solicitations, Promotional programs to attract tourists and convention delegates or registrants to the municipality or its vicinity. Amount requested under this category: \$2500.00

d) Promotion of the Arts that Directly Enhance Tourism and the Hotel & Convention Industry: the encouragement, promotion, improvement, and application of the arts that can be shown to have some direct impact on tourism and the hotel/convention industry. The impact may be that the art facility or event can show hotel nights that are booked due to their events or that guests at hotels attend the arts event. Eligible forms of art include instrumental and vocal music, dance, drama, folk art, creative writing, architecture, design and allied fields, painting, sculpture photography, graphic and craft arts, motion picture, radio, television, tape and sound recording, and other arts related to the presentation, performance, execution, and exhibition of these major art forms: \$\_\_\_\_\_\_

e) Historical restoration and preservation projects or activities or advertising and conducting solicitation and promotional programs to encourage tourists and convention delegates to visit preserved historic sites or museums. Amount requested under this category: \$\_\_\_\_\_

f) Expenses including promotional expenses, directly related to a sporting event in which the majority of participants are tourists. The event must substantially increase economic activity at hotels within the city or its vicinity. Amount requested under this category: \$2500.00

How many attendees are expected to come to the sporting related event? 1,250

How many of the attendees at the sporting related event are expected to be from another city or county? **85 – 90%** 

- Quantify how the sporting related event will substantially increase economic activity at hotels within the city or its vicinity?
- THE TOURNAMENT IS A TWO-DAY EVENT THAT REQUIRES A MINIMUM 2 NIGHT STAY FOR THOSE WHO DO NOT HAVE A RESIDENCE NEARBY. MANY PARTICIPANTS COME TO THE ISLAND EARLY AND STAY FOR SEVERAL DAYS "PRE-FISHING" AS WELL. IN ADDITION, OUR VIP/SPONSOR EVENT ON THURSDAY EVENING IS ATTENDED BY HUNDREDS OF MARINE INDUSTRY PROFESSIONALS WHO ALL STAY AT THE ISLA GRAND HOTEL FROM THURSDAY-SUNDAY.

g) Funding transportation systems for transporting tourists from hotels to and near the city to any of the following destinations: 1) the commercial center of the city; 2) a convention center in the city; 3) other hotels in or near the city; and 4) tourist attractions in or near the city. Please note that the ridership of any such transportation must be primarily tourists to qualify for hotel tax funding. Amount requested under this category: \$\_\_\_\_\_

What sites or attractions will tourists be taken to by this transportation?\_\_\_\_\_

Will members of the general public (non-tourists) be riding on this transportation?

What percentage of the ridership will be local citizens? \_\_\_\_\_

h) Signage directing tourists to sights and attractions that are visited frequently by hotel guests in the municipality. Amount requested under this category: \$200.00

What tourist attractions will be the subject of the signs?

THE ENTERTAINMENT DISTRICT, LOUIE'S BACKYARD.

#### **Questions for All Funding Request Categories:**

- 1. How many years have you held this Event or Project: 19 YEARS
- 2. Expected Attendance: MINUMUM 1,250 REGISTERED ATTENDEES
- 3. How many people attending the Event or Project will use South Padre Island lodging establishments? <u>ANTICIPATED 750 1000. WE WILL SURVEY FOR MORE DEFINITIVE INFO</u>

How many nights do you anticipate the majority of the tourists will stay: 2-3

- 4. Do you reserve a room block for this event at an area hotel and if so, for how many rooms and at which hotels: <u>WE RESERVE ROOMS FOR OUR DEALERSHIPS AND HEADLINING SPONSORS</u> <u>ONLY, APPROXIMATELY 12 ROOMS AT THE ISLA GRAND. WE TRADITIONALLY SECURE GROUP</u> <u>RATES AT THE INN AT SOUTH PADRE, ISLA GRAND AND SCHLITTERBAHN. MANY</u> <u>PARTICIPANTS RENT HOUSES ON THE ISLAND.</u>
- 5. List other years (over the last three years) that you have hosted your Event or Project with amount of assistance given from HOT and the number of hotel rooms used:

Month/Year Held	Assistance Amount	Number of Hotel Rooms Used

- How will you measure the impact of your event on area hotel activity (e.g.; room block usage information, survey of hoteliers, etc.)? <u>WE WILL IMPLEMENT A SURVEY ATTACHED TO EVENT</u> <u>REGISTRATION ON OUR WEBSITE AND INCLUDED IN THE TOURNAMENT BROCHURE MAILER</u>
- Please list other organization, government entities, and grants that have offered financial support to your project: <u>EVENT IS SUPPORTED THROUGH REGISTRATION FEES AND PRIVATE</u> <u>SPONSORS. THE MORE PROFIT OBTAINED THROUGH SPONSORSHIP AND PARTICIPATION, THE</u> <u>MORE SCHOLARSHIPS ARE ABLE TO BE AWARDED.</u>
- 8. Will the event charge admission? THERE IS A FEE TO PARTICIPATE AND COMPETE BUT NOT FOR SPECTATORS.

- <u>9.</u> Do you anticipate a net profit from the event? <u>NO, ALL PROFITS GO TOWARDS THE</u> <u>SCHOLARSHIPS.</u>
- <u>10.</u> If there is a net profit, what is the anticipated amount and how will it be used? <u>LAST YEAR</u>, <u>THERE WAS APPROXIMATELY \$19,000.00 IN NET PROFIT WHICH IS BEING USED TO FUND THE</u> <u>SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED THIS YEAR</u>.
- 11. All marketing and promotions will be coordinated through the CVA's agency, unless exempted from this requirement by the Executive Director, in which case all creative must be pre-approved by the Executive Director (or designee) and payments will be on a reimbursement basis. Please list all promotion efforts your organization is planning and the amount estimated for each media outlet:

Newspaper:	\$1000.00
Radio:	\$
TV:	\$
Website, Social Media:	\$500.00
Other Paid Advertising:	\$1000.00 (Street signs and banners/flags)

Anticipated Number of Press Releases to Media: <u>**TWO TO EACH PUBLICATION**</u> Anticipated Number Direct Mailings to out-of-town recipients: <u>**3500 BROCHURES MAILED**</u>

#### Other Promotions **EACH REGISTRANT WILL RECEIVE A CUSTOM PERFORMANCE TEE** (APPROXIMATE \$18,000.00 COST)

- 12. A link to the CVB must be included on your promotional handouts and in your website for booking hotel nights during this event. Are you able to comply? <u>YES. ALREADY DONE</u>
- 13. Will you negotiate a special rate or hotel/event package to attract overnight stays? <u>YES, WE</u> <u>NEGOTIATE AND ADVERTISE RATES FOR AT LEAST THREE AREA HOTELS</u>

[If we have a tour operator, we will require them to use that service.]

14. What other marketing initiatives are you planning to promote hotel and convention activity for this event?

#### WE ARE MARKETING THE EVENT TO SPONSORS AS A SORT OF SPONSOR DISPLAY/TRADE SHOW. WE

#### BLOCK OFF THE AREA ADJACENT TO LOUIES AND PUT UP TENTS AND DISPLAYS FOR SPONSORS

#### TO SHOWCASE THEIR PRODUCTS FOR ALL EVENT PARTICIPANTS AS WELL AS TOURISTS.

15. What geographic areas does your event reach: THROUGHOUT TEXAS AND PARTS OF

#### <u>LOUISIANA</u>

16. If the funding requested is related to a permanent facility (e.g. museum, visitor center):

Expected Visitation by Tourists Monthly/Annually:

Percentage of those who visit the facility who indicate they are staying at area hotels/lodging facilities: \_\_\_\_\_% (use a visitor log that asks them to check a box if they are staying at an area lodging facility)

- 17. What amount of event insurance do you have for your event and who is the carrier: <u>WE CARRY</u> <u>LIABILITY INSURANCE IN SURPLUS OF \$2.655 MILLION DOLLARS WITH SCOTTSDALE</u>
  - a. (Insert South Padre Island Minimum Event Insurance Coverage Minimums and duty to list South Padre Island as an added insured)
- 18. Any marketing for the event must be consistent with the brand image for South Padre Island and all such marketing pieces that are funded with hotel tax must be coordinated and developed by the South Padre Island CVB marketing agency. Are you able to comply? <u>YES</u>
- 19. Where appropriate, the CVB will require access to event participant database information that will show zip code data to measure likely impact from the funded event. **NO PROBLEM**

**Supplemental Information Required With Application**: Along with the application, please submit the following:

- Proposed Marketing Plan for Funded Event
- \_\_\_\_\_ Schedule of Activities or Events Relating to the Funded Project
- \_\_\_\_\_ Complete budget for the Funded Project
- \_\_\_\_\_ Room night projections, with back-up, for the Funded Event

Submit to: Marisa Amaya, Special Events and Packaging Manager, Convention and Visitors Advisory Board/ C/O City of South Padre Island Convention and Visitor's Bureau, 7355 Padre Blvd., 956-761-3834, marisa@sopadre.com

Item No. 5b

#### CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA REQUEST FORM

MEETING DATE: April 10, 2019

NAME & TITLE: Marisa Amaya, Event Development & Packaging Manager

**DEPARTMENT:** South Padre Island Convention and Visitors Bureau

ITEM

Discussion and action to approve funding request for the Wahoo Fishing Tournament.

#### ITEM BACKGROUND

2019 Wahoo Fishing Tournament originally requested \$20,000.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL SUMMARY

02-593-8099 Special Events Budget

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN GOAL

Sent to Legal:	YES:	NO:
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 Approved by Legal:
 YES: \_\_\_\_\_\_
 NO: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Comments:

**RECOMMENDATIONS/COMMENTS** 

Recommend the Special Events Committee approve a funding amount.

### **APPLICATION FOR INITIAL FUNDING**

Today's Date: <u>6/30/2018</u>

#### **ORGANIZATON INFORMATION**

Name of Organization: Wahoo Classic Inc.	
Address: PO Box 2312	
City, State, Zip: South Padre Island, TX 785	97
Contact Name:	Contact Office Phone Number:
Contact Cell Phone Number: 303-517-9419	
Web Site Address for Event or Sponsoring Entity	
Non-Profit or For-Profit status: Non-Profit	Tax ID #: 812-219-3734
Entity's Creation Date: April 12, 2016	
Purpose of your organization: Bring anglers to South Padre Island to con	npete in a offshore Wahoo Fishing
Tournament.	
EVENT INFORMATION	
Name of Events or Project: Wahoo Classic	
Date of Event or Project: September 13-15, 20	019
Primary Location of Event or Project: Jim's Pier S	
Amount Requested: \$20,000	



#### Primary Purpose of Funded Activity/Facility: Advertising and prizes

How will the hotel tax funds be used: (please attach a list of the hotel tax funded expenditures) Ads in magazines, printing costs, T-shirts, hats, bags, prize awards to anglers.

#### Percentage of Hotel Tax Support of Related Costs

50 Percentage of Total Event Costs Covered by Hotel Occupancy Tax

\_\_\_\_\_ Percentage of Total Annual Facility Costs Covered by Hotel Occupancy Tax for the Funded Event

\_\_\_\_\_ Percentage of Annual Staff Costs Covered by Hotel Occupancy Tax for the Funded Event

If staff costs are covered, estimate percentage of time staff spends annually on the funded event(s) compared to other activities\_\_\_\_\_%

Are you asking for any cost reductions for city facility rentals or city services, and if so, please quantify and explain:

NO



South Padre Island Convention & Visitors Bureau | 7355 Padre Blvd. | South Padre Island, Texas 78597 (800) 767-2373 | (956) 761-3000 | (956) 761-3024 Fax | SoPadre.com

## Which Category or Categories Apply to Funding Request & Amount Requested Under Each Category:

- a) **Convention Center or Visitor Information Center:** construction, improvement, equipping, repairing, operation, and maintenance of convention center facilities or visitor information centers, or both. Amount requested under this category: \$ <u>None</u>
- b) Registration of Convention Delegates: furnishing of facilities, personnel, and materials for the registration of convention delegates or registrants. Amount requested under this category: \$ <u>None</u>
- c) Advertising, Solicitations, Promotional programs to attract tourists and convention delegates or registrants to the municipality or its vicinity. Amount requested under this category: \$ 10,000
- d) Promotion of the Arts that Directly Enhance Tourism and the Hotel & Convention Industry: the encouragement, promotion, improvement, and application of the arts that can be shown to have some direct impact on tourism and the hotel/convention industry. The impact may be that the art facility or event can show hotel nights that are booked due to their events or that guest at hotels attend the arts event. Eligible forms of art include instrumental and vocal music, dance, drama, folk art, creative writing, architecture, design and allied fields, painting, sculpture photography, graphic and craft arts, motion picture, radio, television, tape and sound recording, and other arts related to the presentation, performance, execution, and exhibition of these major art forms: \$<u>None</u>
- e) Historical restoration and preservation projects or activities or advertising and conducting solicitation and promotional programs to encourage tourists and convention delegates to visit preserved historic sites or museums. Amount requested under this category: \$ <u>None</u>
- f) Expenses including promotional expenses, directly related to a sporting event in which the majority of participants are tourists. The event must substantially increase economic activity at hotels within the city or its vicinity. Amount requested under this category: \$ 10,000

How many attendees are expected to come to the sporting related event? 250

How many of the attendees at the sporting related event are expected to be from another city or county? <sup>100</sup>

Quantify how the sporting related event will substantially increase economic activity at hotels within the city or its vicinity?

Due to our advertising as far as way as Rockport we would anticipate anglers from outside the SPI area to come to the fishing

event.



g) Funding transportation systems for transporting tourists from hotels to and near the city to any of the following destinations: 1) the commercial center of the city; 2) a convention center in the city; 3) other hotels in or near the city; and 4) tourist attractions in or near the city. Please note that the ridership of any such transportation must be primarily tourists to qualify for hotel tax funding.

Amount requested under this category: \$ None	
What sites or attractions will tourists be taken to by this transportation? None	
Will members of the general public (non-tourists) be riding on this transportation? None What percentage of the ridership will be local citizens? None	
<ul> <li>h) Signage directing tourists to sights and attractions that are visited frequently by hote guests in the municipality.</li> <li>Amount requested under this category: \$ None</li> </ul>	I
What tourist attractions will be the subject of the signs? N/A	



#### QUESTIONS FOR ALL FUNDING REQUEST CATEGORIES

How many years have you held this Event or Project: <u>The 2019 tournament will be the fourth annual event.</u>

Expected Attendance: 250

How many people attending the Event or Project will use South Padre Island lodging establishments? <sup>75</sup>

How many nights do you anticipate the majority of the tourists will stay: 2

Do you reserve a room block for this event at an area hotel and if so, for how many rooms and at which hotels:

No

List other years (over the last three years) that you have hosted your Event or Project with amount of assistance given from HOT and the number of hotel rooms used:

Month/Year Held	Assistance Amount	Number of Hotel Rooms Used
September 2016	\$40,000	Number of rooms unknown
September 2017	\$40,000	Number of rooms unknown
September 2018	\$25.000	Event not held yet

How will you measure the impact of your event on area hotel activity (e.g.; room block usage information, survey of hoteliers, etc.)?

When the anglers register for the tournament they will be asked to fill out a questionnaire about their planned activity

while on South Padre Island.

Please list other organization, government entities, and grants that have offered financial support to your project: None

Will the event charge admission? <u>NO</u>

Do you anticipate a net profit from the event? Yes

If there is a net profit, what is the anticipated amount and how will it be used? A portion will be given to a local charitable organization. After all expenses, the remaining balance will be held over the 2020

event.



All marketing and promotions will be coordinated through the CVA's agency, unless exempted from this requirement by the Executive Director, in which case <u>all creative must be pre-approved by the Executive Director (or designee) and payments will be on a reimbursement basis</u>. Please list all promotion efforts your organization is planning and the amount estimated for each media outlet:

•	Newspaper:	\$ <u>10%</u>
•	Radio:	\$
•	TV:	\$
•	Website, Social Media:	<b>\$</b> 70%
•	Other Paid Advertising:	<b>\$</b> 20%

Anticipated Number of Press Releases to Media: <u>3</u>\_\_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated Number Direct Mailings to out-of-town recipients: <u>0</u>\_\_\_\_\_\_

Other Promotions: \_\_\_\_

A link to the CVB must be included on your promotional handouts		website for
booking hotel nights during this event. Are you able to comply?	✓ Yes	Νο

Will you negotiate a special rate or hotel/event package to attract overnight stays? Yes

[If we have a tour operator, we will require them to use that service.]

What other marketing initiatives are you planning to promote hotel and convention activity for this event?

None

What geographic areas does your event reach? Coastal Texas, South Padre Island to Houston

If the funding requested is related to a permanent facility (e.g. museum, visitor center):

- Expected Visitation by Tourists Monthly/Annually: <u>None</u>
- Percentage of those who visit the facility who indicate they are staying at area hotels/lodging facilities:\_\_\_\_\_% (use a visitor log that asks them to check a box if they are staying at an area lodging facility)



What amount of event insurance do you have for your event and who is the carrier: \$1,000,000 Cameron County Insurance Co., Located in Port Isabel

[Insert South Padre Island Minimum Event Insurance Coverage Minimums and duty to list South Padre Island as an added insured]

Any marketing for the event must be consistent with the brand image for South Padre Island and all such marketing pieces that are funded with hotel tax must be coordinated and developed by the South Padre Island CVB marketing agency. Are you able to comply? Yes No

Where appropriate, the CVB will require access to event participant database information that will show zip code data to measure likely impact from the funded event.

#### SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION REQUIRED WITH APPLICATION:

Along with the application, please submit the following:

\_\_\_\_\_ Proposed Marketing Plan for Funded Event

\_\_\_\_\_ Schedule of Activities or Events Relating to the Funded Project

\_\_\_\_\_ Complete budget for the Funded Project

\_\_\_\_\_ Room night projections, with back-up, for the Funded Event

#### Submit to complete applications to:

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#### Presentation to the CVB for Wahoo Classic Fishing Tournament funding 2019

First I would like to thank the CVB for their financial contributions for the past three years. Without their help and support the tournament never could have been as successful as it has been despite two years of bad weather.

From the inception of this tournament and the first conversations with the CVB it was always intended that this would be a startup type investment that would be be weaned down over a few years. This has been reflected in the request for the 2019 request of 50% of the original starting amount. We were under the impression that this amount had been previously approved and therefore had built that into our budget. As with most things in life and business, **things change** so here we are before you again discussing the 2019 request.

We, the Officers and Directors for Wahoo Classic are the first to agree that if the **only** criteria for financial support is, the number of people we can put in hotels, then this tournament is not the best fit possible. While it is certain that **we do bring some guests that stay in hotels** we are somewhat unique in that this is a large boat tournament. So Many of the participants can stay aboard their boats or condos which they already own on the island. If on the other hand financial support can be applied to organizations which bring revenue, taxes, and activity to the island during one of the more quiet months we are an excellent candidate.

As examples:

In the months of preparation and meetings we spend hundreds of dollars in local restaurants.

We spend thousands of dollars with local merchants to purchase and print the t-shirts for the event.

We spend thousands of dollars with local merchants to buy the items in the bags given to each boat.

All of our graphics and printed materials are supplied by local companies.

Our insurance coverage policies are purchased locally.

During the three-day event under the tent at Jim's Pier several hundred people come to see the boats and the fish being weighed in. These people eat and drink along the bay bars and restaurants.

Our end-of-year banquet thanking the directors and volunteers that made the event possible is always done at a local restaurant.

Our charitable contribution to the **laguna madre scholarship fund** over the past three years has amounted to several thousand dollars.

In conclusion, after a review of our financial reserve and estimations of our current budget we respectfully submit a request for **\$15,000** to assist in the financial success of the 2019 Wahoo Classic fishing tournament. In the spirit of " wind down funding" our plans for the following year, 2020, we will only request approximately **\$5,000** to assist in advertising and electronically linking the Wahoo tournament and the CVB together.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

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#### SPI Wahoo Classic Financial Statements FY2018

			Y 2018		Y 2017		¥ 2016
Revenue:		'	1 2018		1 2017		Y 2016
merender	CVB Final 2016 Payment/2nd FY 2016	\$	-	Ś	15,000	\$ <sup>34</sup>	25,000
	CVB 1st Payment 2018	*	18,750	4	30,000	~	23,000
	CVB 2nd Payment 2018		6,250		10,000		-
	Expense Reimbursement FY16		-		2,708		-
	Sponsor Support		26,225		23,550		19,700
	Participants		7,648		8,169		12,655
	Shirt/Tumblers - Sales		305		1,300		1,980
	Total Revenue	\$	59,178	\$	90,727	\$	59,335
Expenses:							
	Prize Money	\$	18,000	\$	15,000	\$	15,000
	Legal/Acctg/insurance Charges		9,741		8,279		1,914
	Marketing						
	Advertising		4,117		1,995		1,215
	Shirts/Bags/Tumblers		13,049		12,676		7,512
	Design/Brochures/Banners		2,311		542		2,433
	Total Marketing		19,477		15,213		11,160
	Tournament Expenses		8,120		9,975		8,836
	Charitable Donation				1,500		2,700
	Total Expenses	\$	55,338	\$	49,967	\$	39,610
Net Incom	<b>e</b> :	\$	3,840	\$	40,760	\$	19,725
Beginning	Balance RE	\$	60,485	\$	<b>19,725</b>		
Ending Bal	ance RE	\$	64,325	\$	60,485		

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Expenditures FY2018

Prize Money	Vendor 1st Place - Wahoo 2nd Place - Wahoo 3rd Place - Wahoo Largest - Tuna Largest - Dorado Smallest - Dorado Smallest - Wahoo	Amount \$ 10,000.00 3,000.00 2,000.00 1,000.00 1,000.00 500.00 \$ 18,000.00
Legal/Accounting	State Sales Tax Bank Checks SPI Chamber Tax Return - Marty Bogart Taxes 2017 Taxes 2018 Insurance	\$ 349.34 10.00 230.00 531.24 3,835.00 3,600.00 1,185.51 \$ 9,741.09
Advertising	Tournament Shirts Tournament Cooler Bags SPI Chamber Mag	\$ 6,649.91 6,399.00 4,117.00 \$ 17,165.91
Design/Brochures	Hunter Services LLC Toucan Graphics Toucan Graphics Toucan Graphics	\$ - 584.79 317.98 1,408.33 \$ 2,311.10
Tournament Exp	Tent for Tournament Kieth Arnold Support Trophies Tift Catering Photographer - Diane Harville Melinda Dunks - Weigh Master Andrew Minkler Initial 2018 Meetings Directors Dinner 2018 Recap Storage Site For Supplies Web Site Development Office Supplies	<ul> <li>\$ 1,912.78</li> <li>95.00</li> <li>1,158.00</li> <li>450.00</li> <li>87.99</li> <li>400.00</li> <li>300.00</li> <li>300.00</li> <li>1,475.15</li> <li>1,331.00</li> <li>135.00</li> <li>450.00</li> <li>25.00</li> <li>\$ 8,119.92</li> </ul>
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Total Participants - 41

\$ 8,168.65

Total Participants - 25

\$ 7,647.75

Total Participants - 21

\$ 12,654.85

Item No. 5c

#### CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA REQUEST FORM

MEETING DATE: April 10, 2019

NAME & TITLE: Marisa Amaya, Event Development & Packaging Manager

**DEPARTMENT:** South Padre Island Convention and Visitors Bureau

ITEM

Discussion and action to approve funding request for the JJ Zapata Memorial Fishing Tournament.

#### ITEM BACKGROUND

Jaime Jorge (JJ) Zapata Foundation Memorial Fishing Tournament was originally approved for \$5,000.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL SUMMARY

02-593-8099 Special Events Budget

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN GOAL

LEGAL REVIEW

Sent to Legal:	YES:	NO:
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Approved by Legal: YES: \_\_\_\_\_ NO: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments:

**RECOMMENDATIONS/COMMENTS** 

Recommend the Special Events Committee approve a funding amount.

### **APPLICATION FOR INITIAL FUNDING**

#### **ORGANIZATON INFORMATION**

Name of Organization: Jaime Jorge Zapata Fou	ndation	
Address: P.O. Box 423		
City, State, Zip: Port Isabel, TX. 78578		
Contact Name: Betty Wells	Contact Office Phone Number: 956.561.10	)52
Contact Cell Phone Number:956.561.1052		
Web Site Address for Event or Sponsoring Entity	www.alpha5195.com	
Non-Profit or For-Profit status: <u>Non-Profit</u>	Tax ID #:	
Entity's Creation Date: April 26, 2011	-	
Purpose of your organization: To develop and distribute resources to be used	to further law enforcement and	
public justice careers, especially among underp	privileged youth, through	-
scholarships and other support.		-
		-
		-
EVENT INFORMATION		
Name of Events or Project:	Foundation	
Date of Event or Project: September 13-14, 201	9	
Primary Location of Event or Project: South Pade	e Island	
Amount Requested: \$ <u>5,000.00</u>		



#### Primary Purpose of Funded Activity/Facility:

To develop and distribute resources to be used to further law enforcement and public justice careers, especially amo

underprivileged youth, through scholarships and other support.

How will the hotel tax funds be used: (please attach a list of the hotel tax funded expenditures)

Advertising and marketing for the event and Gold level Sponsorship for the CVB.

#### Percentage of Hotel Tax Support of Related Costs

<u>10%</u> Percentage of **Total Event Costs** Covered by Hotel Occupancy Tax

\_\_\_\_\_ Percentage of Total Annual Facility Costs Covered by Hotel Occupancy Tax for the Funded Event

\_\_\_\_\_ Percentage of Annual Staff Costs Covered by Hotel Occupancy Tax for the Funded Event

If staff costs are covered, estimate percentage of time staff spends annually on the funded event(s) compared to other activities\_\_\_\_\_%

Are you asking for any cost reductions for city facility rentals or city services, and if so, please quantify and explain:

NO



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## Which Category or Categories Apply to Funding Request & Amount Requested Under Each Category:

- a) **Convention Center or Visitor Information Center:** construction, improvement, equipping, repairing, operation, and maintenance of convention center facilities or visitor information centers, or both. Amount requested under this category: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- b) Registration of Convention Delegates: furnishing of facilities, personnel, and materials for the registration of convention delegates or registrants. Amount requested under this category: \$ \_\_\_\_\_\_
- c) Advertising, Solicitations, Promotional programs to attract tourists and convention delegates or registrants to the municipality or its vicinity. Amount requested under this category: \$ 5,000.00
- d) Promotion of the Arts that Directly Enhance Tourism and the Hotel & Convention Industry: the encouragement, promotion, improvement, and application of the arts that can be shown to have some direct impact on tourism and the hotel/convention industry. The impact may be that the art facility or event can show hotel nights that are booked due to their events or that guest at hotels attend the arts event. Eligible forms of art include instrumental and vocal music, dance, drama, folk art, creative writing, architecture, design and allied fields, painting, sculpture photography, graphic and craft arts, motion picture, radio, television, tape and sound recording, and other arts related to the presentation, performance, execution, and exhibition of these major art forms: \$
- e) Historical restoration and preservation projects or activities or advertising and conducting solicitation and promotional programs to encourage tourists and convention delegates to visit preserved historic sites or museums. Amount requested under this category: \$ \_\_\_\_\_\_
- f) Expenses including promotional expenses, directly related to a sporting event in which the majority of participants are tourists. The event must substantially increase economic activity at hotels within the city or its vicinity. Amount requested under this category: \$\_\_\_\_\_\_

How many attendees are expected to come to the sporting related event? \_\_\_\_\_

How many of the attendees at the sporting related event are expected to be from another city or county? \_\_\_\_\_

Quantify how the sporting related event will substantially increase economic activity at hotels within the city or its vicinity?



g) Funding transportation systems for transporting tourists from hotels to and near the city to any of the following destinations: 1) the commercial center of the city; 2) a convention center in the city; 3) other hotels in or near the city; and 4) tourist attractions in or near the city. Please note that the ridership of any such transportation must be primarily tourists to qualify for hotel tax funding.

Amount requested under this category: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

What sites or attractions will tourists be taken to by this transportation?

 Will members of the general public (non-tourists) be riding on this transportation?

 What percentage of the ridership will be local citizens?

# h) Signage directing tourists to sights and attractions that are visited frequently by hotel guests in the municipality.

Amount requested under this category: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

What tourist attractions will be the subject of the signs?



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#### **QUESTIONS FOR ALL FUNDING REQUEST CATEGORIES**

How many years have you held this Event or Project: Since 2017

Expected Attendance: 400 Anglers

How many people attending the Event or Project will use South Padre Island lodging establishments? At least 25%

How many nights do you anticipate the majority of the tourists will stay: 2

Do you reserve a room block for this event at an area hotel and if so, for how many rooms and at which hotels:

No

List other years (over the last three years) that you have hosted your Event or Project with amount of assistance given from HOT and the number of hotel rooms used:

Month/Year Held	Assistance Amount	Number of Hotel Rooms Used
September 2018	\$5,000	30+
September 2017	\$5,000	

How will you measure the impact of your event on area hotel activity (e.g.; room block usage information, survey of hoteliers, etc.)?

Survey of participants

Please list other organization, government entities, and grants that have offered financial support to your project: Private Corporations and individuals

Will the event charge admission? Yes

Do you anticipate a net profit from the event? Yes

If there is a net profit, what is the anticipated amount and how will it be used? \$5,000-\$10,000 to be used for scholarships and planning of next year's event.



All marketing and promotions will be coordinated through the CVA's agency, unless exempted from this requirement by the Executive Director, in which case <u>all creative must be pre-approved by the Executive Director (or designee) and payments will be on a reimbursement basis</u>. Please list all promotion efforts your organization is planning and the amount estimated for each media outlet:

•	Newspaper:	§ In-Kind
•	Radio:	\$
•	TV:	<b>\$</b> In-Kind
•	Website, Social Media:	<b>\$</b> 5,000
•	Other Paid Advertising:	<b>\$</b> 2,000

Anticipated Number of Press Releases to Media: <u>3</u>\_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated Number Direct Mailings to out-of-town recipients: 2\_\_\_\_\_

Other Promotions: Printing of full color tournament program book; posters

A link to the CVB must be included on your promotional handouts		
booking hotel nights during this event. Are you able to comply?	√Yes	No

### Will you negotiate a special rate or hotel/event package to attract overnight stays? If possible

[If we have a tour operator, we will require them to use that service.]

What other marketing initiatives are you planning to promote hotel and convention activity for this event?

Website exposure

What geographic areas does your event reach? Primarily Texas

If the funding requested is related to a permanent facility (e.g. museum, visitor center):

- Expected Visitation by Tourists Monthly/Annually: \_\_\_\_\_\_
- Percentage of those who visit the facility who indicate they are staying at area hotels/lodging facilities:\_\_\_\_\_% (use a visitor log that asks them to check a box if they are staying at an area lodging facility)



What amount of event insurance do you have for your event and who is the carrier:

[Insert South Padre Island Minimum Event Insurance Coverage Minimums and duty to list South Padre Island as an added insured]

Any marketing for the event must be consistent with the brand image for South Padre Island and all such marketing pieces that are funded with hotel tax must be coordinated and developed by the South Padre Island CVB marketing agency. Are you able to comply? Yes  $\sqrt{No}$ 

Where appropriate, the CVB will require access to event participant database information that will show zip code data to measure likely impact from the funded event.

#### SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION REQUIRED WITH APPLICATION:

Along with the application, please submit the following:

\_\_\_\_\_ Proposed Marketing Plan for Funded Event

\_\_\_\_\_ Schedule of Activities or Events Relating to the Funded Project

\_\_\_\_\_ Complete budget for the Funded Project

\_\_\_\_\_ Room night projections, with back-up, for the Funded Event

#### Submit to complete applications to:

Marisa Amaya Event Development & Packaging Manager Convention and Visitors Advisory Board C/O City of South Padre Island Convention and Visitors Bureau 7355 Padre Blvd. South Padre Island, TX 78597

Phone: (956) 761-3834 Email: marisa@sopadre.com



Item No. 5d

#### CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA REQUEST FORM

MEETING DATE: April 10, 2019

NAME & TITLE: Marisa Amaya, Event Development & Packaging Manager

**DEPARTMENT:** South Padre Island Convention and Visitors Bureau

ITEM

Discussion and action to approve funding request for the Zombie Charge Race.

#### ITEM BACKGROUND

2019 Zombie Charge event was originally approved for \$35,000.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL SUMMARY

02-593-8099 Special Events Budget

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN GOAL

LEGAL REVIEW
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Sent to Legal:	YES:	NO:
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Approved by Legal:	YES:	NO:
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Comments:

**RECOMMENDATIONS/COMMENTS** 

Recommend the Special Events Committee approve a funding amount.

## **APPLICATION FOR INITIAL FUNDING**

#### **ORGANIZATON INFORMATION**

Name of Organization: <u>Activeworks</u> , LLC	
Address: 515A S. Fry #557	
City, State, Zip: <u>Katy</u> , TX 77450	
Contact Name: Sandy Reyes	Contact Office Phone Number: <u>832-207-1872</u>
Contact Cell Phone Number: 832-896-6072	
Web Site Address for Event or Sponsoring Entity	www.zombiecharge.com
Non-Profit or For-Profit status: For-Profit	Tax ID #:
Entity's Creation Date:	_
Purpose of your organization: Activeworks, LLC is an event management cor	npany with the purpose of creating
events that inspire fitness and impact commun	ities through interactive and unique
5k events.	
EVENT INFORMATION	
Name of Events or Project: Zombie Charge 5K (	CR & Festival
Date of Event or Project: September 2019	
Primary Location of Event or Project: Clayton's	
Amount Requested: \$ <u>35,000</u>	



#### Primary Purpose of Funded Activity/Facility:

The primary purpose of funded activity is to increase the visitor numbers, promote tourism that stimulates the local ec

and bring a physical fitness event to the region for families, co-workers to participate together.

How will the hotel tax funds be used: (please attach a list of the hotel tax funded expenditures)

Primarily marketing. Building a base and reaching out to a wide range of Texas residents in the State, specifically Sa Laredo, North Mexico, RGV as target markets. The funds will assist with covering costs for street team promotions, advertising, marketing activities in print, social media and online to targeted demographics such as fitness magazines events, expos, etc. Secondary use of funds are related to materials and logistical needs such as A/V equipment, race gear, construction/build and assembly labor and volunteer shirts. The city will once again be Presenting Sponsor and to all marketing materials and Talent Fees.

#### Percentage of Hotel Tax Support of Related Costs

40 Percentage of **Total Event Costs** Covered by Hotel Occupancy Tax

\_\_\_\_\_ Percentage of Total Annual Facility Costs Covered by Hotel Occupancy Tax for the Funded Event

\_\_\_\_\_ Percentage of Annual Staff Costs Covered by Hotel Occupancy Tax for the Funded Event

If staff costs are covered, estimate percentage of time staff spends annually on the funded event(s) compared to other activities\_\_\_\_\_%

Are you asking for any cost reductions for city facility rentals or city services, and if so, please quantify and explain:



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- a) **Convention Center or Visitor Information Center:** construction, improvement, equipping, repairing, operation, and maintenance of convention center facilities or visitor information centers, or both. Amount requested under this category: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
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- e) Historical restoration and preservation projects or activities or advertising and conducting solicitation and promotional programs to encourage tourists and convention delegates to visit preserved historic sites or museums. Amount requested under this category: \$ \_\_\_\_\_\_
- f) Expenses including promotional expenses, directly related to a sporting event in which the majority of participants are tourists. The event must substantially increase economic activity at hotels within the city or its vicinity. Amount requested under this category: \$ 35,000

How many attendees are expected to come to the sporting related event? 2,000

How many of the attendees at the sporting related event are expected to be from another city or county? <u>95%</u>

Quantify how the sporting related event will substantially increase economic activity at hotels within the city or its vicinity?

Our intent is to drive travelers and residents to the island on the day prior to the event and offering discount hotel nights while also

encouraging groups visiting attractions, dining and shopping on SPI. Our packet pick up will be hosted by a media partner like

Telemundo and we will raffle a TV or Tablet for people just picking up packet.



g) Funding transportation systems for transporting tourists from hotels to and near the city to any of the following destinations: 1) the commercial center of the city; 2) a convention center in the city; 3) other hotels in or near the city; and 4) tourist attractions in or near the city. Please note that the ridership of any such transportation must be primarily tourists to qualify for hotel tax funding.

Amount requested under this category: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

What sites or attractions will tourists be taken to by this transportation?

 Will members of the general public (non-tourists) be riding on this transportation?

 What percentage of the ridership will be local citizens?

# h) Signage directing tourists to sights and attractions that are visited frequently by hotel guests in the municipality.

Amount requested under this category: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

What tourist attractions will be the subject of the signs?



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#### QUESTIONS FOR ALL FUNDING REQUEST CATEGORIES

How many years have you held this Event or Project: <u>3 years (Houston, Austin, SPI-2018)</u>

Expected Attendance: 2,000

How many people attending the Event or Project will use South Padre Island lodging establishments? <sup>300-500</sup> people (Goal is 150 rooms at least 1 night)

How many nights do you anticipate the majority of the tourists will stay: <u>1-2 nights</u>

Do you reserve a room block for this event at an area hotel and if so, for how many rooms and at which hotels:

A 10 room block will be set aside just for event staff, artists. We will also work agreements with Schlitterbahn and c

hotels to offer discounts for participant/visitor room blocks and provide info in confirmation page

List other years (over the last three years) that you have hosted your Event or Project with amount of assistance given from HOT and the number of hotel rooms used:

Month/Year Held	Assistance Amount	Number of Hotel Rooms Used
September 2018	\$35,000	tba

How will you measure the impact of your event on area hotel activity (e.g.; room block usage information, survey of hoteliers, etc.)?

Attendee surveys on check in, discounts that are trackable metrics for room stays (group codes for example)

Please list other organization, government entities, and grants that have offered financial support to your project: <u>McCoys</u>, Tropical Smoothie Cafe, Russo's, IV Hydropros

Will the event charge admission? Yes-only for participants, free to rest

Do you anticipate a net profit from the ev	vent? <sup>Yes</sup>
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If there is a net profit, what is the anticipated amount and how will it be used? We anticipate a net profit of \$30,000 of which \$10,000 will be used for medals, t-shirts, runners materials, obstacle

and \$2,000 for charity donation minimum.



All marketing and promotions will be coordinated through the CVA's agency, unless exempted from this requirement by the Executive Director, in which case <u>all creative must be pre-approved by the Executive Director (or designee) and payments will be on a reimbursement basis</u>. Please list all promotion efforts your organization is planning and the amount estimated for each media outlet:

•	Newspaper:	\$
•	Radio:	<b>\$</b> 6,000
•	TV:	\$
•	Website, Social Media:	<b>\$</b> 8,000
•	Other Paid Advertising:	<b>\$</b> 6,000

Anticipated Number of Press Releases to Media: 400 min.

Anticipated Number Direct Mailings to out-of-town recipients: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Other Promotions: Fitness Expo and Fitness Magazine (Austin), State wide promotions, Running and Obstacle §

A link to the CVB must be included on your promotional handouts	and in your	website foi
booking hotel nights during this event. Are you able to comply?	✓ Yes	No

## Will you negotiate a special rate or hotel/event package to attract overnight stays? Yes

[If we have a tour operator, we will require them to use that service.]

## What other marketing initiatives are you planning to promote hotel and convention activity for this event?

We plan to engage the agents of the upcoming movie Zombieland 2 (Woody Harrelson) to visit the island to get mi

comic convention feel in the festival and do autographs.

#### What geographic areas does your event reach?

Major markets are RGV region, North Mexico, San Antonio, Houston, Austin, Dallas, Lousiana, Oklahoma

#### If the funding requested is related to a permanent facility (e.g. museum, visitor center):

- Expected Visitation by Tourists Monthly/Annually: \_\_\_\_\_\_
- Percentage of those who visit the facility who indicate they are staying at area hotels/lodging facilities:\_\_\_\_\_% (use a visitor log that asks them to check a box if they are staying at an area lodging facility)



What amount of event insurance do you have for your event and who is the carrier: \$ 1 Million Aggregate Event GL with Harned Insurance

[Insert South Padre Island Minimum Event Insurance Coverage Minimums and duty to list South Padre Island as an added insured]

Any marketing for the event must be consistent with the brand image for South Padre Island and all such marketing pieces that are funded with hotel tax must be coordinated and developed by the South Padre Island CVB marketing agency. Are you able to comply?  $\sqrt{Y}$  Yes No

Where appropriate, the CVB will require access to event participant database information that will show zip code data to measure likely impact from the funded event.

#### SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION REQUIRED WITH APPLICATION:

Along with the application, please submit the following:

- X Proposed Marketing Plan for Funded Event
- X Schedule of Activities or Events Relating to the Funded Project
- X \_\_\_\_ Complete budget for the Funded Project
- X Room night projections, with back-up, for the Funded Event

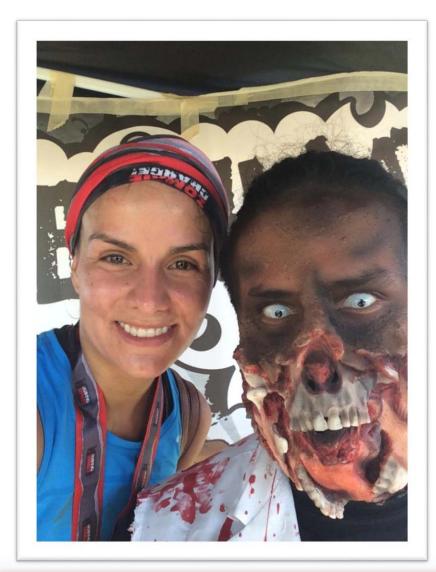
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# WHAT IS ZOMBIE CHARGE

Since 2013 **Zombie Charge** has combined the popular mud race and adds the powerful pop-culture phenomenon of zombies in one event.

Zombie Charge is a 3.1 mile course with changing terrain features like a trail run adding 12+ obstacles inspired by obstacle races, mud runs and shows like American Ninja Warrior showcased in a theme with inspiration from television series such as The Walking Dead

2014 Participants can be runners or zombies. Truly a one of a kind

# WHY WE'RE DIFFERENT

The **competitive advantage** of Zombie Charge is we are the *only* race series in Texas featuring an open and untimed 5K obstacle run for all ages and fitness levels along with the option for a participant to sign up as a zombie.

We hire professional special effects make-up artists to transform the participant who's looking for our unique experience.

Zombie Charge allows for minimum risk and maximum fun in a one of a kind experience.

Thousands have participated in our events over the years and many more recognize our brand throughout Texas.

We are the most authentic 5K zombie obstacle race series in Texas!



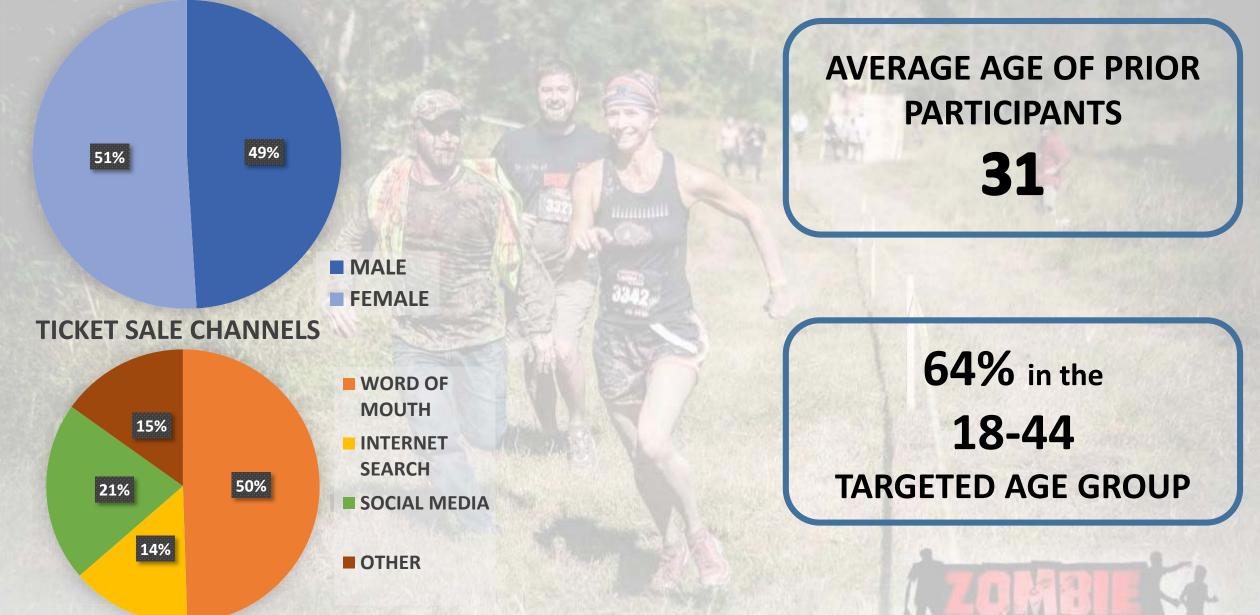
Participants navigate a variety of fitness challenges and obstacles

# YOUR BRAND, EXPOSED!

Zombie Charge has worked with powerful media partners and has Zombie Charge also has a strong social media reach been featured on television, print and online content such as... **Over 47,000 Facebook followers** SPECIAL K **On the airwaves and podcasts** ËROULA≷ MUD MOMEMENT #1 HIT MUSIC STATION Featured on -**FTO On Print Media & Online** iHeart the pulse of lgbt austin

Our combined reach through iHeart stations, featured spots on television, podcasts, interviews and large scale events like Comicpalooza gave us brand visibility to over 5 million people in a large segment of the Central Texas and Greater Houston area population in the 18-44 age range and your company can be right there with us in 2018!

# **PARTICIPANT DEMOGRAPHICS**



# By the numbers...Obstacle Run Marketing

Over 5.3 million people participated in Obstacle Course Races in 2016 according to <u>Obstacle Race</u> <u>World: The State of the Mud Run Business</u>

The Outdoor Industry Association states that over 55% of Texas residents participate in outdoor recreation and the industry generates 52.6 Billion dollars in consumer spending

Running/trail running was the #1 most popular activity (18% of Americans)

7.6 million runners finished a 5K distance event in 2015

Engage a targeted, active lifestyle brand and participants with your company by being a sponsor!

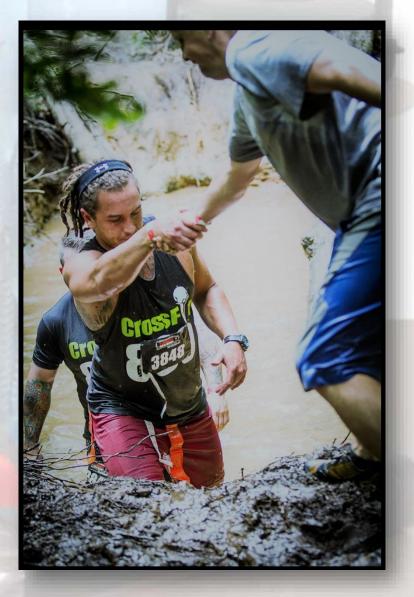
# **OUR CHARITY COMMITMENT**

**American Red Cross** 

Zombie Charge is the only 5K obstacle race in Texas that provides FREE disaster bags to families

We promote self-resilience, teamwork and community building by combining a fun yet challenging open level obstacle race that motivates people to work together

Zombie Charge also supports disaster relief with a percentage of ticket sales



# **LET'S WORK TOGETHER!**

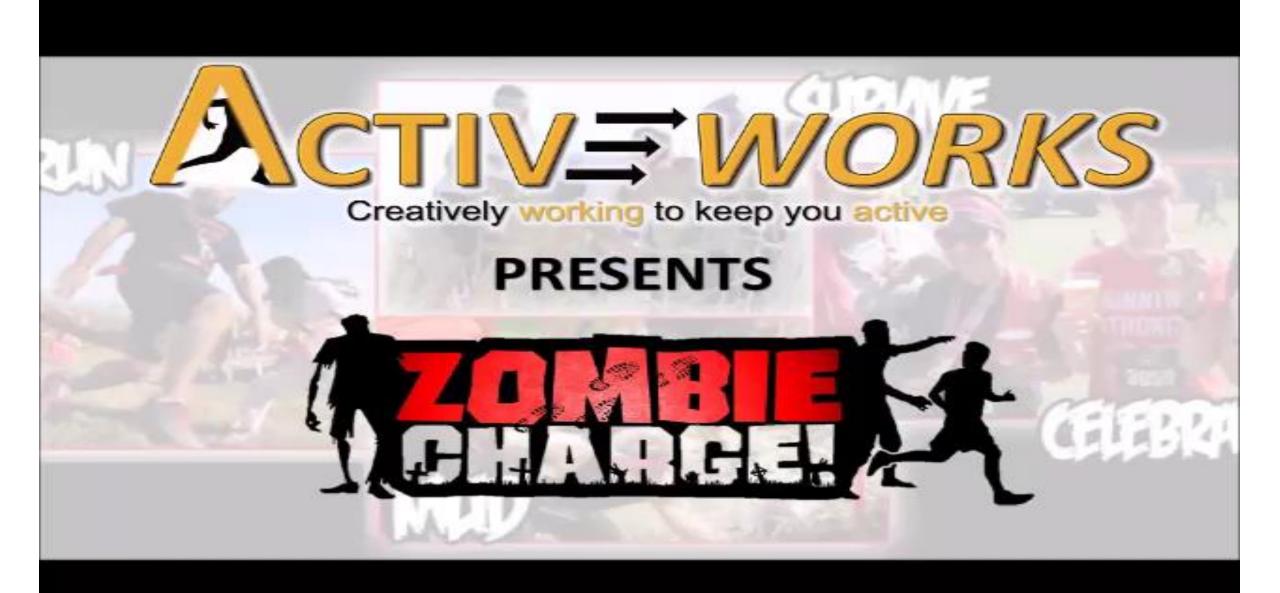
Zombie Charge is the only race of its kind in the Midwest ! <u>Without a doubt</u>, our event is unique and the partnership can be also. Customization can include a combination of the following:

- Integrated branding Texas wide in different forms of media exposure from print, billboard and even on t-shirts with "Visit SPI"
- Economic stimulus during that weekend with hotel stays, usage of local restaurants and other businesses from our event staff to visitors
- Partnerships with big brands like iHeart Radio, American Ninja Warrior and recognized sponsors like State Farm
- Exposure of brand marks on our website, social media platforms, YouTube Videos, Facebook live feed
- Newsletter inclusion presenting SPI's clickable logo to connect to people prior to the event to promote events and during that weekend
- Friday party FREE to public to promote fitness with no cost community classes in a family friendly environment

There's nothing like Zombie Charge in Texas!

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Item No. 5e

#### CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA REQUEST FORM

MEETING DATE: April 10, 2019

NAME & TITLE: Marisa Amaya, Event Development & Packaging Manager

**DEPARTMENT:** South Padre Island Convention and Visitors Bureau

ITEM

Discussion and action to approve funding request for the SPI Triathlon.

ITEM BACKGROUND

SPI Triathlon 2019 is requesting \$10,000.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL SUMMARY

02-593-8099 Special Events Budget

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN GOAL

Sent to Legal:         YES:         NO:	
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 Approved by Legal:
 YES: \_\_\_\_\_\_
 NO: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Comments:

**RECOMMENDATIONS/COMMENTS** 

Recommend the Special Events Committee approve a funding amount.

## **APPLICATION FOR INITIAL FUNDING**

#### **ORGANIZATON INFORMATION**

Name of Organization: Dos Guys Productions	
Address: 1209 Hwy 83	
City, State, Zip: Alamo, TX 78516	
Contact Name: Casey Swanson	Contact Office Phone Number:
Contact Cell Phone Number:	
Web Site Address for Event or Sponsoring Entity	pitriathlon.com
Non-Profit or For-Profit status: For-profit	Tax ID #:
Entity's Creation Date: 2012	
<b>Purpose of your organization:</b> The purpose of Dos Guys Race Productions is to	promote wellness living through
community activities of a non-competitive nature.	

#### **EVENT INFORMATION**

Name of Events or Projec	t: South Padre Island Triathlon
Date of Event or Project:	9/29/2019



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Primary Location of Event or Project: Parrot Eyes

Amount Requested: \$<u>10,000.00</u>

Primary Purpose of Funded Activity/Facility:

The primary purpose of the funded activity is to hold a spectator friendly triathlon

for triathletes of varying abilities bringing in competitors from across the state and

bordering/central Mexico. The event also allows athletes to participate in a triathlon

of a "open-water" nature, offered nowhere else in South Texas

How will the hotel tax funds be used: (please attach a list of the hotel tax funded expenditures) Hotel tax funds will be used directly in helping promote participations in the event.

Money will be expended to help improve marketing for the event to increase the

number of participants and spectators. Additional safety equipment and signage

will also be purchased.

#### Percentage of Hotel Tax Support of Related Costs

\_\_\_\_\_ Percentage of **Total Event Costs** Covered by Hotel Occupancy Tax

\_\_\_\_\_ Percentage of **Total Annual Facility Costs** Covered by Hotel Occupancy Tax for the Funded Event

\_\_\_\_\_ Percentage of Annual Staff Costs Covered by Hotel Occupancy Tax for the Funded Event

If staff costs are covered, estimate percentage of time staff spends annually on the funded event(s) compared to other activities  $\frac{75}{8}$ 

Are you asking for any cost reductions for city facility rentals or city services, and if so, please quantify and explain:

We ask for the city to help provide a EMS unit in case of an emergency as well

as police officers to help with traffic control for the duration of the event.



# Which Category or Categories Apply to Funding Request & Amount Requested Under Each Category:

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- f) Expenses including promotional expenses, directly related to a sporting event in which the majority of participants are tourists. The event must substantially increase economic activity at hotels within the city or its vicinity. Amount requested under this category: \$ -\_\_\_\_\_

How many attendees are expected to come to the sporting related event? \_\_\_\_\_

How many of the attendees at the sporting related event are expected to be from another city or county? 150

Quantify how the sporting related event will substantially increase economic activity at hotels within the city or its vicinity?

The triathlon will help bring business to hotels and restaurants in the area from the athletes to their families spending time there

throughout the weekend of the event.



g) Funding transportation systems for transporting tourists from hotels to and near the city to any of the following destinations: 1) the commercial center of the city; 2) a convention center in the city; 3) other hotels in or near the city; and 4) tourist attractions in or near the city. Please note that the ridership of any such transportation must be primarily tourists to qualify for hotel tax funding.

Amount requested under this category: \$
What sites or attractions will tourists be taken to by this transportation? n/a
Will members of the general public (non-tourists) be riding on this transportation?
What percentage of the ridership will be local citizens? <u>n/a</u>
h) Signage directing tourists to sights and attractions that are visited frequently by hotel
guests in the municipality.
Amount requested under this category: \$
What tourist attractions will be the subject of the signs?

n/a



#### QUESTIONS FOR ALL FUNDING REQUEST CATEGORIES

#### How many years have you held this Event or Project:

In 2019 the event will be on its 8th year of success.

Expected Attendance: 225

How many people attending the Event or Project will use South Padre Island lodging establishments? <sup>150</sup>

How many nights do you anticipate the majority of the tourists will stay: <u>1-2 nights</u>

Do you reserve a room block for this event at an area hotel and if so, for how many rooms and at which hotels:

We have requested a room-block at the Holiday Inn Express in South Padre Island.

List other years (over the last three years) that you have hosted your Event or Project with amount of assistance given from HOT and the number of hotel rooms used:

Month/Year Held	Assistance Amount	Number of Hotel Rooms Used
n/a		

How will you measure the impact of your event on area hotel activity (e.g.; room block usage information, survey of hoteliers, etc.)?

We will use survey data collected from athletes upon their arrival at our event packet-pick as well as occupant data

collected from the host hotel.



Please list other organization, government entities, and grants that have offered financial support to your project:

We have not receive financial sup	port from outside sourced for our event.
Will the event charge admission? $\frac{A}{2}$	thletes only. Spectators-no
Do you anticipate a net profit from t	
If there is a net profit, what is the a	nticipated amount and how will it be used?
Dos Guys in anticipating of a profi	t between 1,500.00 -2000.00 dollars that will be
invested directly back into the eve	nt for the subsequent year.
this requirement by the Executive D Executive Director (or designee) and	e coordinated through the CVA's agency, unless exempted from Pirector, in which case <u>all creative must bepre-approved by the</u> d payments will be on a reimbursement basis. Please list all n is planning and the amount estimated for each media outlet:
Newspaper:	<b>\$</b> 1,500.00
Radio:	<b>\$</b> 1,000.00
• TV:	\$
Website, Social Media:	\$ <sup>500.00</sup>
Other Paid Advertising:	\$
Anticipated Number of Press Releas	es to Media:
Anticipated Number Direct Mailings	to out-of-town recipients:
Other Promotions:	



A link to the CVB must be included on your promotional handouts and in your website for booking hotel nights during this event. Are you able to comply? Yes No

Will you negotiate a special rate or hotel/event package to attract overnight stays? yes

[If we have a tour operator, we will require them to use that service.]

What other marketing initiatives are you planning to promote hotel and convention activity for this event?

What geographic areas does your event reach?

The South Padre Island Triathlon reaches out to South Texas, but we are looking to reach out to Central Texas as as Central Mexico where there is a larger demographic of triathletes.

If the funding requested is related to a permanent facility (e.g. museum, visitor center):

- Percentage of those who visit the facility who indicate they are staying at area hotels/lodging facilities:\_\_\_\_\_% (use a visitor log that asks them to check a box if they are staying at an area lodging facility)

What amount of event insurance do you have for your event and who is the carrier:

The United States of America Triathlon organization offers insurance for all athletes participating in our event.

[Insert South Padre Island Minimum Event Insurance Coverage Minimums and duty to list South Padre Island as an added insured]

Any marketing for the event must be consistent with the brand image for South Padre Island and all such marketing pieces that are funded with hotel tax must be coordinated and developed by the South Padre Island CVB marketing agency. Are you able to comply?

✓ Yes

No



Where appropriate, the CVB will require access to event participant database information that will show zip code data to measure likely impact from the funded event.

#### SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION REQUIRED WITH APPLICATION:

Along with the application, please submit the following:

Proposed Marketing Plan for Funded Event

\_\_\_\_\_ Schedule of Activities or Events Relating to the Funded Project

\_\_\_\_\_ Complete budget for the Funded Project

\_\_\_\_\_ Room night projections, with back-up, for the Funded Event

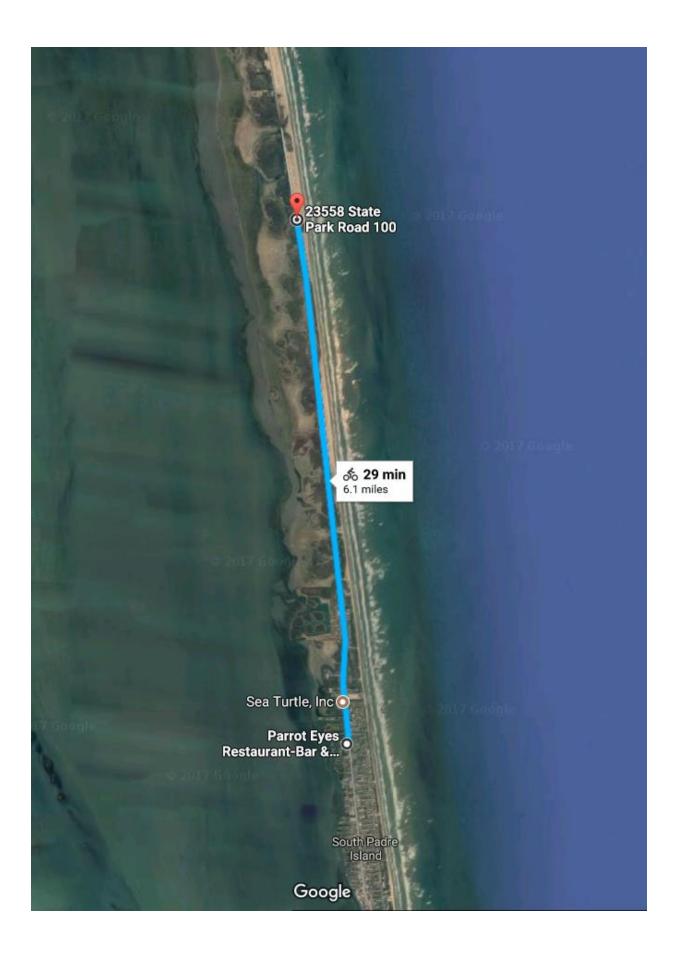
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### Bike Route for the Triathlon









Swim Course

- Start & Finish @ Parrot Eyes Å.
- Sprint Turn Around в.
- Olympic Turn Around ບ່

Item No. 5f

#### CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA REQUEST FORM

MEETING DATE: April 10, 2019

NAME & TITLE: Marisa Amaya, Event Development & Packaging Manager

**DEPARTMENT:** South Padre Island Convention and Visitors Bureau

ITEM

Discussion and action to approve funding request for the Mariachi Run.

#### ITEM BACKGROUND

2019 South Padre Island Mariachi Run is requesting \$25,000.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL SUMMARY

02-593-8099 Special Events Budget

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN GOAL

LEGAL REVIEW	,
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Sent to Legal:	YES:	NO:
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 Approved by Legal:
 YES: \_\_\_\_\_\_
 NO: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Comments:

RECOMMENDATIONS/COMMENTS

Recommend the Special Events Committee approve a funding amount.

## **APPLICATION FOR INITIAL FUNDING**

Today's Date: 06/26/18

#### **ORGANIZATON INFORMATION**

Name of Organization: 26point2 Consulting G	roup, LLC dba 26point2 Events
Address: 4001 S. Houston Drive	
City, State, Zip: Harlingen, Texas 78550	
Contact Name: Angie Juarez	Contact Office Phone Number:
Contact Cell Phone Number: 956-244-5358	
Web Site Address for Event or Sponsoring Entity	ww.spimariachirun.com
Non-Profit or For-Profit status: For-Profit Status	
Entity's Creation Date: February 2013	
Purpose of your organization: 26point2 Consulting Group, LLC is a for-pr	ofit organization with goals to support
local non-profits with specific needs that ar	e often not addressed by other means.
26point2 Consulting Group, LLC serves a	s an Event Producer and Consultant

to various events and organizations trying to make impacts in their communities.

#### **EVENT INFORMATION**

Name of Events or Project: South Padre Island Mariachi Run (SPI Mariachi Run)	
Date of Event or Project: November 2, 2019	
Primary Location of Event or Project: Schlitterbahn Resort and Waterpark	
Amount Requested: \$25,000	-



#### Primary Purpose of Funded Activity/Facility:

The purpose of the the South Padre Island Mariachi Run - 5k/10k, Half Marathon is to provide an original concept and experience that almost anyone can get excited about participating in; i.e. from the devoted runner, the margarita & taco lover or even a couch surfer looking to get active and have fun. The history of the Mariachi goes back hundreds of years in the Mexican culture to celebrate joys, struggles and triumphs. Today the Mariachi continues to be prime entertainment in celebrations and ceremonies. The SPI Mariachi Run will bring together a cultural celebration of music, food & drink, the popularity of walking & running for activeness and

bring awareness to the scholarship program of Operations Spots 4 Tots.

How will the hotel tax funds be used: (please attach a list of the hotel tax funded expenditures)

For the 2nd year, 70% of the requested funds would go directly to operations to help create a solid foundation for a long

term event on South Padre Island. 30% of the requested funds would go directly to marketing.

#### Percentage of Hotel Tax Support of Related Costs

75% Percentage of Total Event Costs Covered by Hotel Occupancy Tax

- 0 Percentage of **Total Annual Facility Costs** Covered by Hotel Occupancy Tax for the Funded Event
- 0 Percentage of Annual Staff Costs Covered by Hotel Occupancy Tax for the Funded Event

If staff costs are covered, estimate percentage of time staff spends annually on the funded event(s) compared to other activities\_\_\_\_\_%

Are you asking for any cost reductions for city facility rentals or city services, and if so, please quantify and explain:

#### CITY SERVICES:

- SPI-PD participation for traffic plan, traffic direction and cones

- SPI-EMS participation on location

- SPI Public Works support for trash receptacles and route support



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- c) Advertising, Solicitations, Promotional programs to attract tourists and convention delegates or registrants to the municipality or its vicinity. Amount requested under this category: \$ 0
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- e) Historical restoration and preservation projects or activities or advertising and conducting solicitation and promotional programs to encourage tourists and convention delegates to visit preserved historic sites or museums. Amount requested under this category: \$ 0\_\_\_\_\_\_
- f) Expenses including promotional expenses, directly related to a sporting event in which the majority of participants are tourists. The event must substantially increase economic activity at hotels within the city or its vicinity. Amount requested under this category: \$ 25,000

How many attendees are expected to come to the sporting related event? 500 second year

How many of the attendees at the sporting related event are expected to be from another city or county? <u>500</u>\_\_\_\_\_

Quantify how the sporting related event will substantially increase economic activity at hotels within the city or its vicinity?

With a day-time packet pick-up expo occurring only on SPI and the actual event occurring in the evening as a sundowner, runners and walkers

are anticipated to bring friends and family to support them and enjoy additional activities in bundle packages to the event's registration.

We anticipate at least 150 to 200 of the participants to stay one or multiple nights on South Padre Island.



g) Funding transportation systems for transporting tourists from hotels to and near the city to any of the following destinations: 1) the commercial center of the city; 2) a convention center in the city; 3) other hotels in or near the city; and 4) tourist attractions in or near the city. Please note that the ridership of any such transportation must be primarily tourists to qualify for hotel tax funding.

Amount requested under this category: \$
What sites or attractions will tourists be taken to by this transportation? <b>n/a</b>
Will members of the general public (non-tourists) be riding on this transportation? <u>n/a</u> What percentage of the ridership will be local citizens? <u>n/a</u>
h) Signage directing tourists to sights and attractions that are visited frequently by hotel
guests in the municipality. Amount requested under this category: \$

What tourist attractions will be the subject of the signs?  $\ensuremath{n/a}$ 



#### QUESTIONS FOR ALL FUNDING REQUEST CATEGORIES

How many years have you held this Event or Project: One year prior, 2018 will be the Inaugural Year

Expected Attendance: 500 registrants; 800 plus to packet pick-up expo and after party

How many people attending the Event or Project will use South Padre Island lodging establishments? <sup>anticipated 150 plus</sup>

How many nights do you anticipate the majority of the tourists will stay: \_

Do you reserve a room block for this event at an area hotel and if so, for how many rooms and at which hotels:

Anticipated - Schlitterbahn Resort as primary and Isla Grand as secondary

List other years (over the last three years) that you have hosted your Event or Project with amount of assistance given from HOT and the number of hotel rooms used:

Month/Year Held	Assistance Amount	Number of Hotel Rooms Used
November 2018	\$25,000	TBD

How will you measure the impact of your event on area hotel activity (e.g.; room block usage information, survey of hoteliers, etc.)? Room blocks informariton

Participant surveys at the packet pick-up expo

Please list other organization, government entities, and grants that have offered financial support to your project: <u>Proposing sponsorship support from Schlitterbahn</u>, local SPI businesses and RGV businesses

Will the event charge admission? <u>Race regi</u>stration will vary from \$35 to \$95

Do you anticipate a net profit from the event? Yes

If there is a net profit, what is the anticipated amount and how will it be used? 20% to the distributed amongst Operations Spots 4 Tots and two to three local food banks

20% directly channeled into the next year's operational supplies

60% to 26point2 Consulting Group, LLC



All marketing and promotions will be coordinated through the CVA's agency, unless exempted from this requirement by the Executive Director, in which case <u>all creative must be pre-approved by the Executive Director (or designee) and payments will be on a reimbursement basis</u>. Please list all promotion efforts your organization is planning and the amount estimated for each media outlet:

•	Newspaper:	\$
•	Radio:	\$
•	TV:	<b>\$</b> 2500
•	Website, Social Media:	\$ 5500
•	Other Paid Advertising:	<b>\$</b> 5500

Anticipated Number of Press Releases to Media: 6

Anticipated Number Direct Mailings to out-of-town recipients: to be determined

Other Promotions: Other Paid Advertising includes Texas Runners & Triathlete Magazine & e-blasts and Expo Exhibitor

A link to the CVB must be included on your promotional handouts and in your website for booking hotel nights during this event. Are you able to comply?

## Will you negotiate a special rate or hotel/event package to attract overnight stays? Yes

[If we have a tour operator, we will require them to use that service.]

## What other marketing initiatives are you planning to promote hotel and convention activity for this event?

We will develop a build-up social media campaign for seven Texas markets. Partner with the Texas Runners & Triathlete

for a full page ad in the Annual Race Guide along with various eblasts and other event support. Additionally sponsor support will

allow for participation in other event expos prior to the event. Posters/flyers will be distributed throughout the RGV.

#### What geographic areas does your event reach?

Primary area will be the four counties of the Rio Grande Valley. Additional metros will include Corpus Christi, Laredo,

San Antonio, Austin, Houston and Dallas

If the funding requested is related to a permanent facility (e.g. museum, visitor center):

- Expected Visitation by Tourists Monthly/Annually: <u>n/a</u>
- Percentage of those who visit the facility who indicate they are staying at area hotels/lodging facilities: <u>n/a</u> % (use a visitor log that asks them to check a box if they are staying at an area lodging facility)



What amount of event insurance do you have for your event and who is the carrier: Participant surveys at the packet pick-up expo

#### coverage minimums will be secured for the event.

[Insert South Padre Island Minimum Event Insurance Coverage Minimums and duty to list South Padre Island as an added insured]

Any marketing for the event must be consistent with the brand image for South Padre Island and all such marketing pieces that are funded with hotel tax must be coordinated and developed by the South Padre Island CVB marketing agency. Are you able to comply? Yes No

Where appropriate, the CVB will require access to event participant database information that will show zip code data to measure likely impact from the funded event.

#### SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION REQUIRED WITH APPLICATION:

Along with the application, please submit the following:

- **X** Proposed Marketing Plan for Funded Event
- X Schedule of Activities or Events Relating to the Funded Project
- **X** Complete budget for the Funded Project
- X Room night projections, with back-up, for the Funded Event

#### Submit to complete applications to:

Marisa Amaya Event Development & Packaging Manager Convention and Visitors Advisory Board C/O City of South Padre Island Convention and Visitors Bureau 7355 Padre Blvd. South Padre Island, TX 78597

Phone: (956) 761-3834 Email: marisa@sopadre.com



# **Event Economic Impact Report**



### November 3rd

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## Executive Summary and Survey Highlights

The South Padre Island Mariachi Run 5k/10k took place at Schlitterbahn Waterpark on Saturday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018. The event was created to celebrate the Mexican culture and to make running fun by having live mariachi groups along the run. The event received \$25,000 in funding and was sponsored by the South Padre Island Convention and Visitors Bureau with Angie Juarez serving as the event organizer. To examine the spending of Mariachi Run attendees on SPI, a short survey incentivized with the opportunity to enter a drawing to win two nights at Schlitterbahn Beach Resort was conducted. The survey was administered onsite for 209 completed questionnaires resulting in 183 useable responses from unique households on the Island specifically for the event.

On average, event study respondents were predominately married (56.4%) females (65.6%), had an average age of 39 years, had at least some type of college degree (66.1%), worked full-time (81.4%), were primarily Hispanic (84.2%) and had an average annual income above \$50,000 (73.2%). Survey respondents were primarily from the US (97.2%) with 2.8% from Mexico. On average, household participants traveled an average of 90 miles with an average of 2.48 people and spent 0.62 nights on SPI during the event.

Most survey respondents are considered promoters of the Island to others (80.1%), resulting in an excellent net promoter score of 77.9. Most respondents are satisfied with the Island experience (96.7%) and the event (93.4%) and are likely to return to SPI for a future vacation (93.4%).

Importantly, the survey analysis found that the 343 household groups attended Mariachi Run and spent an estimated weighted average of \$197 per household while on the Island for a total spending of \$67,721. Of total spending, lodging is the highest per household expenditure category with 37% of study respondents spending at least one night on the Island in paid lodging and staying an average of 0.62 nights. This resulted in about 78 total room nights, most of which were spent in hotels.

With the average weighted lodging expenditure of \$197 per household that spent the night on the Island, a total of \$20,909 was spent on lodging. Of this amount, 17% or \$3,038 was for the Hotel Occupancy Tax (HOT), and 10.5%, or about \$1,876, is the City's share of the HOT. Moreover, the estimated total spending on food and beverages of \$21,197 included about \$1,616 in taxes at the 8.25% rate or \$392 at the City 2% tax

rate. Other types of expenditures, such as clothing, nightlife and entertainment amounted to\$25,614, of which \$1,952 was sales taxes, with \$473 the City's share. In total, the \$67,721 spent during Mariachi Run resulted in \$6,606 in tax revenue with \$2,741 the City's share. This represents a loss to the City of -\$22,259 for a -89.0% loss on the \$25,000 cash investment made by the CVB in Mariachi Run as shown in the table.

КРІ	Result	Description of KPI	Page
CVB investment	\$25,000	Amount of funding provided by CVB to event promoter	P1
Total spending	\$67,721	Total spent by event households	Table 1, P6
Average spent per household	\$197	Weighted average spent per household	Table 1, P6
Number of households	343	Number of households at event	Figure 2, P4
Number in household	2.48	Number of people in household group at event	Figure 2, P4
Nights on SPI	0.62	Average number of nights spent on SPI	Figure 2, P4
Lodging tax	\$1,876	City share of HOT revenue: 10.5% of 17% HOT	Table 2, P7
F&B sales tax	\$392	City share of total tax collected from F&B spending: 2% of 8.25% of total sales tax	Table 2, P7
Other sales tax	\$473	City share of total sales tax revenue	Table 2, P7
Total City tax share	\$2,741	Total City tax revenue from event	Table 2, P7
Total tax ROI	-89.0%	Return on CVB investment considering all taxes	Table 2, P7
Lodging only ROI	-92.5%	Return on CVB investment considering HOT only	Table 2, P7
Net Promoter Score	77.9	Measure of customer loyalty; calculated as identified promoters less detractors	Figure 5, p8
Likely to return	93.4%	Percent somewhat or extremely likely to return to SPI	Figure 6, p8
Satisfied with the SPI	96.7%	Percent satisfied with the SPI experience	Figure 7, P8
Satisfied with event	93.4%	Percent satisfied with event	Figure 8, p9

### Summary of Key Performance Indicators (KPI)



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## SPI Mariachi Run 5k/10k

## Introduction

SPI Mariachi Run 5k/10k took place at Schlitterbahn Waterpark on Saturday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018. The event was created to celebrate the Mexican culture and to make running fun by having live mariachi groups along the run. The event received \$25,000 in funding and was sponsored by the South Padre Island Convention and Visitors Bureau with Angie Juarez serving as the event organizer.

Race participants could pick up their packets and visit the expo from 10:30am to 4:30pm with race start times beginning at 5:30pm. An after race party with mariachi band performances were from 6:15pm to 8:15pm. Registration for the event ranged from \$35 to \$65 depending on the race entered and when registered.

## Method

To estimate the economic impact of the 2018 Mariachi Run, UTRGV interviewers conducted a survey (see Appendix A) among event attendees at the Schlitterbahn Waterpark during the following times as recommended by the event director as best to reach the most attendees:

- Saturday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 from 3:30pm until 8:30pm.
- As an incentive, survey respondents were offered a chance to win two nights at Schlitterbahn Beach Resort and were also offered SPI promotional products which substantially helped to recruit respondents.



### Interviews

A total of 15 different trained interviewers, a people counter and the project manager attended SPI Mariachi Run, at Schlitterbahn Waterpark on Saturday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>. Interviewers were highly visible by wearing bright orange t-shirts and visors and randomly approached potential respondents in a professional manner and administered the paper survey on clipboards to facilitate survey administration with the data to be entered into an online link later by the interview team. The onsite interviews yielded 209 completed responses; however, a number of the responses were eliminated as follows:

- 4 responses were completed by another responding household member;
- 8 responses were from respondents not on the Island for the event; and,
- 6 were from respondents who live within ten miles.

The result is 183 useable questionnaires for analysis. The sample population is about 700 adults who passed by the interviewers. With 209 completed surveys, the completed responses rate is about 29.9%.







### **Estimated attendance**

Knowing the number of people attending any event is crucial to estimating the economic impact of the event. Accordingly, the research team manually counted attendance during the times they were at the Schlitterbahn Waterpark via a manual hand counter. The manual counter counted 682 adults and 139 children on Saturday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> from 3:30pm until 8:30pm. Allowing for vendors and volunteers, in total, we estimate that 850 people were at the Schlitterbahn Waterpark for the 2018 SPI Mariachi Run.

The appropriate unit of analysis, however, is 'the household' since spending questions are asked about household expenditures rather than individual expenditures. To determine the number of households at the event, the total number of attendees (850) is divided by the average household size (2.48) as found in the survey (see Figure 2) to determine that 343 households were at 2018 SPI Mariachi Run event.



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## Results

### Survey participants travel and SPI stay characteristics

In all, 183 useable surveys were completed by people specifically on South Padre Island

for 2018 SPI Mariachi Run. Survey respondents were first asked to indicate their role or participation type in the event. Figure 1 shows that by far, most of the respondents surveyed (71.4%) were registered for the event while (20.3%) were event spectators. The remaining survey participants were event sponsor/vendors (1.6%) or volunteer/staff (4.4%).





Next, respondents indicated how many people were in their household while at the

event, the number of nights spent and the number of miles traveled to the event. The number of people reported in the household for the event ranged from 1 to 16 for an average of 2.48 as seen in Figure 2. Data featured in Figure 2 also shows that, on average, study participants traveled 90 miles to attend the event, although distances traveled ranged from 10 to 1500 miles and spent an average of 0.62 nights on SPI for the event with a range of 0 to 3 nights spent on SPI.

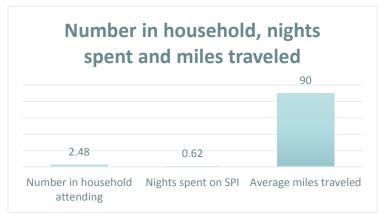


FIGURE 2. AVERAGE MILES TRAVELED, GROUP SIZE AND NIGHTS SPENT

Figure 3 breaks down the percent of respondents by number of nights spent on SPI and shows that 55.2% of respondents did not spend the night on SPI. Of those spending the night, most respondents spent one (30.1%) or two nights (12.6%) although 2.2% spent 3 nights on the Island. None (0.0%) spent more than five nights on SPI for the event.

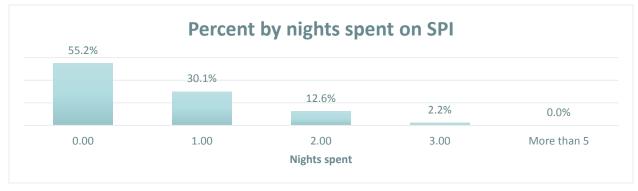
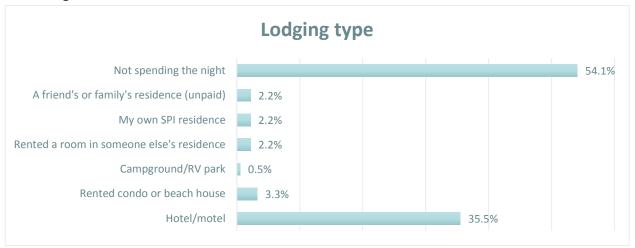


FIGURE 3. PERCENTAGE SPENDING THE NIGHT ON SPI

Figure 4 shows the types of lodging used. While most (54.1%) event attenders surveyed did not spend the night on the Island, of those who did, 35.5% spent the night in a hotel/motel room, 3.3% rented a condominium or beach house, 2.2% stayed with family or friends, and 2.2% stayed in their own SPI residence.

With 37% (Table 1, p6) of the estimated 343 households spending an average of 0.62 nights (Figure 2, p4) on the Island, the Mariachi Run event should have resulted in 78 room nights.



### FIGURE 4. TYPE OF LODGING

Mariachi Run attendees accounted for 78 room nights.



### Estimated spending

Study respondents were asked to indicate how much money they spent in various expenditure categories. All reported expenditure amounts were assumed to include sales taxes except that lodging was assumed to be stated without HOT so was adjusted upward by 17%, the HOT rate. The total average reported expenditure by category was then multiplied times the percentage of respondents who reported spending in that expense category to arrive at the average weighted spending per expense category.

Results in Table 1 indicate the average amount spent on lodging, as adjusted by 17%, was \$166 with a weighted average of \$61 considering that 37% of respondents spent money on lodging for a total of \$20,909. Average spending on food and beverages was \$75, with a weighted average of \$62, for a total category spending of \$21,197, including sales taxes. The total spent on all other categories was \$25,614. In total, 343 event households spent a weighted average of \$197 for a total SPI spending of \$67,721.

Expenditure category	Total average	% spending in category	Weighted spending per HH	Total spending per HH
Food & Beverages	\$75	83%	\$62	\$21,197
Night life	\$70	28%	\$20	\$6 <i>,</i> 704
Lodging	\$166	37%	\$61	\$20,909
Attraction entertainment	\$47	11%	\$5	\$1,756
Retail	\$60	22%	\$13	\$4,580
Transportation	\$38	59%	\$22	\$7,723
Parking	\$31	3%	\$1	\$291
Admission fees	\$43	8%	\$3	\$1,122
Clothing	\$42	12%	\$5	\$1,745
Groceries	\$37	13%	\$5	\$1,606
Other	\$12	2%	\$0	\$86
Total	\$620		\$197	\$67,721

### TABLE 1. TOTAL AVERAGE WEIGHTED SPENDING

The estimated direct spending on South Padre Island as attributed to the 2018 SPI Mariachi Run is \$67,721, within a 5.7% confidence interval of plus or minus \$3,826 given the assumptions of a random sample selection.

### Tax benefits of spending during event

To calculate the tax revenue accruing from event attendee spending, the following tax rates are assumed:

- 17% hotel occupancy tax rate;
- 10.5% City's share of the hotel occupancy tax rate;
- 8.25% sales tax on all non-lodging spending;
- 2% is the City's share of non-lodging sales tax.

The spending reported in Table 1 should result in the tax revenues shown in Table 2. Total spending on lodging should result in total tax revenue of \$3,038 with the City's share at 10.5% totaling \$1,876. Total spending on food and beverages should result in \$1,616 in tax revenue with \$392 the City's share while total spending in all other expense categories should yield \$1,952 in sales tax revenue with \$473 the City's share. Altogether, the tax revenue should be \$6,606 with \$2,741 the City's share. The loss from the City's share of the hotel tax alone on the \$25,000 invested in the event is -92.5% but is -89.0% considering the City's share of all the tax revenue.

Spending category	Amount spent	Total HOT	Total sales tax	City's % share	City's \$ share	ROI
Lodging	\$20,909	17%	\$3,038	10.50%	\$1,876	-92.5%
Food & Beverage	\$21,197	8.25%	\$1,616	2%	\$ 392	
All nonlodging	\$25,614	8.25%	\$1,952	2%	\$ 473	
Totals	\$67,721		\$6,606		\$2,741	-89.0%

#### TABLE 2. SPENDING, TAX REVENUE AND ROI

Total spending of 2018 SPI Mariachi Run attendees resulted in an estimate tax revenue of \$6,606, with \$2,741 going to the City of South Padre Island. With an investment of \$25,000 in the event, the return to the City is -92.5% considering only the 10.5% share of HOT but -89.0% considering all the City's estimated tax revenue share.

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### The SPI Experience

The next section of the survey asked Mariachi Run attendees about their stay on SPI. In this section, the "net promoter" question was used to determine how likely survey respondents are to recommend SPI as a place to visit to friends or colleagues.

The results, shown in Figure 5, indicate that most study respondents (80.1%)

Recommendation likelihood<br/>Net promoter score80.1%77.917.7%2.2%PromotersPassiveDetractorsNPS

### FIGURE 5. NET PROMOTER SCORE

are promoters of SPI while a few (2.2%) are detractors. This yields a net promoter score (NPS) of 77.9, which is excellent. For example, the hotel industry has a NPS of 39

www.netpromoter.com/compare.

Respondents were asked how likely they are to return to SPI and how satisfied they were with the event. As seen in Figure 6, by far most respondents (95.1%) are likely to return to the Island at some time in the future.

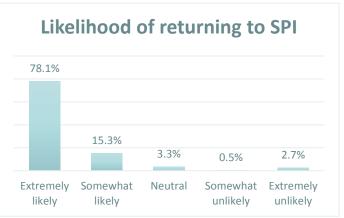


FIGURE 6. LIKELIHOOD OF RETURNING TO SPI IN THE FUTURE

Respondents were also asked to indicate their satisfaction with the SPI experience and with the event. Result shown in Figure 7 indicate that 96.7% were satisfied with the SPI experience and that 0.5% were dissatisfied with SPI.



FIGURE 7. SATISFACTION WITH SPI EXPERIENCE



Most respondents (93.4%) were also satisfied with the Mariachi Run event and only 3.3% reported being dissatisfied with the event as seen in Figure 8.





## NOTE: Respondents were asked to provide suggestions for improving their stay on SPI. The unedited comments are as follows:

- More water stops would be nice for the 10k. But overall awesome production loved the mariachi bands.
- Packet pickup have it on another day
- Start race on time; more communication
- Start on time
- Don't know if there will be signs to differentiate 5k and 10k runners. I don't want to get confused during the run. Are there going to be bananas at the end of the finish line? If no, please consider getting some for next time.
- Flat running ground
- Have a designated entrance for non runners, we ran right into the mariachi.
- Have waters available; signs for parking and pick up
- I will continue to bring my family and tell others about SPI if and only if they don't start to implement the hourly parking fee.
- This was a great event! I understood the water stop thing but I wish that there had been regular water stops. Thank you for a fun event!
- No one was taking numbers of 1st, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup>place. The run was 6.44 instead of 6.2.
- More promotion

- Need more water stations
- Need more water stations. Better mileage tracking. More personnel.
- Needs to be more timed, badly organized
- Needs to be more timed, not prepared, 5K and 10K priced are not worth it, started late
- Other activities for family and friends
- Package pickup on earlier date. Medal is awesome!
- Starting on time, water steps, course marked better
- Timed chips
- To get cups for the water, to start on time
- Water cups for runners during the run



## **Respondent Demographics**

The remainder of the study assessed respondent demographic characteristics.

Targeted survey respondents were those 18 + years and the average age of all respondents was 39 year-of-age with ages ranging from 18 to 76.

Most respondents were female (65.6%), a majority were married (56.4%) and most had some type of college degree (66.1%) as shown in Figures 9 through 11, respectively.

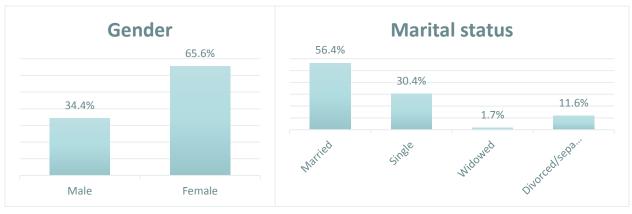


FIGURE 9. GENDER

FIGURE 10. MARITAL STATUS

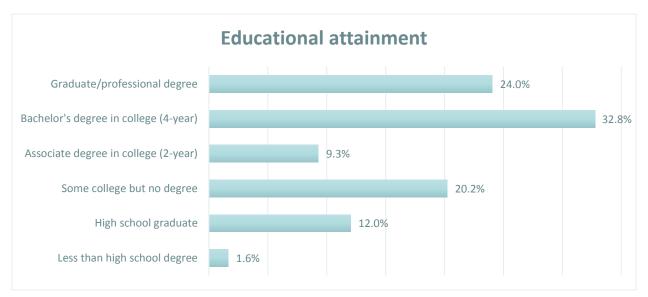


FIGURE 11. EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

Most study respondents work full-time (81.4%), although 7.1% work part-time and 4.4% are retired as seen in Figure 12.

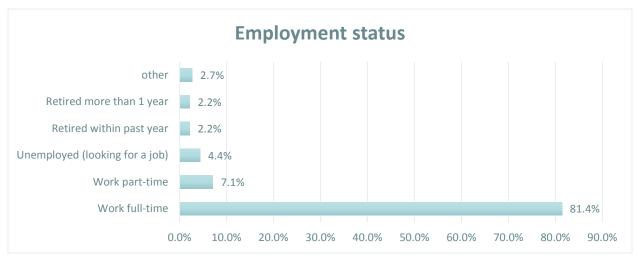


FIGURE 12. EMPLOYMENT STATUS

Most Mariachi Run study participants reported having a higher-than-average household income level: 73.2% indicated an annual household income above \$50,000 (Figure 13).

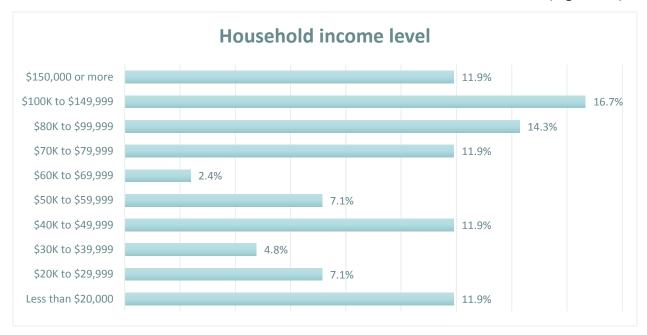
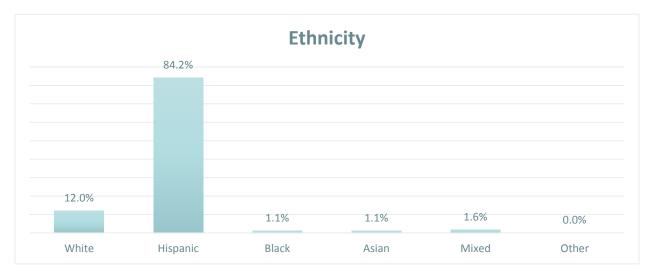


FIGURE 13. HOUSEHOLD INCOME LEVEL

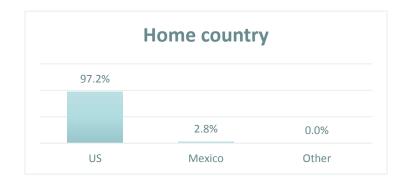


Respondents were also asked to indicate their ethnicity but could select as many ethnicities as appropriate. Results in Figure 14 show that 84.2% of respondents considered themselves Hispanic while 12.0% indicated being White.



### FIGURE 14. ETHNICITY

Finally, respondents were asked to indicate their home country and current residence zip/postal code. Most respondents reported the United States as their home country (97.2%) and 2.8% indicated being from Mexico as shown in Figure 15.



#### FIGURE 15. HOME COUNTRY

Specific zip or postal codes of study respondents and of study participants are shown and mapped in Appendix B.



## **Concluding remarks**

This report has detailed the amount of money spent on South Padre Island by people attending the South Padre Island Mariachi Run held at the Schlitterbahn Waterpark on Saturday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018. The results of the study were obtained by administering a short onsite survey, which offered respondents an incentive to enter a drawing to win two nights at Schlitterbahn Beach Resort. A total of 209 completed surveys resulted in 183 useable responses for the analysis.

Demographically, the study sample was comprised of predominately of married females who were an average of 39 years-of-age, had at least some college education, were employed full-time, had a household income above \$50,000, identify ethnically Hispanic and were from the US. The average household came to the event with 2.48 people, had traveled an average of 90 miles and 37% spent the night on SPI for an average of 0.62 nights.

By combining the count of people at the event and survey results, event attendees generated an estimate 78 SPI room nights. With an average total weighted lodging expenditure per household of \$61 event attendees spent a total of \$20,909 on lodging, resulting in about \$1,876 in the City's share of the Hotel Tax revenue. Spending on food and beverages by event attendees was about \$21,197, which should yield \$392 to the City at a tax rate of 2%. Total spending in other expenditure categories of \$25,614 should provide the City with \$473 in sales tax revenue. Altogether, Mariachi Run participants spent \$67,721, generating \$6,606 in total sales tax with \$2,741 the City's share.

Considering only the City's share of the hotel tax revenue, the City lost -\$23,124 or -92.5% on their \$25,000 investment. Considering all tax revenue from all spending, the City should receive \$2,741 in taxes for a total loss of -\$22,259 or -89.0% on the cash investment provided to the event organizer.

Nevertheless, most Mariachi Run survey participants are "promoters" in recommending SPI to others, are likely or extremely likely to return to SPI for a future vacation and are satisfied with their overall SPI experience during the event. Even though the event did not generate a positive return on the City's investment in the event, the overall SPI and event experience of the attendees will likely result in some people returning to the Island for future vacations.



### Appendix A: Survey

SPL	Mari	achi F	Run	Survey
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This survey is to understand your household experience and spending during Mariachi Run. *The one person*, older than 18, best able to report on spending for all people in your household at the event should complete this survey. Responses are very important to planning future events. As a thank you, you may enter a drawing for a 2-night stay at the Schlitterbahn Beach Resort. Responses are confidential and individual information will not be included in survey results or shared with others. Contact the Business and Tourism Research Center at UTRGV at businessresearch@utrgv.edu or call 956.665.2829 for questions.

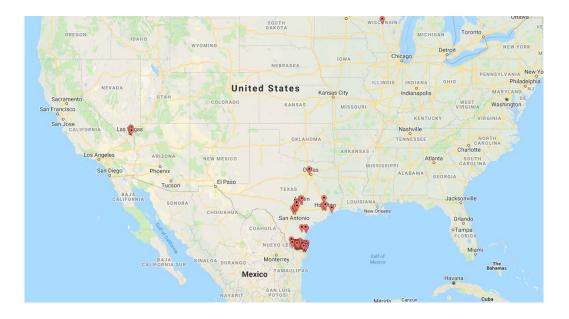
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1. Have you or someone else in your household completed this survey? □Yes □ No If yes, r		10. How likely are you to return to South Padre Island for a vacation at some time in the future?		
2. Did you come to South Padre Island specifica Mariachi Run? Yes No: If no, return t	-	Extremely likely Somewhat likely Neutral Somewhat unlikely Extremely unlikely		
3. About how many miles did you travel to atte		11. How satisfied are you with your overall South Padre Island experience?		
<ol> <li>Which of the following best describes your p Mariachi Run (Check all that apply)?</li> </ol>	miles articipation in the	Extremely satisfied Somewhat satisfied Neutral Somewhat dissatisfied Extremely dissatisfied		
Registered participant Event volunteer	/staff	12. How satisfied are you with the Mariachi Run?		
Spectator  Spectator  Event sponsor/v  Did not attend  Other	·	Extremely satisfied     Somewhat satisfied     Neutral     Somewhat dissatisfied     Extremely dissatisfied		
5. Including yourself, how many people from y	our household	13. What suggestions do you have for improving the Mariachi Run		
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snacks, etc.)	\$	Work part-time Retired more than 1 year		
Night clubs, lounges & bars (cover charges,		Unemployed (looking for a job) Other (Please specify) 21. What is your combined annual household income?		
drinks, etc.)	\$	21. What is your combined annual household income:		
Lodging expenses (hotel, motel, condo, room)	S	□less than \$20,000 □\$60K-\$69,999		
Local attractions & entertainment		□\$20K-\$29,999 □\$70K-\$79,999		
(fishing, snorkeling, kayaking, etc.)	s s	S30K- S39,999 S80K- S99,999 S40K- \$49,999 S100K-\$149,999		
Retail shopping (souvenirs, gifts, film, etc.)		□\$50K-\$59,999 □\$150,000 or more		
Transportation (gas, oil, taxi, etc.) Parking fees	s s	22. What is your ethnicity? (Select all that apply)		
SPI Admission fees	s	White Hispanic Mixed		
Clothing or accessories	s	Black Asian Other		
Groceries	s	Enter the drawing for a 2-night stay at the Schlitterbahn Beach Resort.		
Other (please specify)	s	Contact information is confidential and will be deleted after the drawing.		
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# 2018 SPI Mariachi Run



## Event Attendance

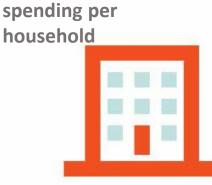
850 attendees 343 households 78 room nights



DEMOGRAPHICS

Average age 39 Average Income: 73.2% \$50,000 or more \$25,000 CVB Investment \$67,721 Total Spending

**\$197** 



## **City tax share**

10.5% Lodging = \$1,876 2% F&B sales tax = \$392 <u>2% Other sales tax = \$473</u> Total = \$2,741

2.48 visitors per household

.62 nights spent on SPI Total tax ROI = -89.0% Lodging only ROI = -92.5%



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NET PROMOTER SCORE likely to recommend South Padre Island

93.4%

96.7%

93.4%

Likely to return

Satisfied with SPI

Satisfied with event

Item No. 5g

### CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA REQUEST FORM

MEETING DATE: April 10, 2019

NAME & TITLE: Marisa Amaya, Event Development & Packaging Manager

**DEPARTMENT:** South Padre Island Convention and Visitors Bureau

ITEM

Discussion and action to approve funding request for Veteran's Day Weekend.

### ITEM BACKGROUND

2019 South Padre Island Veteran's Day Program is requesting \$20,000.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL SUMMARY

02-593-8099 Special Events Budget

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN GOAL

 Sent to Legal:
 YES: \_\_\_\_\_\_
 NO: \_\_\_\_\_\_

 Approved by Legal:
 YES: \_\_\_\_\_\_
 NO: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Comments:

**RECOMMENDATIONS/COMMENTS** 

Recommend the Special Events Committee approve a funding amount.

## **APPLICATION FOR INITIAL FUNDING**

### **ORGANIZATON INFORMATION**

Name of Organization:SPI Veteran s Day Program	m
Address: 7355 Padre Blvd	
City, State, Zip: South Padre Island, TX 78597	
Contact Name: Marisa Amaya	Contact Office Phone Number:
Contact Cell Phone Number: 956-761-3000	
Web Site Address for Event or Sponsoring Entity	ww.sopadre.com
Non-Profit or For-Profit status: Non-Profit	Tax ID #:
Entity's Creation Date:	
Purpose of your organization: Provide family friendly entertainment with a focus	on multi day events
in support of the City s Veteran s Day program	۱.
EVENT INFORMATION	
Name of Events or Project: SPI Veteran s Day Pro	gram
Date of Event or Project:	
Primary Location of Event or Project:	on Center
Amount Requested: \$ <sup>20,000</sup>	



#### Primary Purpose of Funded Activity/Facility:

Generate overnight stays as part of a larger weekend supporting Veteran s Day.

How will the hotel tax funds be used: (please attach a list of the hotel tax funded expenditures)

Guest speakers, food and beverage, musical entertainment, Veteran s Day Parade and children s activities.

There will also be two race events a rucksack march and Veteran s run.

#### Percentage of Hotel Tax Support of Related Costs

<u>100</u> Percentage of **Total Event Costs** Covered by Hotel Occupancy Tax

\_\_\_\_\_ Percentage of Total Annual Facility Costs Covered by Hotel Occupancy Tax for the Funded Event

\_\_\_\_\_ Percentage of Annual Staff Costs Covered by Hotel Occupancy Tax for the Funded Event

If staff costs are covered, estimate percentage of time staff spends annually on the funded event(s) compared to other activities\_\_\_\_\_%

Are you asking for any cost reductions for city facility rentals or city services, and if so, please quantify and explain:

City to provide EMS/ POLICE / TRAFFIC CONTROL



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## Which Category or Categories Apply to Funding Request & Amount Requested Under Each Category:

- a) **Convention Center or Visitor Information Center:** construction, improvement, equipping, repairing, operation, and maintenance of convention center facilities or visitor information centers, or both. Amount requested under this category: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- b) Registration of Convention Delegates: furnishing of facilities, personnel, and materials for the registration of convention delegates or registrants. Amount requested under this category: \$ \_\_\_\_\_\_
- c) Advertising, Solicitations, Promotional programs to attract tourists and convention delegates or registrants to the municipality or its vicinity. Amount requested under this category: \$ \_\_\_\_\_\_
- d) Promotion of the Arts that Directly Enhance Tourism and the Hotel & Convention Industry: the encouragement, promotion, improvement, and application of the arts that can be shown to have some direct impact on tourism and the hotel/convention industry. The impact may be that the art facility or event can show hotel nights that are booked due to their events or that guest at hotels attend the arts event. Eligible forms of art include instrumental and vocal music, dance, drama, folk art, creative writing, architecture, design and allied fields, painting, sculpture photography, graphic and craft arts, motion picture, radio, television, tape and sound recording, and other arts related to the presentation, performance, execution, and exhibition of these major art forms: \$
- e) Historical restoration and preservation projects or activities or advertising and conducting solicitation and promotional programs to encourage tourists and convention delegates to visit preserved historic sites or museums. Amount requested under this category: \$ \_\_\_\_\_\_
- f) Expenses including promotional expenses, directly related to a sporting event in which the majority of participants are tourists. The event must substantially increase economic activity at hotels within the city or its vicinity. Amount requested under this category: \$\_\_\_\_\_\_

How many attendees are expected to come to the sporting related event? 500

How many of the attendees at the sporting related event are expected to be from another city or county? <u>400</u>\_\_\_\_\_

Quantify how the sporting related event will substantially increase economic activity at hotels within the city or its vicinity?





g) Funding transportation systems for transporting tourists from hotels to and near the city to any of the following destinations: 1) the commercial center of the city; 2) a convention center in the city; 3) other hotels in or near the city; and 4) tourist attractions in or near the city. Please note that the ridership of any such transportation must be primarily tourists to qualify for hotel tax funding.

Amount requested under this category: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

What sites or attractions will tourists be taken to by this transportation?

 Will members of the general public (non-tourists) be riding on this transportation?

 What percentage of the ridership will be local citizens?

## h) Signage directing tourists to sights and attractions that are visited frequently by hotel guests in the municipality.

Amount requested under this category: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

What tourist attractions will be the subject of the signs?



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### QUESTIONS FOR ALL FUNDING REQUEST CATEGORIES

How many years have you he	eld this Event or Project: <u>1</u>	
Expected Attendance: 500		
	the Event or Project will use S	
How many nights do you ant	icipate the majority of the tour	ists will stay:
Do you reserve a room block which hotels: South Padre Island CVB will pack		l and if so, for how many rooms and at
-	three years) that you have hos T and the number of hotel room Assistance Amount	sted your Event or Project with amount ms used: Number of Hotel Rooms Used
2018	\$15,000	tbd
How will you measure the im information, survey of hoteli Survey and Room block informat	ers, etc.)?	el activity (e.g.; room block usage
Please list other organization support to your project: <u>N/A</u> Will the event charge admiss Do you anticipate a net profi	ion? NO	ants that have offered financial
If there is a net profit, what Event fees will be consistent yea	is the anticipated amount and r over year.	how will it be used?



All marketing and promotions will be coordinated through the CVA's agency, unless exempted from this requirement by the Executive Director, in which case <u>all creative must be pre-approved by the Executive Director (or designee) and payments will be on a reimbursement basis</u>. Please list all promotion efforts your organization is planning and the amount estimated for each media outlet:

٠	Newspaper:	\$
٠	Radio:	\$
٠	TV:	\$
٠	Website, Social Media:	<b>\$</b> 5,000
٠	Other Paid Advertising:	\$

Anticipated Number of Press Releases to Media: \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated Number Direct Mailings to out-of-town recipients: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Other Promotions: \_\_\_\_\_

A link to the CVB must be included on your promotional handouts	and in your v	website for
booking hotel nights during this event. Are you able to comply?	√Yes	Νο

Will you negotiate a special rate or hotel/event package to attract overnight stays? Yes

[If we have a tour operator, we will require them to use that service.]

What other marketing initiatives are you planning to promote hotel and convention activity for this event?

What geographic areas does your event reach? RGV, Austin, San Antonio, Dallas

If the funding requested is related to a permanent facility (e.g. museum, visitor center):

- Expected Visitation by Tourists Monthly/Annually: \_\_\_\_\_\_
- Percentage of those who visit the facility who indicate they are staying at area hotels/lodging facilities:\_\_\_\_\_% (use a visitor log that asks them to check a box if they are staying at an area lodging facility)



What amount of event insurance do you have for your event and who is the carrier:  $\mathsf{TML}$ 

[Insert South Padre Island Minimum Event Insurance Coverage Minimums and duty to list South Padre Island as an added insured]

Any marketing for the event must be consistent with the brand image for South Padre Island and all such marketing pieces that are funded with hotel tax must be coordinated and developed by the South Padre Island CVB marketing agency. Are you able to comply? ✓ Yes No

Where appropriate, the CVB will require access to event participant database information that will show zip code data to measure likely impact from the funded event.

#### SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION REQUIRED WITH APPLICATION:

Along with the application, please submit the following:

- Proposed Marketing Plan for Funded Event
- X Schedule of Activities or Events Relating to the Funded Project
- X Complete budget for the Funded Project
- \_\_\_\_\_ Room night projections, with back-up, for the Funded Event

#### Submit to complete applications to:

Marisa Amaya Event Development & Packaging Manager Convention and Visitors Advisory Board C/O City of South Padre Island Convention and Visitors Bureau 7355 Padre Blvd. South Padre Island, TX 78597

Phone: (956) 761-3834 Email: marisa@sopadre.com



## The City of South Padre Island



## **SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

## Friday, November 9th

1 p.m. – Unveiling of Dedication Bench @ Thompkins Park

## Saturday, November 10th

7 a.m. – Veterans/Pro Golf Tournament @ SPI Golf Course

2 p.m. – Veterans Day City Program @ SPI Convention Center Guest Speaker: Gordon R. England

Served as U.S. Secretary of the Navy, 1st Secretary for Homeland Security, Deputy Secretary of Defense & Acting Secretary of Defense **Music by Pelican West & food provided by Hilton Garden Inn** 

8 p.m. – Blacklight Run

### Sunday, November 11th

10 a.m. – GoRuck Race

10 a.m. – Veterans Day Eco Tour @ Breakaway Cruises

8 p.m. – Veterans Day Country Concert @ The Greens

## Monday, November 12th

10 a.m. – Flag Retirement Ceremony @ SPI Convention Center



### For more information contact:

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### UTRGV. Business & Tourism Research Center

# 2018 Veterans Day Weekend



## Event Attendance

1,850 attendees 718 households 431 room nights -27.1% change in event days YoY occupancy



DEMOGRAPHICS

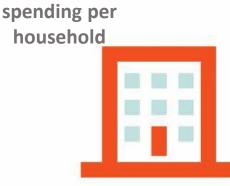
Average age 39 Average Income: 55.0% \$50,000 or more

# \$15,000

## **CVB Investment**

\$361,079 Total Spending

**\$503** 



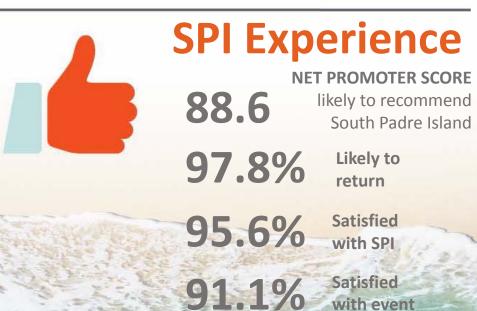
## **City tax share**

10.5% Lodging = \$16,240 2% F&B sales tax = \$1,213 <u>2% Other sales tax = \$2,115</u> Total = \$19,568

2.48 visitors per household

1.35 nights spent on SPI

Total tax ROI = 30.5% Lodging only ROI = 8.3%





## **Event Economic Impact Report**

### Prepared for

City of South Padre Island Convention and Visitors Bureau

### Prepared by

Business and Tourism Research Center The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley

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## Executive Summary and Survey Highlights

SPI Veterans Day Weekend took place at various venues throughout South Padre Island from Friday, November 9<sup>th</sup> through Monday, November 12<sup>th</sup> 2018. The eight events at seven different locations ranged from a bench dedication, runs to a country concert with Whiskey D. The weekend was created as "a weekend long, family-friendly event to honor and celebrate our veterans."

To examine the spending of Veterans Day Weekend attendees on SPI, a short survey incentivized with the opportunity to enter a drawing to win two nights at Schlitterbahn Beach Resort was conducted. The survey was administered onsite for 98 completed questionnaires resulting in 45 useable responses from unique households on the Island specifically for the event.

On average, event study respondents were predominately married (60.5%) females (55.8%), had an average age of 39 years, had at least some type of college degree (41.9%), worked full-time (64.3%), were primarily Hispanic (72.1%) and 55.0% had an average annual income above \$50,000. Survey respondents were primarily from the US (93.0%) with 4.7% from Mexico. On average, household participants traveled an average of 200 miles with an average of 2.58 people and spent 1.35 nights on SPI during the event.

Most survey respondents are considered promoters of the Island to others (93.2%), resulting in an excellent net promoter score of 88.6. Most respondents are satisfied with the Island experience (95.6%) and the event (91.1%) and are likely to return to SPI for a future vacation (97.8%).

Importantly, the survey analysis found that the 718 household groups attended Veterans Day Weekend and spent an estimated weighted average of \$503 per household while on the Island for a total spending of \$361,079. Of this spending, lodging is the highest per household expenditure category with 44% of study respondents spending at least one night on the Island in paid lodging and staying an average of 1.35 nights. This resulted in about 431 total room nights, most of which were spent in hotels.

With the average weighted lodging expenditure of \$503 per household that spent the night on the Island, a total of \$180,960 was spent on lodging. Of this amount, 17% or \$26,293 was for the Hotel Occupancy Tax (HOT), and 10.5%, or about \$ 16,240, is the City's share of the HOT. Moreover, the estimated total spending on food and beverages of \$65,627 included about \$5,002 in taxes at the 8.25% rate or \$1,213 at the City 2% tax

rate. Other types of expenditures, such as clothing, nightlife and entertainment amounted to\$114,493, of which \$8,726 was sales taxes, with \$2,115 the City's share. In total, the \$361,079 spent during Veterans Day Weekend resulted in \$40,021 in tax revenue with \$19,568 the City's share. This represents a return to the City of \$4,568 for a 30.5% gain on the \$15,000 cash investment made by the CVB in Veterans Day Weekend as shown in the table.

КРІ	Result	Description of KPI	Page
CVB investment	\$15,000	Amount of funding provided by CVB to event promoter	P1
Total spending	\$361,079	Total spent by event households	Table 1, P7
Average spent per household	\$503	Weighted average spent per household	Table 1, P7
Number of households	718	Number of households at event	Figure 3, P5
Number in household	2.58	Number of people in household group at event	Figure 3, P5
Nights on SPI	1.35	Average number of nights spent on SPI	Figure 3, P5
Lodging tax	\$16,240	City share of HOT revenue: 10.5% of 17% HOT	Table 2, P8
F&B sales tax	\$1,213	City share of total tax collected from F&B spending: 2% of 8.25% of total sales tax	Table 2, P8
Other sales tax	\$2,115	City share of total sales tax revenue	Table 2, P8
Total City tax share	\$19,568	Total City tax revenue from event	Table 2, P8
Total tax ROI	30.5%	Return on CVB investment considering all taxes	Table 2, P8
Lodging only ROI	8.3%	Return on CVB investment considering HOT only	Table 2, P8
Net Promoter Score	88.6	Measure of customer loyalty; calculated as identified promoters less detractors	Figure 6, p9
Likely to return	97.8%	Percent somewhat or extremely likely to return to SPI	Figure 7, p9
Satisfied with the SPI	95.6%	Percent satisfied with the SPI experience	Figure 8, P9
Satisfied with event	91.1%	Percent satisfied with event	Figure 9, p10

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# **Veterans Day Weekend**

# Introduction

SPI Veterans Day Weekend included eight different events across seven different venues throughout South Padre Island from Friday, November 9<sup>th</sup> through Monday, November 12<sup>th</sup> 2018. Altogether, the events were created as "a weekend long, family-friendly event to honor and celebrate our veterans." The schedule of events and places was:

# SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

## Friday, November 9, 2018

1 p.m. – Unveiling of Dedication Bench @ Tompkins Park
2 p.m. – Mobi-Mat Ribbon Cutting Ceremony, Beach Circle, Access #4
Saturday, November 10, 2018
7 a.m. – Order of the Purple Heart Veterans Golf Tournament @ SPI Golf Course
2 p.m. – Veterans Day City Program @ SPI Convention Centre
Guest Speaker Gordon R. England: Served as U.S. Secretary of the Navy, 1st Secretary
for Homeland Security, Deputy Secretary of Defense & Acting Secretary of Defense
8 p.m. – Black Light Run @ Clayton's Beach Bar & Grill
Sunday, November 11, 2018
10 a.m. – GORUCK Light @ Schlitterbahn
10 a.m. – Veterans Day Eco-Tour @ Breakaway Cruises
6 p.m. – FREE Veterans Day Country Concert featuring Whiskey D @ The Greens

10 a.m. – Flag Retirement Ceremony @ SPI Convention Centre

The event was sponsored by the South Padre Island Convention and Visitors Bureau and was funding at \$15,000 by the CVB.



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# Method

# Interviews

To estimate the economic impact of the 2018 Veterans Day Weekend, UTRGV interviewers conducted a survey (see Appendix A) among event attendees at the times and venues as recommended to reach the most attendees. SPI promotional items and a chance to win two nights at Schlitterbahn Beach Resort were offered as incentives to help recruit respondents.

To conduct the interviews, a total of 23 trained interviewers, a people counter, a drone operator and the project manager attended three different SPI Veterans Day Weekend events/venues:

- Saturday, November 10—1:00pm to 3:30pm— Veterans Day City Program at the SPI Convention Centre
- Saturday, November 10—6:00pm to 8:00pm— Blacklight Run at Clayton's Beach Bar & Grill
- Sunday, November 11—5:00pm to 8:00pm—Veterans Day Country Concert at The Greens

Interviewers were highly visible by wearing bright orange t-shirts and visors and randomly approached potential



respondents in a professional manner and administered the paper survey on clipboards to facilitate survey administration with the data to be entered into an online link later by the interview team. The onsite interviews yielded 98 completed responses; however, a number of responses were eliminated as follows:



- ★ 1 were completed by another responding household member;
- ★ 35 were from respondents not on the Island for the event; and,
- ★ 14 were from respondents who live within ten miles.

The result is 45 useable questionnaires for analysis. The sample population is about 718 households who passed by the interviewers. With 98 completed surveys, the completed responses rate is about 13.7%.

# **Estimated attendance**

Knowing the number of people attending any event is crucial to estimating the economic impact of the event. Accordingly, the research team manually counted attendance during the times they were at the different venues via a manual hand counter as follows:

- ★ 68 adults by 2:15pm at the 2:00pm Veterans Day City Program at the Convention Centre;
- ★ 950 adults and 101 children by 8:00pm at the Blacklight Run at Clayton's Beach Bar & Grill;
- ★ 40 were counted at the Country Concert on The Greens.



The event sponsor reported that 40 people had registered for the GoRuck March, 40 had registered for the Golf Tournament and that 2,488 unduplicated names had registered for the Blacklight Run. Considering both the manual count at the Blacklight Run and that the inclement weather likely reduced the actual number of Blacklight Run attendees, an estimated attendance at that event was likely half way between the number registered and the actual count or 1,770 Blacklight event attenders. By adding an estimated 80 likely unduplicated attenders of the other events, we estimate that 1,850 different people attended at least one of the eight 2018 SPI Veterans Day Weekend events.

The appropriate unit of analysis, however, is 'the household' since spending questions are asked about household expenditures rather than individual expenditures. To determine the number of households at the event, the total number of attendees (1850) is divided by the average household size



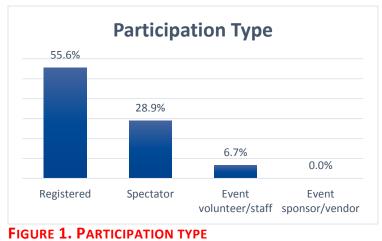
(2.58) as found in the survey (see Figure 3) to determine that 718 households were at the two venues of the event.



# Results

# Survey participants travel and SPI stay characteristics

In all, 45 useable surveys were completed by people specifically on South Padre Island for 2018 SPI Veterans Day Weekend. Survey respondents were first asked to indicate their role or participation type in the event. Figure 1 shows that by far, most of the respondents surveyed (55.6%) were registered for the event while (28.9%) were event spectators. The remaining event participants were event sponsor/yendors (0.0%) or yolunte



sponsor/vendors (0.0%) or volunteer/staff (6.7%).

In addition to participation type, respondents were asked to indicate which of the eight events they attended. The results in Figure 2 show that the event attracting the most attendees by far was the Blacklight Run. This result should not apply to the population of event attenders since a greater proportion of respondents relative to the event size were from the City Program and the Country Concert events.

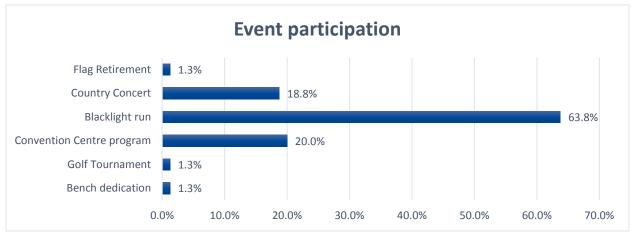
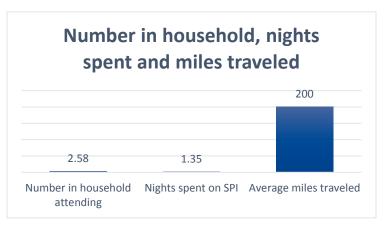


FIGURE 2. EVENTS ATTENDED

Next, respondents indicated how many people were in their household while at the

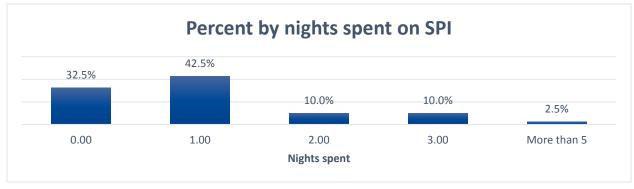
event, the number of nights spent and the number of miles traveled to the event. The number of people reported in the household for the event ranged from 1 to 7 for an average of 2.58 as seen in Figure 3. Data featured in Figure 3 also shows that, on average, study participants traveled 200 miles to attend the event, although distances traveled ranged from 10 to 3000 miles and spent an average of 1.35 nights on SPI for the event with a range of 0 to 13 nights spent on SPI.



# FIGURE 3. AVERAGE MILES TRAVELED, GROUP SIZE AND NIGHTS SPENT

Note that some respondents were apparently Winter Texans and reported spending from 90 days to 150 days. These responses, were deleted as outliers because their responses would have significantly and inappropriately skewed results.

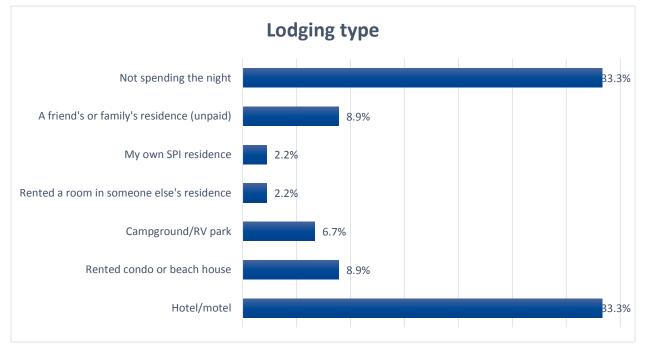
Figure 4 breaks down the percent of respondents by number of nights spent on SPI and shows that 32.5% of respondents did not spend the night on SPI. Of those spending the night, most respondents spent one (42.5%) or two nights (10.0%) although 10.0% spent 3 nights on the Island. One (2.5%) spent more than five nights on SPI for the event.



## FIGURE 4. PERCENTAGE SPENDING THE NIGHT ON SPI

Figure 5 shows the types of lodging used. While most, (33.3%) of event attenders, did not spend the night on the Island, of those who did, 33.3% spent the night in a hotel/motel room, 8.9% rented a condominium or beach house, 8.9% stayed with family or friends, and 2.2% stayed in their own SPI residence.

With 44% (Table 1, p6) of the estimated 718 households spending an average of 1.35 nights (Figure 3, p5) on the Island, the Veterans Day Weekend event should have resulted in 431 room nights.



## FIGURE 5. TYPE OF LODGING

Veterans Day Weekend attendees accounted for 431 room nights.



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# Estimated spending

Study respondents were asked to indicate how much money they spent in various expenditure categories. All reported expenditure amounts were assumed to include sales taxes except that lodging was assumed to be stated without HOT so was adjusted upward by 17%, the HOT rate. The total average reported expenditure by category was then multiplied times the percentage of respondents who reported spending in that expense category to arrive at the average weighted spending per expense category.

Results in Table 1 indicate the average amount spent on lodging, as adjusted by 17%, was \$567 with a weighted average of \$252 considering that 44% of respondents spent money on lodging for a total of \$180,960. Average spending on food and beverages was \$125, with a weighted average of \$91, for a total category spending of \$21,197, including sales taxes. The total spent on all other categories was \$114,493. In total, 718 event households spent a weighted average of \$503 for a total SPI spending of \$361,079.

Expenditure category	Total average	% spending in category	Weighted spending per HH	Total spending per HH
Food & Beverages	\$125	73%	\$91	\$65,627
Night life	\$93	40%	\$37	\$26 <i>,</i> 554
Lodging	\$567	44%	\$252	\$180,960
Attraction entertainment	\$77	20%	\$15	\$11,004
Retail	\$89	33%	\$30	\$21,211
Transportation	\$56	69%	\$39	\$27 <i>,</i> 670
Parking	\$11	38%	\$4	\$3,030
Admission fees	\$21	18%	\$4	\$2,711
Clothing	\$89	22%	\$20	\$14,114
Groceries	\$64	18%	\$11	\$8,197
Other	\$0	2%	\$0	\$0
Total	\$1,191		\$503	\$361,079

## TABLE 1. TOTAL AVERAGE WEIGHTED SPENDING

The estimated direct spending on South Padre Island as attributed to the 2018 SPI Veterans Day Weekend is \$361,079, within a 9.2% confidence interval of plus or minus \$33,219 given the assumptions of a random sample selection.

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# Tax benefits of spending during event

To calculate the tax revenue accruing from event attendee spending, the following tax rates are assumed:

- 17% hotel occupancy tax rate;
- ★ 10.5% City's share of the hotel occupancy tax rate;
- ★ 8.25% sales tax on all non-lodging spending;
- ★ 2% is the City's share of non-lodging sales tax.

The spending reported in Table 1 should result in the tax revenues shown in Table 2. Total spending on lodging should result in total tax revenue of \$26,293 with the City's share at 10.5% totaling \$16,240. Total spending on food and beverages should result in \$5,002 in tax revenue with \$1,213 the City's share while total spending in all other expense categories should yield \$8,726 in sales tax revenue with \$2,115 the City's share. Altogether, the tax revenue should be \$40,021 with \$19,568 the City's share. The gain from the City's share of the hotel tax alone on the \$15,000 invested in the event is 8.3% but is 30.5% considering the City's share of all the tax revenue.

Spending category	Amount spent	Total HOT	Total sales tax	City's % share	City's \$ share	ROI
Lodging	\$180,960	17%	\$26,293	10.50%	\$ 16,240	8.3%
Food & Beverage	\$65 <i>,</i> 627	8.25%	\$5,002	2%	\$ 1,213	
All nonlodging	\$114,493	8.25%	\$8,726	2%	\$ 2,115	
Totals	\$361,079		\$40,021		\$ 19,568	30.5%

## TABLE 2. SPENDING, TAX REVENUE AND ROI

Total spending of 2018 SPI Veterans Day Weekend attendees resulted in an estimate tax revenue of \$40,021, with \$19,568 going to the City of South Padre Island. With an investment of \$15,000 in the event, the return to the City is 8.3% considering only the 10.5% share of HOT but 30.5% considering all the City's estimated tax revenue share.

# The SPI Experience

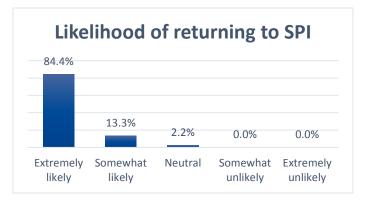
The next section of the survey asked Veterans Day Weekend attendees about their stay on SPI. In this section, the "net promoter" question was used to determine how likely survey respondents are to recommend SPI as a place to visit to friends or colleagues.



### FIGURE 6. NET PROMOTER SCORE

The results, shown in Figure 6, indicate that most study respondents (93.2%) are promoters of SPI while a few (4.5%) are detractors. This yields a net promoter score (NPS) of 88.6, which is excellent. For example, the hotel industry has a NPS of 39 (www.netpromoter.com/compare).

Respondents were asked how likely they are to return to SPI and how satisfied they were with the event. As seen in Figure 7, by far most respondents (97.8%) are likely to return to the Island at some time in the future.



# FIGURE 7. LIKELIHOOD OF RETURNING TO SPI IN THE FUTURE

Respondents were also asked to indicate their satisfaction with the SPI experience and with the event. Result shown in Figure 8 indicate that 95.6% were satisfied with the SPI experience and that 2.2% were dissatisfied with SPI.



### FIGURE 8. SATISFACTION WITH SPI EXPERIENCE



Most respondents (91.1%) were also satisfied with the Veterans Day Weekend event and only 4.4% reported being dissatisfied with the event as seen in Figure 9.



FIGURE 9. SATISFACTION WITH EVENT

NOTE: Respondents were asked to provide suggestions for improving their stay on SPI. The unedited comments are as follows:

- Parking
- Weather
- Better communication in parking lot especially for handicap. I am limited in my eyesight and parking did not help
- Good
- Its good
- More powder experience, powder gun
- Parking
- Stop bringing local acts and/or acts that country/tejano, it is already prevalent in this area. Don't schedule outside events during the cold season. And, you need less people working on surveys and more on improving the community.



# **Respondent Demographics**

The remainder of the study assessed respondent demographic characteristics.

Targeted survey respondents were those 18 + years and the average age of all respondents was 39 year-of-age with ages ranging from 18 to 66.

Most respondents were female (55.8%), a majority were married (60.5%) and most had some type of college degree (41.9%) as shown in Figures 10 through 12, respectively.

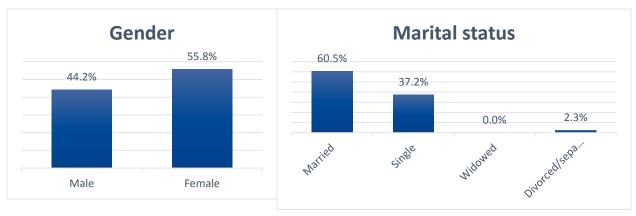
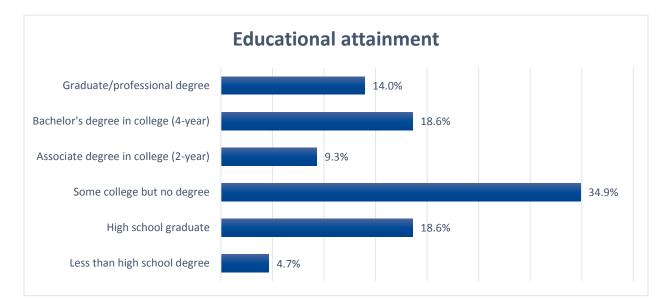


FIGURE 11. GENDER

FIGURE 12. MARITAL STATUS



## FIGURE 10. EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

Most study respondents work full-time (64.3%), although 19.0% work part-time and 7.1% are retired as seen in Figure 13.

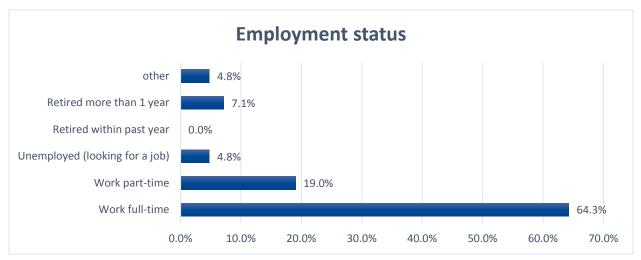


FIGURE 13. EMPLOYMENT STATUS

Most Veterans Day Weekend study participants reported having a higher-than-average household income level: 55.0% indicated an annual household income above \$50,000 (Figure 14).

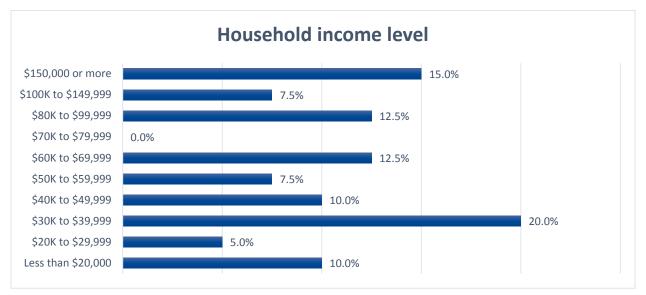
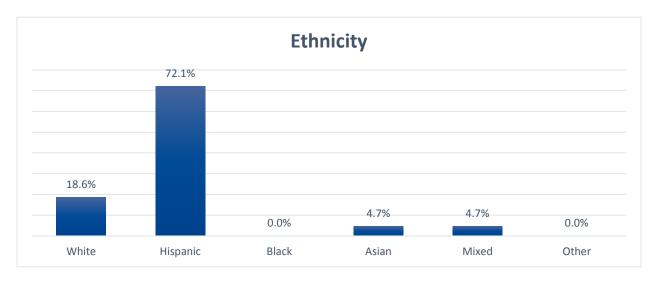


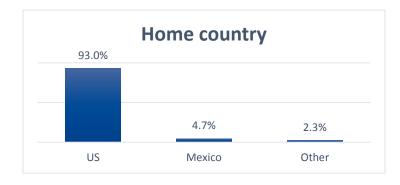
FIGURE 14. HOUSEHOLD INCOME LEVEL

Respondents were also asked to indicate their ethnicity but could select as many ethnicities as appropriate. Results in Figure 15 show that 72.1% of respondents considered themselves Hispanic while 18.6% indicated being White.



## FIGURE 15. ETHNICITY

Finally, respondents were asked to indicate their home country and current residence zip/postal code. Most respondents reported the United States as their home country (93.0%) and 4.7% indicated being from Mexico as shown in Figure 16.



### FIGURE 16. HOME COUNTRY

Specific zip or postal codes of study respondents and of study participants are shown and mapped in Appendix B.

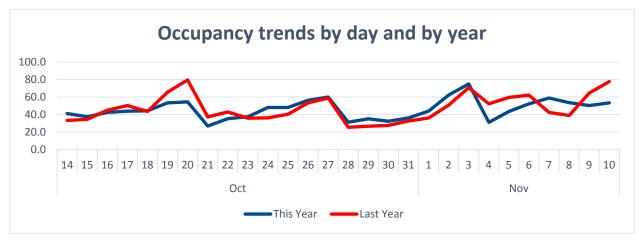


# STR Report

Additional data to provide evidence about the impact of an event on the SPI economy comes from the STR Destination Report provided to the SPI CVB. STR is a "global data benchmarking, analytics and marketplace insights" firm that gathers, analyzes and reports data from hotel owners/operators for benchmarking purposes. The Report includes data regarding hotel occupancy, average daily rate (ADR), revenue per available room (RevPAR), supply, demand, and revenue as provided by reporting SPI hotel owner/operators for last year as compared to this year. This data may be viewed in two ways. One way is to examine the trends over the past month to determine whether the hotel metrics changed because of event as compared to the rest of the month and the other way is to compare the metrics during the event time period to those of the same time period in the previous year.

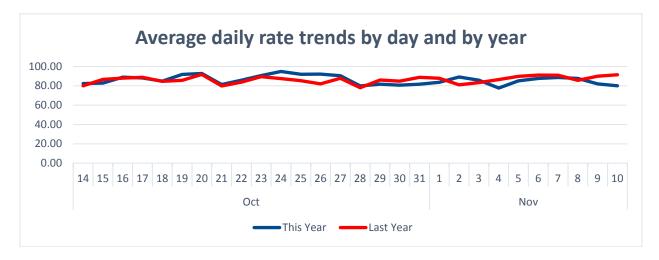
SPI Veterans Day Weekend was held from Friday, November 10<sup>th</sup> through Monday, November 12<sup>th</sup>. This means that most event attendees who spent the night on SPI would have done so on Friday through Sunday night, although the peak night would have been Saturday night with the well-attended Blacklight Run. The following figures show the hotel metrics for the Friday-Saturday period (the month trend) for this year as well as for the same period as last year (the year trend).

The occupancy rate for the two-day period this year was 51.8%, as compared to 77.7% last year, which is 27.1% below the same day-period last year. This year's event period was above the week average (49.1%) as well as for 28-day rate of 46.1%.as seen in Figure 17.



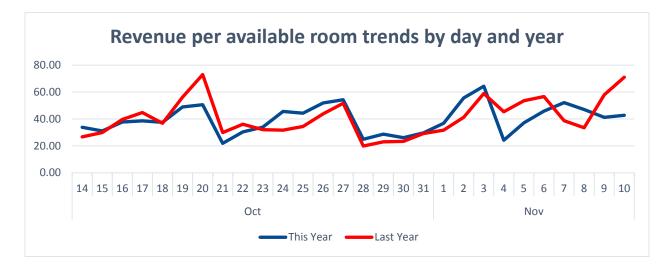
## FIGURE 17. STR OCCUPANCY RATES BY DAY AND YEAR

The average daily rate (ADR) of rooms for this year's event period was \$ \$81.00, -10.7% lower than room rates compared to \$90.70, the same time period last year. The average room rate for this year's event period was also lower than the rate for the week (\$84.60) and higher than the 28-day period (\$86.69) as shown in Figure 18.



#### FIGURE 18. AVERAGE DAILY RATE

Figure 19 shows the revenue per available room (RevPAR) for the same year/monthlong time period. The average RevPAR for the two nights of the event was \$41.96, which is -35.0%% below last year's same-period average of \$64.53. This year's RevPAR, however, was above the average week rate (\$41.50) and this year's 28 day-period rate of \$39.93.



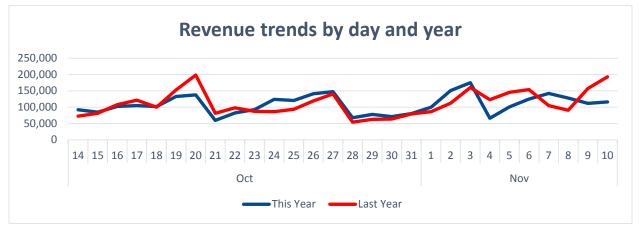
### FIGURE 19. STR REVPAR BY DAY AND YEAR

Similar to the other trends, the demand trend in Figure 20 shows a decline this year over last year. Room demand for this year's event period was 1,408 rooms as compared to last year's same 2-day period of 1,932 rooms, a decline of -27.1%. However, room demand during event nights was above the daily average demand for the month (1,251) and for the week (1,333).



## FIGURE 20. STR DEMAND TRENDS BY DAY AND YEAR

Total lodging revenue for this year's event-period was also lower than last year's by -35.0%. This year's Veterans Day Weekend nights revenue averaged \$114,010 whereas last year's same-days revenue was \$175,324 as seen in Figure 21. The average revenue is higher, however, than this year's 28-day-long average revenue (\$108,481) or last year's (\$111,721).





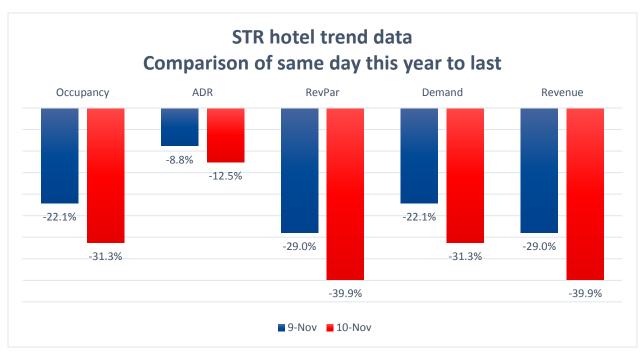


FIGURE 22. STR HOTEL TREND DATA 2-DAY COMPARISON

Finally, Figure 22 summarizes the percent change in hotel occupancy, ADR, RevPAR, demand and revenue for the nights that Veterans Day Weekend attendees would have spent the night on the Island. All the metrics examined for the two-night period were significantly lower this year than last year.

The STR data suggests that SPI Veterans Day Weekend had could have resulted in an increase in lodging occupancy and rates over the week or month period but was still below the metrics for the same day-period as last year. The weather during this year's SPI Veterans Day Weekend was rainy and cool and may have had an impact on attendance at the event and intention to stay on the Island. In addition, other events held during the same day-period last year may have resulted in higher than normal STR metrics last year.

**Note:** The STR data is derived from 11 hotel owner/operator reporting data for this year and last year. This represents 35.5% of the census of 31 open hotels listed in the STR Census and 48.4% of the hotel rooms listed, thus all results should be interpreted accordingly without a high degree of assurances of generalizability.



# **Concluding remarks**

This report has detailed the amount of money spent on South Padre Island during Veterans Day Weekend from Friday, November 9<sup>th</sup> through Monday, November 12<sup>th</sup> 2018. The event was created as "a weekend long, family-friendly event to honor and celebrate our veterans" and consisted of eight different events over seven different locations. The results of the study were obtained by administering a short onsite survey, which offered respondents an incentive to enter a drawing to win two nights at Schlitterbahn Beach Resort. A total of 98 completed surveys resulted in 45 useable responses for the analysis.

Demographically, the study sample was comprised of predominately of married females who were an average of years-of-age, had at least some college education, were employed full-time, had a household income above \$50,000, identify ethnically Hispanic and were from the US. The average household came to the event with 2.58 people, had traveled an average of 200 miles and 44% spent the night on SPI for an average of 1.35 nights.

By combining the count of people at the event and survey results, event attendees generated an estimate 431 SPI room nights. While STR data suggests that lodging metrics for the two major nights of the weekend of events were better than the same metrics for the week period and for the 28-day period, all metrics for this weekend were below the same day-period as last year. With an average total weighted lodging expenditure per household of \$252 event attendees spent a total of \$180,960 on lodging, resulting in about \$16,240 in the City's share of the Hotel Tax revenue. Spending on food and beverages by event attendees was about \$65,627, which should yield \$1,213 to the City at a tax rate of 2%. Total spending in other expenditure categories of \$114,493 should provide the City with \$2,115 in sales tax revenue. Altogether, Veterans Day Weekend participants spent \$361,079, generating \$6,606 in total sales tax with \$19,568 the City's share.

Considering only the City's share of the hotel tax revenue, the City gained \$1,240 or 8.3% on their \$15,000 investment. Considering all tax revenue from all spending, the City should receive \$19,568 in taxes for a total return of \$4,568 or a 30.5% on the cash investment provided to the event organizer.

In addition, most Veterans Days Weekend survey participants are "promoters" in recommending SPI to others, are likely or extremely likely to return to SPI for a future vacation and are satisfied with their overall SPI experience during the event. This means



that regardless of the event return on investment, the overall SPI and event experience of the attendees will likely result in some people returning to the Island for future vacations.

# Implications

Two significant implications resulted from the interviews conducted during Veterans Day Weekend. First, the Veterans Day Weekend consisted of a eight different events throughout the period from Friday, November 9<sup>th</sup> through Monday, November 12<sup>th</sup>. While most of the events would most likely have appealed to older veterans, the Blacklight Run on Saturday evening was different. Held at Clayton's Beach Bar & Grill, the Run was promoted as a run with a DJ and party from 4pm to 9pm, which favored a much younger crowd than would typically attend a Veterans Day event. The pictures shown on this page illustrate the different venues.

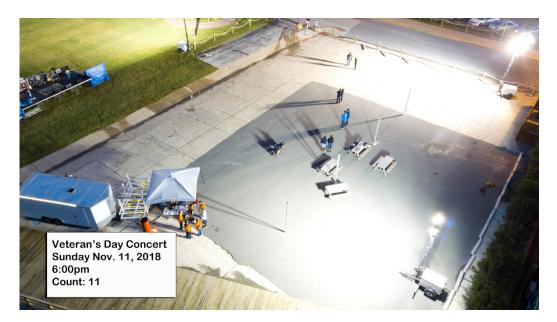




Thus while the data presented in this report are for all respondents at all three events the UTRGV team surveyed, a number of differences between the Blacklight Run attendees and attendees at the other two events were found as follows:

Characteristic	Blacklight run	Veterans events	
Average miles traveled	208	243	
Average number in household	3	3	
Nights stayed	1	2	
Food	113	173	
Lodging	211	1343	
Average age	37	48	

The second implication of the Veterans Day Weekend event was related to the weather conditions and to the events themselves that limited the number of survey responses received. Importantly, the inclement weather likely affected attendance at all events. In addition, the City Program held at the Convention Centre involved speakers and a set itinerary that did not allow for interviews during the event out of curtesy to all. At the Blacklight Run, the pre-run music and dance was not conducive to interviews because of the music volume and because event attendees were dancing and could not have been interrupted while on the dance floor. Finally, weather conditions and issues with the sound system resulted in a premature halt to the Country Concert shortly after its intended start time.





# Appendix A: Survey

SPI V	eteran's Day	y Weekend Survey					
		g during Veteran's Day Weekend. The one person, older than					
		at the event should complete this survey. Responses are very					
mportant to planning future events. As a thank you, you may enter a drawing for a 2-night stay at the Schlitterbahn Beach Resort.							
· · · ·	Responses are confidential and individual information will not be included in survey results or shared with others. Contact the Business and Tourism Research Center at UTRGV at businessresearch@utrev.edu or call 956.665.2829 for questions.						
<ol> <li>Have you or someone else in your household</li> </ol>	•						
this survey? QYes Q No If yes, return this su		Padre Island as a place to visit to a friend or colleague?					
2. Did you come to South Padre Island specifical	•	Not at all likely 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 Extremely likely					
Weekend? Yes No: If no, return this su	rvey. Inanks!	11. How likely are you to return to South Padre Island for a					
3. About how many miles did you travel to atter	id the event?	vacation at some time in the future?					
	miles	Extremely likely Somewhat likely Neutral					
4. Which of the following best describes your pa	rticipation in	Somewhat unlikely Extremely unlikely					
Veteran's Weekend (Check all that apply)?		12. How satisfied are you with your overall South Padre Island					
Registered participant Event volunteer		experience?					
Spectator Event sponsor/v	endor	Extremely satisfied Somewhat satisfied Neutral Somewhat dissatisfied Extremely dissatisfied					
Did not attend Other		·					
5. Including yourself, how many people from yo attended the event?		13. How satisfied are you with Veteran's Day Weekend?					
Nur	nber in household	Extremely satisfied     Somewhat satisfied     Neutral     Somewhat dissatisfied     Extremely dissatisfied					
6. How many nights did you (or will you) spend ISLAND while attending Veteran's weekend?		14. What suggestions do you have for improving Veteran's					
7. Where are you staying (or did stay) while on s	nights	Weekend or your stay on South Padre Island? (write on back)					
Island for Veteran's Day Weekend?	outhraute	15. What is your home zip or postal code?code					
Hotel/motel Rented condo/be	ach house	16. What is your home country?					
Campground/RV park Rented a room		🗆 US 🔍 Mexico 🗆 Canada 💷 Other					
My own SPI residence Friend/family resi		17. What is your age? (years of age)					
Not spending the night Other (please spending)		18. What is your gender? 🛛 Male 🖵 Female 🗆 Gender diverse					
8. Which Veteran's events are you attend (check Friday: Dench Dedication	all that apply)	19. What is your marital status?					
Saturday: Golf tournament Convention Centre program	n 🗆 Blacklight Run	□Married □Single □Widowed □Divorced/separated					
Sunday: GORUCK EcoTour Country Concert Monday: Flag retirement ceremony		20. What is your highest educational attainment?					
		Less than high school Associate's degree					
9. Please give your best estimate of the total amo		□High school graduate □Bachelor's degree					
household spent (or will spend) during your en South Padre Island for Veteran's weekend?	ntire time on	□Some college, no degree □Graduate/professional degree					
(List only total dollar amounts spent on SPI)		21. What is your current employment status?					
Food & beverages (restaurants, concessions,		Work full-time  Retired within past year  Work part-time  Retired more than 1 year					
snacks, etc.)	\$	Work part-time Retired more than 1 year Unemployed (looking for a job) Other (Please specify)					
Night clubs, lounges & bars (cover charges,		22. What is your combined annual household income?					
drinks, etc.)	\$	□less than \$20,000 □\$60K-\$69,999					
Lodging expenses (hotel, motel, condo, room)	\$	\$20K-\$29,999         \$70K-\$79,999           \$30K-\$39,999         \$80K-\$99,999					
Local attractions & entertainment		□\$40K-\$49,999 □\$100K-\$149,999					
(fishing, snorkeling, kayaking, etc.)	s	□\$50K-\$59,999 □\$150,000 or more					
Retail shopping (souvenirs, gifts, film, etc.)	\$	23. What is your ethnicity? (Select all that apply)					
Transportation (gas, oil, taxi, etc.)	\$	White Hispanic Mixed     Black Asian Other					
Parking fees	\$						
SPI Admission fees	\$	Enter the drawing for a 2-night stay at the Schlitterbahn Beach Resort.					
Clothing or accessories	\$	Contact information is confidential and will be deleted after the drawing. Name					
Groceries	\$	Phone number:					
Other (please specify)	\$	Email:					
		Winners will be notified no later than 1 week after event.					

THANK YOU VERY MUCH!!!

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# Appendix B: Respondent's zip or postal code and frequency of response and zip code map

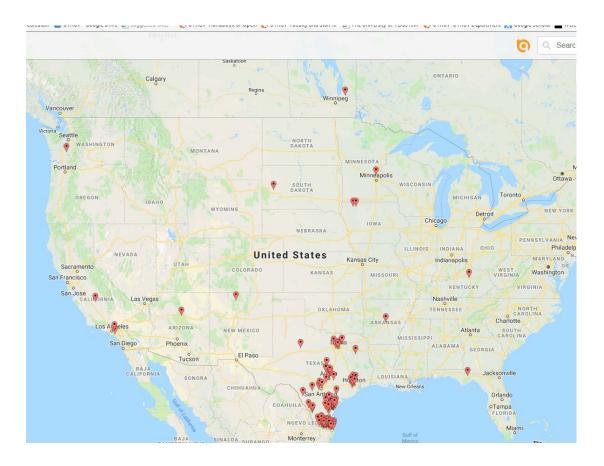
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61114	78520	78541	78566	78578	78597
61517	78520	78542	78570	78578	78599
76182	78521	78542	78572	78580	78599
76255	78521	78542	78572	78581	78599
78356	78521	78542	78574	78582	79095
78363	78521	78542	78574	78586	79705
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Zip		Zip		Zip		Zip	
Codes	Number	Codes	Number	Codes	Number	Codes	Number
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32351	2	78351	1	78536	2	78589	17
40508	1	78363	11	78537	17	78593	8
51301	1	78364	2	78538	8	78596	47
51346	1	78373	3	78539	30	78597	8
55304	1	78374	2	78540	1	78599	25
57719	1	78379	1	78541	29	78602	1
72204	1	78380	1	78542	32	78605	1
75098	1	78382	1	78543	5	78626	1
75116	1	78383	1	78544	1	78660	1
75137	2	78387	1	78548	1	78666	1
75206	1	78390	1	78549	3	78696	1
75791	1	78404	1	78550	171	78703	1
76002	1	78405	1	78552	100	78717	1
76244	1	78408	1	78557	22	78741	1
76522	1	78410	3	78559	24	78751	1
77023	1	78411	2	78560	3	78753	2
77035	1	78412	8	78566	50	78759	1
77052	1	78413	6	78567	2	78850	1
77084	1	78414	4	78568	3	78852	1
77339	1	78415	3	78569	5	79543	1
77388	1	78416	1	78570	19	79572	1
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Item No. 5h

## CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA REQUEST FORM

MEETING DATE: April 10, 2019

NAME & TITLE: Marisa Amaya, Event Development & Packaging Manager

**DEPARTMENT:** South Padre Island Convention and Visitors Bureau

ITEM

Discussion and action to approve funding request for the Holiday Lights Over Padre Weekend.

## ITEM BACKGROUND

2019 Holiday Lights Over Padre Weekend is requesting \$27,000.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL SUMMARY

02-593-8099 Special Events Budget

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN GOAL

LEGAL REVIEW

Sent to Legal:	YES:	NO:
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 Approved by Legal:
 YES: \_\_\_\_\_\_
 NO: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Comments:

**RECOMMENDATIONS/COMMENTS** 

Recommend the Special Events Committee approve a funding amount.

# **APPLICATION FOR INITIAL FUNDING**

## **ORGANIZATON INFORMATION**

Name of Organization: SPI Holiday Lights over Sc	outh Padre Weekend	
Address: 7355 Padre Blvd		
City, State, Zip:		
Contact Name: Marisa Amaya	Contact Office Phone Number:	956-761-300(
Contact Cell Phone Number:		
Web Site Address for Event or Sponsoring Entity	ww.sopadre.com	
Non-Profit or For-Profit status:		
Entity's Creation Date: 2018		
<b>Purpose of your organization:</b> Provide family friendly entertainment with a foc	us on multi day events in support o	of the City
EVENT INFORMATION		
Name of Events or Project: SPI Holiday Lights ove	r South Padre Weekend	
Date of Event or Project: December 2019		
Primary Location of Event or Project:	ion Center	
Amount Requested: \$ <u>27,000</u>		



#### Primary Purpose of Funded Activity/Facility:

Generate overnight stays as part of a larger weekend supporting Light s Over Padre.

#### How will the hotel tax funds be used: (please attach a list of the hotel tax funded expenditures)

This request will focus on the addition of a sandcastle village, building expo and possible laser light show during the I

Over Padre holiday weekend.

#### Percentage of Hotel Tax Support of Related Costs

<u>100</u> Percentage of **Total Event Costs** Covered by Hotel Occupancy Tax

\_\_\_\_\_ Percentage of Total Annual Facility Costs Covered by Hotel Occupancy Tax for the Funded Event

\_\_\_\_\_ Percentage of Annual Staff Costs Covered by Hotel Occupancy Tax for the Funded Event

If staff costs are covered, estimate percentage of time staff spends annually on the funded event(s) compared to other activities\_\_\_\_\_%

Are you asking for any cost reductions for city facility rentals or city services, and if so, please quantify and explain:

City to provide possible lighting and generator support for displays to be visible during the evenings.



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# Which Category or Categories Apply to Funding Request & Amount Requested Under Each Category:

- a) **Convention Center or Visitor Information Center:** construction, improvement, equipping, repairing, operation, and maintenance of convention center facilities or visitor information centers, or both. Amount requested under this category: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- b) Registration of Convention Delegates: furnishing of facilities, personnel, and materials for the registration of convention delegates or registrants. Amount requested under this category: \$ \_\_\_\_\_\_
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- e) Historical restoration and preservation projects or activities or advertising and conducting solicitation and promotional programs to encourage tourists and convention delegates to visit preserved historic sites or museums. Amount requested under this category: \$ \_\_\_\_\_\_
- f) Expenses including promotional expenses, directly related to a sporting event in which the majority of participants are tourists. The event must substantially increase economic activity at hotels within the city or its vicinity. Amount requested under this category: \$\_\_\_\_\_\_

How many attendees are expected to come to the sporting related event? \_\_\_\_\_

How many of the attendees at the sporting related event are expected to be from another city or county? 500

Quantify how the sporting related event will substantially increase economic activity at hotels within the city or its vicinity?





g) Funding transportation systems for transporting tourists from hotels to and near the city to any of the following destinations: 1) the commercial center of the city; 2) a convention center in the city; 3) other hotels in or near the city; and 4) tourist attractions in or near the city. Please note that the ridership of any such transportation must be primarily tourists to qualify for hotel tax funding.

Amount requested under this category: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

What sites or attractions will tourists be taken to by this transportation?

 Will members of the general public (non-tourists) be riding on this transportation?

 What percentage of the ridership will be local citizens?

# h) Signage directing tourists to sights and attractions that are visited frequently by hotel guests in the municipality.

Amount requested under this category: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

What tourist attractions will be the subject of the signs?



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## QUESTIONS FOR ALL FUNDING REQUEST CATEGORIES

How many years have you held this Event or Project: <u>1</u>				
Expected Attendance: 750				
How many people attending establishments? 100	the Event or Project will use S	outh Padre Island lodging		
How many nights do you anti	cipate the majority of the tou	rists will stay: <u>1 over multiple weekends</u>		
Do you reserve a room block which hotels: South Padre Island CVB will pack		l and if so, for how many rooms and at		
List other years (over the last three years) that you have hosted your Event or Project with amount of assistance given from HOT and the number of hotel rooms used:				
Month/Year Held	Assistance Amount	Number of Hotel Rooms Used		
December 2018	\$27,000 			
How will you measure the im information, survey of hotelic Survey and Room block informati	ers, etc.)?	tel activity (e.g.; room block usage		
Please list other organization support to your project: <u>N/A</u>	, government entities, and gr	ants that have offered financial		
Will the event charge admiss	ion? No			
Do you anticipate a net profi	t from the event? No			
If there is a net profit, what i Event fees will be consistent year	s the anticipated amount and over year.	how will it be used?		



All marketing and promotions will be coordinated through the CVA's agency, unless exempted from this requirement by the Executive Director, in which case <u>all creative must be pre-approved by the Executive Director (or designee) and payments will be on a reimbursement basis</u>. Please list all promotion efforts your organization is planning and the amount estimated for each media outlet:

Newspaper:	\$
• Radio:	\$
• TV:	\$
Website, Social Media:	\$
Other Paid Advertising:	\$
Anticipated Number of Press Release	es to Media:
Anticipated Number Direct Mailings	to out-of-town recipients:
Other Promotions:	
A link to the CVB must be included o booking hotel nights during this even	on your promotional handouts and in your website for nt. Are you able to comply? Yes No
Will you negotiate a special rate or h Yes	notel/event package to attract overnight stays?
[If we have a tour operator, we will req	uire them to use that service.]
What other marketing initiatives are this event? SoPadre website, Facebook, Twitter, TAG	you planning to promote hotel and convention activity for
What geographic areas does your ev	vent reach?
If the funding requested is related to	a permanent facility (e.g. museum, visitor center):

- Expected Visitation by Tourists Monthly/Annually: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
- Percentage of those who visit the facility who indicate they are staying at area hotels/lodging facilities:\_\_\_\_\_% (use a visitor log that asks them to check a box if they are staying at an area lodging facility)



What amount of event insurance do you have for your event and who is the carrier:

[Insert South Padre Island Minimum Event Insurance Coverage Minimums and duty to list South Padre Island as an added insured]

Any marketing for the event must be consistent with the brand image for South Padre Island and all such marketing pieces that are funded with hotel tax must be coordinated and developed by the South Padre Island CVB marketing agency. Are you able to comply?  $\sqrt{Y}$  Yes No

Where appropriate, the CVB will require access to event participant database information that will show zip code data to measure likely impact from the funded event.

#### SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION REQUIRED WITH APPLICATION:

Along with the application, please submit the following:

\_\_\_\_\_ Proposed Marketing Plan for Funded Event

Schedule of Activities or Events Relating to the Funded Project

X Complete budget for the Funded Project

\_\_\_\_\_ Room night projections, with back-up, for the Funded Event

#### Submit to complete applications to:

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Phone: (956) 761-3834 Email: marisa@sopadre.com



Item No. 5i

## CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA REQUEST FORM

MEETING DATE: April 10, 2019

NAME & TITLE: Marisa Amaya, Event Development & Packaging Manager

**DEPARTMENT:** South Padre Island Convention and Visitors Bureau

ITEM

Discussion and action to approve funding request for HalloWings.

## ITEM BACKGROUND

3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Hallowings across South Padre Island Weekend was originally approved for \$27,000.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL SUMMARY

02-593-8099 Special Events Budget

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN GOAL

LEGAL REVIEW

Sent to Legal:	YES:	NO:
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 YES: \_\_\_\_\_\_
 NO: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Comments:

**RECOMMENDATIONS/COMMENTS** 

Recommend the Special Events Committee approve a funding amount.

#### **APPLICATION FOR INITIAL FUNDING**

#### **ORGANIZATON INFORMATION**

Name of Organization: HalloWings across South Padre Weekend				
Address: 7355 Padre Blvd				
City, State, Zip: South Padre Island, TX 78597_				
Contact Name: Marisa Amaya	Contact Office Phone Number:			
Contact Cell Phone Number:				
Web Site Address for Event or Sponsoring Entity	www.sopadre.com			
Non-Profit or For-Profit status: <u>Non-Profit</u>	Tax ID #:			
Entity's Creation Date:				
Purpose of your organization: To celebrate Halloween and the annual migrati	ion of the Monarch butterfly from			
North America to Central Mexico. The City of Se	outh Padre Island is honored			
to partner with the SPI Birding and Nature Cent	er for HalloWings Across			
South Padre Island Festival.				
EVENT INFORMATION				
Name of Events or Project: <u>HalloWings</u> across S	outh Padre Weekend			
Date of Event or Project: October 25-27, 2018				
Primary Location of Event or Project: Birding and	Nature Center - SPI Convention Center			
Amount Requested: \$ <u>27,000</u>				



#### Primary Purpose of Funded Activity/Facility:

With the annual migration cycle of the Monarch butterfly occurring the weekend before Halloween, event organizers had an opportunity to provide an event for families and nature lovers looking for a safe and affordable option to celeb the holiday and witness one of the most remarkable natural phenomena in the world.

#### How will the hotel tax funds be used: (please attach a list of the hotel tax funded expenditures)

This request will focus on promoting the Hallowings Festival, Hallowings Gala, and fund-raising for the SPI Birding ar Nature Center.

#### Percentage of Hotel Tax Support of Related Costs

<u>100</u> Percentage of **Total Event Costs** Covered by Hotel Occupancy Tax

\_\_\_\_\_ Percentage of Total Annual Facility Costs Covered by Hotel Occupancy Tax for the Funded Event

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How many of the attendees at the sporting related event are expected to be from another city or county? 500

Quantify how the sporting related event will substantially increase economic activity at hotels within the city or its vicinity? Bringing business to hotels and restaurants the weekend of the event.





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How many nights do you a	anticipate the majority of the tou	rists will stay: 1.5
which hotels:	ock for this event at an area hote	l and if so, for how many rooms and at
of assistance given from H	IOT and the number of hotel roo	
Month/Year Held	Assistance Amount	Number of Hotel Rooms Used
October 2018 October 2017	\$27,000	tbd - UTRGV
	\$27,000 	No Surveys Taken
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Please list other organizat support to your project: <u>^</u> Will the event charge adm		ants that have offered financial
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What amount of event insurance do you have for your event and who is the carrier:

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# 2018 HalloWings

Across South Padre Island



# Event Attendance

630 attendees 227 households 24 room nights XXX% change in event day YoY occupancy



DEMOGRAPHICS

Average age 45 Average Income: 64.3% \$50,000 or more \$27,000 CVB Investment

**\$120** 

Weighted spending per household



\$27,250 Total Spending

# **City tax share**

10.5% Lodging = \$574 2% F&B sales tax = \$177 <u>2% Other sales tax = \$208</u> Total = \$959

2.77 visitors per household

0.46 nights spent on SPI

Total tax ROI = -96.4% Lodging only ROI = -97.9%



100

NET PROMOTER SCORE likely to recommend South Padre Island

93.0%

93.0%

93.0%

Likely to return

Satisfied with SPI

Satisfied with event

# HALLO South Padre Island

# **Event Economic Impact Report**

#### October 26<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>st</sup>

*Prepared for* City of South Padre Island Convention and Visitors Bureau

*Prepared by* Business and Tourism Research Center The University of Texas Rio Grande Valley

#### Research Team Leaders

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# Executive Summary and Survey Highlights

HalloWings across South Padre Weekend was held at several locations, but principally at the Birding and Nature Center and the Convention Centre on South Padre Island on October  $25^{th} - 27^{th}$ , 2018. The event was sponsored by the City of South Padre Island and the Convention and Visitors Bureau and was a multi-day celebration of the annual Monarch butterfly migration through SPI. To examine the spending of HalloWings attendees on SPI, a short survey incentivized with the opportunity to enter a drawing to win two nights at Schlitterbahn Beach Resort was conducted. The survey was administered onsite for 102 completed questionnaires resulting in 44 useable responses from unique households on the Island specifically for the event.

On average, event study respondents were predominately married (70.5%) females (70.5%), had an average age of 45 years, had at least some type of college degree (68.2%), worked full-time (59.1%), were primarily Hispanic (62.8%) and 64.3% had an average annual income above \$50,000. Survey respondents were primarily from the US (93.2%) with 6.8% from other countries and none from Mexico. On average, household participants traveled an average of 108 miles with an average of 2.77 people and spent 0.46 nights on SPI during the event.

Most survey respondents are considered promoters of the Island to others (100.0%), resulting in an excellent net promoter score of 100.0. Most respondents are satisfied with the event (93.0%) and are likely to return to SPI for a future vacation (93.0%). Importantly, the survey analysis found that the 227 household groups attended HalloWings and spent an estimated weighted average of \$120 per household while on the Island for a total spending of \$27,250. Of this spending, lodging is the highest per household expenditure category with 23% of study respondents spending at least one night on the Island in paid lodging and staying an average of 0.46 nights. This resulted in about 24 total room nights, most of which were spent in hotels.

With the average weighted lodging expenditure of \$120 per household that spent the night on the Island, a total of \$6,399 was spent on lodging. Of this amount, 17% or \$930 was for the Hotel Occupancy Tax (HOT), and 10.5%, or about \$574, is the City's share of the HOT. Moreover, the estimated total spending on food and beverages of \$9,589 included about \$731 in taxes at the 8.25% rate or \$177 at the City 2% tax rate. Other types of expenditures, such as clothing, nightlife and entertainment amounted to \$11,263, of which \$858 was sales taxes, with \$208 the City's share. In total, the \$27,250 spent during HalloWings resulted in \$2,519 in tax revenue with \$959 the City's share.

This represents a loss to the City of -\$26,041 for a -96.4% loss on the \$27,000 cash investment made by the CVB in HalloWings as shown in the table.

#### Summary of Key Performance Indicators (KPI)

КРІ	Result	Description of KPI	Page
CVBinvestment	\$27,000	Amount of funding provided by CVB to event promoter	P1
Total spending	\$27,250	Total spent by event households	Table 1, P6
Average spent per household	\$120	Weighted average spent per household	Table 1, P6
Number of households	227	Number of households at event	Figure 2, P4
Number in household	2.77	Number of people in household group at event	Figure 2, P4
Nights on SPI	0.46	Average number of nights spent on SPI	Figure 2, P4
Lodgingtax	\$574	City share of HOT revenue: 10.5% of 17% HOT	Table 2, P7
F&B sales tax	\$177	City share of total tax collected from F&B spending: 2% of 8.25% of total sales tax	Table 2, P7
Other sales tax	\$208	City share of total sales tax revenue	Table 2, P7
Total City tax share	\$959	Total City tax revenue from event	Table 2, P7
Total tax ROI	-96.4%	Return on CVB investment considering all taxes	Table 2, P7
Lodging only ROI	-97.9%	Return on CVB investment considering HOT only	Table 2, P7
Net Promoter Score	100.0	Measure of customer loyalty; calculated as identified promoters less detractors	Figure 5, p8
Likely to return	93.0%	Percent somewhat or extremely likely to return to SPI	Figure 6, p8
Satisfied with the SPI	93.0%	Percent satisfied with the SPI experience	Figure 7, P8
Satisfied with event	93.0%	Percent satisfied with event	Figure 8, p9



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# HalloWings across South Padre Island

## Introduction

SPI HalloWings is a weekend-long event created to celebrate the fall migration of Monarch Butterflies through South Padre Island. The different activities during the event are held at the SPI Convention Centre, the SPI Birding & Nature Center and at Jim's Pier/Pirate's Landing from Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018. The itinerary for HalloWings, which is sponsored by the City of South Padre Island and the Convention and Visitors Bureau, was:

- Boo Bash Movie Night Friday, October 26<sup>th</sup>, 6:15pm Convention Centre
  - o 6:15pm: Free Halloween crafts for kids
  - o 7pm: Movie Feature "Hocus Pocus"
  - Light refreshments will be provided
  - Event is FREE and open to the public
- Birding & Nature Center Gala Friday, October 26<sup>th</sup>, 6:30pm-9:00pm
- HalloWings Festival Saturday, October 27<sup>th</sup>, 9:00am-3:00pm Birding & Nature Center
- Breakfast with Pirates Sunday, October 28<sup>th</sup>, 8:30am 12noon Breakfast then Cruise at Pirate's Landing

To promote SPI HalloWings through the website and social media, the event was provided with \$27,000 by the South Padre Island Convention and Visitors Bureau. About 2,000 were expected to attend the event with 100 staying in SPI lodging for an average of 1.5 nights.



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## Method

To estimate the economic impact of the 2018 HalloWings, UTRGV interviewers conducted a survey (see Appendix A) among event attendees at the SPI Birding &

Nature Center and at Pirate's Landing during the following times as recommended by the event director as best to reach the most attendees:

- Saturday, October 27<sup>th</sup> from 9am to 3pm at the SPI Birding & Nature Center
- Sunday, October 28<sup>th</sup> from 10am to 12noon at Pirate's Landing

As an incentive, survey respondents were offered a chance to win two nights at Schlitterbahn Beach Resort and were also offered SPI promotional products which substantially helped to recruit respondents.





#### Interviews

A total of 15 different trained interviewers, a people counter and the project manager attended SPI HalloWings, at the SPI Birding & Nature Center on Saturday, October 27<sup>th</sup> and at Pirate's Landing on Sunday, October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Interviewers were highly visible by wearing bright orange t-shirts and visors and randomly approached potential respondents in a professional manner and administered the paper survey on clipboards to facilitate survey administration with the data to be entered into an online link later by the interview team. The onsite interviews yielded 102 completed responses—88 were at the SPI Birding & Nature Center and 14 were at Pirate's Landing—however, a number of the responses were eliminated as follows:

- 4 responses were completed by another responding household member;
- 43 responses were from respondents not on the Island for the event; and,
- 11 were from respondents who live within ten miles.

The result is 44 useable questionnaires for analysis. With about 227 households passing by the interviewers as the sample population (See next section), the completed responses rate is about 45%.

#### **Estimated attendance**

Knowing the number of people attending any event is crucial to estimating the economic impact of the event. Accordingly, the research team manually counted attendance during the times they were at the SPI Birding & Nature Center via a manual hand counter. The manual counter counted 305 adults on Saturday, October 27<sup>th</sup> from

9:00am until 3:00pm and 58 children. On Sunday at Jim's Pier for breakfast, about 20 people were counted but not surveyed. At Pirate's Landing from 10:00am to 12:00noon, about 35 people were counted although 52 had booked a place on the Pirate Ship ride. In total, we estimate that 630 people were at the Birding & Nature Center and Pirate's Landing

The appropriate unit of analysis, however, is 'the household' since spending questions are asked about 'household expenditures' rather than individual expenditures. To determine the number of households at the event, the total number of attendees (630) is



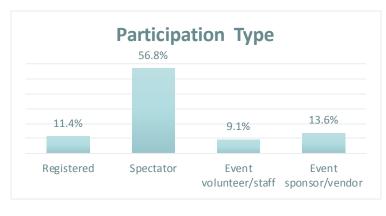
divided by the average household size (2.77) as found in the survey (see Figure 2) to determine that 227 households were at the two venues of the event.

## Results

#### Survey participants travel and SPI stay characteristics

In all, 44 useable surveys were completed by people specifically on South Padre Island

for 2018 SPI HalloWings. Survey respondents were first asked to indicate their role or participation type in the event. Figure 1 shows that by far, most of the respondents surveyed (56.8%) were event spectators. The remaining event participants were volunteer/staff (13.6%) or sponsors/vendors (9.1%).





Next, respondents indicated how many people were in their household while at the event, the number of nights spent and the number of miles traveled to the event. The

number of people reported in the household for the event ranged from 1 to 7 for an average of 2.77 as seen in Figure 2. Data featured in Figure 2 also shows that, on average, study participants traveled 108 miles to attend the event, although distances traveled ranged from 10 to 2200 miles and spent an average of 0.46 nights on SPI for the event with a range of 0 to 3. Spending and stay responses from one respondent coming from Canada

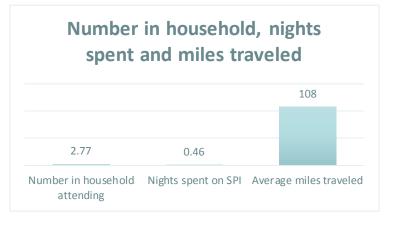


FIGURE 2. AVERAGE MILES TRAVELED, GROUP SIZE AND NIGHTS SPENT

and spending 39 nights on the Island was eliminated as an outlier that would significantly skew results.



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Figure 3 breaks down the percent of respondents by number of nights spent on SPI and shows that 65.8% of respondents did not spend the night on SPI. Of those spending the night, most respondents spent one (21.1%) or two nights (7.9%) although 2.6% spent 3 nights on the Island. About 2.6% spent more than five nights on SPI for the event.

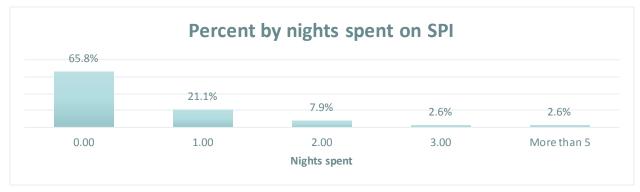
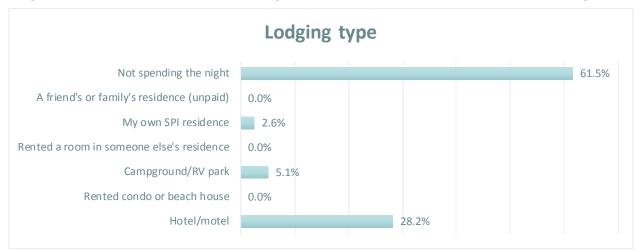


FIGURE 3. PERCENTAGE SPENDING THE NIGHT ON SPI

Figure 4 shows the types of lodging used. While most, (61.5%) of event attenders, did not spend the night on the Island, of those who did, 28.2% spent the night in a hotel/motel room, 0.0% rented a condominium or beach house, 0.0% stayed with family or friends, and 2.6% stayed in their own SPI residence.

With 23% (Table 1) of the estimated 227 households spending an average of 0.46 nights (Figure 2) on the Island, the HalloWings event should have resulted in 24 room nights.





HalloWings attendees accounted for 24 room nights.

#### Estimated spending

Study respondents were asked to indicate how much money they spent in various expenditure categories. All reported expenditure amounts were assumed to include sales taxes except that lodging was assumed to be stated without HOT so was adjusted upward by 17%, the HOT rate. The total average reported expenditure by category was then multiplied times the percentage of respondents who reported spending in that expense category to arrive at the average weighted spending per expense category.

Results in Table 1 indicate the average amount spent on lodging, as adjusted by 17%, was \$124 with a weighted average of \$28 considering that 23% of respondents spent money on lodging for a total of \$6,399. Average spending on food and beverages was \$56, with a weighted average of \$42, for a total category spending of \$9,589, including sales taxes. The total spent on all other categories was \$11,263. In total, 227 event households spent a weighted average of \$120 for a total SPI spending of \$27,250.

Expenditure category	Total average	% spending in category	Weighted spending per HH	Total spending per HH
Food & Beverages	\$56	75%	\$42	\$9,589
Night life	\$51	11%	\$6	\$1,318
Lodging	\$124	23%	\$28	\$6 <i>,</i> 399
Attraction entertainment	\$34	11%	\$4	\$889
Retail	\$54	32%	\$17	\$3,877
Transportation	\$42	32%	\$13	\$3 <i>,</i> 060
Parking	\$10	5%	\$0	\$103
Admission fees	\$13	5%	\$1	\$129
Clothing	\$60	7%	\$4	\$930
Groceries	\$24	9%	\$2	\$491
Other	\$23	9%	\$2	\$465
Total	\$490		\$120	\$27,250

#### TABLE 1. TOTAL AVERAGE WEIGHTED SPENDING

The estimated direct spending on South Padre Island as attributed to the 2018 SPI HalloWings is \$27,250, within a 7.5% confidence interval of plus or minus \$2,038 given the assumptions of a random sample selection.

#### Tax benefits of spending during event

To calculate the tax revenue accruing from event attendee spending, the following tax rates are assumed:

- 17% hotel occupancy tax rate;
- 10.5% City's share of the hotel occupancy tax rate;
- 8.25% sales tax on all non-lodging spending;
- 2% is the City's share of non-lodging sales tax.

The spending reported in Table 1 should result in the tax revenues shown in Table 2. Total spending on lodging should result in total tax revenue of \$930 with the City's share at 10.5% totaling \$574. Total spending on food and beverages should result in \$731 in tax revenue with \$177 the City's share while total spending in all other expense categories should yield \$858 in sales tax revenue with \$208 the City's share. Altogether, the tax revenue should be \$2,519 with \$959 the City's share. The loss from the City's share of the hotel tax alone on the \$27,000 invested in the event is -97.9% but is -94.1% considering the City's share of all the tax revenue.

Spending category	Amount spent	Total HOT	Total sales tax	City's % share	:y's \$ nare	ROI
Lodging	\$6,399	17%	\$930	10.50%	\$ 574	-97.9%
Food & Beverage	\$9,589	8.25%	\$731	2%	\$ 177	
All nonlodging	\$11,263	8.25%	\$858	2%	\$ 208	
Totals	\$27,250		\$2,519		\$ 959	-96.4%

#### TABLE 2. SPENDING, TAX REVENUE AND ROI

Total spending of 2018 SPI HalloWings attendees resulted in an estimate tax revenue of \$2,519, with \$959 going to the City of South Padre Island. With an investment of \$27,000 in the event, the return to the City is -97.9% considering only the 10.5% share of HOT but -96.4% considering all the City's estimated tax revenue share.

#### The SPI Experience

The next section of the survey asked HalloWings attendees about their stay on SPI. In this section, the "net promoter" question was used to determine how likely survey respondents are to recommend SPI as a place to visit to friends or colleagues.

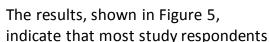




FIGURE 5. NET PROMOTER SCORE

(100.0%) are promoters of SPI while none (0.0%) are detractors. This yields a net promoter score (NPS) of 100.0, which is excellent. For example, the hotel industry has a NPS of 39 (www.netpromoter.com/compare).

Respondents were asked how likely they are to return to SPI and how satisfied they were with the event. As seen in Figure 7, by far most respondents (93.0%) are likely to return to the Island at some time in the future.

Respondents were also asked to indicate their satisfaction with the SPI experience and with the event. Result shown in Figure 6 indicate that 93.0% were satisfied with the SPI experience and that 2.3% were dissatisfied with SPI.

Most respondents (93.0%) were also satisfied with the HalloWings event and only 2.3% reported being dissatisfied with the event as seen in Figure 8.

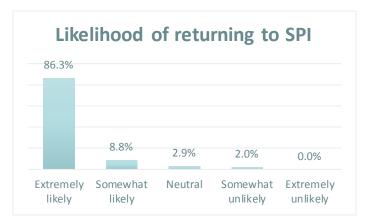


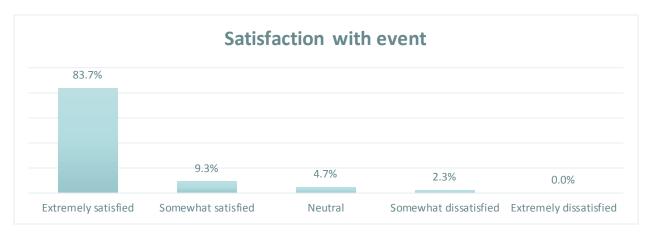
FIGURE 7. LIKELIHOOD OF RETURNING TO SPI IN THE FUTURE



FIGURE 6. SATISFACTION WITH SPI EXPERIENCE



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# NOTE: Respondents were asked to provide suggestions for improving their stay on SPI. The unedited comments are as follows:

- Tickets to the event at the birding center is too expensive (65/person)
- More shade. More adds.
- Perfect
- Have more events for kids,
- More advertisements.
- Perhaps advertise on PI newspaper, radio, etc.



# **Respondent Demographics**

The remainder of the study assessed respondent demographic characteristics.

Targeted survey respondents were those 18 + years and the average age of all respondents was 45 year-of-age with ages ranging from 18 to 87.

Most respondents were female (70.5%), a majority were married (70.5%) and most had some type of college degree (68.2%) as shown in Figures 9 through 11, respectively.

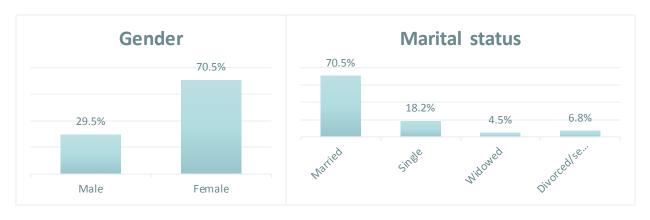


FIGURE 9. GENDER

FIGURE 10. MARITAL STATUS

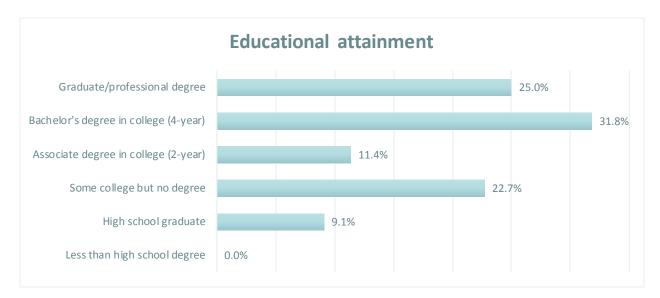


FIGURE 11. EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

Most study respondents work full-time (59.1%), although 11.4% work part-time and 20.5% are retired as seen in Figure 12.

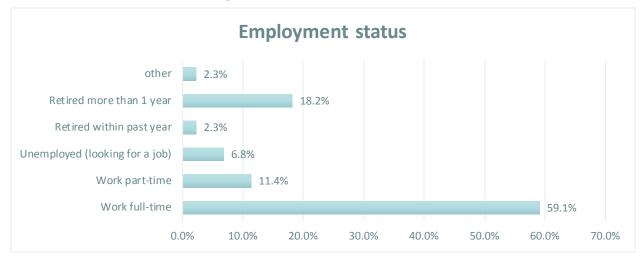
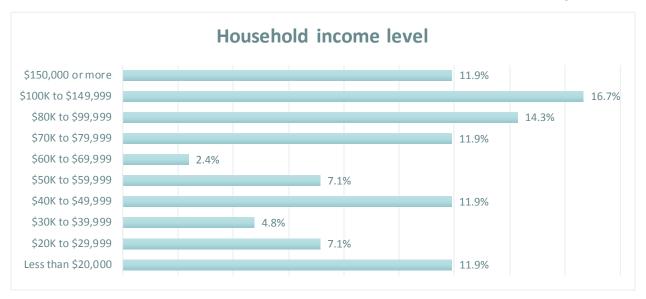


FIGURE 12. EMPLOYMENT STATUS

Most HalloWings study participants reported having a higher-than-average household income level: 64.3% indicated an annual household income above \$50,000 (Figure 13).







Respondents were also asked to indicate their ethnicity but could select as many ethnicities as appropriate. Results in Figure 14 show that 62.8% of respondents considered themselves Hispanic while 34.9% indicated being White.

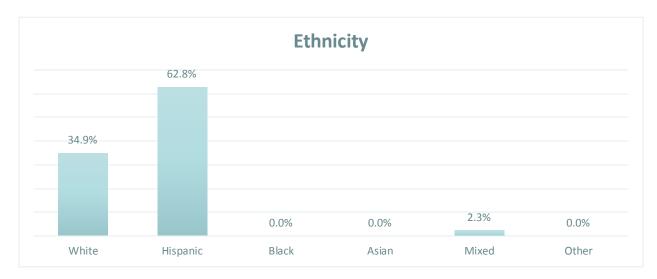


FIGURE 14. ETHNICITY

Finally, respondents were asked to indicate their home country and current residence zip/postal code. Most respondents reported the United States as their home country (93.2%), 6.8% indicated being from other countries and none were from Mexico as shown in Figure 15.

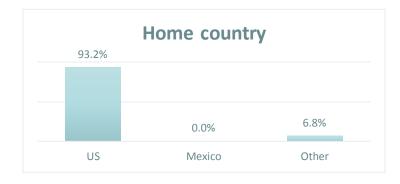


FIGURE 15. HOME COUNTRY

Specific zip or postal codes of study respondents and of study participants are shown and mapped in Appendix B.



## **Concluding remarks**

This report has detailed the amount of money spent on South Padre Island by people attending the South Padre Island HalloWings held at different venues around SPI from October  $26^{th} - 28^{th}$ , 2018. The results of the study were obtained by administering a short onsite survey, which offered respondents an incentive to enter a drawing to win two nights at Schlitterbahn Beach Resort. A total of 102 completed surveys resulted in 44 useable responses for the analysis.

Demographically, the study sample was comprised of predominately of married females who were an average of 45 years-of-age, had at least some college education, were employed full-time, had a household income above \$50,000, identify ethnically Hispanic and were from the US. The average household came with 2.77 people, had traveled an average of 108 miles and 23% spent the night on SPI for an average of 0.46 nights.

By combining the count of people at the event and survey results, event attendees generated an estimate 24 SPI room nights. With an average total weighted lodging expenditure per household of \$28 event attendees spent a total of \$6,399 on lodging, resulting in about \$574 in the City's share of the Hotel Tax revenue. Spending on food and beverages by event attendees was about \$9,589, which should yield \$177 to the City at a tax rate of 2%. Total spending in other expenditure categories of \$11,263 should provide the City with \$208 in sales tax revenue.

Considering only the City's share of the hotel tax revenue, the City lost -\$26,426 or -97.9% on their \$27,000 investment. Considering all tax revenue from all spending, the

City should receive \$959 in taxes for a total loss of -\$26,041 or a -96.4% return on the cash investment provided to the event organizer.

As a side note, attendance at the SPI Birding and Nature Center was lower than expected, perhaps because of event signage that suggested that ticket prices were \$65/person. While that was the price for attending the Gala, potential attendees may not have realized that. Nevertheless, most HalloWings survey participants are "promoters" in recommending SPI to others, are likely or extremely likely to return to SPI for a future vacation and are satisfied with their overall SPI experience during the event.





### Appendix A: Survey

	SPI HalloW	ings Survey		
report on spending for all people in your househo future events. As a thank you, you may enter a dra	rience and spendin old at the event sho awing for a 2-night survey results or sh	g during HalloWings. The one person, older than 18, best able to ould complete this survey. Responses are very important to planning stay at the Schlitterbahn Beach Resort. Responses are confidential nared with others. Contact the Business and Tourism Research		
<ol> <li>Have you or someone else in your household completed this survey?</li></ol>		10.How likely are you to return to South Padre Island for a vacation at some time in the future?		
<ol> <li>Did you come to South Padre Island specifica</li> <li>Yes No: If no, return this survey. Thanks</li> </ol>	lly for HalloWings?	Distance likely Discoutes likely Diversity		
3. About how many miles did you travel to atte	end HalloWings? miles	11.How satisfied are you with your overall South Padre Island experience?		
<ol> <li>Which of the following best describes your p HalloWings (Check all that apply)?</li> </ol>		Extre mely satisfied Some what satisfied Neutral Some what dissatisfied Extremely dissatisfied		
		12. How satisfied are you with HalloWings?  Extremelysatisfied Somewhat satisfied Neutral Somewhat dissatisfied Extremely dissatisfied		
5. Including yourself, how many people from your household attended HalloWings?Number adults in household Number of children		<ol> <li>What suggestions do you have for improving HalloWings or your stay on South Padre Island? (write on back)</li> <li>What is your home zip or postal code?code</li> </ol>		
6. How many nights did you (or will you) spend on SOUTH PADRE ISLAND while attending HalloWings?		15.What is vour home country?		
<ol><li>Where are you staying (or did stay) while on South Padre Island for HalloWings?</li></ol>		16.What is your age? (years of age) 17.What is your gender? □ Male □ Female □ Gender diverse 18.What is your marital status? □Married □Single □Widowed □Divorced/separated 19.What is your highest educational attainment? □Less than high school □ Associate's degree □High school graduate □ Bachelor's degree □Some college, no degree □ Graduate/professional degree 20.What is your current employment status? □Work full-time □ Retired within pastyear □Work part-time □ Retired more than 1 year □Unemployed (looking for a job) □Other (Please specify) 21.What is your combined annual household income?		
<ul> <li>Hotel/motel</li> <li>Rented condo/beach house</li> <li>Campground/RV park</li> <li>Rented a room</li> <li>My own SPI residence</li> <li>Friend/family residence (unpaid)</li> <li>Not spending the night</li> <li>Other (please specify)</li> <li>8. For each of the following types of expenses, please give your best estimate of the total amount you and your household spent (or will spend) during your entire time on South Padre Island for HalloWings. (List only the total dollar amounts spent on SPI)</li> <li>Food &amp; beverages (restaurants, concessions, smacks, etc.)</li> <li>Night clubs, lounges &amp; bars (cover charges,</li> </ul>				
drinks, etc.) Lodging expenses (hotel, motel, condo, room) Local attractions & entertainment (fishing, snorkeling, kayaking, etc.) Retail shopping (souvenirs, gifts, film, etc.) Transportation (gas, oil, taxi, etc.)	S S S S	Iess than \$20,000         \$60K-\$69,999           \$20K-\$29,999         \$70K-\$79,999           \$30K-\$39,999         \$80K-\$99,999           \$40K-\$49,999         \$100K-\$149,999           \$50K-\$59,999         \$150,000 or more		
Parking fees SPI Admission fees Clothing or accessories	\$ \$ \$	22.What is your ethnicity? (Select all that apply)           White         Hispanic         Mixed           Black         Asian         Other		
Groceries Other (please specify)	\$ \$	Enter the drawing for a 2-night stay at the Schlitterbahn Beach Resort Contact information is confidential and will be deleted after the drawing Name		
9. On a scale from 0-10, how likely are you to r Padre Island as a place to visit to a friend or coll Not at 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 all likely	eague?	Phone number: Email: Winners will be notified no later than 2 weeks after event.		

# Appendix B: Respondent's zip or postal code and frequency of response and zip code map

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Item No 6

#### CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA REQUEST FORM

MEETING DATE: April 10, 2019

NAME & TITLE: Marisa Amaya, Special Events Manager

**DEPARTMENT:** South Padre Island Convention and Visitors Bureau

ITEM

Discussion and possible action to approve the funding request for AIRSHOW 2019 and recommend to the Convention and Advisory Board for approval.

#### ITEM BACKGROUND

The AIRSHOW is a new event scheduled for June 2019 and requesting \$150,000 in funding.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL SUMMARY

02-593-8099 Special Events Budget

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN GOAL

LEGAL REVIEW		
Sent to Legal:	YES:	NO: <u>X</u>
Approved by Legal:	YES:	NO: <u>X</u>
Comments:		

**RECOMMENDATIONS/COMMENTS** 

Recommend the Special Events Committee approve a funding amount.

#### APPLICATION FOR INITIAL FUNDING

Today's Date: July 2, 2018

#### **ORGANIZATON INFORMATION**

Name of Organization: Commemorative Air Fo	rce - Rio Grande Valley Wing
Address: P. O. Box 8190	
City, State, Zip: Brownsville, Texas 78526	
Contact Name: David Hughston	Contact Office Phone Number:
Contact Cell Phone Number: 956-454-4439	
Web Site Address for Event or Sponsoring Entity	fiesta.org
	_Tax ID #:74-1484491
Entity's Creation Date: July 1964	
Purpose of your organization: Please see Mission Statement attached.	
EVENT INFORMATION	

Name of Events or Project: South Padre Island Military Heritage AIRSHOW!

Date of Event or Project: June 22-23, 2019

Note: The name of the event is for planning purposes only. Should AIRSHOW! receive financial support, we will be open to naming suggestions from the CVB.



South Padre Island Convention & Visitors Bureau (2355 Padre Blvd, 1 South Padre Island, 1 exas 7859) (800) 767-2373 [ (956) 761-3000 ] (956) 761-3024 Fax I SoPadre.com Primary Location of Event or Project: \_\_\_\_\_\_ The skies over South Padre Island! Headquarters will be Port Isabel-Cameron County Airport

Amount Requested: \$150,000

#### Primary Purpose of Funded Activity/Facility:

Since 1991, AIRSHOW! (Formerly know as AIR FIESTA) has been an annual airshow produced by the CAF-RGV Wing for the

purpose of demonstrating to the general public, young and old alike, the critical role aviation has played and continues

to play in our nation's defense and technological advancement. AIRSHOW! also showcases the many and varied career

opportunities available in aviation, all in a safe, family friendly, fair like atmosphere.

The airshow will also be a major fund raiser for operational support of the new Laguna Madre Transportation Museum,

The venue for the event is the historically significant Port Isabel-Cameron County Airport

How will the hotel tax funds be used: (please attach a list of the hotel tax funded expenditures) Funds will be used for AIRSHOW! expenses. See budget attached.

#### Percentage of Hotel Tax Support of Related Costs

60 Percentage of Total Event Costs Covered by Hotel Occupancy Tax

\_\_\_\_ Percentage of **Total Annual Facility Costs** Covered by Hotel Occupancy Tax for the Funded Event

Percentage of Annual Staff Costs Covered by Hotel Occupancy Tax for the Funded Event

If staff costs are covered, estimate percentage of time staff spends annually on the funded event(s) compared to other activities\_\_\_\_\_%

Are you asking for any cost reductions for city facility rentals or city services, and if so, please quantify and explain:

N/A



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# Which Category or Categories Apply to Funding Request & Amount Requested Under Each Category:

- a) **Convention Center or Visitor Information Center:** construction, improvement, equipping, repairing, operation, and maintenance of convention center facilities or visitor information centers, or both. Amount requested under this category: \$\_\_\_\_\_\_
- b) Registration of Convention Delegates: furnishing of facilities, personnel, and materials for the registration of convention delegates or registrants. Amount requested under this category: \$\_\_\_\_\_\_
- c) Advertising, Solicitations, Promotional programs to attract tourists and convention delegates or registrants to the municipality or its vicinity. Amount requested under this category: \$ 35,000
- d) Promotion of the Arts that Directly Enhance Tourism and the Hotel & Convention Industry: the encouragement, promotion, improvement, and application of the arts that can be shown to have some direct impact on tourism and the hotel/convention industry. The impact may be that the art facility or event can show hotel nights that are booked due to their events or that guest at hotels attend the arts event. Eligible forms of art include instrumental and vocal music, dance, drama, folk art, creative writing, architecture, design and allied fields, painting, sculpture photography, graphic and craft arts, motion picture, radio, television, tape and sound recording, and other arts related to the presentation, performance, execution, and exhibition of these major art forms: \$ 80.000
- e) Historical restoration and preservation projects or activities or advertising and conducting solicitation and promotional programs to encourage tourists and convention delegates to visit preserved historic sites or museums. Amount requested under this category: \$ 35.000
- f) Expenses including promotional expenses, directly related to a sporting event in which the majority of participants are tourists. The event must substantially increase economic activity at hotels within the city or its vicinity. Amount requested under this category: \$ \_\_\_\_\_\_

How many attendees are expected to come to the sporting related event?

How many of the attendees at the sporting related event are expected to be from another city or county?

Quantify how the sporting related event will substantially increase economic activity at hotels within the city or its vicinity?



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Amount requested under this category: S \_\_\_\_\_

What sites or attractions will tourists be taken to by this transportation?

h) Signage directing tourists to sights and attractions that are visited frequently by hotel guests in the municipality.

Amount requested under this category: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

What tourist attractions will be the subject of the signs?



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#### QUESTIONS FOR ALL FUNDING REQUEST CATEGORIES

How many years have you held this Event or Project:

This event has been held annually in Brownsville for 27 years.

Expected Attendance: 15.000. AIRSHOW! organizers are planning a twilight/evening event viewable from hotels and the beach.

How many people attending the Event or Project will use South Padre Island lodging establishments? Since this is our first event in the SPI area, we don't have a feel for it yet.

How many nights do you anticipate the majority of the tourists will stay: 2

Do you reserve a room block for this event at an area hotel and if so, for how many rooms and at which hotels:

We will be reserving a block of rooms for our participants/performers. We anticipate paying for approximately 175 room

nights.

List other years (over the last three years) that you have hosted your Event or Project with amount of assistance given from HOT and the number of hotel rooms used:

Assistance Amount

Number of Hotel Rooms Used

How will you measure the impact of your event on area hotel activity (e.g.; room block usage information, survey of hoteliers, etc.)?

Surveys and room block usage info.



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Please list other organization, government entities, and grants that have offered financial support to your project:

The United States Air Force, Navy and Marines have approved AIRSHOW!

for modern military aerial support. Cameron County Commissioners Court has

also approved use of the Cameron County Airport for AIRSHOW! 2019.

Will the event charge admission? Yes

Do you anticipate a net profit from the event? Yes

If there is a net profit, what is the anticipated amount and how will it be used?

We anticipate a net profit of \$50K-\$60K. Profits will be used for care, maintenance,

development and promotion of the CAF-RGV Wing Transportation Museum and

the artifacts/airplanes in its care.

All marketing and promotions will be coordinated through the CVA's agency, unless exempted from this requirement by the Executive Director, in which case <u>all creative must be pre-approved by the Executive Director (or designee) and payments will be on a reimbursement basis</u>. Please list all promotion efforts your organization is planning and the amount estimated for each media outlet:

Newspaper:	s 3,500
• Radio:	s <u>2,000</u>
• TV:	s 10,000
• Website, Social Media:	s 1,000
Other Paid Advertising:	s 15,000 - Billboards, Street Banners

Anticipated Number of Press Releases to Media: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Anticipated Number Direct Mailings to out-of-town recipients: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Other Promotions:

To be determined



South Padre Island Convention & Visitors Bureau | 1355 Padre Blvd. | South Padre Island, Texas 78597 (800) 767-2373 I (956) 761-3000 I (956) 761-3024 Fax I SoPadre com A link to the CVB must be included on your promotional handouts and in your website for booking hotel nights during this event. Are you able to comply?

Will you negotiate a special rate or hotel/event package to attract overnight stays? Yes

[If we have a tour operator, we will require them to use that service.]

What other marketing initiatives are you planning to promote hotel and convention activity for this event?

AIRSHOW! can provide a temporary static display at the Convention Center made of items on loan from the Museum along

with a custom point of sale disply detailing the event. Also AIRSHOW! is anxious to work with the Atkins Group to make

sure cross branding is accurate and effective

What geographic areas does your event reach? South Texas

If the funding requested is related to a permanent facility (e.g. museum, visitor center):

- Expected Visitation by Tourists Monthly/Annually: \_\_\_\_\_
- Percentage of those who visit the facility who indicate they are staying at area hotels/lodging facilities:\_\_\_\_\_% (use a visitor log that asks them to check a box if they are staying at an area lodging facility)

What amount of event insurance do you have for your event and who is the carrier: \$10,000,000 Endurance American Insurance Company. City of South Padre Island will be added as an additional insured.

[Insert South Padre Island Minimum Event Insurance Coverage Minimums and duty to list South Padre Island as an added insured]

Any marketing for the event must be consistent with the brand image for South Padre Island and all such marketing pieces that are funded with hotel tax must be coordinated and developed by the South Padre Island CVB marketing agency. Are you able to comply?

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No



South Padre Island Convention & Visitors Bureau 1355 Padre Blvd. 1 South Padre Island, 1 exas 78597 (800) 767-2373 I (956) 761-2000 I (956) 761-3024 Fax I SolPadre com

Where appropriate, the CVB will require access to event participant database information that will show zip code data to measure likely impact from the funded event.

#### SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION REQUIRED WITH APPLICATION:

Along with the application, please submit the following:

\_\_\_\_\_ Proposed Marketing Plan for Funded Event

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Room night projections, with back-up, for the Funded Event

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Hopefully, you have heard of the recent move of the Commemorative Air Force - Rio Grande Valley Wing Museum from its longtime home in Brownsville to the historic Port Isabel-Cameron County Airport. The move took over a year and was completed in the fall of 2018. Unfortunately, while the move was underway, it was impossible to produce our annual airshow, formerly known as AIR FIESTA . Now, with the move complete, we are ready to get back in the airshow business!

With the move to Cameron County, we thought it best to change our brand and airshow dates. Now the show is known simply as *AIRSHOW!* The dates for this year's aerial extravaganza, the first at Cameron County Airport, are June 22 & 23, 2019.

Even as I write, our show volunteers are working hard to make sure all will be ready for another exciting, one of a kind experience. After all, *AIRSHOW!* is our primary source of operating funds and provides us an opportunity to showcase our Museum and the aircraft therein.

With the proceeds from *AIRSHOW*! the RGV Wing will be able to maintain, in flying condition, extremely unusual and rare examples of vintage military aircraft. We will also be able to continue development of our unique and educational artifacts display. All work on *AIRSHOW*! is performed by volunteers. All proceeds stay right here.

It is expensive to keep all our aircraft air worthy, but we think it's worth it. Real, flying examples of our aviation heritage teach lessons with which no classroom or TV documentary can compete. And it's not just the kids. All of us need to be reminded of the lessons of history and the high cost of freedom.

*AIRSHOW!* will feature WWII air battle reenactments, death defying aerobatic performances, modern military and much more. Truly a fun filled day for the whole family.

Can we count on your help? I have taken the liberty of enclosing our sponsorship brochure which outlines various levels of financial support. Please remember that we produce the show ourselves with no outside promoter help. Hence we are loaded with options! Just let us know how we can tailor sponsorship benefits to meet your needs.

Thank you in advance for helping make AIRSHOW! a rousing success!

Sincerely, David Hughston

AIRSHOW! Chairman



RGV Wing of the Commemorative Air Force | *AIRSHOW*! | CAF Transportation Museum Post Office Box 8190 | Brownsville, Texas 78526 | (970)397-4604 | www.rgvcaf.org 1:25 PM 07/03/18 Accrual Basis

# RGV WING - CAF Profit & Loss Budget Overview January 2017 through December 2019

	Jan '17 - Dec 19
Income	
44200 AIRSHOW REVENUE	
Advance Ticket Sales	20,000.00
Concessions	10,000.00
Donations - Sponsors	100,000.00
Exhibit Booth	4,500.00
Flight Line Club	5,000.00
Gate Sales	50,000.00
Other Misc. Revenue	10,000.00
Parking	10,000.00
PX Sales	2,000.00
Total 44200 AIRSHOW REVENUE	211 500 00
TOTAL 44200 AIRSHOW REVENUE	211,500.00
Total Income	211,500.00
Expense	
62160 AIR FIESTA EXPENSES	
Accounting/Legal Fees	100.00
Advertising & PR	35,000.00
Airmeet Liability	3,000.00
Chalet	15,000.00
Change	10,000.00
Convention Registration	1,725.00
Dues & Subscriptions	600.00
Equipment Rental	15,000.00
Exhibit Booth	1,500.00
Flight Line Refreshments	2,500.00
Fuel & Oil	15,000.00
Housing	15,000.00
License and Permits	300.00
Military Support	10,000.00
Other Misc. Expenses	1,000.00
Outside Performers	30,000.00
Printing	1,000.00
PX Supplies	2,500.00
Pyrotechnics	12,500.00
Ramp & Cleanup	400.00
Repairs & Maintenance	1,000.00
Supplies & Equipment	1,500.00
Tickets, Finance	300.00
Travel	500.00
Utilities	500.00
Vehicle Expense	2,500.00
WWII Performers	25,000.00

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# 1:25 PM 07/03/18 Accrual Basis

# RGV WING - CAF Profit & Loss Budget Overview January 2017 through December 2019

	Jan '17 - Dec 19
Total 62160 AIR FIESTA EXPENSES	203,425.00
Total Expense	203,425.00
Net income	8,075.00

# **Commemorative Air Force – Rio Grande Valley Wing**

## **Our Mission**

To preserve, in flying condition, a collection of combat aircraft which were flown by all military services of the United States in World War II.

To perpetuate in the memory and hearts of all Americans the spirit in which these great planes were flown in the defense of our nation.

To acquire museum buildings for permanent protection and display of these aircraft as a tribute to the thousands of men and women who built, serviced and flew them.

To display, in a museum setting, various other World War II and vintage artifacts that tell the story of the heroism and sacrifice necessary to guarantee the prolonged freedom of our country we all enjoy.

To expand this organization with people having the dedication, enthusiasm and esprit de corps necessary to keep, maintain and preserve these aircraft and artifacts as symbols or our American military heritage.

Item No 7

# CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA REQUEST FORM

MEETING DATE: April 10, 2019

NAME & TITLE: Marisa Amaya, Special Events Manager

**DEPARTMENT:** South Padre Island Convention and Visitors Bureau

ITEM

Discussion and possible action to approve the funding request for the SandCastle Trail Maintenance.

# ITEM BACKGROUND

The SandCastle Trail had previously been approved for a total of \$30,000 in FY 2017/2018.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL SUMMARY

02-593-8099 Special Events Budget

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN GOAL

LEGAL REVIEW		
Sent to Legal:	YES:	NO: <u></u>
Approved by Legal:	YES:	NO: <u></u>
Comments:		

RECOMMENDATIONS/COMMENTS

Recommend the Special Events Committee approve a funding amount.

# **APPLICATION FOR INITIAL FUNDING**

Today's Date: 03/11/2019

#### **ORGANIZATON INFORMATION**

Name of Organization: Sandcastle Island, Inc.	
Address: P.O. Box 2694	
City, State, Zip: South Padre Island, TX 78597	
Contact Name:	Contact Office Phone Number: 956-459-292
Contact Cell Phone Number: 956-459-2928	
Web Site Address for Event or Sponsoring Entity	andcastleisland.com
Non-Profit or For-Profit status: <sup>501</sup> (c) 3	Tax ID #: <mark>81-2584362</mark>
Entity's Creation Date: March, 2016	
Purpose of your organization: We are a non-profit dedicated to maintaining	and expanding the South Padre Island
Sandcastle Trail); the education of students a	and public about beach conservation and
nourishment using sand sculpture by offering	free "SandCamp" experiences all

summer long; and augmenting exisiting SPi festivals with sandcastle instruction, etc.

## **EVENT INFORMATION**

Name of Events or Project: Sand Castle Trail Maintenance
Date of Event or Project: Ongoing



Primary Location of Event or Project: Islandwide

Amount Requested: \$\_\_\_\_0.00

Primary Purpose of Funded Activity/Facility:

Maintain and grow the SPI Sandcastle Trail

How will the hotel tax funds be used: (please attach a list of the hotel tax funded expenditures)

#### Percentage of Hotel Tax Support of Related Costs

 $\underbrace{80\%}$  Percentage of Total Event Costs Covered by Hotel Occupancy Tax

 $\underline{0\%}$  Percentage of **Total Annual Facility Costs** Covered by Hotel Occupancy Tax for the Funded Event

 $\underline{0\%}$  Percentage of Annual Staff Costs Covered by Hotel Occupancy Tax for the Funded Event

If staff costs are covered, estimate percentage of time staff spends annually on the funded event(s) compared to other activities\_\_\_\_\_%

Are you asking for any cost reductions for city facility rentals or city services, and if so, please quantify and explain:



# Which Category or Categories Apply to Funding Request & Amount Requested Under Each Category:

- a) **Convention Center or Visitor Information Center:** construction, improvement, equipping, repairing, operation, and maintenance of convention center facilities or visitor information centers, or both. Amount requested under this category: \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- b) Registration of Convention Delegates: furnishing of facilities, personnel, and materials for the registration of convention delegates or registrants. Amount requested under this category: \$ \_\_\_\_\_\_
- c) Advertising, Solicitations, Promotional programs to attract tourists and convention delegates or registrants to the municipality or its vicinity. Amount requested under this category: \$ ?
- d) **Promotion of the Arts that Directly Enhance Tourism and the Hotel & Convention Industry:** the encouragement, promotion, improvement, and application of the arts that can be shown to have some direct impact on tourism and the hotel/convention industry. The impact may be that the art facility or event can show hotel nights that are booked due to their events or that guest at hotels attend the arts event. Eligible forms of art include instrumental and vocal music, dance, drama, folk art, creative writing, architecture, design and allied fields, painting, sculpture photography, graphic and craft arts, motion picture, radio, television, tape and sound recording, and other arts related to the presentation, performance, execution, and exhibition of these major art forms: \$ 10,000
- e) Historical restoration and preservation projects or activities or advertising and conducting solicitation and promotional programs to encourage tourists and convention delegates to visit preserved historic sites or museums. Amount requested under this category: \$ \_\_\_\_\_\_
- f) Expenses including promotional expenses, directly related to a sporting event in which the majority of participants are tourists. The event must substantially increase economic activity at hotels within the city or its vicinity. Amount requested under this category: \$\_\_\_\_\_

How many attendees are expected to come to the sporting related event? \_\_\_\_\_

How many of the attendees at the sporting related event are expected to be from another city or county? \_\_\_\_\_

Quantify how the sporting related event will substantially increase economic activity at hotels within the city or its vicinity?



g) Funding transportation systems for transporting tourists from hotels to and near the city to any of the following destinations: 1) the commercial center of the city; 2) a convention center in the city; 3) other hotels in or near the city; and 4) tourist attractions in or near the city. Please note that the ridership of any such transportation must be primarily tourists to qualify for hotel tax funding.

Amount requested under this category: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

What sites or attractions will tourists be taken to by this transportation?

# h) Signage directing tourists to sights and attractions that are visited frequently by hotel guests in the municipality.

Amount requested under this category: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

What tourist attractions will be the subject of the signs?



### QUESTIONS FOR ALL FUNDING REQUEST CATEGORIES

#### How many years have you held this Event or Project:

The sandcastle trail was established in 2012.

Expected Attendance: \_\_\_\_\_

How many people attending the Event or Project will use South Padre Island lodging establishments?

How many nights do you anticipate the majority of the tourists will stay: 2\_\_\_\_\_

Do you reserve a room block for this event at an area hotel and if so, for how many rooms and at which hotels:

List other years (over the last three years) that you have hosted your Event or Project with amount of assistance given from HOT and the number of hotel rooms used:

Month/Year Held	Assistance Amount	Number of Hotel Rooms Used
FY 2017/2018	\$35,000	

How will you measure the impact of your event on area hotel activity (e.g.; room block usage information, survey of hoteliers, etc.)?



Please list other organization, government entities, and grants that have offered financial support to your project: We continue to actively seek sponsorship from businesses hosting trail sculptures, from businesses willing to sponsor Sandcamp sessions, and from private individuals who have enjoyed our actitivies including "The March of the Sandmen" and "Hearts on the Beach." We also raise money with our annual fundraiser - "The Sandcastlers' Ball."

Will the event charge admission? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you anticipate a net profit from the event?

If there is a net profit, what is the anticipated amount and how will it be used?

All marketing and promotions will be coordinated through the CVA's agency, unless exempted from this requirement by the Executive Director, in which case <u>all creative must be pre-approved by the Executive Director (or designee) and payments will be on a reimbursement basis</u>. Please list all promotion efforts your organization is planning and the amount estimated for each media outlet:

Newspaper:	\$
• Radio:	\$
• TV:	\$
• Website, Social Media:	\$
Other Paid Advertising:	\$
Anticipated Number of Press Releas	ses to Media:
Anticipated Number Direct Mailings	s to out-of-town recipients:
Other Promotions:	



A link to the CVB must be included on your promotional handouts and in your website for booking hotel nights during this event. Are you able to comply? Yes No

Will you negotiate a special rate or hotel/event package to attract overnight stays?

[If we have a tour operator, we will require them to use that service.]

What other marketing initiatives are you planning to promote hotel and convention activity for this event?

What geographic areas does your event reach?

If the funding requested is related to a permanent facility (e.g. museum, visitor center):

- Expected Visitation by Tourists Monthly/Annually: \_\_\_\_\_\_
- Percentage of those who visit the facility who indicate they are staying at area hotels/lodging facilities:\_\_\_\_\_% (use a visitor log that asks them to check a box if they are staying at an area lodging facility)

What amount of event insurance do you have for your event and who is the carrier:

[Insert South Padre Island Minimum Event Insurance Coverage Minimums and duty to list South Padre Island as an added insured]

Any marketing for the event must be consistent with the brand image for South Padre Island and all such marketing pieces that are funded with hotel tax must be coordinated and developed by the South Padre Island CVB marketing agency. Are you able to comply?

✓ Yes

No



Where appropriate, the CVB will require access to event participant database information that will show zip code data to measure likely impact from the funded event.

#### SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION REQUIRED WITH APPLICATION:

Along with the application, please submit the following:

Proposed Marketing Plan for Funded Event

\_\_\_\_\_ Schedule of Activities or Events Relating to the Funded Project

\_\_\_\_\_ Complete budget for the Funded Project

\_\_\_\_\_ Room night projections, with back-up, for the Funded Event

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#### Item No 8

# CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA REQUEST FORM

MEETING DATE: April 10, 2019

NAME & TITLE: Marisa Amaya, Special Events Manager

**DEPARTMENT:** South Padre Island Convention and Visitors Bureau

ITEM

Discussion and possible action to approve the funding request for Fishing's Future.

#### ITEM BACKGROUND

Fishing's Future is requesting funding to supply their Master Anglers with new jerseys that will be worn through states across the country. Fishing's Future is requesting funding in the amount of \$15,000.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL SUMMARY

02-593-8099 Special Events Budget

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN GOAL

LEGAL REVIEW		
Sent to Legal:	YES:	NO: <u>X</u>
Approved by Legal:	YES:	NO: <u>X</u>
Comments:		

**RECOMMENDATIONS/COMMENTS** 

Recommend the Special Events Committee approve a funding amount.

# **APPLICATION FOR INITIAL FUNDING**

# **ORGANIZATON INFORMATION**

Name of Organization: Fishing's Future	
Address: 2216 Padre Blvd Ste B #26	
City, State, Zip:South Padre Island, TX 78597	
Contact Name: Wendy Van Den Boogerd	Contact Office Phone Number:
Contact Cell Phone Number: 806-678-0642	
Web Site Address for Event or Sponsoring Entity	ww.fishingsfuture.org
Non-Profit or For-Profit status:	
Entity's Creation Date: 2004	
Purpose of your organization: Fishing's Future promotes families, education, ar	nd enviromental
stewardship.	

# **EVENT INFORMATION**

Name of Events or Project:	
Date of Event or Project:	



Primary Location of Event or Project: Nation Wide

Amount Requested: \$\_<sup>15,000</sup>

#### Primary Purpose of Funded Activity/Facility:

The primary purpose of this funding would be to supply our Master Anglers with new jerseys that will be worn states across the country. Including military bases as we have recently partnered with the USO. Our cl expanding to include military families. We would include the SPI logo on all of the jerseys. SPI Future headquarters therefore we will have the citys branding implemented on vehicles and oth

How will the hotel tax funds be used: (please attach a list of the hotel tax funded expenditures)

#### Percentage of Hotel Tax Support of Related Costs

\_\_\_\_\_ Percentage of **Total Event Costs** Covered by Hotel Occupancy Tax

\_\_\_\_\_ Percentage of **Total Annual Facility Costs** Covered by Hotel Occupancy Tax for the Funded Event

\_\_\_\_\_ Percentage of Annual Staff Costs Covered by Hotel Occupancy Tax for the Funded Event

If staff costs are covered, estimate percentage of time staff spends annually on the funded event(s) compared to other activities\_\_\_\_\_%

Are you asking for any cost reductions for city facility rentals or city services, and if so, please quantify and explain:



# Which Category or Categories Apply to Funding Request & Amount Requested Under Each Category:

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How many of the attendees at the sporting related event are expected to be from another city or county? \_\_\_\_\_

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Amount requested under this category: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

What sites or attractions will tourists be taken to by this transportation?

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What tourist attractions will be the subject of the signs?



# QUESTIONS FOR ALL FUNDING REQUEST CATEGORIES

How many years have you held this Event or Project:

Expected Attendance:		
	g the Event or Project will use S	
How many nights do you an	ticipate the majority of the tour	rists will stay:
Do you reserve a room bloc which hotels:	k for this event at an area hote	l and if so, for how many rooms and at
-	t three years) that you have hos T and the number of hotel room	sted your Event or Project with amount ms used:
Month/Year Held	Assistance Amount	Number of Hotel Rooms Used
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	e list other organizatior rt to your project:	n, government entities, and grants that have offered financial
Will th	ne event charge admiss	ion?
Do yo	u anticipate a net profi	t from the event?
If ther	e is a net profit, what i	is the anticipated amount and how will it be used?
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	-	nization is planning and the amount estimated for each media outlet:
•	Newspaper:	\$
•	Radio:	\$

- Other Paid Advertising:
   \$\_\_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated Number of Press Releases to Media: \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated Number Direct Mailings to out-of-town recipients: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Other Promotions:**



A link to the CVB must be included on your promotional handouts and in your website for booking hotel nights during this event. Are you able to comply? Yes No

Will you negotiate a special rate or hotel/event package to attract overnight stays?

[If we have a tour operator, we will require them to use that service.]

What other marketing initiatives are you planning to promote hotel and convention activity for this event?

What geographic areas does your event reach? All across the United States.

If the funding requested is related to a permanent facility (e.g. museum, visitor center):

- Expected Visitation by Tourists Monthly/Annually: \_\_\_\_\_\_
- Percentage of those who visit the facility who indicate they are staying at area hotels/lodging facilities:\_\_\_\_\_% (use a visitor log that asks them to check a box if they are staying at an area lodging facility)

What amount of event insurance do you have for your event and who is the carrier: Two million general liability.

[Insert South Padre Island Minimum Event Insurance Coverage Minimums and duty to list South Padre Island as an added insured]

Any marketing for the event must be consistent with the brand image for South Padre Island and all such marketing pieces that are funded with hotel tax must be coordinated and developed by the South Padre Island CVB marketing agency. Are you able to comply?

✓ Yes

No



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#### Item No 9

# CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA REQUEST FORM

MEETING DATE: April 10, 2019

NAME & TITLE: Sean Till, Special Event Committee Chair

**DEPARTMENT:** South Padre Island Convention and Visitors Bureau

ITEM

Discussion and possible action regarding Special Event funding categories.

ITEM BACKGROUND

BUDGET/FINANCIAL SUMMARY

02-593-8099 Special Events Budget

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN GOAL

LEGAL REVIEW					
Sent to Legal:	YES:	_	NO:	_X	
Approved by Legal:	YES:	_	NO: _	X	
Comments:					
RECOMMENDATIONS/COMMENTS					

Recommend the Special Events Committee approve special event funding categories.

# CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA REQUEST FORM

MEETING DATE: April 10, 2019

NAME & TITLE: Sean Till, Special Event Committee Chair

**DEPARTMENT:** South Padre Island Convention and Visitors Bureau

ITEM

Discussion and possible action regarding Special Event tiers.

ITEM BACKGROUND

BUDGET/FINANCIAL SUMMARY

02-593-8099 Special Events Budget

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN GOAL

LEGAL REVIEW				
Sent to Legal:	YES:		NO:	<u>X</u>
Approved by Legal:	YES:		NO:	X
Comments:		1		
<b>RECOMMENDATIONS/COMMENTS</b>				

Recommend the Special Events Committee approve special event tiers.

## Item No 11

# CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA REQUEST FORM

MEETING DATE: April 10, 2019

NAME & TITLE: Sean Till, Special Event Committee Chair

**DEPARTMENT:** South Padre Island Convention and Visitors Bureau

ITEM

Discussion regarding communication of Special Events to local stakeholders.

ITEM BACKGROUND

BUDGET/FINANCIAL SUMMARY

02-593-8099 Special Events Budget

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN GOAL

LEGAL REVIEW		
Sent to Legal:	YES:	NO: <u>X</u>
Approved by Legal:	YES:	NO: <u>X</u>
Comments:		

Comments.

**RECOMMENDATIONS/COMMENTS** 

# CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA REQUEST FORM

MEETING DATE: April 10, 2019

NAME & TITLE: Marisa Amaya, Special Events Manager

**DEPARTMENT:** South Padre Island Convention and Visitors Bureau

ITEM

Discussion and possible action regarding UTRGV Special Event surveys.

## ITEM BACKGROUND

UTRGV was contracted to survey and analyze twelve Special Events in FY 2018/2019. There are five events pending this year that need to be approved.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL SUMMARY

02-593-8099 Special Events Budget

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN GOAL

LEGAL REVIEW		
Sent to Legal:	YES:	NO: <u>X</u>
Approved by Legal:	YES:	NO: <u>X</u>
Comments:		
RECOMMENDATIONS/C	OMMENTS	

Recommend the Special Events Committee approve the remaining events to be surveyed.