

MINUTES CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2019

I. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council Members of the City of South Padre Island, Texas held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, September 4, 2019 at the Municipal Complex Building, 2nd Floor, 4601 Padre Boulevard, South Padre Island, Texas. Mayor McNulty called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. A quorum was present: Mayor Patrick McNulty, Council Members Ken Medders, Jr., Kerry Schwartz, Joe Ricco, Alita Bagley and Eva-Jean Dalton.

City staff members present were Administrative Services Director Wendi Delgado, Chief Financial Officer Rodrigo Gimenez, Public Works Director Alex Sanchez, Fire Chief Doug Fowler, Environmental Health Director Victor Baldovinos, Shoreline Management Director Kristina Boburka, CVB Director Ed Caum, Planning Director Aaron Hanley, Interim Chief of Police Claudine O'Carroll, Assistant Public Works Director Jon Wilson, Information Technology Director Mark Shellard, Parks & Recreation Manager, Public Information Officer Angelique Soto and City Secretary Susan Manning.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND TEXAS PLEDGE

Mayor McNulty led the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Public comments and announcements were given at this time.

IV. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:

A. PROCLAMATION: NATIONAL CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

B. PROCLAMATION: NATIONAL FOOD SAFETY MONTH

V. APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:

Mayor McNulty announced that Item 5e will be pulled to be considered separately.

Council Member Bagley made a motion, seconded by Council Member Schwartz to approve Items 5a, 5b, 5c, 5d, 5f, 5g and 5h on the Consent Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Schwartz made a motion to approve Consent Item 5e approving the second and final reading of Ordinance No. 19-11 amending Chapter 18. Motion was seconded by Council Member Ricco. Motion passed on a 4 to 2 vote with Council Members Dalton and Bagley casting a nay vote.

A. APPROVE MINUTES OF AUGUST 14, 2019 TRI-CITY SPECIAL MEETING AND AUGUST 21, 2019 REGULAR MEETING. (MANNING)

B. APPROVE INVOICES FOR PAYMENT. (GIMENEZ)

Invoices approved for payment were paid by General Fund checks numbered 145219 through 145314 and EFT payments totaling \$617,286.32.

- C. APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2019-38 FOR THE TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF PARK ROAD 100 (PADRE BOULEVARD) SOUTH BOUND LANES ONLY FROM MARS LANE (POST OFFICE) TO DOLPHIN STREET FOR THE 2019 SPI PRIDE PARADE ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2019 AT 2:00 PM AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (TXDOT) AGREEMENT. (HUFFMAN)**

A true and correct copy of said Resolution was placed in the City's Resolution Book and entitled Resolution No. 2019-38, and, by reference hereto, included in these Minutes as if fully set out and spread upon the pages of the Minutes Book.

- D. APPROVE PROJECT GRANT AGREEMENT ED 1902 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$154,500 AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER GRANT AGREEMENT. (ARRIAGA)**

- E. APPROVE SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 19-11 AMENDING CHAPTER 18 BY REPEALING CURRENT SECTION 18-30(D)(8) AND REPLACING IT WITH SECTION 18-30(D)(8)(I)-(IV) AS IT DEALS WITH SOUND-EMITTING DEVICES. (RICCO/SCHWARTZ)**

A true and correct copy of said Ordinance was placed in the City's Ordinance Book and entitled Ordinance No. 19-11, and, by reference hereto, included in these Minutes as if fully set out and spread upon the pages of the Minutes Book.

- F. APPROVE SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 19-12 MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR EACH DEPARTMENT, PROJECT, PROGRAM AND ACCOUNTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2019 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2020. (GIMENEZ)**

A true and correct copy of said Ordinance was placed in the City's Ordinance Book and entitled Ordinance No. 19-12, and, by reference hereto, included in these Minutes as if fully set out and spread upon the pages of the Minutes Book.

- G. APPROVE SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 19-13 DEFINING DOCKLESS VEHICLES AND MOTOR-ASSISTED SCOOTERS, ESTABLISHING REGULATIONS PROHIBITING THE RENTAL AND/OR LEASING OF DOCKLESS VEHICLES ON CITY PROPERTY; PROVIDING REGULATIONS FOR USE; PROVIDING FOR IMPOUND OF IMPROPERLY PARKED DOCKLESS VEHICLES AND PROVIDING PENALTY FOR VIOLATION. (RICCO/SCHWARTZ)**

A true and correct copy of said Ordinance was placed in the City's Ordinance Book and entitled Ordinance No. 19-13, and, by reference hereto, included in these Minutes as if fully set out and spread upon the pages of the Minutes Book.

- H. APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$16,600, TO ALLOCATE ANTICIPATED GRANT FUNDING THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2019 FROM OPERATION STONE GARDEN (OPSG) AND BORDER STAR PROGRAM. (O'CARROLL)**

- VI. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR THE LAGUNA MADRE YOUTH CENTER. (MCNULTY)**

Council Member Ricco made a motion to provide funding in the amount of \$10,000 to the Laguna Madre Youth Center. Motion was seconded by Council Member Medders, which passed on a unanimous vote.

- VII. UPDATE AND BRIEFING ON THE 86TH LEGISLATIVE SESSION BY FOCUS ADVOCACY GROUP. (SMITH/SOTO)**

Members from the Focused Advocacy Group gave a briefing on the 86th Legislative Session.

VIII. PRESENTATION BY C. H. JOHNSON CONSULTING REGARDING THE SOUTH PADRE ISLAND CONVENTION CENTRE EXPANSION STUDY. (CAUM)

Charlie Johnson of C. H. Johnson Consulting gave a presentation outlining the South Padre Island Convention Centre Expansion Study that showed how a destination can enter into new market segments with infrastructure expansion improved support environments.

IX. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF THE CVB DIRECTOR'S REPORT: (CAUM)

- A. CONVENTION AND GROUP SALES**
- B. RESEARCH AND ANALYTICS**
- C. DIRECTORS NOTES**

CVB Director Ed Caum, gave an update on Convention and Group Sales and Research and Analytics and concluded with updates on other activities the Convention Centre is working on.

X. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE AND ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2019-39 ESTABLISHING THE PARKING-IN-LIEU FEE. (HANLEY)

Council Member Schwartz made a motion to table. Council Member Medders seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

XI. UPDATE ON THE LAGUNA BOULEVARD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT. (MEDDERS)

Public Works Director Carlos Sanchez gave a brief update on the Laguna Boulevard Improvement Project and stated that a Request for Qualifications for Surveying Services is in the process of being let out.

XII. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO FORM AN AD HOC COMMITTEE TO REVIEW THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES AND ANY SUPPLEMENTAL CODES, SPECIFICATIONS AND/OR POLICIES TO UPDATE AND BRING RECOMMENDATIONS TO CITY COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION. (SMITH/MEDDERS)

Council Member Medders made a motion, seconded by Council Member Bagley to form an Ad Hoc Committee consisting of six members or more to review the City's Code of Ordinances and any related supplemental documents with the City Manager to organize the committee. Motion carried unanimously.

XIII. DISCUSSION AND ACTION APPROVE FIRST READING TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 19-14 ESTABLISHING THE AD VALOREM AND PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX RATE OF .315640 FOR TAX YEAR 2019, AND SETTING THE ASSESSED VALUATION AT ONE HUNDRED PERCENT (100%) OF THE FAIR MARKET VALUE AND PROVIDING FOR DISCOUNTS IN THE EVENT OF EARLY PAYMENT, AND PROVIDING FOR PENALTY AND INTEREST IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE LAW. (GIMENEZ)

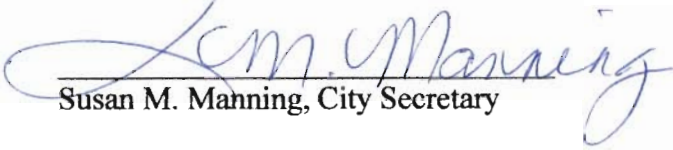
Mayor McNulty made a motion to approve the first reading to adopt Ordinance No. 19-14 establishing the Ad Valorem and Personal Property Tax Rate and setting the assessed valuation at one hundred percent of the fair market value and that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$.315640, which is effectively a 2.9% percent increase in the tax rate. Motion was seconded by Council Member Ricco. A record vote was taken with each Council Member casting an affirmative vote. Motion passed unanimously.

XIV. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE FIRST READING TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 19-15 AMENDING THE FEE SCHEDULE IN THE CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 2, SEC. 2-75. (HANLEY)

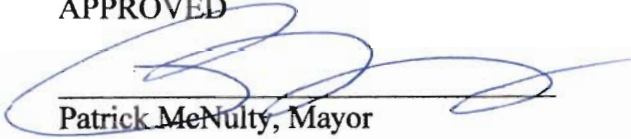
This item was pulled.

XV. ADJOURN.

There being no further business, Mayor McNulty adjourned the meeting at 7:17 p.m.


Susan M. Manning, City Secretary

APPROVED


Patrick McNulty, Mayor

