

MINUTES
CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL EMERGENCY MEETING

TUESDAY, APRIL 7, 2020

PURSUANT TO SECTION 551.045, AN EMERGENCY MEETING MAY BE HELD WHEN THERE IS URGENT PUBLIC NECESSITY SUCH AS AN IMMINENT THREAT TO PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY

1. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council Members of the City of South Padre Island, Texas held a Special Emergency Meeting on Tuesday, April 7, 2020 at the Municipal Complex Building, 2nd Floor, 4601 Padre Boulevard, South Padre Island, Texas. Mayor McNulty called the meeting to order at 3:40 p.m. A quorum was present: Mayor Patrick McNulty, Council Members Ken Medders, Jr., Kerry Schwartz, Joe Ricco, Alita Bagley and Eva-Jean Dalton.

City staff members present were City Manager Randy Smith, Director of Operations Wendi Delgado, Police Chief Claudine O'Carroll, Fire Chief Jim Pigg, Environmental Health Director Victor Baldovinos and City Secretary Angelique Soto.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND TEXAS PLEDGE

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

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Public comments and announcements were given at this time.

3. CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION: ATTORNEY CONSULTATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 551.071(2), TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, TO RECEIVE LEGAL ADVICE REGARDING THE COVID-19 VIRUS.

At 3:45 p.m., Council Member Bagley made a motion, seconded by Council Member Ricco to go into Executive Session. Motion carried unanimously.

At 4:35 p.m., the City Council reconvened into open session.

4. DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING THE TEXAS OPEN BEACHES ACT AND OPTIONS THE CITY CAN TAKE TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF THE COVID-19 VIRUS ON SOUTH PADRE ISLAND.

Council Member Bagley made a motion that under Texas Health & Safety Code Section 122.006.1 of the Government Code 418 which allows states to adopt rules to protect persons in a municipality, including quarantine rules to protect the residents against communicable disease. This motion would authorize the Mayor to close the beaches if the Emergency Management Coordinator feels warranted for a period of not more than 7 days. Council Member Schwartz seconded, which passed unanimously.

6. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE POINT ISABEL INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT CANCELATION OF MEALS PROVIDED TO STUDENTS THAT RESIDE ON SOUTH PADRE ISLAND DUE TO COVID-19 VIRUS.

This item was pulled from the agenda.

5. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO EXTEND THE CITY'S DECLARATION OF A LOCAL STATE OF DISASTER DUE TO THE COVID-19 VIRUS EPIDEMIC TO 11:59 P.M. ON TUESDAY, APRIL 21, 2020.**

Council Member Ricco made a motion to extend the City's Disaster Declaration to 11:59 p.m. on Tuesday, April 21, 2020. Council Member Medders seconded, which unanimously.

6. **ADJOURN.**

There being no further business, Mayor McNulty adjourned the meeting at 4:42 p.m.


Angelique Soto, City Secretary



APPROVED


Patrick McNulty, Mayor