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Message from the mayor

South Padre Island, TX, June 25, 2020: It is unfortunate that South Padre Island is starting to see COVID-19 cases on the Island. We all knew that SPI was not invincible to this virus and we are seeing these cases starting to pop up due to possibly forgetting the importance of the Open Texas Guidelines and following the proper procedures.

Social distancing and wearing face coverings, when social distancing is not possible, is a must if we want to keep the Island open for business.

As of today, we only have 5 cases reported, this number will increase to at least 8 in the next few days and I would not be surprised if it is 16 in the next 10 days.

Last Friday, the island started distributing free masks to the public who needed them at the Visitors Center in the Multi-modal Building. This was in an effort to encourage everyone to follow the CDC guidelines and Texas Governor's recommendation to wear a mask while in public. This was done to keep both residents and visitors safe and following the recommended guidelines.

Hopefully, in the next two weeks, we will start to see a decrease in new cases as residents, businesses and visitors increase their awareness of the proper protocols to slow the spread.

South Padre Island is a resilient community that knows how to come together in a time of crisis. We all share the responsibility to help slow the spread of this virus and we need to work together, following proper protocols; face coverings, social distancing and hygiene.

If people have concerns, please reach out to City Hall or email myself or my fellow council members. We are here to help do what is best for SPI to keep our Island open safely.

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