NOTICE OF SHORELINE TASK FORCE REGULAR MEETING
CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2020
3:00 PM 4601 PADRE BOULEVARD SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TX 78597

1. Call to Order

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Public Comments and Announcements
   
   This is an opportunity for citizens to speak to Council relating to agenda or non-agenda items. Speakers are required to address Council at the podium and give their name before addressing their concerns. [Note: State law will not permit the City Council to discuss, debate or consider items that are not on the agenda. Citizen comments may be referred to City Staff or may be placed on the agenda of a future City Council meeting]

4. Regular Agenda

   4.1. Approval of the minutes from the regular meeting on September 8, 2020. (Boburka)

   4.2. Presentation on Partrac’s final particle tracing study report. (Boburka)

   4.3. Discussion and possible action to recommend to City Council restrictions on the following:
        (Guillot, Wall)
        - Grilling
        - Canopies
        - Loud music
        - Overnight beach access parking hours

5. Adjourn

NOTE:

One or more members of the City of South Padre Island City Council may attend this meeting; if so, this statement satisfies the requirements of the OPEN MEETINGS ACT.

DATED SEPTEMBER 18, 2020

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Angeline Soto, City Secretary

I, THE UNDERSIGNED AUTHORITY, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE SHORELINE TASK FORCE 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 CITY HALL/MUNICIPAL BUILDING ON SEPTEMBER 18, 2020, AT/OR BEFORE 3:00 PM AND REMAINED SO POSTED CONTINUOUSLY FOR AT LEAST 72 HOURS PRECEDING THE SCHEDULED TIME OF SAID MEETING.

Agenda: SEPTEMBER 22, 2020
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, BELINDA TARVER AT (956)761-8103.
MEETING DATE: September 22, 2020

NAME & TITLE: Kristina Boburka, Shoreline Director

DEPARTMENT: Shoreline Department

ITEM
Approval of the minutes from the regular meeting on September 8, 2020. (Boburka)

ITEM BACKGROUND
Approval of the minutes from the regular meeting on September 8, 2020.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL SUMMARY
None

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN GOAL
Chapter III. Parks and Resources
GOAL 1: The City shall ensure protection and conservation of natural resources, such as beaches, dunes, wetlands, Laguna Madre waterfront and native flora and fauna, allowing for their sustainable use and enjoyment by future generations.
Objective 1.1 Beach and dunes shall be protected from both natural and artificial erosion.

LEGAL REVIEW
Sent to Legal:
Approved by Legal:

RECOMMENDATIONS/COMMENTS:
I. CALL TO ORDER.

The Shoreline Task Force of the City of South Padre Island, Texas held a regular meeting on Tuesday, September 8th, 2020, at the Municipal Complex Building, 2nd Floor, 4601 Padre Boulevard, South Padre Island Texas. Chairman Virginia Guillot called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. A quorum was present with Task Force Chairman Virginia Guillot, Task Force Members Stormy Wall, Abbie Mahan, Robert Nixon, Norma Trevino, and Michael Sularz.

City Council Member Ken Medders was present along with the following City staff members: City Manager Randy Smith, City Chief of Police Claudine O’Carroll, Shoreline Director Kristina Boburka, Shoreline Grant and Special Projects Administrator Erika Hughston., and City Building Inspector Alex Moore.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

Chairman Virginia Guillot led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Chairman Guillot lead public comments on the high crowds found on the island during Labor Day weekend and how it is more evident every season the need for bay access development. She also commented on receiving positive feedback from the City mandated summer beach orders on social distancing and commended the beach ambassador program. Resident Tommy Saenz came forward requesting heightened beach patrolling at night and an earlier beach set up time.

IV. REGULAR AGENDA

I. APPROVAL OF THE July 15th, 2020 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES.

Task Force Member Mahan made a motion, seconded by Task Force Member Trevino to approve the regular meeting minutes as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

II. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO RECOMMEND TO CITY COUNCIL SUBMISSION OF THE COASTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (CMP)’S CYCLE 26 FINAL APPLICATIONS.
Shoreline Director Boburka gave an update on CMP projects and showed tentative site plans/blueprints for each concurrent project. Throughout the presentation given by Director Boburka and concluding the presentation, public comments were given by residents affected by the Sapphire Circle Beach Access Improvements. Main resident issues with the project were addressed as increased crime, public defecation, stolen property, increased traffic, view destruction, and home devaluation. Shoreline Task Force Member Wall concluded that he supports the residents’ views and that increased traffic was a downfall. Shoreline Task Force Members Mahan and Nixon gave input that amenities are meant for all beachgoers and that Texas is an open beach. The discussion concluded with the Shoreline Task Force ranking the CMP projects in the following order: first, Sea Island Circle Beach Access Amenity Improvements, second, Lifeguard Observation Towers, and third Sapphire Circle Beach Access Improvements. A motion was made by Task Force Member Trevino to submit to City Council the aforementioned ranking, seconded by Task Force Member Sularz. The motion carried unanimously.

III. UPDATE, DISCUSSION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL TO CITY COUNCIL OF FINAL DESIGN FOR THE SUNSET BEACH ACCESS WALKOVER AND AUTHORIZE TO PROCEED WITH CONSTRUCTION.

Director Boburka gave an update on the Sunset project and included current engineering designs of the walkover. Resident Chuck Fox came forward for public comment asking if end the walkover could be redesigned from northern access to southern access. He clarified that the northern terminal would place users directly in front of developed property, whereas a southern terminal would not. The Task Force Members agreed to table the item to see if the walkover direction could be changed by the engineers and the Texas General Land Office. Task Force Member Mahan brought up the need for better parking on Sunset as current residents are being trapped into their driveways by daily beachgoers. Mahan offered a variety of signs, fines, or painted curbs as a solution for parking regulation. City Manager Randy Smith offered that this was a concern with good intent but the acting Judge could not be held to a set fine amount. The parking discussion was tabled for further discussion.

IV. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION FOR BEACH ACCESS EROSION MANAGEMENT.

Shoreline Grants and Special Projects Administrator Erika Hughston brought forth this topic per resident request. At the time the resident could not attend and the item was tabled.

V. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE ADDITION OF BEACH ACCESS AMENITIES.
Task Force Member Mahan brought up the importance of expanding beach access amenities such as showers. She described the following accesses facing improvements should be 4, 7, 14, 16, and 17.

VI. UPDATE, DISCUSSION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION FOR BEACH RENOURISHMENT DIRECT PLACEMENT.

Task Force Member Mahan addressed concerns for the loss of beach South Padre Island has experienced over the last year. She noted with a heavy winter beach and two hurricanes, this season provides large erosion events. Moving forward with the importance of a safe and wide beach, Mahan recommended that the Shoreline Department comprise a reasonable expectation for direct sand placement.

VII. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ADDRESSING DUNE DAMAGE AND MITIGATION FROM HURRICANES HANNA AND LAURA.

Task Force Member Mahan brought further attention to the high erosion events that have occurred over the summer season and the need for dune plantings. She offered the Inverness as an example of a high loss vegetation area and asked what could be done to replace the dune system. She also requested that the Shoreline Department reach out to property owners and give guidance on how to regrow their dunes.

V. ADJOURNMENT.

There being no further business, Chairman Guillot adjourned the meeting at 5:04 p.m.

Kristina Boburka, Shoreline Director                                      Virginia Guillot, Chairman
MEETING DATE: September 22, 2020

NAME & TITLE: Kristina Boburka, Shoreline Director

DEPARTMENT: Shoreline Department

ITEM
Presentation on Partrac's final particle tracing study report. (Boburka)

ITEM BACKGROUND
Staff will present the results from Partrac's final report on the particle tracing study.

BUDGET/FINANCIAL SUMMARY
None.

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ITEM BACKGROUND
Discussion on banning certain activities on the City's beach. Chapter 8 Section 8-7 of the City's Code of Ordinances prohibits open fires on the public beach. Chapter 12 Section 12-2 of the City's Code of Ordinances details current noise restrictions in the different zoning districts. Chapter 18 Section 18-19.2 of the City's Code of Ordinances prohibits overnight parking on cul-de-sacs east of Gulf Boulevard from March 1 to September 15 between the hours of 12:01 am and 6 am, except Aurora Circle, Surf Circle, and Harbor Circle the prohibited hours are between 2:01 am and 6 am.

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