

# ISLAND VIBES

the Official Newsletter for the City of South Padre Island



## STAY IN THE KNOW

### NOTICE

South Padre Island City Hall will be closed on Monday, May 30th in observance of Memorial Day. Regular business hours will resume on Tuesday, May 31st.

### UPCOMING MEETINGS

#### Tuesday • May 31

3 PM • Shoreline Task Force

#### Wednesday • June 1

4 PM • Shoreline Task Force & City Council Workshop

5:30 PM • City Council Meeting

View upcoming meetings, live stream meetings in session, and watch archived meetings [here](#).

### EVENTS

#### Boots on the Beach— Randy

##### Rogers Band

Date: Saturday, May 28

Where: Cameron County Amphitheater & Event Center

[Click here](#) for event details.

#### Rock the Beach 2022

Date: Tuesday, May 28

Time: 8 PM

Where: Clayton's Beach Bar

[Click here](#) for event details.

#### Memorial Day Fireworks

Date: Sunday, May 29

Time: 9:15 PM

Where: Bay Side of SPI. For the best views, visit the Entertainment District.

To see more events happening on SPI, click [here](#)!

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## MEMORIAL DAY TIPS

Memorial Day is a busy weekend here on South Padre Island! There's no shortage of activities, events, and sunshine for everyone to enjoy. While celebrating this weekend, be sure to stay safe and take time to remember and honor the men and women who have sacrificed their lives in service to our country.

### CITY OF SPI SAFETY TIPS:

- No underage drinking.
- Utilize the many modes of public transportation.
- Lock up vehicles and valuables.
- Dispose of trash properly.
- Glass containers are prohibited on the beach.
- While enjoying the beach, stay hydrated and wear sunscreen.
- Observe beach signage for rip current status.
- Practice water safety.
- Open flames are prohibited on the beach.
- Report any suspicious activity to the South Padre Island Police Department at (956) 761-5454.

## CONGRATS GRADS!

Today, May 27th, Port Isabel High School will have a new group of bright, young minds joining their alumni.

On behalf of the City of SPI, congratulations to the PIHS Class of 2022 graduates!



## JOINT WORKSHOP

City Council and the Shoreline Task Force will be hosting a Public Workshop to discuss vehicle and trailer parking along Gulf Boulevard.

The community is encouraged to attend, join the discussion and share their feedback.

### WORKSHOP DETAILS

Date: Wednesday, June 1

Time: 4 PM

Where: City Hall, Council Chambers



## CITY SPOTLIGHT

In the Spotlight this week is Ema Jaramillo, our City Hall Receptionist and HR Associate! Ema was born and raised in Brownsville, TX, and attended Homer Hanna High School, where she graduated with honors in 2010. During the pandemic, Ema began fostering animals as a way to give back and support her community. To date, she's saved 8 wonderful dogs through fostering!

Her natural talent for helping others extends beyond her love of animals, though. Ema joined the City of SPI in November 2021 and has been able to

provide a positive and welcoming presence for anyone who visits City Hall. Anytime a community member, visitor, or even staff comes to Ema for assistance, she greets everyone with a smile and is eager to help in any way she can. What she most enjoys though is being able to hear stories that visitors and the community share with her, and learning about their ideas to improve the community.

As a part of the HR Department, Ema also assists in the hiring process of new employees, helping with job postings, recruitment, new hire paperwork, and more. The HR team all agree that working alongside her makes every day one to look forward to. Her team-oriented work ethic, positive personality, and willingness to take on new challenges add tremendous value for us all here on South Padre Island.



Ema's two pets: handsome Teddy and her adorable foster fail, Sabrina. ❤️

## JOIN TEAM SPI

The City of South Padre Island is hiring! We offer great benefits like medical, vision, and dental covered 100% by the City, competitive pay, Texas Municipal Retirement System 2-to-1 match, and more. [Apply](#) to become a part of our extraordinary team today!

### POSITIONS AVAILABLE

- Code Enforcement Officer: Part-Time
- Beach Rescue Technician: Seasonal/Part-Time
- Police Officer: Full-Time & Part-Time
- Mechanic/Fleet Foreman: Full-Time
- Maintenance: Full-Time & Seasonal/Part-Time
- Custodian: Full-Time

More positions and information available [here](#).

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## PET OF THE WEEK

Joni is back for round 2 as our Pet of the Week from Friends of Animal Rescue! Joni loves the beach almost as much as she'd love to find her *fur-ever* home. If you love the beach too and want a pet who is already leash and crate trained, look no further! You can fill out an application to adopt Joni [here](#) or call FOAR to schedule a time to meet her.

Reminder: With Memorial Day fireworks, animals may become frightened and get lost. If you come across an animal needing assistance, please call FOAR's 24/7 hotline at (956) 772-1171.

