

**MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND**

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17, 2024

5:30 PM AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING,
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 2ND FLOOR
4601 PADRE BOULEVARD, SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS

1. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council Members of the City of South Padre Island, Texas held a Regular City Council Meeting on Wednesday, April 17, 2024 at the Municipal Complex Building, 2 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 Joe Ricco, Ken Medders, Kerry Schwartz, Rees Langston, and Lisa Graves.

City staff members present were City Manager Randy Smith, Director of Operations Wendi Delgado, Fire Chief Jim Pigg, Police Chief Claudine O'Carroll, Police Captain Juan Herrera, Police Captain Gilbert Silva, Police Administrative Coordinator Perla Hernandez, Public Works Director Alex Sanchez, Assistant Public Works Director Jon Wilson, CVB Director Blake Henry, EHSD Director Victor Baldovinos, CFO Rodrigo Gimenez, Fleet Manager Chase Lemons, Administration Coordinator Hilda Delgado, and City Secretary Angelique Soto.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor McNulty led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Public comments were given at this time.

4. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:

- 4.1. Presentation: State of the Island Video

5. APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:

Council Member Schwartz made a motion, seconded by Council Member Langston approving Consent Agenda Items 5.1 through 5.7. Motion passed unanimously.

- 5.1. **APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT FROM THE GENERAL FUND EXCESS RESERVES OF \$75,000 TO COVER THE CURRENT OVER-BUDGET SITUATION AND ESTIMATED COST OF REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE FOR VARIOUS CITY VEHICLES FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE FISCAL YEAR. (LEMONS)**
- 5.2. **UPDATE REGARDING THE COMPARISON OF MARCH 2023 TO MARCH 2024 BUILDING PERMIT ACTIVITY. (MEDDERS)**
- 5.3. **APPROVE INVOICES FOR PAYMENT. (GIMENEZ)**
- 5.4. **APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT TO ALLOCATE FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$28,280.56 FROM FACILITY PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE FUND FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF OVERHEAD DOORS AT THE FIRE STATION. (PIGG)**
- 5.5. **APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF, \$12,662.74 CHANGE ORDER #2 PW02-2023 SIDE STREET IMPROVEMENTS PHASE I. (SANCHEZ)**
- 5.6. **APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,708.40 FOR GEOTECHNICAL SERVICES RELATED TO THE 2023 SIDE STREET IMPROVEMENTS PHASE II PROJECT. (SANCHEZ)**
- 5.7. **APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 3, 2024 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES. (SOTO)**

6. REGULAR AGENDA

6.1. UPDATE AND PRESENTATION FROM GIGNAC ARCHITECTS + TVS REGARDING THE SOUTH PADRE ISLAND CONVENTION CENTER EXPANSION PROJECT. (HENRY)

CVB Director Blake Henry, Raymond Gignac from Gignac Architects, and Kevin Gordon from TVS provided an update on the progress of the Convention Center Expansion Project. The Convention Center Expansion project is currently in the schematic design phase.

Raymond Gignac and Kevin Gordon presented preliminary renderings of the Convention Center Expansion Project including details on facility upgrades and the environmental changes.

6.2. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO HAVE CITY MANAGER ENTER INTO CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE HIGHEST QUALIFIED FIRM FOR THE HOLIDAY PYROTECHNIC DISPLAY. (HENRY)

Council Member Schwartz made a motion, seconded by Council Member Langston to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Pyro Shows of Texas as the best qualified bidder for Holiday Pyrotechnic Display. Motion passed unanimously.

6.3. MID-YEAR BUDGET REVIEW FY 2023-2024 PRESENTATION. (GIMENEZ)

Chief Financial Officer Rodrigo Gimenez explained that the City is required by the Home Rule Charter, Section 5.08 to review the performance of the budget at mid-year. Rodrigo presented an overview of the current budget and highlighted several areas, such as, compliance with required reserves, excess reserves available, and funding for infrastructure.

7.EXECUTIVE SESSION:

7.1. CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION: PURSUANT TO TEXAS GOV'T CODE, 551.071, CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY; A CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION WILL BE HELD TO DISCUSS LEGAL REMEDIES PERTAINING TO THE LAGUNA BOULEVARD RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT CONTRACT.

At 6:37 p.m., Council Member Ricco made a motion seconded by Council Member Langston made a motion to enter into Executive Session. Motion passed unanimously.

At 7:17 p.m., the City Council reconvened into open session.

8.OPEN SESSION:

8.1. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY ATTORNEY TO PRECEDE WITH LEGAL REMEDIES AVAILABLE REGARDING THE LAGUNA BOULEVARD STREET AND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS CONTRACT.

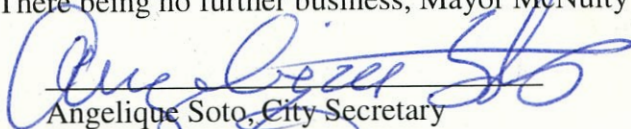
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8.2. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO AUTHORIZE STAFF TO PROCEED WITH THE COMPLETION OF THE LAGUNA BOULEVARD STREET AND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT AND AUTHORIZE FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT UP TO \$210,000.

Council Member Ricco made a motion, seconded by Council Member Langston to proceed with the completion of the Laguna Boulevard Street and Drainage Improvements Project and authorize funds in the amount of \$210,000. Motion passed unanimously.

9.ADJOURN.

There being no further business, Mayor McNulty adjourned the meeting at 7:18 p.m.


Angelique Soto, City Secretary

APPROVED


Patrick McNulty, Mayor

