

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

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 15, 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, May 15, 2024 at the Municipal Complex Building, 2 Floor, 4601 Padre Boulevard, South Padre Island, Texas. Mayor McNulty called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m. A quorum was present: Mayor Patrick McNulty, Ken Medders, Kerry Schwartz, Joe Ricco and Lisa Graves. Council Member Rees Langston momentarily left the meeting at 5:48 p.m.

City staff members present were City Manager Randy Smith, Fire Chief Jim Pigg, Police Captain Juan Herrera, Parks & Recreation Manager Debbie Huffman, Public Works Director Alex Sanchez, Assistant Public Works Director Jon Wilson, CVB Director Blake Henry, Shoreline Director Kristina Boburka, Environmental Health Services Director Victor Baldovinos, Public Information Coordinator Karin Spinks, City Secretary Angelique Soto, and Administration Coordinator Hilda Delgado.

**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. **PROCLAMATION: NATIONAL TRAVEL AND TOURISM WEEK IS MAY 19 - 25, 2024. (HENRY)**
- 4.2. **PROCLAMATION: NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK IS MAY 19-25, 2024. (SANCHEZ)**

**5. APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:**

Council Member Schwartz made a motion, seconded by Council Member Graves approving Consent Agenda Items 5.1 through 5.4. Motion passed on a 5 to 0 vote with Mayor Pro-Tem Ricco abstaining from the vote.

- 5.1. **APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT OF \$33,147.76 FROM THE FEDERAL FORFEITURE FUNDS TO PURCHASE PORTABLE RADIOS, DSR RADAR SYSTEMS AND TICKET WRITERS & PRINTERS. (O'CARROLL)**
- 5.2. **APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT TO ALLOCATE FUNDS FOR TRAINING EXPENSE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,100. (PIGG)**
- 5.3. **APPROVE INVOICES FOR PAYMENT. (GIMENEZ)**
- 5.4. **APPROVAL OF THE MAY 1, 2024 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES. (SOTO)**

**6. REGULAR AGENDA**

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**6.1. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE 24-01 AMENDING SECTION 15-2 AND 15-14 REGARDING THE DEFINITION OF HARDSHIP AND ADDING SECTIONS 15-2, 15-5(Q), 15-6(F), 15-11.1, 15-11.2 AND 15-14. (SCHWARTZ)**

Council Member Schwartz made a motion, seconded by Council Member Langston to approve the first reading of Ordinance 24-02 amending section 15-2 and 15-14 regarding the definition of hardship and adding sections 15-2, 15-5(q), 15-6(f), 15-11.1, 15-11.2 and 15-14, include a timeframe for posting political signage from 60 days prior to an election to 10 days post an election, and include a penalty up \$500. Motion passed unanimously.

**6.2. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT FROM THE GENERAL FUND EXCESS RESERVES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$34,095.00 FOR THE PURCHASE OF A WATCHGUARD SERVER. (O'CARROLL)**

Mayor Pro-Tem Ricco made a motion, seconded by Council Member Schwartz to approve a budget amendment from the General Fund Excess Reserves in the amount of \$34,095.00 for the purchase of a WatchGuard Server. Motion passed unanimously.

**6.3. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE RANKING, SUBMISSION, AND LETTERS OF SUPPORT FOR THE COASTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (CMP)'S CYCLE 30 PROPOSALS. (BOBURKA)**

Council Member Graves made a motion, seconded by Council Member Schwartz to approve ranking, submission, and letters of support for the Coastal Management Program (CMP)'s Cycle 30 proposals. Motion passed unanimously.

**6.4. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO TERMINATE THE CONTRACT WITH HANSON PROFESSIONAL SERVICES INC. FOR ALL SERVICES RELATED TO THE WIND AND WATER SPORTS VENUE. (RICCO AND BOBURKA)**

Mayor Pro-Tem Ricco made a motion, seconded by Council Member Schwartz to approve to terminate the contract with Hanson Professional Services Inc. for all services related to the Wind and Water Sports Venue. Motion passed unanimously.

**6.5. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE THE DRAFT OF CHAPTER 9 OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND CODE OF ORDINANCES AS RECOMMENDED BY THE ADHOC COMMITTEE. (CITY COUNCIL)**

Council Member Schwartz made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Ricco to approve the draft of Chapter 9 of the City Of South Padre Island Code Of Ordinances as recommended by the Adhoc Committee and include the definition of junk trailers. Motion passed unanimously.

**6.6. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE SPI HOLIDAY SANDCASTLE VILLAGE SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT FOR 1 YEAR. (HUFFMAN)**

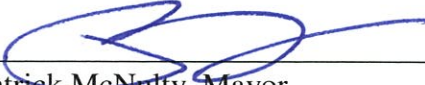
Council Member Schwartz made a motion, seconded by Council Member Graves to approve the SPI Holiday Sandcastle Village special event permit for 1 year. Motion passed on a 5 to 0 vote with Mayor Pro-Tem Ricco abstaining from the vote.

**7.ADJOURN.**

There being no further business, Mayor McNulty adjourned the meeting at 6:18 p.m.

  
Karin Spinks, Assistant City Secretary

APPROVED

  
Patrick McNulty, Mayor

