

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

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2022

1. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council Members of the City of South Padre Island, Texas held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, December 7, 2022 at the Municipal Complex Building, 2 Floor, 4601 Padre Boulevard, South Padre Island, Texas. Mayor McNulty called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m. A quorum was present: Mayor Patrick McNulty, Council Members Joe Ricco, Ken Medders, Jr., Kerry Schwartz and Eva-Jean Dalton.

City staff members present were Director of Operations Wendi Delgado, Chief Financial Officer Rodrigo Gimenez, CVB Director Blake Henry, Fire Chief Jim Pigg, Shoreline Director Kristina Boburka, Transit Director Jesse Arriaga, Environmental Health Director Victor Baldovinos, Administration Coordinator Hilda Delgado, and City Secretary Angelique Soto.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND TEXAS PLEDGE

Mayor McNulty led the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

3. INSTALLATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF OATH TO NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS:

1. RE-ELECTED COUNCIL MEMBER PLACE 1, KEN MEDDERS, JR.

Cameron County Justice of the Peace Precinct 1 Benito "Bo" Ochoa IV administered the Oath of Office to re-elected Council Member Ken Medders, Jr.. Council Member Medders then took his seat on the dais.

2. RE-ELECTED COUNCIL MEMBER PLACE 2, KERRY SCHWARTZ

Municipal Judge Edmund Cyganiewicz administered the Oath of Office to re-elected Council Member Kerry Schwartz. Council Member Schwartz then took his seat on the dais.

2. NEWLY ELECTED COUNCIL MEMBER PLACE 4, REES LANGSTON

Municipal Judge Edmund Cyganiewicz administered the Oath of Office to newly elected Council Member Rees Langston. Council Member Langston then took her seat on the dais.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Public comments and announcements were given at this time.

5. PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS:

- 5.1. PROCLAMATION: RECOGNIZING THE HEROIC ACTS OF DESIREE VIDAURRI. (RICCO)**
- 5.2. PRESENTATION OF THE TEXAS ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION (TEHA) AWARDS BY TEHA PRESIDENT KASEY ROMAN. (BALDOVINOS)**
- 5.3. PRESENTATION TO FOREVER BEAUTIFUL SPI FOR 2022 BEACH CLEANUPS. (BALDOVINOS)**
- 5.4. PRESENTATION OF THE 33RD ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARADE AWARD WINNERS. (HUFFMAN)**
- 5.5. PRESENTATION: CITY COMMITTEES. (MCNULTY)**

6. APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:

Council Member Ricco made a motion, seconded by Council Member Schwartz to approve Consent Agenda Items 6.1 through 6.5. Motion passed on a 5 to 0 vote with Council Member Langston abstaining.

- 6.1. **APPROVE REVISED QUARTERLY INVESTMENT REPORT FOR THE QUARTER ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2022 AS PREPARED BY VALLEY VIEW CONSULTING L.L.C. (GIMENEZ)**
- 6.2. **APPROVE INVOICES FOR PAYMENT. (GIMENEZ)**
- 6.3. **APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT TO ROLLOVER FUNDING FOR OUTSTANDING BALANCES OF CURRENT PROJECTS AND CONTRACTS WITH AN ORIGINAL ALLOCATION APPROVED DURING THE LAST FISCAL YEAR. (SANCHEZ)**
- 6.4. **APPROVE MINUTES FROM THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING ON NOVEMBER 16, 2022 AND THE SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING ON NOVEMBER 16, 2022. (SOTO)**
- 6.5. **APPROVAL TO EXTEND THE CITY'S DECLARATION OF A LOCAL STATE OF DISASTER DUE TO THE COVID-19 VIRUS EPIDEMIC TO 11:59 P.M. ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 6, 2023. (MCNULTY)**

7.REGULAR AGENDA

- 7.1. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPOINT A MAYOR PRO-TEM FOR A TERM TO BEGIN DECEMBER 7, 2022 AND WILL CONTINUE FOR ONE YEAR OR UNTIL SUPERSEDED BY NEW CITY COUNCIL APPOINTMENT AND APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2022-26 DESIGNATING THE APPOINTMENT OF MAYOR PRO-TEM. (MCNULTY)**
Council Member Dalton made a motion to appoint herself as Mayor Pro-Tem. Motion died due to the lack of a second.

Council Member Ricco made a motion, seconded by Council Member Medders to appoint Council Member Schwartz as Mayor Pro-Tem and approve Resolution No. 2022-26 designating the appointment of Mayor Pro-Tem. Motion passed on a 5 to 1 vote with Council Member Dalton casting a nay vote.
- 7.2. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE EXPENDITURE OF BUDGET LINE ITEMS FROM PROJECT GRANT AGREEMENT RPT2103 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$244,811.00. (ARRIAGA)**

Council Member Dalton made a motion, seconded by Council Member Ricco to approve the expenditure of budget line items from Project Grant Agreement RPT2103 in the amount of \$244,811 motion passed unanimously.
- 7.3. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER OR CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER TO AWARD CONTRACT TO THE LOWEST BIDDER- FOR THE ISLAND METRO TRANSIT BUS SHELTER REPLACEMENT PROJECT NOT EXCEEDING \$150,408.00. (ARRIAGA)**

Council Member Dalton made a motion, seconded by Council Member Langston to authorize the City Manager or Chief Financial Officer to award contract to the lowest bidder for the Island Metro Bus Shelter Replacement Project not exceeding \$150,408. Motion passed unanimously.
- 7.4. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE THE SECOND AND FINAL READING TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 22-08 AMENDING THE CITY'S FISCAL YEAR 2021-22 OPERATING BUDGET TO INCORPORATE PRIOR BUDGET AMENDMENTS AND BUDGET MODIFICATIONS FROM THE MONTHS OF OCTOBER 2021 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 2022. (GIMENEZ)**

ORDINANCE NO. 22-08

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS; AMENDING THE CITY'S FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 OPERATING BUDGET TO INCORPORATE PRIOR BUDGET AMENDMENTS AND BUDGET MODIFICATIONS FOR THE MONTHS OF OCTOBER 2021 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 2022.

Council Ricco made a motion, seconded by Council Member Schwartz to approve the second and final reading to adopt Ordinance 22-08 amending the City's fiscal year 2021-22 operating budget to incorporate prior budget amendments and budget modifications from the months of October 2021 through September 2022. Motion passed unanimously.

7.5. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ON THE BRANDING REFRESH PROJECT BY THE ATKINS GROUP. (HENRY)

Steve Atkins of The Atkins Group provided an update to the Council and how the use of all available assets and build on what has been done before rather than starting from scratch.

Defining the brand is more than just an identity that showcases products or services. Also ensure that communication carries the intended message across all consumer touchpoints.

7.6. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE ECOTOURISM BUY WITH RGV REEF FOR \$50,000. (HENRY)

Council Member Dalton made a motion, seconded by Council Member Langston to approve the Ecotourism buy with RGV Reef for \$50,000. Motion passed unanimously.

7.7. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE MARKETING BUY WITH THE SPORT FISHING CHAMPIONSHIP FOR \$80,000. (HENRY)

Council Member Ricco made a motion, seconded by Council Member Schwartz to approve the marketing buy with the Sport Fishing Championship for \$80,000. Motion passed unanimously.

7.8. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE TRANE PROPOSAL TO REPLACE TWO HVAC UNITS AT THE CONVENTION CENTER AND REQUEST \$64,996.00 FROM EXCESS RESERVES TO COVER THE COST. (HENRY)

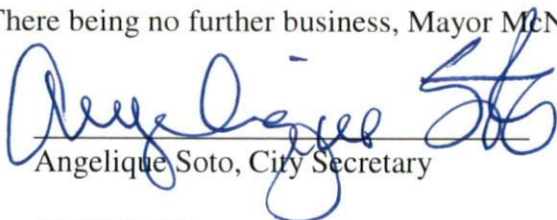
Council Member Ricco made a motion, seconded by Council Member Schwartz to approve the Trane proposal to replace two HVAC units at the Convention Centre and request \$64,996 from excess reserves to cover the cost. Motion carried unanimously.

7.9. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO DIRECT THE CITY MANAGER TO NEGOTIATE A CONTRACT WITH THE RECOMMENDED VENDOR FOR SHORT TERM RENTAL/GOLF CART SOFTWARE REGULATION AND COMPLIANCE. (COUNCIL)

Council Member Ricco made a motion, seconded by Council Member Schwartz to direct the City Manager to negotiate a contract with the recommended vendor for Short Term Rental/Golf Cart software regulation and compliance. Motion carried unanimously.

8.ADJOURN.

There being no further business, Mayor McNulty adjourned the meeting at 6:53 p.m.


Angelique Soto, City Secretary

APPROVED


Patrick McNulty, Mayor

