

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

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2023

1. CALL TO ORDER

The City Council Members of the City of South Padre Island, Texas held a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, January 18, 2023 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, Jr., Rees Langston, and Eva-Jean Dalton.

City staff members present were City Manager Randy Smith, Chief Financial Officer Rodrigo Gimenez, Police Chief Claudine O'Carroll, Public Works Director Alex Sanchez, Assistant Public Works Director Jon Wilson, 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. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Public comments and announcements were given at this time.

4. APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:

Council Member Schwartz made a motion, seconded by Council Member Langston to approve Consent Agenda Items 4.1 through 4.5. Motion passed unanimously.

- 4.1. APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENT TO ALLOCATE FUNDS FOR EMPLOYEE SERVICE AND SAFETY AWARDS AND EMPLOYEE COMMITTEE PROJECTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,000.00 FROM THE EXCESS RESERVES GENERAL FUND. (DELGADO)**
- 4.2. APPROVAL OF A BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$83,755.32 FROM POLICE CAPITAL OUTLAY MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT LINE ITEM TO PURCHASE BULLET-RESISTANT SHIELDS. (O'CARROLL)**
- 4.3. APPROVE INVOICES FOR PAYMENT. (GIMENEZ)**
- 4.4. APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENT TO ALLOCATE FUNDS ASSOCIATED WITH THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION (NEHA) AND US FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION (FDA) THROUGH THE NEHA-FDA RETAIL FLEXIBLE FUNDING MODEL GRANT PROGRAM (NEHA-FDA RFFM) (CFDA #93.103) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,993.90 FOR COMPLETION OF A COMPREHENSIVE STRATEGIC IMPROVEMENT PLAN (CSIP) TO AID IN THE COMPLETION OF THE RETAIL STANDARDS. (BALDOVINOS)**
- 4.5. APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 18, 2023 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING. (SOTO)**

5. REGULAR AGENDA

- 5.1. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPOINT COUNCIL MEMBERS TO CITY PROJECTS. (MCNULTY, RICCO)**

Council Member Dalton made a motion, seconded by Council Member Schwartz to appoint Council Members to the following City Projects. Motion passed unanimously.

A. Coastal Management Program –Council Member Schwartz

- B. Tompkins Channel Dredging – Council Member Schwartz
- C. Deep Water Marina – Council Member Medders
- D. Marisol Public Boat Ramp (RESTORE Act) – Council Members Ricco and Schwartz
- E. Wind and Water Sports Venue – Mayor and Council Members Ricco and Dalton
- F. John L. Tompkins Park – Council Member Schwartz
- G. Pickleball Park – Council Member Schwartz
- H. Dog Park – Council Members Medders and Langston
- I. Laguna Boulevard Reconstruction and Drainage Improvements – City Council
- J. Side Street Improvements – Council Member Dalton and Langston
- K. Padre Boulevard Lighting and Pedestrian Safety Improvements – Council Member Dalton
- L. Convention Centre Expansion – Mayor and Council Member Ricco
- M. Adhoc Committee Update – Council Member Dalton
- N. 2nd Causeway – City Council

5.2. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE A BUDGET AMENDMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$107,261.15 FROM FUND 60 (BEACH MAINTENANCE) EXCESS RESERVES TO PURCHASE A NEW TRACTOR. (BOBURKA)

Council Member Dalton made a motion, passed by Council Member Langston to approve a budget amendment in the amount of \$107,261.15 from Fund 60 (Beach Maintenance) Excess Reserves to purchase a new tractor. Motion passed unanimously.

5.3. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPOINT MEMBERS TO VACANCIES CREATED BY EXPIRING TERMS AND RESIGNATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING: (MCNULTY)

- A. BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS AND APPEALS**
- B. BOARD OF ETHICS**
- C. CONVENTION AND VISITORS ADVISORY BOARD**
- D. DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS REVIEW TASK FORCE**
- E. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**
- F. PARKS AND KEEP SPI BEAUTIFUL COMMITTEE**
- G. PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION**
- H. SHORELINE TASK FORCE**
- I. SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE**

Council Member Dalton made a motion, seconded by Council Member Langston to approve the following to fill expired and unexpired terms to the City's boards, committees, task force, commissions. Motion was seconded by Council Member Schwartz, which carried on a unanimous vote:

Board Of Adjustments And Appeals

2-Year Term Ending Dec. 2024

- Ashwin George (Alternate)
- Gordon Garlock
- Chris Huffman
- Joe Praster

Board Of Ethics

2-Year Term Ending Dec. 2024

- William "Bill" George
- Nicky Novak

Convention And Visitors Advisory Board

2-Year Term Ending Dec. 2024

- Bob Friedman
- Bryan Pinkerton
- Sean Till
- Arnie Crenin

Development Standards Review Task Force

2-Year Term Ending Dec. 2024

- Gabriel Vanounou

- Gary Johnson
- Cindi Love

Economic Development Corporation
2-Year Term Ending Dec. 2024

- Glenda George
- Gayle Hood
- Tamera McLaughlin
- Lynn Tate

Parks And Keep SPI Beautiful Committee
2-Year Term Ending Dec. 2024

- Javier Gonzalez
- Julie Berman
- Travis Kayser
- Susan Francis

1-Year Term Ending Dec. 2023

- Thomas Corbett
- Chrissy Dijkman

Planning And Zoning Commission
2-Year Term Ending Dec. 2024

- James Gaughran
- Dina Rich
- Gordon Garlock
- Norman Turkington

Shoreline Task Force
2-Year Term Ending Dec. 2024

- Abbie Mahan
- Michael Sularz
- Rob Nixon
- Stormy Wall

Special Events Committee
2-Year Term Ending Dec. 2024

- Christian Hasbun
- Ryan O'Byrne
- Bella Hernandez

5.4. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE A CONTINGENT FEE CONTRACT WITH THE FIRM OF PERDUE, BRANDON, FIELDER, COLLINS AND MOTT, LLP., PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 103.0031(B) OF THE TEXAS CODE OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE FOR THE COLLECTION OF DELINQUENT MUNICIPAL COURT FINES AND FEES OWED TO THE CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, AND TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT. (SMITH)

Council Member Medders made a motion, seconded by Council Member Dalton to table this item and have the City Attorney submit the findings and committee recommendations/evaluations to the District Attorney for an investigation of possible impropriety and illegality. Motion passed unanimously.

5.5. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 23-01 PROVIDING A FEE TO DEFRAY COSTS OF COLLECTING DELINQUENT FINES, FEES, COURT COSTS, AND OTHER DEBTS PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 103.0031 OF THE TEXAS CODE OF CRIMINAL

**PROCEDURE AND TO APPROVE THE NECESSARY WRITTEN FINDINGS.
(SMITH)**

This item was pulled.

5.6. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH HANCE SCARBOROUGH LLP. TO PROVIDE LOBBYING SERVICES TO THE CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND FOR THE 2023 TEXAS LEGISLATIVE SESSION. (SMITH)

Council Member Medders made a motion, seconded by Council Member Schwartz to authorize the City Manager to execute a contract with Hance Scarborough LLP. To provide lobbying services to the City of South Padre Island for the 2023 Texas Legislative Session. Motion passed unanimously.

5.7. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 23-02 AMENDING CHAPTER 11, ARTICLE VI WRECKERS, SECTION 11-216 (A) AND (B) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES BY REMOVING THE WRECKER SERVICE NAME FROM BEING LISTED IN THE ORDINANCE. (SMITH)

Council Member Schwartz made a motion, seconded by Council Member Langston to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 23-02 amending Chapter 11, Article VI Wreckers, Section 11-216 (A) and (B) of the Code of Ordinances by removing the Wrecker Service name from being listed in the ordinance. Motion passed unanimously.

6.ADJOURN.

There being no further business, Mayor McNulty adjourned the meeting at 6:11 p.m.


Angelique Soto, City Secretary

APPROVED


Patrick McNulty, Mayor

