



# ISLAND VIBES

the Official Newsletter for the City of South Padre Island



## STAY IN THE KNOW

### EVENTS

#### Saturday Recycling

Date: Every Saturday  
 Time: 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM  
 Where: 4501 Padre Blvd  
 South Padre Island, TX 78597  
[Click here](#) for event details.

#### Coastal Nature Camp

Date: June 13th-16th & 27th-30th  
 Time: 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM  
 Where: SPI Birding, Nature Center & Alligator Sanctuary  
[Click here](#) for event details.

#### Bay Access Open House

Date: June 15th & 20th  
 Time: 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM  
 Where: 4601 Padre Boulevard. City Hall  
[Click here](#) for Bay Access Survey link.

#### SPI Beach Bash Skate Jam

Date: June 21st-22nd  
 Time: 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM  
 Where: John L Tompkins Park  
[Click here](#) for event details.

There's no shortage of events happening on South Padre Island [Click here](#) to join the fun and see what's happening.

### UPCOMING MEETINGS

#### Tuesday • June 13th

10:00 AM • Development Standard Task Force  
 3:00 PM • Shoreline Task Force

#### Wednesday • May 24th

3:00 PM • Planning and Zoning Committee

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



## COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

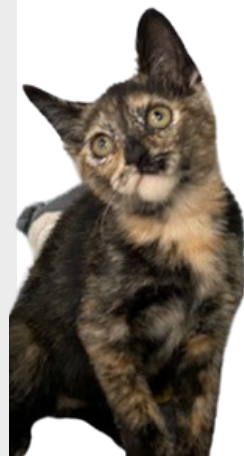
Here are some highlights from June 6th City Council Budget Meeting and June 7th City Council Regular Meeting!

- Administration Coordinator Hilda Delgado presented the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) for 2023-2027 and the projects rankings.
- Chief Financial Officer Rodrigo Gimenez gave an overview of the budget process and budget highlights which included General Fund revenue, property tax rate and revenue, and non-property taxes – sale taxes, mixed beverage taxes, and franchise fee. Also addressed were all other funds excluding Hotel/Motel Occupancy Tax and Convention Centre funds.
- Presentation regarding the Shoreline Department's plan and maintenance practices for raking the beach due to an expected influx of sargassum seaweed on South Padre Island's beaches this summer.
- Update regarding Laguna Boulevard.
- Discussion of the landscaping plan for the Laguna Boulevard reconstruction project.

To watch this meeting online click or scan the QR code.



## Pet of the Week



Friends of Animal Rescue (FOAR) has kittens and more kittens that are available for adoption. Over the last six weeks, 50 kittens have arrived at the shelter. The staff at FOAR loved watching them thrive and grow these past few weeks. Most arrived as orphans, many were fed and cared for around the clock by the FOAR staff. Now it's time for them to make their way into your hearts and homes. FOAR adoption fee is \$25 and

covers spay/neuter, vaccinations, FIV and FeLV testing, plus a microchip. Meet all the adoptable animals at FOAR, 4908 Padre Blvd, between 10-4. Ready to adopt? Complete our online application [here](#).



**REMINDER:** If you lose your pet or find an animal needing assistance, call FOAR's 24/7 hotline at (956) 772-1171.

## ART INCUBATOR

The SPI Art Incubator has plenty of classes to offer this summer! You can do solo classes or bring your kids! [Click here](#) for more information.

- **Kids Art Lab - 1-hour sessions**
  - Tuesday & Thursday from 12:00 PM to 5:00 PM
  - Saturdays from 12:00 PM to 2:00 PM
- **Acrylic Basics Workshop**
  - June 4th, 11th, 18th, and 25th from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM
- **Watercolor Basics Workshop**
  - June 7th, 14th, 21st, and 28th from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM
- **Abstract Alcohol Ink Workshop**
  - June 20th from 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM

## NATURE CAMP

The SPI Birding, Nature Center & Alligator Sanctuary will be hosting a Coastal Nature Camp this summer! [Click here](#) for more information.

- Open to ages 8-12.
- **When:** June 13th-16th or June 27th-30th.
- **Time:** 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM
- **Fun & educational activities:**
  - Wetland ecology
  - Colonial water birds
  - Dragonflies & dip netting
  - Reptiles & mammals
  - Water quality testing
  - Fish prints

## Firework Capital of Texas

Check out these amazing Firework Shows to see why South Padre Island is the Fireworks Capital of Texas!

- **Fireworks over the Bay at Louie's Backyard**
  - Every Tuesday & Friday at 9:15 PM
- **Fireworks on the Beach at The Isla Grand**
  - Every Thursday at 9:15 PM
- **Fireworks on the Pier at Clayton's Beach Bar**
  - Friday and Saturday at 9:15 PM
- **4th of July Fireworks**
  - **Location:** 211 W Whiting St
  - **Time:** 9:15 pm

## SPI Beach Parade

Are you excited for the annual SPI Beach Parade? So are we! Join us this 4th of July for some watermelon, giveaways, and fun! This year we will have a new route.

- **Start at Whitecap Circle Beach Access #8**
  - Between East Swordfish street and East Redsnapper Street
  - Line up at 9:00 am
  - Start at 9:30 am
- **Finish at Beach Circle Beach Access #4**
  - Between East Sheephead street and East Pompano street