



ISLAND VIBES

the Official Newsletter for the City of South Padre Island

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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.

SPI 4th of July Fireworks

Date: July 4th
 Time: 9:15 PM
 Where: Entertainment District
[Click here](#) for event details.

SPI Beach Parade

Date: July 4th
 Time: 9:00 AM
 Where: Whitecap Circle Beach
 Access #8
[Click here](#) for event details.

Ron Hoover Fishing Tournament

Date: July 14th - 15th
 Time: 5:00 PM
 Where: SPI Convention Center
[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 27th
 3:00 PM • Shoreline Task Force

Wednesday • June 28th
 9:00 AM • Convention and Visitors Advisory Board

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




COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

Here are some highlights from June 21st City Council Regular Meeting!

- Discussion of the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year CVB Budget.
- Approval of Resolution No. 2023-11 authorizing the execution of an advance funding agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation for a Transportation Alternative Set-Aside (TASA) Program Project specifically PR 100 Bike Lane Improvements.
- Approval on an ordinance authorizing the issuance, sale, and delivery of "City of South Padre Island, Texas Tax Notes, Series 2023": securing the payment thereof by authorizing the levy of an annual ad valorem tax: and approving and authorizing the execution of a paying agent/registrar agreement, a purchase contract, and official statement, and all other instruments and procedures related thereto.

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



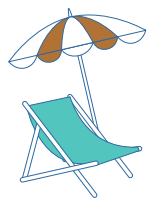
BEACH TIPS



Properly dispose of charcoals before you leave.



Please fill in any holes you dug before you leave.



Umbrellas permitted from 9:00 am to 10:00 pm.



Glass is NOT permitted on the beach.

Fireworks 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: Entertainment District
 - 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

REMINDER: Weeks Marine expects to work between Access 21 and Access 22 during the 4th of July but the beach will still be accessible.

STATE RECOGNITION

The City of South Padre Island is honored to receive Resolution H.R. No. 1835 from the House of Representatives and Resolution S.R. 497 from the Senate in celebration of the 50th anniversary of the city’s incorporation. Resolution [H.R. No. 1835](#) and Resolution [S.R. 497](#) delve into the origins of the City of South Padre Island and highlight the natural beauty of South Padre Island.



From left to right Senator Morgan LaManita, Mayor Patrick McNulty, Representative Janie Lopez, and City Council Member Joe Ricco.

The City of South Padre Island is situated in the southernmost tip of Texas and is a part of the 311 miles long barrier Island. South Padre Island was named after Padre José Nicolás Ballí, the first person to be awarded a land grant on the Island early in the 19th century. During the mid-19th century, the Island became a resort, and soon after ferries added a route to the Island. In the 1920s hotels and wooden piers were being constructed and in 1954 the Queen Isabella Causeway was completed.



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With all the developments citizens campaigned to incorporate the city. In 1973 Judge Ray Ramon counted 128 ballots out of 158 in favor of the incorporation. Soon after the first board of aldermen held its first meeting on June 20th, 1973, and by 1978 the population of the community surpassed 300.

The City of South Padre Island benefits from the contributions of a multitude of citizens, volunteers, elected officials, and public servants, who work in myriad ways to preserve and enhance their community and way of life - Resolution H.R. No. 1835.

The subtropical climate, white sands, and beautiful waters make South Padre Island one of the state’s premier tourist destinations. The City of South Padre Island attracts over nine million visitors each year with various opportunities for boating, fishing, parasailing, hiking, horseback riding, and other outdoor activities for everyone to enjoy.

The community can also enjoy an abundant amount of native flora and fauna. The Island is a major migration destination for over 300 species of birds, is a big nesting spot for sea turtles, and is a participant of the Mayor’s Monarch Pledge. Not only that but there are many plants that beautify the Island from the pretty morning glories to the protected mangroves. South Padre Island truly is the Jewel of Texas.



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Over the course of a half century, the City of South Padre Island has distinguished itself as a community characterized by natural beauty, livability, prosperity, and an active, engaged citizenry - Resolution S.R. 497.