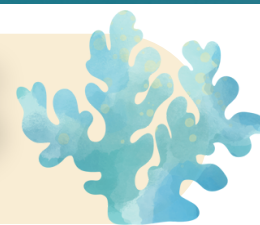


ISLAND VIBES

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UPCOMING 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 Wahoo Classic

Date: September 8th - 10th
 Time: 7:00 AM
 Where: Jim's Pier
[Click here](#) for event details.

September 11th Remembrance

Ceremony

Date: September 11th
 Time: 9:00 AM
 Where: 106 W Retama, South
 Padre Island Fire Station

Causeway Remembrance Ceremony

Date: September 15th
 Time: 10:00 AM
 Where: At the medians near the
 causeway entrance to South
 Padre Island.

Summer Causeway Run & Walk

Date: September 16th
 Time: 7:00 AM
 Where: Port Isabel Community
 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 • September 12th

10:00 AM • Development
 Standards Review Task Force
 Regular Meeting
 3:00 PM • Shoreline Task
 Force Regular Meeting

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



COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS

Here are some highlights from September 6th City Council Regular Meeting!

- Approval of the recommendations made by the Adhoc Committee, Planning and Zoning Commission, and the Design Standards Review Board regarding the draft of Chapter 15 of the City of South Padre Island Code of Ordinances.
- Approval of contracting with Cameron County Elections Administration to handle the election services and equipment needed for the November 7, 2023 General election.
- Update regarding the Pickleball Courts from Public Works. The third Pickleball Court has been formed and rebar has been tied in. It is currently awaiting inspection from the building department. A shade structure has been added to the area.

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



9/11 Remembrance

On September 11, 2001 the World Trade Center was attacked by two planes where nearly 3,000 people lost their lives.

City of South Padre Island Fire and Police Department invites you to attend the 9/11 Remembrance Ceremony honoring the victims and the first responders of this tragedy on September 11, 2023.

The event will start at 9:00 AM at the South Padre Island Fire Station on 106 W Retama St.

#JOIN TEAM SPI

The City of SPI is hiring! The City offers great benefits like medical, vision, and dental coverage, vacation leave, competitive pay, and retirement through Texas Municipal Retirement System, plus more. [Apply](#) to become a part of our team today!

Causeway Collapse Remembrance

On September 15, 2023 the City of South Padre Island invites you to attend the Remembrance Ceremony honoring the victims of the Queen Isabella Causeway Collapse.

Of those that perished
 Robert "Bob" Harris
 Hector Martinez Jr.
 "Harpoon" Barry Welch and
 Chelsea Welch - all of Port Isabel
 Julio Mireles of Los Fresnos
 Robin Leavell of Mercedes
 Gaspar S. Hinojosa of Kingsville
 Stvan Francisco Rivas of Humble
 and in honor of those that survived
 Rene Mata
 Gustavo Morales
 Bridgett Goza

The ceremony will start at 10:00 AM at the medians near the entrance to South Padre Island.



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🐾🐾 **Pet of the Week** 🐾🐾

Shane is the Friends of Animal Rescue (FOAR) pet of the week. He is a Husky mix that loves attention. There is nowhere he'd rather be than next to a human. He gets along with other dogs, likes to go for walks on the beach, and keeps his kennel dry. Shane has been neutered, is heartworm negative, has had all his vaccinations, and is microchipped. Meet all the adoptable animals at FOAR, 4908 Padre Blvd, between 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM. Ready to adopt? Complete the online application [here](#).

Certified Tourism Advisor

The South Padre Island Convention and Visitors Bureau team is offering a training course called the Certified Tourism Advisor Program Certification, specializing in improving visitors' customer service experience on September 12th.

The course will cover general ideas of why tourism and hospitality are essential, and participants will learn everything about what South Padre Island offers to its visitors, such as hotels, restaurants, and activities.

The program is FREE to all participants and consists of a 2-hour class and a 2-hour tour. Upon completion, all participants will receive an enamel pin and a certificate as proof of achievement, at no charge.

For questions, class times, or to schedule a large group training, contact the Convention and Visitors Bureau at info@sopadre.com.

Last Day to Register

The City of South Padre Island General Election is to be held on Nov. 7, 2023! **The last day to register to vote is October 10, 2023.**

Make sure your voter registration is up-to-date! [Click here](#) to confirm, update, or register.

For additional information, please contact Remi Garza, Cameron County Elections Administrator, at (956) 544-0809 or via e-mail at Remi.Garza@co.cameron.tx.us.

Click [here](#) to become a Chamber Member.

Promote your event on SoPadre.com [here](#).

International Surf Rescue

The International Surf Rescue Challenge continues the 90-year tradition of international surf lifesaving competition between various countries such as Australia, Canada, Great Britain, Hong Kong, Japan, New Zealand, South Africa, South Korea, Spain, and USA. The event will take place at the Isla Grand Beach Resort starting Sept. 19 and ends on Sept. 24.



National Night Out

The City of South Padre Island invites you to meet your community and law enforcement personnel at National Night Out. The event will be held from 5:30 PM to 8:00 PM



Oct. 3 at the South Padre Island Baptist Church parking lot, located at 107 W. Mesquite. There will be games, prizes, food and drinks. Come by, say hi, and enjoy your time!

STEARs

The City is encouraging individuals who require special assistance during emergencies to enroll in its Special Needs Registry. The registry allows first responders to appropriately plan for, prepare for and respond to community needs.

- Use this [link](#) to access the STEARS registry.
- Here is our [RAVE link](#) so that you can sign up for the emergency notification system.