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Patrick H. Marchan, MAYOR

**NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING AND REGULAR MEETING
OF THE PORT ISABEL CITY COMMISSION**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

Pursuant to Chapter 551, Title 5 of the Texas Government Code, the Texas Open Meetings Act, notice is hereby given that the Port Isabel City Commission in accordance with Article II, Section 2.08 of the Charter of said City, will convene a Regular Meeting at the City Commission Chambers Meeting Room, located at 305 E. Maxan on Tuesday, January 22, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of discussing the following items:

NOTE: The City Commission of the City of Port Isabel reserves the right to discuss any items in Closed Session whenever authorized under the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, of the Texas Government Code. The City Commission may discuss the items on this agenda in any order.

The City of Port Isabel does not discriminate on the basis of disability in the admission of, access to, treatment of, or employment in its programs, activities, or public meetings. Any individual with a disability in need of an accommodation is encouraged to contact the Office of the City Secretary at 956-943-2682 at least 24 hours prior to the scheduled meeting to make proper arrangements.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. PUBLIC COMMENT/OPEN FORUM: PLEASE NOTE:

- Any person with business before the Commission, **not** scheduled on the Agenda as a **public hearing** may speak to the commission.
- Public Comment Forms are located on the table at the entrance of the City Chambers meeting Room. *(For further information, contact the Office of the City Secretary)*
- Public Comment Forms must be filled out and presented to the City Secretary fifteen (15) minutes prior to the meeting, to be considered/recognized.
- The speaker must state his/her full name before speaking.
- There is a three (3) minute time limit per speaker.
- Public Comment Forms are not accepted after 7:00 p.m.
- Powerpoint Presentations are not conducted during the public comment period.

IV. COMMENT BY COMMISSION:

Any member of the City Commission may comment on any matter and receive information from staff about the current city position on any matter, but the City Commission will not take formal action.

V. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS: All Consent Agenda items listed are considered to be routine by the City Commission and will be approved by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a City Commissioner so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the Agenda. Items No. "1" through "1".

1. Consideration and action to approve the Minutes of the following meetings:
 - January 08, 2008 A Public Hearing and Regular City Commission Meeting

VI PRESENTATION

- Presentation of the proposed pipeline fabrication facility project.
Isabel/San Benito Navigation District. **[Bob Cornelison and Representative of Pilot]**

VII SPECIAL REPORTS

- Update on the dredging activities. **[Randy Boyd of RLB Contractors]**
- Update on the travel and training budget for each Department.
[Finance Director, Luis Salinas]
- Update on the Tarpon Avenue Repair. **[City Manager, Robert H. Garcia]**
- Update on survey of easement and ownership of waterways.
[City Attorney, Robert L. Collins]

VIII PROCLAMATION:

- A Proclamation by the City of Port Isabel, Texas proclaiming the month of January as School Board Recognition Month.
- A Proclamation by the City of Port Isabel, Texas proclaiming the month of January as Cervical Cancer Awareness Month.

IX NEW BUSINESS [ALL ITEMS WILL REQUIRE ACTION]

1. Discussion and potential action to approve the Bills. **[Finance Director Luis Salinas]**
2. Discussion and potential action to award the bid for dugouts for the Softball Field.
[City Manager, Robert H. Garcia]
3. Discussion and potential action to authorize administration to advertise for bids for Phase I, for 3-T-Ball Fields. **[City Manager, Robert H. Garcia]**
The Parks & Recreation Board recommended this item to the City Commission on their meeting held on January 14, 2008.
4. Discussion and potential action to authorize administration to advertise for bids on the upgrade for Washington Park. **[City Manager, Robert H. Garcia]**
The Parks & Recreation Board recommended this item to the City Commission on their meeting held on January 14, 2008.
5. Discussion and potential action to approve the Museum Director, Eduardo Meza to attend the Texas Association of Museum Annual Meeting Tuesday, March 25 thru Friday, March 28, at Galveston, Texas. **[Museum Director, Ed Meza]**
6. Discussion and potential action to authorize Administration to schedule a workshop on Wednesday, February 27, 2008 for Comprehensive Plan; Modern Venice improvements/possible implementation of Public Improvement District(s) or other alternatives; and Annexation Plan.
[City Attorney, Roberto L. Collins]
7. Discussion and potential action to authorize Administration to schedule a workshop on Wednesday, February 13, 2008 for the Planning and Zoning Board, related to the duties, authority and responsibilities of the Planning and Zoning Board.
[City Manager, Robert H. Garcia]
8. Discussion and potential action to hire Cliff Rowell as Building Inspector on a Contract basis at \$14.50/hour. Mr. Rowell has a State of Texas Plumbing License.
[City Manager, Robert H. Garcia]
9. Discussion and potential action to approve sale by the City of Port Isabel of Tract I (0.110 Ac) and Tract II (0.158 Ac.) of City property located at south end of Port –O-Call Unit 5 Subdivision to Mr. Ken Plasterer.
[City Manager, Robert H. Garcia]
At the Planning and Zoning Board Meeting January 9, 2008 three voted for the sale and three voted to table the request.
10. Discussion and potential action to approve Resolution 01-22-08-01: A Resolution by the Port Isabel City Commission urging a Moratorium on Home Foreclosures and Congressional Enactment of a Homeowners and Bank Protection Act. **[Natalie Love Green]**

11. Discussion and potential action to approve Resolution 01-22-08-02: A Resolution by the Port Isabel City Commission to appoint or re-appoint three (3) members to the Planning & Zoning Commission.
[Commissioner Joe E. Vega, Commissioner Juan Jose "JJ" Zamora and One At Large]
12. Discussion and potential action to approve Resolution 01-22-08-03: A Resolution by the City Commission of Port Isabel to appoint or reappoint one (1) member to the Port Isabel Economic Development Corporation. **[Commissioner Joe E. Vega]**
13. Discussion and potential action to approve Resolution 01-22-08-04: A Resolution by the Port Isabel City Commission to appoint or re-appoint two (2) members to the Port Isabel Museum & Preservation Advisory Board. **[Museum Director, Ed Mezal]**
14. Discussion and potential action to approve Resolution 01-22-08-05: A Resolution by the Port Isabel City Commission to appoint or re-appoint two (2) members to the Port Isabel Housing Authority.
[Mayor Patrick H. Marchan]
15. Discussion and potential action to approve Resolution 01-22-08-06: A Resolution by the Port Isabel City Commission approving Mayor's Order of Election and Notice of Municipal Election of May 10, 2008 for the purpose of electing one (1) City Commissioner Place 1, one (1) City Commissioner Place 2 and the Mayor; Authorizing the City Secretary to arrange the costs for the election; Designating election precincts; Appointing Election Officials; Establishing pay rates for election workers; Providing for Notice of said election; Providing for Early Voting; providing for the use of the ES&S Automark System to comply with the Help America Vote Act (HAVA); Providing for the Early Voting Ballot Board; Establishing regular business hours of the City Secretary's Office on the final two days of early voting by personal appearance. **[City Secretary, Susie Alcocer]**
16. Discussion and potential action to approve the Order of Election for the May 10, 2008 City Elections. **[City Secretary, Susie Alcocer]**
17. Discussion and potential action to approve the Notice of Election for the May 10, 2008 City Elections. **[City Secretary, Susie Alcocer]**
18. Discussion and potential action to approve the Method of Voting for the May 10, 2008 City Elections. **[City Secretary, Susie Alcocer]**
19. Discussion and potential action to appoint the Presiding Election Judge for the May 10, 2008 City Elections. **[City Secretary, Susie Alcocer]**
20. Discussion and potential action to appoint the Alternate Presiding Election Judge for the May 10, 2008 City Elections. **[City Secretary, Susie Alcocer]**
21. Discussion and potential action to approve the first reading for Ordinance 673: An Ordinance of the City of Port Isabel, Texas, Adopting the 2006 Editions of the International Building Code, International Residential Code, International Fire Code, International Plumbing Code, International Mechanical Code, International Fuel Gas Code and International Energy Conservation Code; Adopting the 2008 National Electrical Code; Relating to inspection activities and enforcement of code provisions; designating officials and departments responsible for enforcement; designating a board of appeals; providing homeowners requirements; Adopting a Permit, Plan Review and Inspection Fee Schedule; and providing for severability, repealer and effective date. **[City Attorney, Robert L. Collins]**

X ADJOURNMENT

CERTIFICATION

I certify that the above notice of the Regular Meeting of the City of Port Isabel is true and correct; and that I posted such notice on the bulletin board. A place convenient and readily accessible to the public on the 18th day of January 2008 at 4:00 p.m., in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act (Tex. Gov't. Code §551-041 - §551.050).

Susie Alcocer
CITY SECRETARY
CITY OF PORT ISABEL, TEXAS

CERTIFICATION OF REMOVAL

I certify that the agenda of items to be considered by the City Commission was removed by the City Secretary's Office from the Port Isabel City Hall bulletin area on the _____ day of _____, 2008.

OFFICE OF THE CITY SECRETARY