ORDINANCE NO. 09-17

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, TEXAS ADDING CHAPTER 20 ZONING ORDINANCE SECTION 20-8.4 DISTRICT “C-4” PADRE BOULEVARD URBAN DESIGN, PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE 4TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2009

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED ON THIS THE 18TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2009

Robert J. Pinkerton, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Susan Hill, City Secretary
Public Hearing to consider an amendment to Chapter 20, Zoning Ordinance to add 20-8.4 C-4 Padre Boulevard Urban Design District.

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**BOARD ACTION**

Motion: ________________________________________________
Second: ________________________________________________

Vote: Ayes: ________________ Nays: ________________

Abstentions: ________________
Item No.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN MEETING
AGENDA REQUEST FORM

MEETING DATE: November 5, 2009

NAME/DEPT.: Rick Vasquez, Planning

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PASSED AND APPROVED THIS the _____ DAY OF ________, 2009

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APPROVED:

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APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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