

## RESOLUTION

### **ENDORING THE DESTINATION BAYFRONT INITIATIVE TO ENGAGE THE PUBLIC IN A PROCESS TO DEVELOP A CITIZEN DRIVEN MASTER PLAN FOR THE PUBLIC SPACE IN THE AREA FROM MCCAUGHAN PARK TO SHERRILL PARK, INCLUDING THE CITY-OWNED ADJACENT PROPERTY**

**WHEREAS**, community efforts have been ongoing since the closing of Memorial Coliseum in 2004 to develop a suitable use for the bayfront property that encompasses the memorial coliseum property and associated public parking areas, McCaughan Park, City Hall Park, and Sherrill Park;

**WHEREAS**, the 2008 Bayfront Master Plan package approved by the citizens of Corpus Christi provides for the relocation of the northbound lanes of Shoreline Boulevard to provide a large pedestrian area strongly connected to the water, McGee Beach, and the Coopers Alley L-Head;

**WHEREAS**, the City of Corpus Christi is committed to developing an appropriate memorial dedicated to the veterans of Corpus Christi to replace the Memorial Coliseum, which was dedicated as a memorial to our Veterans of World War II in the 1950's and currently undergoing demolition, and that this future memorial will be a component of the overall redevelopment of said property;

**WHEREAS**, the City of Corpus Christi is committed to a public process that will engage the citizens of Corpus Christi in seeking input in determining a master plan for said property that will provide opportunities for new activity in the downtown area and spur new economic development opportunities for our community;

**WHEREAS**, a grass roots affiliation of citizens known as Destination Bayfront has emerged through these discussions focused on developing a process for inclusion of ideas and engagement of the community for the sole purpose of a citizen driven effort to help move our community forward;

**WHEREAS**, through the research efforts of Destination Bayfront, a vision has emerged that has shown that the destination public space processes created by communities such as Houston, Detroit, Chattanooga and others have created truly remarkable public spaces, such as Discover Green, Campus Martius, and Tennessee River Park;

**WHEREAS**, possibilities for the development of public space similar to other communities' efforts could include restaurant pad sites, stages for public concerts, outdoor film and fitness classes, interactive water fountains and other bodies of water, festival space, interactive games, dog parks, and enhanced play areas for children as well as enhancements to the existing park space within the subject area; and

**WHEREAS**, among the goals of the Destination Bayfront process is to create a signature area for our community that provides a world class destination for both tourists and residents of Corpus Christi alike;

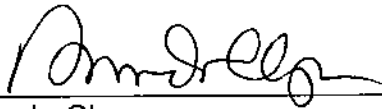
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS:**

**Section 1.** The City endorses a public process that will seek input from all interested citizens in the development of a public space that would include the area from McCaughan Park to Sherrill Park including the Memorial Coliseum site and adjacent property.

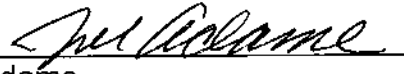
**Section 2.** The City supports the efforts of Destination Bayfront to engage the public in this destination public space driven process and commits to work with this grassroots effort to develop a master plan that can move our community forward in the development of downtown Corpus Christi.

**ATTEST:**

**THE CITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI**

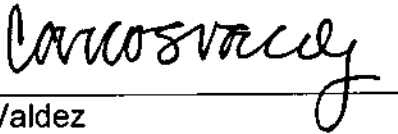


Armando Chapa  
City Secretary



Joe Adame  
Mayor

**APPROVED:** 17<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2010



Carlos Valdez  
City Attorney

Corpus Christi, Texas

22<sup>nd</sup> of June, 2010

The above resolution was passed by the following vote:

Joe Adame	<u>Abstain</u>
Chris N. Adler	<u>Aye</u>
Brent Chesney	<u>Aye</u>
Larry R. Elizondo, Sr.	<u>Aye</u>
Kevin Kieschnick	<u>Absent</u>
Priscilla Leal	<u>Aye</u>
John E. Marez	<u>Aye</u>
Nelda Martinez	<u>Aye</u>
Mark Scott	<u>Aye</u>

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