



**TxPPA**  
**ANNUAL SUMMER CONFERENCE**  
**MOMENTUM 2010**

**June 23-25, 2010**

**SOUTH PADRE ISLAND**



**Isla Grand Beach Resort**  
**SPI, TX**



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## TEXAS PUBLIC PURCHASING ASSOCIATION

June 23-25, 2010  
SPI, Texas

### CONFERENCE AGENDA

#### Wednesday, June 23, 2010

Time		General Sessions
11:00 am	5:00 pm	Registration
1:00 pm	1:30 pm	Opening Remarks; Cheryl Turney, C.P.M., TxPPA President
1:30 pm	3:00 pm	Public Purchasing Best Practices; Cheryl Turney, C.P.M. and Beth Fleming, C.P.M., CPPO
3:00 pm	5:00 pm	"Don't Abandon Ship (When Sharks are Circling)"; Tammy Rimes
<b>Planned Group Activities / Networking Opportunity</b>		
5:00 pm	6:00 pm	Welcome Reception
Dinner on your own following reception		

#### Thursday, June 24, 2010

Time		General Sessions	
7:00 am	3:00 pm	Registration	
8:00 am	10:00 am	<b>Continental Breakfast</b> "What Should Customers/Vendors Expect from a Professional Purchasing Department"; Narita Holmes, C.P.A.	
<b>Concurrent Sessions</b>			
10:00 am	11:00 am	Job Order Contracting; Wes Everett, City of Lubbock Scott Creekmore, Gordian Group	First Time Managers/Purchasing Agents; Jack Beacham, C.P.M.
<b>Concurrent Sessions</b>			
11:00 am	12:00 pm	Supplier Performance; Kay Foster, C.P.M.	Certifications – Which One is Right for You?; Peggy Watkins, C.P.M.
<b>General Session</b>			
12:00 pm	1:30 pm	<b>Luncheon</b> Debriefing Suppliers and Avoiding Protests; Beth Fleming, C.P.M., CPPO	
<b>Concurrent Sessions</b>			
1:30 pm	3:30 pm	Texas Model Procurement Code; Cheryl Turney, C.P.M., Mark Rogers, C.P.M.	Alternate Construction Methods; Gilbert Jalomo
<b>General Session</b>			
3:30 pm	5:00 pm	Negotiations with Colleagues; Mike Babineaux, Babinaux EST, Inc.	
<b>Planned Group Activities / Networking Opportunity</b>			
5:30 pm	8:30 pm	Beach Event	

#### Friday, June 25, 2010

Time		General Sessions
7:00 am	10:00 am	Registration
8:00 am	9:00 am	<b>Breakfast</b> President's State of the Association Address and Announcements; Cheryl Turney, C.P.M., TxPPA President
9:00 am	10:30 am	Breakout Sessions for City, County, and School Groups
10:30 am	12:00 pm	"Only Wet Babies Like Change"; Mike Babineaux, Babinaux EST, Inc.



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**ADDITIONAL CONFERENCE INFORMATION**

**REGISTRATION**

The registration fee includes all sessions and planned group activities. There is a savings to be realized by registering early.

**FULL CONFERENCE RATES**

**Rate through May 24, 2010**

Members	\$200
Non-Members	\$250

**Rate after May 24, 2010**

Members	\$225
Non-Members	\$275

**SINGLE DAY RATES**

**Wednesday only**

Members	\$ 50
Non-Members	\$ 75

**Thursday only**

Members	\$150
Non-Members	\$175

**Friday only**

Members	\$ 50
Non-Members	\$ 50

*\* TxPPA would like to take this opportunity to point out that membership does have its advantages. If you become a member before registering (membership is \$50 a year), you would save on this event and other events throughout the year!*

**To Register:**

There are a few easy ways to register, as follows:

- ★ On the TxPPA website (Events Page), there is an Event Registration Form that can be completed, printed and emailed, faxed, or mailed in. Please feel free to duplicate and share this form with other public purchasing professionals.
- ★ On the TxPPA website (Events Page), there is a link to an online registration system.

**TxPPA Link:** <http://www.txppa.org/assoc/cms/Events/>

**HOST HOTEL**

**The Isla Grand Beach Resort** is the TxPPA Momentum Conference 2010 location and host hotel. The Isla Grand is located right on the beach in the southern portion of South Padre Island, is easy to find and conveniently located near all of SPI's top attractions.

TxPPA has reserved a block of rooms for Workshop attendees at the rate of **\$179.00 per night** (plus applicable taxes). In order to receive this discounted rate you must make your reservations by **May 24, 2010**. Be sure and mention the **Group Account Name: "Texas Public Purchasing Association."**

**Isla Grand Beach Resort**  
 500 Padre Boulevard  
 South Padre Island, Texas 78597  
 888-523-8952  
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## **PLANNED GROUP ACTIVITIES/NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES**

### ***Welcome Reception - Wednesday***

TxPPA will host a welcome reception at the host hotel for all Conference attendees and their guests. The cost of this networking event is included in the registration fee.

### ***Beach Party - Thursday***

TxPPA has a special afterhours event planned for Conference attendees and their guests; fun on the beach! The cost of this networking event is included in the registration fee.

## **TRANSPORTATION**

### ***Transportation by Air***

***Fly to South Padre Island through the Brownsville/South Padre Island International Airport or Valley International Airport in Harlingen.***

***Brownsville South Padre International Airport*** is served by American Eagle and Continental Express Airlines.

#### **★ Airport Transportation:**

- Brownsville Airport Shuttle – Rio Gulf Coast Express (800-574-8322) [www.flybrownsville.com/](http://www.flybrownsville.com/)
- Go w/Jo Transportation Services (800-962-8497 / 956-421-2262)
- Valley Transit Company (800-580-4710) [info@valleytransit.com](mailto:info@valleytransit.com); [www.valleytransitcompany.com](http://www.valleytransitcompany.com)
- Rio Grande Transit (956-428-4613)

***Valley International Airport (HRL) Harlingen*** is served by Continental Express and Southwest Airlines.

#### **★ Airport Transportation:**

- South Padre Shuttle (877-774-0050) [www.southpadreshuttle.com](http://www.southpadreshuttle.com)
- Go w/Jo Transportation Services (800-962-8497 / 956-421-2262)
- Valley Transit Company (800-580-4710) [info@valleytransit.com](mailto:info@valleytransit.com); [www.valleytransitcompany.com](http://www.valleytransitcompany.com)
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#### **★ Taxi Services (All Airports):**

- A Cab 956-761-1111
- Airport 956-761-1040
- BB's Taxi 956-761-7433
- JJ's Taxi 956-761-9292
- Padre Cab 956-761-2525

#### **★ Car Rental Agencies (All Airports):**

- Avis Car Rental: (800-831-2847) <http://www.avis.com/>
- Budget Rent A Car: (800-460-3399) <http://www.budget.com/>

### ***The Wave - FREE ISLAND SHUTTLE***

The WAVE is the FREE shuttle system serving South Padre Island and Port Isabel. There are a number of convenient WAVE stops in both communities; however, you can also just go near the street and wave when one is approaching! Normal hours are 7am to 7pm (extended hours during the summer). The buses are equipped with wheelchair lifts (ADA Accessible) and bicycle racks. It's a great, free way to get from one place to another or just sit back and see the entire area! Click link for WAVE schedule and route map:



[http://www.urbnmedia.com/townspi.com/images/stories/Document\\_Pdf/wave%20inside%2009-aug%202.pdf](http://www.urbnmedia.com/townspi.com/images/stories/Document_Pdf/wave%20inside%2009-aug%202.pdf)

The WAVE also connects in Port Isabel to the Rio Transit Shuttle that will take passengers to Brownsville, including the Brownsville/South Padre Island International Airport. There is a minimal fee for the ride to Brownsville. Click link for Rio Transit Schedule:

<http://www.townspi.com/Departments/Planning/the%20wave/Rio%20Transit%20Route%204%20SPI%20Hotel%20posters%20%20013105.pdf>

For more information about the schedule or routes, you may call 1-956-761-3864 or 1-956-761-3245.

### ***SOUTH PADRE ISLAND FACTS AND TRIVIA***

South Padre Island lies on the southernmost tip of Texas and is situated on the south end of Padre Island, the longest Barrier Island in the world and the largest stretch of undeveloped ocean beach in North America. Sitting just 30 miles north of Mexico, the Island is bordered by the Gulf of Mexico and the Laguna Madre Bay, and its only link to the Texas mainland is the 2-1/2 mile Queen Isabella Memorial Bridge. The 34 mile-long barrier reef is about a 1/2 mile at its widest point. This little slip of land was initially named "Isla Blanca" or "White Sand" when it was first charted in 1519 by Spanish explorer Alonzo de Pineda. In 1804, missionary priest Jose Nicholas Balli established the first settlement after the initial grant was made by Spain's King Charles IV. It was incorporated in 1973, and the bridge was completed a year later.

The Town of South Padre Island is home to an estimated 5,000 people, and according to the Convention and Visitors Bureau, over one million people visit the Island every year. Streets are bustling with retail shops, resort hotels, condominium towers, restaurants and recreational activities. The Island is a hotspot for retirees from northern regions to stay throughout the winter months. These residents are known throughout the Rio Grande Valley as "Winter Texans." It is a unique setting that lures people to return again and again to enjoy the spirit of adventure that can be found there. South Padre Island is a year-round vacation destination located at the same latitude as Fort Lauderdale, Florida. The Island enjoys a sub-tropical environment with mild dry winters, and warm breezy summers. With a winter average temperature of 65 degrees, a summer average temperature of 82 degrees and an average of 253 days of beautiful sunshine, it's no wonder why so many people love South Padre Island. South Padre Island has a council-manager form of government. The City Council, consisting of the Mayor and five city council members, has three year staggered terms. The City Manager is the chief executive officer of the city.

**Questions about this event? Contact Peggy Watkins ([pwatkins@dfwairport.com](mailto:pwatkins@dfwairport.com))**

**For more about TxPPA, please visit <http://www.txppa.org>**



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