



City of Gulfport, Mississippi

Minutes City Council

2309 15th Street
Gulfport, MS 39501

Tuesday, January 2, 2018

1:30 PM

*Gulfport City Hall
Council Chambers*

1:30 P.M. Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance, Call to Order

The Members of the Council met at City Hall at 1:30 P.M., on the above date, same being an adjourned meeting from a Special Called Meeting held on December 27, 2017 at 12:45 P.M.

Present: Mayor Billy Hewes, General Counsel Hugh Keating, **Councilmembers:** Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines (in at 1:36 P.M.), Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, and Cara Pucheu. **Absent:** Ron Roland, and Myles Sharp.

The President announced a quorum and called the meeting to order.

Agenda Order

Motion to Accept the agenda with the following adjustment; delete item #9 at the administration's request, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

Presentation Agenda

The President called for the Mayor's Report:

The Mayor called on Chris Vignes to speak about the Belk Bowl Commercial, which is giving national exposure for Gulfport, MS!

The Mayor stated due to the weather the Salvation Army will have cold weather shelters open January 2nd & 3rd – please check on your neighbors, family and friends and make sure they are warm and encourage anyone who might be braving the cold to seek warmth and shelter.

Upcoming Event(s):

Legislative Reception – Wednesday, January 10th in Jackson, MS

This Concluded the Mayor's Report.

Policy Issues

Minutes / Special Committee Report

- 1 Approval of minutes - for December 19 & 27, 2017.

Motion to Approve minutes for December 19 & 27, 2017, Moved By Cara Pucheu,
Seconded by Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

- 2 Special Committee Report

Motion to Accept the Special Committee Report, and spread across the minutes,
Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

Appointments

- 3 Ratification - of appointments / re-appointments to the City of Gulfport Planning Commission.

Motion to ratify the reappointment of William "Prince" Jones, Ward 1, expiring
October 31, 2019, Moved By Kenneth Casey, **Seconded by** Cara Pucheu

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

Motion to ratify the appointment of Harold Spann, Ward 3, expiring October 31,
2020, Moved By Ella Holmes-Hines, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Carried By The Following Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers

Nay: Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

Motion to ratify the reappointment of Doug Hancock, Ward 4, expiring October 31, 2021, Moved By Cara Pucheu, **Seconded by** Rusty Walker

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

Motion to ratify the reappointment of Keith Williams, Ward 5, expiring October 31, 2021, Moved By Cara Pucheu, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

Motion to table the appointment of Bryan Jacobs, Ward 7, Moved By Cara Pucheu, **Seconded by** R.Lee Flowers

Vote: Motion Carried By The Following Roll Call Vote

Aye: Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Nay: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

Motion to ratify the reappointment of B.J. Sellers, At-Large - A, expiring October 31, 2020, Moved By Cara Pucheu, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

Motion to ratify the reappointment of Colette Towles, At-Large - B, expiring October 31, 2021, Moved By Cara Pucheu, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

Motion to ratify the reappointment of John Anthony, At-Large - C, expiring October 31, 2018, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

Motion to ratify the reappointment of Everette Ladner, At-Large - D, expiring October 31, 2019, Moved By Cara Pucheu, **Seconded by** R.Lee Flowers

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

- 4 Ratification - of appointments / re-appointments to the City of Gulfport Zoning Board of Adjustments and Appeals.

Motion to ratify the reappointment of Leslie North, expiring July, 17, 2022, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Cara Pucheu

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

Motion to ratify the appointment of Michael Daniels, expiring July 17, 2022, Moved By Cara Pucheu, **Seconded by** Ella Holmes-Hines

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

Motion to ratify the reappointment of Jonathan Marshall, expiring July 17, 2021, Moved By Cara Pucheu, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

Motion to ratify the reappointment of Robert Pharr, expiring October 31, 2021, Moved By Kenneth Casey, **Seconded by** R.Lee Flowers

***Councilmember Pucheu recused and removed herself from the Chambers during the discussion and vote on this item.**

Vote: Motion Carried By The Following Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers

Recused: Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

Motion to ratify the reappointment of Mary Ann Wiginton, expiring October 31, 2018, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, Seconded by Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

- 5 Ratification - of appointments / re-appointments to the City of Gulfport Construction Board of Appeals.

Motion to ratify the appointments and reappointments as a board to include; Mike Dodson, expiring 2023, Chris Crighton, expiring January 2022, M.L. Bryant, expiring January 2021, Brian Dove, expiring January 2020, Bill Mitchell, expiring January 2019, Randy Brown, expiring January 2023, Steve Hall, expiring January 2023, and Brandon Elliott, expiring January 2023, Moved By Cara Pucheu, Seconded by Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

- 6 Ratification - of appointments / re-appointments to the City of Gulfport Civil Service Commission.

Motion to ratify the reappointment of Jimmie Jenkins, Ward 1, expiring December 31, 2022, Moved By Kenneth Casey, Seconded by Ella Holmes-Hines

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

Motion to ratify the reappointment of Joe McClammy, Ward 2, expiring December 31, 2018, Moved By Ella Holmes-Hines, Seconded by Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

Motion to ratify the reappointment of Don Knox, Ward 3, expiring December 31, 2023, Moved By Ella Holmes-Hines, Seconded by Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

Motion to ratify the reappointment of Melanie Clark, Ward 4, expiring December 31, 2019, Moved By Kenneth Casey, **Seconded by** R.Lee Flowers

Vote: Motion Carried By The Following Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers

Nay: Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

- 7 Ratification - of appointments / re-appointments to the Gulfport Redevelopment Commission.

Motion to ratify the reappointment of Don Mason, expiring July 15, 2021, and David Duhe, expiring July 15, 2022, Moved By Ella Holmes-Hines, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

- 8 Ratification - of appointments for the City of Gulfport Election Commission.

Motion to ratify the appointment of Cindy Creel and Marci Wilson, Moved By Cara Pucheu, **Seconded by** R.Lee Flowers

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

- 9 Ratification - of appointments / re-appointments to the Gulfport School District Board of Trustees.

- Deleted -

- 10 Ratification - of appointment to Memorial Hospital Board of Trustees.

Motion to ratify the appointment of Ric Williams, expiring July 2022, Moved By Ella Holmes-Hines, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

- 11 Ratification - of re-appointment to the Harrison County Development Commission.

Motion to ratify the reappointment of John B. "Shorty" Sneed, expiring October 31, 2021, Moved By Kenneth Casey, **Seconded by** Cara Pucheu

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

- 12** Ratification - of re-appointment to the Mississippi State Port Authority Board of Commissioners.

Motion to ratify the reappointment of E.J. Roberts, expiring December 2021, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, Seconded by Ella Holmes-Hines

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

- 13** Ratification - of appointment to the Coast Transit Authority Board of Commissioners.

Motion to ratify the appointment of Chett Harrison, expiring April 8, 2019, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, Seconded by Ella Holmes-Hines

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

- 14** Resolution - ratifying the appointment of Brittany Rodgers as Deputy City Clerk and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By Cara Pucheu, Seconded by Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

Planning/Ordinances

- 15** Certificate of Resubdivision - resubdivision two parcels zoned R-2 (Single Family): located north of 29th Street, south of and adjacent to 30th Street, east of 25th Avenue, and west of 23rd Avenue - Case # 1710PC113 - Ward 3.

Motion to Approve Certificate of Resubdivision, Moved By Ella Holmes-Hines, Seconded by Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

- 16** Certificate of Resubdivision - resubdivide into six parcels zoned R-1-10 (Single Family): located north of and adjacent to 4th Street, south of Prudie Circle, east of and adjacent to Three Rivers Road, and west of Wingate Drive - Case # 1711PC127 - Ward 6.

Motion to Approve, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Cara Pucheu

Motion to table, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

Motion to take off the table, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

The President called for a vote on the motion to Approve, with the following results:

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

- 17** Certificate of Resubdivision - resubdivide into two parcels, zoned T3 (Suburban Zone): located north of Finley Street, south of W Railroad Street, east of Hardy Avenue, and west of and adjacent to Ruth Avenue, Case # - 1711PC131 - Ward 2.

Motion to Approve Certificate of Resubdivision, Moved By Cara Pucheu, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

- 18** Certificate of Resubdivision - resubdivision into five parcels zoned T4+ (General Urban Zone "Plus"): located north of and adjacent to 16th Street, south of 17th Street, east of 34th Avenue, and west of and adjacent to 33rd Avenue - Case # 1711PC132 - Ward 2.

Motion to Approve Certificate of Resubdivision, Moved By Cara Pucheu, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

- 19** Ordinance - rezoning property from R-1-7.5 (Single Family) and R-2 (Single Family) to entirely B-1 (Neighborhood Business): located north of and adjacent to 11th Street, south of and adjacent to Old Pass Road, east of and adjacent to Fournier Avenue, and west of Mills Avenue - Case # 1711PC128 - Ward 1.

Motion to Adopt Ordinance, Moved By Kenneth Casey, Seconded by Cara Pucheu**Vote:** Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote**Aye:** Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu**Absent:** Ron Roland, Myles Sharp**- Ordinance 2932 -**

- 20 Ordinance - rezoning property from T4+ (General Urban Zone "Plus") to T5 (Urban Center Zone): located north of E Pass Road, south of and adjacent to Magnolia Street, east of Cowan Road, and west of Old Taylor Place - Case # 1711PC129 - Ward 4.

Motion to Adopt Ordinance, Moved By Cara Pucheu, Seconded by Kenneth Casey**Vote:** Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote**Aye:** Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu**Absent:** Ron Roland, Myles Sharp**- Ordinance 2933 -**

- 21 Ordinance - rezoning property from T4L (General Urban Zone "Limited") to T4+ (General Urban Zone "Plus"): located north of N Railroad Street, south of Silver Lane, east of and adjacent to Tegarden Road, and west of Live Oak Avenue - Case # 1711PC126 - Ward 2.

Motion to Adopt Ordinance, Moved By Cara Pucheu, Seconded by Kenneth Casey**Vote:** Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote**Aye:** Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu**Absent:** Ron Roland, Myles Sharp**- Ordinance 2934 -**

- 22 Ordinance - rezoning property from R-2 (Single Family) to R-B (Residential Business): located north of Magnolia Street, south of W Taylor Road, east of Carl Legett Road, and west of and adjacent to Lorraine Road - Case # - 1712PC144 - Ward 4.

Motion to Adopt Ordinance, Moved By Kenneth Casey, Seconded by Rusty Walker

***Councilmember Pucheu recused and removed herself from the Chambers during the discussion and vote on this item.**

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote**Aye:** Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers**Recused:** Cara Pucheu**Absent:** Ron Roland, Myles Sharp**- Ordinance 2935 -**

Resolutions / Requests

- 23** Resolution - approving Agreement with Levanway & Associates, PLLC for legislative affairs and authorizing the Mayor to execute the same.

Motion to Approve, Moved By Cara Pucheu, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

- 24** Resolution - approving Change Order No. 2 (Summary) to the contract with Miller Enterprises, LLC., for the Poplar Circle & Chamberlain Avenue Sewer Improvements Project, to authorize the Mayor to execute the same.

Motion to Approve, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles

- 25** Resolution - by the Gulfport City Council, reconfirming and extending the status of a State of Emergency due to the impacts of Hurricane Nate on the City of Gulfport, and for related purposes

Motion to Approve, Moved By Kenneth Casey, **Seconded by** Cara Pucheu

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

- 26** Request - by the Krewe of Gemini, for temporary road closures for parades scheduled for February 11, 2018 and February 13, 2018.

Motion to Approve request, by the Krewe of Gemini, for temporary road closures for parades scheduled for February 11, 2018 and February 13, 2018, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sha

Budget Amendments / Docket of Claims

- 27 Budget Amendment #15 - to transfer funds for Poplar Circle/Chamberlain Avenue Project.

Motion to Approve Budget Amendment #15, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

- 28 Docket of Claims - to be approved through January 3, 2018.

Motion to approve the Docket of Claims in the amount of \$3,308,608.47, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

Routine Agenda

Motion to Approve the Routine Agenda as presented, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Cara Pucheu

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

- 29 Resolution - awarding bids for lot clean-ups and/or demolitions.

Approved on Routine Agenda

- 30 Public Records Report - for the months of October & November 2017 -- to be a part of the minutes.

Approved on Routine Agenda

- 31 Request - from Records Manager requesting permission to properly dispose of documents in which have surpassed their retention dates - to be made a part of the minutes.

Approved on Routine Agenda

Public Agenda

The President called for comments during the Public Agenda.

No Citizen addressed the Council at this time.

Council Comments

Memorial Adjournment

- Mrs. Valerie Veronica Grandberry
- Mr. Sidney Lamar “Pepper” Smith III
- Mrs. Enola Yvonne “Bonnie” West
- Mr. David Hall

Executive Session

Setting of Next Meeting and Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, Motion to Adjourn in memory of Mrs. Valerie Veronica Grandberry, Mr. Pepper Smith, Mrs. Bonnie West, and Mr. David Hall, until January 16, 2018 at 1:30 P.M. for a Regular Council Meeting, Moved by Kenneth Casey, Seconded by Ella Holmes-Hines

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

City Clerk

Mayor