



City of Gulfport, Mississippi

Minutes City Council

2309 15th Street
Gulfport, MS 39501

Tuesday, November 5, 2019

1:30 PM

*Gulfport City Hall
Council Chambers*

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

The Mayor and Members of Council met at City Hall at 1:30 P.M., on the above date, same being an adjourned meeting from a Special Call Meeting on October 25, 2019 at 11:30 A.M.

Present: Mayor Billy Hewes, CAO John Kelly, General Counsel Hugh Keating, Clerk of Council Brittany Rodgers, **Councilmembers:** Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines (in at 1:37 P.M.), Rusty Walker, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, and Cara Pucheu.

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

Agenda Order

Motion to Accept the Agenda with the following adjustments; delete items 5, 7 and 22, at the Administration's request, add item 23 - A - Resolution - authorizing an expenditure for advertising and bringing into favorable notice the opportunities, possibilities and resources of the City of Gulfport at the 2019 Gulfport Harbo Lights Winter Festival, and for related purposes, at the Council President's request, Moved By Myles Sharp, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Rusty Walker, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ella Holmes-Hines

Presentation Agenda

- Mayor's Report

Policy Issues

Code Enforcement / Planning

- 1 Code Enforcement Hearing - on resolution to declare that certain properties are in such a state of uncleanness as to be a menace to the public health, safety and welfare of the community and to authorize advertisements for bids and lot clean-ups and/or demolitions.

Motion to Open the Code Enforcement Hearing, Moved By Kenneth Casey, **Seconded by** Cara Pucheu

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

The following Citizen(s) addressed the Council:

- Rashid Abdul Salaam - 624 North Forest
- Kelly Cooper - 624 North Forest

Motion to Postpone Parcel 18 to the first meeting in December, Moved By Kenneth Casey, **Seconded by** Rusty Walker

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Motion to Close the Hearing and Approve the Resolution, Moved By Kenneth Casey, **Seconded by** R.Lee Flowers

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - Authorizing Advertisement for Bids - Signed](#)

- 2 Certificate of Resubdivision - divide one parcel into six zoned I-2 (Heavy Industrial) on Reichold Rd - Case # 1911PC142 - Ward 5

Motion to Approve Certificate of Resubdivision, Moved By Myles Sharp, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Attachment(s):

[Certificate of Resubdivision - Case # 1911PC142 - Signed](#)

- 3 Certificate of Resubdivision - divide two parcels zoned I-2 (Heavy Industrial) on Seaway Rd and Logan Cline Drive - Case # 1911PC144 - Ward 5

Motion to Approve Certificate of Resubdivision, Moved By Myles Sharp, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Attachment(s):

[Certificate of Resubdivision - Case # 1911PC144 - Signed](#)

- 4 Final Plat (Short Form) - approval for 2019 Addition to Floral Hills Memorial Gardens on tax parcel zoned R-2 (Single-family) - Case # 1912PC151 - Ward 4

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

Motion to Approve Final Plat, Moved By Myles Sharp, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers

Absent: Cara Pucheu (recused)

Attachment(s):

[Floral Hills Memorial Gardens 2019 Addition](#)

Ordinances

- 5 Ordinance - amending Section 4-218(b) and (c) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gulfport, Mississippi, and for related purposes.

- Deleted -

- 6 Ordinance - amending Sections 11-68(a) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gulfport, Mississippi, and for related purposes.

Motion to Adopt Ordinance, Moved By Myles Sharp, **Seconded by** Ella Holmes-Hines

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Attachment(s):

[Ordinance 3021 - Signed](#)

- 7 Ordinance - amending the Tree Protection Ordinance, and for related purposes.

- Deleted -

Resolutions

- 8 Resolution - approving Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements Grant Agreement with Federal Railroad Administration for Quad Gates at Highway 49 & CSX Railroad, authorizing the Mayor to execute the same, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By Myles Sharp, **Seconded by** Cara Pucheu

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Nay: Rusty Walker

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - Federal Railroad Administration Grant - Signed](#)

- 9 Resolution - approving Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Gulfport, Mississippi, and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Homeland Security Investigations, authorizing the Mayor to execute the same, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By Myles Sharp, **Seconded by** Cara Pucheu

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Nay: Rusty Walker

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - MOU ICE - Signed](#)

- 10 Resolution - approving Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Immigration and Customs Enforcement and the City of Gulfport for the Reimbursement of Joint Operations Expenses from the Treasury Forfeiture Fund, authorizing the Mayor and Police Chief to execute the same, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By Myles Sharp, **Seconded by** Cara Pucheu

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Nay: Rusty Walker

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - MOU ICE Reimbursement - Signed](#)

- 11** Resolution - approving Sub-Recipient Public Service Agreement Contract for FY 2018 for the Community Development Block Grant Program with Catholic Social and Community Services, Inc. in the amount of \$15,000, authorizing the Mayor to execute the same, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By Myles Sharp, **Seconded by** Cara Pucheu

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Nay: Rusty Walker

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - Catholic Social & Community Services Inc CDBG Sub Recipient Agreement - Signed](#)

- 12** Resolution - approving Sub-Recipient Public Service Agreement Contract for FY 2018 for the Community Development Block Grant Program with De L'Epee Deaf Center, Inc. in the amount of \$15,000, authorizing the Mayor to execute the same, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By Myles Sharp, **Seconded by** Cara Pucheu

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Nay: Rusty Walker

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - De L'Epee Deaf Center Inc CDBG Sub Recipient Agreement - Signed](#)

- 13** Resolution - approving Sub-Recipient Public Service Agreement Contract for FY 2018 for the Community Development Block Grant Program with Gulf Coast Center for Nonviolence in the amount of \$30,000, authorizing the Mayor to execute the same, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By Myles Sharp, **Seconded by** Cara Pucheu

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Nay: Rusty Walker

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - Gulf Coast Center for Nonviolence CDBG Sub Recipient Agreement - Signed](#)

- 14** Resolution - approving Sub-Recipient Public Service Agreement Contract for FY 2018 for the Community Development Block Grant Program with Gulf Coast Community Ministries in the amount of \$15,000, authorizing the Mayor to execute the same, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By Myles Sharp, **Seconded by** Cara Pucheu

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Nay: Rusty Walker

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - Gulf Coast Community Ministries CDBG Sub Recipient Agreement - Signed](#)

- 15** Resolution - approving Tenth Amendment to the City's Contract with Utility Partners, LLC, to add four (4) Meter Labor Positions to the Contract, authorizing the Mayor (or designee) to execute said Contract Amendment, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve with the following amendment, that the Contract Amendment, adding the 4 Meter Labor Positions, expire on April 15, 2021 and the Administration shall come back to the Council, no less than 30 days prior to the expiration to justify whether to extend beyond the current Council's term, Moved By Myles Sharp, **Seconded by** Rusty Walker

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - 10th Amendment to UP Contract - Signed](#)

- 16** Resolution - approving Waiver of Thirty (30) Day Review Period provided for in that certain Memorandum of Agreement among the City of Gulfport and the U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) and other parties pertaining to the site of the existing former 33rd Avenue High School, and for related purposes.

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

Motion to Approve, Moved By Kenneth Casey, **Seconded by** Ella Holmes-Hines

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers

Absent: Rusty Walker, Cara Pucheu (recused)

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - Waiver of 30 Day Review Period - 33rd Avenue HS - Signed](#)

- 17** Resolution - approving sale of sidearm to Officer Ronald A. Roe upon his retirement from the City of Gulfport and setting the amount to be paid for said firearm pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 45-9-131 (rev. 2014).

Motion to Approve, Moved By Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers and Cara Pucheu, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers and Cara Pucheu

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Rusty Walker

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - Roe Sale of Sidearm - Signed](#)

- 18** Resolution - authorizing acceptance of the FY19 Homeland Security Grant Award Number 19-LE-202, authorizing the execution of any and all documents required to accept the same, 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, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Rusty Walker

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - Grant 19LE202 - Signed](#)

- 19** Resolution - authorizing the filing of an Application for Federal Surface Transportation Program (STP) Funding for the Pavement Management Plan Project and committing the necessary Non-Federal Match for the Project and stating the Assurance of the City of Gulfport to activate the Project in FY 2020 and begin construction by FY2021, 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, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Rusty Walker

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - Funding Application - Pavement Management Plan - Signed](#)

- 20** Resolution - authorizing, nunc pro tunc, an expenditure for advertising and bringing into favorable notice the opportunities, possibilities and resources of the City of Gulfport Police Department, 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, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Myles Sharp, Cara Pucheu

Nay: R.Lee Flowers

Absent: Rusty Walker

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - GPD Pink Patches Expenditure - Signed](#)

- 21** Resolution - authorizing an expenditure (in the form of a fee waiver) for advertising and bringing into favorable notice the opportunities, possibilities and resources of the City of Gulfport in connection with the 2020-2022 SWAC Women's Softball Conference Tournament, 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, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Rusty Walker

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - 2020 - 2022 SWAC Fee Waiver - Signed](#)

- 22** Resolution - authorizing an expenditure for advertising and bringing into favorable notice the opportunities, possibilities and resources of the City of Gulfport at the Gulf Coast Symphony Orchestra, Inc., and the Barbeque Under the Oaks, and for related purposes.

- Deleted -

- 23** Resolution - authorizing an expenditure for advertising and bringing into favorable notice the opportunities, possibilities and resources of the City of Gulfport at the 2020 Krewe of Gemini Mardi Gras Parades, 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, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Rusty Walker

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - 2020 Krewe of Gemini Mardi Gras Parades Expenditure - Signed](#)

- 23 – A** Resolution - authorizing an expenditure for advertising and bringing into favorable notice the opportunities, possibilities and resources of the City of Gulfport at the 2019 Gulfport Harbor Lights Winter Festival, 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, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Rusty Walker

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - 2019 Gulfport Harbor Lights Winter Festival Advertising - Signed](#)

- 24** Resolution - approving temporary closure of municipal right of way for the 2020 Krewe of Gemini Parades, 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, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Rusty Walker

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - 2020 Krewe of Gemini Mardi Gras Parades Road Closures - Signed](#)

Budget Amendments / Docket of Claims

- 25** Budget Amendment #9 - to increase 213 Fingerprinting/Photo from funds received from propertyroom.com.

Motion to Approve Budget Amendment #9, Moved By Cara Pucheu, **Seconded by** Ron Roland

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Rusty Walker

Attachment(s):

[October 24th\(property-room\)](#)

[Budget Amendments - FYE 2020 - 09](#)

- 26** Budget Amendment #10 - to increase County/Local capital from fund received as restitution.

Motion to Approve Budget Amendment #10, Moved By Cara Pucheu, **Seconded by** Ron Roland

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Rusty Walker

Attachment(s):

[October 18th \(restitution\)](#)

[Budget Amendments - FYE 2020 - 10](#)

- 27** Budget Amendment #11 - to budget FY19 Homeland Security Grant Award 19-LE-202.

Motion to Approve Budget Amendment #11, Moved By Cara Pucheu, **Seconded by** Ron Roland

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Rusty Walker

Attachment(s):

[Memo - FY19 Homeland Security Grant 19-LE-202](#)

[Budget Amendments - FYE 2020 - 11](#)

- 28** Budget Amendment #12 - to fund Quad Gates at Hwy 49/CSX Railroad Project.

Motion to Approve Budget Amendment #12, Moved By Cara Pucheu, **Seconded by** Ron Roland

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Rusty Walker

Attachment(s):

[Recommendation to Approve Grant Agreement - Quad Gates at Highway 49 & CSX RR](#)

[BAPW - Fund Quad Gates at HWY 49 & CSX RR](#)

[Budget Amendments - FYE 2020 - 12](#)

- 29** Docket of Claims - to be approved through November 6, 2019.

Motion to Approve Docket of Claims, in the amount of \$1,458,715.55, Moved By
R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Ron Roland

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Rusty Walker

Attachment(s):

[Docket](#)

[Docket by Vendor](#)

[Docket by Org-Obj-Proj](#)

[Resolution - Docket of Claims - Signed](#)

Routine Agenda

Motion to Approve Routine Agenda, as presented, Moved By Cara Pucheu,
Seconded by Myles Sharp

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Rusty Walker

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

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - Awarding Rejecting Bids - Signed](#)

- 31** Privilege License Report - for the month of September, 2019 - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Privilege License Report - September 2019](#)

- 32** Letter - regarding bid awarded by Purchasing to Universal Concepts for Mini Lights - Gulfport Harbor Lights Winter Festival - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Universal Concepts - Mini Lights](#)

- 33** Letter - regarding bid awarded by Purchasing to Landmark Contracting Inc. for 6" Concrete Pathway Westside of Jones Park - Leisure Services - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Landmark Contracting Inc - 6" Concrete Pathway Westside Jones Park](#)

- 34** Letter - regarding bid awarded by Purchasing to Waste Pro of Mississippi for Portable Restrooms - Leisure Services - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Waste Pro of Mississippi - Portable Restrooms](#)

- 35** Letter - regarding bid awarded by Purchasing to Clay's Print Shop for Envelopes - Utility Billing - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Clay's Print Shop - Envelopes](#)

- 36** Ratification - of Easements for Laurelwood Sewer Improvements Project - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Laurelwood Sewer Improvements Project - Drainage and Utility Easement - Cartee Recorded](#)

[Laurelwood Sewer Improvements Project - Drainage and Utility Easement - Gillispie Trust Recorded](#)

- 37** Ratification - of Easements for Three Rivers Road/Mays Road Sewer Improvements Project - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Easement - M&D \(Chang\) - Recorded](#)

[Easement - Congregation Beth Israel - Recorded](#)

[Easement -- First Church of the Nazarene - Recorded 3.13.2018](#)

[Easement - Florence Gardens - Recorded](#)

[Easement - Fountain - Recorded](#)

[Sewer Easement - Frye recorded](#)

[Corrected Easement - Gallendar - recorded](#)

[Easement - Hansen Family Trust - recorded](#)

[Order Granting Title and Immediate Possession - Hornsby](#)

[Easement - Stiver recorded](#)

[Easement - Thomas Recorded](#)

- 38** Ratification - of Easements for Three Rivers Road/Clifford Road Sewer Improvements Project - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Easement - American Legion - Recorded](#)
[Easement - K.Bosarge - Recorded](#)
[Easement - Cable One - Recorded](#)
[Easement - Holliman - Recorded](#)
[Easement - New Life Worship - Recorded](#)
[Easement - Thach Pho - Recorded](#)

- 39** Request - for 2019 Gulfport Harbor Lights Winter Festival Change Fund.

Attachment(s):

[Letter - Change Fund Gulfport Harbor Lights Winter Festival 2019](#)

Public Agenda

Council Comments

Memorial Adjournment

[Ms. Mandy Woods](#)
[Ms. Rosaline Saucier Brown](#)
[Mr. Arthur Cool Breeze Miles](#)
[Mr. Roosevelt Paige Keller](#)

Mr. Joel Birdsong

Executive Session

Upon the advice of General Counsel, Motion to Enter Closed Session to make a preliminary determination of the necessity for Executive Session at 3:10 P.M., Moved By R.Lee Flowers, Seconded by Cara Pucheu

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Rusty Walker

The Council entered Closed Session at 3:14 P.M. In attendance: Councilmembers: Ron Roland (in at 3:16 P.M.), Ella Holmes-Hines, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, and Cara Pucheu, Mayor Billy Hewes, CAO Dr. John Kelly, General Counsel Hugh Keating, Comptroller/City Clerk Gerard Bellocq, Director of Public Works Wayne Miller, City Attorney Jeff Bruni (in at 3:15 P.M.), and Clerk of Council Brittany Rodgers. Absent: Councilmembers Kenneth Casey (recused) and Rusty Walker.

Motion to Exit Closed Session at 3:16 P.M., Moved By Cara Pucheu, **Seconded** by R.Lee Flowers

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines,, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Kenneth Casey (recused) and Rusty Walker

No official action was taken during Closed Session.

Upon hearing from General Counsel regarding the nature of the request for Executive Session, Motion to Enter Executive Session at 3:16 P.M. for strategy discussion involving current litigation associated with a case filed against the City by the HCUA, prospective litigation associated with a claim against/by a third-party involving an insurance lien, Moved By Cara Pucheu, **Seconded by** Ron Roland

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Kenneth Casey (recused) and Rusty Walker

The Council entered Executive Session at 3:17 P.M. In attendance:

Councilmembers: Kenneth Casey (in at 3:32 P.M.), Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, and Cara Pucheu, Mayor Billy Hewes, CAO Dr. John Kelly, General Counsel Hugh Keating, City Attorney Jeff Bruni, Comptroller/City Clerk Gerard Bellocq, Director of Public Works Wayne Miller, and Clerk of Council Brittany Rodgers.

Motion to Exit Executive Session at 3:45 P.M., Moved By Cara Pucheu, **Seconded by** Ella Holmes-Hines

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Rusty Walker

No official action was taken during Executive Session.

Upon reconvening in an open meeting, the following actions were taken:

*** Councilmembers Kenneth Casey and Myles Sharp recused and removed themselves from the Chambers at 3:46 P.M., during the discussion and vote on the following item ***

Motion to authorize the City of Gulfport, by and through the City Attorney's Office, to take any and all steps as may be required to waive the City's lien on the proceeds of the third party settlement from Terri Alsberger and Nationwide Insurance pertaining to a January 18, 2018 motor vehicle accident involving a City employee, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Ella Holmes Hines

Amend the Motion to include the amount of \$28,352.24, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Ella Holmes-Hines

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Kenneth Casey (recused), Myles Sharp (recused), and Rusty Walker

Motion to approve the release of an Indemnity Arrangement with Waste Pro of Mississippi, Inc., to authorize the Mayor or his designee to execute whatever documents as necessary to effectuate the release of this Agreement, as approved by the City Attorney, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, Seconded by Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers

Absent: Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, Cara Pucheu

Motion to Enter Executive Session at 3:51 P.M. for strategy discussion involving potential litigation associated with Master Meter Water Meters, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, Seconded by Ron Roland

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers

Absent: Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, Cara Pucheu

The Council entered Executive Session at 3:51 P.M. In attendance:

Councilmembers: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Myles Sharp, and R.Lee Flowers, Mayor Billy Hewes, CAO Dr. John Kelly, General Counsel Hugh Keating, City Attorney Jeff Bruni, Comptroller/City Clerk Gerard Bellocq, and Clerk of Council Brittany Rodgers.

Motion to Exit Executive Session at 4:06 P.M., Moved By Ron Roland, Seconded by Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers

Absent: Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, Cara Pucheu

No official action was taken during Executive Session.

Upon reconvening in an open meeting, the following action was taken:

Motion to Resolve to direct the Administration to determine a plan to address any current utility bills that were moved into a higher utility tier due to extended billing cycle, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, Seconded by Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers

Absent: Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, Cara Pucheu

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 Ms. Mandy Woods, Mr. Arthur "Cool Breeze" Miles, Ms. Rosaline Saucier Brown, Mr. Roosevelt Paige Keller and Mr. Joel Birdsong, until November 19, 2019 at 1:30 P.M. for a Regular Council Meeting, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, Seconded by Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers

Absent: Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, Cara Pucheu

City Clerk

Mayor

Agenda Adjustments

- 23 – A** Resolution - authorizing an expenditure for advertising and bringing into favorable notice the opportunities, possibilities and resources of the City of Gulfport at the 2019 Gulfport Harbor Lights Winter Festival, and for related purposes.