



City of Gulfport, Mississippi

Minutes City Council

2309 15th Street
Gulfport, MS 39501

Tuesday, March 16, 2021

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 Regular Meeting on March 2, 2021 at 1:30 P.M.

Present: Mayor Billy Hewes, CAO Dr. John Kelly, General Counsel Hugh Keating, Clerk of Council Brittany Rodgers, **Councilmembers:** Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, and Cara Pucheu. **Absent:** Councilmember Myles Sharp

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

Agenda Order

Motion to Accept the Agenda, as presented, 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, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Myles Sharp

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 uncleanliness 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 Cara Pucheu, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Myles Sharp

The following Citizen(s) addressed the Council:

- Paulette, Manager - Parcel 6

Motion to Close the Hearing and Approve the Resolution, 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, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Myles Sharp

Attachment(s):

[Notification Letters - Code Enforcement Hearing](#)
[Resolution - Authorizing Advertisement for Bids - Signed](#)

- 2 Certificate of Resubdivision (Short Form) - divide into two new parcels zoned I-3 (Planned industrial park) - located at Corporate Drive - Case # 2103PC037 - Ward 5.

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, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Myles Sharp

Attachment(s):

[Certificate of Resubdivision - Case 2103PC037 - Signed](#)

- 3** Acceptance of Perpetual Maintenance - Oak Shadows Subdivision public improvements, release of Surety Bond, and transfer of streetlight account to the City of Gulfport, and authorizing the release of the Bonds - Case # 1512PC098 - Ward 2.

Motion to Accept Perpetual Maintenance, Moved By Ron Roland, Seconded by Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Myles Sharp

Attachment(s):

[Recorded Easements](#)

[Oak Shadow Warranty Re-Inspection 02MAY2017](#)

[098 Engineering Letter](#)

[098 Engineering Acceptance Letter](#)

Ordinances

- 4** Ordinance - establishing Resolution Board pay and training pay in connection with the 2021 Elections, and for related purposes.

Motion to Adopt Ordinance, Moved By Cara Pucheu, Seconded by Ron Roland

Motion to Table, 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, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Myles Sharp

The following action(s) occurred following the Public Agenda.

Motion to Take off the Table, 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, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Myles Sharp

The President called the question.

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland (out of room), Myles Sharp

Attachment(s):

[Ordinance 3068 - Signed](#)

Resolutions

- 5 Order - by the Gulfport City Council, pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. §17-21-5(2), (rev. 2003, as amended), authorizing an exemption from municipal ad valorem taxes, excluding school district taxes, based on the increase in assessed value for qualifying capital improvement investments in qualifying structures in the designated redevelopment district, south of the CSX railroad tracks extending from the western city boundary to the eastern city boundary of the newly constructed structure owned by Carey W. Brannan located at 208 Murphy Avenue, Gulfport, Mississippi, in the First Judicial District of Harrison County, and identified as parcel number 0911B-02-032.000.

Motion to Approve Order, Moved By Ron Roland, **Seconded by** Cara Pucheu

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Myles Sharp

- 6 Resolution - to approve a petition by Soprema, Inc., located at 12251 Seaway Road, Gulfport, for a Free Port Warehouse License for a period of five (5) years pursuant to Miss Code (1972) Ann., as amended, Sec. 27-31-51, Et Seq., and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By Ella Holmes-Hines, **Seconded by** Rusty Walker

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Myles Sharp

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - Soprema Inc Free Port Warehouse - Signed](#)

- 7 Resolution - approving Lighting Lease Agreement with Mississippi Power for Jones Park, authorizing the Mayor to execute the same, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By Ron Roland, **Seconded by** Cara Pucheu

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Myles Sharp

Attachment(s):

[Jones Park Service Agreement](#)

- 8 Resolution - approving Memorandum of Understanding between Harrison County School District and the City of Gulfport, Mississippi, concerning reimbursement for Law Enforcement Services (School Resource Officers), authorizing the Mayor and Police Chief to execute the same, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By Ella Holmes-Hines, **Seconded by** Cara Pucheu

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Myles Sharp

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - MOU HCSD SRO - Signed](#)

- 9 Resolution - approving Services Agreement with Engineered Cooling Services, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, 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, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Myles Sharp

Attachment(s):

[GPD Service Agreement - Engineered Cooling Services](#)

- 10 Resolution - approving Amendment to License Agreement with Tyler Technologies, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, 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, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Myles Sharp

Attachment(s):

[3-16-21 Agenda RMS PP](#)

[GFD Tyler New World Annual Cost](#)

[Gulfport MS Fire RMS MobileEyes Amendment 022221](#)

- 11** Resolution - approving Addendum No. 2 to Agreement between the City of Gulfport and Neel-Schaffer, Inc. for Planning and Environmental Services in connection with the BUILD – Interconnecting Gulfport Project, authorizing the Mayor (or designee) to execute the same, and for related purposes.

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

Vote: Motion Carried By The Following Roll Call Vote

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

Nay: Ella Holmes-Hines

Absent: Myles Sharp

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - Addendum No. 2 Neel-Schaffer BUILD Grant - Signed](#)

- 12** Resolution - authorizing the City of Gulfport to apply for FY 2021-2022 Alcohol Countermeasures Grant, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, 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, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Myles Sharp

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - Alcohol Countermeasures Grant - Signed](#)

- 13** Resolution - authorizing the City of Gulfport to apply for FY 2021-2022 Police Traffic Services Grant, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, 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, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Myles Sharp

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - Traffic Services Grant - Signed](#)

- 14** Resolution - reconfirming and extending the status of a State of Emergency due to the spread of COVID-19 and potential associated impacts which threaten to affect areas within the City, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, 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, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Myles Sharp

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - COVID19 SOE Extension 17 - Signed](#)

- 15** Resolution - reconfirming and extending the status of a State of Emergency due to the impacts of Hurricane Zeta on the City of Gulfport, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, 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, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Myles Sharp

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - Hurricane Zeta SOE Extension 7 - Signed](#)

Budget Amendments / Docket of Claims

- 16** Budget Amendment #40 - allocating funds from MGCCC Workforce Development Training - Fire Department.

*** Councilmember R.Lee Flowers recused and removed himself from the Chambers during the discussion and vote on this item.**

Motion to Approve Budget Amendment #40, Moved By Ella Holmes-Hines, **Seconded by** Rusty Walker

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers (recused)

Attachment(s):

[3-16-21 Agenda - MGCCC](#)

[Budget Amendments - FYE 2021-40](#)

- 17** Budget Amendment #41 - establishing account for the Brickyard Bayou Educational Trail/Outdoor Classroom Tidelands Project.

*** Councilmember R.Lee Flowers recused and removed himself from the Chambers during the discussion and vote on this item.**

Motion to Approve Budget Amendment #41, Moved By Ella Holmes-Hines, **Seconded by** Rusty Walker

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers (recused)

Attachment(s):

[Budget Amendment Brickyard Bayou Outdoor Classroom Tidelands Budget Amendments - FYE 2021-41](#)

- 18** Budget Amendment #42 - increasing line item 213 Photography and Fingerprint from PropertyRoom.com funds.

*** Councilmember R.Lee Flowers recused and removed himself from the Chambers during the discussion and vote on this item.**

Motion to Approve Budget Amendment #42, Moved By Ella Holmes-Hines, **Seconded by** Rusty Walker

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers (recused)

Attachment(s):

[Property Room 03052021 Budget Amendments - FYE 2021-42](#)

- 19** Budget Amendment #43 - increasing line item 286 Capital (CNET) from restitution.

*** Councilmember R.Lee Flowers recused and removed himself from the Chambers during the discussion and vote on this item.**

Motion to Approve Budget Amendment #43, Moved By Ella Holmes-Hines, **Seconded by** Rusty Walker

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers (recused)

Attachment(s):

[CNET 03052021 Budget Amendments - FYE 2021-43](#)

- 20 Budget Amendment #44 - increasing line item 277 Operating Supplies from PropertyRoom.com funds.

*** Councilmember R.Lee Flowers recused and removed himself from the Chambers during the discussion and vote on this item.**

Motion to Approve Budget Amendment #44, Moved By Ella Holmes-Hines, **Seconded by** Rusty Walker

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers (recused)

Attachment(s):

[PropertyRoom 03052021](#)

[Budget Amendments - FYE 2021-44](#)

- 21 Budget Amendment #45 - transferring New Station 9 Escrow Account Funds within the Fire Department budget.

*** Councilmember R.Lee Flowers recused and removed himself from the Chambers during the discussion and vote on this item.**

Motion to Approve Budget Amendment #45, Moved By Ella Holmes-Hines, **Seconded by** Rusty Walker

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers (recused)

Attachment(s):

[3-16-21 Agenda - Sta. 9](#)

[Budget Amendments - FYE 2021-45](#)

- 22 Docket of Claims - to be approved through March 17, 2021.

Motion to Approve Docket of Claims, in the amount of \$2,416,427.82, Moved By Cara Pucheu, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Myles Sharp

Attachment(s):

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

[Docket](#)

[Docket by Vendor](#)

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

Routine Agenda

Motion to Approve Routine Agenda, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Rusty Walker

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Myles Sharp

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

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - awarding-rejecting bids - Signed](#)

- 24 Privilege License Report – for the month of February, 2021 – to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Privilege License Report - February 2021](#)

- 25 Letter - regarding bid awarded by Purchasing to Stuart Irby for Valmont Poles - Public Works Department - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Valmont Poles.PW](#)

[Valmont Poles. PW](#)

- 26 Letter - regarding Keep Gulfport Clean and Green Event 2021 - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Keep Gulfport Clean and Green Event 2021](#)

- 27 Letter - regarding renewal of Multi-Function Copiers by Purchasing to South Mississippi Business Machines - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[CopierRenewal.2021](#)

[SMBM Pricing](#)

- 28 Ratification - of North Park Estates 2 Local Government Notification Form - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Local Government Notification Form - Executed](#)

- 29 Ratification - of previously approved and executed Agreements, Contracts, and Documents - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[2nd Amendment to License Agreement - Cellular South Real Estate Jackson Street - Executed](#)

[ES&S Election - Executed](#)

[Mauldin & Jenkins Engagement Letters - H20 - Executed](#)

- 30 Ratification - of Sportsplex Facility Use Agreements - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Great Southern Sports Facility Agmt - 3.20-21.2021 tournament](#)

[Great Southern Sports Facility Agmt - 5.29-30.2021 tournament](#)

[Great Southern Sports Facility Agmt - 8.28-29.2021 tournament](#)

[Great Southern Sports Facility Agmt - 10.30-31.2021 tournament](#)

[Great Southern Sports Facility Agmt - 11.20-21.2021 tournament](#)

[Great Southern Sports Facility Use Agmt - 2.27-28.2021 tournament](#)

[Great Southern Sports Facility Use Agmt - 3.13-14.2021 tournament](#)

[Great Southern Sports Facility Use Agmt - 4.17-18.2021 tournament](#)

[Great Southern Sports Facility Use Agmt - 6.26-27.2021 tournament](#)

[Great Southern Sports Facility Use Agmt - 11.27-28.2021 tournament](#)

[Great Southern Sports Facility Use Agmt - 12.11-12.2021 tournament](#)

[Great Southern Sports Facility Use Agmt - 12.18-19.2021 tournament](#)

[Gulf Coast United Futbol Sports Facility Use Agmt - 3.20-21.2021 tournament](#)

[Off the Chain Sports Facility Use Agmt - 2.20-21-2021 tournament](#)

[Off the Chain Sports Facility Use Agmt - 3.6-7.2021 tournament](#)

[Slidell Hurricanes Facility Use Agmt - 1.30-31.2021 tournament](#)

[South Mississippi Soccer Sports Facility Use Agmt - 4.24-25.2021 tournament](#)

[United States Specialty Sports Facility Use Agmt - 3.6.2021 tournament](#)

[United States Specialty Sports Facility Use Agmt - 3.26-28.2021 tournament](#)

[United States Specialty Sports Facility Use Agmt - 5.8.2021 tournament](#)

[United States Specialty Sports Facility Use Agmt - 6.12.2021 tournament](#)

[United States Specialty Sports Facility Use Agmt - 9.11.2021 tournament](#)

[United States Specialty Sports Facility Use Agmt - 10.2.2021 tournament](#)

[United States Specialty Sports Facility Use Agmt - 10.23.2021 tournament](#)

Public Agenda

The President called for comments during the Public Agenda.

The following Citizen(s) addressed the Council:

- William Thompson - 2208 14th Avenue
- Jack Healy - 902 38th Avenue
- Stanley Hastings - 903 38th Avenue
- Robert Anderson - 909 38th Avenue

This Concluded the Public Agenda.

Council Comments

Memorial Adjournment

[Ms. Emily Michelle Webber](#)

[Mrs. Christine Louise Dedeaux](#)

[Ms. Clarine Falconer](#)

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 Ms. Emily Michelle Webber and Mrs. Christine Louise Dedeaux, until April 8, 2021 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, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Ron Roland, Myles Sharp

City Clerk

Mayor