



City of Gulfport, Mississippi

Minutes City Council

2309 15th Street
Gulfport, MS 39501

Tuesday, May 4, 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 April 20, 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, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, and Cara Pucheu. **Absent:** Councilmember Rusty Walker.

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

Agenda Order

Motion to Accept the Agenda with the following adjustments; add item 30 - A - Memo - acknowledging receipt of initial insurance claim proceeds from Sedgwick Delegated Authority, Third-Party Claims Administrator, related to Hurricane Zeta damage to City property and letters from Sedgwick and City Attorney in connection therewith., add item 32 - A - Ratification - of LPK Architects' request for approval of sub-contractor under existing Contract for services., Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **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

Presentation Agenda

- **Mayor's Report**

Policy Issues

Minutes

- 1 Approval of Minutes - for March 2, 2021.

Motion to Approve Minutes for March 2, 2021, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **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):

[March 2, 2021 Minutes](#)

Code Enforcement / Planning

- 2 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 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

There being no one present to object or address the Council, Motion to Close the Hearing and Approve the Resolution, 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):

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

- 3 Certificate of Resubdivision - divide into 4 parcels Zoned B-1 (Neighborhood business) - located at Lorraine Road and Old Lorraine Road - Case # 2101PC014 - Ward 5.

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

The following Citizen(s) addressed the Council:

- Bobby Heinrich - 1806 23rd Avenue

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):

[Certificate of Resubdivision - Case # 2101PC014 - Signed](#)

- 4 Certificate of Resubdivision - divide into two new parcels zoned T3 (Sub-Urban Zone) - located at 40th Avenue - Case # 2102PC019 - Ward 2.

Motion to Approve Certificate of Resubdivision, Moved By Ron Roland, **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):

[Certificate of Resubdivision - Case # 2102PC019 - Signed](#)

- 5 Certificate of Resubdivision - divide into four parcels zoned T3 (Sub-Urban Zone) - located at Woodward and Alston Avenue - Case # 2103PC035 - Ward 2.

Motion to Approve Certificate of Resubdivision, Moved By Ron Roland, **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):

[Certificate of Resubdivision - Case # 2103PC035 - Signed](#)

- 6 Appeal - Planning Commission Denial - request mobile home use, Zoned R-1-5 (Single-family) - located on West Virginia Avenue - Case # 2103PC039 - Ward 3.

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

The following Citizen(s) addressed the Council:

- Applicant - Maggie Johnson - 8291 Florida Avenue
- Opposition - Nacole James - 8298 W Virginia Avenue

The Chair, Vice President Sharp, called the Vote.

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):

[039 Cover](#)
[039 Technical Report](#)
[039 Locator](#)
[039 Signature](#)
[039 Application](#)
[039 Notification](#)
[039 Adj List](#)
[039 Adj Map](#)
[PC Proof of Publication](#)
[039 Appeal Letter](#)
[039 Transcript](#)

Resolutions

- 7 Resolution - approving End User Agreement and Service Agreement with National Center for Safety Initiatives, LLC, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **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):

[NCSI Gulfport Service Agreement](#)

- 8 Resolution - approving Form of Vendor Booth Application and Agreement in connection with the Gulfport Harbor Lights Winter Festival, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, 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):

[Resolution - Gulfport Harbor Lights Winter Festival Form Booth Application and Agreement - Signed](#)

- 9 Resolution - approving Letter Agreement with Mississippi Small Business Development Center and University of Mississippi, 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, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Rusty Walker

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - Letter Agreement - MS-SBDC & UM - Signed](#)

- 10 Resolution - approving Memorandum of Understanding between Mississippi ANG CRTC and Gulfport Police Department, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, 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

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - MOU with CRTC - Signed](#)

- 11** Resolution - approving Mutual Aid Agreement between the Naval Construction Battalion Center Gulfport and the City of Gulfport (Police Department), and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By Kenneth Casey, **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):

[Resolution - Mutual Aid Agreement NCBC Police - Signed](#)

- 12** Resolution - approving Amendment No. 2 to Agreement for Debris Removal Services with Crowdergulf, LLC, 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 - CrowderGulf - Amendment No. 2 - Signed](#)

- 13** 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, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Rusty Walker

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - COVID - Extension #19 - Signed](#)

- 14** 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** 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 - Zeta - Extension #9 - Signed](#)

- 15** Resolution - approving temporary closure of municipal right of way for the Gulfport Juneteenth Celebration Parade to be held on June 19, 2021, 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, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Rusty Walker

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - Juneteenth Road Closure - Signed](#)

Budget Amendments / Docket of Claims

- 16** Budget Amendment #58 - increasing line item 277 Vehicles from restitution from drug related arrests.

Motion to Approve Budget Amendment #58, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **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

Attachment(s):

[April 16 \(Restitution\)](#)

[Budget Amendments - FYE 2021-58](#)

- 17** Budget Amendment #59 - increasing line item 277 Operating Supplies from PropertyRoom.com.

Motion to Approve Budget Amendment #59, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **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

Attachment(s):

[April 20 \(277 property room\)
Budget Amendments - FYE 2021-59](#)

- 18** Budget Amendment #60 - increasing line item 213 Photo & Fingerprint from PropertyRoom.com funds.

Motion to Approve Budget Amendment #60, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **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

Attachment(s):

[April 20 \(213 property room\)
Budget Amendments - FYE 2021-60](#)

- 19** Budget Amendment #61 - to fund Change Order #2 for CrowderGulf LLC for Hurricane Zeta Debris Removal Services.

Motion to Approve Budget Amendment #61, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **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

Attachment(s):

[BAPW - FUNDING FOR CHANGE ORDER 2 CROWDER GULF ZETA - 4-26-2021
Budget Amendments - FYE 2021-61
change order 2 for Crowder gulf](#)

- 20 Budget Amendment #62 - internally transferring to set Engineering accounts at Year to Date Percentage.

Motion to Approve Budget Amendment #62, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **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

Attachment(s):

[BAPW - TRANSFER TO FUND LOW ACCOUNTS IN ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT - 4-26-2021](#)
[Budget Amendments - FYE 2021-62](#)

- 21 Budget Amendment #63 - increasing line item 285 Capital (CNET) from restitution.

Motion to Approve Budget Amendment #63, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **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

Attachment(s):

[April 23 \(restitution\)](#)
[Budget Amendments - FYE 2021-63](#)

- 22 Docket of Claims - to be approved through May 5, 2021.

Motion to Approve Docket of Claims, in the amount of \$2,138,444.81, 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, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Rusty Walker

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - Docket of Claims - Signed](#)
[Docket](#)
[Docket by Vendor](#)
[Docket by Org-Obj-Proj](#)

Routine Agenda

Motion to Approve Routine Agenda, as presented, Moved By R.Lee Flowers,
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

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

Attachment(s):

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

- 24 Code Enforcement Notice(s) - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Code Enforcement Chapter 3 Notice\(s\)](#)

[Code Enforcement 7-Day Notice\(s\)](#)

- 25 Primary Election Results - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Certification of Results - Primary - Democrat](#)

[Certification of Results - Primary - Republican](#)

- 26 Legal Notice - advertisement for bids for Fuel Supply Services.

Attachment(s):

[FuelSupplyContract.2021](#)

- 27 Letter - regarding bid awarded by Purchasing to Chnaro Landscaping for Landscape Maintenance for 2021 Season - Leisure Services Department - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Landscape Maintenace.2021](#)

[Landscape Maintenance.2021](#)

- 28 Letter - requesting authorization to make a single source purchase from Universal Concepts for Triklit 2" RGB Legacy String Lights - Gulfport Harbor Lights Winter Festival.

Attachment(s):

[Single Source Purchase - Universal Concepts - Triklit 2" RGB Lights](#)

- 29 Letter - requesting MDOT Specific Traffic Signals Standardization and Temple, Inc. Single Source Designation - Public Works.

Attachment(s):

[Temple.MDOT](#)

- 30 Letter of Recommendation - regarding approval of final invoice associated with the Hurricane Zeta Debris Monitoring Services Contract with Tetra Tech, Inc.

Attachment(s):

[Hurricane Zeta Debris Removal Project - Recommendation to Approve Final Payment](#)

- 30 – A Memo - acknowledging receipt of initial insurance claim proceeds from Sedgwick Delegated Authority, Third-Party Claims Administrator, related to Hurricane Zeta damage to City property and letters from Sedgwick and City Attorney in connection therewith.

Attachment(s):

[April 8 2021 letter to JOREY GALLOWAY with SEDGWICK re city of Gulfport insurance claims - hurricane zeta](#)

[April 1 2021 letter from JOREY GALLOWAY with SEDGWICK](#)

[MEMO - from TRAVIS HART - Insurance Check Proceeds - 4 28 2021](#)

- 31 Ratification - of Easement for Grasslawn - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Easement - Recorded - Grasslawn](#)

- 32 Ratification - of Hurricane Zeta Debris Removal Line of Credit Draws - to be made part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Debris Cleanup LOC Application #1](#)

[Debris Cleanup LOC Application #2](#)

- 32 – A Ratification - of LPK Architects' request for approval of sub-contractor under existing Contract for services.

Attachment(s):

[April 29 2021 memo to council re LPK Architects - Hurricane Zeta insurance work](#)

- 33** Ratification - of previously approved and executed Agreements, Contracts, and/or Documents - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Agreement - CrowderGulf - DMS sites - 11 17 2020](#)
[Beard Equipment Company Proposal - Lawn Mower Equipment - LSD - Executed](#)
[Engineering Services Agreement - Engineering Xcellence - Executed](#)
[HIDTA Grant G-21-GC-0003A - Executed](#)
[Machado Patano Agreement - Gulfport Boat Launch Improvements Project - Executed](#)
[Plan Sponsor Agreement - ProAct - Executed](#)
[Vertiv Corp - Executed](#)

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

Attachment(s):

[Facility Use Agreement - Great Southern Sports 3.27-28.2021 - 5.4.2021](#)
[Facility Use Agreement - Sideline Sports 5.11-15.2021 - 5.4.2021](#)

- 35** Request - issuance of special check payable to CrowderGulf LLC for Invoice #GPM022821-19: Hurricane Zeta Debris Removal Services.

Attachment(s):

[MEMO - REQUEST SPECIAL CHECK TO FUND INV GPM022821-19 TO CROWDERGULF LLC - 4-26-2021](#)
[change order 2 for Crowder gulf](#)
[BAPW - FUNDING FOR CHANGE ORDER 2 CROWDER GULF ZETA - 4-26-2021](#)
[GPM022821-19 CROWDER](#)

- 36** Request - issuance of special check(s) for payment to Poll Managers and Resolution Board Members, and for related purposes.

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - Special Check payment to Poll Managers and Resolution Board Members - Signed](#)

Public Agenda

The President called for comments during the Public Agenda.

The following Citizen(s) addressed the Council:

- Dr. Brenda Matthews - 1618 Rich Avenue
- Mr. Gilbert Ramsey - 19014 Peterson Road, Saucier, MS

This Conclude the Public Agenda

Council Comments

Memorial Adjournment

[Mr. George Houtz](#)

[Mr. Gary Harkins](#)

[Mr. Curtis Odell "BO" Robinson, Jr.](#)

[Mr. C. Larry Benefield](#)

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 3:08 P.M., 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

The Council entered Closed Session at 3:11 P.M. In attendance: Councilmembers: Kenneth Casey (in at 3:13 P.M.), Ron Roland (in at 3:13 P.M.), 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, Assistant City Attorney Margaret Murdock, Director of Public Works Wayne Miller, and Clerk of Council Brittany Rodgers.

Motion to Exit Closed Session at 3:13 P.M., 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

No official action was taken during Closed Session.

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Upon hearing from General Counsel regarding the nature of the request for Executive Session, Motion to Enter Executive Session at 3:14 P.M. for (1) strategy session with respect to prospective litigation involving Anchor Development, LLC in connection with the Landon Road Widening Project; (2) strategy session with respect to prospective litigation arising out of an incident that occurred on January 30, 2021, and involving the City's claims against Charmaine Jack and Kiara Walker for damages to City property (a police vehicle); (3) strategy session with respect to prospective litigation arising out of an incident that occurred on February 17, 2021, and involving the City's claims against Brennan Brooks for damages to City property (a light pole); (4) strategy session with respect to prospective litigation arising out of an incident that occurred on February 2, 2021, and involving the City's claims against Destiny Collins for damages to City property (a police vehicle); and (5) strategy session with respect to prospective litigation arising out of an incident that occurred on February 1, 2020, and involving City employees and Leonard Parker, Jr., Moved By R.Lee Flowers, 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

The Council entered Executive Session at 3:14 P.M. In attendance:

Councilmembers: Kenneth Casey, 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, Assistant City Attorney Margaret Murdock (out at 3:27 P.M.), Director of Public Works Wayne Miller, and Clerk of Council Brittany Rodgers.

Motion to Exit Executive Session at 3:36 P.M., Moved By R.Lee Flowers, 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:

Motion to provide and authorize the City Attorney and his staff to file and pursue lawsuits against persons and/or entities responsible for causing property damage to City property up to the \$3,500 jurisdictional amount of the Justice Court of Harrison County, Mississippi and to authorize payment up to \$500 for any and all costs or fees incurred as a result of or in connection with each such lawsuit, 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, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Cara Pucheu

Absent: Rusty Walker

Motion for the City Attorney's Office to take any and all actions necessary, including the filing of any lawsuits and all actions related thereto, and to authorize the expenditure of monies to go towards the payment of any costs or expenses incurred related to such actions, including court costs and fees and any other expenses, to recover damages to the City in the following matter: 1. City of Gulfport v. Charmaine Jack, Kiara Walker, and all others responsible for damage to City property arising out of an incident on January 30, 2021, (amount is presently for \$274.84); 2. City of Gulfport v. Brennan Brooks and all others responsible for damage to City property arising out of an incident on February 17, 2021, (amount is presently for \$19,547.98); and 3. City of Gulfport v. Destiny Collins and all others responsible for damage to City property arising out of an incident on February 2, 2021, (amount is presently in excess of \$3,400), Moved By Ella Holmes-Hines, **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

Motion to provide and authorize the City Attorney and his staff to file and pursue lawsuits against persons and/or entities responsible for causing damage to City light poles and to authorize payment up to \$500 for any and all costs or fees incurred as a result of or in connection with each such lawsuit, Moved By Ella Holmes-Hines, **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

Motion to retain the services of William E. Whitfield, III, Esq. and the law firm of Copeland, Cook, Taylor & Bush, P.A. to serve as counsel for and to represent the interests of employees in their individual capacities as defendants in the prospective lawsuit filed against them by the heirs/estate of Leonard Parker, Jr. at hourly rates not to exceed \$175.00 for partners, \$145.00 for associates, and \$80.00 for paralegals, 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

Motion to Approve Resolution approving emergency expenditure and work authorization associated with urgent and necessitous sewer repair work utilizing Unit Price Contractor, and for related purposes, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **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

Resolution - approving Emergency Expenditure and Work Authorization associated with urgent and necessitous sewer repair work utilizing Unit Price Contractor, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **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

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - approval of DNA UNDERGROUND for emergency repair work - Signed](#)

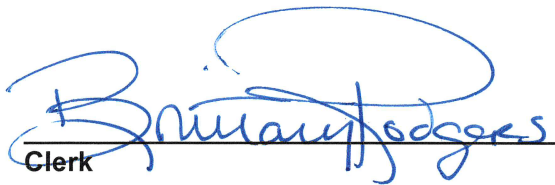
Setting of Next Meeting and Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, **Motion to Adjourn in memory of Mr. George Houtz, Mr. Gary Harkins, Mr. Curtis Odell "BO" Robinson, Jr., and Mr. Larry Benefield, until May 18, 2021 at 1:30 P.M. for a Regular Council Meeting, 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



Clerk



Mayor

Agenda Adjustments

30 – A Memo - acknowledging receipt of initial insurance claim proceeds from Sedgwick Delegated Authority, Third-Party Claims Administrator, related to Hurricane Zeta damage to City property and letters from Sedgwick and City Attorney in connection therewith.

32 – A Ratification - of LPK Architects' request for approval of sub-contractor under existing Contract for services.

After Executive Session Resolution - approving Emergency Expenditure and Work Authorization associated with urgent and necessitous sewer repair work utilizing Unit Price Contractor, and for related purposes.