



# City of Gulfport, Mississippi

## Agenda City Council

2309 15<sup>th</sup> Street  
Gulfport, MS 39501

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Wednesday, March 30, 2022

4:00 PM

*Gulfport City Hall  
Council Chambers*

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**4:00 P.M.**

### **Declaration of Special Call Meeting**

#### **Policy Issues**

- 1** Presentation - of Mayor's proposed Zoning recommendations to accommodate businesses operating under the Mississippi Medical Cannabis Act.
- 2** Resolution - authorizing the acceptance of Applications for Business Licenses within the City of Gulfport for businesses covered by the Mississippi Medical Cannabis Act, and for related purposes.

### **Setting of Next Meeting and Adjournment**

There came on for consideration at a duly constituted meeting of the Mayor and Members of the Gulfport City Council, held on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022, the following Resolution:

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATIONS FOR BUSINESS LICENSES WITHIN THE CITY OF GULFPORT FOR BUSINESSES COVERED BY THE MISSISSIPPI MEDICAL CANNABIS ACT**

**WHEREAS**, State of Mississippi has recently passed and adopted the Mississippi Medical Cannabis Act; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Mississippi Medical Cannabis Act provides for the establishment of certain businesses within that industry as covered by the Act; and,

**WHEREAS**, it is necessary for the City of Gulfport to amend its processes, zoning, and rules to accommodate the provisions of the Mississippi Medical Cannabis Act; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Mississippi Medical Cannabis Act requires that any person or entity who wishes to engage in any of the defined businesses within the Act to have a license issued by the Mississippi Department of Health, and/or the Mississippi Department of Revenue as applicable; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Council after careful deliberation and discussion, believes it is in the best interest of the City that any application to operate any of the defined businesses authorized under the Mississippi Medical Cannabis Act, shall include demonstrable proof of possession of a license for any such business from the Mississippi Department of Health and/or the Mississippi Department of Revenue as applicable.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GULFPORT, MS AS FOLLOWS, TO WIT:**

**Section 1.** That the matters, facts, and things recited in the Preamble hereto are hereby adopted as the official findings of the Governing Authority.

**Section 2.** That any application submitted to the City of Gulfport for a business license for any business covered by the Mississippi Medical Cannabis Act, shall include demonstrable proof of possession of a license for any such business from the Mississippi Department of Health, for any of the following businesses: **cannabis cultivation facilities, cannabis processing facilities, cannabis transportation entities, cannabis disposal entities, cannabis research facilities, and cannabis testing facilities.**

**Section 3.** That any application submitted to the City of Gulfport for a business license for a **medical cannabis dispensary** as covered by the Mississippi Medical Cannabis Act, shall include demonstrable proof of possession of a license for any such business from the Mississippi Department of Revenue.

**Section 4.** No application as set forth above shall be accepted or approved without demonstrable proof of possession of a license as set forth above.

The above and foregoing Resolution, after having been first reduced to writing and read by the Clerk, was introduced by \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by \_\_\_\_\_, and was adopted by the following roll call vote:

| <u>AYES</u> | <u>NAYS</u> | <u>ABSENT</u> |
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**WHEREUPON**, the President declared the motion carried and the Resolution adopted this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

**ATTEST:**

**ADOPTED:**

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**Brittany Rodgers, Clerk of Council**

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**F.B. "Rusty" Walker, IV, President**

The above and foregoing Resolution having been submitted to and approved by the Mayor, this the 23rd day of March, 2022.

**APPROVED:**

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**Billy Hewes, Mayor**