



City of Gulfport, Mississippi

Minutes City Council

2309 15th Street
Gulfport, MS 39501

Thursday, September 29, 2022

3:30 PM

*Gulfport City Hall
Council Chambers*

3:30 P.M.

The Mayor and Members of Council met at City Hall at 3:30 PM, on the above date, same being an adjourned meeting from a Regular Meeting on September 20, 2022 at 1:30 P.M.

Present: Mayor Billy Hewes, CAO Leonard Papania, Clerk of Council Brittany Rodgers, Deputy Clerk of Council Brittany Thomas, **Councilmembers:** Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines (teleconference), Rusty Walker, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers (switched to teleconference at 5:06 P.M.), and Richard Kosloski. **Absent:** General Counsel Hugh Keating.

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

Declaration of Special Call Meeting

Motion to Declare a Special Called Meeting, and to have the meeting notice thereof appended as Exhibit "A" to the minutes, 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, Richard Kosloski

Motion to Accept the Agenda, with the following adjustments; delete item 21, 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, Richard Kosloski

Policy Issues

Ordinances

- 1 Ordinance - providing for the salary of compensation for one (1) "Budget Analyst" position in the Department of Finance and Accounting, and for related purposes. (*Grade staying the same in the Salary Grade Schedule for this position - Grade 205*)

Motion to Adopt Ordinance, Moved By Ron Roland, **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, Richard Kosloski

Attachment(s):

[Ordinance 3170 - Signed](#)

- 2 Ordinance - providing for the salary of compensation for the City Attorney position in the Legal Department, and for related purposes. (*change in Grade in the Salary Grade Schedule for this position from Grade 212 to Grade 213*)

Motion to Adopt Ordinance, at Grade 213 Step 37, 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, Rusty Walker, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Richard Kosloski

Attachment(s):

[Ordinance 3171 - Signed](#)

- 3 Ordinance - providing for the salary of compensation for one (1) "Civil Service Clerk" part-time position, and for related purposes. (creation of new position in the Salary Grade Schedule - Grade 100)

Motion to Adopt Ordinance, 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, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Richard Kosloski

Attachment(s):

[Ordinance 3172 - Signed](#)

- 4 Ordinance - providing for the salary of compensation for one (1) "Clerk III - Sportsplex" position in the Department of Leisure Services, and for related purposes. (*changing Grade in the Salary Grade Schedule for this one (1) position from Grade 105 to Grade 108*)

Motion to Adopt Ordinance, at Grade 108 Step 20, 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, Richard Kosloski

Attachment(s):

[Ordinance 3173 - Signed](#)

- 5 Ordinance - providing for the substitution and replacement of four (4) positions of "Computer Support Specialist" with four (4) "IT Support Specialist I" positions, providing for the salaries of compensation for these four (4) positions and for those employees serving in these positions, and for related purposes. (*change in job titles and no change in Grade in Salary Grade Schedule*)

Motion to Adopt Ordinance, at Grade 109 Step 28, 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, Richard Kosloski

Attachment(s):

[Ordinance 3174 - Signed](#)

- 6 Ordinance - providing for the substitution and replacement of one (1) position of "Computer Support Specialist" with one (1) "IT Support Specialist II" position, providing for the salary of compensation for this one (1) position and for those employees serving in this position, and for related purposes. (*position to stay in same Grade 109 in the Salary Grade Schedule*)

Motion to Adopt Ordinance, at Grade 109 Step 35, 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, Richard Kosloski

Attachment(s):

[Ordinance 3175 - Signed](#)

- 7 Ordinance - providing for the salary of compensation for one (1) "Grants Manager" position in the Department of Finance and Accounting, and for related purposes. (creation of new position in the Salary Grade Schedule - Grade 206)

Motion to Adopt Ordinance, up to step 24 in Grade 206, 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, Rusty Walker, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Richard Kosloski

Attachment(s):

[Ordinance 3176 - Signed](#)

- 8 Ordinance - providing for the salary of compensation for one (1) "Leisure Services Office Manager" position in the Department of Leisure Services, and for related purposes. (*changing Grade in the Salary Grade Schedule for this one (1) position from Grade 109 to Grade 112*)

Motion to Adopt Ordinance, at Grade 112 Step 16, Moved By Kenneth Casey,
Seconded by Ron Roland

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Attachment(s):

[Ordinance 3177 - Signed](#)

- 9 Ordinance - providing for the salary of compensation for one (1) position of "Permit and Licensing Manager," formerly referred to as "Lead Code Enforcement Officer," in the Department of Urban Development, and for related purposes. (*change in job title in same Grade in the Salary Grade Schedule - Grade 109*)

Motion to Adopt Ordinance, at Grade 109 Step 40, 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, Rusty Walker, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Richard Kosloski

Attachment(s):

[Ordinance 3178 - Signed](#)

- 10** Ordinance - providing for the salary of compensation for four (4) positions of "Permit and Licensing Specialist," formerly referred to as "Clerk I," in the Department of Urban Development, and for related purposes. *(change in job title and new Grade in the Salary Grade Schedule - from Grade 103 to Grade 105)*

Motion to Adopt Ordinance, at Grade 105 Step 34, 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, Rusty Walker, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Richard Kosloski

Attachment(s):

[Ordinance 3179 - Signed](#)

- 11** Ordinance - providing for the salary of compensation for one (1) "Personnel Specialist" position in the Human Resources Division, and for related purposes. *(no change in Grade in the Salary Grade Schedule for this position - Grade 107)*

Motion to Adopt Ordinance, at Grade 107 Step 26, 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, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Richard Kosloski

Attachment(s):

[Ordinance 3180 - Signed](#)

- 12** Ordinance - providing for the salary of compensation for one (1) "Program Coordinator II" position in the Department of Leisure Services, and for related purposes. *(changing Grade in the Salary Grade Schedule for this one (1) position from Grade 203 to Grade 204)*

Motion to Adopt Ordinance, at Grade 204 Step 27, Moved By Kenneth Casey,
Seconded by Ron Roland

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Attachment(s):

[Ordinance 3181 - Signed](#)

- 13** Ordinance - providing for the salary of compensation for one (1) "Project Manager" position in the Department of Public Works, and for related purposes. *(creation of new position in the Salary Grade Schedule - Grade 207)*

Motion to Adopt Ordinance, up to step 31 in Grade 207, 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, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Richard Kosloski

Attachment(s):

[Ordinance 3182 - Signed](#)

- 14** Ordinance - providing for the salary of compensation for one (1) "Superintendent - Sportsplex" position in the Department of Leisure Services, and for related purposes. *(changing Grade in the Salary Grade Schedule for this one (1) position from Grade 204 to Grade 205)*

Motion to Adopt Ordinance, at Grade 205 Step 28, 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, Richard Kosloski

Attachment(s):

[Ordinance 3183 - Signed](#)

- 15** Ordinance - providing for the salary of compensation for one (1) "Swimming Pool Rec Aide" position in the Department of Leisure Services, and for related purposes. *(changing Grade in the Salary Grade Schedule for this one (1) position from Grade 102 to Grade 104)*

Motion to Adopt Ordinance, at Grade 104 Step 27, 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, Richard Kosloski

Attachment(s):

[Ordinance 3184 - Signed](#)

- 16** Ordinance - providing for the salary of compensation for one (1) position of "Utility Billing Dispatcher" in the Utility Billing Office, and for related purposes. (*creation of new position in the Salary Grade Schedule - Grade 105*)

Tabled by the President, without objection.

Motion to Take off the Table, Moved By Kenneth Casey, **Seconded by** Myles Sharp

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Motion to Adopt Ordinance, up to Step 18 in Grade 105, 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, Richard Kosloski

Attachment(s):

[Ordinance 3185 - Signed](#)

- 17** Ordinance - establishing additional rates of pay for certain employees within the Department of Information Technology who have satisfactorily obtained certain designated certifications and setting the additional salaries of employees serving in such positions within the Department of Information Technology to reflect such supplemental compensation, and for related purposes.

Motion to Adopt Ordinance, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Ron Roland

Motion to Amend, to limit to the positions of IT Support Specialist I, IT Support Specialist II, Systems Analyst, Senior Systems Analyst, and Information Systems Manager, 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, Richard Kosloski

The President called the question.

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Attachment(s):

[Ordinance 3186 - Signed](#)

Resolutions

- 18 Resolution - approving Contract for Victims Advocate Services associated with VOCA Grant, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By Ron Roland, **Seconded by** Richard Kosloski

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - Charlotte Gunn - DV Victims Advocate - Signed](#)

- 19 Resolution - approving Engagement Letter with Jones Walker Firm relating to Legal and Professional Services associated with the \$45,850,000 General Obligation Public Improvement Bond, Series 2021, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By Kenneth Casey, **Seconded by** Ron Roland

Vote: Motion Carried By The Following Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Rusty Walker, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Richard Kosloski

Nay: Ella Holmes-Hines

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - Jones Walker Engagement - \\$45,850,000 GO Bond - Signed](#)

- 20 Resolution - approving Health Insurance Plan options for the year ending 2023, and for related purposes.

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

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - YE 2023 Heath Insurance Plan options - Signed](#)

- 21 Resolution - approving Memorandum of Agreement with U.S. Army Corps of Engineers associated with the "Forest Heights Levee Improvements Project", authorizing allocation of funds in the amount of \$400,000 from the General Fund and to be paid to the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers toward the completion of the Design and Engineering Phase involving this Project, and for related purposes.

- Deleted -

- 22** Resolution - approving Memorandum of Understanding with the Mississippi Department of Finance and Administration regarding disbursement of funds associated with the BUILD Grant Project pursuant to House Bill 1353, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By Ron Roland, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Carried By The Following Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Rusty Walker, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Richard Kosloski

Nay: Ella Holmes-Hines

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - MOU DFA BUILD Grant HB 1353 - Signed](#)

- 23** Resolution - approving Addendum No. 5 to Contract Agreement with Neel Schaffer, Inc., for Engineering Services associated with the BUILD Grant Project, and for related purposes.

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

Vote: Motion Carried By The Following Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Rusty Walker, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Richard Kosloski

Nay: Ella Holmes-Hines

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - Addendum No. 5 Neel Schaffer - Signed](#)

- 24** Resolution - reauthorizing the Gulfport Redevelopment Commission to incur debt and to reauthorize the City of Gulfport to guaranty the aforementioned debt to the extent allowed by law, 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, Rusty Walker, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Richard Kosloski

Attachment(s):

[Resolution - GRC LOC Ext - Debt guaranty - Signed](#)

Budget Amendments

- 25 Budget Amendment #1A - changing the FY2023 Personnel Services budget for the Legal Department. *(no publication needed)*
- Motion to Approve Budget Amendment #1A, 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, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Richard Kosloski
- Attachment(s):**
[2023 BA1A - Legal](#)
- 26 Budget Amendment #1B - changing the FY2023 Personnel Services budget for the Information Technology Department. *(no publication needed)*
- Motion to Approve Budget Amendment #1B, 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, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Richard Kosloski
- Attachment(s):**
[2023 BA1B - IT](#)
- 27 Budget Amendment #1C - changing the FY2023 Personnel Services budget for the Fire Department. *(no publication needed)*
- Motion to Approve Budget Amendment #1C, Moved By** Richard Kosloski, **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, Richard Kosloski
- Attachment(s):**
[2023 BA1C - Fire](#)

Routine Agenda

- 28 Acceptance - of Audited Financial Statements for the Fiscal Year that ended September 30, 2021, from independent auditors (Mauldin & Jenkins).

Motion to Accept, 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, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Richard Kosloski

Attachment(s):

[2021 09 19 - Acceptance of FY2021 Audit Report](#)

[EXHIBIT A - City of Gulfport audited financial statements for FYE 2021](#)

- 29 Memo from CAO - referencing acknowledgment of original budget submittals from City Departments and Administration for FYE 2023 Budget - to be made a part of the minutes.

- Died for Lack of Motion -

- 30 Memo from Public Works Director - referencing acknowledgment of defunding of two positions in the Department of Public Works associated with newly adopted FYE 2023 Budget.

Motion to Accept Memo from Public Works Director, 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, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Richard Kosloski

Attachment(s):

[Recommendation to defund two positions in the Public Works Maintenance Garage 091522](#)

- 31 Ratification - of Fuel Cost Adjustment to Current Privatization Contract - August Invoice - to be made a part of the minutes.

Motion to Ratify, 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, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Richard Kosloski

Attachment(s):

[Request - Fuel Cost Adjustment to Current Privatization Contract - August Invoice](#)

The following motions were taken after this item.

Motion to Approve providing resources to assist with Gulfport School District's Cross Country Event to be held on October 6, 2022 along City public streets, 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, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers, Richard Kosloski

Motion to Amend the moratorium on pay raises proposed in the FYE 2023 budget adopted by the Council on September 12, 2022, to permit and allow those raises and salary changes adopted or approved by the Council during the meeting today (September 29, 2022) as well as the salary step increase raises approved and referenced in and attached as Exhibit "A" to this Motion, with a moratorium on step increase raises for any employees outside of automatic raises for Police and Fire to remain until further budgeting action by the Council, which is anticipated to occur within the next 30 days, Moved By Myles Sharp, Seconded by Richard Kosloski

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

EXHIBIT "A" TO MOTION

FUNDED (AUTHORIZED) SALARY STEP INCREASES AS PART OF FYE 2023 BUDGET ADOPTION:

(1) Department of Leisure Services

Program Coordinator – Grade 110 Step 20
Landscape Manager – Grade 206 Step 21
Recreation Aide I PT+ - Grade 100 Step 23
Director of Leisure Services – Grade 211A Step 17
Lead Maintenance Tech – Grade 110 Step 24

(2) Legal Department

Assistant City Attorney (Grade 211) – Grade 211 Step 32

(3) Fire Department

Deputy Fire Marshal – Grade 404 Step 28
Fire Inspector positions – two positions – Grade 404 Step 10
Administrative Assistant III (Fire) – Grade 107 Step 31

(4) Department of Information Technology

GIS Analyst – two positions – Grade 110 Step 38
Senior GIS Analyst – Grade 207 Step 10

Executive Session

Upon the advice of General Counsel, Motion to Enter Closed Session to make a preliminary determination of the necessity for Executive Session, Moved By Ron Roland, Seconded by Rusty Walker

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Kenneth Casey (out of room)

The Council entered Closed Session at 5:23 P.M. In attendance: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines (teleconference), Rusty Walker, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers (teleconference), Richard Kosloski, Mayor Billy Hewes (out at 5:26 P.M.), CAO Leonard Papania, City Attorney Jeff Bruni, Clerk of Council Brittany Rodgers, and Deputy Clerk of Council Brittany Thomas.

Motion to Exit Closed Session at 5:25 P.M., Moved By Ron Roland, 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, Richard Kosloski

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 5:25 P.M. for (1) discussion regarding the prospective purchase/leasing of land related to the Harrison County Development Commission, Moved By Richard Kosloski, 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, Richard Kosloski

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Motion to Exit Executive Session at 5:37 P.M., Moved By Kenneth Casey, Seconded by Ron Roland

Vote: Motion Carried By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

No official action was taken during Executive Session.

Setting of Next Meeting and Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, Motion to Adjourn, until October 4, 2022 at 1:30 P.M. for a Regular Meeting, 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, Myles Sharp, R.Lee Flowers

Absent: Richard Kosloski

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Mayor



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