



City Council | Minutes

Tuesday, February 18, 2025 – 1:30 PM

City Hall – Council Chambers
2309 15th Street, Gulfport

1:30 PM Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance, Call to Order

The Mayor and Members of Council met at City Hall at 1:30 PM, on the above date, same being an adjourned meeting from a Regular Meeting on February 4, 2025, at 1:30 P.M.

Present: Mayor Billy Hewes, CAO Wayne Miller, City Attorney Jeff Bruni, Clerk of Council Brittany Rodgers, Deputy Clerk of Council Brittany Thomas, **Councilmembers:** Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines (in at 1:39 P.M.), Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, and Richard Kosloski.

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

Agenda Order Confirmation or Adjustment of the Agenda Order

Motion to Accept the Agenda with the following adjustments, (1) Delete items 14 and 27; at the Administration's request; (2) Add item 7 – A - Ordinance - amending Section 6-376 (c) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gulfport, Mississippi, and for related purposes.; (3) Add item 25 – A – Resolution - authorizing an expenditure for advertising and bringing into favorable notice the opportunities, possibilities and resources of the City of Gulfport for Gulfport High School's Team Fusion 364, and for related purposes.; (4) Add item 25 – B - Resolution - authorizing the donation of funds to Gulfport Main Street Association, in accord with Miss. Code Ann. Section 21-19-44.1, and for related purposes.; (5) Add item 25 – C – Resolution - authorizing the loan of municipal equipment to the City of Long Beach pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 17-5-15, and for related purposes.; (6) Add item 25 – D - Resolution - expressing support for the "2600 Mixed-Use" Project, for the purpose of Application to the Mississippi Development Authority's Tourism Tax Rebate Program, and for related purposes.; (7) Add item 29 – A - Budget Amendment #44 – increasing funds in 115 Advertising line item.; and (8) Add item 32 – A - Legal Notice - advertisement for Sealed Bid for MIMA Phase II - Concrete Paving., Moved By Ron Roland, Seconded by Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Presentation Agenda

- Mayor's Report

Policy Issues

Minutes / Appointments

- 1 Approval of Minutes - for January 20, 2025 Special Call Meeting.

Motion to Approve January 20, 2025 Minutes, Moved By Kenneth Casey, **Seconded by** Ella Holmes-Hines

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Attachment(s):

[January 20, 2025 SCM - Minutes](#)

- 2 Approval of Minutes - for January 23, 2025 Special Call Meeting.

Motion to Approve January 23, 2025 Minutes, Moved By Kenneth Casey, **Seconded by** Ella Holmes-Hines

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Attachment(s):

[January 23, 2025 Minutes](#)

- 3 Ratification - of appointment(s) to Gulfport's Youth Sports and Recreation Commission.

Motion to Ratify the appointment of Wanda Farmer, Jeff Bruni, Craig Peterson, Ronnie Henderson, and Chad Blalack to the City of Gulfport Youth Sports and Recreation Commission, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Ron Roland

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Attachment(s):

[Appointment Letter - Gulfport Youth Sports and Recreation Commission](#)

Hearings / Appeals

- 4 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 R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

The following Citizen(s) addressed the Council:

- Mr. John Chivas - 11354 Creel Circle
- Mr. Belino - 3826 Monterey Drive

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

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 02182025 4 - Signed](#)

Recommendations

- 5 Final Plat - of 102-lot subdivision (The Island Townhomes) - on property zoned R-2 (Single-family) - East Taylor Road - Case #2503CC027 - Ward 5.

Motion to Accept Final Plat of The Island Townhomes Subdivision, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Attachment(s):

[Final Plat - The Island Townhomes](#)

- 6 Recommendation from Planning Commission to Amend Zoning Ordinance - (amending Zoning Map to rezone properties to B-2 (General Business) - 12473 Dedeaux Road, 12463 Dedeaux Road, 12451 Dedeaux Road, 0 Dedeaux Road - Case #2412PC189 - Ward 6.

Motion to Accept Recommendation and Adopt Ordinance, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Ella Holmes-Hines

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Attachment(s):

[Ordinance 3480 02182025 6 - Signed](#)

Ordinances

- 7 Ordinance - amending Tree Ordinance (Chapter 8, Article I of the City's Code of Ordinances), and for related purposes. (*postponed from January 23, 2025 SCM*)

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

Vote: Motion Passed By The Following Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, R.Lee Flowers, Richard Kosloski

Nay: Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker

Attachment(s):

[Ordinance 3481 02182025_7 - Signed](#)

President Walker recessed at 2:58 P.M. without objection; resumed at 3:07 P.M.

- 7 - A Ordinance - amending Section 6-376 (c) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gulfport, Mississippi, and for related purposes.

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

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Attachment(s):

[Ordinance 3482 02182025_7-A - Signed](#)

- 8 Ordinance - providing for removal or deletion of the "Equipment Specialist" position from the City of Gulfport, Mississippi's Salary Grade Schedule, and for related purposes.

Motion to Adopt Ordinance, Moved By Ella Holmes-Hines, **Seconded by** Ron Roland

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Attachment(s):

[Ordinance 3483 02182025_8 - Signed](#)

- 9 Ordinance - providing for the salary of compensation for one (1) "Mechanic" position, and for related purposes.

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

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Attachment(s):

[Ordinance 3484 02182025_9 - Signed](#)

Resolutions

- 10** Resolution - approving Award to MRL Equipment in connection with the Reverse Auction for the purchase of a Thermoplastic Detail Striper, and for related purposes.
- Motion to Approve, Moved By** Ella Holmes-Hines, **Seconded by** R.Lee Flowers
- Vote:** Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote
Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Richard Kosloski
- Attachment(s):**
[Resolution 02182025 10 - Signed](#)
- 11** Resolution - approving Award to Step One Automotive in connection with the Reverse Auction for the purchase of ten (10) Dodge Chargers, and for related purposes.
- Motion to Approve, Moved By** Ella Holmes-Hines, **Seconded by** R.Lee Flowers
- Vote:** Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote
Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Richard Kosloski
- Attachment(s):**
[Resolution 02182025 11 - Signed](#)
- 12** Resolution - approving Engineering Agreement for Professional Services with Seymour Engineering, PLLC, for the Turkey Creek Pump Station Basin Assessment, and for related purposes.
- Motion to Approve, Moved By** Ella Holmes-Hines, **Seconded by** R.Lee Flowers
- Vote:** Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote
Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Richard Kosloski
- Attachment(s):**
[Resolution 02182025 12 - Signed](#)
- 13** Resolution - approving Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Gulfport and the United States Coast Guard regarding Emergency Services response to Coast Guard Station Gulfport, and for related purposes.
- Motion to Approve, Moved By** Ella Holmes-Hines, **Seconded by** R.Lee Flowers
- Vote:** Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote
Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Richard Kosloski
- Attachment(s):**
[Resolution 02182025 13 - Signed](#)

- 14** Resolution - approving Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Gulfport and the Mississippi Transportation Commission for the Gulfport Commerce Corridor Project, and for related purposes.

- Deleted -

- 15** Resolution - approving petition by Goldin Metals, Inc., for a Free Port Warehouse License for a period of five (5) years pursuant to Miss. Code (1972) Ann., as amended, § 27-31-51, et seq., and for related purposes.

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

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

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, Richard Kosloski

Recused: R.Lee Flowers

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 02182025 15 - Signed](#)

- 16** Resolution - approving petition by Oldcastle APG, Inc. D/B/A Oldcastle Coastal, for a Free Port Warehouse License for a period of five (5) years pursuant to Miss. Code (1972) Ann., as amended, § 27-31-51, et seq., and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 02182025 16 - Signed](#)

- 17** Resolution - approving petition by Soprema, Inc., for a Free Port Warehouse License for a period of five (5) years pursuant to Miss. Code (1972) Ann., as amended, § 27-31-51, et seq., and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 02182025 17 - Signed](#)

- 18** Resolution - approving petition by Keith Huber Corporation for a municipal ad valorem tax exemption, not to include school district taxes for a period of five (5) years for capital investment and to authorize the exemption on certain tangible property pursuant to Miss. Code (1972) Ann., as amended, § 27-31-101, et seq., and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 02182025 18 - Signed](#)

- 19** Resolution - approving Proposal of Coast Transit Authority in connection with the 2025 Gulfport Harbor Lights Winter Festival, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 02182025 19 - Signed](#)

- 20** Resolution - approving True-Up Agreement with Microsoft, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 02182025 20 - Signed](#)

- 21** Resolution - approving Change Order No. 2 to Contract with Southern Colonial Construction, Inc., for the Debuys Road Sewer Pump Station Force Main Connection to West Biloxi Wastewater Treatment Plant, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 02182025 21 - Signed](#)

- 22** Resolution - accepting the donation of additional exercise equipment from Memorial Hospital at Gulfport, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 02182025 22 - Signed](#)

- 23** Resolution - authorizing the City of Gulfport to accept the MS Justice Assistance Grant (JAG), Grant Number 15PBJA-23-02996-MUMU, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 02182025 23 - Signed](#)

- 24** Resolution - authorizing an expenditure for advertising and bringing into favorable notice the opportunities, possibilities and resources of the City of Gulfport, by and through the Gulfport Police Department, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 02182025 24 - Signed](#)

- 25** Resolution - authorizing an expenditure for advertising and bringing into favorable notice the opportunities, possibilities and resources of the City of Gulfport in connection with Gulfport High School's 2025 Battle at the Beach High School Baseball Tournament, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 02182025 25 - Signed](#)

- 25 - A** Resolution - authorizing an expenditure for advertising and bringing into favorable notice the opportunities, possibilities and resources of the City of Gulfport for Gulfport High School's Team Fusion 364, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 02182025 25-A - Signed](#)

- 25 - B** Resolution - authorizing the donation of funds to Gulfport Main Street Association, in accord with Miss. Code Ann. Section 21-19-44.1, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 02182025 25-B - Signed](#)

- 25 - C** Resolution - authorizing the loan of municipal equipment to the City of Long Beach pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 17-5-15, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 02182025 25-C - Signed](#)

- 25 - D** Resolution - expressing support for the "2600 Mixed-Use" Project, for the purpose of Application to the Mississippi Development Authority's Tourism Tax Rebate Program, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 02182025 25-D - Signed](#)

- 26** Resolution - stating the intent of the Mayor and City Council of the City of Gulfport, Mississippi, to acquire, design, construct, renovate, finance, equip, and lease a Fire Station and related facilities for an amount not to exceed three million five hundred thousand dollars, pursuant to the authority of Sections 31-8-1 et seq., Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended, under one or more leases between the City and the Southern Mississippi Investment Company, Inc., a non-profit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, created for the purpose of acquiring, designing, constructing, renovating, financing, equipping, and leasing facilities to certain governmental units pursuant to the act; approving a Special Counsel and a Municipal Advisor to the City, affirming the City Attorney, and acknowledging the Counsel to the Corporation in connection with the lease or leases and the issuance of one or more Certificates of Participation, or negotiating one or more Loan Agreements secured each by a note, and for related purposes.

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

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 02182025 26 - Signed](#)

- 27** Resolution - authorizing property conveyances required to undertake the Rebuild of Fire Station 2 Project, and for related purposes.

- Deleted -

Budget Amendments / Docket of Claims

- 28** Budget Amendment #42 - increasing funds in Capital Outlay for the Police Department.

Motion to Approve Budget Amendment #42, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Attachment(s):

[Budget Amendments 2025-42](#)

- 29** Budget Amendment #43 - appropriating funds from the MS Justice Assistance Grant (JAG), Grant Number 15PBJA-23-GG-02996-MUMU.

Motion to Approve Budget Amendment #43, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Attachment(s):

[Budget Amendments 2025-43](#)

- 29 - A** Budget Amendment #44 - increasing funds in 115 Advertising line item.

Motion to Approve Budget Amendment #44, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Attachment(s):

[Budget Amendments 2025-44](#)

- 30** Docket of Claims - to be approved through February 19, 2025.

Motion to Approve Docket of Claims, in the amount of \$4,015,644.24, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Passed By The Following Roll Call Vote

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

Nay: Ella Holmes-Hines

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 02182025 30 - Signed](#)

Routine Agenda

Motion to Approve Routine Agenda, as amended, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

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

Attachment(s):

[AST Agreement - Fire Station 9/Safe Haven Baby Box 12172024 27 - Executed](#)

[CFF, LLC - Amber Hinton Professional Services Agreement 01072025 15 - Executed](#)

[Cityworks Renewal 01232025 11 - Executed](#)

[All Safe Supplemental Rider - Maintenance Shop 01232025 12 - Executed](#)

[All Safe Supplemental Rider - Train Depot 01232025 12 - Executed](#)

[Gulf Breeze Construction Inc. 02042025 6 - Executed](#)

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

Attachment(s):

[Code Enforcement Chapter 3 Notices 021825](#)

- 32 - A** Legal Notice - advertisement for Sealed Bid for MIMA Phase II - Concrete Paving.

Attachment(s):

[Advertisement - MIMA Phase II - Concrete Paving](#)

- 33** Letter - regarding bid awarded by Purchasing to Howard Industries for Transceivers - Information Technology - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Howard Industries - Transceivers - IT](#)

- 34** Privilege License Report - for the month of January 2025 - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Privilege License Report--January 2025](#)

- 35** Ratification - of Municipal Compliance Questionnaire for FY 2023 - to be made a part of the minutes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Passed By The Following Roll Call Vote

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

Nay: Ella Holmes-Hines

Attachment(s):

[2023 Municipal Compliance Questionnaire](#)

- 36** Ratification - of Municipal Compliance Questionnaire for FY 2024 - to be made a part of the minutes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, **Seconded by** Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Passed By The Following Roll Call Vote

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

Nay: Ella Holmes-Hines

Attachment(s):

[2024 Municipal Compliance Quesionnaire](#)

- 37** Request - authorization for issuance of special checks for Annual Licensing Fees and Ticketing Fees for the 2024 Gulfport Harbor Lights Winter Festival.

Attachment(s):

[Memo - Special Check 2.18.25 - Webconnex, BMI & ASCAP](#)

[Webconnex LLC Invoice](#)

[BMI Report Form](#)

[ASCAP Report Form](#)

- 38** Request - authorization for issuance of special checks in connection with 2025 Elections to Poll Managers and Resolution Board Members.

Attachment(s):

[MEMO - Special Check authorization for elections 021825](#)

- 39 Ward 5 - Special Election - Affidavit of Publication - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Special Election \(Ward 5\) - Proof of Publication](#)

Public Agenda

Council Comments

Memorial Adjournment

- [Mr. Charles Chuck Scianna Jr.](#)
- [Mr. Hubert Carlton Rackley III](#)
- [Mr. Lon Edward Booker III](#)

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 Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

The Council entered Closed Session at 3:25 P.M. In attendance: Councilmembers: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Richard Kosloski, Mayor Billy Hewes, CAO Wayne Miller, City Attorney Jeff Bruni, Clerk of Council Brittany Rodgers, Deputy Clerk of Council Brittany Thomas.

Motion to Exit Closed Session at 3:29 P.M., Moved By R.Lee Flowers, Seconded by Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, 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 3:30 P.M. for (1) strategy session with respect to pending litigation involving Phillips Building Supply, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, Seconded by Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Nay: Ella Holmes-Hines

The Council entered Executive Session at 3:30 P.M. In attendance: Councilmembers: Kenneth Casey, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, R.Lee Flowers, Richard Kosloski, Mayor Billy Hewes, CAO Wayne Miller, City Attorney Jeff Bruni, Clerk of Council Brittany Rodgers, Deputy Clerk of Council Brittany Thomas.

Motion to Exit Executive Session at 3:32 P.M., Moved By Ella Holmes-Hines, Seconded by Ron Roland

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

No official action was taken during Executive Session.

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

Without objection, Frank Bordeaux gave an update regarding the City's Insurance coverage.

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. Charles "Chuck" Scianna Jr., Mr. Hubert Carlton Rackley III, Mr. Lon Edward Booker III, until March 4, 2025, at 1:30 P.M. for a Regular Meeting, Moved By R.Lee Flowers, Seconded by Kenneth Casey

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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