



City Council | Minutes

Tuesday, July 8, 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 June 17, 2025, at 1:30 P.M.

Present: Mayor Hugh Keating, CAO Wayne Miller, City Attorney Jeff Bruni, Clerk of Council Brittany Rodgers, Deputy Clerk of Council Brittany Thomas, **Councilmembers:** Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, and Johnny Hoggatt.

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; delete item 7, at the Administration's request. add item 32 – A – Resolution – rescinding the previously adopted Urban Renewal Plan associated with the Health Care Services Urban Renewal District, and for related purposes. add item 32 – B - Resolution – rescinding the previously adopted Urban Renewal Plan associated with the Quarters Historic Minority Business District and Empowerment Zone, and for related purposes. add item 50 – A - Receipt – of Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2023, from Independent Auditors (Mauldin & Jenkins, LLC) – to be made a part of the minutes., Moved By Ron Roland, Seconded by B.J. Sellers Jr.

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Presentation Agenda

- Mayor's Report

Policy Issues

Minutes / Appointments

- 1 Election of Council Officers - to take effect immediately.

Motion to Nominate Rusty Walker as President and Ron Roland as Vice President, Moved By B.J. Sellers Jr., Seconded by Johnny Hoggatt

Vote: Motion Passed By The Following Roll Call Vote

Aye: Ron Roland, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Johnny Hoggatt

Nay: Kendal Buckner, Ella Holmes-Hines, Carrissa Corbett

- 2 Ratification - of various appointments for Department Directors.

Motion to Ratify various appointments for Department Directors, Moved By Ron Roland, **Seconded by** B.J. Sellers Jr.

Motion to Divide the Question, Moved By Ella Holmes-Hines

Vote: Motion Failed By The Following Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ella Holmes-Hines, Carrissa Corbett

Nay: Ron Roland, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Johnny Hoggatt

Motion to Table, Moved By Kendal Buckner, **Seconded by** Ella Holmes-Hines

Vote: Motion Failed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ella Holmes-Hines, Carrissa Corbett

Nay: Ron Roland, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Johnny Hoggatt

The following addressed the Council:

Randy Wales, Director of Leisure Services

Tyler Gentry, Director of Public Works

Jeremy Harrison, Director of Engineering

Jeff Bruni, City Attorney

The President called the question.

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Attachment(s):

[Director Ratification Letter 07082025](#)

- 3 Ratification - of reappointment to the Memorial Hospital Board of Trustees.

Upon the advice of General Counsel, Motion to Enter Closed Session to make a preliminary determination of the necessity for Executive Session, Moved By Ella Holmes-Hines, **Seconded by** Carrissa Corbett

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

The Council entered Closed Session at 2:20 P.M. In attendance: Councilmembers: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland (in at 2:21 P.M.), Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt, Mayor Hugh Keating, CAO Wayne Miller, City Attorney Jeff Bruni, Clerk of Council Brittany Rodgers, and Deputy Clerk of Council Brittany Thomas.

Motion to Exit Closed Session at 2:25 P.M., Moved By Carrissa Corbett, **Seconded by** Ella Holmes-Hines

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

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 2:28 P.M. for (1) strategy session with respect to prospective litigation and discussion regarding relocation or expansion of a business or industry, Moved By Ella Holmes-Hines, Seconded by Rusty Walker

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

The Council entered Executive Session at 2:32 P.M. In attendance: Councilmembers: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, and Johnny Hoggatt, Mayor Hugh Keating, CAO Wayne Miller, City Attorney Jeff Bruni, Kent Nicaud (Memorial Hospital President/CEO), Cara Pucheu (Memorial Hospital Board of Trustees), Clerk of Council Brittany Rodgers, and Deputy Clerk of Council Brittany Thomas.

Motion to Exit Executive Session at 2:50 P.M., Moved By Ella Holmes-Hines, Seconded by Johnny Hoggatt

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

No official action was taken during Executive Session.

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

Motion to Ratify the reappointment of Cara Pucheu to the Memorial Hospital Board of Trustees, Moved By Ron Roland, Seconded by B.J. Sellers Jr.

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Attachment(s):

[Reappointment Letter - MHG Board of Trustees - Cara Pucheu](#)

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 Ron Roland, Seconded by Johnny Hoggatt

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Johnny Hoggatt

Absent: Carrissa Corbett (out of room)

The following Citizen(s) addressed the Council:

Parcel 33 –15235 Barbara Drive - Kenneth Dillon

Motion to Close the Hearing and Approve the Resolution, Moved By Ron Roland, **Seconded by** B.J. Sellers Jr.

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 07082025_4 - Signed](#)

Recommendations

- 5** Recommendation from City Engineer to Accept for Perpetual Maintenance - Belvedere Place Subdivision Part 6 Water and Sewer.

*** Councilmember B.J. Sellers Jr. recused and removed himself from the Chambers during the discussion and vote on this item.**

Motion to Accept for Perpetual Maintenance Belvedere Place Subdivision Part 6 - Water and Sewer, Moved By Ron Roland, **Seconded by** Ella Holmes-Hines

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Recused: B.J. Sellers Jr.

Attachment(s):

[Belvedere Place Part 6 Subdivision Water and Sewer for Perpetual Maintenance](#)

- 6** Recommendation from City Engineer to Accept for Perpetual Maintenance - Savoy Place Subdivision Part 3 Water and Sewer.

*** Councilmember B.J. Sellers Jr. recused and removed himself from the Chambers during the discussion and vote on this item.**

Motion to Accept Perpetual Maintenance Savoy Place Subdivision Part 3 - Water and Sewer, Moved By Ron Roland, **Seconded by** Ella Holmes-Hines

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Recused: B.J. Sellers Jr.

Attachment(s):

[Savoy Place Part 3 Subdivision Water and Sewer for Perpetual Maintenance](#)

Ordinances

- 7 Ordinance - amending Ordinance 3128, as amended by Ordinance 3407, to provide for refund of recreation fees to parents who coach teams, and for related purposes.

- Deleted -

- 8 Ordinance - amending Zoning Map (to rezone property to T4+ (General Urban Zone "Plus") - 130 Tegarden Road - Case # 2505PC053 - Ward 2.

Motion to Adopt Ordinance, Moved By Ron Roland, **Seconded by** B.J. Sellers Jr.

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Attachment(s):

[Ordinance 3502 07082025_8 - Signed](#)

- 9 Ordinance - amending Zoning Map (to rezone properties to T4L (General Urban Zone "Limited") - 5th Street - Case #2505PC058 - Ward 2.

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

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Attachment(s):

[Ordinance 3503 07082025_9 - Signed](#)

Resolutions

- 10 Resolution - approving and appointing Mississippi Municipal League 2025 Voting Delegates for the City of Gulfport, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By Ella Holmes-Hines, **Seconded by** Kendal Buckner

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 07082025_10 – Signed](#)

- 11** Resolution - approving Agreements between the Gulfport School District and the City of Gulfport, Mississippi, and the Harrison County School District and the City of Gulfport, Mississippi, concerning placement of points of distribution on school property in the event of an emergency, and for related purposes.

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

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 07082025 11 - Signed](#)

- 12** Resolution - approving Amendment to Contract with Waste Pro of Mississippi, Inc, for Residential and Light Commercial Garbage and Recycling Collection, Transport and Disposal, and for related purposes. (EHH)

Motion to Suspend the Rules for discussion, Moved By Ella Holmes-Hines, **Seconded by** Rusty Walker

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

- 13** Resolution - approving award to CSpire for the RFP for Unified Communications and Cloud Contact Center, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By Ron Roland, **Seconded by** Johnny Hoggatt

Motion to Table, Moved By Ella Holmes-Hines, **Seconded by** Kendal Buckner

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Motion to Take off the Table, Moved By Ron Roland, **Seconded by** Rusty Walker

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

The President called the question.

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 07082025 13 - Signed](#)

- 14** Resolution - approving Certificate of Substantial Completion for the Debuys Road Sewer Pump Station Force Main Connection to West Biloxi Wastewater Treatment Plant Project (MCWI No. 156-2-CW-5.5), and for related purposes.

*** Councilmember B.J. Sellers Jr. recused and removed himself from the Chambers during the discussion and vote on this item.**

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

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Recused: B.J. Sellers Jr.

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 07082025 14 - Signed](#)

- 15** Resolution - approving Change Order No. 4 to Contract with Southern Colonial Construction, Inc., for the Debuys Road Sewer Pump Station Force Main Connection to West Biloxi Wastewater Treatment Plant Project, and for related purposes.

*** Councilmember B.J. Sellers Jr. recused and removed himself from the Chambers during the discussion and vote on this item.**

Motion to Approve, Moved By Johnny Hoggatt, **Seconded by** Carrissa Corbett

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Recused: B.J. Sellers Jr.

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 07082025 15 - Signed](#)

- 16** Resolution - approving HOME Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) Agreement with Back Bay Mission, and for related purposes. (postponed from June 17,2025)

Motion to Approve, Moved By Ella Holmes-Hines, **Seconded by** Johnny Hoggatt

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 07082025 16 - Signed](#)

- 17** Resolution - approving HOME Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) Agreement with South Mississippi Housing Authority (SMHA), and for related purposes. (postponed from June 17,2025)

Motion to Approve, Moved By Ella Holmes-Hines, **Seconded by** Johnny Hoggatt

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 07082025 17 - Signed](#)

- 18** Resolution - approving Special Tent Event Permit for the Trumpet in Zion Fellowship Church on Polk Street, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By B.J. Sellers Jr., **Seconded by** Ron Roland

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 07082025 18 - Signed](#)

- 19** Resolution - approving Renewal of Subscription License Agreement with VeriPic, Inc., and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By B.J. Sellers Jr., **Seconded by** Ron Roland

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 07082025 19 - Signed](#)

- 20** Resolution - approving the temporary closure of municipal right of way for the 2025 4th Annual Breland Grocery Block Party, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By B.J. Sellers Jr., **Seconded by** Ron Roland

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 07082025 20 - Signed](#)

- 21** Resolution - approving the temporary closure of municipal right of way for the 2025 Gulfport Art Centers Inaugural artGPT Event, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By B.J. Sellers Jr., **Seconded by** Ron Roland

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 07082025 21 - Signed](#)

- 22** Resolution - approving the temporary closure of municipal right of way for the 2025 Gulfport Historical Society's Inaugural Jones 'n Hardy Party, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By B.J. Sellers Jr., **Seconded by** Ron Roland

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 07082025 22 - Signed](#)

- 23** Resolution - authorizing an expenditure (in the form of an in-kind donation) for advertising and bringing into favorable notice the opportunities, possibilities and resources of the City of Gulfport in connection with the 2025 Gulfport Art Center's Inaugural artGPT Event, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By B.J. Sellers Jr., **Seconded by** Ron Roland

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 07082025 23 - Signed](#)

- 24** Resolution - authorizing an expenditure (in the form of an in-kind donation) for advertising and bringing into favorable notice the opportunities, possibilities and resources of the City of Gulfport in connection with the 2025 Gulfport Historical Society's Inaugural Jones 'n Hardy Party, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By B.J. Sellers Jr., **Seconded by** Ron Roland

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 07082025 24 - Signed](#)

- 25** Resolution - authorizing an expenditure (in the form of an in-kind donation) for advertising and bringing into favorable notice the opportunities, possibilities and resources of the City of Gulfport in connection with the Gulfport Sports Hall of Fame, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By B.J. Sellers Jr., **Seconded by** Ron Roland

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 07082025 25 - Signed](#)

- 26** Resolution - authorizing an expenditure (in the form of an in-kind donation) for advertising and bringing into favorable notice the opportunities, possibilities and resources of the City of Gulfport in connection with Senior Academy of Technology, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By B.J. Sellers Jr., **Seconded by** Ron Roland

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

- 27** Resolution - authorizing the City of Gulfport to submit Application to the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources seeking grant funding pursuant to the Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act (GOMESA) to support projects within the jurisdiction of the City of Gulfport, Mississippi, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By B.J. Sellers Jr., **Seconded by** Ron Roland

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 07082025 27 - Signed](#)

- 28** Resolution - evaluating the use of each Community Center and Recreation Center and, where appropriate, seek youth and senior programming offerings for each center, and for related purposes. (EHH)

Motion to Approve, Moved By Ella Holmes-Hines, **Seconded by** Carrissa Corbett

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 07082025 28 - Signed](#)

- 29** Resolution - finding that CDBG and HOME Entitlement funding for the periods 2017–2025 should be reallocated, with Ward 3 receiving approximately one-half thereof and that said funding should be directed to certain identified projects, and for related purposes. (EHH)

Discussion was held, but no official action was taken.

- 30** Resolution - memorializing the Mississippi Legislature to adopt Juneteenth as a legal holiday in the State of Mississippi, and for related purposes. (EHH)

Motion to Approve, Moved By Ella Holmes-Hines, **Seconded by** Carrissa Corbett

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 07082025 30 - Signed](#)

- 31** Resolution - ratifying and approving Contract of Memorial Hospital at Gulfport for the purchase or lease of real property, and for related purposes.

Resume at 3:31 P.M.

Motion to Approve, Moved By B.J. Sellers Jr., **Seconded by** Rusty Walker

Vote: Motion Passed By The Following Roll Call Vote

Aye: Ron Roland, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Johnny Hoggatt

Nay: Kendal Buckner, Ella Holmes-Hines

Absent: Carrissa Corbett

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 07082025 31 - Signed](#)

- 32** 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 B.J. Sellers Jr., **Seconded by** Rusty Walker

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 07082025 32 - Signed](#)

- 32 - A** Resolution - rescinding the previously adopted Urban Renewal Plan associated with the Health Care Services Urban Renewal District, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By Kendal Buckner, **Seconded by** Ella Holmes-Hines

The following addressed the Council:

Kent Nicaud - MHG President/CEO
Jeff Bruni, City Attorney

Withdraw Motion, Moved By Kendal Buckner, **without objection.**

- 32 - B** Resolution - rescinding the previously adopted Urban Renewal Plan for the Quarters Historic Minority Business District and Empowerment Zone, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By Kendal Buckner, **Seconded by** Ella Holmes-Hines

The following addressed the Council:

Kent Nicaud - MHG President/CEO
Jeff Bruni, City Attorney

Withdraw Motion, Moved By Kendal Buckner, **without objection.**

- 33** Resolution - supporting an Application to the Gulf Coast Restoration Fund (GCRF) to establish an Intermodal Transportation Center at Memorial Hospital Gulfport, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By Ron Roland, **Seconded by** Rusty Walker

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Johnny Hoggatt

Absent: Carrissa Corbett

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 07082025 33 - Signed](#)

- 34** Resolution - urging and authorizing the Administration to submit an Application to the US Department of Housing and Urban Development, for the Section 108 Loan Guarantee Program through the Community Development Block Grant Program, and for related purposes. (EHH)

Discussion was held, but no official action was taken.

Budget Amendments / Docket of Claims

- 35** Budget Amendment #84 - allocating funds for the Unified Communications & Cloud Contact Center Capital Project.

Motion to Approve Budget Amendment #84, Moved By B.J. Sellers Jr., **Seconded by** Rusty Walker

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Attachment(s):

[Budget Amendments 2025-84](#)

- 36** Budget Amendment #85 - increasing line item 277 Vehicles from drug-related arrest.

Motion to Approve Budget Amendment #85, Moved By B.J. Sellers Jr., Seconded by Rusty Walker

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Attachment(s):

[Budget Amendments 2025-85](#)

- 37** Budget Amendment #86 - transferring Capital Outlay funds from Water to Sewer to Fund Sewer Project Work Authorizations with DNA Underground, LLC.

Motion to Approve Budget Amendment #86, Moved By B.J. Sellers Jr., Seconded by Rusty Walker

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Attachment(s):

[Budget Amendments 2025-86](#)

- 38** Budget Amendment #87 - transferring funds from Repairs and Maintenance to Machinery.

Motion to Approve Budget Amendment #87, Moved By B.J. Sellers Jr., Seconded by Rusty Walker

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Attachment(s):

[Budget Amendments 2025-87](#)

- 39** Docket of Claims - to be approved through July 9, 2025.

Motion to Approve Docket of Claims, in the amount of \$3,088,182.27, Moved By B.J. Sellers Jr., Seconded by Ron Roland

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 07082025 39 - Signed](#)

Routine Agenda

Motion to Approve Routine Agenda, as presented excluding item 50 - A, Moved By Ella Holmes-Hines, **Seconded by** Ron Roland

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

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

Attachment(s):

[Change Order 3 Debuys Road Sewer Pump Station - Southern Colonial Construction](#)

[05062025 12 - Executed](#)

[Eagle Energy - Fuel Contract - 06032025 5 - Executed](#)

[WLOX GPD Recruitment Campaign 06032025 8 - Executed](#)

[CFF, LLC - 06032025 9 - Executed](#)

[GSD Special Warranty Deed - Recorded](#)

[GSD Perpetual Drainage Easement - Recorded](#)

[DD Consulting Agreement 06172025 24 - Executed](#)

[EGH Emergency A & E Services Agreement 06172025 14 - Executed](#)

[Amendment No. 1 Cooperative Endeavor Use Agreement SCPDC 06172025 26 - Executed](#)

[Pop Brothers Amendment No. 2 - Executed](#)

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

Attachment(s):

[Code Enforcement Chapter 3 Notices 070825](#)

[Code Enforcement 7-Day Notices](#)

- 42** Legal Notice - advertisement for Installation and Removal of Decorative Elements for Gulfport Harbor Lights Winter Festival.

Attachment(s):

[Legal Notice - Installation and Removal of Decorative Elements for GHLWF](#)

- 43** Legal Notice - advertisement for sealed bids for construction of VA Laundry Roof.

Attachment(s):

[Legal Notice - Construction of VA Laundry Roof](#)

- 44** Letter - regarding bid awarded by Purchasing to Bliss Products and Services for benches, picnic tables and water fountains - Leisure Service Department - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Benches, Picnic Tables and Water Fountains - Bliss - LSD](#)

- 45** Letter - regarding bid awarded by Purchasing to Evangeline Specialties for streetlight poles and clamps - Public Works Department - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Streetlight poles and clamps- Evangeline - PW](#)

- 46** Letter - regarding bid awarded by Purchasing to L & M Lawn Care for Demolition - 1520 Dixie Avenue (Ward 1) - Code Enforcement - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Demolition - 1520 Dixie Ave - CE Case 15879](#)

- 47** Letter - regarding bid awarded by Purchasing to L & M Lawn Care for Demolition - 2111 22nd Street (Ward 3) - Code Enforcement - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Demolition - 2111 22nd Street - CE Case 14699](#)

- 48** Letter - regarding bid awarded by Purchasing to Mosca Design for RGB Orb Field - Special Events - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Mosca Design - RGB Orb Field - Special Events](#)

- 49** Letter - regarding bid awarded by Purchasing to Topper World for Decked Truck Bed System - Building Maintenance - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Topper World - Decked Truck Bed Signed - Building Maintenance](#)

- 50** Ratification - of Oaths of Office - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Hugh Keating - Oath of Office](#)

[Kendal Lamar Buckner - Oath of Office](#)

[Ronald Roland - Oath of Office](#)

[Ella Holmes-Hines - Oath of Office](#)

[F.B. "Rusty" Walker, IV - Oath of Office](#)

[Bennie James "BJ" Sellers, Jr. - Oath Of Office](#)

[Carrissa Corbett - Oath Of Office](#)

[Johnny Hoggatt - Oath of Office](#)

- 50 - A** Receipt - of Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2023, from Independent Auditors (Mauldin & Jenkins, LLC) - to be made a part the minutes.

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

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Attachment(s):

[DFA gpt memo - CAFR FY2023 Audit](#)

[FYE 2023 Annual CAFR - Audit - City of Gulfport, MS](#)

Public Agenda

The President called for comments during the Public Agenda.

The following Citizen(s) addressed the Council:

Kealvin Barnett - 129 Holly Circle
Gayle Abrams - 14064 Boyce Road
Laura Bragg - 101 47th Street
Sandra Wyche - 3525 Nunnally Street
Eric Cooper - 1607 19th Street
Ruth Robinson - N/A
Jeffrey Hulum - 1410 Genevieve Drive

This Concluded the Public Agenda.

Council Comments

Motion to Limit the President and Vice President to serve for one (1) year, Moved By Ella Holmes-Hines, **Seconded by** Carrissa Corbett

Vote: Motion Failed By The Following Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ella Holmes-Hines, Carrissa Corbett

Nay: Ron Roland, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Johnny Hoggatt

Memorial Adjournment

- [Mr. Earl Brewer Wall Jr.](#)
- [Mr. Gary Curtis Burchard](#)
- [Mr. Joseph R. Meadows Sr.](#)
- [Mrs. Cathy Ann Oser Godard](#)
- [Mrs. Christine Sullivan Roberts](#)
- [Mrs. Clauddetta Needham Rosetti](#)
- [Mrs. Gloria Marie Quin Wall](#)
- [Mrs. Leah May Monahan](#)
- [Mrs. Mary Kate Moore Platts](#)

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 Mr. Earl Brewer Wall Jr., Mr. Gary Curtis Burchard, Mr. Joseph R. Meadows Sr., Mrs. Cathy Ann Oser Godard, Mrs. Christine Sullivan Roberts, Mrs. Claudetta Needham Rosetti, Mrs. Gloria Marie Quin Wall, Mrs. Leah May Monahan, and Mrs. Mary Kate Moore Platts, until July 17, 2025, at 1:30 P.M. for a Regular Meeting, Moved By B.J. Sellers Jr., **Seconded by** Carrissa Corbett

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Ron Roland, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Agenda Adjustments

- 32 - A** Resolution - rescinding the previously adopted Urban Renewal Plan associated with the Health Care Services Urban Renewal District, and for related purposes.
- 32 - B** Resolution - rescinding the previously adopted Urban Renewal Plan for the Quarters Historic Minority Business District and Empowerment Zone, and for related purposes.
- 50 - A** Receipt - of Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2023, from Independent Auditors (Mauldin & Jenkins, LLC) - to be made a part the minutes.