



City Council | Minutes

Tuesday, September 2, 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 Special Call Meeting on August 22, 2025, at 3:30 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, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, and Johnny Hoggatt. **Absent:** Councilmember Ron Roland

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 items 21, 39, 40, 41, 42 and 43, at the Administration's request, Moved By B.J. Sellers Jr., **Seconded by** Rusty Walker

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland

Presentation Agenda

- **Mayor's Report**

Policy Issues

Minutes / Appointments

- 1 Approval of Minutes - for July 8, 2025.

Motion to Approve Minutes for July 8, 2025, Moved By Carrissa Corbett, **Seconded by** B.J. Sellers Jr.

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland

Attachment(s):

[July 8, 2025 Minutes](#)

- 2 Approval of Minutes - for July 22, 2025.

Motion to Approve Minutes for July 22, 2025, Moved By Carrissa Corbett, **Seconded by** B.J. Sellers Jr.

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland

Attachment(s):

[July 22, 2025 - Minutes](#)

- 3 Approval of Minutes - for August 5, 2025.

Motion to Approve Minutes for August 5, 2025, Moved By Carrissa Corbett, **Seconded by** B.J. Sellers Jr.

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland

Attachment(s):

[August 5, 2025 - Minutes](#)

- 4 Approval of Minutes - for August 19, 2025.

Motion to Approve Minutes for August 19, 2025, Moved By Carrissa Corbett, **Seconded by** B.J. Sellers Jr.

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland

Attachment(s):

[August 19, 2025 Minutes](#)

- 5 Approval of Minutes - for August 20, 2025 Special Call Meeting (2:30 P.M.).

Motion to Approve Minutes for August 20, 2025 Special Call Meeting (2:30 P.M.), Moved By Carrissa Corbett, **Seconded by** B.J. Sellers Jr.

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland

Attachment(s):

[August 20, 2025 SCM Minutes](#)

- 6 Approval of Minutes - for August 20, 2025 Special Call Meeting (2:45 P.M.).

Motion to Approve Minutes for August 20, 2025 Special Call Meeting (2:45 P.M.), Moved By Carrissa Corbett, **Seconded by** B.J. Sellers Jr.

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland

Attachment(s):

[August 20, 2025 Special Call Meeting \(2:45 P.M.\) - Minutes](#)

- 7 Approval of Minutes - for August 22, 2025 Special Call Meeting.

Motion to Approve Minutes for August 22, 2025 Special Call Meeting, Moved By Carrissa Corbett, **Seconded by** B.J. Sellers Jr.

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland

Attachment(s):

[August 22, 2025 SCM Minutes](#)

Hearings / Appeals

- 8 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 Ella Holmes-Hines, **Seconded by** B.J. Sellers Jr.

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland

There being no one present to object or address the Council, Motion to Close the Hearing and Approve the Resolution, Moved By Ella Holmes-Hines, **Seconded by** B.J. Sellers Jr.

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 09022025 8 - Signed](#)

Recommendations

- 9** Recommendation from Planning Commission to Amend Zoning Ordinance - (amending Zoning Map to rezone properties to B-2 (General Business)) - 2093 E Pass Road and 2079 E Pass Road - Case #2506PC067 - Ward 2.

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

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland

Attachment(s):

[Ordinance 3509 09022025 9 - Signed](#)

- 10** Recommendation from Planning Commission to Amend Zoning Ordinance - (amending Zoning Map to rezone properties to T4+ (General Urban Zone "Plus") - 1114 Ocean View Drive - Case #2507PC091 - Ward 2.

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

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland

Attachment(s):

[Ordinance 3510 09022025 10 - Signed](#)

- 11** Recommendation from the Departments of Urban Development and Engineering to Approve Final Plat - of 58-lot subdivision (Swan Landing Estates Phase 2) - on property zoned R-1-15 (Single-family) - South Swan Road - Case #2510CC116 - Ward 7.

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

Motion to Approve Final Plat of Swan Landing Estates Phase 2, Moved By Johnny Hoggatt, **Seconded by** Carrissa Corbett

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland, B.J. Sellers, Jr. (recused)

Ordinances

- 12** Ordinance - amending Chapter 3, Article II, Section 3-38 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gulfport, Mississippi, and for related purposes.

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

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland

Motion to Adopt Ordinance, Moved By B.J. Sellers Jr., **Seconded by** Johnny Hoggatt

Vote: Motion Passed By The Following Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Nay: Ella Holmes-Hines

Absent: Ron Roland

Attachment(s):

[Ordinance 3511 09022025 12 - Signed](#)

- 13** Ordinance - amending Chapter 9, Article II, Section 9-29 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Gulfport, Mississippi, and for related purposes.

Motion to Adopt Ordinance, Moved By B.J. Sellers Jr., **Seconded by** Johnny Hoggatt

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland

Attachment(s):

[Ordinance 3512 09022025 13 - Signed](#)

- 14** Ordinance - establishing a plan to exempt ad valorem taxes for qualifying capital improvement investments in qualifying structures in qualifying districts, in accordance with Miss. Code Ann. § 17-21-5, as amended, excluding school district taxes, and to urge the Harrison County Board of Supervisors to provide for exemptions qualified by the City of Gulfport, and for related purposes.

Motion to Adopt Ordinance, Moved By B.J. Sellers Jr., **Seconded by** Johnny Hoggatt

Vote: Motion Failed By The Following Roll Call Vote

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

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

Absent: Ron Roland

- 15** Ordinance - providing for the salary of compensation for one (1) additional "Administrative Assistant II" position in the Fire Department, and for related purposes.

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

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland

Attachment(s):

[Ordinance 3513 09022025 15 - Signed](#)

- 16** Ordinance - providing for the salary of compensation for one (1) "Recreation Program Coordinator" position in the Department of Leisure Services, and for related purposes.

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

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland

Attachment(s):

[Ordinance 3514 09022025 16 - Signed](#)

Resolutions

- 17** Resolution - accepting the support of the Harrison County Board of Supervisors with respect to Asphalt Trench Repair on Seaway Road in the City of Gulfport, Mississippi, to obtain approval of said support by the Board, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By B.J. Sellers Jr., **Seconded by** Ella Holmes-Hines

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 09022025 17 - Signed](#)

- 18** Resolution - approving Agreement with Gulfport School District concerning reimbursement for Law Enforcement Services (School Resource Officers), and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By B.J. Sellers Jr., **Seconded by** Ella Holmes-Hines

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 09022025 18 - Signed](#)

- 19** Resolution - approving Agreement with Harrison County School District concerning reimbursement for Law Enforcement Services (School Resource Officers), and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By B.J. Sellers Jr., **Seconded by** Ella Holmes-Hines

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 09022025 19 - Signed](#)

- 20** Resolution - approving Award to and Agreement with DNA Underground, LLC in connection with the Gulfport Repair & Replacement Unit Price Project 2025, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By B.J. Sellers Jr., **Seconded by** Ella Holmes-Hines

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 09022025 20 - Signed](#)

- 21** Resolution - approving Award to and Professional Services Agreement with Stantec Consulting Services, Inc., in connection with the Lead and Copper Rule Revision Project, and for related purposes.

- Deleted -

- 22** Resolution - approving Bylaws for the Organization and Administration of the Architectural Review Committee, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By B.J. Sellers Jr., **Seconded by** Ella Holmes-Hines

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 09022025 22 - Signed](#)

- 23** Resolution - approving Certificate of Partial Substantial Completion for the Mississippi Infrastructure Modernization Act (MIMA) Paving Infrastructure Project, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By B.J. Sellers Jr., **Seconded by** Ella Holmes-Hines

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 09022025 23 - Signed](#)

- 24** Resolution - approving Change Order No. 2 (Summary) to Contract with DNA Underground, LLC in connection with the Old Highway 49 at O'Neal Road Intersection Improvements Project, and for related purposes.

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

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 09022025 24 - Signed](#)

- 25** Resolution - approving Memorandum of Understanding with the Harrison County School District concerning Youth Tackle Football, and for related purposes.

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

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 09022025 25 - Signed](#)

- 26** Resolution - approving Sixth Amendment to License Agreement between Utility Service Communications Co., Inc (Licensor) and Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless (Licensee) allowing for the addition and deletion of certain and various pieces of equipment on Gulfport's water tank located on 51st Street, 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, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Absent: Ron Roland

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 09022025 26 - Signed](#)

- 27** Resolution - authorizing a donation of funds to the Lynn Meadows Discovery Center, pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. § 21-17-1(8) (Rev. 2015), 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, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Absent: Ron Roland

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 09022025_27 - Signed](#)

- 28** Resolution - authorizing a donation of funds to the O'Keefe Educational Media d/b/a Disability Connection pursuant to Miss. Code Ann. §§ 21-19-65 and 21-17-1(8) (Rev. 2015), 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, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Absent: Ron Roland

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 09022025 28 - Signed](#)

- 29** Resolution - authorizing the City of Gulfport to apply for funding from the Clean Vessel Act Grant Program, 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, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Absent: Ron Roland

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 09022025 29 - Signed](#)

- 30** Resolution - authorizing the City of Gulfport, by and through the Engineering Department, to apply for Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act (GOMESA) funding, through the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources, 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, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Absent: Ron Roland

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 09022025 30 - Signed](#)

- 31** Resolution - authorizing an expenditure for advertising and bringing into favorable notice the opportunities, possibilities and resources of the City of Gulfport in connection with the 2025 MS Gulf Coast Veteran's Parade, 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, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Absent: Ron Roland

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 09022025 31 - Signed](#)

- 32** 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 Fire Department, 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, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Absent: Ron Roland

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 09022025 32 - Signed](#)

- 33** 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 Municipal Marina (Department of Leisure Services), 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, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Absent: Ron Roland

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 09022025 33 - Signed](#)

- 34** Resolution - authorizing an expenditure for advertising and bringing into favorable notice the opportunities, possibilities and resources of the City of Gulfport through Youth Sports Activities and the Big Blue Foundation, 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, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Absent: Ron Roland

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 09022025_34 - Signed](#)

- 35** 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 Mt. Olive Lodge #83, 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, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, Johnny Hoggatt

Absent: Ron Roland

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 09022025_35 - Signed](#)

- 36** Resolution - authorizing negotiations to acquire right of way and to do any acts necessary and legal, including prosecution in Special Court of Eminent Domain, to obtain title for the City under Miss. Code Ann. § 11-27-81, et seq., and, if necessary, to expedite the “Dedeaux Road Widening Project”, to authorize special checks to acquire the property interests stated herein, and for related purposes.

Motion to Approve, Moved By B.J. Sellers Jr., **Seconded by** Carrissa Corbett

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 09022025_36 - Signed](#)

- 37** 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 Ella Holmes-Hines, **Seconded by** Carrissa Corbett

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 09022025 37 - Signed](#)

- 38** Resolution - requesting the Mississippi State Auditor's Office to complete a Forensic Financial Audit of all funds in the City of Gulfport, Mississippi, and for related purposes. (EHH)

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

Vote: Motion Failed By The Following Roll Call Vote

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

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

Absent: Ron Roland

Budget Amendments / Docket of Claims

- 39** Budget Amendment #100 - increasing line item 277 - Capital Outlay from Propertyroom.com

- Deleted -

- 40** Budget Amendment #101 - increasing line item 213 Photo & Fingerprint from PropertyRoom.com

- Deleted -

- 41** Budget Amendment #102 - increasing line item 277 Vehicles from drug-related arrest.

- Deleted -

- 42** Budget Amendment #103 - increasing line item 277 vehicles from drug-related arrest.

- Deleted -

- 43** Budget Amendment #104 - transferring funds for Engineering Services Contract with Stantec Consulting Services for the Lead Copper Rule Revision Project, Part II.

- Deleted -

- 44** Budget Amendment #105 - appropriating funds for Change Order No. 2 (Summary) with DNA Underground, LLC for O'Neal Road Widening at Kansas City Southern Railroad.

Motion to Approve Budget Amendment #105, Moved By B.J. Sellers Jr., **Seconded by** Rusty Walker

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland

Attachment(s):

[Budget Amendments 2025-105](#)

- 45** Budget Amendment #106 - appropriating funds for the 2025 MS Gulf Coast Veteran's Parade.

Motion to Approve Budget Amendment #106, Moved By B.J. Sellers Jr., **Seconded by** Rusty Walker

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland

Attachment(s):

[Budget Amendments 2025-106](#)

- 46** Budget Amendment #107 - transferring Capital Project funds from completed Legacy Condos Sidewalk Project back to Ward 2 Capital Improvements Project Account.

Motion to Approve Budget Amendment #107, Moved By B.J. Sellers Jr., **Seconded by** Rusty Walker

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland

Attachment(s):

[Budget Amendments 2025-107](#)

- 47** Docket of Claims - to be approved through September 3, 2025.

Councilmember Corbett recused and removed herself from the Chambers during the discussion and vote on this item.

Motion to Approve the Docket of Claims, in the amount of \$3,750,750.08, Moved By B.J. Sellers Jr., Seconded by Kendal Buckner

Vote: Motion Passed By The Following Roll Call Vote

Aye: Kendal Buckner, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Johnny Hoggatt

Nay: Ella Holmes-Hines

Recused: Carrissa Corbett

Absent: Ron Roland

Attachment(s):

[Resolution 09022025 47 - Signed](#)

Routine Agenda

Motion to Approve Routine Agenda, as presented, Moved By B.J. Sellers Jr., Seconded by Johnny Hoggatt

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland

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

Attachment(s):

[Dennis Miller Contract Extension - January 2026 12032024 42 - Executed](#)

[Seaway Road Pedestrian Pathway Project Memorandum of Agreement \(MOA\) 05202025 11 - Executed](#)

[Cisco Capital Lease Purchase Agreement 07082025 13 - Executed](#)

[Change Order 2 MIMA Paving Infrastructure Project 08052025 5 - Executed](#)

[Raymond James Designation of Dissemination Agent Agreement 08052025 6 - Executed](#)

[Harman CPA, LLC 08052025 10 - Executed](#)

[cSpire Webex 08052025 12 - Executed](#)

- 49** Acknowledgment - of review and receipt of Memorial Hospital at Gulfport's proposed Budget for FYE 2026 by the City's Governing Authority.

Attachment(s):

[City Council Budget 2026 Letter](#)

[CityofGulfport Resolution Budget FY2026](#)

[MHG BUDGET FY 2026 FINAL](#)

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

Attachment(s):

[Code Enforcement Chapter 3 Notices 081925 PPD](#)

[Code Enforcement Chapter 3 Notices 090225](#)

- 51 Conveyance Deeds - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Executed - City to Conn](#)

[Executed - Magnan to City](#)

[Executed - Conn to City](#)

- 52 Legal Notice - advertisement for Northwood Hills Main Replacement Project.

Attachment(s):

[Northwood Hills Water EPA - Construction Advertisement](#)

- 53 Legal Notice - advertisement for Northwood Hills Water Main CE&I Services.

Attachment(s):

[Legal Ad - RFQ \(CE&I\)](#)

- 54 Letter - regarding bid awarded by Purchasing to All Blinds for shutters at City Hall, 1st floor - Building Maintenance - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Shutters - All Blinds - Building Maint](#)

- 55 Letter - regarding bid awarded by Purchasing to EMAG Daytona HD for Police motorcycles - Police Department - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Police Motorcycles - EMAG - PD](#)

- 56 Letter - regarding bid awarded by Purchasing to Mandal's for roof repair - Public Works Department - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Roof repairs - Mandals - PW](#)

- 57 Letter - regarding bid awarded by Purchasing to Montrose Auto Group for a Ford Expedition - Fire Department - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Ford Expedition - Montrose - Fire](#)

- 58 Letter - regarding bid awarded by Purchasing to Murray's Nursery for Downtown Plants - Leisure Services Department - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Downtown Plants - Murrays - LS](#)

- 59 Letter - regarding bid awarded by Purchasing to Southerland Heating and Air Conditioning for heat pumps - Building Maintenance - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Heat Pumps - Southland - Building Maint](#)

- 60 Letter - regarding bid awarded by Purchasing to Southland Heating & Air Conditioning for replacement of a 4 ton heat pump - Building Maintenance Department - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Replace 4 ton heat pump - Southland - Building](#)

- 61 Letter - regarding bid awarded by Purchasing to Vision Security Technologies for Camera and Intercom System - Police Department - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Camera Intercom System - Vision - P](#)

- 62 Privilege License Report - for the month of July 2025 - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Privilege License Report - July 2025](#)

- 63 Public Records Request - for the month of July 2025 - to be made a part of the minutes.

Attachment(s):

[Pubic Records Request - July 2025](#)

- 64 Recommendation - to approve SFM's FY 2026 Budget.

Attachment(s):

[Memo - Recommendation for SFM FY 26 Budget](#)

[SFM's FY'26 Budget](#)

[SFM FY26 Budget PDF](#)

- 65 Recommendation - to approve SFM's FY 2026 Business and Development Plan.

Attachment(s):

[SFM FY26 Business Plan Memo](#)

[GPORT Business Plan 25-26](#)

- 66 Request - authorization for issuance of special check payable to DNA Underground LLC for Pay App 3 for the O'Neal Road Widening at Kansas City Railroad Project.

Attachment(s):

[FY 25 Memo - Request Approval of Special Check for Pay App 3 for DNA Underground for O'Neal Rd Widen at KCS RR project - 8-7-25](#)

Public Agenda

The President called for comments during the Public Agenda.

The following Citizen(s) addressed the Council:

David Easterling - 140 Markham Drive
Kealvin Barnett - 129 Holly Circle
Christopher Lane II - 18027 Homestead Court
Howard Page - 224 Walston Drive
Char Darty - 2217 St James Boulevard
Pamela Footman
Ruth Robinson

This Concluded the Public Agenda.

Council Comments

Memorial Adjournment

- **Mr. James Howard Norton**
- **Mr. Johnny Stanley Weston**

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 Ella Holmes-Hines, Seconded by Kendal Buckner

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland

The Council entered Closed Session at 3:32 P.M. In attendance: Councilmembers: Kendal Buckner, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., and Carrissa Corbett, Mayor Hugh Keating, City Attorney Jeff Bruni, Clerk of Council Brittany Rodgers, and Deputy Clerk of Council Brittany Thomas.

Motion to Exit Closed Session at 3:33 P.M., Moved By B.J. Sellers Jr., Seconded by Carrissa Corbett

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland, 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 3:34 P.M. for (1) strategy session with respect to pending litigation associated with "Shallow Point" subdivision; (2) strategy session with respect to prospective litigation associated with unpaid dockage fees in the City's marina/harbor involving a 30-foot Catalina 1986 vessel known as the "Salty Dawg"; (3) strategy session with respect to pending workers' compensation litigation associated with Alyssa Fredericksen; (4) strategy session with respect to prospective litigation associated with the City's emergency radio communication system; and (5) strategy session with respect to prospective litigation associated with damage to City property (a Police motorcycle) arising out of an incident that occurred on April 11, 2025 caused by Constance Green, Moved By Ella Holmes-Hines, **Seconded by** B.J. Sellers Jr.

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland

The Council entered Executive Session at 3:35 P.M. In attendance: Councilmembers: Kendal Buckner, Ella Holmes-Hines, Rusty Walker, B.J. Sellers Jr., Carrissa Corbett, and Johnny Hoggatt, Mayor Hugh Keating, CAO Wayne Miller, City Attorney Jeff Bruni, Clerk of Council Brittany Rodgers, Deputy Clerk of Council Brittany Thomas, Deputy Police Chief Heather Dailey (in at 3:48 P.M.), Commander Clayton Fulks (in at 3:48 P.M.), Deputy Command Greg Peleaz (in at 3:48 P.M.) and Fire Chief Billy Kelley (in at 3:48 P.M.).

Motion to Exit Executive Session at 4:32 P.M., Moved By Ella Holmes-Hines, **Seconded by** B.J. Sellers Jr.

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland

No official action was taken during Executive Session.

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

Motion to authorize the City, by and through the City Attorney's Office, to execute an Agreed Judgement in Chancery Court Cause No. 24-2029 (Fayard v. City of Gulfport, et al) pursuant to which the Shallow Point Condominium plat is amended to provide for twelve condominium lots, as described in the proposed Amended Plat for the Shallow Point Condominium, conditioned upon the agreement that the City is not accepting public maintenance for the bridge and private streets and alleys set forth therein, and that this agreement will run with the land, and to authorize the City Attorney's Office and the City's Department of Urban Development to take any and all steps as may be required to effectuate the plat amendment noted herein, Moved By B.J. Sellers, Jr., **Seconded by** Rusty Walker

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland

Motion that the City Attorney's Office be authorized to accept the sum of \$13,855.00, from and/or on behalf of Constance Green and GEICO, in settlement of the City of Gulfport's claim for property damage arising out of an incident that occurred on April 11, 2025, when Constance Green damaged GPD Touring 2017 Harley-Davidson motorcycle, and that the Mayor and City Attorney's Office be authorized to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate this property damage settlement on behalf of the City, including, without limitation, any releases, Moved By B.J. Sellers, Jr., Seconded by Rusty Walker

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland

Motion to authorize the City, by and through the City Attorney's Office, to resolve the pending workers' compensation claim of Alyssa Frederickson (DOI: April 22, 2025; MWCC No. 2503964-T-3401 on a Section 9(i) basis for the total sum of \$5,000.00 and to authorize and/or ratify any and all acts required of the City and or it's counsel to effectuate said settlement, Moved By B.J. Sellers, Jr., Seconded by Rusty Walker

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland

Motion to authorize and approve the City Attorney's Office to file an *in rem* action in the appropriate State Court against a 30-foot Catalina 1986 vessel or boat called or referenced as the "Salty Dawg", which is presently docked in slip 3-2 in the City of Gulfport's Municipal Marina in the Bert Jones Yacht Basin and to enforce a lien for unpaid dockage fees in the amount of \$2,739.20, and to incur whatever costs are necessary in this pursuit, up to the amount of \$1,000, Moved By B.J. Sellers, Jr., Seconded by Rusty Walker

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland

Motion to authorize the City of Gulfport to enter into the Emergency Radio procurement with MSWIN and encourage Harrison County to do likewise, Moved By B.J. Sellers, Jr., Seconded by Rusty Walker

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland

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. James Howard Norton and Mr. Johnny Stanley Weston, until September 2, 2025, at 5:15 P.M. for a Public Hearing and Tax Levy Adoption, Moved By B.J. Sellers Jr., Seconded by Carrissa Corbett

Vote: Motion Passed By Unanimous Roll Call Vote

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

Absent: Ron Roland