



City of Gulfport, Mississippi

Minutes - Final City Council - Special Meeting

Gulfport City Hall
2309 15th Street
Gulfport, MS 39501

Wednesday, March 26, 2014

1:30 PM

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1:30 p.m. Special Meeting City Hall Council Chambers

The Members of the Council met at City Hall at 1:30 P.M., on the date of March 26, 2014, same being an adjourned meeting from a regular council meeting held on March 18, 2014 at 1:30 P.M. Present: Members of the Council: Casey, Dombrowski, Holmes-Hines (out at 2:55 P.M.) Walker, Sharp, Flowers and Pucheu, Mayor Hewes (in at 6:07 P.M.) and Assistant City Attorney Margaret Murdock.

A motion was made by Councilmember Pucheu, seconded by Councilmember Casey to declare a special called meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Casey, Dombrowski, Holmes-Hines, Walker, Sharp, Flowers and Pucheu
Nays: None
Absent: None

A motion was made by Councilmember Walker, seconded by Councilmember Pucheu to delete item #1 (grant application) at the request of Memorial Hospital. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Casey, Dombrowski, Holmes-Hines, Walker, Sharp, Flowers and Pucheu
Nays: None
Absent: None

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Resolution - by the Gulfport City Council expressing concurrence with the need for the transportation service proposed by Memorial Hospital at Gulfport and authorize the Mayor to execute any and all documents expressing said concurrence as may be required by the Mississippi Department of Transportation.

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Executive Session

Upon advice of the City Attorney, a motion was made by Councilmember Walker, duly seconded by Councilmember Casey to close the meeting to determine the need for executive session. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Casey, Dombrowski, Holmes Hines, Walker, Sharp, Flowers and Pucheu
Nays: None
Absent: None

The Council entered closed session at 1:44 P.M. In attendance: Members of the Council: Casey, Dombrowski, Holmes Hines, Walker, Sharp, Flowers and Pucheu, Mayor Billy Hewes (in at 1:55 P.M.), CAO John Kelly (in at 1:50 P.M.), General Counsel Hugh Keating (in at 2:10 P.M.), City Attorney Jeff Bruni, Assistant City Attorney Margaret Murdock (out at 1:56 P.M.), Expert witness Chris Watson, Clerk of Council Ronda Cole and Deputy Clerk of Council Ashley Miller. The Council discussed the need to enter executive session to discuss a litigation update and litigation strategy relating to the annexation suit with Biloxi.

A motion was made by Councilmember Walker, duly seconded by Councilmember Casey to come out of closed session and enter executive session at 1:45 P.M. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Casey, Dombrowski, Holmes Hines, Walker, Sharp, Flowers and Pucheu
Nays: None
Absent: None

After discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Flowers, duly seconded by Councilmember Dombrowski to come out of executive session at 2:45 P.M. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Casey, Dombrowski, Holmes Hines, Walker, Sharp, Flowers and Pucheu
Nays: None
Absent: None

A motion was made by Councilmember Flowers, duly seconded by Councilmember Sharp to reenter executive session at 2:46 P.M. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Casey, Dombrowski, Holmes Hines, Walker, Sharp, Flowers and Pucheu
Nays: None
Absent: None

After discussion, a motion was made by Councilmember Walker, duly seconded by Councilmember Casey to come out of executive session at 2:55 P.M. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Casey, Dombrowski, Holmes Hines, Walker, Sharp, Flowers and Pucheu
Nays: None
Absent: None

The City Attorney stated no official action was taken during executive session.

Setting of Next Meeting and Adjournment

Councilmember Holmes-Hines left the meeting at this time.

There being no further business to come before the Council, a motion was made by Councilmember Flowers, duly seconded by Councilmember Sharp to adjourn until April 8, 2014 at 1:30 P.M. for a regular council meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Casey, Dombrowski, Walker, Sharp, Flowers and Pucheu
Nays: None
Absent: Holmes-Hines

City Clerk

Mayor