

City of Gulfport Florida
Historic Preservation Committee / Certified Local Government
Minutes
Wednesday, January 20, 2010

The Regular Meeting of the City of Gulfport Historic Preservation Committee was held on Wednesday, January 20, 2010, in the Gulfport Historical Museum, 5301 28th Avenue South, Gulfport, Florida.

Christopher Ross, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Roll Call:

Present were: Committee Members Carol Valdes, Deborah Frethem, Woody Matthews, and Cathy Culler; Alternate Board Member David Steinke; Vice Chairperson Mary Stull; Chairperson Christopher Ross, and City Clerk Lesley DeMuth. Committee Member John Milford was excused.

1. Discuss Historic Preservation Overlay District.

The Committee discussed the upcoming City election, and that members should speak individually to the Candidates, those running and those unopposed, to let them know that this Committee exists and what the Committee is working on.

Chairperson Ross read and the Committee reviewed the proposed preliminary draft of the Cultural Resource Preservation Overlay Zoning District Ordinance Section a) Purpose and Intent Subsections 1 – 3. As the Committee has previously discussed during their meeting with the City Manager and Staff, Chairperson Ross will submit this Sections to the City Manager for Staff review and comment.

2. Any other business.

City Clerk DeMuth provided copies of the Florida Nomination Proposal which is being sent to the Florida Department of State for nomination of the Gulfport Casino on the listing of Florida properties on the National Register of Historic Places.

In response to a question by John Freiberger on what it would take to change the name of the City of Gulfport to the Village of Gulfport, City Clerk DeMuth felt it may require a referendum due to a change in the City's Articles of Incorporation.

Committee Member Frethem and Vice Chairperson Stull attended the Law for the Public Officials Seminar.

In response to a question by Chairperson Ross on whether or not Committee Members have suggestions on items the Committee could address, Committee Member Frethem felt the Committee should go back to working on a Historical Walking Tour of Gulfport. Committee

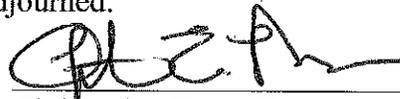
Member Frethem explained she had designed the route, and they have information on buildings. The idea had been to design a brochure that people could pick up and do a self guided walking tour. The Committee felt this was an excellent idea, and Chairperson Ross asked Committee Member Frethem to bring these materials to the next meeting for discussion. In response to a question from Alternate Board Member Steinke, Committee Member Frethem stated the walking tour route itself is a couple of hours, but it is laid out in such a way that you do not have to do the walk all at one time. The Committee discussed the possibility of incorporating this tour as part of the Trolley route on the weekends or monthly. The Committee felt the first thing that needed to be done was to get the walking tour established, and then find a way to add to it.

The next meeting was rescheduled from Wednesday, February 17 at 5:30 pm to Wednesday, February 10 at 5:30 pm.

3. **Adjournment.**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Date Approved: 2-10-2010



Christopher Ross, Chairperson



Lesley DeMuth, City Clerk