

**Historic Preservation Committee/Certified Local Government
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, May 18, 2011**

The Regular Meeting of the City of Gulfport Historic Preservation Committee was held on Wednesday, May 18, 2011, 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 and Mary-Jo Kehoe, Alternate Committee Member Judy Ryerson; and Chairperson Christopher Ross. Not Present: Vice Chairperson Mary Stull, and Committee Members John Milford, Deborah Frethem, and David Steinke.

Also present: Principal Planner Michael Taylor and City Clerk Lesley DeMuth.

1. Consider approval of the Committee Meeting Minutes of April 20, 2011.

Rescheduled to the next meeting.

2. Discussion of Pier Beach Pavilion Reconstruction.

Don Sopak, Public Works Director, explained the City's pavilion reconstruction program; what has been accomplished to this point and what is envisioned in the future. He discussed the reconstruction of the pier pavilion and his desire to rebuild it in its same form. Public Works Director Sopak advised that when he goes to council and presents the pier pavilion reconstruction plan, he would like to say that he has sat with the committee and the committee would like to see it kept in the same form. The committee discussed with Public Works Director Sopak the reconstruction and the construction materials that would be used to meet current Codes. It was the consensus of the committee to support the pier pavilion being reconstructed in its same form. This item was scheduled for committee action at the next meeting.

3. Discuss Walking Tour Brochure.

Rescheduled to the next meeting.

4. Any other business.

Chairperson Ross spoke on the proposed amendment to the Historic Preservation Ordinance which will be presented to the city council during their workshop of May 26, at 3:30 p.m. In response to a question by Chairperson Ross, Principal Planner Taylor said instead of the 51% requirement, Staff is recommending there be no requirement for the consent of property owners within a historical district because nothing is being offered to or pressed upon them. Chairperson

Ross clarified that she would make her presentation first and then staff would present their backup recommendation.

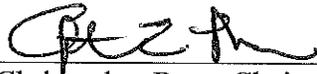
Principal Planner Taylor reported that Community Development is still working with the State of Florida on the designation of the casino.

Chairperson Ross welcomed Mary-Jo Kehoe to the committee and she provided a brief overview of the committee's duties and the Sunshine Law.

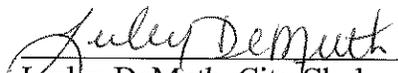
5. Adjournment.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Date Approved: 6-15-11



Christopher Ross, Chairperson



Lesley DeMuth, City Clerk