

City of Gulfport Florida
Historic Preservation Committee/Certified Local Government
Meeting
Wednesday, November 28, 2012

Gulfport City Hall
2401 53rd Street South

5:30 p.m.

AGENDA

Call to Order.

Roll Call.

1. Consider approval of the Committee Meeting Minutes of August 15, 2012.
2. Discuss Historical Marker Project.
3. Discuss Walking Tour Brochure.
4. Discuss and consider appointments to the Committee.
5. Any other business.
6. Adjournment.

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Meeting Minutes
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The Regular Meeting of the City of Gulfport Historic Preservation Committee was held on Wednesday, November 28, 2012, in the City Hall, City Council Chambers, 2401 53rd Street South, Gulfport, Florida.

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

Roll Call:

Present were: Committee Members John Milford, David Steinke, and Carol Valdes; Vice Chairperson Mary Stull and Chairperson Christopher Ross. Not present: Committee Member Mary Jo Kehoe.

Also Present: Deborah Frethem, Margo Scannell, Principal Planner Michael Taylor and City Clerk Lesley DeMuth.

1. Consider approval of the Committee Meeting Minutes of August 15, 2012.

Motion by Committee Member Milford, second by Committee Member Valdes to approve the minutes of August 15, 2012.

UNANIMOUS APPROVAL BY ACCLAMATION

2. Discuss Historical Marker Project.

Chairperson Ross reviewed her outline for the Historical Marker Project and spoke to the positive feedback she received from City Manager O'Reilly and Community Development Director Fred Metcalf on the program.

Deborah Frethem brought up the possibility of a marker for the Glen Oaks Cemetery in St. Petersburg and her willingness in the future to contact the cemetery owner with the hope to legally go in to clean-up and have Rebecca Barnett's headstone put back in place. There was an interest of some committee members to visit the cemetery with Chairperson Ross suggesting sometime in the spring.

The committee discussed the Wards in which they were appointed and the areas they should be reviewing for historical markers. Properties discussed for Markers were 3102 52nd Street S. (1887) the city's oldest home, 5223 Delette Avenue S. (1925), 1614 61st Street S. (1924/26) the Tangerine Grocery Store property, the Royalt houses at Gulfport Boulevard/17th Avenue S., the street car line, Osgood Point, Town Shores, the golf course and the original club house property. The Committee discussed Historical Markers within gated communities and if anyone knew the history behind the stone wall/arch on 64th Street S.

Committee Member Steinke spoke of a walking tour in Maine which instead of having a brochure used q-codes on stone markers to be scanned and read. Chairperson Ross suggested this is the wave of the future.

Chairperson Ross asked the committee to look at additional sites for their next meeting on February 20, in Wards I and III, and suggested a photograph and written text would be helpful.

3. Discuss Walking Tour Brochure.

The committee discussed the latest brochure and Chairperson Ross was agreeable to undertake the editing and filling in of missing information. The committee liked the brochure as presented and on a motion by Committee Member Stull and second by Committee Member Steinke, the new brochure format and editing to be done by Chairperson Ross was unanimously approved.

4. Discuss and consider appointments to the Committee.

The committee took action to recommend to the city council the appointments of Margo Scannell and Deborah Frethem.

5. Any other business.

Chairperson Ross advised the committee of her conversation with the City Manager regarding the removal of the beach pavilion and her thoughts that after the election the committee should draft a letter to council on why pavilions need to be re-introduce in the city and how they are historically significant to Gulfport.

6. Adjournment.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Date Approved: 2-20-13

Lesley DeMuth
Lesley DeMuth, City Clerk

Christopher Ross
Christopher Ross, Chairperson