

**City of Gulfport Florida  
Historic Preservation Committee/Certified Local Government  
Meeting  
Wednesday, February 20, 2013**

Gulfport City Hall  
2401 53<sup>rd</sup> Street South

5:30 p.m.

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**AGENDA**

Call to Order.

Roll Call.

1. Consider approval of the Committee Meeting Minutes of November 28, 2012.
2. Updates/Discussion:
  - Historical Marker Project
  - Walking Tour Brochure
3. Any other business.
4. Adjournment.

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**Meeting Minutes - Wednesday, February 20, 2013**

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The Regular Meeting of the City of Gulfport Historic Preservation Committee was held on Wednesday, February 20, 2013, in the City Hall, City Council Chambers, 2401 53<sup>rd</sup> Street South, Gulfport, Florida.

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

**Roll Call:**

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

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

**1. Consider approval of the Committee Meeting Minutes of November 28, 2012.**

Motion by Committee Member Valdes, second by Vice Chairperson Stull to approve the minutes of November 28, 2012.

UNANIMOUS APPROVAL BY ACCLAMATION

**2. Updates/Discussion:** Chairperson Ross asked to discuss the Walking Tour Brochure first; there was no objection from the Committee.

- Walking Tour Brochure

Chairperson Ross presented a Walking Tour Brochure from the City of Sebring and suggested a discussion be had with City Manager O'Reilly on how the Committee's proposed brochure could be produced similar to Sebring's. Discussion was had on either the Chairperson or Committee Member meeting with the City Manager in this regard; with Chairperson Ross advising she would undertake this.

Chairperson Ross presented revised text for property descriptions for listing within the brochure which either needed to be completed and/or revised.

Committee Member Steinke suggested using scan-codes, noting how much more information could be included with this type of use and spoke to his viewing this technology in Maine. The committee discussed the possible use of scan-codes and Committee Member Steinke was asked to look into the integration of the properties into this type of technology. In response to a question by Committee Member Kehoe, Committee Member Steinke spoke on other applications available for phones most through the use of Google Earth.

- Historical Marker Project

Chairperson Ross presented the proposed wording for a Historical Marker at The Thorne Studio – 5325 31<sup>st</sup> Street S.

Committee Member Valdes spoke on her suggested properties: the oldest home known as the Torres House – 3102 52<sup>nd</sup> Street S., the home at 61<sup>st</sup> Street S. and 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue S. referred to as the Babe Ruth House and 5223 Dellett Avenue S. Committee Member Kehoe also suggested the home known as the Babe Ruth House and she was asked to write wording for 2701 Beach Boulevard S. another property she felt was of interest. Committee Member Valdes was asked to write wording for the Torres House.

Vice Chairperson Stull suggested a Marker for the property at 2421 49<sup>th</sup> Street S., and asked if Chairperson Ross had compared the Stetson Historical Marker to the ones she has reviewed. Vice Chairperson Stull was asked to write wording for the Babe Ruth House.

Chairperson Ross reviewed different types of markers: color, size, manufacturer, materials, etc. and spoke to Plant Park where there are up to four different types of markers on site. Chairperson Ross suggested the Committee recommend the historical marker be in the color blue to match the city's street/avenue signs. She advised she has requested various manufacturer catalogs to obtain pricing. The Committee discussed the types and colors of markers and in reference to a question about the markers being double-sided, Chairperson Ross suggested this would be determined by location on a case by case basis.

Committee Member Scannell spoke on her suggestion which is the former market on Tangerine Avenue. She advised that she discussed this property with Lynne Brown and referenced an article that appeared in the Gabber from a man who grew up in the house when it was a market. Committee Member Scannell advised that she will condense the information she has and present it at the next meeting.

The Committee discussed a marker for the Tangerine Greenway – Trolley Market Square. City Clerk DeMuth advised that through discussions with the City Manager he is supportive of a Marker for the city's Trolley Market Square Project and is interested in pursuing a design and price for a Marker. Principal Planner Taylor spoke on the proposed project. Chairperson Ross said she would write the copy for the trolley sign.

**3. Any other business.**

The committee discussed the members who terms are expiring in April: Mary Stull, Mary-Jo Kehoe, Christopher Ross, David Steinke and Deborah Frethem. Each member expressed a desire to continue to serve.

**4. Adjournment.**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Date Approved: May 15, 2013

Lesley DeMuth  
Lesley DeMuth, City Clerk

Christopher Ross  
Christopher Ross, Chairperson