



City of Gulfport Florida
Special Council Meeting
March 20, 2007

City Hall

6:00 p.m.

Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Michael J. Yakes.

Roll Call. Present were Councilmembers Mary Stull, Robert E. "Bob" Worthington and Michele King, Vice Mayor John E. "Ted" Phillips, Mayor Michael J. Yakes, City Manager Thomas E. Brobeil, City Attorney Timothy P. Driscoll and City Clerk Louise M. Spence.

1. Res. 2007-24 A resolution of the City of Gulfport, Florida declaring the unopposed candidate in the race for Ward 4 as elected; declaring Mary Stull as the winner of said race; and providing for an effective date.

City Clerk Spence read Resolution No. 2007-24 by title only.

Mayor Yakes opened the public discussion.

Seeing no one who wished to speak, Mayor Yakes closed the public discussion.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Phillips and seconded by Councilmember Worthington to approve Resolution No. 2007-24.

Prior to the vote, Councilmember Stull stated that she would abstain from voting on this issue since she was the candidate for this race.)

VOTE:

COUNCILMEMBER KING	YES
COUNCILMEMBER WORTHINGTON	YES
VICE MAYOR PHILLIPS	YES
COUNCILMEMBER STULL	ABSTAINED
MAYOR YAKES	YES

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

2. Administration of the Oath of Office to Councilmember Mary Stull.

City Clerk Spence administered the Oath of Office to Councilmember Stull.

- 3. Res. 2007-25 A resolution of the City of Gulfport, Florida, accepting the machine vote tabulation results from the Pinellas County Supervisor of Elections in the race for Gulfport Councilmember in Ward 2, declaring the winner in said race; and providing for an effective date.

City Clerk Spence read Resolution No. 2007-25 by title only and read the final results from the Pinellas County Supervisor of Elections.

City Attorney Driscoll noted a correction in the total votes that needs to be changed.

Mayor Yakes opened the public discussion.

Seeing no one who wished to speak, Mayor Yakes closed the public discussion.

A motion was made by Councilmember Worthington and seconded by Vice Mayor Phillips to approve Resolution No. 2007-25 with corrections, as noted.

Prior to the vote, Councilmember King stated that she would abstain from voting on this issue since she was a candidate for this race.)

VOTE:

COUNCILMEMBER KING	ABSTAINED
COUNCILMEMBER WORTHINGTON	YES
VICE MAYOR PHILLIPS	YES
COUNCILMEMBER STULL	YES
MAYOR YAKES	YES

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

- 4. Administration of the Oath of Office to Councilmember Michele P. King.

City Clerk Spence administered the Oath of Office to Councilmember King.

- 5. Res. 2007-26 A resolution of the City of Gulfport, Florida, accepting the machine vote tabulation results from the Pinellas County Supervisor of Elections in the race for Gulfport Mayor, declaring the winner in said race; and providing for an effective date.

City Clerk Spence read Resolution No. 2007-26 by title only and read the final results from the Pinellas County Supervisor of Elections.

Mayor Yakes opened the public discussion.

Seeing no one who wished to speak, Mayor Yakes closed the public discussion.

City Attorney Driscoll pointed out that the numbers final official results are not the same as some on the resolution .

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Phillips and seconded by Councilmember Michel King to approve Resolution No. 2007-26 with the changes to the resolution, as stated.

Prior to the vote, Mayor Yakes stated that he would abstain from voting on this issue since he was a candidate for this race.

VOTE:

COUNCILMEMBER KING	YES
COUNCILMEMBER WORTHINGTON	YES
VICE MAYOR PHILLIPS	YES
COUNCILMEMBER STULL	YES
MAYOR YAKES	ABSTAINED

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

6. Administration of the Oath of Office to Mayor Michael “Mike” Yakes.

City Clerk Spence administered the Oath of Office to Mayor Yakes.

City Attorney Driscoll read Section 301 and 304 from the Charter regarding the duties of the Mayor and City Councilmembers.

7. Consider appointment of a Vice Mayor.

A motion was made by Councilmembers Worthington and seconded by Councilmember King to appoint John E. “Ted” Phillips as Vice Mayor for a one-year term.

VOTE:

COUNCILMEMBER KING	YES
COUNCILMEMBER WORTHINGTON	YES
VICE MAYOR PHILLIPS	YES
COUNCILMEMBER STULL	YES
MAYOR YAKES	YES

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Vice Mayor Phillips said he got Tampa Bay water interested in the spring on the east coast and hopes it can solve Florida’s water problems.

8. Orientation by City Attorney.

City Attorney Driscoll stated that he is not planning to go through the orientation again this year, because it was done last year. There are no changes, no Sunshine Law changes and no significant changes.

Mayor Yakes asked the Council to vote as to whether they had any problems with the City Attorney not doing the orientation.

VOTE:

COUNCILMEMBER KING	NO
COUNCILMEMBER WORTHINGTON	NO
VICE MAYOR PHILLIPS	NO
COUNCILMEMBER STULL	NO
MAYOR YAKES	NO

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THAT THERE IS NOT A PROBLEM TO NOT HAVE ORIENTATION.

9. Adjournment.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Phillips and seconded by Councilmember Worthington to adjourn at 6:16 p.m.

Date Approved

Michael J. Yakes, Mayor

Louise M. Spence, City Clerk