

City of Gulfport Florida
City Council Organizational Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, March 17, 2009

The Organizational Meeting of the Gulfport City Council was held on Tuesday, March 17, 2009, in the City Hall, City Council Chambers, 2401 53rd Street South, Gulfport, Florida.

Michael J. Yakes, Mayor, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call.

Present were: Councilmembers Judy Ryerson, Sam Henderson and Robert Worthington; Vice Mayor Michele King; Mayor Michael J. Yakes; Interim City Manager James O'Reilly; City Attorney Timothy Driscoll and City Clerk Lesley DeMuth.

1. Resolutions:

a. 2009-27

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GULFPORT, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING THE MARCH 10, 2009, MUNICIPAL ELECTION RESULTS AS CERTIFIED BY THE PINELLAS COUNTY CANVASSING BOARD IN THE RACE FOR GULFPORT COUNCILMEMBER IN WARD II; DECLARING THE WINNER IN SAID RACE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

City Clerk DeMuth read Resolution 2009-27 by title only.

Motion by Councilmember Ryerson, seconded by Councilmember Worthington to approve Resolution 2009-27.

City Attorney Driscoll noted that Councilmember Henderson would not be voting on this Resolution, since he had not been sworn in, and Vice Mayor King needed to abstain. (In accordance with Florida Statutes, Form 8B –Memorandum of Voting Conflict filed by Vice Mayor Michele King is attached hereto, and made a part of the minutes.)

ROLL CALL:	COUNCILMEMBER WORTHINGTON	YES
	COUNCILMEMBER RYERSON	YES
	VICE MAYOR KING	ABSTAIN
	MAYOR YAKES	YES

MOTION CARRIED

City Clerk DeMuth administered the Oath of Office to Councilmember Michele King.

b. 2009-28

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GULFPORT, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING THE MARCH 10, 2009, MUNICIPAL ELECTION RESULTS AS CERTIFIED BY THE PINELLAS COUNTY

**CANVASSING BOARD IN THE RACE FOR GULFPORT
COUNCILMEMBER IN WARD IV; DECLARING THE WINNER IN
SAID RACE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

City Clerk DeMuth read Resolution 2009-28 by title only.

Motion by Councilmember King, seconded by Councilmember Ryerson to approve Resolution 2009-28.

ROLL CALL:	COUNCILMEMBER WORTHINGTON	YES
	COUNCILMEMBER RYERSON	YES
	VICE MAYOR KING	YES
	MAYOR YAKES	YES

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

City Clerk DeMuth administered the Oath of Office to Councilmember Sam Henderson.

2. Appointment of a Vice Mayor.

Motion by Councilmember Ryerson, seconded by Councilmember Henderson to nominate Councilmember Worthington as Vice Mayor.

ROLL CALL:	COUNCILMEMBER HENDERSON	YES
	COUNCILMEMBER WORTHINGTON	YES
	COUNCILMEMBER RYERSON	YES
	VICE MAYOR KING	YES
	MAYOR YAKES	YES

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mayor Yakes spoke about the future of Gulfport.

Councilmember King and Councilmember Henderson thanked the citizens for their votes.

Vice Mayor Worthington spoke about the role of "Vice Mayor" as well as his being a representative for the City on State and National Committees.

3. Set date and time for Council Workshop Meetings.

Interim City Manager O'Reilly stated that Staff wanted to bring forward a budget for the Council review. A workshop was scheduled for April 9, 2009, at 2:30 p.m.

Mayor Yakes stated he wanted to have a monthly workshop meeting to review and prepare issues that will be presented at regular Council Meetings. He suggested the last Thursday of the month at 2:30 p.m. These workshops will begin on April 30, 2009.

4. Any other business. None

5. Adjournment.

Motion by Councilmember Ryerson, seconded by Vice Mayor Worthington to adjourn.

UNANIMOUS APPROVAL BY ACCLAMATION.

Date Approved: 4-7-09


Michael J. Yakes, Mayor


Lesley DeMuth, City Clerk