

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GULF BREEZE, FLORIDA**

The 1,119th regular meeting of the Gulf Breeze City Council, Gulf Breeze, Florida, was held at the Gulf Breeze City Hall on Monday, January 5, 2009, at 6:30 p.m.

Upon call of the roll the following Councilmen were present: Beverly Zimmern,, Richard Fulford, Joseph Henderson and Mayor Gilchrist. Councilman J. B. Schluter is out of town for the month of January.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING DECEMBER 15, 2008:

Councilman Zimmern moved for approval of the minutes for the regular meeting held on Monday, December 15, 2008. Councilman Fulford seconded. The vote for approval was 4 - 0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR SPECIAL CRA MEETING DECEMBER 15, 2008:

Councilman Zimmern moved for approval of the minutes for the special Community Redevelopment Agency meeting held on Monday, December 15, 2008. Councilman Fulford seconded. The vote for approval was 4 - 0.

**RESOLUTION NO. 01-09: URGING AMTRAK TO RESTORE SUNSET LIMITED
RAIL SERVICE BETWEEN THE STATE OF FLORIDA
AND NEW ORLEANS**

Councilman Zimmern moved for approval of the Resolution. Councilman Henderson seconded. The vote for approval was 4 - 0.

ACTION AGENDA ITEMS:

- A. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING MEMORANDA OF
UNDERSTANDING WITH ESCAMBIA COUNTY REGARDING
DEADMAN'S ISLAND**

Reference: Special Projects Manager memo dated December 15, 2008

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council approve the Memoranda of Understanding between Escambia County and City regarding Deadman's Island restoration subject to the final review by the City Attorney and authorize the Mayor to execute the document. (Heather Reed with Environmental Consulting Services attended the meeting and explained the project and answered questions.)

Councilman Zimmern moved for approval. Councilman Fulford seconded. The vote for approval was 4 - 0.

B. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUE FROM FIVE STAR ORGANIZATION

_____Reference: Special Projects Manager memo dated December 11, 2008

RECOMMENDATION:

No City Council action necessary for this item. The National Association of Counties "Five Star" grant program provided the City with a large cast brass plaque, suitable for exterior installation and display, designating Deadman's Island "A Five Star Restoration Site - Restoring America's River Corridors and Wetlands", was displayed to the City Council and those attending the meeting. Several pictures were taken with the Mayor, City Manager, City Council and Heather Reed holding the plaque.

C. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING COMMENDATION TO RESIDENTS FOR SUPPORT OF DEADMAN'S ISLAND PROJECT

_____Reference: Special Projects Manager memo dated December 15, 2008

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council officially recognize and commend the Weins, Ozburns and Ms. Moreland with a citation for their support of the project and allowing project and state agency officials and City staff direct access to Deadman's Island through their properties and allowing occasionally use as staging areas for activity supplies.

The City Council unanimously agreed and the Mayor presented the citations to the Ozburns and Ms. Moreland. The Weins were unable to attend the meeting.

D. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING PROPOSED STRIPING OF SHORELINE DRIVE FROM EASTERN BOUNDARY OF CITY HALL TO SOUTH SUNSET

_____Reference: Public Service Director memo dated December 31, 2008

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council table this project until a price to complete the project by adding a portion of South Sunset Boulevard from Shoreline Drive to the North entrance into Shoreline Park North by the Frisbee Golf Course be added to the no passing zone striping project and to also add repainting stop bars for that area.

Councilman Fulford moved for approval. Councilman Henderson seconded. The vote for approval was 4 - 0.

E. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING RESIDENTIAL WATER AND SEWER IMPACT FEE - PROPOSED INTERIM POLICY

_____Reference: Public Service Director memo dated December 31, 2008

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council approve the interim water and sewer impact fee policy for residential subdivision development for a period of six months to be applied to currently approved projects in the City and the South Santa Rosa Utility system described as follows: (1) still require the 25% down payment when the City signs the permit application; (2) another 25% and the aid-in-construction fees due prior to the City signing the Certification of Completion; and the remaining 50% due prior to or at the time of application for the building permit for each lot.

Councilman Zimmern moved for approval. Councilman Fulford seconded. The vote for approval was 4 - 0.

F. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING EXTENSION OF TIME FOR NONCONFORMING USE - FORMER CANCUN'S LOCATION

Reference: Community Services Director memo dated December 22, 2008

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council approve the extension of cessation for the nonconforming stormwater drainage only and approve the Fuji steakhouse and Sushi Bar contingent upon adding the landscape island to separate parking, adding additional

landscaping along McAbee Court, restriping the parking lot, repairing the parking lot, replacing the existing sign with a monument sign, repairing the irrigation system and repainting the exterior of the building to LDI standards. The City Council directed staff to put in writing the City's agreement with the restaurant owner and to be sure he understands that future development may trigger further requirements.

Councilman Zimmern moved for approval. Councilman Henderson seconded. The vote for approval was 4 - 0.

G. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING SOLID WASTE RATES

Reference: City Manager memo dated January 2, 2009

RECOMMENDATION:

No action on Solid Waste Rates be taken at this time.

H. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING DISTURBANCES AT THE QUALITY INN

Reference: City Manager memo dated January 2, 2009

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council direct staff to prepare an ordinance regarding the requirement for security personnel at various special events. (Mr. H. P. Singh, was present at the meeting for discussion and to answer questions from Council. Mr. Singh has the lease for the hotel operations. He informed the Council that he had rented the meeting room facilities for two DJ dance events promoted by a Pensacola business over the internet. After the first shooting incident Mr. Singh tried to cancel the second event but was threatened by a lawsuit if the event was cancelled. Mr. Singh assured the Council that he would not rent the facilities to the group again.

Councilman Zimmern moved for approval. Councilman Henderson seconded. The vote for approval was 4 - 0.

I. INFORMATION ITEMS

OPEN FORUM:

Mr. Fritz Schroth, 1257 Tall Pine Trail, addressed the Council regarding a City stormwater drainage improvement project that was to start on his property in the next day or two. He said he knew that some work was needed on his property, but he thought some of the problem should be resolved by placing some stormwater drainage on property owned by others. He requested that the Council delay the project long enough to meet with him on his property and look at the area before the work gets started.

The Council unanimously agreed to delay the project for approximately one week to give them time to visit the site and talk with Mr. Schroth and the other property owners.

Councilman Henderson asked that the Council appoint him as an alternate to attend the Architectural Review Board and Development Review Board meetings for the month of January as Councilman Schluter, Councilman representative, will not be able to attend. The Council unanimously agreed to appoint Councilman Henderson to attend the Development Review Board scheduled for Tuesday, January 6, 2009.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Gilchrist adjourned the regular Council meeting at 7:37 p.m.

CITY CLERK

MAYOR