



Town of Hilton Head Island  
GULLAH GEECHEE HISTORIC  
NEIGHBORHOODS  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT  
CORPORATION COMMITTEE  
Wednesday, June 7, 2023, 9:00 a.m.  
MINUTES

**Present from Committee:** Shirley Peterson, *Chair*; Pastor Louis Johnson, *Vice-Chair*; Terry Brubaker, *Secretary*; Alex Brown, *Treasurer* and David Ames, *Committee Member*

**Present from Town Staff:** Marc Orlando, *Town Manager*; Josh Gruber, *Deputy Town Manager*; Lisa Stauffer, *Human Resources Director*; Krishana Perry, *Principal Planner- Historic Neighborhood Preservation*; Cindaia Ervin, *Assistant Town Clerk*

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**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m.

**2. FOIA Compliance**

Ms. Ervin confirmed compliance with the SC Freedom of Information Act.

**3. Adoption of the Agenda**

Mr. Ames moved to adopt the meeting agenda as presented. Mr. Brubaker seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

**4. Appearance by Citizens**

At the time of the agenda item, appearance by citizens, Ms. Ervin indicated that there were no citizens that signed up to speak before the Committee nor were there any comments submitted via the Town's Open Town Hall Portal.

**5. Unfinished Business**

**a. Consideration of Proposed Calendar Year 2023 Meeting Dates, Times, and Locations**

Cindaia Ervin, Assistant Town Clerk, provided the Committee with the suggested changes to the proposed calendar year 2023 meeting dates, times and locations from their prior meeting. The Committee wished to host quarterly meetings within the community at a later start time and a location within one of the Gullah Geechee Historic Neighborhoods to accommodate those that are interested in learning more about the Committee. Mr. Ames moved to approve the proposed 2023 meeting dates, times and locations. Mr. Brubaker seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

**6. Executive Session**

**a. Discussion of Employment, Appointment Compensation, Promotion, Demotion, Discipline or Release of an Employee, or a Person Regulated by a Public Body**

(Pursuant to the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act Section 30-4-70 [a][1])  
Related to:

1. Appointment of the Gullah Geechee Historic Neighborhoods Community Development Corporation Executive Director

At 9:07 am, Mrs. Peterson stated that there was a need for an Executive Session to discuss the appointment of the Gullah Geechee Historic Neighborhoods Community Development Corporation Executive Director. Mr. Ames moved to enter into Executive Session for the reasons stated by Chair Member Peterson. Mr. Brubaker seconded. The motion was approved by vote of 5-0-0.

**7. Possible Action by the Gullah Geechee Historic Neighborhoods Community Development Corporation Community Concerning Matters Discussed in Executive Session**

At 9:51 am, the Committee returned from executive session and Mrs. Peterson stated there was no action as a result of the Executive Session.

**8. Adjournment**

At 9:52 am, Mr. Ames made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Brubaker seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

**APPROVED:** August 16, 2023