Gullah-Geechee Land and Cultural Preservation Task Force Meeting Minutes

July 16, 2018 – 1:00 PM Council Chambers – Town Hall

Task Force Members present: Lavon Stevens, Palmer Simmons, Caroline McVitty, Ibrahim Abdul-Malik, Todd Theodore

Town Council present: Marc Grant

Community Development Staff present: Jayme Lopko, Jennifer Ray, Carolyn Grant, Brian Hulbert, Teri Lewis

- Chairman Stevens called the meeting to order at 1:06 PM.
- The agenda for today's meeting and the minutes from the June 4, 2018 meeting were approved by consent.
- Jayme Lopko informed the Task Force there is currently no update on the Gullah Resource Center; however, work continues on this item.
- Jayme Lopko updated the Task Force on the status of the RFP. The selection committee has reviewed the three proposals, conducted interviews, and selected the top candidate. Town staff will now work with the top candidate to execute a contract. Once the contract is executed, Jayme Lopko will share the proposals and the selected consultant with the Task Force.
- Jayme Lopko informed the Task Force about the next effort to identify properties on the island that do not have clear title, heirs' properties. The Task Force discussed the need to do this effort and what information could be gained.
- Chairman Stevens opened the meeting for public comment and the following were received:
 - Alex Brown informed the Task Force about upcoming Bridges 2 Lyfe meetings at the Public Service District on the fourth Monday of every month.
 - ➤ Tai Scott informed the Task Force about the Nation Action Network backpack giveaway on Saturday August 11th at Jarvis Creek Park from 12 to 4pm.
- Chairman Stevens adjourned the meeting at 1:48 PM.

Submitted by: Jayme Lopko Meeting date: July 16, 2018 Approved: August 20, 2018