

**Gullah Geechee Land and Cultural Preservation Task Force  
Meeting Minutes**

March 4, 2019 – 5:30 PM

Hilton Head Public Service District – Community Room

Task Force Members present: Shani Green, Joyce Wright, Todd Theodore, Palmer Simmons, Caroline McVitty, Ibrahim Abdul-Malik, Martha Davis

Town Council present: None

Town Staff present: Jennifer Ray, Jenn McEwen

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- Acting Chairman Simmons called the meeting to order at 5:40 PM.
- The agenda for today's meeting and the minutes from the December 17, 2018 meeting were approved by consent.
- After a brief introduction by Acting Chairman Simmons and Jayme Lopko, Phil Walker of The Walker Collaborative presented each of the draft recommendations contained in the report. The public was given the opportunity to vote via electronic devices regarding their support or lack thereof for each recommendation. Real time data was collected giving Mr. Walker the ability to discuss the recommendations that were not completely supported and determine whether to modify or eliminate that recommendation.
- There were a total of 34 recommendations discussed and voted on by those in attendance. Of those, 24 recommendations received support by 75% or more of the voters. The remaining 10 recommendations each received a mixed vote, with some voters being unsure as to whether they should support a recommendation.
- Acting Chairman Simmons asked for a motion to approve the 2019 calendar of meetings for the Task Force through June of 2019. Joyce Wright made a motion to approve the 2019 calendar of meetings. Ibrahim Abdul-Malik seconded the motion and the motion passed 6-0-0.
- Acting Chairman Simmons adjourned the meeting at 8:15 PM.

Submitted by: Jayme Lopko  
Meeting date: March 4, 2019  
Approved: April 1, 2019