

Council Motions: October 5-6, 2005 - The Hilton Bayfront  
St. Petersburg, Florida

*This document contains the full chronology of motions made at the full Council session of the Gulf Council meeting including failed, substituted, and amended motions.*

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#### Administrative Policy

Motion: that the Council chair and staff develop an advisory panel to evaluate the role of the SSC and report their recommendations to the Council at the January Council Meeting.

Motion carried with no objection.

Motion: that the SOPPs be amended that there be no restriction on the number of consecutive terms that chair or vice chair can serve.

Motion: to table the motion until the November Council meeting.

Motion to table the motion carried with no objection.

Motion: to recommend that Council go to a 5 meeting schedule in 2006.

Motion carried with one opposed.

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#### Budget/Personnel

Motion: to adopt the revised budget for CY2006 in the amount of \$2,480.4K, as indicated in Tab L, No. 3.

Motion carried with no objection.

Motion: to allow staff to work a four 10-hour week provided that during certain weeks of travel/meetings, staff would have to work the full five 8-hour days. Mr. Swingle and Dr. Leard would be exempt. This would be a trial period up to the January Council meeting at which time the Executive Director would report the results back to the Council including any overtime costs that may be involved.

Motion carried with no objection.

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## Election of Chair and Vice-Chair

Motion: to hold the election of chair and vice chair at the end of today.

Substitute Motion: that the election be postponed until the first order of business at next Council meeting.

2<sup>nd</sup> Substitute Motion: to elect a chair as the last order of business at this meeting, and elect the vice chair as the first order of business at the next Council meeting.

2<sup>nd</sup> Substitute Motion failed.

Substitute motion failed.

Motion carried to hold the election of chair and vice chair at the end of today.

Motion: That Robin Riechers be Chairman.

Motion carried with no objection.

Motion: to nominate Corky Perret for Vice-Chair.

Motion: to nominate Degraaf Adams for Vice-Chair.

Motion carried that Corky Perret is Vice-Chair.

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## Joint Reef Fish/Mackerel/Red Drum

Motion: to table discussion of the Aquaculture Amendment until the next meeting.

Motion carried with no objection.

Motion: to substitute Mr. McKinney's changes in Tab G, No. 5(a) for the language for Action 9 in the options paper.

Motion carried with no objection.

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## Joint Reef Fish/Shrimp

Motion: that Alternative 2 be removed from the Options Paper.

Motion carried with no objection.

Motion: that options for 20%, 30%, and 40% be incorporated into Alternative 4.

Motion carried with no objection.

Motion: to revise Alternative 3 from a percentage of the level of fishing mortality to CPUE reduction expectations on red snapper age 0 and age 1 with staff developing suboptions.

Motion carried with no objection.

Motion: that the alternatives in Appendix A called "considered but rejected" be put back into the scoping document.

Motion carried with no objection.

Motion: to add alternatives to amend the red snapper rebuilding plan based on the new assessment and the rebuilding projections reviewed at this meeting.

Motion carried with no objection.

Motion: that the Reef Fish Amendment 27 portions of the Scoping Document apply only to red snapper.

Motion carried with no objection.

Motion: that scoping meetings be deferred until after the November Council meeting.

Motion carried with no objection.

Motion: to allow staff to add the items, delete the other species options, clean up the document, and bring it back to the Committee and Council at the November meeting.

Motion carried with no objection.

Motion: to approve the Proposed Prioritized Order for Council Amendments:

1. Shrimp Regulatory Amendment for Bycatch Reduction Criteria of BRDs.
2. Red Snapper Regulatory Amendment for TAC
3. Jt Reef Fish Amendment 27/Shrimp Amendment 14
4. Reef Fish Amendment 28 Grouper IFQ
5. Regulatory Amendment for TAC of (one or more) (2006 Action)
  - a. Greater Amberjack
  - b. Vermilion Snapper
  - c. Gray Triggerfish

Backburner –  
Aquaculture  
Reef Fish Amendment 18B

Motion carried with no objection.

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## Mackerel

Motion: that the Gulf Council concur with the SAFMC's recommendation for a control date of June 15, 2004 for Atlantic group Spanish mackerel.  
Motion carried with one opposed.

### Migratory Species

Motion: that the Gulf Council support action item 2.12 Alternative B(2)(c) that suggests closure be the months of June, July, and August rather than April, May, and June.  
Motion carried with no objection.

Motion: that under the HMS plan section 2.3.4.2 - Regulatory Housekeeping, the current preferred alternative is I1(b); the Gulf Council requests the preferred alternative be changed to I1 (e) which does not differentiate between pelagic and bottom longline gear in established HMS longline closed zones.  
Motion carried with no objection

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## Other Motions

Motion: that the following Council members participate in a drafting team for the NOAA Recovery Plan:

Degraaf Adams  
William Perret  
Bobbi Walker  
Julie Morris  
Kay Williams  
A Louisiana member

Motion carried by consensus.

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## Reef Fish

Motion: that Reef Fish Amendment 18A be sent to the Secretary of Commerce for implementation.

Motion carried by roll call vote with no objection, and with six members absent.

Motion: that the preferred alternative in Section 4.7 be Alternative 6: IFQ shares/allocations can be transferred only to individuals/vessels with a valid commercial reef fish permit during the first 5 years of the IFQ program and U.S. citizens and permanent resident aliens thereafter. Eligible individuals must be persons, who are U.S. citizens or permanent resident aliens.

Motion carried with no objection.

Motion: that Reef Fish Amendment 26 be considered for public hearings.

Motion carried with one opposed.

Motion: to split the Red Grouper Regulatory Amendment and take final action on the commercial regulations today, and at the next Council meeting take final action on the recreational portion of the amendment.

Motion carried by a vote of 6 to 5.

Motion: that the preferred alternative be Alternative 6: a 5,500 pound trip limit.

Substitute Motion: that the preferred alternative be Alternative 6, but change 5,500 to 6,000 pounds.

Substitute Motion carried with no objection.

Motion: to send the commercial portion of the Red Grouper Regulatory Amendment to the Secretary of Commerce for implementation.

Motion carried by roll call vote with none opposed and 6 absent.

Motion: that Alternative 2 in Section 3.2.2 Action 3 be the preferred alternative: The captain and crew of a for-hire vessel may not retain any grouper when under charter.

Motion carried with one opposed.

Motion: to request that the next amendment reconsider the allocation of grouper and to expedite that amendment.

Motion: to table the motion and discussion until the next meeting.

Motion to table the motion carried with no objection.