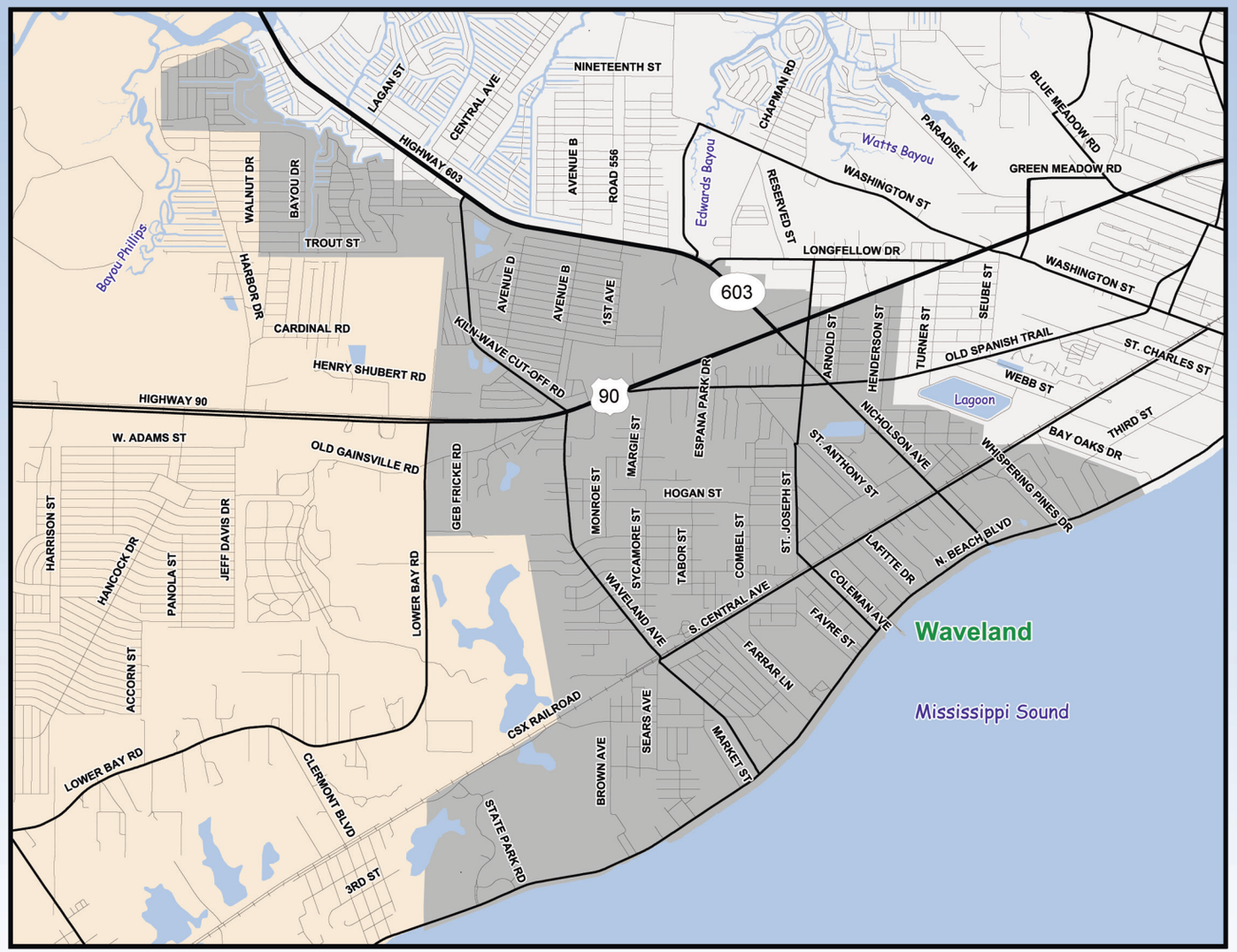

Coast Transit Authority serves Gulfport, Biloxi, D'Iberville, and Ocean Springs with fixed-route service. ADA/Paratransit service is provided to disabled persons within .75 miles of a fixed route, and Special Services to Senior Center, shopping, medical appointments, etc. is provided to senior citizens. See coasttransit.com.

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CITY OF WAVELAND MISSISSIPPI

The Hospitality City

2013 COMMUNITY OVERVIEW:
City of Waveland

Provided by Gulf Regional Planning Commission for use by community members, visitors, agencies and organizations living in or moving to the Mississippi Gulf Coast.

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Waveland is a quiet, family-oriented place with endless opportunities for water recreation in the Mississippi Sound and at Buccaneer State Park, located at the southwest corner of the city. The land at Buccaneer was first the base of smugglers and pirates in the 1700s, then a base of operations for General Jackson in the Battle of New Orleans. First developed by descendants of the original French and Spanish settlers, Waveland was incorporated as a city in 1888. Waveland became a distant suburb of New Orleans in the late 19th century. Businessmen regularly commuted into New Orleans from the Waveland train depot. Steamboats also brought vacationers to the area to summer in houses built along the beach to catch Gulf breezes. Since Hurricane Katrina, the Garfield Ladner Memorial Pier has been rebuilt and is being enjoyed by community members and visitors alike. Waveland has also acquired a new City Hall and public library on historic Coleman Avenue. With its infrastructure back in place now, Waveland is ready to accommodate those looking for a place on the "quiet end" of the Mississippi coast.

CITY OF WAVELAND
301 Coleman Avenue
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wavelandcity.com

2012 GOVERNMENT

Mayor ..... David Garcia

Aldermen

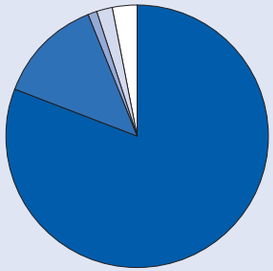
Ward 1 ..... Lili Stahl
Ward 2 ..... Ricky Geoffrey
Ward 3 ..... Shane Lafontaine
Ward 4 ..... Mark Kidd

DEMOGRAPHICS

Race and Ethnicity	2010	2000	Annual Growth Rate (%)
White	5,182	5,698	-0.9
Black	857	748	1.5
Asian	95	100	-0.5
Other	113	60	6.6
Two or more races	188	60	21.3
Total Population	**6,435**	**6,674**	**-0.4**
Hispanic or Latin	246	135	8.2
Land Area (sq. mi.)	8.5	6.7	n/a
Pop. Density (pop/sq. mi.)	758.0	996.1	n/a
Median Age	37.5	38.0	n/a

**Note: Waveland was enlarged by annexation in 2007. Despite this, losses due to Hurricane Katrina resulted in a decrease in population of 239 people, even as land increased in area by 1.8 sq. mi. Source: Population Data, US Census 2010 and US Census 2000*

2012 POPULATION BY RACE



White 81%
Black 13%
Asian 1%
Other 2%
2 or more races 3%

INCOME & SALES TAX INFO

Median Household Income $39,177
Main Operating Revenue Source ..... Property Tax
Retail Sales Tax 7%

Source: Income Data, American Community Survey. The median household income is based on 2006-2010 data adjusted to 2010 dollars. Sales Tax Data, MS Dept. of Revenue; Revenue Source, City of Ocean Springs.

EMPLOYMENT

Major Employers	# Employees 2012
Walmart	615
McDonald's	165
Lowe's	160
Home Depot	150
City of Waveland	64

Source: Gulf Regional Planning Commission

HOUSING STATISTICS

Indicator	2010	2000
Housing Units	3,286	3,988
Occupancy Rate	78.3	79.8
Apartment Occupancy Rate (8-units and up)	65.6	n/a
Average Rent 2-bd Apartment (8-units and up)	$591	n/a
Average Household Size	2.50	2.43

Source: Housing units and occupancy, Census 2010; Apartment Data, 2010 Gulf Coast Apartment Survey

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Waveland Public Library
345 Coleman Ave, 39576
228-467-9240
www.hancocklibraries.info

HIGHEST TRAFFIC COUNT ROADWAYS, 2011

Ranking	Location	AADT*
1	US 90	24,000
2	Hwy 603	21,000
3	Nicholson Avenue	7,700
4	Waveland Avenue	5,800
5	Old Spanish Trail	5,200

* Note: Average annual daily traffic on weekdays, holidays excluded.
Source: Gulf Regional Planning Commission 2010 Annual Average Daily Traffic Counts For more detailed info, visit www.grpc.com.

WaveFest'12
"The Pirates of the Mississippi Sound"

MARK OCTOBER ON YOUR CALENDAR!

At Wavefest, it's all about the music, the sand and the sea! The event is a family-friendly, fall festival, including live music, food venders, craft and trade booths, art displays, an antique show, sand sculpting, youth activities, and it all ends with a fireworks display. Wavefest is one of the largest events held in Hancock County. Spectators free. For more details, please visit www.wavelandcommunitycoalition.com.