

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
CITY OF MORGAN CITY
JULY 25, 2017

The Mayor and City Council of Morgan City, Louisiana, met at 6:00 pm (local time) in regular session, this date, in the City Court Building, Highway 182 East, Morgan City, Louisiana.

There were present: Honorable Frank P. Grizzaffi, III Mayor; and Council Members Ron Bias, James Fontenot, Tim Hymel, Mark Stephens and Louis J. Tamporello, Jr.

Absent: None

Also present was Mr. Marcus Folse, Chief Administrative Officer.

The invocation was given by Reverend Marty Harden, Bethel Pentecostal Fellowship.

Mr. Dean Adams with the Krewe of Adonis approached the Council regarding a Food Fest hosted by the Krewe of Adonis to be held on Front Street and the unprotected side of the floodwall (copy on file). The event would take place on September 23, 2017 from 11 AM to 6 PM. He also requested to close front Street between Freret Street and Greenwood Street. A motion to allow the food fest to use both the protected and unprotected sides of the seawall on Front Street was made by Reverend Bias, seconded by Mr. Tamporello, and voted unanimously in favor.

Mr. Dustin Bagwell with Purple Heart Outdoors requested the use of Lake End Parkway on September 23, 2017 to hold a 5K Run/Walk from 8 AM to 10 AM (copy on file). A motion to allow the use of the Lake End Parkway for the 5K Run/Walk was made by Mr. Fontenot, seconded by Mr. Hymel, and voted unanimously in favor.

Mr. Pat Cloutier addressed the Mayor and Council regarding LEPA. He stated that Mayor Grizzaffi had not gotten back with him regarding the \$350,000 that was allocated by LEPA to pay for attorneys. Mayor Grizzaffi stated that he had a Coast Guard engagement so he was not present at the meeting. He did, however, have the minutes to that meeting. Mr. Cloutier stated that he was already in possession of those minutes. He asked about the building on Front Street and the insurance claim that was filed. Mayor Grizzaffi stated that Mr. Cloutier had brought the building to the attention of FEMA and the City had filed a claim with their insurance company. The \$50,000 deductible was paid by the City after the insurance company deemed the City was at fault in issuing the permit.

Jeremy Powers with Gallagher Insurance addressed the Council with an update on the current plan performance. He stated that the plan year of 2016 ended with a \$170,000 surplus. Year to date the City was within two percent of budget. Two large claimants had reached their stop loss limits. Claims were now being paid by the reinsurance carrier. They were expecting to end the year on budget or a little ahead of budget.

The minutes of the June 27, 2017 meeting were submitted. There being no corrections, additions, or deletions, a motion to approve the minutes was made by Reverend Bias, seconded by Mr. Stephens, and voted unanimously in favor.

Mrs. Deborah Garber, Finance Director, submitted the following financial statement for the period ending June 30, 2017.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DATE: July 25, 2017
TO: Mayor and Council
FROM: Deborah Garber
RE: Comments related to summary of revenues and expenses compared to budget for the period ended June 30, 2017.

Attached is a summary that compares our actual revenues and expenses to our operational budget for our major funds subject to budgetary control for the period ending June 30, 2017. The following comments are related thereto:

General and Ancillary Funds: Actual total revenues are over budget by \$209,800. Sales taxes in General Fund remain over budget by \$18,000. Occupational licenses was still under budget but only by 56,000. Workmen’s comp dividend was \$115,000 over budget. Operating expenses are below budget by \$309,000. The net loss, after transfers, of \$455,700 is a favorable variance of \$406,700 compared to the budget.

Utility Fund: Actual revenues continue to be under budget by \$710,000, with operational expenses also under budget by \$760,000. Energy and gas costs are \$505,000 under budget. The net loss, after transfers, of \$577,000 creates a favorable variance of \$75,900.

Sanitation and Sewer Fund: The operating revenues are \$14,000 under budget, with total operating expenses under budget by \$145,700. The net income, after transfers, of \$458,500 leaves a favorable variance of \$238,000.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Deborah Garber
 Deborah Garber
 Finance Director

CITY OF MORGAN CITY
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT
 Actual Revenues and Expenses Compared to Budget
 Period Ended June 30, 2017

	JUNE 2017 ACTUAL	JUNE 2017 BUDGET	VARIANCE
GENERAL AND ANCILLARY FUNDS			
REVENUES			
General Fund	3,049,622	2,873,559	176,063
Recreation			
Fund	98,061	66,298	31,763
Library Fund	9,646	7,014	2,632
Auditorium			
Fund	55,216	36,835	18,381
Lake End Park Fund	365,667	384,659	(18,992)
Total Revenues	<u>3,578,212</u>	<u>3,368,365</u>	<u>209,847</u>
EXPENSES-OPERATIONAL			
General Fund	4,936,427	5,035,265	(98,838)
Recreation			
Fund	207,684	269,614	(61,930)
Library Fund	69,775	68,744	1,031
Auditorium			
Fund	244,276	273,944	(29,668)
Lake End Park Fund	343,290	463,280	(119,990)
Total Expenses	<u>5,801,452</u>	<u>6,110,847</u>	<u>(309,395)</u>
TRANSFERS			
Transfers from Funds	1,907,500	2,020,004	(112,504)
Transfers to Funds	<u>(140,000)</u>	<u>(140,000)</u>	<u>0</u>
Net Transfers	<u>1,767,500</u>	<u>1,880,004</u>	<u>(112,504)</u>
EXCESS NET OF TRANSFERS	<u>(455,740)</u>	<u>(862,478)</u>	<u>406,738</u>
UTILITY FUND			
Total Revenues	8,688,748	9,399,471	(710,723)
Total Expenditures	<u>7,571,003</u>	<u>8,331,685</u>	<u>(760,682)</u>
Net Excess	1,117,745	1,067,786	49,959

Net Transfers and non-oper.	<u>(1,694,902)</u>	<u>(1,720,840)</u>	<u>25,938</u>
Excess net of transfers	<u>(577,157)</u>	<u>(653,054)</u>	<u>75,897</u>

SANITATION AND SEWER FUND

Total			
Revenues	1,319,563	1,334,000	(14,437)
Total			
Expenses	<u>1,492,892</u>	<u>1,638,620</u>	<u>(145,728)</u>
Net Excess	(173,329)	(304,620)	131,291
Net Transfers/non-			
operating expenses	<u>631,826</u>	<u>525,136</u>	<u>106,690</u>
Excess net of transfers			
and non-operating	<u>458,497</u>	<u>220,516</u>	<u>237,981</u>

A motion to accept the financial statement was made by Mr. Hymel, seconded by Mr. Fontenot and voted unanimously in favor.

Mr. Gerald Thibodeaux with Kolder, Champagne, Slaven & Co. gave the annual audit report for the City for the year ending December 31, 2016 (copy on file). A motion to accept the audit report was made by Tamporello, seconded by Reverend Bias, and voted unanimously in favor.

Mayor Grizzaffi stated that the Cemetery was running out a space and a new mausoleum needed to be built. One option would be to have a company come in and build a new mausoleum and they would sell the crypts. Another option was that the City could build their own mausoleum and do their own presales. A cost estimate to build a new mausoleum was around \$300,000. If the City sold all of the 270 crypts and niches, revenues in the amount of \$700,000 were expected. There was currently a balance of \$235,000 in the Cemetery fund, so the Cemetery Committee had given the Public Works Director the green light to start the planning and bidding out of a new mausoleum.

Mr. Oscar Boudreaux, Engineer with Environmental Engineering Services addressed the Council regarding Myrtle Street Gravity Sewer Line Upgrade. He stated the project was ready to be placed into substantial completion, whereupon,

Mr. Tamporello offered the following Resolution, who moved for its adoption.

RESOLUTION NO. R: 17-38

WHEREAS, the firm of PM Construction and Rehab, LLC has substantially completed the work done under contract No. R:17-04, for the Myrtle Street Gravity Sewer Line Upgrade project, dated February 2, 2017, and recorded in the mortgage records of the Parish of St. Mary, Book 1502, Entry 338817, Page 777, and

WHEREAS, the contractor has requested that this work be put in the lien period, and

WHEREAS, the engineer for the project has recommended acceptance of said project as substantially complete, to begin the forty-five (45) day lien period with no items remaining to be done, and

WHEREAS, before final payment is made, the engineer will so certify to the City that the project is fully complete and approve the payment of the retainage,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council, the governing authority of the City of Morgan City, Louisiana that the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to execute the "Certificate of Substantial Completion" and that a

copy of this resolution, along with said "Certificate" be filed with the Clerk of Courts of the Parish of St. Mary to initiate the forty-five (45) day lien period for the work done under the above mentioned contract.

Mr. Hymel seconded the motion.

The vote thereon was as follows:

AYES: Tamporello, Hymel, Bias, Fontenot, Stephens

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The resolution was therefore declared approved and adopted this 25th day of July, 2017.

Frank P. Grizzaffi, III
Mayor

ATTEST:

Debbie Harrington
Clerk

The next matter on the agenda was the Lake End Parkway Paving Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with St. Mary Drainage District Number 2. Mayor Grizzaffi stated that when the new levee project went out for bid, the St. Mary Drainage District included asphaltting some of the road inside of Lake End Parkway. The cost to pave the Lake End Parkway came back at \$53,000, instead of the \$157,000 it would cost to do alone; whereupon,

Reverend Bias offered the following Resolution, who moved for its adoption.

RESOLUTION NO. R: 17-39

WHEREAS, the City of Morgan City and the Consolidated Gravity Drainage District Number 2 of the Parish of St. Mary, State of Louisiana have previously entered into Cooperative Endeavor Agreements; and

WHEREAS, the Drainage District received bids on July 18, 2017 for LA 70 Levee Improvements, and received an alternate bid in the amount of \$53,369.30 to add paving on Lake End Parkway from the point where the existing asphalt ends back to the temporary entrance to the park; and

WHEREAS, a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement needs to be signed with the St. Mary Parish Consolidated Gravity Drainage District Number 2 to accomplish this.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council, the governing authority of the City of Morgan City, that the Mayor be, and he is hereby authorized and empowered to execute a cooperative endeavor agreement between the City of Morgan City and

Consolidated Gravity Drainage District Number 2 of the Parish of St. Mary, State of Louisiana.

Mr. Fontenot seconded the motion.

The vote thereon was as follows:

AYES: Bias, Fontenot, Hymel, Stephens, Tamporello
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

The resolution was therefore declared approved and adopted this 25th day of July, 2017.

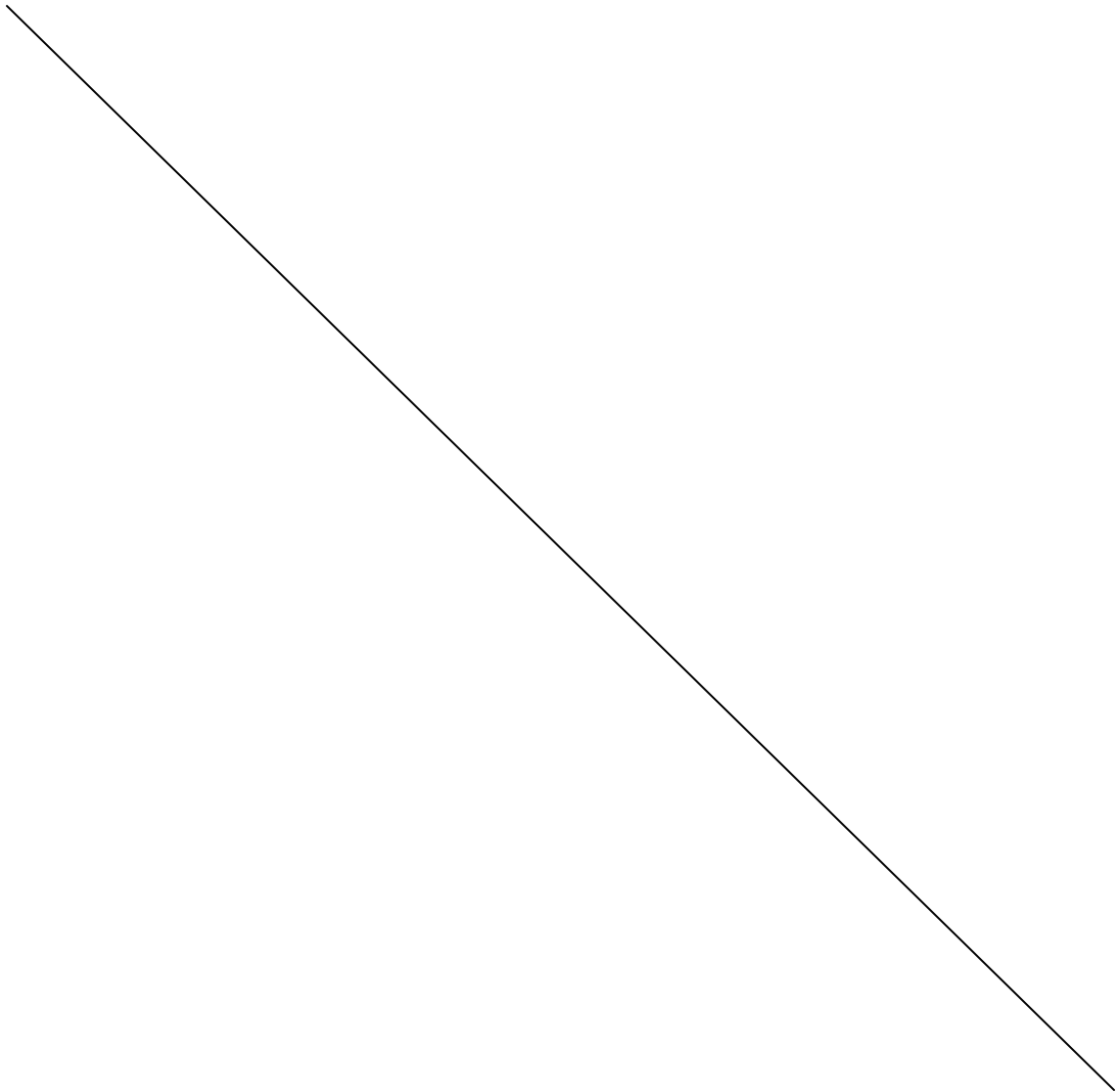
Frank P. Grizzaffi, III
Mayor

ATTEST:

Debbie Harrington
Clerk

The second reading for the Adopt Millage Rates for Tax Year 2017 on August 22, 2017 was opened. No definitive action was necessary.

Mayor Grizzaffi stated that the final item on the agenda was the Resolution of Respect for John Parker Conrad, Sr., whereupon,



Messrs. Bias, Fontenot, Hymel, Stephens and Tamporello offered the following Resolution, who moved for its adoption.

RESOLUTION NO. R: 17-40
IN MEMORIAM
JOHN PARKER CONRAD, SR.

WHEREAS, God, in his infinite wisdom has taken John Parker Conrad, Sr. from our midst; and

WHEREAS, he was a shipbuilding pioneer and a legend in South Louisiana and beyond; and

WHEREAS, in 1948 he founded Conrad Industries in Morgan City, now with five shipyards along the Louisiana-Texas coast; and

WHEREAS, he built The Spirit of Morgan City, a shrimp trawler, and donated it to the City and it is now a proud landmark; and

WHEREAS, he was a member of the Chamber of Commerce, St. Mary Industrial Group, Louisiana Shipbuilders, Petroleum Club of Morgan City, Knights of Columbus Council #1373, Louisiana Intercoastal Waterway Association, Louisiana Business and Industry Group, Chairman of the Board of Atchafalaya Federal Savings Bank, a member of the Offshore Marine Service Association, a former Rotarian and Boy Scout leader, a member of the Central Catholic High School Boosters Club, a patron of the United Catholic Education Fund and an honored member of the Sister Aiden Society at CCHS; and

WHEREAS, he was named to the Order of St. Louis King of France, inducted into the Central Catholic Hall of Fame, received the Medaille Award from the Sisters of St. Joseph, named Morgan City Citizen of the Year, given the Rotary Club's Paul Harris Fellowship Award, and was named St. Mary Parish Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year; and

WHEREAS, he was a long time parishioner at Sacred Heart Catholic Church; and

WHEREAS, he is survived by his one son, Johnny Conrad and one daughter, Katherine Conrad Court; and

WHEREAS, he will be missed by the many, whose lives he touched.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council, the governing authority of the City of Morgan City, that all those in attendance at this meeting rise and bow their heads in silent prayer out of respect for the late John Parker Conrad, Sr. and extend to his bereaved family our sincere condolences in this, their hour of sorrow, and in these inadequate words endeavor to express the high regard in which we held him in life and honor his memory in death.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, etc., that this resolution be inscribed on a separate page of the official proceedings of this meeting and that a copy of this resolution be sent to his bereaved family.

Messrs. Bias, Fontenot, Hymel, Stephens and Tamporello seconded the motion.

The vote thereon was as follows:

AYES: Bias, Fontenot, Hymel, Stephens, Tamporello

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The resolution was therefore declared approved and adopted this 25th day of July, 2017.

Frank P. Grizzaffi, III
Mayor

ATTEST:

Debbie Harrington
Clerk

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