

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
CITY OF MORGAN CITY
MAY 23, 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 Mark Gowan.

Mr. Pat Cloutier asked Mr. Tamporello about the drainage on Belanger Street. He said that the City recently unclogged the drains. He asked how many discharge outfalls were located on Front Street. Mr. Tamporello stated there was one that was cleaned out by Conrad Industries and he would see if it needed to be cleaned out again. He said he was not sure how many there were, but he would contact the Public Works department and find out. Mr. Cloutier asked about the height of the new wharf. He stated that he thought it was supposed to have a 7' elevation but the water was currently at 7' and it was over the wharf. Mayor Grizzaffi stated that the lowest sill on the seawall was at 6' and the second was at 6.5'. The purpose of a 7' wharf when you had the gates closed was counterproductive. He asked about the deck screw issue at the Wharf. Mayor Grizzaffi stated that the deck screw issue was being addressed.

The minutes of the April 25, 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. Fontenot, and voted unanimously in favor.

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

MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DATE: May 23, 2017
TO: Mayor and Council
FROM: Deborah Garber
RE: Comments related to summary of revenues and expenses compared to budget for the period ended April 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 April 30, 2017. The following comments are related thereto:

General and Ancillary Funds: Actual total revenues are under budget by \$106,100. Sales taxes in General Fund were under budget by \$38,000. Occupational licenses were still under budget by 141,000. Operating expenses are below budget by \$384,800. The net loss, after transfers, of \$279,000 is a favorable variance of \$278,700 compared to the budget.

Utility Fund: Actual revenues are under budget by \$230,500, with operational expenses also under budget by \$394,000. Energy and gas costs are \$235,600 under budget. The net loss, after transfers, of \$322,400 creates another favorable variance of \$175,100.

Sanitation and Sewer Fund: The operating revenues are \$17,250 under budget, with total operating expenses under budget by \$86,000. The net income, after transfers, of \$252,500 leaves another favorable variance of \$68,700.

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

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

	APRIL 2017 ACTUAL	APRIL 2017 BUDGET	VARIANCE
GENERAL AND ANCILLARY FUNDS			
REVENUES			
General Fund	1,879,829	2,016,842	(137,013)
Recreation Fund	40,748	31,441	9,307
Library Fund	6,863	4,682	2,181
Auditorium Fund	48,546	25,923	22,623
Lake End Park Fund	241,787	244,983	(3,196)
Total Revenues	<u>2,217,773</u>	<u>2,323,871</u>	<u>(106,098)</u>
EXPENSES-OPERATIONAL			
General Fund	3,195,691	3,392,838	(197,147)
Recreation Fund	102,788	168,333	(65,545)
Library Fund	41,819	46,158	(4,339)
Auditorium Fund	146,054	184,876	(38,822)
Lake End Park Fund	219,635	298,586	(78,951)
Total Expenses	<u>3,705,987</u>	<u>4,090,791</u>	<u>(384,804)</u>
TRANSFERS			
Transfers from Funds	1,264,167	1,264,167	0
Transfers to Funds	<u>(55,000)</u>	<u>(55,000)</u>	<u>0</u>
Net Transfers	<u>1,209,167</u>	<u>1,209,167</u>	<u>0</u>
EXCESS NET OF TRANSFERS	<u>(279,047)</u>	<u>(557,753)</u>	<u>278,706</u>
UTILITY FUND			
Total			
Revenues	5,564,082	5,794,624	(230,542)
Total Expenditures	<u>4,760,850</u>	<u>5,154,831</u>	<u>(393,981)</u>
Net			
Excess	803,232	639,793	163,439
Net Transfers and non-oper.	<u>(1,125,634)</u>	<u>(1,137,336)</u>	<u>11,702</u>
Excess net of transfers	<u>(322,402)</u>	<u>(497,543)</u>	<u>175,141</u>
SANITATION AND SEWER FUND			
Total			
Revenues	869,398	886,649	(17,251)
Total			
Expenses	<u>1,011,779</u>	<u>1,097,848</u>	<u>(86,069)</u>
Net			
Excess	(142,381)	(211,199)	68,818
Net Transfers/non-operating expenses	<u>394,869</u>	<u>395,000</u>	<u>(131)</u>
Excess net of transfers and non-operating	<u>252,488</u>	<u>183,801</u>	<u>68,687</u>

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

The next matter on the agenda was the Finance Committee recommendations, whereupon,

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

RESOLUTION NO. R: 17-28

BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council, the governing authority of the City of Morgan City, that the following Finance Committee recommendations be and the same are hereby approved:

1. Allocate up to \$12,026 to purchase miscellaneous billing and receivable software module for use at City Hall and the Auditorium. General Fund and Auditorium Fund will split the cost for the purchase of the software.
2. Allocate \$9,329.00 to purchase Hydraulic Breaker attachment to be used on the Mini Excavator and/or Skid Load. Public Works and Water, Sewer and Gas will split the cost for the purchase of the Hydraulic Breaker.

Mr. Fontenot seconded the motion.

The vote thereon was as follows:

AYES: Hymel, Fontenot, Bias, Stephens, Tamporello

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The resolution was therefore declared approved and adopted this 23rd day of May, 2017.

Frank P. Grizzaffi, III
Mayor

ATTEST:

Debbie Harrington
Clerk

Mr. Anthony Governale, Planning & Zoning Director, gave an update on 711 Duke Street. He stated that the property was in disrepair and was located on three different parcels of land. He stated that it was owned by four different owners and had been adjudicated to the State. He stated that he felt legal advice was needed on how to proceed with the condemnation of the property. Only one owner could be located, and a letter was send out and came back unopened. Mr. Frank Mula stated he and his family owned the property across the street. He stated that this property was bringing down the value of his property that was currently on the market. He said people loved his house, but were concerned about the blighted property across the street. Mr. Governale stated that he was under the impression that the City attorney had to hire an independent attorney to represent the property owners in any legal proceedings that might happen. He stated that 706 Marshall had been torn down the week before. Mayor Grizzaffi stated that they were currently having a problem with a house on Garden Street. The owner left town and handed the keys to the City. The house was falling apart and infested with rodents. No one knew how to locate the owner and the City had no legal recourse. Mr. Governale stated that the house had been treated for rodents by his department. Mayor Grizzaffi stated that a neighbor had cleaned up the yard, but eventually it would turn into another yard the City would be responsible for cutting. Mr. Fontenot stated that he should proceed with legal action on both properties.

Mr. Jay Gunter with Waste Connect, formerly Progressive Waste, stated that Progressive Waste was purchased by Waste Connect in June of 2016. Together they formed the third largest hauling company in the United States in size and revenue. They were the first in profit, cash flow and stock price. The company was averaging one complaint per day in Morgan City, either to City Hall or to the Progressive Waste Connect office. The error rate was .0004 of 1%, and they had a pretty strong service record. He let the Mayor and Council know that he was always available for their questions, but also urged them to call Justin Thibodaux, the District Manager.

The next matter on the agenda was the LEPA report. Mayor Grizzaffi stated that he had no updates. Mr. Pat Cloutier asked about the Rodemacher plant. He wanted to know if it was still limping along at 50% power. Mayor Grizzaffi stated he would speak to the LEPA officials and get back with Mr. Cloutier.

Mayor Grizzaffi stated that a new city participation plan for LCDBG needed to be adopted by the Council, whereupon,

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

RESOLUTION NO. R: 17-29

A resolution adopting a Citizen Participation Plan Relative to the Louisiana Community Development Block Grant Program

WHEREAS, the City of Morgan City is desirous to continue participating in the Louisiana Community Development Block Grant (LCDBG) Program from the Louisiana Department of Administration, and;

WHEREAS, it is a LCDBG Program requirement that the City adopt a Citizen Participation Plan for LCDBG Programs, and

WHEREAS, the City of Morgan City has previously adopted such a Citizen Participation plan and is desirous to update and revise its Citizen Participation plan to comply with current LCDBG program requirements.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council, the governing authority of the City of Morgan City, Louisiana that it hereby adopts the revised Citizen Participation Plan for LCDBG Programs, pages 1 through 6.

Mr. Tamporello seconded the motion.

The vote thereon was as follows:

AYES: Bias, Tamporello, Fontenot, Hymel, Stephens

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The resolution was therefore declared approved and adopted this 23rd day of May, 2017.

Frank P. Grizzaffi, III
Mayor

ATTEST:

Debbie Harrington
Clerk

Mayor Grizzaffi stated that the next matter on the agenda was the Official Journal resolution. He stated the prices quoted were the same as the previous year, whereupon,

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

RESOLUTION NO. R: 17-30

WHEREAS, L.R.S. 43:171 provides that political subdivisions of the state shall select an official journal for the period of July 1st and ending June 30th of each year, and

WHEREAS, the Daily Review is the only newspaper within the City which conforms to the regulations governing official journals, and

WHEREAS, the price quoted by the Daily Review is within the limits allowed by law,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council, the governing authority of the City of Morgan City, that the Daily Review be and the same is hereby appointed as the official journal of the City of Morgan City and its proposal to publish legal publications of the City at a cost of \$3.00 per column inch is hereby accepted.

Mr. Fontenot seconded the motion.

The vote thereon was as follows:

AYES: Hymel, Fontenot, Bias, Stephens, Tamporello

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The resolution was therefore declared approved and adopted this 23rd day of May, 2017.

Frank P. Grizzaffi, III, Mayor

ATTEST:

Debbie Harrington, Clerk

Mayor Grizzaffi stated that G & J Land and Marine had a lease with the City for a piece of property behind the floodwall that they used for storage. He stated that the lease had expired and G & J had come to him to make some changes to the lease. Both the City Attorney as well as G & J's attorney had come together to make some minor changes to the lease including a ten year first term with five ten year options. Erik Lind, G & J Vice-President stated that they were about to make a multimillion dollar investment in their facilities and they wanted to make sure they had a long term commitment from the City on the lease of the property, whereupon,

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

RESOLUTION NO. R: 17-31

WHEREAS, Lease Agreement No. R: 10-30 between the City of Morgan City and the G & J Land and Marine has expired, and

WHEREAS, both parties are desirous of entering into a new lease.

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 in the name of and on behalf of the City of Morgan City to execute said lease agreement between the City and the G & J Land and Marine.

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 23rd day of May, 2017.

Frank P. Grizzaffi, III, Mayor

ATTEST:

Debbie Harrington, Clerk

The next matter on the agenda was the Front Street Wharf Substantial Completion, whereupon,

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

RESOLUTION NO. R: 17-32

WHEREAS, the firm of Larry Doiron, LLC has substantially completed the work done under contract No. R:15-20, for the Front Street Wharf Rehabilitation project, dated June 1, 2015, and recorded in the mortgage records of the Parish of St. Mary, Book 1442, Entry 330085, Page 73, 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. Stephens seconded the motion.

The vote thereon was as follows:

AYES: Tamporello, Stephens, Bias, Fontenot, Hymel

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

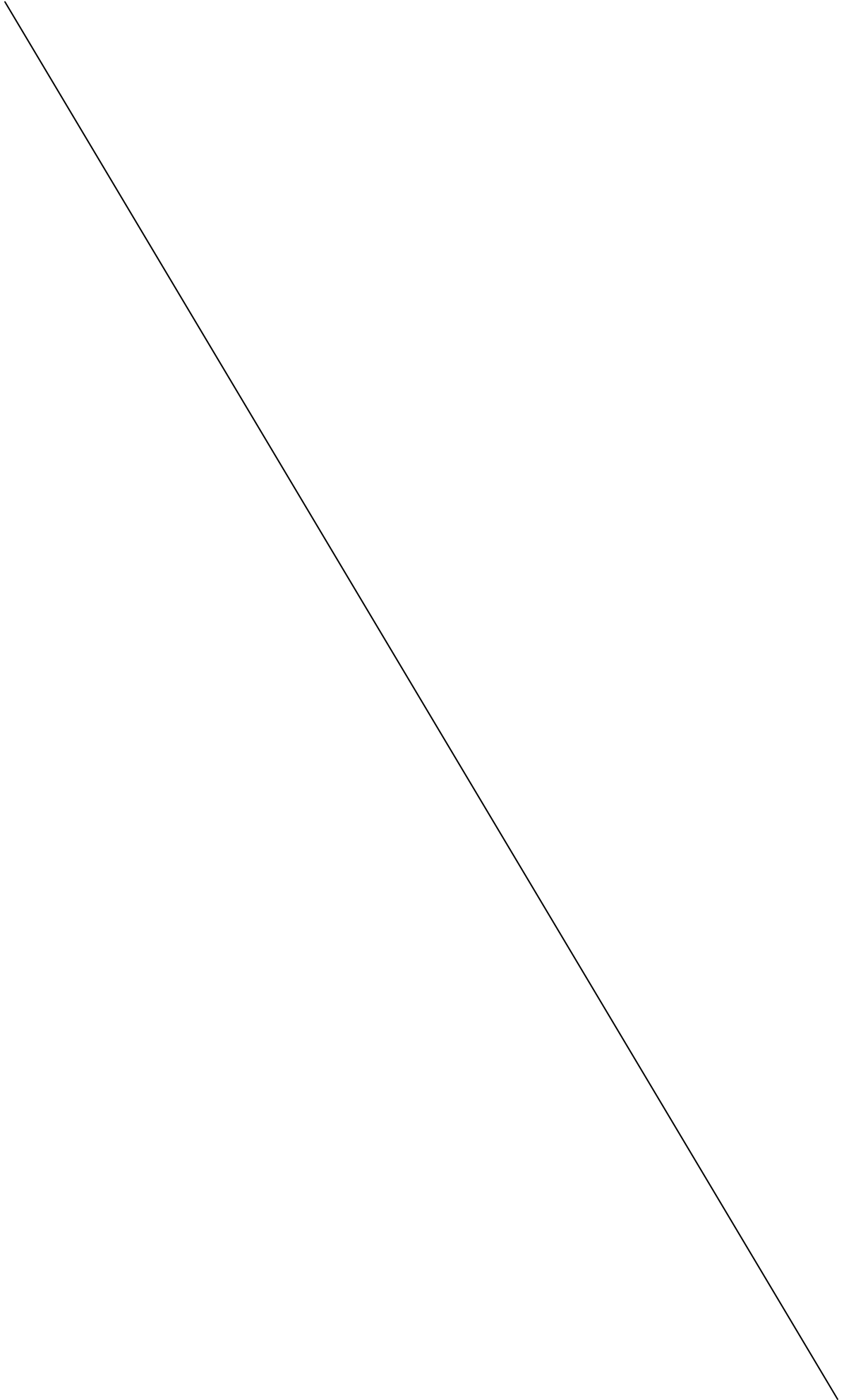
The resolution was therefore declared approved and adopted this 23rd day of May, 2017.

Frank P. Grizzaffi, III, Mayor

ATTEST:

Debbie Harrington, Clerk

The public hearing for the 2017 Millage ordinance was opened. No one appeared for or against said ordinance, whereupon,



A request for the 2015-2016 Class A and Class B Beer License renewals for the following establishments was submitted:

2017-2018 CLASS A & CLASS B BEER LICENSE RENEWAL

Acadiana Bar & Grill	615 Brashear Ave
AJ'S Second St Pub	1400 Second St
Atchafalaya Café LLC	7310 Hwy 182E
Bay City Bistro	608 Front St.
Bingos	7503 Highway 182
Blowout Lounge	117 Railroad Avenue
Bourbon's	501 First St.
Café JoJo's	624 Front Street
Cajun Country Lounge	1226 Victor II Blvd
Cannata's Food World	Corner 7 th & Brashear Avenue
Castalano Sausage & Deli	1023 Sixth St
Circle K #4640-DC 36	7700 Highway 90
Cracker Barrel Store #52	6383 Highway 90
Craws & Claws	1601 Hwy 182
CVS Drug Store	6502 Highway 182
Daiquiri's & Company	7550 Highway 90
Duke Lounge	7722 Highway 90
East Gate BBQ LLC	7516 Highway 182
EL Toro Mexican Grill	7027 Highway 182 E
Fifth Street Store	701 Everett Street
Fire & Ice of Morgan City LLC	7418 Hwy 182.
Friend's Tavern	6701 Highway 182-Ste B
Galley LLC	7409 Hwy 182
Ganaway's #1	1409 Federal Avenue
H & H Food Mart	7028 Highway 182E
Hampton Inn & Suite	6365 Hwy 182 E
Henry's of Morgan City, La., Inc.	319 Second Street
Johnny Food Mart	2100 Federal Avenue
Kim's Food Mart & Gifts	1315A Federal Avenue
La Mart Inc	413 Railroad Ave
La Morita Meat Market LLC	1230 Victor II Blvd
Latin Corner LLC	201 Railroad Ave
Links Café	1118 Victor II Blvd
Lotus Asian Restaurant	605 Milk Blvd
Ma Ma G's	7540 Highway 90
Mel-Star, Inc.	620 ½ Milk Blvd.
Morgan's Restaurant and Lounge	520 Roderick Street
Morgan City Municipal Auditorium	Highway 90
Paradise Valley Casino	1116 Victor II Blvd.
Paradise Valley Daiquiris	1114 Victor II Blvd.
Petroleum Club of Morgan City	500 Roderick Street
Quick General Mini Market	2407 Sixth Street
The Rathskeller	7222 Highway 90
Rite-Aid #7283	1223 Victor II Blvd.
Rose's Café	209 Union Street
Rouse's Supermarket #10	6403 Highway 90
Smoke-N-Go #15	7521 Highway 182E
Sports Bar	7419 Highway 182
Stazione II	6602 Highway 90
Susie's Seafood	6701 Hwy 182-Ste A
Table Five Boiling Pot	701 Freret Street
Table Five Lounge	702 Fifth Street
Tampico Restaurant, Inc.	Inglewood Mall
Timmy T's LLC.	6815 Highway 90
Tokyo Fish Restaurant	6214 Highway 182E
VFW Post #4222	1504 Sandra Street
Victor II Deli	1220 Victor II Blvd
Walgreen #10975	815 Brashear Ave
Wal Mart #7099	1002 Hwy 70

Everything being in order, a motion to approve these renewals was made by Mr. Fontenot, seconded by Reverend Bias, and voted unanimously in favor.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Reverend Bias, seconded by Mr. Fontenot and voted unanimously in favor.

Debbie Harrington
Clerk

Frank P. Grizzaffi, III
Mayor