

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS  
CITY OF MORGAN CITY  
OCTOBER 23, 2018

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, Ray Autrey, 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 Pastor Mark Gowan.

This month's Positive Image recipients were Mary Bird Perkins Cancer Center, Skinners Barber Shop and 100 Black Men of St. Mary Parish for their efforts in the mobile prostate screenings.

Mr. Kenny Duval with the Holy Cross Knights of Columbus Council #12179 submitted a request for street solicitation on November 16 and 17 near Shoney's on the Highway (copy on file). A motion to approve the request was made by Mr. Autrey, seconded by Mr. Hymel and voted unanimously in favor.

The minutes of the September 25, 2018 meeting were submitted. There being no corrections, additions, or deletions, a motion to approve the minutes was made by Pastor Bias, seconded by Mr. Tamporello, and voted unanimously in favor.

Mrs. Deborah Garber, Finance Director, submitted the following financial statement for the period ending September 30, 2018.

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**MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

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**DATE:** October 23, 2018  
**TO:** Mayor and Council  
**FROM:** Deborah Garber  
**RE:** Comments related to summary of revenues and expenses compared to the amended budget for the period ended September 30, 2018.

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Attached is a summary that compares our actual revenues and expenses to our **amended** budget that was adopted in June 2018 for our major funds subject to budgetary control for the period ending September 30, 2018. The following comments are related thereto:

**General and Ancillary Funds:** Revenues are currently over budget by \$468,600. This is mostly due to Occupational Licenses being over budget by \$220,000. Operating expenses remain below budget by \$217,800. The net loss, after transfers, of \$1,115,800 is a favorable variance of \$686,400 compared to the amended budget.

**Utility Fund:** Actual revenues are under budget by \$423,500. Electric revenues are considerably under budget (which is mainly in the Commercial accounts) with Gas and Water both being slightly over budget. Operational expenses remain under budget by \$597,000. The net income, after transfers, of \$670,500 creates a favorable variance of \$222,100.

**Sanitation and Sewer Fund:** This fund is running very similar to the last couple of months with operating revenues are \$261,500 over budget and total operating expenses under budget by \$391,800. The net income, after transfers of \$748,800 leaves another favorable variance of \$658,600.

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

**CITY OF MORGAN CITY**  
**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT**  
Actual Revenues and Expenses Compared to Budget  
Period Ended September 30, 2018

<b>GENERAL AND ANCILLARY FUNDS</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>	<b>BUDGET</b>	<b>VARIANCE</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>			
General Fund	3,876,457	3,491,625	384,832
Recreation Fund	119,020	122,668	(3,648)
Library Fund	16,922	10,512	6,410
Auditorium Fund	86,634	59,906	26,728
Lake End Park Fund	558,522	504,189	54,333
Total Revenues	<u>4,657,555</u>	<u>4,188,900</u>	<u>468,655</u>
<b>EXPENSES-OPERATIONAL</b>			
General Fund	7,324,190	7,488,238	(164,048)
Recreation Fund	338,091	357,463	(19,372)
Library Fund	98,903	103,230	(4,327)
Auditorium Fund	341,462	346,958	(5,496)
Lake End Park Fund	623,228	647,773	(24,545)
Total Expenses	<u>8,725,874</u>	<u>8,943,662</u>	<u>(217,788)</u>
<b>TRANSFERS</b>			
Transfers from Funds	3,327,500	3,327,500	0
Transfers to Funds	<u>(375,000)</u>	<u>(375,000)</u>	<u>0</u>
Net Transfers	<u>2,952,500</u>	<u>2,952,500</u>	<u>0</u>
<b>EXCESS NET OF TRANSFERS</b>	<u>(1,115,819)</u>	<u>(1,802,262)</u>	<u>686,443</u>
<b>UTILITY FUND</b>			
Total Revenues	16,822,195	17,245,670	(423,475)
Total Expenditures	<u>13,642,557</u>	<u>14,239,601</u>	<u>(597,044)</u>
Net Excess	3,179,638	3,006,069	173,569
Net Transfers and non-oper.	<u>(2,509,086)</u>	<u>(2,557,642)</u>	<u>48,556</u>
Excess net of transfers	<u>670,552</u>	<u>448,427</u>	<u>222,125</u>
<b>SANITATION AND SEWER FUND</b>			
Total Revenues	2,222,575	1,961,010	261,565
Total Expenses	<u>2,153,602</u>	<u>2,545,453</u>	<u>(391,851)</u>
Net Excess	68,973	(584,443)	653,416
Net Transfers/non-operating expenses	<u>679,784</u>	<u>674,641</u>	<u>5,143</u>
Excess net of transfers and non-operating	<u>748,757</u>	<u>90,198</u>	<u>658,559</u>

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

The next matter on the agenda was the Insurance Committee Recommendations. Mayor Grizzaffi stated that the Blue Cross numbers had come back a little high, and they asked Gallagher to look and see what else was out there. United Healthcare came back with a \$225,000 savings annually and enabled the city to move to a third party for prescriptions. Switching to a United Healthcare policy would not change anything for employees. The insurance agent went back to Blue Cross to see if they could get a little closer to the premiums of United Healthcare. He stated there may be a special meeting in order to decide on the matter.

The re-zoning of the properties at 7013, 7017, 7021, 7025, 7029 Railroad Avenue and 310 Patton Street was the next matter on the agenda. Mr. Anthony Governale stated that the Planning & Zoning Committee had met regarding extending the "C" zone to include ten parcels that belong to Mr. Bill New, with New Industries. He wanted to build an office and a warehouse on the properties. There were people in the neighborhood who had

concerns with the properties being re-zoned to Commercial instead of residential. The Planning & Zoning Commission had voted to unanimously to favorably recommend the re-zoning request or Mr. New. Mayor Grizzaffi stated that Mr. Paul Landry, legal counsel, had asked if the Council could hold off one month before voting on the issue so he could research the matter further. He stated that making a zoning change such as this could open the City up to litigation and he wanted to be sure that he could give the Mayor and Council a quality legal decision. Mr. Tamporello asked if a motion could be made to approve the issue, pending legal approval, whereupon,

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

RESOLUTION NO. R:18-31

WHEREAS, the Planning & Zoning Commission met on October 9, 2018 and voted unanimously to recommend the request of William C. New Industries, LLC to rezone Parcel #'s 3314321155.00 (7013 Railroad Avenue), 3314321156.00 (7017 Railroad Avenue), 3314321157.00 (7021 Railroad Avenue), 3314321158.00 (7025 Railroad Avenue), 3314321159.00 (7029 Railroad Avenue) and #'s 3314321148.00, 3314321147.00, 3314321146.00, 3314321145.00, and 3314321144.00 (310 Patton Street) from "R-3" (Residential to "C" (Commercial); and

WHEREAS, said parcels would be afforded all uses permitted in a "C" (Commercial) district as listed in Section 126-47 of the schedule of District Regulations of the City of Morgan City, Code of Ordinances.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council, the governing authority of the City of Morgan City, that the Planning & Zoning Commission Recommendation is hereby approved, contingent upon approval of the City Attorney:

Mr. Hymel seconded the motion.

The vote thereon was as follows:

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

The resolution was therefore declared approved and adopted this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of October, 2018.

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Frank P. Grizzaffi, III  
Mayor

ATTEST:

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Debbie Harrington  
Clerk

The next matter on the agenda was the Capital Outlay Request, whereupon, Mr. Hymel offered the following Resolution, who moved for its adoption.

RESOLUTION NO. R: 18-32

WHEREAS, the Mayor submitted to the council, the following projects for re-submission to the State requesting Capital Outlay funding:

LA Highway 70 Drainage Improvements	\$1,468,407
Morgan City Water System Improvements	\$1,250,000
Brashear Avenue Extension	\$2,000,000
Brashear Avenue Drainage Improvements	\$1,218,228
Lake End Parkway Cabins	\$5,041,024

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council, the governing authority of the City of Morgan City, Louisiana that it hereby supports the Mayor's request, to the state, for Capital Outlay Funds to complete these projects.

Pastor Bias seconded the motion.

The vote thereon was as follows:

AYES: Hymel, Bias, Autrey, Stephens, Tamporello

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The resolution was therefore declared approved and adopted this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of October, 2018.

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ATTEST:

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The first reading of the 2018 Budget Amendment Ordinance was opened. No definitive action necessary.

The first reading of the Declare Surplus and Sale of 112 Egle Street was opened. No definitive action was necessary.

The second reading of the 2019 Budget Ordinance was opened. The adoption was deferred until after budget workshops could be completed.

Mayor Grizzaffi offered the names of Mr. Hendry Johnson, Mr. Steven Cornes and Mr. Hubert "Joe" Cavalier for submission to the Governor to choose for the Morgan City Harbor & Terminal District appointment. A motion to concur in the submission of names was made by Mr. Tamporello, seconded by Mr. Autrey and voted unanimously in favor.

Reverend Bias asked that everyone remember the people in the areas affected by Hurricane Florence in their prayers.

Mr. Tamporello thanked the fire department for their quick response to the fire on Onstead street last weekend.

Mr. Tamporello reminded the Council of the budget workshop that was scheduled for November 8, 2018 at 4 PM at City Hall.

Mr. Stephens stated that early voting was currently underway and reminded all citizens to vote.

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

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Debbie Harrington  
Clerk

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Frank P. Grizzaffi, III  
Mayor