

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS  
CITY OF MORGAN CITY  
DECEMBER 19, 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, Tim Hymel, Mark Stephens and Louis J. Tamporello, Jr.

Absent: None

Also present were Mr. Marcus Folse, Chief Administrative Officer and Mr. Paul Landry, City Attorney.

The invocation was given by Reverend Ronnie Cuvillier.

The first matter on the agenda was to appoint an interim council member to replace Mr. James Fontenot, who had resigned, whereupon,

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

RESOLUTION NO. R:17-56

WHEREAS, Council member James Fontenot, II, representing District 4, submitted his resignation effective November 30, 2017 at midnight, and

WHEREAS, the constitution, laws of the State of Louisiana, and the charter of the City of Morgan City provide that such a vacancy shall be filled through appointment by a majority of the remaining members of the council until the office is filled by the vote of the qualified electors voting in an election called by the council for that purpose, and

WHEREAS, the constitution, laws of the State of Louisiana, and the charter of the City of Morgan City provide that the council shall issue a proclamation ordering the election to fill the vacancy in accordance with state law, and

WHEREAS, an election is scheduled for a November 6, 2018 primary election and December 8, 2018 general election with qualifying dates being July 18 - 20, 2018,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council, the governing authority of the City of Morgan City, that Mr. Ray Autrey is hereby appointed to serve on the Morgan City Council as the District 4 representative until the office is filled by the vote of the qualified electors voting in an election called by the council for that purpose and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, by the City Council, the governing authority of the City of Morgan City, that the election to fill the vacancy for the City Council District 4 representative shall be scheduled for a November 6, 2018 primary election and December 8, 2018 general election with qualifying dates being July 18 - July 20, 2018,

Mr. Tamporello seconded the motion.

The vote thereon was as follows:

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

The resolution was therefore declared approved and adopted this 19<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2017.

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Frank P. Grizzaffi, III, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Debbie Harrington, Clerk

Mr. Ray Autrey was then sworn in by former City Councilman James Fontenot.

There was no positive image recipient for the month of December.

Mr. Joshua Guilliory, Candidate for 3<sup>rd</sup> District Congressman, introduced himself to the Council and asked for their support in the upcoming election.

Mr. Daniel Brown, 306 Chennault Street, addressed the Council regarding speeders down his street that were going to the businesses in the area. He stated that he had spoken to violators as well as business owners but the situation was not getting any better. Police Captain Teddy Liner assured Mr. Brown that the Police Department would go to each business in the area and notify them of the complaint. They would also run radar in the area and any violators would be cited.

Mr. Pat Cloutier asked Mayor Grizzaffi for a LEPA update. He asked if a gas preheater would be installed at the plant at a cost of \$180,000. He also asked what was the litigation budget through April 2018. Mayor Grizzaffi stated that a half of a million dollars had been spent thus far, and it could cost up to two million to defend themselves in the legal proceedings.

The minutes of the November 28, 2017 meeting were submitted. There being no corrections, additions, or deletions, a motion to approve the minutes was made by Mr. Tamporello, seconded by Mr. Hymel, and voted unanimously in favor.

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

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#### MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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**DATE:** December 19, 2017  
**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 November 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 November 30, 2017. The following comments are related thereto:

**General and Ancillary Funds:** Actual total revenues are over budget by \$105,000. Operating expenses are below budget by \$222,700. The net loss, after transfers, of \$363,800 is a favorable variance of \$327,600 compared to the **amended** budget.

**Utility Fund:** Actual revenues are now over budget by \$380,900, with operational expenses still under budget by \$322,100. The net loss, after transfers, of \$1,622,400 creates a favorable variance of \$753,300.

**Sanitation and Sewer Fund:** The operating revenues are \$253,700 over budget, with total operating expenses under budget by \$130,000. The net income, after transfers, of \$1,102,900 leaves a favorable variance of \$386,900.

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

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

<b>GENERAL AND ANCILLARY FUNDS</b>	<b>NOVEMBER 2017 ACTUAL</b>	<b>NOVEMBER 2017 BUDGET</b>	<b>VARIANCE</b>
<b>REVENUES</b>			
General Fund	6,077,724	6,024,739	52,985
Recreation			
Fund	133,766	135,701	(1,935)
Library Fund	18,611	13,714	4,897
Auditorium			
Fund	315,216	317,382	(2,166)
Lake End Park Fund	637,780	586,638	51,142
Total Revenues	<u>7,183,097</u>	<u>7,078,173</u>	104,924
<b>EXPENSES-OPERATIONAL</b>			
General Fund	9,086,110	9,219,087	(132,977)
Recreation			
Fund	388,147	405,831	(17,684)
Library Fund	117,085	125,032	(7,947)
Auditorium			
Fund	476,199	470,982	5,218
Lake End Park Fund	675,155	744,434	(69,279)
Total Expenses	<u>10,742,696</u>	<u>10,965,365</u>	(222,669)
<b>TRANSFERS</b>			
Transfers from Funds	3,617,834	3,617,834	0
Transfers to Funds	<u>(422,000)</u>	<u>(422,000)</u>	0
Net			
Transfers	<u>3,195,834</u>	<u>3,195,834</u>	0
<b>EXCESS NET OF TRANSFERS</b>	<u>(363,765)</u>	<u>(691,357)</u>	327,592
<b>UTILITY FUND</b>			
Total Revenues	17,289,161	16,908,284	380,877
Total Expenditures	<u>15,737,205</u>	<u>16,059,335</u>	(322,130)
Net Excess	1,551,956	848,950	703,006
Net Transfers and non-oper.	<u>(3,174,417)</u>	<u>(3,224,769)</u>	50,352
Excess net of transfers	<u>(1,622,461)</u>	<u>(2,375,819)</u>	753,358
<b>SANITATION AND SEWER FUND</b>			
Total Revenues	2,421,078	2,167,333	253,745
Total Expenses	<u>2,712,763</u>	<u>2,842,825</u>	(130,062)
Net Excess	(291,685)	(675,492)	383,807
Net Transfers/non-			
operating expenses	<u>1,394,587</u>	<u>1,391,483</u>	3,104
Excess net of transfers			
and non-operating	<u>1,102,902</u>	<u>715,992</u>	386,911

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

The next matter on the agenda was the Myrtle Street Generator Engineering Agreement, whereupon,

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

RESOLUTION NO. R: 17-57

WHEREAS, The City of Morgan City will undertaking a Myrtle Street Generator project, and

WHEREAS, the firm of Environmental Engineering Services, Inc. meets the City's needs in its qualifications,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council, the governing authority of the City of Morgan City, Louisiana that it engage Environmental Engineering Services, Inc. to perform the necessary services to implement this project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to execute any and all documents in connection with this project. 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 19<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2017.

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Frank P. Grizzaffi, III  
Mayor

ATTEST:

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Debbie Harrington  
Clerk

The first reading of the Issue Revenue Anticipation Notes, Electric Service Rates, Water Service Rates effective March 1, 2018, Water Service Rates effective January 1, 2019, Water Service Rates effective January 1, 2020, Water Service Rates effective January 1, 2021, Gas Service Rates effective March 1, 2018, Gas Service Rates effective January 1, 2019, Water Service Rates effective January 1, 2020, and Water Service Rates effective January 1, 2021 were opened. This was a first reading and no definitive action was necessary.

Mayor Grizzaffi stated that Jarred Cunningham had expired as a member of the Housing Authority Board and Mr. Clarence Robinson had asked that he be reappointed. A motion to concur in the appointment was made by Mr. Hymel, seconded by Mr. Tamporello, and voted unanimously in favor.

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

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Debbie Harrington  
Clerk

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Frank P. Grizzaffi, III  
Mayor