

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
CITY OF MORGAN CITY
NOVEMBER 16, 2015

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, Barry Dufrene, James Fontenot, and Louis J. Tamporello, Jr.

Absent: Tim Hymel

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

The invocation was given by Reverend Terry Bunner, New Life Tabernacle.

Mr. Pat Cloutier addressed the council regarding the street flooding during the recent rain event. He stated that at the Consolidated Drainage District meeting there was no media present to hear the Mayor's side of the story and he thought that the Mayor should advise the media that the pumps were turned on by the City in a timely manner. Mayor Grizzaffi stated that he would speak with the Daily Review.

The minutes of the October 27, 2015 meeting were submitted. There being no corrections, additions, or deletions, a motion to approve the minutes was made by Mr. Tamporello, seconded by Mr. Dufrene, and voted unanimously in favor.

Mrs. Deborah Garber, Finance Director, submitted the following financial statement for the period ending October 31, 2015

MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DATE: November 16, 2015
TO: Mayor and Council
FROM: Deborah Garber
RE: Comments related to summary of revenues and expenses compared to budget for the period ended October 31, 2015.

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 October 31, 2015. The following comments are related thereto:

General and Ancillary Funds: Actual total revenues are over budget by \$166,000. Sales taxes in General Fund were under budget by 416,500. Operating expenses are below budget by \$536,800. The net income, after transfers, of \$433,777 creates a favorable variance of \$702,800.

Utility Fund: Actual operating revenues are under budget by \$217,000, with operational expenses under budget by \$1,493,000. Energy and gas costs are \$1,100,000 under budget. The net income, after transfers, of \$882,450 creates a favorable variance of \$1,601,100.

Sanitation and Sewer Fund: The operating revenues are \$23,600 under budget, with total operating expenses also under budget by \$27,400. The net income, after transfers, of \$272,400 leaves a favorable variance of \$24,300.

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

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT
Actual Revenues and Expenses Compared to Budget
Period Ended October 31, 2015

October

October

GENERAL AND ANCILLARY FUNDS	2015 ACTUAL	2015 BUDGET	VARIANCE
REVENUES			
General Fund	6,494,773	6,292,787	201,986
Recreation Fund	146,431	151,192	(4,761)
Library Fund	13,982	11,675	2,307
Auditorium Fund	327,530	337,742	(10,212)
Lake End Park Fund	609,032	632,384	(23,352)
Total Revenues	7,591,748	7,425,780	165,968
EXPENSES-OPERATIONAL			
General Fund	8,365,922	8,734,891	(368,969)
Recreation Fund	471,193	449,748	21,445
Library Fund	101,689	106,013	(4,324)
Auditorium Fund	383,235	450,186	(66,951)
Lake End Park Fund	635,987	754,064	(118,077)
Total Expenses	9,958,026	10,494,902	(536,876)
TRANSFERS			
Transfers from Funds	3,546,660	3,546,660	0
Transfers to Funds	(746,605)	(746,605)	0
Net Transfers	2,800,055	2,800,055	0
EXCESS NET OF TRANSFERS	433,777	(269,067)	702,844
UTILITY FUND			
Total Revenues	17,006,246	17,223,311	(217,065)
Total Expenditures	13,551,201	15,044,336	(1,493,135)
Net Excess	3,455,045	2,178,975	1,276,070
Net Transfers and non-oper.	(2,572,595)	(2,897,625)	325,030
Excess net of transfers	882,450	(718,650)	1,601,100
SANITATION AND SEWER FUND			
Total Revenues	2,361,920	2,385,527	(23,607)
Total Expenses	2,688,491	2,715,886	(27,395)
Net Excess	(326,571)	(330,360)	3,788
Net Transfers/non-operating expenses	598,960	578,428	20,532
Excess net of transfers and non-operating	272,389	248,068	24,320

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

Mr. Steve Morell with Main Street stated that the current banners had been in use for over twelve years and the Main Street committee had opted to get one set of banners to replace the two sets that they used currently. He requested \$5,027.50 from the Friends of Main Street account in order to purchase the banners. A motion to allow the purchase of the banners was made by Mr. Dufrene, seconded by Mr. Fontenot, and voted unanimously in favor.

Let the record show that Councilman Hymel arrived at the meeting at 6:12 PM.

Mr. Oscar Boudreaux stated that the Headworks projects needed to be placed into substantial completion, whereupon,

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

RESOLUTION NO. R: 15-44

WHEREAS, the firm of Volute, Inc. has substantially completed the work done under contract No. R:15-02, for the Upgrade of Headworks project, dated February 18, 2015, and

recorded in the mortgage records of the Parish of St. Mary, Book 1431, Entry 328637, Page 353, 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. Tamporello seconded the motion.

The vote thereon was as follows:

AYES: Bias, Tamporello, Dufrene, Fontenot, Hymel

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The resolution was therefore declared approved and adopted this 16th day of November, 2015.

/s/ Frank P. Grizzaffi, III
Frank P. Grizzaffi, III
Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Debbie Harrington
Debbie Harrington
Clerk

The public hearing for the 2016 Budget Ordinance was opened. No one appeared for or against said ordinance, whereupon,

This Ordinance introduced with first reading on September 22, 2015, and a second reading on October 27, 2015. Published by title on September 25, 2015 and November 2, 2015.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 15-10

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF MORGAN CITY, LOUISIANA ADOPTING AN OPERATING BUDGET OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2016, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2016.

SECTION 1

BE IT ORDAINED, by the City Council, the governing authority of the City of Morgan City, Louisiana, that:

Section 1

The attached detailed estimate of revenues as reflected in the consolidated statement, the supporting line item budget, and other such fiscal exhibits and information as required by the Louisiana Local Government Budget Act are ready for approval and adoption to serve as the Budget of Revenues for the City for the Fiscal Year January 1 to December 31, 2016.

Section 2

The attached detailed statement of expenditures as reflected in the consolidated statement, the supporting line item budget and other such fiscal exhibits and information as required by the Louisiana Local Government Budget Act are ready for approval and adoption to serve as the Budget of Expenditures for the City for Fiscal Year January 1 to December 31, 2016.

Section 3

The adoption of the Budget of Expenditures as reflected in the attached line item budget containing account object of expenditure classifications shall be declared to be the appropriation of the amounts set therein as established in each budget classification by object of expenditure.

Section 4

The amounts appropriated for all accounts shall not exceed the amounts fixed therefore in the Budget of Expenditures; however, nothing contained in this section shall be construed to prohibit the governing authority from amending or making an appropriation to and for a contingent fund to be used in cases of emergency.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, etc., that the budget for fiscal year January 1 to December 31, 2016, as attached hereto and made a part hereof be and the same is hereby approved.

Should any section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase be declared unconstitutional or repealed for any reason, the remainder of the ordinance shall not be affected hereby. That all laws or parts of laws in conflict with this ordinance be and the same are hereby repealed. This ordinance shall take effect immediately after its passage within the time prescribed by law.

Reverend Bias seconded the motion.

The vote thereon was as follows:

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

Certified approved and adopted this 16th day of November, 2015.

Delivered to Mayor Grizzaffi at 10:15AM, this 17th day of November, 2015.

/s/ Debbie Harrington
Debbie Harrington, Clerk

Approved this 17th day of November, 2015.

/s/ Frank P. Grizzaffi, III
Frank P. Grizzaffi, III, Mayor

Received from Mayor Grizzaffi at 9:30 AM on November 17, 2015

/s/ Debbie Harrington
Debbie Harrington, Clerk

**CITY OF MORGAN CITY
CONSOLIDATED BUDGET
DECEMBER 31, 2016**

	AMENDED	PROPOSED	2016 PROPOSED BUDGET							Percentage Change
	BUDGET	BUDGET	GENERAL	SPECIAL	CAPITAL	DEBT	UTILITY	INTERNAL	FIDUCIARY	from Prior Year
	2015	2016	GENERAL	REVENUE	PROJECTS	SERVICE	SYSTEM	SERVICE	TRUST	Inc (Dec)
REVENUES:										
Taxes	7,730,487	7,665,964	4,840,178	2,698,267		127,519	-			-1%
Licenses and permits	1,123,873	1,022,500	1,001,000				21,500			-9%
Charges for services	1,356,392	1,439,050	75,000	1,064,050				300,000		6%
Intergovernmental	2,330,043	2,117,263	343,410	815,323	958,530		-			-9%
Fines and forfeits	159,986	152,500	150,000	2,500						-5%
Special assessments		-								
Utility operations	22,612,629	20,346,641					20,346,641			-10%
Utility interest earned	2,132	1,850					1,850			-13%
Pension Trust revenues	43,425	43,425							43,425	0%
Miscellaneous	1,031,410	617,890	280,500	176,870	355	145	-	20	160,000	-40%
Total Revenues	36,390,377	33,407,083	6,690,088	4,757,010	958,885	127,664	20,369,991	300,020	203,425	-8%
EXPENDITURES:										
General government	2,812,492	2,907,426	2,904,426				-		3,000	3%
Public safety		-								
Police	3,594,559	3,673,179	3,368,940	304,239			-			2%
Fire	2,663,284	2,429,277	2,363,277	66,000			-			-9%
Public Works	2,136,824	1,863,979	1,495,095	368,884			-			-13%
Recreation/Culture/Pub Pro	2,258,205	2,483,259	97,481	2,385,778			-			10%
Emergency Assistance	-	-		-			-			
Sanitation and sewer	3,334,265	3,374,521		-			3,374,521			1%
Utility operations	16,130,295	15,601,380					15,601,380			-3%
Internal services operations	424,357	219,371					-	219,371		-48%
Capital outlay	1,582,929	1,299,220		-	1,159,220	40,000	-		100,000	-18%
Debt service-		-								
Principal retirement	475,000	497,000				497,000	-			5%
Interest and fiscal	80,585	70,468				70,468	-			-13%
Pension Trust expenses	43,425	43,425					-		43,425	0%
Enterprise interest & fiscal	156,347	155,144					155,144			-1%
Total Expenditures	35,692,569	34,617,649	10,229,219	3,124,901	1,159,220	607,468	19,131,045	219,371	146,425	-3%

**CITY OF MORGAN CITY
CONSOLIDATED BUDGET
DECEMBER 31, 2016**

	AMENDED	PROPOSED	2016 PROPOSED BUDGET							Percentage Change
	BUDGET	BUDGET	GENERAL	SPECIAL	CAPITAL	DEBT	ENTERPRISE	INTERNAL	FIDUCIARY	from Prior Year
	2015	2016	GENERAL	REVENUE	PROJECTS	SERVICE	FUNDS	SERVICE	TRUST	Inc (Dec)
Excess (deficiency)	697,809	(1,210,566)	(3,539,131)	1,632,109	(200,335)	(479,804)	1,238,946	80,649	57,000	
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)										
Proceeds from debt		-								0%
Insurance Proceeds	287,024	-								0%
Operating transfers in	6,717,714	6,248,080	3,827,500	926,000	10,000	484,580	1,000,000	-		-7%
Operating transfers out	(6,732,714)	(6,248,080)	(721,000)	(1,697,080)			(3,800,000)		(30,000)	-7%
Total other financing sources (uses)	272,024	-	3,106,500	(771,080)	10,000	484,580	(2,800,000)	-	(30,000)	-100%
Excess (deficiency)	969,833	(1,210,566)	(432,631)	861,029	(190,335)	4,776	(1,561,054)	80,649	27,000	
Fund balances/retained earnings, beginning	27,190,919	28,160,752	2,006,472	3,642,572	522,222	467,910	21,224,103	3,810	293,663	
Fund balance/retained earnings, ending	28,160,752	26,950,186	1,573,841	4,503,601	331,887	472,686	19,663,049	84,459	320,663	

The second reading on the 2015 Budget Amendment was the next matter on the agenda. Mayor Grizzaffi stated that it would be voted on at the December meeting when the numbers would be more accurate.

In the matter of the Class A and Class B liquor licenses, the following Class "A" and "B" Liquor licenses were up for renewal:

2016 CLASS A & B LIQUOR LICENSES

AJ'S 2 ND ST PUB	1400 Second St.
ATCHAFALAYA CAFÉ LLC	7310 Hwy 182E
BLOWOUT LOUNGE	117 Railroad Avenue
CAFÉ JO JO'S LLC	624 Front Street
CAJUN COUNTRY LOUNGE	1226 Victor II Blvd
CANNATA'S SUPERMARKET	7 th & Brashear Avenue
CASTALANO SAUSAGE & DELI	1023 Sixth St
CIRCLE K #4640	7700 Highway 90
CRACKER BARREL #52	6383 Highway 182
CVS / PHARMACY, LLC #5289	6502 Highway 182
DAIQUIRI'S & COMPANY	7550 Highway 90
DUKES LOUNGE	7722 Highway 90
EL TORO MEXICAN GRILL LLC	7027 Hwy 182 E
FAMILY FOOD MART	701 Everett Street
FRIEND'S TAVERN	6701 Hwy 182 Ste B
GANAWAY'S	1409 Federal Avenue
H & M FOOD MART	7028 Hwy 182E
HAMPTON INN & SUITES	6365 Highway 182E
HENRY'S OF MORGAN CITY, INC	319 Second Street
HOLIDAY INN LOUNGE	520 Roderick Street
JOHNNY'S FOODMART	2100 Federal Ave
LATIN CORNER LLC	201 Railroad Ave
LINK'S CAFÉ	1118 Victor ii
MAMA G'S	7540 Hwy 182
MORGAN CITY MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM	Highway 90
PARADISE VALLEY CASINO	1116 Victor II Blvd
PARADISE VALLEY DAIQUIRIS	1114 Victor II Blvd
PARRIE'S LOUISIANA GRILL	615 Brashear Ave
PETROLEUM CLUB OF MORGAN CITY	500 Roderick St
QUICK GENERAL MINI MARKET	2407 Sixth St
RANDY'S FOOD STORE	413 Railroad Ave
THE RATHSKELLER	7222 Highway 90
RITE AID # 7283	1223 Victor II Blvd
ROUSE'S SUPERMARKET #10	6403 Highway 90
SPORTS BAR	7419 Highway 182
STAZIONE DELI #2	6602 Highway 182
TABLE FIVE LOUNGE	702 Fifth Street
TAMPICO RESTAURANT & CANTINA	Inglewood Mall
THE DRINK HOUSE	501 First St
TIMMY T'S	6815 Highway 90
VICTOR II DELI	1220 Victor II Blvd
WALGREEN #10975	815 Brashear Ave
WALMART MARKET #7099	1002 Hwy 70

A motion to accept the liquor license renewals was made by Reverend Bias, seconded by Mr. Hymel and voted unanimously in favor.

Mayor Grizzaffi stated that he had prepared a resolution of respect for Mr. Merlin Price, Sr., whereupon,

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

RESOLUTION NO. R: 15-45
IN MEMORIAM
MERLIN RAYMOND PRICE, SR.

WHEREAS, God, in his infinite wisdom has taken Merlin Raymond Price, Sr. from our midst, and

WHEREAS, he worked in many capacities during his twenty years with the Morgan City Police Department, and

WHEREAS, he was the first K-9 officer for the Morgan City Police Department, and

WHEREAS, he was elected to the position of City Marshall, and continued to serve in that capacity for twenty years until his retirement; and

WHEREAS, during his twenty plus years as Marshal he served in the positions of president, vice-president, and sergeant-at-arms in the Louisiana City Marshal's Association, and

WHEREAS, he was a member of Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church and served as an usher for many years, and

WHEREAS, he was a Sergeant in the 156 Infantry Company B National Guard, and

WHEREAS, he was a chair member of the local AARP, 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 Merlin Raymond Price, 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; that a copy of this resolution be sent to his bereaved family; and that this meeting adjourn out of respect for the late Merlin Raymond Price, Sr.

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

The vote thereon was as follows:

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

The resolution was therefore declared approved and adopted this 16th day of November, 2015.

/s/ Frank P. Grizzaffi, III
Frank P. Grizzaffi, III
Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Debbie Harrington
Debbie Harrington
Clerk