

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS  
CITY OF MORGAN CITY  
JULY 23, 2024

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 Lee Dragna, Mayor; and Council Members Ron Bias, Steve Domangue, Tim Hymel, Bonnie Leonard and Louis J. Tamporello, Jr.

Absent: None

Also present were Mr. Charlie Solar, Jr., Chief Administrative Officer and Mr. Paul Landry, City Attorney.

The invocation was given by Reverend Justin Lee.

There was no Positive Image recipient for July.

Dwayne Barbier stated that Mr. Mike Ruffing had approached the Lake End Park Committee and the Recreation and Parks Commission about holding a Zydeco and Southern Soul Festival at the new pavilion on Lake End Parkway around the first week of June. A motion to approve the Zydeco and Southern Soul Festival as long as the date was good with Lake End Park was made by Pastor Bias, seconded by Mr. Hymel and voted unanimously in favor.

Patrick Haller with the Morgan City Firefighters Association requested permission to hold the annual boot drive to benefit the Muscular Dystrophy Association on August 30, 2024, from 3:30 PM to 5:30 PM at the intersection of Highway 90 and Highway 182 (copy on file). A motion to allow the Boot Drive was made by Mr. Domangue, seconded by Mr. Stephens, and voted unanimously in favor. Mr. Haller also mentioned two new programs he had implemented during his time as the Fire Prevention Chief. He stated that there was now in place a home risk assessment. This would be an inspection of the home provided free of charge to educate citizens. He said the second program was a program in which he would work closely with the Police and Sheriff Departments as well as the school system to identify juveniles with a curiosity about setting fires. Studies have shown that when this program is implemented in communities, not only did the rate of fires go down, but the rate of juvenile crime actually went down as well.

Mrs. Claire Giordano and Mrs. Carmen Freia addressed the council regarding an ongoing issue with a family plot. The plot was purchased in 1873 by their great-grandfather. During the Covid epidemic, three people were erroneously buried in their family plot, and they wanted them moved. Over the past two years many letters had been written to the City as well as numerous telephone conversations with City employees, and to date nothing had been done. After lengthy discussion, Mayor Dragna presented the family with State Statute RS 8:813 that allowed for the correction of errors that may occur in connection with the operation of a cemetery. This statute allowed the City to make changes in order to correct any errors. He said that he would place the item on the August agenda and allow the Council to vote on a solution. City Attorney Paul Landry stated that he had talked to several City employees about the issue and that an amicable resolution had been attempted. Mr. Ronnie Mire stated that said had they known a resolution would have taken so long, they would have come before the City Council earlier.

The minutes of the June 25, 2024 meeting were submitted. There being no corrections, additions, or deletions, a motion to approve the minutes was made by Mrs. Leonard, seconded by Pastor Bias, and voted unanimously in favor.

Mrs. Kristen Holcombe with Kolder, Slaven & Company gave the annual audit report for the City for the year ending December 31, 2023 (copy on file).

Mayor Dragna stated that a local donor, who he did not want to name at this time, had pledged a large sum of money to build a public swimming pool and half of that money had already been received. The new pool would be 25 meters and have 6 or 7 lanes, and would be suitable for all the needs of the residents.

Mrs. Deborah Garber, Finance Director, submitted the following financial statement for the period ending June 30, 2024.

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**MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

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**DATE:** July 23, 2024  
**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, 2024.

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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, 2024. The following comments are related thereto:

**General and Ancillary Funds:** Revenues are just barely over budget by \$19,498. In General Fund, sales taxes remain under budget by \$21,625. Operating expenses are under budget by \$707,042. The net loss of \$1,517,430 is a positive variance of \$726,540 as compared to the adopted budget.

**Utility Fund:** Actual revenues are increasingly under budget at \$1,176,636. Electric Purchased Power adjustment revenues alone are under budget \$1,215,000 which is a direct result of the Purchased Power Expense being under budget \$1,084,064. Overall, the utility operational expenses are under budget \$1,323,870. The net income, after transfers, of \$527,561 creates a positive variance compared to the budget of \$204,156.

**Sanitation and Sewer Fund:** The operating revenues are \$76,526 over budget, with total operating expenses under budget by \$153,855. The net income, after transfers, of \$188,429 leaves another positive variance of \$268,641.

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, 2024**

	JUNE 2024 ACTUAL	JUNE 2024 BUDGET	VARIANCE
<b>GENERAL AND ANCILLARY FUNDS</b>			
<b>REVENUES</b>			
General Fund	3,839,309	3,866,271	(26,962)
Recreation Fund	66,363	37,531	28,832
Library Fund	3,947	6,982	(3,035)
Auditorium Fund	55,698	51,339	4,359
Lake End Park Fund	557,968	541,664	16,304
Cemetery Fund	124,261	80,106	44,155
State Prisoner Fund	78,916	110,570	(31,654)
Total Revenues	4,523,285	4,503,787	19,498
<b>EXPENSES-OPERATIONAL</b>			
General Fund	5,755,299	6,251,768	(496,469)
Recreation Fund	255,270	289,004	(33,734)
Library Fund	55,785	82,318	(26,533)
Auditorium Fund	253,102	286,445	(33,343)
Lake End Park Fund	482,821	592,607	(109,786)
Cemetery Fund	140,340	146,568	(6,228)
State Prisoner Fund	343,098	344,047	(949)
Total Expenses	7,285,715	7,992,757	(707,042)
<b>TRANSFERS</b>			
Transfers from Funds	1,245,000	1,245,000	0
Transfers to Funds	0	0	0

Net Transfers	1,245,000	1,245,000	0
<b>EXCESS NET OF TRANSFERS</b>	<u>(1,517,430)</u>	<u>(2,243,970)</u>	<u>726,540</u>
<b>UTILITY FUND</b>			
Total Revenues	10,613,631	11,790,267	(1,176,636)
Total Expenditures	<u>9,091,734</u>	<u>10,415,604</u>	<u>(1,323,870)</u>
Net Excess	1,521,897	1,374,663	147,234
Net Transfers and non-oper.	<u>(994,336)</u>	<u>(1,051,258)</u>	<u>56,922</u>
Excess net of transfers	<u>527,561</u>	<u>323,405</u>	<u>204,156</u>
<b>SANITATION AND SEWER FUND</b>			
Total Revenues	1,691,322	1,614,796	76,526
Total Expenses	<u>2,071,507</u>	<u>2,225,362</u>	<u>(153,855)</u>
Net Excess	(380,185)	(610,566)	230,381
Net Transfers/non- operating expenses	<u>568,614</u>	<u>530,354</u>	<u>38,260</u>
Excess net of transfers and non-operating	<u>188,429</u>	<u>(80,212)</u>	<u>268,641</u>

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

The next matter on the agenda was the finance committee recommendations. Councilman Hymel stated that the Finance Committee had met prior to the Council meeting. The Sewer Department was requested \$350,000 to complete the Sewer Infrastructure Project. The monies would come from the Pollution Abatement fund; whereupon,

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

RESOLUTION NO. R: 24-28

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 \$350,000 from Pollution Abatement for continuing Sewer Infrastructure Improvement Project.

Mrs. Leonard seconded the motion.

The vote thereon was as follows:

AYES: Hymel, Leonard, Bias, Domangue, Tamporello  
 NAYS: None  
 ABSENT: None

The resolution was therefore declared approved and adopted this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 2024.

/s/ Lee Dragna  
 Lee Dragna  
 Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Debbie Harrington  
 Debbie Harrington  
 Clerk

The Condemnation and Demolition report was the next matter on the agenda. Mrs. Melanie Topham stated that the property at 1007 Birch Street was in disrepair. The owners had been contacted and had not responded. A motion to demolish the house at 1007 Birch

Street was made by Pastor Bias, seconded by Mr. Domangue, and voted unanimously in favor.

The property owners of the house located at 2316 Cypress Street had been sent all notifications and had done nothing with the property. A motion to demolish 2316 Cypress Street was made by Mr. Hymel, seconded by Mrs. Leonard, and voted unanimously in favor.

The last property was located ant 515 Terrebonne Street. Mrs. Topham said all notifications had been mailed and nothing had yet been done to the house. A motion to demolish the property located at 515 Terrebonne Street was made by Pastor Bias, seconded by Mrs. Leonard and voted unanimously in favor.

Mayor Dragna said that he forgot to mention in his Mayor's report that there was an issue in the city charter. Although changes were made earlier this year to reflect the single-member districts, it was not worded in the charter correctly about candidate residency. He stated that the issue would be addressed in the near future.

Mayor Dragna stated that a firm needed to be engaged to handle the engineering portion of the Gas Infrastructure and Modernization Grant. Request for Qualifications were sent out, and Charlie Solar, CAO, recommended we go with the firm of C. H. Fenstermaker; whereupon,

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

#### RESOLUTION NO. R: 24-29

WHEREAS, The City of Morgan City will be undertaking a Natural Gas Distribution Infrastructure Safety and Modernization Grant Program Project, and

WHEREAS, the City sent out a Request for Qualifications for Professional Engineering Services; and

WHEREAS, the firm of C.H. Fenstermaker & Associates, L.L.C. best 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 C.H. Fenstermaker & Associates, L.L.C. 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. Domangue seconded the motion.

The vote thereon was as follows:

AYES: Tamporello, Domangue, Bias, Hymel, Tamporello

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The Resolution was therefore declared approved and adopted this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 2024.

/s/ Lee Dragna  
Lee Dragna  
Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Debbie Harrington  
Debbie Harrington  
Clerk

The next matter on the agenda was the Ordinances. Mayor Dragna stated that the 2024 Millages needed to be readopted because of a publication error with the newspaper. He stated that the first ordinance would adopt the adjusted millage rates. The public hearing was opened on the Adoption of the Adjusted Millage Rates for the Tax Year 2024. No one appeared for or against said ordinance; whereupon,

This Ordinance introduced with first reading on June 25, 2024. Published by title on June 28, 2024.

Pastor Bias offered the following Ordinance, who moved for its adoption.

ORDINANCE NO. 24-08

AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE RATES OF TAX TO BE ASSESSED BY THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF MORGAN CITY, LOUISIANA, FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2024.

BE IT ORDAINED, by the City Council, the governing authority of the City of Morgan City, Louisiana, in regular session convened:

SECTION 1

That the tax roll of the City of Morgan City as prepared by the St. Mary Parish Assessor, showing the assessed value of all property subject to taxation within the said City, on said roll, to amount to the sum of ONE HUNDRED THIRTY EIGHT MILLION, NINE HUNDRED EIGHTY-SIX THOUSAND, THREE HUNDRED TWENTY SIX and no/100 DOLLARS (\$138,986,326.00) to be and the same is hereby ratified and approved by this body.

SECTION 2

That for the purpose of meeting the ordinary, municipal expenses of said City for the year 2024 there is hereby levied upon all property within said City, subject to taxation, an ad valorem tax of FIFTEEN AND EIGHTY-FIVE HUNDREDTHS (15.85) mills on the dollar, upon the assessed value of ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-EIGHT MILLION, NINE HUNDRED EIGHTY-SIX THOUSAND, THREE HUNDRED TWENTY-SIX and no/100 DOLLARS (\$138,986,326.00).

SECTION 3

That for the purpose of paying the maintenance and other such expenses of the Municipal Auditorium for the year 2024, there is hereby levied a tax of ONE AND NINETY-SEVEN ONE HUNDREDTHS (1.97) mills on the dollar upon the assessed value of ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-EIGHT MILLION, NINE HUNDRED EIGHTY-SIX THOUSAND, THREE HUNDRED TWENTY-SIX and no/100 DOLLARS (\$138,986,326.00).

SECTION 4

That the City Tax Collector of the City of Morgan City, Louisiana, be and he is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to make the collection of the taxes imposed for and on behalf of said City, according to law; that the taxes herein levied shall be a permanent lien and privilege on all of the property subject to taxation as herein set forth; and the collection hereof shall be enforceable in the manner provided by law.

SECTION 5

That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict hereby be and the same are hereby repealed and this ordinance shall take effect upon its adoption, the public welfare so demanding.

Mrs. Leonard seconded the motion.

The vote thereon was as follows:

AYES: Bias, Leonard, Domangue, Hymel, Tamporello  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAINED: None  
ABSENT: None

Certified approved and adopted this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 2024.

Delivered to Mayor Dragna at 8:20 AM, this 24<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2024.

/s/ Debbie Harrington  
Debbie Harrington, Clerk

Approved this 24<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2024.

/s/ Lee Dragna  
Lee Dragna, Mayor

Received from Mayor Dragna at 8:30 AM on July 24, 2024.

/s/ Debbie Harrington  
Debbie Harrington, Clerk

Published: July 26, 2024

Mayor Dragna said the second ordinance would adopt the adjusted millage rates and roll forward to the maximum millage rates. Mrs. Deborah Garber, Finance Director, stated that the increase in taxes from the roll forward would amount to a little over \$34,000. Mayor Dragna opened the public hearing for the Setting Forth of the Adjusted Millage Rates and Rolling Forward to Millage Rates not to Exceed the Maximum Authorized Rates Ordinance. No one appeared for or against said ordinance; whereupon,

This Ordinance introduced with first reading on June 25, 2024. Published by title on June 28, 2024.

Pastor Bias offered the following Ordinance, who moved for its adoption.

#### ORDINANCE NO. 24-09

AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE RATES OF TAX TO BE ASSESSED BY THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF MORGAN CITY, LOUISIANA, FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2024.

BE IT ORDAINED, by the City Council, the governing authority of the City of Morgan City, Louisiana, in regular session convened:

#### SECTION 1

That the tax roll of the City of Morgan City as prepared by the St. Mary Parish Assessor, showing the assessed value of all property subject to taxation within the said City, on said roll, to amount to the sum of ONE HUNDRED THIRTY EIGHT MILLION, NINE HUNDRED EIGHTY-SIX THOUSAND, THREE HUNDRED TWENTY SIX and no/100 DOLLARS (\$138,986,326.00) to be and the same is hereby ratified and approved by this body.

#### SECTION 2

That for the purpose of meeting the ordinary, municipal expenses of said City for the year 2024 there is hereby levied upon all property within said City, subject to taxation, an ad valorem tax of SIXTEEN AND SEVEN ONE HUNDREDTHS (16.07) mills on the dollar, upon the assessed value of ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-EIGHT MILLION, NINE HUNDRED EIGHTY-SIX THOUSAND, THREE HUNDRED TWENTY-SIX and no/100 DOLLARS (\$138,986,326.00).

#### SECTION 3

That for the purpose of paying the maintenance and other such expenses of the Municipal Auditorium for the year 2024, there is hereby levied a tax of TWO (2.0) mills on the dollar upon the assessed value of ONE HUNDRED THIRTY-EIGHT MILLION, NINE HUNDRED EIGHTY-SIX THOUSAND, THREE HUNDRED TWENTY-SIX and no/100 DOLLARS (\$138,986,326.00).

#### SECTION 4

That the City Tax Collector of the City of Morgan City, Louisiana, be and he is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to make the collection of the taxes imposed for and on behalf of said City, according to law; that the taxes herein levied shall be a permanent lien and privilege on all of the property subject to taxation as herein set forth; and the collection hereof shall be enforceable in the manner provided by law.

#### SECTION 5

That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict hereby be and the same are hereby repealed and this ordinance shall take effect upon its adoption, the public welfare so demanding.

Mrs. Leonard seconded the motion.

The vote thereon was as follows:

AYES: Bias, Leonard, Domangue, Hymel, Tamporello  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAINED: None  
ABSENT: None

Certified approved and adopted this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 2024.

Delivered to Mayor Dragna at 8:20 AM, this 24<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2024.

/s/ Debbie Harrington  
Debbie Harrington, Clerk

Approved this 24<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2024.

/s/ Lee Dragna  
Lee Dragna, Mayor

Received from Mayor Dragna at 8:30 AM on July 24, 2024.

/s/ Debbie Harrington  
Debbie Harrington, Clerk

Published: July 26, 2024

The rezoning of the property near Park Road was the next matter on the agenda. No one appeared for or against said ordinance; whereupon,

This Ordinance introduced with first reading on June 25, 2024. Published by title on June 28, 2024.

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

#### ORDINANCE NO. 24-10

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MORGAN CITY, LOUISIANA, AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY.

#### SECTION 1

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council, the governing authority of the City of Morgan City, Louisiana, that the official Zoning Map of the City is amended and reenacted to rezone and redesignate the following described property from and to the zoning districts indicated; the affected property with its zoning designation being as shown on the attached map, which map constitutes an amendment to the existing official zoning map.

#### PROPERTY:

A 7.11-acre portion of Parcel #3314341069.00, Subdivision Ward 11 Non-Subdivision Section 7, Township 16, Range 16; specifically, 320.95' along Industry Road, 965.00' bordered by the entire length of parcels along the southern side of Park Road, 320.95' bordered by timber land (Parcel #3314341015.00) and 965.00' bordered by the remaining parcel along LA State Highway 182

FROM: "C" Commercial

TO: "R-5" Residential

#### SECTION 2

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.

Pastor Bias seconded the motion.

The vote thereon was as follows:

AYES: Tamporello, Bias, Domangue, Hymel, Leonard  
NAYS: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

Certified approved and adopted this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 2024.

Delivered to Mayor Dragna at 8:20 AM, this 24<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2024.

/s/ Debbie Harrington  
Debbie Harrington  
Clerk

Approved this 24<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2024.

/s/ Lee Dragna  
Lee Dragna  
Mayor

Received from Mayor at 8:30 AM on July, 2024.

/s/ Debbie Harrington  
Debbie Harrington  
Clerk

Published: July 26, 2024

The public hearing for the purchase of property for the Archives ordinance was opened. No one appeared for or against said ordinance; whereupon,

This ordinance was introduced with a first reading on June 25, 2024. Published by title on June 28, 2024.

Mrs. Leonard offered the following ordinance, who moved for its adoption.

#### ORDINANCE NO. 24-11

BE IT ORDAINED, by the City Council, the governing body of the City of Morgan City, Louisiana, in regular session convened this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 2024, that:

##### SECTION 1:

WHEREAS, the City of Morgan City ("City") is a duly authorized municipality that is responsible for municipal operations within the territorial limits of the City; and

WHEREAS, as part of its operation of city government, the City owns and operates various properties; and

WHEREAS, the City is interested in purchasing the property located at 506 First Street for use in municipal operations.

##### SECTION 2:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council, the governing authority of Morgan City, Louisiana that:

(1) The City Council agrees to purchase the property at 506 First Street, from Natchez Morice, III, for the price of \$300,000.00; and

(2) The Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the purchase of 506 First Street from Natchez Morice, III.

##### SECTION 3:

All laws or parts of laws in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

##### SECTION 4

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 law in conflict with this ordinance be and the same are repealed. This ordinance shall take effect immediately after passage within the time prescribed by law.

Pastor Bias seconded the motion.

The vote thereon was as follows:



AYES: Leonard, Bias, Domangue, Hymel, Tamporello  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None

Certified approved and adopted this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 2024.

Delivered to Mayor at 8:20 am, this 24<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2024.

/s/ Debbie Harrington  
Debbie Harrington, Clerk

Approved this 24<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2024.

/s/ Lee Dragna  
Lee Dragna, Mayor

Received from Mayor at 8:30 am on July 24, 2024.

/s/ Debbie Harrington  
Debbie Harrington, Clerk

Published: July 26, 2024

The Class "A" Liquor and Beer application for Kilpatrick Hotels Number Four, LLC was the next matter on the agenda. A motion to approve the application was made by Mr. Hymel, seconded by Mrs. Leonard, and voted unanimously in favor.

Mr. Tamporello congratulated all of the unopposed candidates and state that he hoped he would be back for the next term.

Mr. Hymel reminded everyone to watch the upcoming Olympic Games and look for Vernon "Tootie" Norwood. Pastor Bias stated that not only had Vernon brought the State of Louisiana to the International scene, he also brought the City of Morgan City to the International spotlight.

Mrs. Bonnie Leonard stated that the final agenda item was a resolution of respect for John T. Johnson; whereupon,

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

**RESOLUTION NO. R: 24-30  
IN MEMORIAM  
JOHN T. JOHNSON**

WHEREAS, God, in his infinite wisdom has taken John T. "Johnny" Johnson. from our midst; and

WHEREAS, Johnny was a graduate of Baylor Military in Chattanooga, and is listed as one of their notable alumni, and graduated from the University of Tennessee before going into the United States Army and serving in Korea; and

WHEREAS, Johnny began his "water career" as a lifeguard at the Alcoa pool, diving for coins at the bottom, and joining the UT swim and dive team. Although the university did not have a high diving board, he defeated Georgia Tech's high diver on their high board; and

WHEREAS, Johnny also played first base and lettered on the baseball team in 1959 -1961; and

WHEREAS, Johnny became a commercial diver, and in 1964, he partnered with his friend and fellow diver, Mike Hughes, to start their own diving company, World Wide Divers, that eventually evolved into Oceaneering International, one of the world's largest subsea engineering companies with world headquarters in Houston, Texas; and

WHEREAS, he received many civic and industrial awards during his career, including the John E. Galletti, Jr. Memorial Award in recognition of significant achievement in the field of commercial diving; and

WHEREAS, Johnny served as a city councilman from 1975 to 1983, also serving as Mayor Pro Tempore from 1975 – 1979. He was honored with the distinguished Morgan City Rotary Club Rotarian of the Year Award in 2009; and

WHEREAS, Johnny served as president of the Morgan City Petroleum Club, Chairman of the United Way for South Louisiana, and was a member of numerous boards including The Great Smoky Mountains Heritage Center, The Boys and Girls Club of Knoxville, and the University of Tennessee School of Music; and

WHEREAS, he is survived by his devoted daughter, Jennifer, and his older brother, Dr. George W. Johnson; and

WHEREAS, he was preceded in death by his son, John McTeer Johnson, his wife, Jodie McTeer Johnson, and his parents, Emma and Grace Johnston; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of Morgan City wish to acknowledge publicly their sorrow and sympathy to the family of John T. Johnson; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of Morgan City hope his family will find comfort in the thought that their friends share their grief and sorrow.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Morgan City through the unanimous adoption of this resolution that they solemnly deliberate with sincere condolences, sympathy, and understanding during this time of grief.

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 John T. Johnson

Messrs. Bias, Domangue, Hymel, Leonard, and Tamporello seconded the motion.  
The vote thereon was as follows:  
AYES: Bias, Domangue, Hymel, Leonard, Tamporello  
NAYS: None  
ABSENT: None

The resolution was therefore declared approved and adopted this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 2024.

/s/ Lee Dragna  
Lee Dragna, Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Debbie Harrington  
Debbie Harrington, Clerk

/s/ Debbie Harrington  
Debbie Harrington  
Clerk

/s/ Lee Dragna  
Lee Dragna  
Mayor