

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
CITY OF MORGAN CITY
NOVEMBER 15, 2022

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 Steve Domangue, Tim Hymel, Mark Stephens and Louis J. Tamporello, Jr.

Absent: Pastor Bias.

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

The invocation was given by Councilman Mark Stephens.

The Positive Image recipients for the Month of November were Captain John Schaff and Officer Ateliegh Brad with the Morgan City Police Department.

Chief Chad Adams stated that Ms. Melinda Webster asked for permission to hold a Food Drive at her home at 515 Duke Street on December 15, 2022 from 5 PM to 9 PM. There would be a DJ, Santa Claus and his elf there for the children. She had also arranged a security detail for the event. A motion to approve the request was made by Mr. Stephens, seconded by Mr. Domangue and voted unanimously in favor.

In the Mayors Update, Mayor Dragna stated that there was a possibility of looking at a hotel motel tax to benefit the City. It would need to be advertised on billboards and magazines.

The minutes of the October 25, 2022 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.

Mayor Dragna submitted the following financial statement for the period ending October 31, 2022.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DATE: November 15, 2022
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, 2022.

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, 2022. The following comments are related thereto:

General and Ancillary Funds: The actual total revenues continue to come in over budget by \$1,093,982. Sales taxes in General Fund were over budget by \$492,630, Fines by \$131,000, and Parkway and Lake End Park by 176,000. Operating expenses are below budget by \$681,281. The net loss, after transfers, of \$1,368,693 is a favorable variance of \$1,750,263 compared to the budget.

Utility Fund: Actual revenues are now over budget by \$1,369,715. The operational expenses are currently over budget by \$1,891,909. The cost of purchased power and natural gas have been estimated for these financial statements because the invoices have not been received. The purchased power cost is estimated to be \$1,933,381 over budget and natural gas is over by \$150,000. The net loss, after transfers, of \$595,750 creates an unfavorable variance of \$469,042.

Sanitation and Sewer Fund: There was not much change since last month. The operating revenues remain under budget by \$77,760, with total operating expenses over budget by

\$30,721 The net income, after transfers, of \$848,651 leaves a favorable variance this month of \$267, 258.

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

**CITY OF MORGAN CITY
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT**

Actual Revenues and Expenses Compared to Budget
Period Ended October 31, 2022

	OCTOBER 2022	OCTOBER 2022	
GENERAL AND ANCILLARY FUNDS	ACTUAL	BUDGET	VARIANCE
REVENUES			
General Fund	5,045,483	4,054,263	991,220
Recreation Fund	90,898	55,114	35,784
Library Fund	10,107	12,097	(1,990)
Auditorium Fund	65,619	47,978	17,641
Lake End Park Fund	815,341	638,605	176,736
State Prisoner Fund	193,345	318,754	(125,409)
Total Revenues	6,220,793	5,126,811	1,093,982
EXPENSES-OPERATIONAL			
General Fund	8,227,850	8,640,785	(412,935)
Recreation Fund	321,880	399,187	(77,307)
Library Fund	64,722	121,626	(56,904)
Auditorium Fund	417,357	399,390	17,967
Lake End Park Fund	702,763	812,307	(109,544)
State Prisoner Fund	653,247	695,805	(42,558)
Total Expenses	10,387,819	11,069,100	(681,281)
TRANSFERS			
Transfers from Funds	3,699,333	3,620,333	79,000
Transfers to Funds	(901,000)	(797,000)	(104,000)
Net Transfers	2,798,333	2,823,333	(25,000)
EXCESS NET OF TRANSFERS	(1,368,693)	(3,118,956)	1,750,263
UTILITY FUND			
Total			
Revenues	20,201,536	18,831,821	1,369,715
Total Expenditures	17,965,856	16,073,947	1,891,909
Net			
Excess	2,235,680	2,757,874	(522,194)
Net Transfers and non-oper.	(2,831,430)	(2,884,582)	53,152
Excess net of transfers	(595,750)	(126,708)	(469,042)
SANITATION AND SEWER FUND			
Total			
Revenues	2,451,198	2,528,958	(77,760)
Total			
Expenses	2,961,920	2,931,199	30,721
Net			
Excess	(510,722)	(402,241)	(108,481)
Net Transfers/non-operating expenses	1,359,373	983,634	375,739
Excess net of transfers and non-operating	848,651	581,393	267,258

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

The next matter on the agenda was the Condemnation Reports. Mr. Pete Lawton stated that the properties at 425 and 429 Garber street were in disrepair. All notices had been completed and he wanted to proceed with the demolition. A motion to condemn 425 and 429 Garber Street was made by Mr. Hymel, seconded by Mr. Tamporello, and voted unanimously in favor.

Mr. Lawton stated that the property at 7702 Highway 182 needed to be condemned and all notices had been completed. He stated that the property owner had requested thirty days to make progress on it himself. A motion to condemn 7702 Highway 182 in thirty days was made by Mr. Tamporello, seconded by Mr Hymel, and voted unanimously in favor.

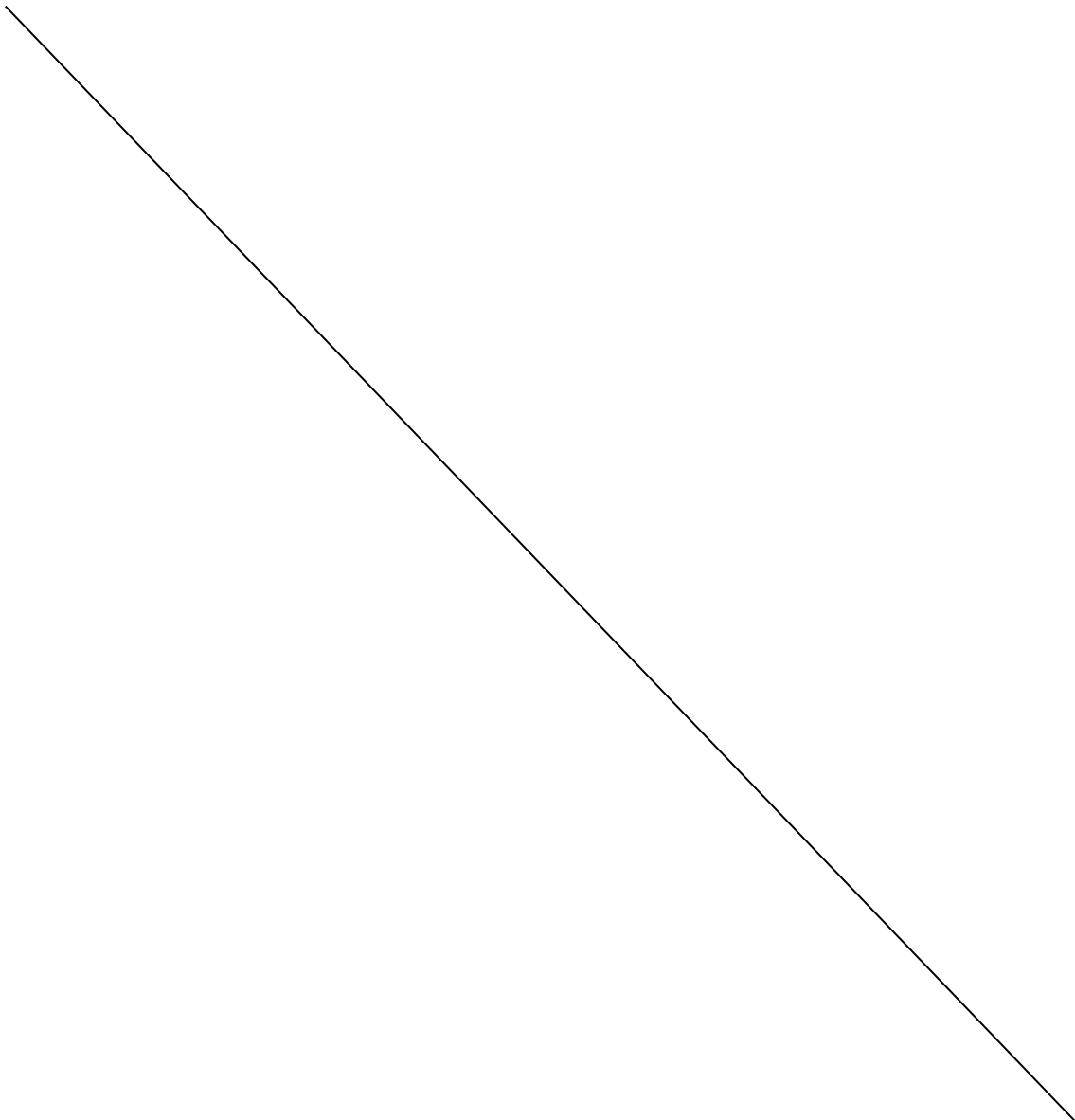
The property at 1011 Railroad Avenue was the next matter on the agenda. Mr. Lawton stated that all notices had been completed. A motion to condemn 1011 Railroad Avenue was made by Mr. Domangue, seconded by Mr. Tamporello, and voted unanimously in favor.

A motion to expand the agenda to hold a first reading of the Sales Tax Ordinance was made by Mr. Stephens, seconded by Mr. Domangue and voted unanimously in favor.

The first reading of the Sales Tax Ordinance was opened. No definitive action was necessary.

The next matter on the agenda was the public hearing on the 2022 Budget Amendment Ordinance. Mayor Dragna stated that this would be adopted at the December meeting when the numbers would be closer to actual.

The public hearing for the 2023 Budget Ordinance was opened. No one appeared for or against said ordinance, whereupon,



In the matter of the 2023 Class "A" and Class "B" liquor licenses, the following were up for renewal:

2023 CLASS A & B LIQUOR LICENSES

AJ'S 2 ND ST PUB	1400 Second St.
ATCHAFALAYA CAFÉ LLC	7310 Hwy 182E
BAY CITY BISTRO	618 Front Street
BOURBON'S	501 First St
CAFÉ JO JO'S LLC	624 Front Street
CAJUN COUNTRY LOUNGE	1226 Victor II Blvd
CANNATA'S SUPERMARKET	7 th & Brashear Avenue
CIRCLE K #4640	7700 Highway 90
CIRCLE K STORE #2706821	6383 Highway 182E
COU - YONS BAR LLC	117 Railroad Ave
CVS / PHARMACY, LLC #5289	6502 Highway 182
DAIQUIRI'S & COMPANY	7550 Highway 90
DOLLAR GENERAL STORE #1974	818 Brashear Ave
EAST GATE BBQ	7516 HWY 182E.
FIFTH STREET STORE LLC	701 Everett St
FRIEND'S TAVERN	6701 Hwy 182 Ste B
G & J LAND AND MARINE FOOD DIST	506 Front St.
GANAWAY'S	1409 Federal Avenue
HAMPTON INN & SUITES	6365 Highway 182E
LINK'S CAFÉ	1118 Victor II
MAMA G'S	7540 Hwy 182
MORGAN CITY MUNICIPAL AUDITORIUM	Highway 90
ONE STOP	7028 Highway 182E
PARADISE VALLEY CASINO	1116 Victor II Blvd
PARADISE VALLEY DAIQUIRIS	1114 Victor II Blvd
PETROLEUM CLUB OF MORGAN CITY	500 Roderick St
POOL DO'S SPORTS BAR, LLC	615 Brashear Ave
QUICK GENERAL MINI MARKET	2407 Sixth St
ROUSE'S SUPERMARKET #10	6403 Highway 90
SAAS HOTEL LLC	520 Roderick St Ste A
SPORTS BAR	7419 Highway 182
STAZIONE DELI #2	6602 Highway 182
STEELWOOD LAND d/b/a SARK INC	7722 Hwy 182E
SUSHIRO STEAK HOUSE	6214 Hwy 182E
TABLE FIVE	702 Fifth Street
TAMPICO RESTAURANT & CANTINA	Inglewood Mall
THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY	319 Second St.
THE GALLEY LLC	7409 Hwy 182E
TIMMY T'S	6815 Hwy 182E
VICTOR II DELI	1220 Victor II Blvd
WALGREEN #10975	815 Brashear Ave
WALMART MARKET #7099	1002 Hwy 70

A motion to approve the renewals was made by Mr. Hymel, seconded by Mr. Stephens. The vote thereon was as follows: AYES: Hymel, Stephens, Tamporello; NAYS: None; ABSENT: Bias; ABSTAIN: Domangue.

The Class "A" Liquor and Beer application for DG Louisiana, LLC, 7518 Highway 182 E was the next matter on the agenda. A motion to approve the application was made by Mr. Tamporello, seconded by Mr. Domangue, and voted unanimously in favor.

The Class "A" Liquor and Beer application for Family Dollar Stores of Louisiana d/b/a Family Dollar #21124, 900 7th Street, was the next matter on the agenda. A motion to approve the application was made by Mr. Tamporello, seconded by Mr. Domangue, and voted unanimously in favor.

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

Debbie Harrington
Clerk

Lee Dragna
Mayor