

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
CITY OF MORGAN CITY
OCTOBER 27, 2020

The Mayor and City Council of Morgan City, Louisiana, met at 6:00 pm (local time) in regular session, this date, in the Morgan City Municipal Auditorium Theater, 725 Myrtle Street, Morgan City, Louisiana.

There were present: Honorable Frank P. Grizzaffi, III Mayor; and Council Members Ron Bias, Steve Domangue, 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 Revered Randy Plessela.

There was no Positive Image recipient for the month of October.

Mrs. Natalie Broussard addressed the Mayor and Council to announce her candidacy for 16th Judicial District Judge, Division "F".

Mr. Anthony "Tony" Saleme addressed the Mayor and Council to announce his candidacy for 16th Judicial District Judge, Division "F".

Mr. Pat Cloutier asked Mayor Grizzaffi if the Morgan City LEPA plant had been operational. Mayor Grizzaffi stated that he knew it had been down for repair recently, but he would contact Kevin Bihm with LEPA and get back to Mr. Cloutier with the answer.

The minutes of the September 22, 2020 and October 6, 2020 meetings were submitted. There being no corrections, additions, or deletions, a motion to approve the minutes was made by Pastor Bias, seconded by Mr. Domangue, and voted unanimously in favor.

Mrs. Deborah Garber, Finance Director, submitted the following financial statement for the period ending September 30, 2020.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DATE: October 27, 2020
TO: Mayor and Council
FROM: Deborah Garber
RE: Comments related to summary of revenues and expenses compared to budget for the period ended September 30, 2020.

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 September 30, 2020. The following comments are related thereto:

General and Ancillary Funds: Revenues remain over budget by \$100,900. Operating expenses are below budget by \$608,900. The net loss, after transfers, of \$1,659,400 is a favorable variance of \$709,800 compared to the budget.

Utility Fund: Actual revenues continue to be increasingly under budget by \$2,131,500, with operational expenses comparably under budget by \$2,055,300. The net income, after transfers, of \$635,300 creates an unfavorable variance again this month of \$49,700.

Sanitation and Sewer Fund: The operating revenues are \$59,400 over budget, with total operating expenses under budget by \$74,200. The net income, after transfers, of \$719,200 leaves a favorable variance this month of \$136,800.

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, 2020

	SEPTEMBER 2020	SEPTEMBER 2020	
GENERAL AND ANCILLARY FUNDS	ACTUAL	BUDGET	VARIANCE
REVENUES			
General Fund	3,833,302	3,608,721	224,581
Recreation Fund	39,357	108,638	(69,281)
Library Fund	22,152	10,886	11,266
Auditorium Fund	40,564	58,069	(17,505)
Lake End Park Fund	458,755	506,922	(48,167)
Total Revenues	4,394,130	4,293,236	100,894
EXPENSES-OPERATIONAL			
General Fund	7,407,772	7,725,433	(317,661)
Recreation Fund	231,639	414,378	(182,739)
Library Fund	65,457	89,840	(24,383)
Auditorium Fund	315,457	361,225	(45,768)
Lake End Park Fund	577,197	615,573	(38,376)
Total Expenses	8,597,522	9,206,449	(608,927)
TRANSFERS			
Transfers from Funds	2,865,000	2,865,000	0
Transfers to Funds	(321,000)	(321,000)	0
Net Transfers	2,544,000	2,544,000	0
EXCESS NET OF TRANSFERS	(1,659,392)	(2,369,213)	709,821
UTILITY FUND			
Total Revenues	15,234,391	17,365,854	(2,131,463)
Total Expenditures	12,004,224	14,059,529	(2,055,305)
Net Excess	3,230,167	3,306,325	(76,158)
Net Transfers and non-oper.	(2,594,888)	(2,621,362)	26,474
Excess net of transfers	635,279	684,963	(49,684)
SANITATION AND SEWER FUND			
Total Revenues	2,266,635	2,207,238	59,397
Total Expenses	2,389,298	2,463,514	(74,216)
Net Excess	(122,663)	(256,276)	133,613
Net Transfers/non-operating expenses	841,832	838,671	3,161
Excess net of transfers and non-operating	719,169	582,395	136,774

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

Mayor Grizzaffi stated that the Galey house at 1430 Victor II Boulevard was still in disrepair. He said that at the September 25, 2018 council meeting this issue was first discussed. Nothing had been done since a tarp was placed on the roof in January of 2019. Mr. Galey stated that he was trying to secure prices to have the house torn down and requested time to complete that. A motion to allow Mr. Galey 60 days to secure prices to

have his house torn down was made by Mr. Tamporello, seconded by Pastor Bias and voted unanimously in favor.

The next matter on the agenda was the Surplus Equipment. Mayor Grizzaffi stated that with the replacement of all the utility meters in the City, there were about 40 pallets of utility meters that needed to be declared surplus and sold at auction; whereupon,

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

RESOLUTION NO. R: 20-34

BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council, the governing authority of the City of Morgan City, that the item shown below are hereby declared surplus and no longer needed:

1. 40 Pallets Utility Meters

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, etc., that said items be sold either by auction or by receiving bids.

Mr. Stephens seconded the motion.

The vote thereon was as follows:

AYES: Domangue, Stephens, Bias, Hymel, Tamporello

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The Resolution was therefore declared approved and adopted this 27th day of October, 2020.

Frank P. Grizzaffi, III
Mayor

ATTEST:

Debbie Harrington
Clerk

Mayor Grizzaffi stated that the Capital Outlay Request Resolution needed to be submitted to our Delegation; whereupon,

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

RESOLUTION NO. R: 20-35

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	\$1,750,000
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.

Mr. Stephens seconded the motion.

The vote thereon was as follows:

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

The resolution was therefore declared approved and adopted this 27th day of October, 2020.

Frank P. Grizzaffi
Mayor

ATTEST:

Debbie Harrington
Clerk

The next matter on the agenda was the Levee Road Change Order Number One. Mayor Grizzaffi stated that the project was complete and the change order was in the amount of \$21,000 for some extra panel replacement; whereupon,

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

RESOLUTION NO. R: 20-36

BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council, the governing authority of the City of Morgan City, that the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed in the name of and on behalf of said municipal corporation, to execute Change Order Number 1 under Contract Number R: 20-14, between the City of Morgan City and Global Biz, LLC for the Levee road Repairs and Improvements project.

Mr. Domangue seconded the motion.

The vote thereon was as follows:

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

The resolution was therefore declared approved and adopted this 27th day of October, 2020.

Frank P. Grizzaffi, III
Mayor

ATTEST:

Debbie Harrington
Clerk

Mayor Grizzaffi stated that the Levee Road Repairs & Improvements project needed to be placed in substantial completion; whereupon,

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

RESOLUTION NO. R: 20-37

WHEREAS, the firm of Global Biz, LLC has substantially completed the work done under contract No. R:20-14 for the Levee Road Repairs & Improvements project, dated March 16, 2020, and recorded in the mortgage records of the Parish of St. Mary, Book 1587, Page 57, 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.

Pastor Bias seconded the motion.

The vote thereon was as follows:

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

The resolution was therefore declared approved and adopted this 27th day of October, 2020.

Frank P. Grizzaffi, III
Mayor

ATTEST:

Debbie Harrington
Clerk

The next matter on the agenda was the First Reading of the 2020 Budget Amendment Ordinance. No definitive action necessary.

The Second Reading of the 2021 Budget Amendment was opened. Mayor Grizzaffi stated that the Budget Workshop was scheduled for November 4, 2020 and the Budget would be adopted at the November meeting.

A motion to expand the agenda to discuss changing the November and December 2020 meeting dates was made by Pastor Bias, seconded by Mr. Tamporello and voted unanimously in favor.

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

RESOLUTION NO. R: 20-38

WHEREAS, the November 2020 council meeting falls on November 24, 2020 and the December 2020 council meeting falls on December 22, 2020; and

WHEREAS, children are out of school for these holidays and many families take vacations at this time, and

WHEREAS, from past experience it has been determined to be within the best interest of the city to change these council meeting dates,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council, the governing authority of the City of Morgan City, that the November and December 2020 council meeting be changed as follows:

November 24, 2020 meeting changed to November 17, 2020

December 22, 2020 meeting changed to December 15, 2020

Mr. Stephens seconded the motion.

The vote thereon was as follows:

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

The resolution was therefore declared approved and adopted this 27th day of October, 2020.

Frank P. Grizzaffi, III
Mayor

ATTEST:

Debbie Harrington
Clerk

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

Debbie Harrington
Clerk

Frank P. Grizzaffi, III
Mayor