

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
CITY OF MORGAN CITY
SEPTEMBER 24, 2019

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

Absent: None

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

The invocation was given by Pastor Ron Bias.

The Morgan City Dixie Youth 9 Year Old All Star Team and the Morgan City Dixie Youth 11 Year Old All Star Team were the Positive Image recipients for the month of September. The Mayor and Council congratulated them on their efforts.

Mayor Grizzaffi read his annual budget message into record (copy on file).

Marshal Kenny Duval addressed the Council regarding Red Ribbon Week 2019. He stated that the theme for the year was "Life is a Journey, Travel Drug Free"; whereupon,

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

RESOLUTION NO. R: 19-35

WHEREAS, alcohol and other drug abuse have reached epidemic stages, and

WHEREAS, it is imperative that visible, unified prevention education efforts be launched to eliminate the demand for drugs, and

WHEREAS, in St. Mary Parish, the Red Ribbon has become a symbol of opposition to drug use and alcohol abuse, and

WHEREAS, a Parish-wide red ribbon campaign along with the recognition of Red Ribbon's 30th year in St. Mary Parish will be celebrated in St. Mary Parish during drug-free week, **October 18 – October 27, 2019**, and

WHEREAS, business, government, law enforcement, schools, religious institutions, service organizations, youth, medical, senior citizens, military, sports teams, and individuals will demonstrate their commitment to drug-free, healthy lifestyles by wearing and displaying red ribbons during this week-long campaign, and

WHEREAS, the City of Morgan City commits its resources to ensure the success of the St. Mary parish "Red Ribbon Campaign",

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council, the governing authority of the City of Morgan City, Louisiana that it does hereby support October 18 – October 27, 2019 as

"RED RIBBON DRUG-FREE WEEK"

and encourages its citizens to participate in drug awareness and drug educational activities, making a visible statement that we are strongly committed to drug-free, healthy lifestyles.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, etc. that the City Council of Morgan City encourages all citizens to celebrate over thirty years of red ribbon in St. Mary Parish and support the 2019 campaign theme:

"Life is a journey, travel drug-free! BE DRUG-FREE!!"

Mr. Tamporello seconded the motion.

The vote thereon was as follows:

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

The resolution was therefore declared approved and adopted this 24th day of September, 2019.

Frank P. Grizzaffi, III, Mayor

ATTEST:

Debbie Harrington, Clerk

Mr. Howard Castay, candidate for Parish Council District 11, At-large asked for the support of the Mayor and Council for the upcoming election.

Mrs. Rhonda Dennis, candidate for Parish Council District 10, At-Large asked for the support of the Mayor and Council for the upcoming election.

Mr. Pat Cloutier addressed the Council regarding the unprotected side of Front Street. He stated that during the last high-water event, the streets were inundated with water. He asked if the City had a plan for a temporary pump station to help out property owners. Public Works director Mike Loupe stated that it would definitely be taken into consideration.

The minutes of the August 27, 2019 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 August 31, 2019.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

DATE: September 24, 2019
TO: Mayor and Council
FROM: Deborah Garber
RE: Comments related to summary of revenues and expenses compared to budget for the period ended August 31, 2019.

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 August 31, 2019. The following comments are related thereto:

General and Ancillary Funds: Actual total revenues are currently over budget by \$82,400. In General Fund, Sales taxes are now under budget by \$8,700. Operating expenses are over budget by \$218,200. This increase in expenses is due to the playground at Lawrence Park that was not in the original budget. The net loss, after transfers, of \$2,108,000 results in an unfavorable budget variance of \$135,730.

Utility Fund: Actual revenues are increasingly under budget by \$1,901,600, which is solely due to electric revenues. Operational expenses are also under budget by \$1,654,600 which is mainly due to being \$1,375,000 under budget in purchased power costs, resulting in a net income, after transfers, of \$360,600, however, creating an unfavorable variance of \$240,800.

Sanitation and Sewer Fund: The operating revenues are currently 56,200 over budget, with total operating expenses under budget by \$25,900. The net income, after transfers, of \$645,300 leaves our only favorable variance of \$91,300.

Respectfully submitted,
/s/ Deborah Garber
Deborah Garber

CITY OF MORGAN CITY
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT
 Actual Revenues and Expenses Compared to Budget
 Period Ended August 31, 2019

	AUGUST 2019	AUGUST 2019	
GENERAL AND ANCILLARY FUNDS	ACTUAL	BUDGET	VARIANCE
REVENUES			
General Fund	3,392,173	3,268,850	123,323
Recreation Fund	108,649	114,584	(5,935)
Library Fund	10,364	9,346	1,018
Auditorium Fund	65,531	75,606	(10,075)
Lake End Park Fund	453,408	479,292	(25,884)
Total Revenues	4,030,125	3,947,678	82,447
EXPENSES-OPERATIONAL			
General Fund	6,950,636	6,822,662	127,974
Recreation Fund	521,214	349,202	172,012
Library Fund	77,048	98,010	(20,962)
Auditorium Fund	307,387	329,649	(22,262)
Lake End Park Fund	556,556	595,141	(38,585)
Total Expenses	8,412,841	8,194,664	218,177
TRANSFERS			
Transfers from Funds	2,653,168	2,653,168	0
Transfers to Funds	(378,500)	(378,500)	0
Net Transfers	2,274,668	2,274,668	0
EXCESS NET OF TRANSFERS	(2,108,048)	(1,972,318)	(135,730)
UTILITY FUND			
Total			
Revenues	14,064,201	15,965,826	(1,901,625)
Total Expenditures	11,383,402	13,038,006	(1,654,604)
Net			
Excess	2,680,799	2,927,820	(247,021)
Net Transfers and non-oper.	(2,320,160)	(2,326,295)	6,135
Excess net of transfers	360,639	601,525	(240,886)
SANITATION AND SEWER FUND			
Total			
Revenues	1,998,864	1,942,712	56,152
Total			
Expenses	2,111,173	2,137,032	(25,859)
Net			
Excess	(112,309)	(194,320)	82,011
Net Transfers/non-operating expenses	757,628	748,354	9,274
Excess net of transfers and non-operating	645,319	554,034	91,285

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

The next matter on the agenda was the MWPP Report, whereupon,

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

RESOLUTION NO. R: 19-36

WHEREAS, the City of Morgan City is committed to minimizing the amount of infiltration and inflow into the wastewater collection system and its associated impact on the design flow of the wastewater treatment plant, and

WHEREAS, the City of Morgan City has dedicated adequate budget funds to aggressively pursue location of and repairs to cracked and broken pipes in the wastewater collection system, employing both City and contract resources,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council, the governing authority of the City of Morgan City, that it hereby informs the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality that the following actions were taken by the City of Morgan City, Louisiana.

1. Reviewed the Municipal Water Pollution Prevention Audit Report which is attached to this resolution.
2. Set forth the following actions necessary to maintain permit requirements contained in the Louisiana Pollution Discharge Elimination System (LPDES) permit, number LA0065986:
 - a. Continued mapping of the wastewater collection system to characterize and document the size, type, and maintenance history of each main;
 - b. Continued systematic surveying and investigation of sections of the collection system to determine the extent and priority of repair efforts; and
 - c. Continued repairing and/or replacement of damaged sections of the collection system.

Mr. Domangue seconded the motion.

The vote thereon was as follows:

AYES: Tamporello, Domangue, Bias, Hymel, Stephens

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

The resolution was therefore declared approved and adopted this 24th day of September, 2019.

Frank P. Grizzaffi, III, Mayor

ATTEST:

Debbie Harrington
Clerk

The next matter on the agenda was to change the meeting dates of the November and December meetings due to the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays, whereupon,

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

RESOLUTION NO. R: 19-37

WHEREAS, the November 2019 council meeting falls on November 26, 2019 and the December 2019 council meeting falls on December 24, 2019, Christmas Eve; 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 2019 council meeting be changed as follows:

November 26, 2019 meeting changed to November 19, 2019

December 24, 2019 meeting changed to December 17, 2019.

Pastor Bias seconded the motion.

The vote thereon was as follows:

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

The resolution was therefore declared approved and adopted this 24th day of September, 2019.

Frank P. Grizzaffi, IIII
Mayor

ATTEST:

Debbie Harrington
Clerk

The first reading of the 2020 Budget Ordinance was the next item on the agenda. No definitive action was necessary.

Mayor Grizzaffi offered the name of Mrs. Erin Shirley for reappointment to the Archives Commission; Mr. Sherman Marcantel and Mrs. Kendra Thomas for reappointment to the Board of Adjustments; Mrs. Lea Hebert for reappointment to the Cemetery Committee; Mr. Mark Griffin, Jr., Ms. Theresa Mitchell and Ms. Thelma young for reappointment to the Housing Authority Committee; Mr. Paul Governale, Mrs. Nathalie Weber, Mrs. Ila Hardee and Mrs. Nathalie Johnson for reappointment to the Library Commission; Mrs. Mandy Price and Mr. Dean Listi, Jr. for reappointment to the Main Street Committee; Mrs. Diane Martin, Mrs. Shannon Hamer, Mr. Neal Mayon and Mr. Sherman Marcantel for reappointment to the Planning & Zoning Commission; Mr. Tommy Minton and Mr. Dean Adams for reappointment to the Recreation & Parks Commission; and Mr. Luke

Manfre for reappointment to the Wharf Commission. A motion to concur in all appointments was made by Pastor Bias, seconded by Mr. Tamporello and voted unanimously in favor.

The application for a Class "A" liquor and beer permit (copy on file) for Daniel Solar d/b/a Eclipse Bar & Grill, 605 Martin Luther King Boulevard was submitted. A motion to approve the application was made by Mr. Hymel, seconded by Pastor Bias and voted unanimously in favor.

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

Debbie Harrington
Clerk

Frank P. Grizzaffi, III
Mayor