December 9, 2018

Good afternoon all...

- The next Council meeting is Tuesday, December 11, 1:30 p.m., at city hall. See the agenda Of interest...
- (1) 3A Public Hearing on tax exemption application for 1150 Beach Boulevard, The Creeks, LLC (Hyatt Place).
 An appeal by Hyatt of the Mayor's denial of their tax exemption request dated December 14, 2017 (no link)
- (2) 4A First Reading: Adoption of the 2018 version of the International Fire Code, Section 5-2-2

(3) <u>51</u> Resolution to amend the municipal budget for fiscal year ending September 30, 2019, to recognize and receive a quarterly payment from Harrison County representing partial payment of residual one (1.0) mill of ad valorem taxes to the City of Biloxi Port Enterprise Fund

(4) <u>5J Resolution authorizing expenditure to the Coast-Wide Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday celebration in the total amount of \$10,000</u>

Other meetings/agendas...

How you can get involved in your city government

Development Review Committee (DRC) Link not updated (Wed., Community Development Bldg) Architectural & Historical Review Commission <u>No meeting this week</u> (1st & 3rd Thur., Community Development Bldg) Planning Commission <u>No meeting this week</u> (1st & 3rd Thur., Community Development Bldg) Tree Committee Monday, 12/10/18 (2d Mon, 769 Howard Ave, Gulf Coast Community Design Studio)

Highlights of this past week's Council meeting... <u>Watch the video (youtube, 57:38)</u>

(1) Approved amending the ordinance re Trenching and Right of Way Maintenance-Resurfacing; Restoration

(2) Approved rezoning the Northwest corner of Cedar Lake Road & Tribe Drive for condominiums (about 45)

(3) Approved a Conditional Use a Self- Storage Facility, with a limited amount of outdoor storage, within a portion of an existing building identified as 2381 Pass Road. 18-051 (The old Walmart building)

(4) Approved an application for the state's Emergency Road and Bridge Repair Fund Program (Cedar Lake Bridge; Old Highway 67 Bridge, west of Cedar Lake Road; Porter Avenue Bridge; and Popp's Ferry Causeway Bridge)
(5) Approved contract with Southern Mississippi Planning and Development District, Inc., ("SMPDD") to coordinate and oversee a feasibility study for a convention center in East Biloxi; SMPDD to sub-contract with Convention, Sports & Leisure International ("CSL") to conduct the feasibility study (BBR Biloxi, LLC, the developer, will pay for this study)
(6) Approved Service Agreement with Mississippi Power Company for use of license plate recognition cameras and other fixed cameras to be used by the Biloxi Police Department.

Bits & Pieces...

• Channel Mark, Cove Drive & Edgewater Estates... I spoke with Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College representatives this past week. They are still finalizing plans related to traffic associated with the new Fine and Performing Arts Center now under construction. They will contact me in the spring to schedule a ward meeting to answer residents' questions.

• **Briarfield**... Sometime in the near future, AT& T will be doing some underground boring related to fiber optic work on Briarfield Ave., Deming PI., and Mercury Lane. I do not have specific dates for this work.

• Hampton Lane, Andover Court & parts of Brighton Circle ... Please note that No Dumping signs were posted this past week on Hampton Lane because of the underground high pressure gas line that runs from Keesler Air Force Base to Gulfport. I contacted the Code Enforcement office some weeks ago and asked that they study/review the ordinance related to curbside trash on lots that face two streets. This was the solution they proposed and I agreed.

• Time lapse photography of pedestrian bridge installation over Highway 90 by MGM Park... See it

• Edgewater Mall and Edgewater Gulf Hotel, 50 years ago... <u>See the aerial pic</u>... The original structural footprint of Edgewater Mall is shown above; the multi-story structure east of the mall is the Edgewater Gulf Hotel. The new Premiere Cinema is about where the westernmost wing of the hotel was located.

• Video clips from today's Biloxi Marathon & Half Marathon... the leader (25 sec)... the others (25 sec)

• *Have a question?* Send it to me...

Traffic/Road closures for the week ahead See the list

(Scroll to bottom of the webpage to see the streets sweeping schedule.)

Do catch a sunset from the West Biloxi Boardwalk; it's worth a picture or two, Paul

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