

Good morning all...

Sunday, February 24, 2019

The next Council meeting is Tuesday, February 26, 1:30 p.m., at city hall. [See the agenda](#)
Of particular interest...

- (1) 4C [Second Reading/Vote to amend the Land Development Ordinance creating the Downtown Howard Avenue Corridor Redevelopment Overlay... bound on the West by Reynoir Street, North by MLK Boulevard, East by Main Street, and South by Water Street](#)
- (2) 4F [Resolution confirming/approving appointment of Kay Frances-Horne to Biloxi Schools' Board of Trustees](#)

Other meetings/agendas... [How you can get involved in your city government?](#)

- Development Review Committee (DRC) No meeting this week (Wed., Community Development Bldg)
- Architectural & Historical Review Commission [Thursday, Feb. 28](#) (2d & 4th Thur Community Dev Bldg)
- Planning Commission No meeting this week (1st & 3rd Thur., Community Development Bldg)
- Tree Committee No meeting this week (2d Mon, 769 Howard Ave, Gulf Coast Community Design Studio)

Highlights of this past week's Council meeting... Watch the video: [Part 1 \(32:22\)](#) [Part 2 \(1:28:58\)](#)

- (1) Conducted First Reading to amend the Land Development Ordinance creating the Downtown Howard Avenue Corridor Redevelopment Overlay... bound on the West by Reynoir Street, North by MLK Boulevard, East by Main Street, and South by Water Street
- (2) Approved a zoning change for Oak Shores Condominium from Residential Multi-family to Community Business
- (3) Approved request to Harrison County supervisors to provide \$50,000 for drainage work by Churchill Drive.
- (4) Approved amendment to the Biloxi Main Street Downtown Housing Incentive Program
- (5) Approved a number of projects funded with the \$14,000,000 bond money recently approved by Council:

Circle Park Upgrades, est. \$100,000	Snyder Center Repairs, est. \$400,000
Biloxi Visitor Center Renovations, est. \$100,000	Campbell Drive Culvert & Drainage, est. \$75,000
East Biloxi Recreational Facility, est. \$500,000	Malpass Landing Drainage, est. \$200,000
Tanglewood Infrastructure Repair, est. \$100,000	Ward 6 Paving, est. \$200,000
Ward 4 Paving, est. \$400,000	Eagle Point Park Development, est. \$275,000
Pine Grove Drainage, est. \$700,000	

Neptune Parade...Saturday, March 2, 5:30 pm, Biloxi [Map/Route](#)

Cedar Lake Bridge...

Repair work will proceed at MDOT's (Mississippi Department of Transportation) pace since it's their project... MDOT will pay about \$480,000 and the city will pay the remaining \$120,000 of the estimated \$600,000 project. Work will include upgrading electrical and mechanical components, shoring up the bridge to support heavier vehicles, like firetrucks, that don't use the bridge now. It's difficult to estimate a timeline since MDOT is in charge.

What's ahead for the Saenger Theatre...

Rehabilitation of the Saenger Theatre will roll with advertising for bids this spring; completion anticipated in mid to late 2020. The work will include a modification of the fly tower (raises/lowers scenic backgrounds), roof replacement, replacing the HVAC system (Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning), and sealing the building's exterior. \$1.5 M of the recently approved \$14M bond issue is earmarked for this project. I've not yet seen/heard figures for renovating the interior of the facility. Those who attended the 2017 inauguration noted its [poor condition](#).

Bits & Pieces...

- [Biloxi Bay Area Chamber of Commerce](#) sponsored a Coffee Talk with Council Members... [See the video \(1:03:04\)](#)
- [Mardi Gras 2019... Dates, times, locations and links](#)
- [City of Biloxi funding million dollar projects \(WXXV TV\)](#)
- **Traffic/Road closures** [See the list](#)
- **This week's podcast** [Listen](#)

Have a question? *Please send it to me!*

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The Golden Fisherman, downtown Biloxi, Howard Avenue, about 1980