

Good morning all...

Sunday, July 7, 2019

The next Council meeting is Tuesday, July 16, 1:30 p.m., at city hall.

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

- Development Review Committee (DRC) No link available (Wed., Community Development Bldg)
- Architectural & Historical Review Commission No link available (2d & 4th Thur Community Dev Bldg)
- Planning Commission No meeting this week (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thur., Community Development Bldg)
- Tree Committee July 8, 4:00 p.m. (2d Mon, 769 Howard Ave, Gulf Coast Community Design Studio)

**Highlights of this past week's Council meeting...** [Watch the video \(1:18:04\)](#)

- (1) Removed from agenda: Ordinances 12-9-9 & 12-9-10, cruise vessel license tax & gaming device license tax
- (2) Conducted First Reading of Ordinance to amend Chapter 19, Code of Ordinances pertaining to taxation
- (3) Conducted First Reading of Zoning Map Amendment for 195, 205, 219 & 3 unaddressed parcels fronting Beach Boulevard to add Planned Development District Zone of Planned Development-Hospitality Business
- (4) Approved zoning map amendment at 1805 Irish Hill Drive and 183 McDonnell Avenue from RM-30 High-Density Multi-Family Residential to CB Community Business
- (5) Approved Ordinance 20-3-4 Parking in Small Craft harbor and Point Cadet Marina parking lots
- (6) Approved donation to Boom Boom Committee Inc, \$10,000, July 4 fireworks
- (7) Approved authorization of agreement with Coast Bench Advertising
- (8) Amended municipal budget to provide repair, maintenance, and electricity costs at Ohr-O'Keefe Museum
- (9) Approved agreement with RW Development, option to build/lease new public municipal pier & related purposes
- (10) Amended municipal budget, FY2019, to provide funds to pay contractual obligations for professional services

**East Biloxi Convention Center Study...** [See the study \(146 pages/slides\)](#)

I anticipate a council workshop or a presentation to the council... and the extent of the city's financial support that may be required... sometime in July. For quick highlights of the study:

- Why an East Biloxi Convention Center is being considered, slide/page 2
- Existing meeting/event space inventory, slide/page 9
- Industry trends in the convention/meeting industry, slide/page 49
- Brief site descriptions for eleven (11) possible locations, slide/page 74
- Top four (4) locations ranked: Oak Street, Great Lawn, Rue Magnolia, and Myrtle Street, slides/pages 77-81
- Funding sources, slides/pages 84-85
- Economic impact analysis, slide/page 90

**BTV now available in some areas...**

BTV: Biloxi Television, the city's TV channel is now carried on Sparklight (formerly Cable One) Channel 56 in Biloxi. It will be carried by ATT's U-verse in the near future on channel 99. Several hours of programming will be available on a rotating basis during the week.

**Bits & Pieces...**

- Summer movies for special needs children and adults, courtesy of the Parks & Recreation department, are scheduled for Friday, July 12, and Friday, July 26, at 6:00, Donal Snyder Recreation Center on Pass Road.
- [Keith Wilson, Award-Winning Multimedia Journalist](#)
- [Biloxi Schools' Calendar, 2019-20](#)
- [See Traffic/Road closures](#)
- [Listen to this week's podcast](#)

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Right: Dinosaur in front of Goofy Golf, Highway 90, Biloxi, 1970s, current site of the parking just lot west of Lucy's Retired Surfer Bar & Restaurant.

