

Good morning all...

Sunday, July 21, 2019

The next Council meeting is Tuesday, July 23, 1:30 p.m., at city hall. See the agenda *Of particular interest...*

- (1) 4A [Second Reading: Remove the licensing process for panhandlers and prohibit panhandlers at intersections](#)
- (2) 4B [Second Reading: Amend Sect 12-9-9 of the Code of Ordinances pertaining to the cruise vessel license tax](#)
- (3) 5A [Contract with DNA Underground to repair/replace infrastructure](#)

*This Resolution mentions the Saenger Theatre but not the work to be done... I have questions...*

- Watch the Council's last budget workshop, July 15, on Revenue... [Budget Workshop #1](#) (1:06:54)
- Budget Workshop #2: Department budgets & Non-Department budgets... Monday, July 22, 3:00, city hall

#### Other meetings/agendas...

- Development Review Committee (DRC) [Wednesday, 9:00](#) (Wed., Community Development Bldg)
- Architectural & Historical Review Commission [Thursday, 8:30](#) (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 [No meeting this week](#) (2d Mon, 769 Howard Ave, Gulf Coast Community Design Studio)

Highlights of this past week's Council meeting... Watch the videos [Part 1](#) (44:17) [Part 2](#) (1:12:00)

- (1) Conducted First Reading to amend Ordinance 12-9-9 pertaining to cruise vessel license tax
- (2) Amended Chapter 19 of Code of Ordinances pertaining to taxation
- (3) Approved ordinance for Master Plan for Planned Development - Hospitality Business (Margaritaville, Hwy 90)
- (4) Approved zoning change (to facilitate short term rentals), 1805 Irish Hill Drive & 183 McDonnell Avenue
- (5) Appointed of Raymond Skinner to the Civil Service Commission
- (6) Authorized application and local match for grant, Gulf Coast Restoration Fund Grant, Saenger Theatre
- (8) Approved paying Mardi Gras Museum all sums remaining in the Municipal Budget for exhibit maintenance

#### Saenger Theatre update...

The city put out a Request for Proposals (RFP) and received several responses. Council has not yet seen these proposals; I expect a report of some sort soon, possibly at the next Council meeting under the Mayor's report. It appears that some sort of public private partnership might be the solution. The mayor mentions the Saenger Theatre in this week's [podcast at the 3:45 mark](#). Stay tuned...

#### Boring update...

There are no new boring projects in Ward 5. (1) C-Spire is 95% complete on their boring within the city limits. They expect to be complete with fiber installed by the end of August. (2) Centerpoint has almost completed their Fernwood Road project; some cleanup work remains to be done. (3) AT&T is finishing up cable splicing in the Channel Mark subdivision.

#### Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College Early Childhood Academy opens...

MGCCC opened their [Early Childhood Academy on the Jefferson Davis campus](#) (DeBuys Rd) this past week and it's an excellent resource, serving children from birth to age 8, that's available to families and teachers. They're currently open 9:00-5:00, Monday-Friday. It's FREE! Need more info? Contact Pam Broussard, 228.897.4381

#### Bits & Pieces...

- [Brick & Spoon](#), a new restaurant by Edgewater Mall specializing in brunch opens at the end of this month.
- [City Community Calendar](#)
- [See the Docket](#) *It's your tax \$\$\$..*
- [See Traffic/Road closures](#)
- [Listen to this week's podcast](#)

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Council, L to R: Barrett, Glavan, Tisdale, Deming, Newman, Gines, & Lawrence