

November 4, 2018

Good evening all...

The next Council meeting is Tuesday, November 6, 6:00 p.m., at city hall. [See the agenda](#)  
A workshop, at 4:00 p.m., to discuss further the proposed \$14M bond will precede this council meeting.  
Of interest...

- (1) [4F A joint feasibility analysis and development planning for an East Biloxi convention center and retail complex on the property \(the former Tullis Manor site\), immediately east of the Ohr-O'Keefe Museum](#) [Read more \(Sun Herald\)](#)
- (2) [4G Resolution of intent to issue general obligation public improvement bonds in the amount of \\$14,000,000](#)
- (3) [5A Preservation and Maintenance Covenant with Mississippi Department of Archives and History to receive a MDAH \\$100,000 grant and designate the Saenger Theater a state landmark](#)
- (4) [5T Council monthly meeting schedule for calendar year 2019](#)
- (5) [5V Activation of repairs to Cedar Lake Bridge](#)
- (6) [5AA Furnish and plant sea oats and palm sticks, associated with the West Biloxi Boardwalk project](#)

#### Other meetings/agendas...

Development Review Committee (DRC) [No meeting this week](#) (Wednesdays, as necessary)  
Architectural & Historical Review Commission [Thursday, November 8](#) (Second and fourth Thursdays)  
Ward 5: Case 18-044 New backyard greenhouse at 162 Kenmore Avenue (Edgewater Park)  
Planning Commission [No meeting this week](#) (First and third Thursdays) .

#### Highlights of this past week's Council workshop... See the video [Part 1 \(1:50\)](#) [Part 2 \(1:42:11\)](#)

- (1) Discussed the needs of each ward to consider which might be included in the proposed \$14M bond issue.

#### STOP Signs/3-Way Stops are up in Briarfield Subdivision...

Past efforts to slow down and/or discourage Maison d'Orleans apartment residents from using Briarfield subdivision as a shortcut to/from Highway 90 have included gating Mercury Lane (removed after 10-12 weeks because you can't gate a public road) and a speed table on Mercury Lane (neighborhood residents say that hasn't helped much). The thinking is that these frequent stops will deter apartment residents from speeding through your neighborhood.

*Briarfield residents... Let me know whether you think the 3-Way STOPS are a terrific idea or a terrible idea.* As your councilman, I want to be responsive, so let me know. I'll meet with city officials after several weeks to share any feedback I receive from you between now and then.

#### Drainage swale between The Enclave and Audubon Place...

Work to begin preventative soil erosion measures and installation of fencing/gates at each end of the drainage swale will begin this week. The work is expected to take about four (4) weeks to complete. If you have any questions during this project, please contact the city's Engineering department, 228.435.6269 [Material staging has begun](#)

#### Pedestrian Overpass by the Small Craft Harbor... [See the rendering \(facebook\)](#)

A city contractor has erected temporary fencing a block east of Main Street on U.S. 90, signaling that work will be underway shortly on the new pedestrian overpass that will link the two new soon-to-open hotels, the Watermark and Hilton Garden Inn, with the areas south of U.S. 90: the Biloxi waterfront, Guice Park, the Biloxi Small Craft Harbor and Hard Rock Hotel and Casino. The \$2.4 million walkway is expected to be complete in summer 2019.

The good news is that, although work will reduce busy U.S. 90 down to one eastbound and one westbound lanes at times at U.S. 90 and Main Street, the lane closures will not be continuous nor every day. In fact, under the MDOT-approved traffic plan, intermittent lane closures, for the most part, will be limited to Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

#### Bits & Pieces...

- Mayor Gilich's sent a special Bmail to residents inside the city limits of Biloxi but outside the Biloxi School District (basically Ward 7, that area of the city annexed in 1999). [Read why he wants the residents of Ward 7 to consider before they cast their vote on November 6th to approve a \\$55,000,000 school bond issue in the Harrison County School District.](#)
- Senior Thanksgiving Breakfast and Fellowship (Ages 55 and older), Thursday, November 8, 8:00-12:30 (Breakfast at 9:00... biscuits, eggs, bacon, sausage, grits and a drink), at Snyder Community Center, Pass Road
- Proposed RV park by Brady Drive on Hwy 90... [Read more \(Sun Herald\)](#) [See an aerial pic of the property](#)  
The owner has not yet shown the city's Community Development department a site plan for the development.  
Bush hogging/ mulching are occurring on site so surveying /topographical drawings of the site can be completed.
- Construction of Beach Villa Apartments, 30 units in 3 buildings, \$1,000,000, is underway on Briarfield Avenue
- If you're a basketball fan, Biloxi High School boys, rated #2 in state pre-season polls, defeated Meridian High School (rated #1 in the polls) handily in Hattiesburg yesterday. This year's team is impressive! [See their schedule](#)
- A sincere *Thank You* to Mayor Gilich for supporting the Biloxi First educational foundation's Annual Roast where

he served as the target of much humorous abuse for this worthy cause.

● *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.)

**This week's podcast** [Listen](#) (All Saints, Peter Anderson, the Bonds of Issues)

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