

Ward 5 eblast

Friday, August 27, 2021

Good evening,

As you read this, we are under a Hurricane Watch and storm surge watch. You should find these links helpful: [Hurricane Checklist](#) and [Hurricane Evacuation Guide](#). Stay tuned to local media for weather reports and evacuation notices.

Be safe!

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Public meetings this week...

- [Develop Rev Committee \(DRC\)](#)
- [Planning Commission](#)
- [Called Council Meeting: Insurance](#)

Bits & Pieces...

- Budget Hearing, Tue, Sept 7, 5:15
- ▶ Ward meeting Wed, Sept 8, 6 p.m.
[See a DRAFT of the agenda](#)
- [New water rates begin October 1st](#)
- [Traffic notes & street sweeping](#)
- [City job postings](#)
- [Weekly department reports](#)
- [See Traffic/Road closures](#)
- [BTV, watch online](#)

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Who to contact for...

- City complaints or concerns
228.435.6271, cross@biloxi.ms.us
- Trash or garbage issues?
Dial 228.701.9086
Press 1 Waste Management (garbage)
Press 2 Pelican Waste (trash)
- *Water, Sewer, Gas, or Drainage emergency after working hours?*
Call Dispatch: 228.392.0641
- Streetlight issues, [Ward 5](#),
Call MS Power: 1.800.487.3275

- ▶ A Special Council meeting concerning employee insurance contribution rates, vision & dental insurance has been scheduled for Tue, Aug. 31, 1:30
- ▶ Public Hearing on the proposed FY2022 budget, September 7, 5:15 pm
- ▶ The next regularly scheduled Council meeting is Tue., Sept. 7, 6:00 pm

Highlights of this past week's Council Meeting... [Video \(2:23:50\)](#)

- 1) Approved Conditional Use for short-term rental, 229 Fayard Street
- 2) Approved Conditional Use, auto sales store, 2015 Popp's Ferry Rd.
- 3) Tabled authorizing city's self-funded employee group health insurance; workshop scheduled for [Friday, August 27, 11:00](#) to finish discussion/vote
[Watch the extensive discussion on self-funded insurance for employees](#)
- 4) Approved Change Order 3, Necaise Bros. Construction, Area STM1&2
- 5) Extended time to complete Point Cadet Traffic Study to February 2022
- 6) 5Approved Change Order 10, Lane Construction, Area SXSS.



Hook, Line & Sinker restaurant, Hwy 90, Biloxi, date unknown. Currently the site is an empty parcel between Treasure Bay Casino and Souvenir City.

Popp's Ferry Bridge... [Read the mayor's announcement](#)

In August 2020, the city advertised a Request for Proposals (RFP) for a public-private partnership to build a new Popp's Ferry Bridge. In late December the city received 3 RFPs, including the possibility of a toll bridge. In late January the City notified bidders it would continue to explore traditional public financing. The administration believes United Bridge Partners proposal is worth exploring. Its proposal provides for funding all bridge costs, including all future maintenance, and delivers a bridge in less than four years. *This selection does not guarantee a contract will be executed or that the project will be implemented.*

Budget Brief... [Watch the 08/24/21 Budget Workshop \(1:14:11\)](#)

A Public Hearing on the city's proposed fiscal year 2022 budget will be conducted Tuesday, September 7, 5:15 pm, at city hall. The Council will vote on the budget and set the tax levy (millage) Tuesday, September 14, 1:30 pm. I've tried to keep you abreast of the Council's budget workshops by posting the videos and documents at [my website](#). [Take another look by clicking here and scrolling to the green text.](#)