

Ward 5 eblast

Sunday, April 17, 2022

My friend and constituent Vincent Creel will no longer punch the clock at city hall... his official retirement begins April 29 after 28 years as the city's Public Affairs manager.

A gifted historical observer and font of city political events viewed from a unique perspective... admittedly cynical and at times sarcastic... Mr. Creel's superb writing has explained the workings of local government to those interested enough to read BNews, BMail, Biloxi A-Z, and tune in to local media.

Hear what he has to say before he exits like the Cheshire cat, leaving only a smile: [Coast Vue](#) [WLOX](#)

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Public meetings this week...

- [Develop Rev Committee \(DRC\)](#)
- [Planning Commission](#)
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Who to contact for...

- 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

▶ The next Council meeting is Tuesday, April 19, 1:30 pm [Agenda](#)
Of particular interest...

- 1) [4A First Reading, designate polling places; new locations in Wards 1 & 2](#)
- 2) [4B First Reading, Hospitality Business Overlay District, 1252, 1254 Beach Blvd and 1257 Father Ryan Ave.](#)
- 3) [4D Amend ordinance 2354, temporary sign permits](#)
- 4) [4F Tax exemption for The Bella Biloxi, LLC, 854 Howard Avenue](#)
- 5) [5H Emergency rental of pumping equipment, Buena Vista/MGM lift station](#)
- 6) [5S Memorandum of Understand with MDOT, Woolmarket traffic study](#)
- 7) [5X Downtown Façade & Redevelopment Grant, The Bella Biloxi, LLC](#)
- 8) [5BB CDBG amendment, Action Plan designating CARES Act allocations](#)



Biloxi Bridge (Back Bay bridge) that connected the north end of Caillavet Street (Biloxi) to Central Avenue (what's now D'Iberville), circa 1920s. The I-110 bridge was constructed west of this bridge in the mid-1970s.

City's new Public Affairs manager...

Cecilia Dobbs Walton, City of Biloxi's Public Affairs Specialist, has been tapped to succeed Vincent Creel as Public Affairs manager. Serving as Mr. Creel's assistant for the past 5 years, she holds bachelor's and master's degrees in Communications. She's going to do a terrific job!

It's worth a visit at dusk... [See the video \(WLOX\)](#) [Map](#)

Touch up work is being completed on Biloxi's new Bayview Walkway. The \$2 million ([GOMESA grant](#)) walkway should be officially opened next week, but some work near the bulkhead is still expected. The walkway includes benches, a pavilion, trash receptacles and LED solar lighting.

Community Market opens...

The Charles R. Hegwood Biloxi Community Market, noted for farm-fresh produce, plants, homemade baked goods and more, is now open every Tuesday, and Thursday from 6:00 am to 4:00 pm, under the I-110 overpass on Howard Ave. *Questions?* 228.388.2443 (Parks & Recreation)