



**Minutes**  
**Bay Saint Louis**  
**City Council Meeting**  
**1st Regular Meeting**  
**October 8, 2019**  
**5:30 p.m.**

**Call to Order**

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Larry Smith	Councilman Ward 4	Present	
Doug Seal	Councilman Ward 1	Present	
Gene Hoffman	Councilman Ward 2	Present	
Jeffery Reed	Councilman Ward 3	Present	
Buddy Zimmerman	Councilman Ward 5	Present	
Josh DeSalvo	Councilman Ward 6	Present	
Gary Knoblock	Councilman At Large	Present	

- A) Council Member Reed led the Invocation and Pledge.

**Guests**

- A) Present the Gulf Coast Center for Nonviolence with a Proclamation for Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Mayor Favre presented the Gulf Coast Center for Non-Violence with a Proclamation proclaiming October 2019 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month. (Exhibit "A")

Kelly Hawkins with the Gulf Coast Center for Non-Violence thanked the Mayor, Council Members and the City of Bay Saint Louis for proclaiming October 2019 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month and spoke about domestic violence.

**RESULT: NO ACTION TAKEN- FINAL**

- B) George Cavnac – Presentation on Louisiana Large Scale River Diversion Project. Gulf Coast Resource Coalition

George Cavnac spoke and gave a presentation and spoke regarding the Louisiana Large Scale River Diversion Project. (Exhibit "B")

**RESULT: NO ACTION TAKEN- FINAL**

Motion to approve the Resolution of Opposition

Motion to approve the Resolution to Affirm the Adamant Opposition of the City Council of the City of Bay Saint Louis, Mississippi, to Louisiana’s Proposed Mid-Breton Basin Large-Scale Mississippi River Diversion Project for the Economic and Ecological Protection of Coastal

Mississippi and the Benefit of the State Economy as a Whole, and Respectfully Request that the Governor of the State of Mississippi take all Immediate and Ardent Administrative Steps Necessary and Available to Oppose the Issuance of a Federal Permit for and Construction of the Aforementioned Project. (Exhibit "C")

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Josh DeSalvo, Councilman Ward 6
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Gary Knoblock, Councilman At Large
<b>AYES:</b>	Smith, Seal, Hoffman, Reed, Zimmerman, DeSalvo, Knoblock

Motion to approve the Resolution to Request the Congressional Delegation repeal Section 20201, Tiele II, of Public Law 115-123

Resolution to Respectfully Request that the Congressional Delegation of the State of Mississippi Take Immediate and Ardent Legislative Action to Repeal Section 20201, Title Ii, of Public Law 115-123, and to Defeat Section 409, Hr3697, Currently in the Legislative Process of the 116<sup>th</sup> Congress. (Exhibit "D")

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Josh DeSalvo, Councilman Ward 6
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Gary Knoblock, Councilman At Large
<b>AYES:</b>	Smith, Seal, Hoffman, Reed, Zimmerman, DeSalvo, Knoblock

Motion to approve the Resolution Authorizing a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement

Motion to approve the Resolution Authorizing a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement Between the City of Bay Saint Louis, Mississippi, Government and Gulf Coast Resource Coalition, Inc. (Exhibit "E")

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Josh DeSalvo, Councilman Ward 6
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Gary Knoblock, Councilman At Large
<b>AYES:</b>	Smith, Seal, Hoffman, Reed, Zimmerman, DeSalvo, Knoblock

**Engineer's Report (Exhibit "F")**

A) City Engineer Report dated October 8, 2019

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>NO ACTION TAKEN- FINAL</b>
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B) Motion requested to accept the low bid (and any alternates based on availability of funding) from (to be provided) for the Bay Saint Louis Municipal Harbor Pier 5 and Other Improvements Project in the amount of (to be provided), per engineer's recommendation.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>NO ACTION TAKEN- FINAL</b>
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C) Motion requested to accept the low bid (and any alternates based on availability of funding) from (to be provided) for rhe Bay Saint Louis Paving Project in the amount of (to be provided), per engineer's recommendation.

Motion to proceed with the Old Spanish Trail resurfacing as an alternate from the low bid for the Bay Saint Louis Paving Project in the amount of \$228,000.00, which is below City Engineer Jason Chiniche's estimates.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [4 TO 3]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Gary Knoblock, Councilman At Large
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Jeffery Reed, Councilman Ward 3
<b>AYES:</b>	Larry Smith, Gene Hoffman, Jeffery Reed, Gary Knoblock
<b>NAYS:</b>	Doug Seal, Buddy Zimmerman, Josh DeSalvo

**Planning and Zoning**

- A) Motion to deny application for Special Subdivision Plat Approval and Variance to the Zoning Ordinance at 2076 Hollywood Drive, parcel #137D-0-42-088.000. Recommend denial 7-0

Council Member Smith asked if anyone wanted to speak against the application. No one came forward.

Council Member Smith asked if anyone wanted to speak for the application. No one came forward.

Motion to follow the recommendation of Planning and Zoning Commission and deny the application for Special Subdivision Plat Approval and Variance to the Zoning Ordinance at 2076 Hollywood Drive, parcel #137D-0-42-088.000.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Doug Seal, Councilman Ward 1
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Gary Knoblock, Councilman At Large
<b>AYES:</b>	Smith, Seal, Hoffman, Reed, Zimmerman, DeSalvo, Knoblock

- B) Motion to follow the Planning and Zoning Commission recommendation of approval for the applicant request for a Variance to the Zoning Ordinance at 302 South Toulme Street, parcel #149L-0-29-139.000. Recommend approval 7-0

Council Member Smith asked if anyone wanted to speak against the application. No one came forward.

Council Member Smith asked if anyone wanted to speak for the application. No one came forward.

Motion to follow the Planning and Zoning Commission recommendation of approval for the applicant request for a Variance to the Zoning Ordinance at 302 South Toulme Street, parcel #149L-0-29-139.000.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Jeffery Reed, Councilman Ward 3
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Buddy Zimmerman, Councilman Ward 5
<b>AYES:</b>	Smith, Seal, Hoffman, Reed, Zimmerman, DeSalvo, Knoblock

- C) Belote - Application for Special Subdivision Plat Approval and Variance to the Zoning Ordinance. (Motion to approve)

Council Member Smith asked if anyone wanted to speak against the application. No one came forward.

Council Member Smith asked if anyone wanted to speak for the application. Rob Belote spoke as the applicant.

Motion to follow the Planning and Zoning Commission recommendation of approval for the applicant's request for a Special Subdivision Plat Approval and Variance to the Zoning Ordinance at 58 Good Street, parcel #336P-0-37-065.000.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>MOTION FAILED FOR LACK OF VOTES [2 TO 5]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Buddy Zimmerman, Councilman Ward 5
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Doug Seal, Councilman Ward 1
<b>AYES:</b>	Gene Hoffman, Buddy Zimmerman
<b>NAYS:</b>	Smith, Seal, Reed, DeSalvo, Knoblock

Belote - Application for Special Subdivision Plat Approval and Variance to the Zoning Ordinance. (Motion to deny)

Council Member Smith asked if anyone wanted to speak against the application. No one came forward.

Council Member Smith asked if anyone wanted to speak for the application. Rob Belote spoke as the applicant.

Motion to deny the applicant's request for a Special Subdivision Plat Approval and Variance to the Zoning Ordinance at 58 Good Street, parcel #336P-0-37-065.000.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [6 TO 1]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Gary Knoblock, Councilman At Large
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Doug Seal, Councilman Ward 1
<b>AYES:</b>	Smith, Seal, Reed, Zimmerman, DeSalvo, Knoblock
<b>NAYS:</b>	Gene Hoffman

D) Motion to follow the Planning and Zoning Commission recommendation of approval for the applicant's request for a Variance to the Zoning Ordinance at 312 Carroll Avenue, parcel #149F-0-29-124.000. Recommend approval 7-0

Council Member Zimmerman abstained.

Motion to follow the Planning and Zoning Commission recommendation of approval for the applicant's request for a Variance to the Zoning Ordinance at 312 Carroll Avenue, parcel #149F-0-29-124.000.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [6 TO 0]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Doug Seal, Councilman Ward 1
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Gene Hoffman, Councilman Ward 2
<b>AYES:</b>	Smith, Seal, Hoffman, Reed, DeSalvo, Knoblock
<b>ABSTAIN:</b>	Buddy Zimmerman

E) Motion to follow the Planning and Zoning Commission recommendation of approval for the applicant's request for a Special Use District and Variance to the Zoning Ordinance at 303 Union Street, parcel #149M-1-29-044.000. Recommend approval 7-0

Council Member Smith asked if anyone wanted to speak against the application. No one came forward.

Council Member Smith asked if anyone wanted to speak for the application. Rodney Coor spoke in favor of the project but wants parking addressed.

Rachel Dangermond, applicant, and Chip Prevou spoke in favor of the application and addressed the parking for the property.

Council Member Reed spoke about the square foot variance requested and the precedent it will set.

Council Member Smith and Council Member Hoffman spoke regarding the precedent that would be set by approving the application.

Motion not to follow the Planning and Zoning Commission recommendation of approval for the applicant's request for a Special Use District and Variance to the Zoning Ordinance at 303 Union Street, parcel #149M-1-29-044.000 but to deny the recommendation and not to allow the variance as stated.

Council Member Reed explained that the applicant has 10 days to appeal to the decision of the Bay Saint Louis City Council.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Gene Hoffman, Councilman Ward 2
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Doug Seal, Councilman Ward 1
<b>AYES:</b>	Smith, Seal, Hoffman, Reed, Zimmerman, DeSalvo, Knoblock

- F) Motion to follow the Planning and Zoning Commission recommendation of approval for the applicant's request for a Subdivision Plat Approval and Variance to the Zoning Ordinance at 341 Main Street, parcel #149E-0-29-272.000. Recommend approval 7-0

Council Member Smith asked if anyone wanted to speak against the application. No one came forward.

Council Member Smith asked if anyone wanted to speak for the application. No one came forward.

Motion to follow the Planning and Zoning Commission recommendation of approval for the applicant's request for a Subdivision Plat Approval and Variance to the Zoning Ordinance at 341 Main Street, parcel #149E-0-29-272.000.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Gene Hoffman, Councilman Ward 2
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Jeffery Reed, Councilman Ward 3
<b>AYES:</b>	Smith, Seal, Hoffman, Reed, Zimmerman, DeSalvo, Knoblock

**Public Forum**

Cynthia Duplesis and Early Cobb spoke about the drainage issues on Washington Avenue.

Cliff Rabalais - The Bay Saint Louis Police Department did a great job clearing Bay Oaks Drive. The Bay Saint Louis beaches being closed.

**Motion to accept the Bay Saint Louis Consent Agenda as shown below, excluding item F) and with item H) being contingent upon the approval of the Hancock County Board of Supervisors if the event impacts the beach. (Exhibit "G")**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Gene Hoffman, Councilman Ward 2
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Gary Knoblock, Councilman At Large
<b>AYES:</b>	Smith, Seal, Hoffman, Reed, Zimmerman, DeSalvo, Knoblock

- A) Spread the Bay Saint Louis Cash Balances dated October 4, 2019, in the amount of \$3,470,390.41 after the docket, on the Minutes.
- B) Spread the Bay Saint Louis Certification Letter dated October 8, 2019 on the Minutes.
- C) Spread the Bay Saint Louis Payroll in the amount of \$154,141.67, dated September 27, 2019, on the Minutes.
- D) Motion to spread the Bay Saint Louis Payroll Hours Report dated September 27, 2019, on the Minutes.
- E) Spread the Bay Saint Louis Grant, Rebates & Donation Revenue Detailed GL YTD Report on the Minutes.
- F) 1969 : Revenue & Expense Report dated September 30, 2019 (excluded from Consent Agenda )
- G) Approve street closures Halloween evening October 31, 2019, Washington Street, Old Spanish Trail to St. Francis Street, Jackson Boulevard at Felicity Street, Corinth Drive at Dunbar Avenue, Highland Drive, 300 and 400 Block of DeMontluzin Avenue and Spanish Acres
- H) Approve street closure October 19, 2019 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Main Street from Toulme Street to Beach Boulevard to allow for the Witches Walk.

**Item F) from Consent Agenda**

- I) Motion to amend Consent Agenda

After the original Consent Agenda motion and discussion, Council Member Hoffman made a Motion, seconded by Council Member Zimmerman, to amend the "Motion to accept the Bay Saint Louis Consent Agenda as shown below, excluding item F) and with item H) being contingent upon the approval of the Hancock County Board of Supervisors if the event impacts the beach" to include item F) as originally stated.

After discussion, the motion and second was withdrawn by Council Member Hoffman and Council Member Zimmerman.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>WITHDRAWN</b>
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**City Clerk/Comptroller's Report**

- A) Motion to spread the Bay Saint Louis Payroll, for an individual, in the amount of \$1,408.00, dated September 27, 2019, on the Minutes. (Exhibit "H")  
Council Member Zimmerman left the room.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Gene Hoffman, Councilman Ward 2
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Jeffery Reed, Councilman Ward 3
<b>AYES:</b>	Smith, Seal, Hoffman, Reed, DeSalvo, Knoblock
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Buddy Zimmerman

- B) Motion to approve the Bay Saint Louis Docket of Claims #19-037 dated October 8, 2019, in the amount of \$1,119,203.40. (Exhibit "I")

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Doug Seal, Councilman Ward 1
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Gene Hoffman, Councilman Ward 2
<b>AYES:</b>	Smith, Seal, Hoffman, Reed, Zimmerman, DeSalvo, Knoblock

- C) Motion to amend the motion for Old Spanish Trail

Motion to amend the "Motion to proceed with the Old Spanish Trail resurfacing as an alternate from the low bid for the Bay Saint Louis Paving Project in the amount of \$228,000.00, which is below City Engineer Jason Chiniche's estimates" to include the funding source for \$216,000.00 from the Bay Saint Louis County Road and Bridge Fund, which will be replenished with the taxes in January 2020.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [4 TO 3]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Gary Knoblock, Councilman At Large
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Jeffery Reed, Councilman Ward 3
<b>AYES:</b>	Larry Smith, Gene Hoffman, Jeffery Reed, Gary Knoblock
<b>NAYS:</b>	Doug Seal, Buddy Zimmerman, Josh DeSalvo

**Mayor's Report**

- A) Discuss the purchase of Ferrara Fire Apparatus, Inc. custom rescue, pumper mounted on cinder chassis.

Motion to approve the purchase of one Ferrara Fire Apparatus, Inc. custom rescue, pumper mounted on cinder chassis per attached quote purchase off Mississippi fire track contract 8200027987 and that's the equipped one for \$599,980.00, contingent upon the City of Bay Saint Louis receiving or adding a new contract that says "fully equipped" on it. (Exhibit "J")

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Josh DeSalvo, Councilman Ward 6
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Gary Knoblock, Councilman At Large
<b>AYES:</b>	Smith, Seal, Hoffman, Reed, Zimmerman, DeSalvo, Knoblock

- B) Mississippi Department of Transportation Memorandum of Agreement concerning the Bay Saint Louis bridge lighting and landscape area.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>NO ACTION TAKEN- FINAL</b>
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- C) Motion to advertise for engineering services for a boat launch in Ward 6 with GO Masa funds.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Josh DeSalvo, Councilman Ward 6
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Buddy Zimmerman, Councilman Ward 5
<b>AYES:</b>	Smith, Seal, Hoffman, Reed, Zimmerman, DeSalvo, Knoblock

**Council/New/Old Business**

- A) Discuss purchase of property in flood zone for the Bay Saint Louis Police Department.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>NO ACTION TAKEN- FINAL</b>
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- B) Motion to approve the Bay Saint Louis Revenue and Expense Report dated September 30, 2019. (Exhibit "K")

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Gary Knoblock, Councilman At Large
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Doug Seal, Councilman Ward 1
<b>AYES:</b>	Smith, Seal, Hoffman, Reed, Zimmerman, DeSalvo, Knoblock

- C) Motion to approve the Minutes of the September 3, 2019 City Council Meeting, September 10, 2019 Recessed Meeting, September 17, 2019 City Council Meeting and September 25, 2019 Special Budget Meeting.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Gary Knoblock, Councilman At Large
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Buddy Zimmerman, Councilman Ward 5
<b>AYES:</b>	Smith, Seal, Hoffman, Reed, Zimmerman, DeSalvo, Knoblock

- D) Motion to approve advertising for engineering services for a Ward 6 boat launch, public water access and restroom.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>NO ACTION TAKEN- FINAL</b>
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- E) Motion to nominate Cindy Knoblock for the Hancock County Tourism Board of Trustees.

Council Member Knoblock recused and left the room.

Council Member Zimmerman left the room.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [5 TO 0]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Jeffery Reed, Councilman Ward 3
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Gene Hoffman, Councilman Ward 2
<b>AYES:</b>	Smith, Seal, Hoffman, Reed, DeSalvo
<b>AWAY:</b>	Buddy Zimmerman
<b>RECUSED:</b>	Gary Knoblock

**Closed/Executive Session**

- A) Motion to go Into Closed Session to discuss the need to go Into Executive Session is Council personnel.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Gene Hoffman, Councilman Ward 2
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Doug Seal, Councilman Ward 1
<b>AYES:</b>	Smith, Seal, Hoffman, Reed, Zimmerman, DeSalvo, Knoblock

B) Motion to go Into Executive Session to discuss Council personnel.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Doug Seal, Councilman Ward 1
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Jeffery Reed, Councilman Ward 3
<b>AYES:</b>	Smith, Seal, Hoffman, Reed, Zimmerman, DeSalvo, Knoblock

C) Motion to come out of Executive Session with no action taken.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Doug Seal, Councilman Ward 1
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Gene Hoffman, Councilman Ward 2
<b>AYES:</b>	Smith, Seal, Hoffman, Reed, Zimmerman, DeSalvo, Knoblock

D) Motion to remove hiring freeze as of October 8, 2019.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Doug Seal, Councilman Ward 1
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Buddy Zimmerman, Councilman Ward 5
<b>AYES:</b>	Smith, Seal, Hoffman, Reed, Zimmerman, Knoblock
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Josh DeSalvo

**Miscellaneous Items**

A) No Action Needed - Department Report for the Bay Saint Louis Harbor

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>NO ACTION TAKEN- FINAL</b>
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C) No Action Needed - Gaming and Sales Tax Report

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>NO ACTION TAKEN- FINAL</b>
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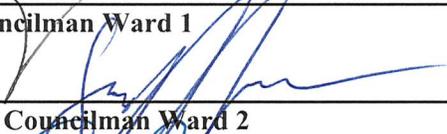
**Adjourn**

A) Motion to adjourn.

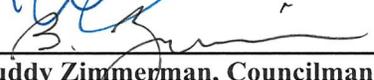
<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Jeffery Reed, Councilman Ward 3
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Josh DeSalvo, Councilman Ward 6
<b>AYES:</b>	Smith, Seal, Hoffman, Reed, Zimmerman, DeSalvo, Knoblock

  
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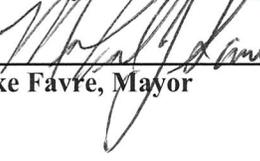
  
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Lisa Tilley, Clerk of Council  
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