

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GONZALES, STATE OF LOUISIANA TAKEN ON MAY 08, 2017, 5:30 P.M. AT CITY HALL 120 S. IRMA BLVD..

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor Barney D. Arceneaux
Councilman Tyler Turner
Councilman Neal Bourque

Councilman David Guitreau
Councilman Kirk Boudreaux
Councilman Harold Stewart

MEMBERS ABSENT: NONE

ALSO PRESENT:

Lisa Babin, Administrative Clerk
Erin Lanoux, City Attorney

Clay Stafford, City Clerk
Sherman Jackson, Police Chief

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman David Guitreau to introduce Ordinance No. 4018.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCE CHAPTER 22. ZONING. SEC. 22-4 BOUNDARIES OF DISTRICTS TO APPROVE THE REZONING REQUEST OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION TO REZONE PROPERTIES ALONG BURNSIDE AVE. AS SHOWN ON THE MAP BELOW FROM ITS EXISTING C-1 ZONE TO A C-MS MAIN STREET ZONE.

BE IT ORDAINED BY Mayor and Councilman of the City of Gonzales, Louisiana:

That the Code of Ordinance Chapter 22. Zoning. Section 22-4 Boundaries of Districts be hereby amended as follows:

Chapter 22. Zoning

Sec. 22-4. Boundaries of Districts:



Final vote on the foregoing amendment to be taken at the City Council Meeting scheduled for May 22, 2017.

Motion by Councilman Tyler Turner, seconded by Councilman Harold Stewart to approve the request of LaQuincia Glover & Kiplyn Brown to host an Adventerous Summer Camp for Children ages 4-12 at the American Legion Hall located on N. Tobey Ave. from 7:00 AM until 5:00 PM beginning May 30-August 4, 2017.

YEAS: Councilman Tyler Turner, Councilman Neal Bourque, Councilman David Guitreau ,
Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, Councilman Harold Stewart

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

Motion by Councilman David Guitreau, seconded by Councilman Neal Bourque to adopt Resolution No. 2855:

RESOLUTION # 2855

A resolution ordering and calling a special election to be held in the City of Gonzales, State of Louisiana on October 14, 2017, for the purpose of authorizing the levy and collection of a sales and use tax of one-half of one percent (1/2%) to commence on January 1, 2018, and continue in perpetuity, to be dedicated and used for the purposes of (i) maintaining and improving fire and police protection, and (ii) construction, operation and maintenance of (a) a new Civic Center to be used in times of emergency and disaster recovery, and (b) a Community Outreach Building to host safe activities for youth, with any excess to be dedicated to enhancing public safety and protection, including, but not limited to, construction of capital improvements related thereto; and further making application to the State Bond Commission for consent and authorization to hold the aforesaid election; and further providing for other matters in connection therewith.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Gonzales, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the City of Gonzales, State of Louisiana (the "City"), desires to order and call a special election to be held in the City on October 14, 2017, to authorize the levy and collection of a sales and use tax of one-half of one percent (1/2%) to commence on January 1, 2018, and continue in perpetuity, to be dedicated and used for the purposes of (i) maintaining and improving fire and police protection, and (ii) the construction of (a) a new Civic Center to be used in times of emergency and disaster recovery, and (b) a Community Outreach Building to host safe activities for youth, with any excess to be dedicated to enhancing public safety and protection, including, but not limited to, construction of capital improvements related thereto (the "Tax"); and

BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Authority, that:

SECTION 1. Election Call. Subject to the approval of the State Bond Commission and under the authority conferred by Article VI, Section 29 of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974, as amended (the "Constitution"), La. R.S. 47:338.1 and the applicable provisions of Chapters 5 and 6-A of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (the "Election Code"), and other constitutional and statutory authority, a special election (the "Election") is hereby called and ordered to be held in the City on SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2017, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. in compliance with the provisions of Section 541 of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (La. R.S. 18:541), and that at the Election there shall be submitted to all registered voters residing in the City, qualified and entitled to vote at the Election under the Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana (the "State") and the Constitution of the United States, the following proposition, to wit:

PROPOSITION

Shall the City of Gonzales, State of Louisiana (the "City") be authorized to levy and collect a tax of one-half of one percent (1/2%) (an estimated \$3,500,000.00 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the Tax for an entire year) (the "Tax"), upon the sale at retail, the use, the lease or rental, the consumption, and the storage for use or consumption, of tangible personal property and on sales of services in the City, to commence January 1, 2018, and continue in perpetuity, with the net proceeds of the Tax (after paying the reasonable and necessary costs and expenses of collection and administering the Tax) to be dedicated and used for the purposes of (i) maintaining and improving fire and police protection, and (ii) the construction, operation and maintenance of (a) a new Civic Center to be used in times of emergency and disaster recovery, and (b) a Community Outreach Building to host safe activities for youth, with any excess to be dedicated to enhancing public safety and protection, including, but not limited to, construction of capital improvements related thereto?

SECTION 2. Proceeds of the Tax. Conditioned on the passage of the Tax at the October 14, 2017 special election authorized pursuant to this Resolution, all avails or proceeds of the Tax (after paying the reasonable and necessary expenses of collecting and administering the Tax) collected in the City shall be used entirely and to be dedicated and used exclusively for the purposes set forth in the proposition.

SECTION 3. Publication of Notice of Election. Pursuant to La. R.S. 18:1285, a Notice of Election concerning the Election will be published in the *Gonzales Weekly Citizen*, a newspaper of general circulation within the City, and is the official journal of the City, once a week for four (4) consecutive weeks, with the first publication to be made not less than forty-five (45) days nor more than ninety (90) days prior to the date fixed for the Election, which notice shall be substantially in accordance with the Notice of Special Election annexed hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference, to the same extent as if it were set forth in full.

SECTION 4. Canvas of Election Returns. This Governing Authority shall meet at its regular meeting place, on Monday, October 23, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall, 120 S. Irma Blvd., Gonzales, Louisiana, and shall then and there in open and public session proceed to examine and canvas the returns and declare the result of the Election.

SECTION 5. Polling Places; Commissioners. The polling places set forth in the aforesaid Notice of Special Election and situated within the corporate limits of the City be and the same are hereby designated as the polling places at which to hold the said election in accordance with Section 1286(A) or Section 1286.1, as the case may be, of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and the Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, will be those persons designated according to law in accordance with Section 1286(A) or Section 1286.1, as the case may be, of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended.

SECTION 6. Designation of Commissioners and Commissioners-in-Charge. The officers designated to serve as Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, pursuant to Section 5 hereof and in accordance with Section 1286(A) or Section 1286.1, as the case may be, of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, or such substitutes therefore as may be selected and designated in compliance with Section 1287 of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, shall hold the said special election as herein provided, shall make due returns of said Election for the meeting of the City Council, as governing authority of the City, to be held on October 23, 2017, and that the compensation of said officers be and the same is hereby fixed at the sum prescribed by law. All registered voters in the City are entitled to vote at the said Election and voting machines shall be used thereat.

SECTION 7. Authorization of the Clerk. The Clerk of the Governing Authority be and is hereby empowered, authorized and directed to arrange for and to furnish to said election officers, in ample time for the holding of said election, all equipment, forms and other items which may be required by State and/or federal law in order to hold said election.

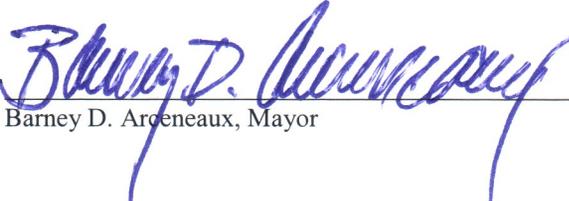
SECTION 8. Furnishing Election Call. In accordance with La. R.S. 18:1285(B)(1), certified copies of this Resolution shall be forwarded to the Secretary of State, the Commissioner of Elections, the Clerk of Court and Ex-Officio Custodian of Voting Machines in and for the Parish of Ascension, and the Registrar of Voters in and for said Parish, as notification of the special election herein called, in order that each may prepare for said Election and perform their respective functions as required by law.

SECTION 9. Estimated Collections. Pursuant to La. R.S. 18:1284(c), an estimated \$3,500,000.00 is reasonably anticipated at this time to be collected from the levy of the Tax for an entire year.

SECTION 10. Application to State Bond Commission. Application be and the same is hereby formally authorized to be made to the State Bond Commission for consent and authority to hold the aforesaid special election as herein provided and that a certified copy of this Resolution will be forwarded to the State Bond Commission on behalf of the Governing Authority, together with a letter requesting the prompt consideration and approval of said application.

SECTION 11. Additional Notice Requirement. This Governing Authority made the announcement with respect to this Resolution required by La. R.S. 42:19.1, at its public meeting on March 27, 2017 and published said announcement in the official journal on April 6, 2017.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Resolution was declared to be adopted by the City Council of the City of Gonzales, State of Louisiana, acting as the governing authority of the City of Gonzales, State of Louisiana, on this 8th day of May, 2017.


Barney D. Arceneaux, Mayor

ATTEST:


Clay A. Stafford, City Clerk

EXHIBIT A

NOTICE OF ELECTION

Pursuant to the provisions of a Resolution adopted on May 8, 2017, by the City Council of the City of Gonzales, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the City of Gonzales, State of Louisiana (the "City"), NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special election will be held in the City on SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2017, and that at said election there will be submitted to all registered voters of the City, qualified and entitled to vote at said election under the Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana and the Constitution of the United States, the following proposition, to wit:

PROPOSITION

Shall the City of Gonzales, State of Louisiana (the "City") be authorized to levy and collect a tax of one-half of one percent (1/2%) (an estimated \$3,500,000.00 reasonably expected at this time to be collected from the levy of the Tax for an entire year) (the "Tax"), upon the sale at retail, the use, the lease or rental, the consumption, and the storage for use or consumption, of tangible personal property and on sales of services in the City, to commence January 1, 2018, and continue in perpetuity, with the net proceeds of the Tax (after paying the reasonable and necessary costs and expenses of collection and administering the Tax) to be dedicated and used for the purposes of (i) maintaining and improving fire and police protection, and (ii) the construction, operation and maintenance of (a) a new Civic Center to be used in times of emergency and disaster recovery, and (b) a Community Outreach Building to host safe activities for youth, with any

excess to be dedicated to enhancing public safety and protection, including, but not limited to, construction of capital improvements related thereto?

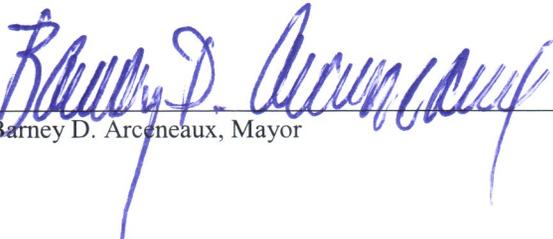
The said special election will be held at the following polling places situated within the corporate limits of the City, which polls will open at 7:00 a.m. and close at 8:00 p.m., in compliance with the provisions of Section 541 of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (La.R.S.18:541), to wit:

WARD/PRECINCT	POLLING PLACE NAME AND LOCATION
00/23 (PART OF)	GW Carver Primary School, 11310 Legacy Oaks Lane, Gonzales
00/28 (PART OF)	GW Carver Primary School, 11310 Legacy Oaks Lane, Gonzales
00/30	Gonzales Primary (Main Hall) 521 North Burnside Ave, Gonzales
00/31	East Ascension High School, 612 East Worthey St, Gonzales
00/32 (PART OF)	East Ascension High School, 612 East Worthey St, Gonzales
00/36 (PART OF)	Gonzales Middle School, 1502 W Orice Roth Rd, Gonzales
00/37 (PART OF)	Gonzales Middle School, 1502 W Orice Roth Rd, Gonzales
00/42 (PART OF)	Faith Academy, 10469 Airline Hwy, Gonzales
00/43 (PART OF)	Faith Academy, 10469 Airline Hwy, Gonzales
00/58 (PART OF)	Gonzales City Hall, 120 S Irma Blvd, Gonzales
00/75 (PART OF)	Gonzales Primary (Main Hall) 521 North Burnside Ave, Gonzales

The polling places set forth above and situated within the corporate limits of the City, be and the same are hereby designated as the polling places in which to hold the said special election, and the Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, shall be those persons designated according to law pursuant to Section 1286(A) or Section 1286.1, as the case may be, of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended.

The said special election will be held in accordance with the applicable provisions of Chapters 5, 6 and 6-A of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority supplemental thereto, and the officers appointed to hold the said election, as provided in this Notice of Special Election, or such substitutes therefore as may be selected and designated in accordance with Section 1287 of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (La. R.S. 18:1287), will make due returns thereof to the City Council, as governing authority of the City, and NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that said City Council, acting as governing authority of the City, will meet at its regular meeting place, City Hall, 120 S. Irma Blvd., Gonzales, Louisiana, on MONDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2017, at 5:30 p.m., and will then and there in open and public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the special election. All registered voters in the City are entitled to vote at said special election and voting machines will be used in connection therewith

THUS DONE AND SIGNED at Gonzales, Louisiana on this, the 8th of May, 2017.


Barney D. Arceneaux, Mayor

ATTEST:


Clay A. Stafford, City Clerk

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman Harold Stewart to adopt Resolution No. 2856:

RESOLUTION # 2856

A Resolution appointing Special Counsel regarding the City of Gonzales, State of Louisiana special election to be held on October 14, 2017; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Gonzales, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the City of Gonzales, State of Louisiana (the "City"), will order and call a special election to be held in the City on Saturday, October 14, 2017, to authorize the levy and collection of a sales and use tax (the "Election"); and

WHEREAS, the Governing Authority recognizes, finds and determines that a real necessity exists for the employment of Special Counsel in connection with the Election.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Authority that:

SECTION 1. A real necessity is hereby found for the employment of special counsel in connection with the Election, and accordingly Butler Snow LLP, Special Counsel, is hereby employed and requested to do and perform comprehensive legal and coordinate professional work with respect to the Election. Said Special Counsel shall prepare and submit to this Governing Authority for adoption all of the proceedings incidental to the A real necessity is hereby found for the employment of special counsel in authorization of the Election and shall counsel and advise this Governing Authority as to the Election. The fee of Special Counsel in connection with the Election is hereby fixed at a sum not to exceed the maximum hourly fee allowed by the Attorney General's fee guidelines for comprehensive legal and coordinate professional services, plus "out-of-pocket" expenses. A certified copy of this Resolution shall be submitted to the Attorney General of the State of Louisiana for his written approval of said employment and of the fee herein designated.

SECTION 2. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

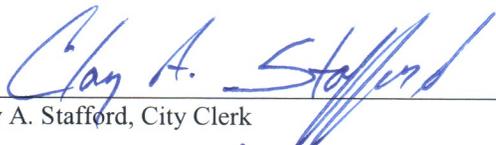
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Resolution was declared to be adopted by the City Council of the City of Gonzales, State of Louisiana, acting as the governing authority of the City of Gonzales, State of Louisiana, on this 8th day of May, 2017.

STATE OF LOUISIANA
PARISH OF ASCENSION

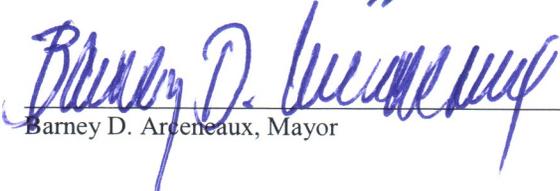
I, the undersigned City Clerk of the City Council of the City of Gonzales, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting for the governing authority of the City of Gonzales, State of Louisiana, do hereby certify that the foregoing constitutes a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Governing Authority on May 8, 2017, appointing Special Counsel regarding the City of Gonzales, State of Louisiana special election to be held on October 14, 2017; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

I further certify that this Resolution has not been amended or rescinded.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, witness my official signature and the impress of the official seal of the City of Gonzales, State of Louisiana on this 8th day of May, 2017.



Clay A. Stafford, City Clerk



Barney D. Arceneaux, Mayor

ATTEST:



Clay A. Stafford, City Clerk

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman David Guitreau to introduce Ordinance No. 4019:

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018 BUDGET ADDRESS

BE IT ORDAINED BY Mayor and Councilman of the City of Gonzales, Louisiana:
That the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Budget Address be hereby amended as follows:

**CITY OF GONZALES
BUDGET ADDRESS
2017-2018**

These budgets reflect a projection of the requirements necessary to ensure that the City of Gonzales continues to provide the level of services it currently provides. There are some assumptions that must be set forth that are relative to the overall operation of the city. Those assumptions are detailed below.

SALES TAX BUDGET

Sales taxes account for 70% of the revenues in the General Fund and a substantial portion of the revenues in the Capital Outlay Fund. The administration watches sales tax revenue as an important indicator of the city's ability to provide services in the future. The administration projects that the city will collect \$14,551,000 in sales taxes in the current fiscal year compared to \$14,180,000 in the previous year. This represents a 2.5% increase in sales tax revenue.

Fiscal Year	Sales Tax Collections	% Increase from Prior Year
FY 2017	\$ 14,800,000	2.50%
FY 2016	\$ 14,180,000	0.80%
FY 2015	\$ 14,065,000	2.23%
FY 2014	\$ 13,757,069	6.47%
FY 2013	\$ 12,920,857	5.92%

The increase in sales tax can be attributed solely to the jump in retail sales related to flood recovery efforts. This is not an increase that we expect will last indefinitely.

Outside of flood recovery, sales tax collections in the city began to stagnate early in the past year despite the opening of many new business and fast food restaurants. We believe this is the result of two primary trends. The first is the shifting of retail sales from the city to the parish. Ascension Parish has seen an accelerated growth of retail that was once much more prevalent in the city. There are now two Walmarts open in the parish outside of Donaldsonville and Gonzales, with a third soon to open, along with a new Frais Marche grocery in Prairieville, and several drug stores (CVS & Walgreens) which are huge sales tax generators. The recent closing of the K-Mart in Gonzales will also have an effect on the

pharmacy sector. Additionally, the current uptick in online sales is really cutting into sales of our more traditional brick and mortar retailers. This is a trend that the administration is watching closely. During the latter part of the year sales taxes rebounded. We believe this was caused mostly by sales related to August 2016 flood recovery purchases.

The administration has decided to take a conservative approach and set the projected sales tax revenues for the upcoming fiscal year at \$14,400,000.

OTHER REVENUES

Other significant sources of revenues in the General Fund include:

Revenue	FY 2018 Budget
Property Taxes	\$ 1,100,000.00
License & Permit Fees	\$ 1,369,000.00
Franchise Fees	\$ 962,000.00

PERSONNEL AND HUMAN RESOURCES

Retirement

The Municipal Employees Retirement System (MERS) employer portion of the retirement premium will increase by 1.5% percentage points to 24.75%, representing a \$73,000 increase. The employer portion of the Municipal Police Employees Retirement System (MPERS) will decrease by 1.0 percentage point to 30.75%, or \$28,300.

GONZALES PERSONNEL RELATED COST



Reorganization of Recreation Department and the Creation of Buildings and Grounds

The city has seen steady growth in the number of buildings that it must manage and maintain to run city operations, including several facilities that the city rents for events. In the current fiscal year the city acquired the building at 320 E. Ascension Street which it rents to the Office of Motor Vehicles and other tenants. This has created a new revenue stream that we will circulate back into building maintenance.

We have traditionally handled many of these tasks using public works employees within the Recreation Department. In light of the increased maintenance requirements, the city will reorganize the Recreation Department into a Buildings and Grounds Department and a Recreation Department, with the majority of the employees moving to Buildings and Grounds. A few of the employees will be considered swing employees who may do work in both departments, depending on the amount of labor needed at the ballfields during the busy sports seasons. With this reorganization, we are also recommending the elimination of one position. We have included organizational charts within this budget illustrating the positions allocated to each department.

Athletic Fields Maintenance Services

In the current year, the city has successfully experimented with contracting within the Recreation Department for athletic field maintenance services. The city intends to extend this contract.

Recreation Management

The city has realized steady growth in its athletic programs. The city manages boys and girls leagues for both baseball and basketball, provides several facilities to the Gonzales Soccer Club, provides facilities for a swimming league and public swim, and will soon be providing facilities for a youth football league. The city currently has an \$18,000 contract with Allsport Recreation to manage its baseball leagues. We are recommending increasing this contract to \$48,000 to handle all facets of our sports leagues, which will include league management, handling on-line registrations, insurance, and league sponsorships. Allsport will be responsible for recruiting, training, and supervising all seasonal employees for the sports leagues. Most importantly, Allsport will be responsible for consistently administering all applicable laws, rules, and regulations set forth by the Mayor, City Council, and Recreation Commission.

Personnel Requests

As part of the reorganization, we are requesting the upgrade of one laborer position (Range 1) in the Recreation Department to a Field Maintenance Apprentice position (Range 3). This position will be a full time employee tasked

with working with the field maintenance contractor to learn all elements of athletic field maintenance, and to ensure that all related facilities, such as concession stands, bathrooms, bleachers, scoreboards and speaker systems are all kept in clean working order. This employee may direct other employees who will be needed in the Recreation Department during the busy sports seasons.

In anticipation of the retirement of the current City Clerk in the upcoming fiscal year, we have included additional funds in this budget to hire a new City Clerk. We expect that the incumbent in this position will spend several months paralleling the existing City Clerk and training in all aspects of the position.

INSURANCE

Worker’s Compensation, Liability and Property Insurance Accounts

The city’s general insurance accounts, which include liability, property, and worker’s compensation insurance, total \$995,412. In the upcoming budget we have broken out separate line items for each of these insurance types within each department. This will give department heads a better idea of how insurance expense is allocated across the city departments.

Health Insurance

The city’s health insurance budget will increase from \$1,587,800 to \$1,625,100 in the upcoming year, or \$37,300, which represents a 2.35% increase over last year.

Monthly budgeted health insurance premiums are listed below:

Health Insurance Table	
Coverage	Monthly Rate
Family	1,835.19
Employee - Spouse	1,289.28
Employee - Child	1,192.99
Single	645.53

UTILITY FUND BUDGET

Natural Gas

We are projecting that the city will spend approximately \$535,000 purchasing natural gas on a budget of \$560,000. The city’s gas sales are expected to exceed \$1,270,000.

The city’s cost of operating the Gas Department last year was \$969,475, bringing the total cost of the gas system to \$1,334,396. The natural gas rate charged by the city is a function of the price paid by the city for gas and the cost of operating the city’s gas department broken down by MCF. The city sold 136,683 MCF of natural gas in 2016. The amount charged to customers for direct city gas costs will remain at \$7.09 per MCF in the coming Fiscal Year.

Utility Rates

Water and sewer rates will increase 3% to keep up with inflation and the increased costs of operating the system.

Personnel Request

We are requesting to elevate one position in the Wastewater Department from a Wastewater Operator (Range 8) to a Wastewater Pump Technician (Range 9), amounting to a five percent adjustment. This adjustment will ensure that the city maintains at least one position with the proper pump technician training to maintain the city’s complicated array of wastewater pumps.

DEQ STATE REVOLVING LOAN

The city currently has one outstanding \$15,000,000 line of credit with the DEQ State Revolving Loan Fund for Wastewater Improvements. The current loan balance is \$4,205,414. In the coming Fiscal year, the city expects to borrow \$5,000,000 against this line of credit for wastewater facilities enhancements.

In accordance with bond covenants, the city has established a “Series 2014 Bond Reserve Fund” and a “Utility Fund Investment Account”, both serving the purpose of securing future loan payments in case of impending default. Current balances in these accounts total \$944,324.

CAPITAL OUTLAY BUDGET

The city is proposing a Capital Outlay Budget of \$12,949,920.

The proposed Capital Outlay Budget is highlighted by \$5,642,000 in proposed wastewater projects, including the completion of two regional lift stations in preparation for economic growth on the southern limits of the city. The

Wastewater Department will also begin construction on a major expansion of the city's wastewater plant. Up to \$5,000,000 of this work will be financed through the DEQ State Revolving Loan Program.

The city is planning an extensive rehabilitation project at Rome Street and Municipal Park. The aging and leaking two inch water line that services the homes along the south side of Rome Street will be abandoned, and those homes will be connected to the eight inch water line that runs beneath the parking lot in Municipal Park. Sewer connections for those same homes will also be rehabilitated into the sewer line that runs beneath the ditch along the boundary at Municipal Park. The drainage in the ditch will then be improved with subsurface drainage, and the aging parking lot in Municipal Park will be resurfaced once the infrastructure work beneath it is complete. The cost of the entire project is projected to be \$1.25 million, and will involve work for five different city departments. The project has been budgeted as a stand-alone project within the Capital Outlay Budget.

The city has budgeted \$2,940,000 in proposed road improvement projects, which includes continuing with the Local Road Maintenance Program overlays, concrete patching, construction match for several DOTD projects, and improvements on Burnside both downtown and to the south of the city along the Conway Development.

The city is planning \$880,000 in water and gas system projects. We have also budgeted \$350,000 in both the Gas Department and Water Department to accelerate the program currently underway to replace all manual read water and gas meters with remote radio read meters. This will eliminate the need for contracted meter reading services.

SUMMARY

The city administration has prepared this presentation to the best of our ability with the knowledge of the financial circumstances of the city at this time. We feel that we have herein fairly represented revenues and expenditures and the overall positive impact they will have on present and future endeavors of this administration.

It is the intent of this presentation to hereby grant the Mayor the power to administer these budgets within a margin of plus or minus 5%, this being presented in the interest of expediency, legality, and/or unforeseen and unplanned emergencies.

Final vote on the foregoing amendment to be taken at the City Council Meeting scheduled for May 22, 2017.

Motion by Councilman David Guitreau, seconded by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux to introduce Ordinance No. 4020:

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018 SALES TAX BUDGET

BE IT ORDAINED BY Mayor and Councilman of the City of Gonzales, Louisiana:
That the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Sales Tax Budget be hereby amended as follows:

CITY OF GONZALES SALES TAX REVENUE BUDGET FY 2017-2018

REVENUES:

Sales Tax Collections	14,400,000.00
TOTAL:	<u>14,400,000.00</u>

EXPENDITURES:

Appr. To General Fund	7,200,000.00
Ser-2001 Appr. Fire, Police & Sanitation	3,600,000.00
Appr. To Capital Imp.	2,880,000.00
Appr. To Utility Fund for Debt Service	<u>720,000.00</u>
TOTAL:	<u>14,400,000.00</u>

Final vote on the foregoing amendment to be taken at the City Council Meeting scheduled for May 22, 2017.

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman Harold Stewart to introduce Ordinance No. 4021:

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JUNE 1, 2017, AND ENDING MAY 31, 2018.

BE IT ORDAINED BY Mayor and Councilman of the City of Gonzales, Louisiana:
that the General Fund Budget for Fiscal Year beginning June 1, 2017 and ending May 31, 2018 be hereby adopted as follows:

**CITY OF GONZALES
GENERAL FUND BUDGET
FY 2017-2018**

**PROPOSED
BUDGET**

REVENUES:

TAXES	11,520,000.00
FRANCHISE FEES	962,000.00
LICENSES AND PERMITS	1,329,000.00
FEES, FINES & FORFIETURES	125,000.00
FIRE DEPT. REVENUE	844,000.00
FACILITY RENTALS	125,950.00
INTERGOVERNMENTAL	14,900.00
GRANT REVENUE	370,000.00
RECREATION REVENUE	86,800.00
MISCELLANEOUS	39,000.00
INTEREST	40,000.00

TOTAL REVENUES: 15,456,650.00

EXPENDITURES:

FIRE DEPARTMENT	3,371,000.00
ADMINISTRATION	946,300.00
POLICE DEPARTMENT	5,670,700.00
CODE ENFORCEMENT	388,787.00
SANITATION	973,800.00
STREETS & DRAINAGE	1,421,400.00
GENERAL GOVERNMENT	1,111,263.00
CIVIC CENTER	40,700.00
CITY ROOM	22,250.00
RECREATION	648,550.00
BUILDINGS & GROUNDS	803,800.00
TOURISM & CULTURAL DEV.	58,100.00

TOTAL EXPENDITURES: 15,456,650.00

Final vote on the foregoing amendment to be taken at the City Council Meeting scheduled for May 22, 2017.

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman Harold Stewart to introduce Ordinance No. 4022:

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE FISCAL
YEAR 2017-2018 UTILITY FUND BUDGET

BE IT ORDAINED BY Mayor and Councilman of the City of Gonzales, Louisiana:
That the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Utility Fund Budget be hereby amended as follows:

**CITY OF GONZALES
UTILITY FUND BUDGET
FY 2017-2018**

**Proposed
Budget**

REVENUES:

GAS SALES	1,270,000.00
SEWER SERVICE CHARGES	1,190,000.00
WATER SALES	1,375,000.00
MISCELLANEOUS	156,700.00
SALES TAX REVENUE	720,000.00

TOTAL REVENUES: 4,711,700.00

EXPENDITURES:

GAS DEPARTMENT 1,172,500.00
WATER DEPARTMENT 1,000,900.00
WASTEWATER TREATMENT 765,700.00
UTILITY GENERAL GOVERNMENT 587,200.00
UTILITY ADMINISTRATION 337,766.00
METER READERS 136,450.00
DEQ LOAN EXPENDITURES 60,000.00

TOTAL EXPENDITURES: 4,060,516.00

Final vote on the foregoing amendment to be taken at the City Council Meeting scheduled for May 22, 2017.

Motion by Councilman Tyler Turner, seconded by Councilman Neal Bourque to introduce Ordinance No. 4023:

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE CAPITAL OUTLAY BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JUNE 1, 2017 AND ENDING MAY 31, 2018.

BE IT ORDAINED BY Mayor and Councilman of the City of Gonzales, Louisiana: That the General Fund Budget for Fiscal Year beginning June 1, 2017 and ending May 31, 2018 be hereby adopted as follows:

**CITY OF GONZALES
CAPITAL OUTLAY BUDGET
FY 2017-2018**

FUND BALANCE	5,157,932.72
TRANSFER FROM GEN FUND - FUND BALANCE	3,000,000.00
REVENUES:	
Sales Tax Appropriations	2,880,000.00
Loan Proceeds	5,000,000.00
TOTAL REVENUES	7,880,000.00
FUNDS AVAILABLE	16,037,932.72
EXPENDITURES:	
STREETS & DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS	
INTERSTATE LIGHTING	20,000.00
STREET DEPT / DRAINAGE EQUIPMENT	67,000.00
SIDEWALK CONSTRUCTION	70,000.00
BULKHEAD IMPROVEMENT	60,000.00
CAP ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT	2,940,000.00
<i>Total Streets & Drainage Improvements</i>	<u>3,157,000.00</u>
FACILITIES & RECREATION ENHANCEMENTS	
RECREATION CAPITAL OUTLAY	180,500.00
MUNICIPAL PARK INTER-DEPARTMENTAL PROJECT	1,250,500.00
PROPERTY ACQUISITION	250,000.00
CODE ENFORCEMENT CAPITAL OUTLAY	38,000.00
BUILDINGS 7 GROUNDS CAPITAL OUTLAY	48,500.00
GENERAL CAPITAL	20,000.00
CITY ROOM	10,000.00
CIVIC CENTER	150,000.00
T. JOE MUSEUM	10,000.00
FIRE DEPT CAPITAL OUTLAY	315,000.00
POLICE DEPT CAPITAL OUTLAY	298,420.00
<i>Total Facilities & Recreation Enhancements</i>	<u>2,570,920.00</u>
UTILITY IMPROVEMENTS	
WASTEWATER CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	5,642,000.00
WATER SYSTEM CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	850,000.00
GAS SYSTEM CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	730,000.00

<i>Total Utility Improvements</i>	<u>7,222,000.00</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	<u>12,949,920.00</u>
ENDING FUND BALANCE	<u>3,088,012.72</u>

Final vote on the foregoing amendment to be taken at the City Council Meeting scheduled for May 22, 2017.

Motion by Councilman Harold Stewart, seconded by Councilman David Guitreau to introduce Ordinance No. 4024:

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE WASTEWATER
IMPACT FEE BUDGET FUND FOR THE FISCAL YEAR
BEGINNING JUNE 1, 2017, AND ENDING MAY 31, 2018.

BE IT ORDAINED BY Mayor and Councilman of the City of Gonzales, Louisiana:
That the Wastewater Impact Fee Budget Fund for Fiscal Year beginning June 1, 2017 and ending
May 31, 2018 be hereby adopted as follows:

CITY OF GONZALES
WASTEWATER IMPACT FEE FUND
FY 2017-2018

REVENUES:

Wastewater Impact Fees	210,000.00
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EXPENDITURES:

Transfer to Gonzales Capital Outlay Fund	210,000.00
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Final vote on the foregoing amendment to be taken at the City Council Meeting scheduled for May 22, 2017.

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman Harold Stewart to introduce Ordinance No. 4025:

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018
TANGER MALL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT FUND BUDGET

BE IT ORDAINED BY Mayor and Councilman of the City of Gonzales, Louisiana:
That the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Tanger Mall Economic Development District Fund Budget
be hereby amended as follows:

CITY OF GONZALES
TANGER MALL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND
FY 2017-2018

REVENUES:

Tanger Mall EDD One Cent Sales Tax Revenue	1,060,000.00
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EXPENDITURES:

Transfer to Tanger Mall	742,000.00
Transfer to Gonzales Capital Outlay Fund	318,000.00

TOTAL:	<u><u>1,060,000.00</u></u>
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Final vote on the foregoing amendment to be taken at the City Council Meeting scheduled for May 22, 2017.

Motion by Councilman Neal Bourque, seconded by Councilman Tyler Turner to introduce Ordinance No. 4026:

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

BOARD BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR
BEGINNING JUNE 1, 2017, AND ENDING MAY 31, 2018.

BE IT ORDAINED BY Mayor and Councilman of the City of Gonzales, Louisiana:
That the Industrial Development Board Budget for Fiscal Year beginning June 1, 2017,
and ending May 31, 2018 be hereby adopted as follows:

CITY OF GONZALES
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD
FY 2017-2018

	<u>Proposed Budget</u>
REVENUES:	
Sales Tax Collections	975,000.00
TOTAL:	<u>975,000.00</u>
EXPENDITURES:	
Transfers to Bond Trustee	975,000.00

Final vote on the foregoing amendment to be taken at the City Council Meeting scheduled for May 22, 2017.

Motion by Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, seconded by Councilman Harold Stewart to approve Change Order No. 1 from Ashley Ross Construction in the amount of \$3,287.00 for the Renovations to City Hall Project.

YEAS: Councilman Tyler Turner, Councilman Neal Bourque, Councilman David Guitreau ,
Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, Councilman Harold Stewart

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

Motion by Councilman David Guitreau, seconded by Councilman Tyler Turner to approve Change Order No. 2 from Ashley Ross Construction in the amount of \$12,875.2 along with five (5) additional day's for the Renovations to City Hall Project.

YEAS: Councilman Tyler Turner, Councilman Neal Bourque, Councilman David Guitreau ,
Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, Councilman Harold Stewart

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

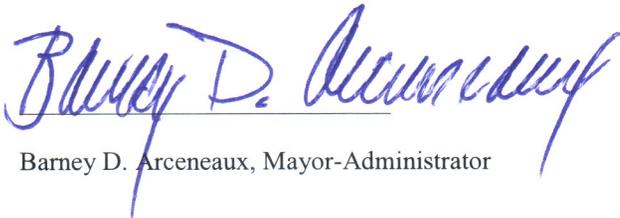
Motion by Councilman Neal Bourque, seconded by Councilman Harold Stewart to approve Change Order No. 3 from Ashley Ross Construction in the amount of \$11994.56 along with thirty (30) additional day's for the Renovations to City Hall Project.

YEAS: Councilman Tyler Turner, Councilman Neal Bourque, Councilman David Guitreau ,
Councilman Kirk Boudreaux, Councilman Harold Stewart

NAYS: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

There being no further business to come before the City Council and upon a motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned.


Barney D. Arceneaux, Mayor-Administrator

ATTEST:



Clay A. Stafford, City Clerk