

Tuesday
August 13, 2013
Gautier, Mississippi

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT A BUDGET WORKSESSION of the Mayor and Council of the City of Gautier, Mississippi was held August 13, 2013 at 4:30 PM in the City Hall Municipal Building, 3330 Highway 90, Gautier, Mississippi.

Those present were Mayor Gordon Gollott, Council Members, Johnny Jones, Hurley Ray Guillotte, Mary Martin, Councilman Vaughan, Rusty Anderson, City Manager Samantha Abell, City Clerk Cynthia Russell, City Attorney Robert Ramsay and other concerned citizens. Absent Councilman Colledge.

Councilman Colledge arrived 4:36 p.m.

**AGENDA
BUDGET WORK SESSION
CITY OF GAUTIER, MISSISSIPPI
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
August 13, 2013 @4:30 PM**

- I. Call to Order
 - 1 Prayer
 - 2 Pledge of Allegiance
- II. Agenda Order Approval
- III. Announcements
 - 1 Budget Work Session Wednesday, August 14th @4:30 PM
- IV. Presentation Agenda **(None)**
- V. Public Agenda
 - 1 Agenda Comments **(None)**
- VI. Business Agenda **(New Business)**
 - 1 Capital Improvement Plan
 - 2 Enterprise Fund
- VII. Business Agenda **(Old Business)**
 - 1 General Fund Discussion
- VII. Consent Agenda **(None)**

**STUDY AGENDA
CITY OF GAUTIER, MISSISSIPPI
August 13, 2013**

- 1 Discuss Citizen Comments
- 2 Discuss Council Comments
- 3 Discuss City Manager Comments
- 4 Discuss City Clerk Comments
- 5 Discuss City Attorney Comments

Recess until August 14, 2013 at 4:30 PM
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Agenda Order of Approval

Motion made by Councilwoman Martin, to approve Agenda Order. Motion seconded by Councilman Anderson and unanimously carried.

Absent Councilman Colledge

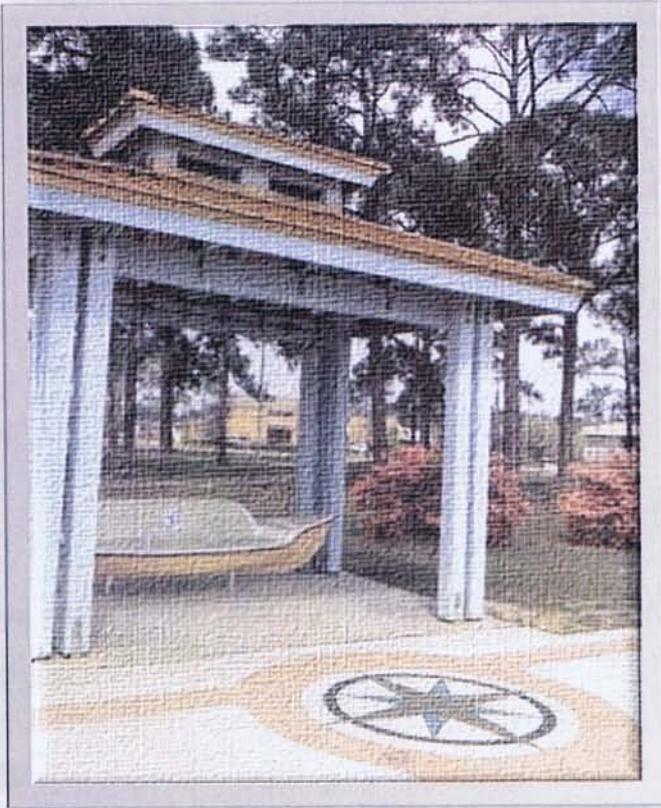
Announcements

- 1 Budget Work Session Wednesday, August 14th @4:30 PM

Presentation Agenda

- 1 Presentation Agenda (None)

Motion was made by Councilman Colledge to authorize the City to look into conducting an overall drainage plan within the City of Gautier. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Martin and unanimously carried.



Recommended Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2014

August 11, 2013

*City of Gautier,
Mississippi*



Overview

- BUDGET CALENDAR
- FY 2013 RECAP: WHERE WE STARTED
- PROPOSED FY2014 BUDGET
- STEPS TAKEN
- PROPERTY TAXES
- INVESTING IN NEIGHBORHOODS
- CULTURAL SUPPORT
- FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES

BUDGET CALENDAR

Adopt Budget Sept. 10th

Public Hearing – September 3rd

Work Sessions
August 12th, 13th, 14th

Council Strategic Planning Sessions July 22ND,
23RD, AND 29TH

FY2014 Total Budget \$9.284 million:

Total budget decrease of \$ 68,584 from FY2013

Snapshot Comparison: -\$680,000 from FY2012 budget

Decreases primarily due to:

- FY13 budget \$427,000 revenue adjustments
- Keesler base housing ad valorem adjustment
- Projected court collections (outstanding fines)
- Projected water/sewer collections (outstanding fees)

WHERE WE STARTED – GENERAL FUND

(FY2013 BUDGET FLASHBACK)

- Expenditure Increases
 - Healthcare (\$ 40,000)
 - PERS (\$ 69,000) (State increase for FY2013)
- Decreases in revenue
- Millage Rate 8% lower than FY2007-8
(26.4 mils in 2007 versus 24.35 mils today.)

In 2007, the City rolled back the millage to offset an increase in County taxes for citizens. However, the same year County property assessments were lowered, netting the City less revenue than expected from the new, lower millage. Additionally, water/sewer loans increased the City's debt.

FY 2013 BUDGET FLASHBACK

Steps taken to reduce expenditures by \$680,000:

- Decreased FY12 department budgets based on proposed reductions submitted including:
 - Streamlined job duties and thereby eliminated 3 of the General Fund vacant positions(\$110,000)
 - Other reductions based on spending analysis(\$600,000)
- Solid Waste expenditure (Contract Renewal) (26% reduction) \$322,000
- Reduction in overtime \$40,000
- Modernizing/streamlining \$57,000
- Reduce capital projects for FY2013 \$250,000

FY 2013 BUDGET FLASHBACK

(Continued)

- FY13 unexpected increase for property valuations (\$111,969,872 up from \$106,647,724)
- Anticipated savings from FY12
- Reduced Cultural Support spending

Revised Shortfall for FY12 Fund Balance Transfer

- Transferred \$400,000

Restructure of Police Department \$103,605

FY 2013 BUDGET FLASHBACK

PRIVATIZE PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITY SERVICES

ANTICIPATED SAVINGS: AT LEAST \$360,802

Contract with a Company to provide Streets and Utility Services operating, management and maintenance at a lower cost than the City can operate.

Benefits: Ensure that the Company is contractually obligated to hire existing employees, and provide annual step increases, training programs, comparable retirement and health insurance.

FY 2013 BUDGET FLASHBACK

MODEST NEIGHBORHOODS BUDGET PROGRAMS

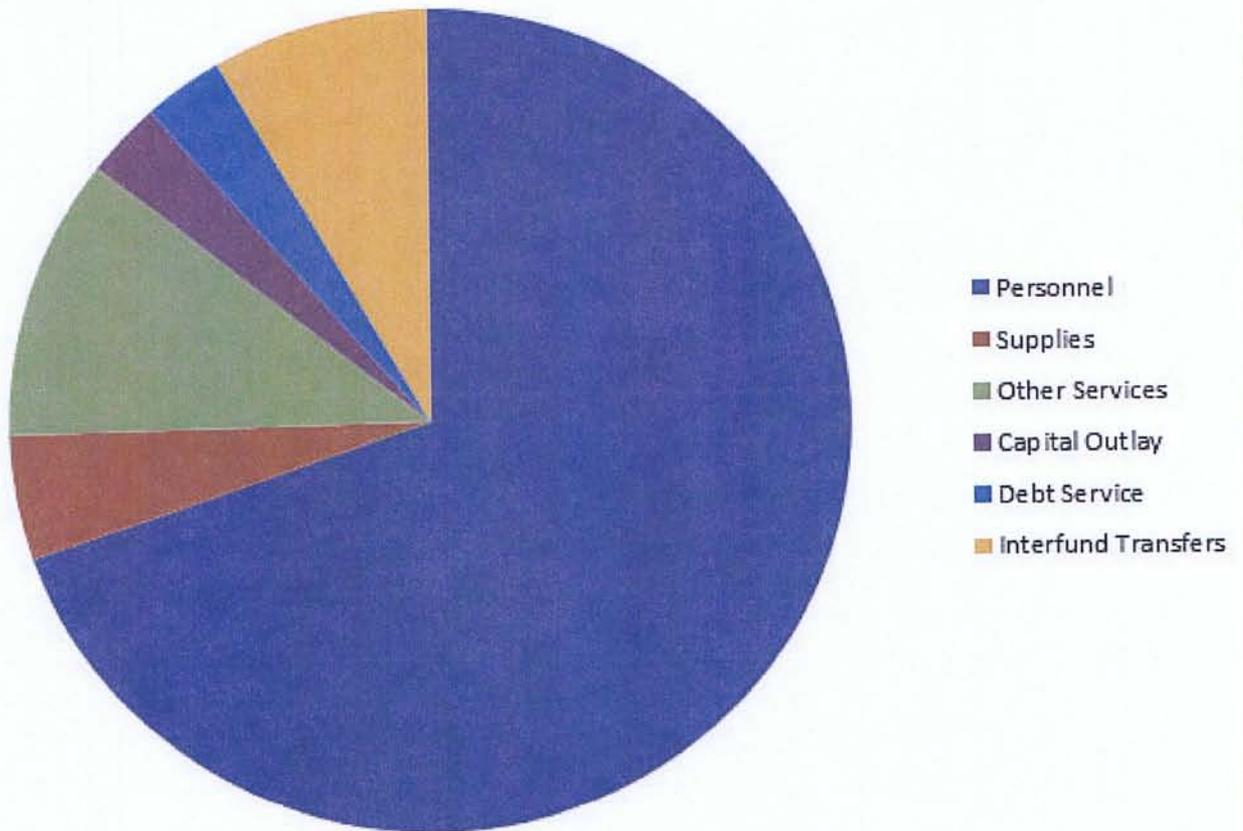
Code Enforcement	\$40,896
Police Substations (Occupy Existing Facilities)	\$1,500
Neighborhood Projects	\$10,000
Parks/Rec	\$161,304
Street Resurfacing	\$98,000 (bond)

PROPOSED FY2014 BUDGET GENERAL FUND

At a Glance:

- No increase in customer rates and fees
- Millage increase of 2.44 mills = \$272,544
- Police Replacement Vehicles (7)

EXPENDITURES



INVESTING IN NEIGHBORHOODS

MODEST BUDGET PROGRAMS

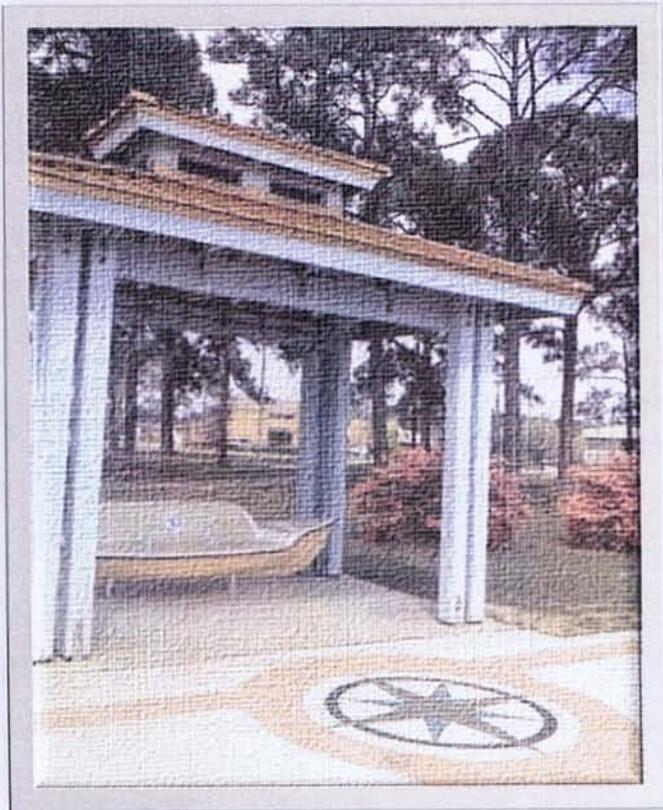
Code Enforcement	\$43,900
Police Substations (Occupy Existing Facilities)	\$1,500
Neighborhood Projects	\$10,000
Parks/Rec	\$176,142
Street Resurfacing	\$TBD

Cultural Support

Activity/Organization	FY 2011-12 (Fund at \$102,800)	FY 2012-13 (Fund at \$70k)	FY 2013-14 (Fund at \$70k)
Boys & Girls Club	20,000	10,000	10,000 (GF)
Gautier Business Association	2,500	2,000	2,000 (GF)
Chamber of Commerce	9,000	2,000	2,000 (GF)
Economic Development Foundation	9,000	2,000	2,000 (GF)
Mullet Festival	5,000	5,000	5,000
Gulf Coast Symphony	2,500	---	1,000
Mardi Gras Parade	1,000	1,000	1,000
Gautier Pride	2,000	1,000	1,000
Neighborhood Signs	10,000	8,000	10,000
Wayfinding	10,000	NA	----
World Changers (MISC)	10,000	NA	10,000
Entrance Signs	7,300	NA	NA
Garden Club	500	500	500
Flags/Banners/Signs/Adv.	1,000	1,000	3,000
Christmas Stroll		500	500
Gulf Regional Planning	8,500	8,500	8,500 (GF)
Total	\$ 102,800	\$ 49,500	\$32,000

OTHER BUDGET CONSIDERATIONS UNFUNDED

- Public Safety step increase for FTE's hired 2+ YRS < Step 4 for a total \$30,900
- COLA for all employees. 1.5 % \$ 67,820.
- Step increase for all employees > 1 YR service: \$170,917.



*Thank you
to our Citizens!*

*City of Gautier,
Mississippi*



Motion was made by Councilman Colledge to recess until Thursday August 15, 2013 at 4:30 p.m. Motion seconded by Councilwoman Martin and unanimously carried.

APPROVED BY:

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

Submitted for approval by the Mayor and Council of the City of Gautier, Mississippi, at the meeting of September 3, 2013.