

**City Council Workshop**  
**Tuesday, January 24, 2017 6:00 p.m.**  
**Civic Center 105 N. 31<sup>st</sup> Street**

<b>Councilman Bill McGlothlin</b> <b>Councilwoman Linda Albrecht</b>	<b>Mayor Tom Bailey</b> <b>Councilman Rex Putnal</b> <b>Councilman Jerry Wallace</b>
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Mayor Bailey called the Workshop to order at 6:59 pm.

1. Gulf To Bay Highway- City Administrator

City Administrator Smigielski informed the council that the state is planning to reroute Hwy 98 around Mexico Beach. He further stated that when this project happens the existing Hwy 98 will be turned over to the City to be maintained as a City street. Discussion ensued on the pros and cons of the ownership of this highway. Mr. Smigielski provided a resolution supporting this project to the council to be discussed at the next regular meeting on February 14, 2017.

2. EPCI Contract- City Administrator

City Administrator Smigielski discussed an updated EPCI contract with the council. Mr. Smigielski asked if the council wanted to amend the existing contract or if the council wanted to go out for bids on building services. Discussion of the council ensued. Council would like further time to consider the new contract. The item will be placed on the next workshop agenda.

3. Dewberry Preble Rish Contract- City Administrator

Mayor Bailey discussed with the council the contract with Dewberry-Preble Rish and if any changes were requested. Discussion of the council ensued on whether to keep what we have or does the council wish to put the service out for bid. Consensus of the council was to keep things moving forward as they are.

4. City Rate Schedule- City Clerk

City Clerk Welle provided a draft fee schedule to the council for review. Council discussion ensued. Clerk Welle would like to update the fee schedule annually during the budget process. Council will look further and notify staff if they have any changes to make to bring the schedule back to the next meeting.

5. Medical Marijuana Moratorium- City Administrator

City Administrator Smigielski spoke to the council about a moratorium on marijuana dispensaries in the City of Mexico Beach, much like neighboring communities have

done. Discussion of the council ensued. City Attorney Beninate will do further research and bring back to the council at the next workshop.

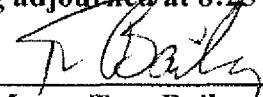
6. Miscellaneous

Public Works Director Hall provided an update on the dredge rehab. The project is moving forward and they are working to get the dredge back to the City as soon as possible.

Public Works Director Hall stated again to the council the need for a new push boat for the canal. He stated the estimated cost for a new boat and trailer at the canal. The item is budgeted and the push boat will be purchased.

Motion by Mrs. Albrecht and seconded by Mr. McGlothlin to adjourn.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:23 pm**

By:   
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Mayor Tom Bailey

Attest:   
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Adrian Welle, City Clerk