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Council Proceedings of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana
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The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana was called to order by Chairman Michael Corbin at 3:10 p.m., Tuesday, February 12, 2013, in the Government Chambers in Government Plaza (505 Travis Street).

Invocation was given by Councilman Webb.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Shyne.

On Roll Call, the following members were Present: Councilmen Rose Wilson-McCulloch, Jeff Everson, Michael Corbin, Oliver Jenkins (3:15), Ron Webb, Joe Shyne, and Sam Jenkins. 7.
Absent: None.

Motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to approve the minutes of the Administrative Conference, Monday, January 18, 2013, Council Meeting, Tuesday, January 22, 2013. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Out of Chamber: Councilman O. Jenkins. 1.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman. I'd like to move to suspend the rules to add a Resolution on the agenda for today.

Councilman Corbin: Mr. Thompson does that require a motion to suspend the rules and a vote or –

Mr. Thompson: Motion and a second.

Motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to suspend the rules. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: None.

Councilman Corbin: That is unanimous to suspend the rules.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Clerk, do you have that Resolution?

Adding Items to the Agenda, Public Comments, Confirmations and Appointments.

Adding legislation to the agenda (regular meeting only) and public comments on motions to add items to the agenda.

The Clerk read the following:

Resolution No. 22 of 2013: A Resolution authorizing the waiver of the building rental fee for the Second Annual State of Black Shreveport Symposium and Economic Summit to be held in River View Hall on February 16, 2013, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to add Resolution No. 22 of 2013 to the agenda. Motion denied because this was not a unanimous vote Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 6. Nays: Councilman Webb. 1. (The Chairman did not call the vote because the question was not asked if there was anyone present who would like to speak in favor or in opposition to adding this item to the agenda)

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Chairman, before you add it we need to –

Councilman Corbin: We do have a clarification per, I guess ordinance? This should have been added at the Administrative Conference.

Mr. Thompson: Right.

Councilman Corbin: So do we need a second motion to suspend the rules?

Mr. Thompson: The motion to suspend the rules suspends that requirement.

Councilman Corbin: Okay.

Mr. Thompson: That's already been done and now the question is whether or not –

Councilman Corbin: This current motion and current vote is to add.

Mr. Thompson: That's correct, but before you vote the votes have already been taken, but normally before you would vote you would ask whether or not anybody is for or against it, adding it to the agenda.

Councilman Corbin: Is there anyone present who would like to speak in favor or in opposition to adding this item to the agenda?

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman, I call Brother Lynn Cawthorne. Brother Cawthorne I wish you would explain that this does not have anything with deleting any parts of the community for participating in this. This is a holistic type of workshop that you have and it will – I believe you have an endorsement from the ex-mayor of New Orleans.

Mr. Lynn Cawthorne: President of the National Urban League.

Councilman Shyne: That's right. The president of the National Urban League who is a good friend of the mayor over here I believe, isn't he?

Mr. Cawthorne: I don't know. I think so.

Mayor Glover: I hope you're not talking about Ray Nagin.

Mr. Cawthorne: We'll briefly describe what we have.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor you don't do that. You don't distance your friend because one of them might step in a hole, cause I'm not saying that Ragin stepped in a hole now.

Mr. Cawthorne: The second annual State of Black Shreveport Symposium Economic Summit is designed first and foremost and it's the backdrop. February is Black History month so we do it in the Black History month so that we can show the accomplishments of people of African descent and what they have done for A; in the United States and B; in America, I mean in Shreveport. And then secondly, the President of the United States does the State of the Union particularly in January when Inaugural year this year it's going to be in February and so he kind of enumerate some of the issues that are facing the United States. We often know that in the black community there are some issues that we are facing, 800 lb. gorilla sitting in the room that we need to address. So we gone take out this opportunity to address those issues. Fundamentally, I believe by making black Shreveport better we make all of Shreveport better. And it is my hope and it is my thrust that 3 or 4 years down the road we'll be having a state of Shreveport, as opposed to having a state of black Shreveport. But this is an inclusive effort, you know African American

community in the Black History month we celebrate the things we have done. And it's not between people of all walks of life to come out, cause we got one panel discussion entitled the Color of Business and we're gonna have an African American business owner, an Asian business owner, a Middle Eastern business owner talking about how we develop non-traditional alliances and working better collectively to make the African American community not only consumers, but also producers.

Councilman Shyne: I think that's very good and because Mr. Sibley and I are Christians and we always believe in that saying that, "I am my brother's keeper." So this is the part of our Christian heritage that – you know a lot of times we talk, you know we talk that talk, but the main thing is we have to walk that walk. So this is about I am my brother's keeper and I want to commend you for putting this on.

Mr. Cawthorne: Thank you.

Councilman Shyne: And I know you've extended an invitation to all of my colleagues on the council, right?

Mr. Cawthorne: Yes we have. We've actually sent them out, invitations in the mail.

Councilman Shyne: And I would hope that they would be able to attend and make some comments because again, I want to commend you for what you're doing and as long you do for the least of us and I believe that's somewhere in Christian quotation, "what you do for the least of us"

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Mr. Cawthorne: "You've done it unto me."

Councilman Shyne: There you go. There you go. So thank you very much.

Mr. Cawthorne: Thank you.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Mr. Chairman, I've heard nothing but positive comments about this event. I understand that it's presented in a very positive light, a very positive tone and it gets down to a lot of economic issues and other issues that are facing the black community. It needs to be talked about. It needs to be brought out.

Mr. Cawthorne: Right. Everything starts with a discussion.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Right. And I believe at the end of the day we're talking about people coming together and to some degree of self-help and being people who add back, being in Shreveport and not necessarily people who want to take something away. So I want to congratulate you also, on taking the initiative to spear head an event like this and I commend you on the manner of that it's being presented and I believe the vote has already been taken on this today. So I hope that you see that council feels as though this is something that will benefit our citizens of the city of Shreveport.

Mr. Cawthorne: I definitely want to thank the council.

Councilman Corbin: Thank you for coming down today. I think that to echo Mr. Shyne and Councilman Sam Jenkins comments, communication and keeping that communication going, starting communication in some instances, but keeping it going among various groups, that's what's gonna make our city a better place and make more people want to be here in Shreveport. So I appreciate the work that you're doing.

Mr. Cawthorne: Thank you.

Councilman Shyne: I just have one request. I hope you have sent the mayor's good friend, Archie Hall a personal invitation. Is Archie here or did he slip out on us? Dale, you didn't put him out did you?

Mr. Sibley: Nah, nah, I didn't put him out.

Mr. Cawthorne: You have limitations.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Shyne, you know he's a light-skinned black Shreveport.

Councilman Shyne: That'll be great. That would be great.

Mr. Cawthorne: I didn't know we had a paper bag test up here.

Councilman Shyne: Any program that we can have that will draw this community together and bring the best (inaudible) so if Archie wants to do that, well you know. I just hope he'll put me on the panel. You think I can qualify for being on the panel?

Mr. Cawthorne: You can pass the test. Oh yeah, you passed the test.

Councilman Shyne: Okay. Thank you. Thank you, Lynn.

Mr. Cawthorne: But you know Mr. Shyne it's black thru and thru though.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Let me get a clarification. That item was not added to the agenda? It takes a unanimous vote for it to be added to the agenda?

Councilman Everson: That's correct.

Councilman S. Jenkins: What was the vote?

Councilman Corbin: The vote was 6-yes, 1-against.

Councilman Shyne: I thought it was unanimous.

Councilman Webb: I voted no.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman could I turn to my colleague and ask him if he would please reconsider.

Councilman Webb: I will, absolutely will reconsider.

Councilman Shyne: Thank you.

Councilman Corbin: Mr. Thompson, I know I took some things out of order. Is it possible to take a re-vote?

Mr. Thompson: I think you should because at the time that you voted you had not heard from the public.

Councilman Shyne: Okay, okay.

Councilman Corbin: Perfect.

Councilman Webb: Let's re-vote it.

Mr. Thompson: Maybe the reconsideration or whatever, if there is no objection.

Councilman Corbin: Do we still have your motion?

Councilman Shyne: Yes, you still have my motion.

Motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to add Resolution No. 22 of 2013 to the agenda. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: None.

Councilman Shyne: Thank you. I am my brother's keeper.

Councilman Corbin: Mr. Shyne you must have a pocket bible here handy cause you doing a lot of preaching.

Councilman Shyne: Well Mike, thank you. Bishop did you hear that? If you need a late preacher sometimes now they just got thru telling you who you need to get on the phone and call.

Councilman Corbin: Mr. Thompson, do we need a motion to go back in to -- alright at this time does any council member have any distinguished guests?

Awards, Recognition of Distinguished Guests, Communications of the Mayor relative to city business, and Required Reports

Awards and recognition of distinguished guests by City Council members, not to exceed fifteen minutes.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Mr. Chairman, I do want to recognize the presence of Bishop Fred Caldwell, the Greenwood Acres Full Gospel Baptist Church. He's present in the audience today. Certainly he's a constituent in District G, but more than that, a very strong voice in our city and has shown a lot of leadership not only within his church, but in the community. So we're happy to see the bishop out with us today. I also would like to if I could, bring us Ms. Doris Stephens. I kind of spoke with Ms. Stephens a little earlier Mr. Chairman and ask your permission to allow her to come up at this point to make some brief comments. Ms. Stephens if you would come up to the microphone.

Councilman Corbin: Ms. Stevens if you would for the record please state your name and address before us.

Ms. Doris Stevens: (2314 Darien St.) Good evening Mayor Glover, council people, public forum. I just want this to be on the record what I'm saying, which everything you know that come out of here is on the record. Mayor Glover at the last meeting you said that you welcome me and appreciate me sharing my concerns. Sure I'm concerned about my community, but I wasn't up here for no concern. I was up here to see what route do I take to be compensated for my car and my physical injuries. Sir, I have a car that's not operable and if you do operate it out of desperation you gonna ruin it completely. It has minor things that the streets has done to my car and you just said I was up here with some concerns.

Councilman S. Jenkins: I got it wrong.

Ms. Stevens: My councilman has written you on the fourth and I think today is the twelfth, so I'm not getting no good feedback from your office if you done had this since the fourth you know. He says you may recall that Ms. Doris Stephens appeared and spoke at our last council meeting. I have had an opportunity to speak with her regarding her concerns about the condition of the streets and sidewalks. However, it appears that Ms. Stephens had some claims pending with the City of Shreveport. I am attaching copies of correspondence and pictures that were delivered to me. Ms. Stephens requested that this information be brought directly to your attention. I would appreciate these matters being reviewed by the appropriate city officials for any assistance that can be extended to Ms. Stephens. One of the claims may run out in April. I believe that's what you waiting on, but I want to know from you Mayor Glover. You look nice and lost about a hundred pounds, but what do you plan on doing for me?

Mayor Glover: Thank you for your comments Ms. Stephens and I thank you for your compliment as well. And I certainly appreciate you coming down here to share your concerns, not only about what happened in your situation, but about the condition of the streets as well. I see your situation in two different levels and Mr. Sibley will comment about the specifics in terms of what's being done to address your particular claim. But I will also add that in terms of the conditions of the streets that caused your problem, that was what I was thanking you for specifically when you were here last and would ask that you would encourage this council, your council member and citizens in general who have concerns about the need to repair, to upgrade and deal with the streets of the city of Shreveport. Communicate that to me as you Mayor and to the

members of this elected council so that we can in fact do something about the problem in general, not just about your individual situation. We also thank you for the information that you provided to Councilman Jenkins and he has in turn provided the staff that it's currently under review. And last Monday is the fourth of February when that information was received. It is currently being dealt with and reviewed by the administration to see whether or not there are some things that can be brought to the process that may offer you some relief, but now I'm sorry that a week that has passed or a week and a day has passed and we've not resolved your issue up unto this point. I can assure you that there's considerable time between now and April when you say that your issue will prescribe and we're not looking to run off the clock on you. I have no doubt that if we attempt to do that you will be back here in your full glory doing exactly what it is that you are doing today, in making your displeasure with the current set of circumstances known to both me, the City Council and anybody else who bothers to give it a listen.

Ms. Stevens: I appreciate that and I don't like coming here like this cause I could be at home in the bed continuing to get well, but I just can't believe that a whole neighborhood and I'm speaking of where I live, my neighborhood – I cannot believe a whole neighborhood could get like that with no one caring. You know the streets; you know it's just ridiculous. But you right, I will be back you know and I'm quite sure you are well, what you said, you are trying to do something. I appreciate that, knowing that you're trying to do something.

Mayor Glover: And I want you to please hold and listen to what the people have – the city would say about where the situation stands in regard to your individual claim.

Mr. Sibley: Just to update the record the city attorney, the risk manager and I have met to review the information that you got from the third party administrators. One of things that we don't have and you'll be contacted by the risk manager, are the specific claims for the damage that was done and she'll contact you before this week is up. We'll get that information and then we'll review it at that time, but we have been reviewing your file and reviewing the information that our third party administrators submitted to us. But she'll be contacting you to get that additional information.

Ms. Stevens: Thank you. It's good to know you're doing something for me.

Councilman Corbin: Thank you Ms. Stephens. We hope you feel better soon.
Councilman Jeff Everson.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Mr. Chairman I just wanted to kind of wrap up my recognitions. I want to take this opportunity to congratulate Commissioner Ken Epperson. Commissioner Epperson was honored this past Sunday at Miles-Johnson C.M.E. Church during their black history program. Pastor Larkins and I'm sure Councilman Everson know Pastor Larkins and that church body over there, but they recognized him not only for his public service, but they also recognized him for a lot of work he did in the community, especially with veterans and he's pretty much you know, taken that on in the Shreveport area. Our Mayor Glover gave a very good speech at that time and I was there as a special guest of the pastor, but I do want Ken to know all of us here at the council are very proud of him and the work that he's doing. With that and finally, I simply ask everyone to keep our good friends Commissioner Joyce Bowman and the Reverend Danny Mitchell in your prayers. Both of them have some health issues, but I'm hearing very good reports, but I just want you to know that your prayers and your thoughts for them is appreciated. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Councilman Corbin: Thank you Councilman Jenkins. Councilman Everson.

Councilman Everson: Well first of all I wanted to start by recognizing a group that's here today to support their fearless leader which is the Property Standards Division. I see a lot of folks over there who did an incredible job just last week when we did the TBONE sweep in District 4, the Highland area and Stoner Hill. You know they really did a wonderful job and the coordination of that team with some of the other city services thru the mayor's TBONE initiative has been a resounding success. I want to even thank the mayor for establishing that program. Thank Dorothy for leading on the Property Standards aspect of that and thank the team for really stepping up. You guys have done and women have done an incredible amount of increased work over the past few years. I think we can all see those numbers that have been coming out of that department in recent years are very, very impressive and so I'm glad to see you out here today and the last time we spoke I think I wanted to find out for y'all if we still have a Property Standards Committee on the City Council. We do and so I'll ask the chairman of that committee after the meeting if we can call a meeting of that to start addressing some additional issues that might help you guys out in the field.

Councilman Shyne: Isn't that Councilman Oliver Jenkins –

Councilman Everson: I believe it's yourself actually.

Councilman Shyne: Nah, I just thought it was Oliver Jenkins.

Councilman O. Jenkins: But I know how that goes Joe, but I'm not calling you out on that here.

Councilman Shyne: I'm putting that on Oliver over there.

Councilman O. Jenkins: But I'm happy to support cause it's certainly something I'd like to be a part of.

Councilman Everson: Great, and then in addition to that I'd like to call up Ms. Jackie Dozier and Ms. Safa Michigan and have a little presentation about this extraordinary young lady who's a member of our community and has done some really great things and we'd like to give the council a chance to learn a little bit about her.

Ms. Jackie Dozier: (1814 Aline St.) Good evening and I'm very happy to be here today to present to and to introduce to our honorable mayor, to the city council persons, and especially the district council person who's our neighborhood [sic] Safa resides in, Mr. Jeff Everson. Safa Michigan is a phenomenal child. I was asked last year to mentor her. At eleven years old she started a nonprofit organization called Made in America for social awareness and education and her achievements are just too numerous for me to numerate today. But I just want to share with you just a little bit. Just recently she has become the district middle school student of the year for Caddo Parish Schools. She has won the Prudential Community Service Spirit Award. She's going to Birmingham, AL. on tomorrow representing Shreveport, LA. She has won all kinds of spelling bees. She's going to regionals and all kinds of stuff. She has raised over \$17,500.00 for community programs. She has her own web site and of course I have the wonderful, wonderful privilege of mentoring a child prodigy. I mean this girl is phenomenal and so she wants to come today and just to tell you just a little bit about her organization I'm Made in America and to present Mr. Everson with a presentation. And she's a brand new author and you would just love this book and so I'm gonna take my seat and I'm gonna let her talk a little bit about the organization and make a presentation. Does she need to come there or do you need to come down here?

Councilman Everson: Oh no, I think we'll come down there.

Ms. Dozier: Okay, great.

Councilman Shyne: Jeff, I'm a little jealous. I'm getting a little jealous now.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Just so we're clear, so he's recognizing somebody to give him an award. Very clever, it's extremely clever. I haven't seen that one yet.

Councilman Shyne: Yeah, Jeff must have put that together.

Councilman O. Jenkins: He know how to get that on record.

Ms. Dozier: Thank you very much, but I'm gonna leave Safa and I don't know if she needs to give her name and her address as well –

Councilman S. Jenkins: Yes ma'am, she does.

Ms. Dozier: Please do so Safa and then make your presentation.

Miss. Safa Michigan: (737 Linden St.) I would like to thank Mayor Glover and all of the city council and women for inviting me here today. And I just wanted to tell you a little bit more about myself. As Ms. Jackie said, I have founded a nonprofit called Made in America which promotes social awareness and education and we focus on various things such as the dropout rate and American made jobs and products. And recently I authored my first book which is called History Matters for Children. And it tells the stories of eight different children in history whose achievements and accomplishments inspire me and I hope will inspire kids around me and I would like to present you with this.

Councilman Everson: Thank you so much.

Councilman Shyne: Oh isn't that something Jeff, Jeff, Jeff.

Councilman Everson: I'd just like to throw out a few of the things that this young woman has done. I know she's modest at her list of accomplishments as long [sic], but not only is she at the top of her academic performance, but she's also won first prize in poetry at Artbreak. She has competed in piano recitals and competitions. She has the arts. She has the social service. She has the background in just so many areas including involvement with the Girl Scouts, with the Junior League. She's done litter abatement in neighborhoods. I mean just every aspect you can think of, this young woman has contributed to our city so much in her brief time in life, that we're just so excited to have her here and look forward to her continued involvement and are just really proud that you represent us in the city of Shreveport.

Miss Michigan: Thank you.

Councilman Everson: So thank you so much.

Councilman Shyne: Jeff, just before you go wait. Do we have anybody in here with a camera.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Your iphone, Joe your iphone probably work.

(Photos are being taken.)

Mayor Glover: I'm very proud of you.

Councilman Corbin: Is that it Councilman Everson?

Councilman Everson: Yeah, that concludes, yes.

Councilman Webb: I just want to recognize the one on the right sitting on the back row, hiding back there, she's –

Councilman Shyne: Stand up Wanda. Come on. Let's give Wanda a big hand.

Councilman Webb: A former school board member and the past president of our neighborhood association so thank you Mr. Chairman.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Yes, I just wanted to ask the council and those of you that are present here today, especially those of you that had the opportunity to attend the meeting on last night at the Municipal Auditorium regarding the Allendale-Ledbetter Heights-Lakeside Partnership Presentation that was made. I received a text message this morning around I guess prior to

3:00A.M. referencing that Debra Seamster – you know Debra, Mayor Glover. She made a presentation. Jeff, I think you might have missed her.

Councilman Everson: I missed the presentation.

Councilwoman McCulloch: She made a very good presentation, but she suffered an aneurysm and right now she's in Intensive Care and she won't be able to come before the council today. I opted to you know, express her opposition on one of the zoning cases. And that's one of the reasons I'm gonna ask this council to postpone the zoning that we discussed on yesterday as well, but I'm gonna ask you all to please be in prayer for her. As a matter of fact I covered her Bishop Caldwell as soon as I got the text with the blood of Jesus.

Councilwoman McCulloch: And just be in prayer for Debra and hopefully everything will work out.

Councilman Everson: Have you received subsequent word on her condition?

Councilwoman McCulloch: No, the text indicated that she was leaving LSU going to – no she was leaving Schumpert, that was around 2:50A.M. And of course she was leaving Schumpert going to LSU at 3, it was around 3 something. So it appeared as if there was an aneurysm bleeding between the skull and the brain. So please be in prayer for her. Hopefully, she'll come out fine. Chloe, let her know that we're praying for her. I've already prayed. I sent her my prayer by text immediately after I received it and again, I'm going to be asking to postpone you know, due to this tragic incident; the zoning, to go along with the other zoning that I have on the agenda today for February 26. Thank you.

Councilman Corbin: I'd like us to also keep one of our own. Keep Bea and her family in our thoughts and prayers. She is dealing with her mother in Dallas right now.

Mr. Thompson: Her sister.

Councilman Corbin: Sister, I'm sorry and keep her in our thoughts and prayers as well. At this time I'd like to recognize Mr. Judd Hodge who may be able to combine some thoughts with Jeff's constituent on litter. Judd, if you would please state your name and address.

Mr. Judd Hodge: (319 Bringier Pl.) Good afternoon and thank y'all for allowing me this time to speak about this problem that I and certainly others – we've discussed over the past couple of years. Everywhere you look lately and especially where we live on the southeast part of Shreveport. Driving in the southern loop area, Youree Drive, not just there, Highland, all over the city of Shreveport, but primarily people that driving in on I-49 that are coming into our city. The litter and the trash is just totally out of hand. This needs to be addressed as soon as possible because as tough as the economy is right now we just cannot let ourselves keep falling into the look, like we've abandoned our city. Prosperity and strong business prides itself on a clean and well kept environment as we all know. Not to mention the dangers of the health issues that can be created by this neglect. I propose that the city council look very hard at strengthening our penalties for those that let the trash fly out of their trucks and cars. A simple ordinance for small truck owners to have some sort of a safety net for the bed of their vehicle when they're transporting trash in boxes to a refuge center and certainly stronger enforcement of the litter laws that are already in place today, but we're not seeing any enforcement. I checked on this earlier today. A \$50.00 net is available for any owner of a truck that they can stretch across the bed of the truck to keep this stuff from flying all over the place. I realize the City cannot possibly maintain all the streets on a daily process without involving the public. And what my hope is, that we can better educate the public and the citizens and possibly a campaign by the city to promote cleaning up behind ourselves and that would certainly be a big help. My biggest concern is when people are

coming in on I-49 and they're coming and they hit those city limits. If you will go out there, that you will look and see, it's not hard to see – you can't miss it. It's everywhere. It's just all over the place and I commend Chief Prator and I know the Sheriff's Department a lot of the times they put people out there picking it up, but this is not the answer to that problem. It's not those guys responsibility because we as citizens are trashing that area. They can pick it up over and over again, but these people that continually do this are the ones that need to be penalized and put a stop to it. The property values are deeply affected as well as the future industry that may be coming in here. I've been here for 59 years and I've never seen it this bad and that's why I'm that's why I'm a little passionate about this. When we take that route at southern loop we're very grateful for the southern loop to connect in there, but when you make that round and you're getting on that I-49 extension right there at the city limits it's just terrible. We have a wonderful city full of opportunity and future growth. I'm just asking you to hear my plea and it is my hope that you will see fit to take corrective action on this matter. Our community can only benefit from a joint effort from all who live here in resolving this matter. Thank you.

Councilman Corbin: Thank you Mr. Hodge and I can speak for Judd's passion on this. We've had many conversations. I think at different times these things that we've talked about as a council and the mayor's brought up what can we do. You know, do we get street sweepers back and things like that? But I think it is a conversation that we need to continue to have of how can we better enforce and eliminate some of these issues. Councilman Oliver Jenkins.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I have to say and that's somebody that lived in California for maybe fairly somewhere between 19-21 years in my lifetime. I think it is a personal mind-set. I mean I can assure you in California there are more street sweepers there than there are proportionately in any other state. But there is a concerted effort in that state in my opinion to – I'll call it self-governed or point out to those neighbors, friends that are not complying with the spirit of cooperation with when it comes to litter. And I don't think we do a very and I'll say community collectively, don't do a good enough job holding ourselves to a standard, that frankly we don't have the resources to go around cleaning up trash. I mean we have issues in this city in my opinion and we need to focus our resources on significant issues. Certainly don't want enforcement of litter to take up much our resources cause we have big problems. I mean don't get me wrong I think things are going well in the city. I don't want to make it sound like that, but in terms of the amount of resources we allocate to it I'd rather see resources going to a – I'll call it a marketing campaign with a self-awareness type of aspect. That really is the behavior modification is the only way to really end this problem for a significant period of time. Yes we can put a band aid on it for a year or two. The real fix needs to be you know, I'd call it you know in our spirits, cooperation in looking after our city so.

Councilman Everson: I'd like to also add – I definitely see that this is a problem. It is, it help makes people feel like this city is not as cared for as it could be, but it is a community wide problem and it is an awfully hard problem to address from just on perspective of the city. One of the things I think would help and it's in our Master Plan and I think it's a great goal for us to be working towards. If the court that would address these kinds of issues like litter, noise, property standards those things could affect the quality of life in the city, the Master Plan has a recommendation for the enactment of a quality of life court that would help us to better enforce some of the regulations that we have in place now. So that may not be something that happens overnight, but over time that's something that I think we should work for – work towards and it is something that has proven very successful in communities – I think of National I believe is one

that had a lot of success with this type of environmental court in really cleaning up the areas in their city. I will also mention that while sometimes what we see in front of us seems like it's the worst we have seen it, Keep America Beautiful does have a ranking of how littered areas are and right now for 2012 Shreveport's ranking was 1.3. In 2008 our ranking was twice that – almost twice that 2.4. So it may seem bad right now. It's certainly been worst.

Awards and recognition of distinguished guests by City Council members, not to exceed fifteen minutes. None.

Awards and recognition of distinguished guests by the Mayor, not to exceed fifteen minutes.

Mayor Glover: Thank you Mr. Chairman, members of the Council, I certainly want to join you all in welcoming all those who join us here today live or those who are watching via Comcast or U-Stream or anybody who takes the time to engage the civic affairs of the City and so I certainly appreciate everyone's presence. I want to take this opportunity as well Mr. Chairman to introduce to those who are in attendance as well who may not be familiar with the young lady who is sitting behind me to my right, the chair that was once occupied by Brian Crawford, Ms. Sherricka Fields is the new Assistant Chief Administrative Officer for the City of Shreveport. We are certainly delighted to have her here with us today. Also, I want to take a moment to say thank you to all of the folks who have been involved with what I would have to term yet another very successful Mardi Gras season here in Shreveport. I believe that wraps up tonight. We are actually today on Mardi Gras. That lets you know that you are in Louisiana but obviously you are north of Baton Rouge because otherwise we would all be somewhere with a mask on, with a drink in our hands waving at a parade if we were somewhere else in the state of Louisiana and in certain other parts I guess we might be on horseback riding from house to house trying to find a chicken to put in a pot of gumbo at some point later on today. But it's certainly delightful to know that we have a community of civic minded people who put forth the kind of effort and sacrifice that's necessary to put on such an outstanding season for northwest Louisiana and that also ends up having a significant pay off and benefit from a government standpoint because it literally brings in 10's and 10's and 10's of thousands of people to come and be a part of it. So, from Centaur to Gemini to Sobek to Harambee to all of the other various Krewes, thank you and certainly we appreciate it. And I think I noticed as I was walking into the chambers today, I'm not sure if it is courtesy of one of the Council's newest staff members but there happens to be some King Cakes in the back I believe in order to insure that the day is properly recognized and celebrated. So we look forward to that and hopefully nobody will choke on the little baby. Now, I also want to take this opportunity as well to express my thanks and appreciation to Chloe Duplessis and to Bonnie Moore and to Debra Seamester. The one thing that Councilwoman McCulloch did not also reference is that Debra Seamester is in fact a former City of Shreveport employee who just retired I believe in 2010 after I think was close to 30 years of employment with the City of Shreveport she was always civically active and engage upon retirement became even more so and is the first leader of the Allendale Lakeside Ledbetter Partnership and she spoke quite eloquently last night

about just how comprehensive and grass root driven of an effort The Choice Neighborhoods Initiative actually is and I want to thank all of those who were there last night to present. But more importantly I want to thank the citizens who came out last night to hear the initial draft plan that has been proposed and those who took the time to also offer their comments and their suggestions and that effort is refined into an ultimate product that will be submitted to the Department of Housing and Urban Development in Washington, D.C. and hopefully be in line to bring some 20 to 30 plus million dollars back to the City of Shreveport for the actual implementation of that effort and I can say that certainly we have a good of chance as anybody in that we are one of only 17 communities around the country selected for the planning portion of this, I would have to say based upon what I saw last night that we have as good a chance if not a better chance as those who are in completion still at this point who have funded based the quality of the effort that is being put forth by the staff but more importantly by the level of enthusiasm and engagement that is being giving by our citizens. So, thank you for all of those who are involved and we look forward to continue to follow up from that end as well. Also, I noticed that the subject of litter came up and the continued efforts to try and make Shreveport a better place where we are delighted to have Donna Curtis with Shreveport Green, who is here, I just want to recognize you and let you know that we appreciate all the hard work that you or your board do and that while we without question still have challenges that we would love to be able to continue engage our citizens and the members of this council about addressing with regard to our litter challenges across the city there's no telling what Shreveport would look like if it were not for the efforts of Donna and Charles Moore her predecessors and the others over the years and their focus on trying to make Shreveport a greener and better place. We certainly want to receive the comments that were offered by the gentleman earlier with regard to his perspective not only how litter in Shreveport can be at times as you drive in from the Southern Loop but how it also appears once you get off of the loop and off of 49 and into the neighborhood and we look forward to continuing the dialogue and hopefully there will be the possibility of coming up with some real actionable things that we can do to make a difference. Lastly Mr. Chairman and members of the council you had distributed to you by staff a copy of January numbers for the Shreveport Police Department, what I would like to talk to you about is the 2012 numbers that Chief Shaw and members of the Department had an opportunity to recap on just a week before last, Rod if you would go to the overhead, you know, we have spent a great deal of time over the last six years talking about how it is that one of the keys to helping to make Shreveport a place that people want to continue to want to live in ultimately a better city is addressing both the reality and both the perception of crime problems. City of Shreveport has verifiable and audible crime statics data going back to 1970 and what you see all the way to your right are the numbers in terms of crimes recorded with the City of Shreveport in 2012. If you look back to the left you will see that the only number on this bell curve of a graph that is comparable to what has happened over the last three years are years that go all the way back to the 1970,'s a period of time even one of your members might not have been born, I am not quite sure when Jeff was born but I know it was sometime in the 70's –

Councilman Everson: 78.

Mayor Glover: And for the rest of us it would have been a time when we were much younger than we are now some of you might have been wearing powder blue tuxedo's to your prom in that timeframe but what you see there is verification of the work that is being done on all different levels starting first and foremost with the men and women of the Shreveport Police Department folks who go out every day and put themselves at risk to try and make Shreveport a better and safer place. But also just as important if not more so is the role that our citizens are playing in helping to form the kind of partnership and relationships with law enforcements and those of us at the elected level and other entities throughout the city to help to make Shreveport a better and a safer place. A big part to what's been added to the dimension over the last 5 ½ years are the folks that you see sitting out there on the same row as I hopefully to soon be confirmed head of Property Standards, Dorothy Farnell. They are a part of the Take Back Your Neighborhood Initiative that has been partnered with the Shreveport Police Department and our citizens to confront the challenges of our crime problem at all different levels. In terms of the crime itself in terms of the appearance of the neighborhoods the quality of life challenges that we face that can create an environment that make certain people believe that certain places are more allowable and more conducive to crime than what they should be Rod, give me the next one please. What you also see here members of the council is the satirical data for the City of Shreveport 2012 when it comes to the number of suicides that was committed in the City of Shreveport in comparison to our southern regional neighbors. Unfortunately you see at the top of the list one of our Louisiana sister city and all the way at the bottom of that list you see the City of Shreveport. What you have there is the actual names of the city their population numbers and the number of homicides committed within that city in 2012 and what is the national comparative static analysis that is the number of homicides committed within that community per one hundred thousand populations. That number of 9.9 for the City of Shreveport is the first time I believe in some 30 plus years that that number has been under double digits. The national average in terms of homicides per one hundred thousand people council members is somewhere between five and six. It's my goal and objective not just as a citizen not just a Mayor to see us ultimately at a point where we are no different than our neighbors anywhere else in the United States of America. Two thousand twelve represents the second year in a row that that homicide number has been at 20. Those two years represent the lowest numbers ever officially recorded in the history of the City of Shreveport. The closest number to those two years came two years prior to the birth of Councilman Jeff Everson, 1976 when there were 27, again this is work that can be attributed to the hard work of Chief Shaw and the men and women of the Shreveport Police Department, but more importantly to the fact that we have community people out there who work with, engage and involve and connect with law enforcement at all different levels to put us at a position to try and interject ourselves into the various cycles of crimes that are across this city and give us a chance to be able to get there before we end up with shootings drive- bys and ultimately homicides. And so while we have no guarantee that this trend will continue know Councilmembers that Chief Shaw and his

charges and this administration in conjunction with our citizens we're going to continue to keep our shoulder to the wheel and do what we can to be able to keep this trend going. I want to end my comments with one last overhead, I've often said for folks who have asked me how do you know Cedric when you say you want Shreveport to become the next great city of the south whether or not you are making any progress towards that goal. I tell them that my test evaluating rather we are making progress in that regard is whether or not we are going up on the good list and going down on the bad. The last overhead you saw showed us at the very bottom in comparison to our regional neighbors with regard to the crime rate and the homicide rate to the City of Shreveport, what you see there before you is a list that was released last week by Forbes Magazine on what they refer to as you see from the headline as unheralded outperformance and if there has ever been a better description from what I believe Shreveport is, I believe that's it. We are just that an unheralded, unrecognized and in many respects an unknown outperformer and I am delighted to see that we are continuing the progress according to the column, the real estate market in Shreveport grew by 3% last year and its outlook for the future is even stronger. Real estate growth and health is one of the realist indication of just how strong, stable and positive moving a local economy government community action is and of course Forbes don't go handing out compliments very causally easily. So, the fact that Shreveport finds itself in this community of cities is something that I think is something that we all should be one, thankful of and certainly should also take some pride in. So, that concludes my comments for today Mr. Chairman and members of the council and we thank you all for the opportunity.

Councilman Corbin: Thank you Mayor Glover and I would like to echo on behalf of the council our congratulations to Chief Shaw and the men and women of the Shreveport Police Department and to our citizens who has gotten fed up and decided to take a stand and get involved with reporting crimes and helping the Police Department. I think that's been a major piece of how we've been able to turn this around.

Mayor Glover: Absolutely.

Councilman Corbin: Councilman Webb, I think I mistakenly overlooked your comment a minute ago.

Councilman Webb: Thank you Mr. Chairman, I was wanting to talk about Comcast again a little bit, I'm still getting a lot of phone calls I don't know about the other council members. I know that you all are month to month negotiating with them and for people out there, you know, what's going on? What are they doing, you know, we had Mr. Fuller down here about four years ago, five years ago when he was the Regional Director of whatever it was explaining to us what they were doing or what they were going to do, I don't know who the gentleman is now is it possible that we can get him to come down in two weeks and let us know what they are doing to upgrade the services and what they are doing to try to improve the services because this is just – people are really upset and I don't really have an answer of what we are doing all I can tell them is that we are in a month to month negotiation with them – I don't hear anything from them any feedback as to what they are doing or what their plans are for 2013 to improve the service. So, it

would be great if we could get one of them to come down and tell the TV audience and to go on record, you know, the year 2013 is going to be a good year for Comcast and we're going to see an improvement in services.

Mayor Glover: They may tell us about the Easter Bunny and Santa Clause as well.

Councilman Webb: Exactly.

Councilman Corbin: I was about to say we're not off to a great start with all the emails and calls that I get.

Councilman Webb: I get calls every day.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Thank you Mr. Chairman. Mr. Mayor I just want to congratulate you on the two recent appointments to your staff for the Assistant CAO and for your Executive Assistant. I know both of these individuals and I believe that they have the character and qualification to do a good job. Even more so I compliment you on reaching out and engaging some of our younger people and I am sure Ms. Fields appreciate that compliment and Mr. Jackson because the future of Shreveport one day is going to be in the hands of those persons who have went out and prepared themselves to be a part of government and of the business community so, I think it's a good sign to many of the college graduates and others who are coming along where wondering if they had a place in the City of Shreveport and we had to let them know that they do they do not have to go to the Dallas's and the Atlanta's, you know, to fulfill their dreams of having a family or a good job and I think if anyone took the time to really know the life story behind these two people you would be absolutely amazed to know where they came from and know where they are now. So, I just wanted to compliment you on doing that I don't think that you selected these people by accident I am sure you gave careful thought to it but I just wanted you to know this councilman certainly congratulates you on that selection and I'm hoping that even more opportunities will come along not only in city government but parish government and at other levels that will allow our young people to know that there is a place for them here because that's what we are here doing we are trying to lay a foundation where those who are willing to step forward to be prepared to get involved and can become engaged and know that their talents can be used here in the City of Shreveport. So, congratulations to you on those appointments.

Councilman Shyne: So, Sam are you saying that Dale is a part of old Shreveport?

Councilman S. Jenkins: No, I am saying that Dale laid the foundation

Councilman Shyne: Okay, Dale I am just trying to look out for you, I know how it is when you get over 45; I had my 45th birthday the other week, so I know how it is.

Mr. Sibley: I appreciate it.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, I just want to say to Councilman Jenkins that we appreciate those comments and to certainly let you all know that we introduced Ms. Fields because she was actually here in chambers, there is no doubt that Mr. Jackson is up with a desk of work but also monitoring these proceedings by computer or either by television. So, I know he got a chance Mr. Jenkins to hear your comments. So, Mr. Jenkins we certainly appreciate them and we're definitely excited to have both Sherricka Fields and Steven Jackson on board and certainly know that they

will serve the city well and without question have the potential to be a part of that generation of leaders who will carry Shreveport to the future. So, thank you much.

Communications of the Mayor relative to city business other than awards and recognition of distinguished guests.

Councilman Corbin: If there is no other recognition, that brings us down to reports. Does any other council member have any property standards issues today? If not I believe we received our Revenue Collection Report and Surety Bond Report electronically, any questions about either of those reports.

Reports: Property Standards Report (*Res. 7 of 2003*)

Revenue Collection Plan & Implementation Report (*Res. No.114 of 2009*)

Surety Bond Forfeitures Report (*Res 238 of 2010*)

EMS Transports Report (*Res 239 of 2010*)

Master Plan Committee Report (*Res 132 of 2012*)

Councilman O. Jenkins: One question, on the Surety Bond Forfeiture Report does anything preclude particular the two companies that have a lot of money outstanding for us still accepting their bonding at this point?

Mr. Sibley: Ms. Scott can speak to that. That is something that we have been looking at and talking about.

Councilman O. Jenkins: It's a problem to collect from them, then I'm not sure that we need to continue to do business with them .

Councilman Webb: Exactly.

Ms. Scott: Mr. Jenkins and members of the council there's an ordinance that actually says that if they are delinquent in paying us on a judgment of bond forfeiture that their not allowed to write bonds in the city anymore. We have been reluctant to implement that thinking that at some point that people are going to come around and actually start paying the money. If you look at the number of cases that continue to appear on the report as far as those that are in litigation the largest amount of those cases that are represented by those companies are matters that are in fact in litigation right now which is why we have been somewhat hesitant to try enforce the ordinance provision against them because of the law suit.

Councilman O. Jenkins: It isn't a clear way of necessarily saying that I support that logic but I can see where that logic comes from, I got you. So, obviously there's two companies that I can recall that seem to have the larger settlements outstanding right?

Ms. Scott: There are some more than others but again those bond forfeiture reports I believe it's typically item number two or three in that report for the amount by companies in litigation that amount if memory serve me correctly is perhaps 169 or 189 it's the line share of the amount that is shown each month for being outstanding. And because again we are in law suit or litigation with those companies we've been somewhat hesitant to enforce the ordinance provision

against them. What our goals has been is to try and get the matters to court or to actually get heard by the court and schedule I assure you that has been more of a challenge than you will understand or appreciate. Most of the matters are all scheduled in one section in Caddo and we've just not been very successful getting a trial date to get those matters heard.

Councilman O. Jenkins: But if we have precluded them from doing business until they settle those issues wouldn't that incentivize them?

Ms. Scott: Perhaps and this maybe getting into an area that we need to be a little bit freer –

Councilman O. Jenkins: I understand.

Ms. Scott: To discuss in an Executive Session but again if you recall the bases of their law suit is that they don't believe that there was any authority for us to have obtained the judgment against them anyway and know for us to take action on those judgments to preclude them from being able to right bonds this continuation of the same issue that they are now litigating with us in court.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay.

Ms. Scott: But again, I will be more than happy to have an offline --

Councilman O. Jenkins: No, no I got it.

Ms. Scott: Conversation with you or a discussion with the entire council in Executive Session about it.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay. Thank you.

Councilman Webb: Don't go away yet, and thank you Mr. Chairman. Yes, Oliver that was something that I brought up a couple of years ago, and talked at great lengths with Terri about this and we are our own worst enemy because we weren't basically monitoring. I think the time frame is what's really hurting us and that was one of the things that I was asking about, okay, let's draw the line an start a new one as far as staying on top of it so that these things don't get so far gone before we, you know, we take action on them. I can understand us possibly not allowing them to right bonds on some of these that they are in litigation with but on some of these newer ones, once they get to a certain point we should be able to still do the same. Do we now have someone who is monitoring that?

Ms. Scott: We actually have a clerk in our prosecutor's office who's responsibility is our bond forfeiture collection. If you look at the reports the companies that have outstanding judgments changes from month to month with some of the companies will come in and pay the amount that's owed but as long as they are continuing to write bonds there may be a judgment that comes up in the interim based on a bond that was written on a particular defendant. Again the majority of the amount that is outstanding of that three hundred some odd some thousand dollars amount and I don't recall the amount off the top of my head is represent by old cases that are in litigation and those law suits were actually filed – a large number of them were filed before we actually took some aggressive steps to start collecting on those judgments. We're pretty much stalled right now and we cannot do anything in terms of getting a resolution on those matters until we get a court date.

Councilman Webb: Thank you.

Public Hearing: None.

Councilman Corbin: Thank you Ms. Scott. We have no public hearing today Mr. Thompson we did add one item to the agenda are there additional items to be added today?

Mr. Thompson: We have no other items.

Councilman Corbin: We do have one request for public comments for an agenda item. The council will now recognize Mr. L. Harvard Scott, Mr. Scott if you would please state your name and address for the record?

Adding Items to the Agenda, Public Comments, Confirmations and Appointments.

Public Comments:

L. Harvard Scott (1049 Southfield Road, Shreveport, 71106): I think actually the zoning issue that's on appeal to the council from MPC that I am here for I understand that Councilman Jenkins is going to recommend that it be returned to the MPC and I think that's the right solution for it. This involves the 1000 block of Pierremont there has been a number of property owners on Pierremont in the last couple of months that have gone in and curb cut all the trees off their property and moving to get the property rezoned from residential to commercial, to business. And I've had long discussion with Councilman Jenkins Mr. Jambor from the MPC staff, Mr. Kirkland has been involved in some discussion with me and, you know, I know this stretch of Pierremont is going to ultimately go commercial but I have three acres on Southfield Road that comes almost to Pierremont, I'm about 200feet away from Pierremont so I'm very interested in making sure that this is done right. I don't want the 1000 block of Pierremont to look like the 1000 block of 70th Street which was, you know, you got used car lots, you got liquor stores and all those other things and the 1000 block of Pierremont is the gateway to South Highlands and it's also northern of Cedar Grove. And Cedar Grove if it's not a historic district it should be and this property really needs to be protected to make sure we are doing the right thing particular property in question. The application was filed without a site plan then a site plan was amended and I think everybody agrees that it's an inadequate site plan. So, really my point is that we need to, you know, under a decision of the Second Circuit as you all are probably aware once you change WRW Properties versus the City of Shreveport once you grant the B1 or B2 zoning people are entitled to a certain amount of development as a matter of light and you can't come back later and say no, so your opportunity really to make sure the development is done the right way is before the MPC and I think this case needs to go back to the MPC which I think is what Councilman Jenkins is going to do.

Councilman O. Jenkins: And certainly what I mentioned to the rest of the council on yesterday during the work session that is certainly going to be my recommendation and hopefully I will have the support of the rest of the council to remand it back to the MPC for relooking at that site plan the subject matters at the MPC do not think that they will conform to the site plan does not support the zoning as it currently stands and they would like to be a part of that process before

it gets to us. So, that is what I'm recommending.

Councilman Corbin: Thank you Mr. Scott and I apologize for mispronouncing your name. Mr. Thompson do we have any confirmations or appointments today?

Mr. Thompson: We do. We have several confirmations. The first is Director of Property Standards, Mrs. Dorothy Farnell.

Confirmations and appointments:

Director of Property Standards: Ms. Dorothy Farnell

Motion by Councilman S. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Shyne to confirm the appointment of Dorothy Farnell as Director of Property Standards.

Councilman Shyne: Just a minute. Is Mrs. Farnell here? Mrs. Farnell, I'd like for you to come forward. I think you have your spiritual leader with you. Is he able to come forward? Is he able to – Bishop I didn't know you could walk that fast. Mrs. Farnell, before we vote you have really done an excellent job.

Mrs. Farnell: Thank you.

Councilman Shyne: You have really been as they say, engaged. I'm going to use word involved, improving the conditions in some of these neighborhoods around here. I know especially in mine, although I'm a little jealous. I've been told that you've done a little bit more in Sam's district than you have in mine so Bishop I'm gonna be monitoring that cause you know I don't like to be left out.

Bishop Fred Caldwell: I do understand.

Councilman Shyne: But you've done an excellent job. I just want to commend you on that.

Mrs. Farnell: Thank you. Thank you.

Councilman Shyne: You've really been involved and you really, really, you're really concerned about how these neighborhoods look and again congratulations. And Mayor you know you and I usually agree on almost everything so this one of the things that I agree with you on. I think yesterday we might have disagreed on one thing, but you know how that is. We gone set that aside, but this is a tremendous selection that you made and again, Dorothy you continue to do what you're doing and that's an excellent job.

Mrs. Farnell: Thank you so much.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Mr. Chairman if I can, I just want to echo the comments that Councilman Shyne made and I think all of us know that Mrs. Farnell has put in the time and she has a good knowledge base concerning Property Standards. She has a good team of individuals that Councilman Everson pointed out a little bit earlier. I know you all are in a line of work where the thank yous are far and in between. But for those of us who sit up here who get those calls and call you and I know when I call you one thing I can – it's been my experience, one thing I can depend on. You're gonna call me back. Now I may not like your answer, but you're gonna call me back and let me know whatever that was, was looked into. And so I like your fairness and I look forward to your confirmation today. Mr. Mayor once again, congratulations on a great selection, then I guess Airport Director, Mr. Francis, or our Public Works Director, Mr. Harris. But it sure is good to see home grown flavor coming amongst these department heads. Thank you

Mr. Chairman.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Also, I'd like to say congratulations to you Mrs. Farnell.

Mrs. Farnell: Thank you.

Councilwoman McCulloch: I don't know if you've done more in Sam's district or –

Councilman S. Jenkins: No.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Than you've done in my district so certainly what I want to share with you is that –

Councilman Shyne: I know you've done more in Sam's district than mine so I'm jealous.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Well, we won't tell. We won't tell, but I really wanted to congratulate you and also let you know that I appreciate you introducing me to Operation TBONE. That was presented to the council by the mayor prior to my coming to the council. You just don't know. I've watched you from the time, although it appeared as if though I wasn't watching you. I watched you from the very first beginning of July 3, I watched you all day. I had the opportunity to watch you all day and I was really impressed that day with your expertise, with your professionalism, with you perseverance and I just want to also thank you for all that you do for District A. And I am looking forward to you to do the –what is it Councilman Shyne? The quickie for Kemp Lane?

Councilman Shyne: Yeah.

Councilwoman McCulloch: First block, as soon as possible.

Mrs. Farnell: I've already taken care of that.

Councilwoman McCulloch: And you couldn't have a better spiritual leader than Bishop Caldwell. I just recalled just before my father left to go home to be with the Lord he sent for Bishop Caldwell. Of course he's a member of Lake Bethlehem Baptist Church, but some reason or the other he said Bishop Fred Caldwell before he left to go be with the Lord. And I've had an opportunity to also work with Bishop Caldwell and he's a great leader and you couldn't have a better leader than Bishop Caldwell. And sure upstairs Rodessa would amen me on that, Rodessa Jones. So I just wanted to say congratulations and I've been impressed.

Mrs. Farnell: Thank you.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman, just one other thing. I can't say that I've been watching you cause my wife is probably watching this on TV. I just want to be on the safe side, but now you did bring some of your people down with you. Why don't you have them to stand and I told them that they probably came down to get a few brownie points so don't forget that, hear?

Mrs. Farnell: Yes, let me say that I think all of you are – Mayor, thank you.

Mayor Glover: You're most welcome.

Mrs. Farnell: For the appointment.

Mayor Glover: Before you – Mr. Chairman if you don't mind, would you have your folks go ahead and y'all come up and join you so we can also introduce them as well. It's a great sign when you see – whoever's here that's directly supervised come on up.

Councilman Shyne: Y'all come on up and Dorothy you got to remember now when you got to give them a few brownie points.

Councilman Everson: We might need to take some votes.

Mrs. Farnell: And I also want to – didn't want to say anything, but my biggest fan and my biggest supporter, I want to thank my husband for being here today, too.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Mr. Farnell.

Mayor Glover: He's dressed out of uniform.

Councilman Shyne: Yeah, I see him. You're right, yeah, yeah I thought he had left.

Mrs. Farnell: Let me say this. I've had an opportunity to work with all of you all and we have – every time you've called I've tried to be there and do whatever that was necessary, but let me say this. You don't know how humble I am. I am so humble and I'm so thankful because only God could have created this opportunity for me for this time, nobody else. I mean he did this for me and I am so grateful to him and I give him the praise for this time. I thank my bishop for being here with me. He constantly supports me in everything that I do, tells me when I'm wrong, encourage me when I'm right and he's just always there. But I could not be as productive and I could not be as successful – Property Standards could not be if it wasn't for these men that's standing behind me. These are the ones that where you call with the problem they're the ones that go out. They're the ones that investigate and they do it immediately, expeditiously. I have some that come in at 5:00 in the morning and I have a list for them and they are ready to go out at that moment. Some of you I've had the opportunity of you coming on our sweeps and you know the work that we do. As I told Mrs. McCulloch the first time she rode with us and she was looking around at the different things that we were doing and questioning people that we were citing and I said, Mrs. McCulloch we cite violations. We don't cite people and if you just happen to be the person that live there we're gonna cite you because we want to be fair across the board. Our mission is to clean up the city. We're taking back our neighborhood every day and these are the men that's doing it. I'm proud of them. I want to recognize our newly chief inspector, Mr. Terrence Green and if it's alright with you all I'd like for him to introduce everyone, our inspectors in the areas that they represent. Mr. Ronald Robinson, Allendale –

Councilman Shyne: I taught Ron.

Councilwoman McCulloch: You know he got a twin.

Councilman Shyne: I taught both of them. Every now and then make a report to me about Ron, hear?

Mr. Terrence Green: I will let you know. I will let you know. Mr. Thomas Ribichaux and he is your inspector.

Councilman Shyne: Thomas, we'll get to know one another. They can tell you I'm out there and in it.

Mr. Green: Mr. David Pinter, he's southeast Shreveport; Ms. Latoicha Jones, she's staff, Mr. Charles Graham, Southern Hills area; Mr. Audwinn Manual, Cherokee Park and also Allendale; and Mr. Robert Jackson, Queensboro.

Councilwoman McCulloch: And they can all cook. They all are great cooks.

Mrs. Farnell: So again, from the bottom of my heart thank you and we're gonna continue to do as we have done. We will continue to look and seek for innovative ways to be just consistent in what we've been doing. We take an aggressive approach to abating violations and as I've said thank you, thank you so much and if you need us you know that you can call us.

Councilman Corbin: Thank you Dorothy, I think that we all recognized that you had big shoes to fill when you came into this position as an interim and not only have you filled them, you probably put some five inch spikes on them, job well done to you and your staff.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: None.

Mayor Glover: Thank you Council members.

Historic Preservation Commission Board

Mr. William Lane Calloway
Ms. Lei Lewis Henderson

Mr. B. Slattery Johnson, Jr.
Mr. Lane Griffin King

**Motion by Councilman S. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Everson to confirm the Historic Preservation Commission Board Appointments. Motion approved by the following vote:
Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7.
Nays: None.**

Councilman Everson: And I know a few of them are here today. Did you all want to come up and introduce yourselves?

Councilman Shyne: Sure, where are they.

Mr. Sibley: I think there's only one here.

Mayor Glover: Slattery Johnson is here.

Councilman Everson: Slattery, I couldn't see all the way over there. Slattery why don't you come on up and introduce yourself to the rest of the council.

Mr. Slattery Johnson: Good afternoon Councilmen and woman, Slattery Johnson, my address is 856 Wilkinson, Shreveport Louisiana 71104. Born and raised here, went to school, went to law school down at LSU, came back about 5 ½, 6 years ago and a proud residence of Shreveport now and I'm honored to considered for this position which I think is extremely important. I was telling somebody the other day that one of the most important things we can do as a community is preserve and protect the tangible parts of our past, the remaining tangible parts of our past. That's the link we have and right now we are not doing the best job about that. What's the first thing somebody sees when they into Shreveport over the Texas Street Bridge right now, to their right? A collapsed wall on a beautiful historic building. If you are not from Shreveport you don't know anything about. That probably doesn't give you the best impression of Shreveport. I think there are things we could to prevent those types of things from happening and that's what this commission is about and the Master Plan calls for the commission to do these kinds of things.

Councilman Shyne: Are you a Byrd graduate?

Mr. Johnson: No, I'm actually a Loyola graduate. Don't hold that against me though.

Councilman Shyne: No, I just didn't want Jeff to hold that against.

Councilman Everson: He is a resident of the Fairfield Historic District though and he and his wife Julie have a very historic house that they have had on some of the home tours in the past. Slattery also served very ably as one of the Mayor's appointments to the committee that helped to draft this legislation and really played a great support role in getting that done. I was proud to see that he made the Mayor's choice of selection onto the committee.

Councilman S. Jenkins: I certainly wanted to congratulate you also. Is that your dad back there?

Mr. Johnson: Yes it is actually.

Councilman S. Jenkins: I thought you were a part of a very prominent family here in the City of Shreveport. Good to see you also, Mr. Johnson. Congratulation once again Mr. Mayor, I do think you got a nice variety of people here, as I said before I just think it's great that some of our best and brightest and youngest are following Jeff Everson's footsteps coming forward in

leadership roles and look forward to working with you. Anything we can do to help you in this endeavor, please do not hesitate to let us know.

Councilman Shyne: And Oliver Jenkins too because he's just made his 39th birthday.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Well he told me he was 37. Which one is it Councilma?

Councilman O. Jenkins: I won't say but I got a few years on Jeff, let's make sure that's clear.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Congratulation Mr. Johnson.

Mayor Glover: Thank you Mr. Chairman. Thank you Slattery.

Consent Agenda Legislation.

To Introduce Routine Ordinances and Resolutions

Resolutions: None.

Ordinances: None.

To Adopt Ordinances and Resolutions

Resolutions:

RESOLUTION NO. 13 of 2013: A resolution authorizing David L. Cantrell and Elizabeth H. Cantrell located at 9408 Red Oak Drive to connect to the water & sewer system of the City of Shreveport and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman Everson to adopt.

Councilman Corbin: I do have a question on this one. Looking at the map, what we've done in the past is any of these residences had to have a water main front their property and Ali can you talk to us about this.

Ali Mustapha: Yes sir, I can answer your question. This lady is facing Red Oak Drive which is in the Parish. There's a water line in the road that goes to East Ridge Country Club but it has never been extended down the street where she lives on. Knicley, brought the property behind her and he's planning to develop some type of small shopping – I think it's a business like area for professionals and he talked to her and he agreed for her to run the service from Ellerbe Road across his property to her house. We told her regarding the Parish, they like for the neighborhood to get together and extend the water line to service that area. She said she talked to most of her neighbors, they don't want anything to do with the City. They're not interested in connecting to the City or signing any annexation agreement or anything. They're not interested in extending their water line down Oak Drive, right in there. As a matter of fact when East Ridge put the line in there we made sure they put the stub in there in case they want to extend a water line in there. So that's the dilemma with this lady. She is having problems with her water well and she would like to connect to City water. There is no (inaudible) for her.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I'll just say that I know we've got a problem at least on problem in Broadmoor right now where somebody's personal water line goes under somebody else's property and they have either a water or sewer line –

Mr. Mustapha: A sewer line.

Councilman O. Jenkins: And so, because of this the person who lives in the house has a broken sewer line underneath his house that's not his that he would pay for to repair but the person whose line is probably would repair it if she had the financial means to do so, but since she doesn't it's a real problem. I am very concern about how this deal is going to wash out with somebody putting a development above or beyond or the side – and I guess it water and not sewer but –

Mr. Mustapha: According to the discussions with her, said Mr. Knicely even offered to run the water line for her from the street. Apparently he's trying to get the property rezoned and he's talking to the people that his property back to because it's residential to commercial and he's trying to make wheels and deals in there to help the people out so they can agree with his zoning.

Councilman Corbin: In keeping with what we have done in the past I'm going to ask that we not approve this at this time. I know that there is a development proposed but it's not necessarily moving forward right now and I think it would be unfair to those people that we have not allowed them to connect to City water who had a similar circumstance. So I'm going to ask that the Council vote "no" on this item.

Mr. Thompson: Is that a substitute? Didn't we have a motion to adopt?

Councilman S. Jenkins: Yes, I believe it was a motion to adopt.

Councilman Everson: Or you could just ask for a "no" vote.

Councilman Corbin: Yes, ask for a "no" vote, that's easier.

Motion denied by the following vote: Nays: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Ayes: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 14 OF 2013

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING WILLIAM B. GOYNE LOCATED AT 10111 STONEHEDGE DRIVE TO CONNECT TO THE WATER & SEWER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, William B. Goyne has agreed to secure all permits and inspections required by the Shreveport Comprehensive Building Code. Said party having submitted a petition for annexation to the City of Shreveport, and having agreed to fully comply with the regulations of the City of Shreveport in connection with said property, all as set forth in Section 94-1, et. Seq., of the Shreveport City Code. Said request and petition are attached hereto.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened, that William B. Goyne be authorized to connect the structure, located at 10111 Stonehedge Drive to the water & sewer system of the City of Shreveport.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provisions or items of this resolution or the application thereof are held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications, and to this end, the provisions of this resolution are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Everson, seconded by Councilman Shyne to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 15 Of 2012

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING R. WAYNE NISSEN AND CHARLOTTE B. NISSEN LOCATED AT 10454 GOLDSBERRY ROAD TO CONNECT TO THE WATER & SEWER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, R. Wayne Nissen and Charlotte B. Nissen have agreed to secure all permits and inspections required by the Shreveport Comprehensive Building Code. Said party having submitted a petition for annexation to the City of Shreveport, and having agreed to fully comply with the regulations of the City of Shreveport in connection with said property, all as set forth in Section 94-1, et. Seq., of the Shreveport City Code. Said request and petition are attached hereto.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened, that R. Wayne Nissen and Charlotte B. Nissen be authorized to connect the structure, located at 10454 Goldsberry Road to the water & sewer system of the City of Shreveport.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provisions or items of this resolution or the application thereof are held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications, and to this end, the provisions of this resolution are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Webb, seconded by Councilman Shyne to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: None.

Ordinances: None.

9. Regular Agenda Legislation

A. Resolutions on Second Reading and Final Passage or which will require only One Reading

RESOLUTION NO. 16 OF 2013

A RESOLUTION SUSPENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 10 RELATIVE TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND CHAPTER 106 RELATIVE TO ZONING FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 6425 YOUREE DRIVE FOR THE UNITED TITLE OF LOUISIANA CUSTOMER APPRECIATION DAY ON MAY 9, 2013, WITH A RAINDATE BEING MAY 16, 2013 AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BY: Councilman Michael Corbin

WHEREAS, United Title of Louisiana located at 6425 Youree Drive will host a Customer Appreciation Day on May 9, 2013, with a rain-date being May 16, 2013, between the hours of 4:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, United Title of Louisiana desires to dispense and allow the consumption of beer at this event; and

WHEREAS, Section 10-80(a) makes it unlawful for any person to dispense alcoholic beverages, except within those sections of the city wherein such sale is permitted by the applicable zoning ordinance, Section 10-190(a) prohibits consumption of alcoholic beverages on the parking lot of a business or on other property of a business where said property is open to the public, and Section 106-130(6) provides that unless otherwise excepted, all uses shall be operated entirely within a completely enclosed structure; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of this resolution would allow the dispensing and consumption of beer on the parking lot of United Title of Louisiana, 6425 Youree Drive, on May 9, 2013, with a rain-date being May 16, 2013, for a Customer Appreciation Day.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened that Sections 10-80(a), 10-190(a) and 106-130(6) are hereby suspended on May 9, 2013, with a rain-date being May 16, 2013, between the hours of 4:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. to the extent necessary to allow the dispensing and consumption of beer for a Customer Appreciation Day at United Title of Louisiana located at 6425 Youree Drive.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all other applicable provisions of the City of Shreveport Code of Ordinances shall remain in full force and effect.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provision or item of this resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or application, and to this end, the provisions of this resolution are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Corbin, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Out of Chamber: Councilman Everson. 1.

RESOLUTION NO. 17 OF 2013

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND RESOLUTION NO. 95 OF 2012 RELATIVE TO THE APPLICATION FOR A LOAN FROM THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (“LDEQ”) FOR FUNDING UNDER THE CLEAN WATER STATE REVOLVING FUND (“CWSRF”) PROGRAM IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED FIVE MILLION AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$5,000,000) FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE CITY’S SEWER SYSTEM; DECLARING THE INTENTION OF THE CITY TO HIRE PROFESSIONALS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE LOAN APPLICATION; DECLARING THE INTENTION OF THE CITY TO MAKE APPLICATION TO THE LOUISIANA STATE BOND COMMISSION FOR APPROVAL

OF SUCH LOAN; AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BY:

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 95 of 2012 (the "Resolution"), adopted by the Shreveport City Council on May 22, 2012, declared the City of Shreveport's intention to proceed with an application for a loan from the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality ("LDEQ") for funding under the Clean Water State Revolving Funds ("CWSRF") Program in an amount not to exceed Five Million and No/100 (\$5,000,000) Dollars for improvements to the City's sewer system (the "improvements"); and

WHEREAS, Section 1 and Exhibit "A" of the Resolution declared the Governing Authority's intention to issue not exceeding Five Million And No/100 (\$5,000,000) Dollars Utility Revenue Bonds (LDEQ Sewer Project) Series 2012 (the "Bonds") for purposes of the improvements; and

WHEREAS, because the date of issuance of the Bonds is unknown, the City desires to amend Section 1 of and Exhibit "A" to the Resolution to identify the issue as "Utility Revenue Bonds (LDEQ Sewer Project), in one or more series".

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in legal session convened, acting as the governing authority thereof that Section 1, Declaration of Intent, of Resolution No. 95 of 2012 is hereby amended to now read as follows:

Section 1: Declaration of Intent. Pursuant to and in compliance with the provisions of the Act, and other constitutional and statutory authority, the Governing Authority does hereby declare its intention to issue not exceeding FIVE MILLION AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$5,000,000) Utility Revenue Bonds (LDEQ Sewer Project) in one or more series (the "Bonds"), the proceeds of which will finance the construction and acquiring of improvements, extensions and replacements to the sewer portion of the combined revenue producing utility system (the "System") of the City, a work of public improvement for the City (the "Project"). The Bonds shall be limited and special revenue bonds of the City, secured by and payable in principal, interest and redemption premium, if any, solely from the income and revenues derived by the City from the operation of the System, after paying the reasonable and necessary costs and expenses of operating and maintaining the System. The Bonds shall not be a charge on the other income and revenues of the City as prohibited under the provisions of Article VI, Section 37 of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974, nor shall they constitute an indebtedness or pledge of the general credit of the City. The Bonds will be issued and authorized by ordinance (the "Ordinance") of the Governing Authority. The Bonds shall be of such series, bear such dates, mature at such time or times (not to exceed twenty-two (22) years from their date of issuance), bear interest at such rate or rates not exceeding three and ninety-five hundredths per centum (3.95%) per annum (inclusive of any administrative fee), be in such denomination or denominations, in fully registered form, carry such privileges, be payable in such medium of payment at such place or places, be subject to such terms of redemption and be entitled to such priorities on the income and revenues of the System as such Ordinance may provide.

The City will, in the Ordinance, enter into such covenants with the LDEQ to whom the City intends to place the Bonds or any future owner or owners of the Bonds as to the management and operation of the System, the imposition and collection of rates and charges for the services rendered thereby, the disposition of such fees and revenues, the issuance of future bonds and the creation of future liens and encumbrances against the System and/or the revenues therefrom, the

carrying of insurance on the System and the disposition of the proceeds of insurance, the keeping of books and records, and other pertinent matters as may be deemed proper by the Governing authority to assure the marketability of the Bonds, consistent with the provisions of the Act. Such Ordinance will also include remedies in case of default, provision for the issuance of parity bonds, and such additional covenants, agreements and provisions as are judged advisable or necessary by the City for the security of the registered owners of the Bonds and an adequate depreciation fund for those repairs and improvements to the System as may be necessary to assure adequate and efficient service to the public, all as provided by the Act.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Exhibit "A" to the Resolution is hereby amended by substituting the attached copy of Exhibit "A" for the copy of the Exhibit adopted by the Shreveport City Council on May 22, 2012.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that except as otherwise provided herein, all other provisions or items of Resolution No. 95 of 2012 shall remain in full force and effect.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Governing Authority hereby authorizes and directs its Mayor, Chief Administrative Officer, Director of Finance, Clerk and such other officials of the City individually and/or collectively to do any and all things necessary and incidental to carry out the provisions of this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provision or item of this resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications, and to this end, the provisions of this resolution are hereby declared to be severable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to adopt.

Mr. Chairman, I was a – Mr. Sibley this might be for you since you are the Chief Administrative Officer and I almost said from time to time you fill in for Mayor but I won't that.

Mr. Sibley: Don't say that

Councilman Shyne: I know how job security can be. I'd like to get a report from the Department of Water and Sewerage in relation to where we are with the projects that we are doing with the Bond Program that we passed. I would wish from time to time because I have people who ask me, Joe what are you all doing, where are you, you know and you are going to be asking for some more money. I mean, so what are you doing with this that you got already. Just from time to time I wish you would kind of have us an update and because those people working with it directly I wouldn't so much ask you but I'm asking you to bring them forward to –

Mr. Sibley: We can take care of that Mr. Shyne.

Mayor Glover: In addition to that Mr. Shyne and I know you probably keep your iphone and your e-mail account in the same pocket, this may not as helpful for you but certainly for the rest of the council and for the public in general, we have established and maintained a website of Shreveport Bond 2011.com. In fact staff is in the process of updating that website because of most recent information would be from last fall. If you would go on now you will find that there is some partially updated information but is being updated right now, in fact on a monthly basis to

include every area of the 2011 Bond Issue not just the Water and Sewer but Streets, the Public Buildings, the Water and Sewer so that the public at any point and time without having to have a report given by a staff member or by the administration or what have you at any place that they have access to a computer, can go and find out exactly what the status is of a particular project from that 2011 bond proposal. But we certainly look forward to being able to provide that information, in fact staff is also going to be providing a report to me and we will be sharing with the council that will speak specifically to where those 2011 Bond proposal actually fit into the overall spectrum of work that is before us with regard to our EPA, DOJ issues that we are dealing with as well. So look forward to having that information –

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor, I understand that and Mr. Sibley I appreciate you understanding what I was saying that I just happen to represent some people who are not as highly into the latest technology as you and myself; that don't have Mr. Sibley, an iPhone or a computer to hook into the system and I think we have a moral obligation to make sure that the guy who don't have those modern facilities but has a TV set because I don't know if the *Shreveport Times* want me to say this but I have a lot of people out in my district that don't even take the *Shreveport Times*, not that is not a good newspaper and if I was able I would make sure that they would deliver one to every door and I'd pay for but I'm not able but most of the people have a TV set and believe or not they do watch the proceedings here. I don't like to worry about telling them, well why don't you go on the website and watch it, so Mr. Chairman this is why I'm saying I think this would be a good forum to disseminate any of that information and I know you all understand what I'm saying from the Water and Sewerage Department. This is how we get community support.

Councilman Corbin: Mr. Sibley, I wonder if we might can do a quarterly update for the council with just going through the projects, what status they are in whether it's design, construction and do that quarterly for the public.

Councilman Shyne: And keep on putting on the website not because I got 2 boys, Joe and Jacoby who go on the website at any time.

Mr. Sibley: We'll supplement if necessary.

Councilman Shyne: They try to do like the Mayor, they carry their iPhone and whatever else around with them and we can be having lunch and they can be going and I have to tell them Mayor, look y'all put that down. Let's do the old fashion way. Let's have a good family meal here.

Council S. Jenkins: Did the amount change in this –?

Mr. Sibley: The dating.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Say it again now.

Mr. Sibley: The dating on the bond changed.

Councilman S. Jenkins: So, it was always \$5 Million.

Mr. Sibley: Yes sir.

Councilman Corbin: Did we recently to a \$4 Million Dollar one?

Mr. Sibley: That was a separate one. Yes sir.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Well, let me ask this question here, now the – is there any expectation that these bonds will be used to help in some way with our DOJ issue.

Mr. Sibley: Oh, definitely, that's the intention. Yes sir.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Out of Chamber: Councilman Everson. 1.

RESOLUTION NO 18 OF 2013

A RESOLUTION REJECTING BIDS RECEIVED FOR IFB-12-065 FURNISHING AND INSTALLING CARPET IN THE CITY COURT BUILDING AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BY:

WHEREAS, three (3) bids were received as a result of solicitations for Furnishing and Installing Carpet in the City Court Building, IFB-12-065; and;

WHEREAS, the City has rejected these bids in accordance with La R.S. 38:2214 B, because of a substantial change in the scope of the project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened that the bids received on IFB-12-065 be rejected;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provision or item of this resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications and to this end the provisions of this resolution are hereby declared severable;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby declared repealed.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman S. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman O. Jenkins to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Out of Chamber: Councilman Everson. 1.

RESOLUTION NO. 19 OF 2013

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING DEDICATION FOR CROSSFIELD COURT IN ESPLANADE UNIT 5, LAKE DISTRICT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal, and regular session convened, that the dedication for Crossfield Court in Section 38, (T16N-R13W), Caddo Parish, Louisiana, and as shown on the plats attached hereto and made a part hereof, be and the same is hereby accepted as dedicated to the public for public use in the City of Shreveport.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the original plat reflecting the dedication for Crossfield Court be recorded in the official records of the Clerk of Court for Caddo Parish, Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provision or item of this resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all ordinances or resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Corbin, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 5. Nays: Councilman Webb. 1 Out of Chamber: Councilman Everson. 1.

RESOLUTION NO. 22 OF 2013

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WAIVER OF THE BUILDING RENTAL FEE FOR THE SECOND ANNUAL STATE OF BLACK SHREVEPORT SYMPOSIUM AND ECONOMIC SUMMIT TO BE HELD IN RIVER VIEW HALL ON FEBRUARY 16, 2013, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BY: COUNCILMAN SHYNE

WHEREAS, United Citizens and Neighborhoods, Inc. is a 501c3 organization which provides needed services and functionality to underserved communities, including training, mentoring, community workshops, economic development, financial literacy and organized youth sports; and

WHEREAS, United Citizens and Neighborhoods, *Second Annual State of Black Shreveport Symposium and Economic Summit* will be held in River View Hall on February 16, 2013, and United Citizens and Neighborhoods, Inc., is requesting the City to waive the building rental fees for the event; and

WHEREAS, several studies and reports issued over the last ten years, including *The Northwest Louisiana Strategic Action Plan*, show that income, wealth and education attainment are significantly lower in black households than in white households in Shreveport, and that these disparities have a detrimental effect on Shreveport's economy and the quality of life of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, United Citizens and Neighborhoods, *Second Annual State of Black Shreveport Symposium and Economic Summit* will present workshops and speakers which address the following topics: the creation of business opportunities, contract procurement, marketing businesses, opportunities created by healthcare reform, utilizing DBE/Fair Share Programs, the role of the Black Church and Black Political Leadership in creating business opportunities, and the role and state of education and educational reform in Caddo Parish; and

WHEREAS, the *Second Annual State of Black Shreveport Symposium and Economic Summit* will focus on the elimination of some of the disparities listed above: It will inspire those in attendance, and provide practical information to assist black entrepreneurs to be more successful. It is therefore in the public interest and serves a public purpose for the City of Shreveport to waive the entire rental fee for the use on Riverview Hall for this event.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal and regular session convened, that the fee for the use of River View Hall, by the United Citizens and Neighborhood, Inc. on February 16, 2013, is waived and the provisions of Section 15 of the City Council Rules of Procedures is suspended relative to this event only.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any decision of the Administration to delay the collection of the rental fee for this event is ratified until after this resolution is considered, and if adopted, until after the resolution becomes effective.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provision or item of this resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provision, items or applications of this resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provision, items or applications and to this and the provisions of the resolution are declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman McCulloch to adopt.

Councilman Shyne: I wish that all of my colleagues would come out for that.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: None.

Introduction of Resolutions (*Not to be adopted prior to February 26, 2013*)

1. **Resolution No. 20 of 2013**: A resolution authorizing an amendment to the Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Bossier, the Parish of Caddo, the Parish of Bossier, and the Shreveport-Bossier Convention and Tourist Bureau relative to the Shreveport-Bossier Sports Commission and to otherwise provide with respect thereto

Councilman Shyne: Question on that Mr. Chairman before we go to 21, please sir.

Councilman Oliver Jenkins, I think that was you on yesterday. You raised some good concerns about that, I would hope that you would restate that again. You were kind of on the point. You know, it's kind of – you know when you put people on a commission or on a committee, you do expect for them to attend and if something has come up – is Shelly here --

Mr. Sibley: No. sir. Mr. Hammond is from SPAR.

Councilman Shyne: Well what I was about to say – Mr. Sibley, I'm going to refer this to you. If we have people on committees who are not attending, please let's look at replacing them no matter how good they might be. If you are not attending these meetings the goodness that you have or whatever that we saw in you that you brought to this committee, if you are not attending, please, I would hope that the administration would look at putting somebody else on. I mean, let's don't dilute and stretch the purpose of the committee and in order for these people who do not attend and I appreciate, Oliver, you bringing that up on yesterday.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Let me just say, I'm not sure who isn't there in attendance enough to establish quorum but I don't want us to suggest that it's necessarily our, that is the City's nominee that is the one that is maybe not showing up. I'm not sure who the – I mean there are different – each one of the governing bodies has nominations, so – and since I would hate for somebody – cause I don't have any inside into who's there and who's not there is the problem and certainly not necessarily something we can do about on our end. But I do think we need to look into that a little bit and another thing is that I'm having a little problem with my e-mail. Shelly did send us a list of those people and you probably have a printed copy, if you don't, you probably can get one –

Councilman Webb: Are we postponing?

Councilman O. Jenkins: It's for introduction only, so that's why we're giving a little time to deliberate and (inaudible), you know find out a little more information. I would say and this is just because I'm having problems with my internet, it's more for a long term IT issue. Since we switched over to these systems, you know for some reason Microsoft Word documents are not open – we can't open them on our screen nor can you open Excel on our screen. So the only documents we can read real time up here are PDF documents. I figure about three months ago or something we did some change, since then I – and I don't know maybe we need Councilman Shyne to show me how to do it over here but at any rate I can't open any of those Microsoft documents. So anyway, that's more of a note for everybody else– we have all experienced it at one time.

Councilman Corbin: And it is just for introduction today. I hope that we do give it a lot of thought and consideration before our next meeting and discuss it some more. I don't want to make a quick reaction that is a band aid instead of a real solution for what the (inaudible)

2. **Resolution No. 21 of 2013**: A resolution authorizing the use of certain equipment by the American Cancer Society for the Bossier “Relay for Life” and to otherwise provide with respect thereto

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman O. Jenkins to introduce Resolution No(s). 20 and 21 of 2013 to lay over until the next regular meeting. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: None.

Introduction of Ordinances (*Not to be adopted prior to February 26, 2013*)

1. **Ordinance No. 11 of 2013**: An Ordinance closing and abandoning the dedicated River Parkway Boulevard running west from Clyde E. Fant Parkway located Shreveport, Sections 4 and 5 (T17N-R13W), Caddo Parish Louisiana. (C/O. Jenkins)

2. **Ordinance No. 12 of 2013**: An Ordinance declaring the City's intention to acquire full ownership of certain adjudicated properties for the Riverfront Park Extension Project and otherwise providing with respect thereto (B/Everson)

3. **Ordinance No. 13 of 2013**: An Ordinance to amend and reenact Section 3.01 of Ordinance No. 96 of 1980 relative to exemptions and exclusions from sales and use taxes and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (B/Everson)

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Everson, seconded by Councilman O. Jenkins to introduce Ordinance No(s). 11, 12, and 13 of 2013 to lay over until the next regular meeting. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: None.

D. Ordinances on Second Reading and Final Passage (*Numbers are assigned Ordinance Numbers*)

1. **Ordinance No. 4 of 2013:** An Ordinance amending the 2013 Capital Improvements Budget and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (*Postponed January 22, 2013*)

Having passed first reading on January 8, 2013 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Everson, seconded by Councilman O. Jenkins to adopt. The Clerk read the following Amendment:

Amendment No. 1 to Ordinance No. 4 of 2013 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2013 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BUDGET AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO

Amend the Ordinance as follows:

Delete the Ordinance as introduced and substitute the attached Ordinance.

Explanation:

This amendment lists the name of each street to be repaired and the estimated cost to repair each street in the ordinance.

Motion by Councilman O. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Shyne to adopt Amendment No. 1.

Councilman Shyne: Comment. Jeff, I was really impressed on yesterday. Were you a member of the debate team at Byrd?

Councilman Everson: My brother was, actually. My twin brother was a member of the debate and I must have learned a thing or two from watching him.

Councilman Shyne: I believe you did. I almost said as an old teacher but as a young school teacher, Oliver, yeah, 39, I was quite impressed. Keep up those debate skills here.

Councilman Everson: Well, thank you much and certainly I think that we had a good discussion and I think that there were different viewpoints that all were well intentioned and I think there may be those of us that see the nature of this action differently but I think that at the end of the day I felt good about the fact that everybody wants to see what's best for Shreveport, we just have a different approach as to what we think is the best thing and you know, very respectful of the other ideas that were mentioned as well. So we appreciate those and look forward to continued conversations on other things we can do.

Councilman Shyne: And just one other thing, I think this is the best for Shreveport and I would want the people, Jeff that you and Sam talked to around the LSU area to know that their projects will not be affected by – no matter what you hear from people, this will not impact the projects around LSU. We understand that LSU is a very, very important economic engine in this area – matter of fact for the state of Louisiana. Dale, I'm hoping that our honorable governor is listening in on this today, that we need to make sure that LSU is maintained not only as an economic engine but as a health service provider which to me as a born again Christian is more important than the economic value because we have a lot of people not only from Shreveport and

Caddo Parish but from South Arkansas, East Texas, and Dale, as far over as my old home state, Mississippi that is served at LSU and is one of the – to me it's one of the better teaching facilities in the country. Not only in the south – what are we in the southwestern, the southeastern region, whatever it is but it is one of the best in the country, so no matter what you all have heard LSU will not be impacted.

Councilman Corbin: Councilwoman McCulloch, did you press the speaker button or – okay

Councilwoman McCulloch: Yes I did. Actually, I wanted some clarification from Stan, if not Jeff, Stan, Jeff, on was it Pines Road or Pine Hill Road.

Councilman Everson: Pine Hill Road.

Councilwoman McCulloch: It was Pine Hill Road? Okay, that's already been done.

Councilman Everson: We were told that it was completed.

Councilwoman McCulloch: That it was completed. Okay, because that's what I wanted you to clarify for me. Let me just say this, I agree with some of the comments made by Councilman Shyne as well as some of my other colleagues in regards to repairing major/minor arterials and whether it is asphalt or concrete whatever, I am for what's in the best interest overall for the City of Shreveport but the one thing that has kind of baffled me a little bit is that in attending all of the Infrastructure meetings and getting ideas and making suggestions to pretty much come up with the street improvement plan, street pavement plan or as a matter of fact we purchased one and I understood that the idea of purchasing this plan was to have them to identify whether it was major/minor, just common neighborhood streets – I mean, and what's happening now – and I hope my colleagues don't mind me speaking. What's happening now, it appears that if though we are overriding the idea or the suggestion that was made by a few of our committee members that we would verses identifying streets at this time for any type of improvements and I'm talking about moneys from the Special Revenue Fund, not from the bond issue but it was stated that we would wait on the payment management program before we start to identify improvements streets within the city of Shreveport. And of course there you know there was a little discrepancy with the representative from District A due to some request that were being made for several streets that are need of repair for District A and of course they are not considered major and minor arterials. My push was to get those streets repaired due to the complaints of a lot of the citizens, not just only in my district, neighborhood streets in my district but other districts as well but what I have discovered what's happened now is that we are passing getting recommendations from the streets management program and now we have gone to actually selecting the actual streets, prioritizing the streets ourselves which is what I thought the purpose of the streets management program, that's what it was supposed to do. But it seems as though we have overridden that idea as well to just focus on major and minor arterials. And I guess where I'm headed with this is that, I am going to vote to support this today but for the record so that my constituents would know that the streets that are listed in District A were really not selected by me as your representative to actually receive to funding from the Special Streets Revenue. This was selected by committee members. Of course I didn't get to attend the meeting on yesterday but I would just like for my colleagues, my constitutes to know that the streets that I'm going to be voting on that are listed on this particular ordinance today, that your representative did not partake in this selection. It doesn't mean that there are no other streets that are in need of repair. But in District A it just so happened a lot of the streets of which my constitutes drive daily, they happen not to major and minor arterial streets and what I would to ask from this Council today is that we

start to take a closer look at some of the suggestions that the Mayor has made in reference to repairing streets overall within the city of Shreveport. His focus is also on neighborhood streets as well and I would like for us to take a closer look at some of the suggestions that he has been making to this Council so that we could repair a larger measure of streets that need repair within the entire city of Shreveport and I definitely would like for you to – I understand that there is a pot of money that is remaining within the Special Streets Revenue Fund, I don't know, I think it's four million, however, four point some million and of course the Mayor suggestion that maybe we consider spending this money on neighborhood streets because where we are headed now with just repairing major and minor arterials, the neighborhoods and especially District A still suffers. And again I am referencing Special Streets Revenue money; I'm not referencing bond money. District A along with some other districts, the neighborhood streets are still suffering. We are still getting complaints, people are tearing up their automobiles. Right now I have four tires on a 2004 Expedition, I took it to get it repaired the other day and they told me there were problems with my four tires that I just replaced two years ago and of course if you go look at them – and I know that basically from driving up and down the streets within the Martin Luther King area of which where I reside. But I would like for us to consider take a closer look at what the Mayor has been suggesting to cover a larger measure of the streets within the entire city of Shreveport that would affect all of the neighborhoods as well as major and minor arterials. Again, I will support this today but for the record I would like for my constituents to know my reason for supporting this today because – you know one or two, three streets were considered within District A but it was not due to my choosing and I want my constituents to understand that a lot of you that have been calling me, a lot of the streets you have been requesting, I have requested before this Council. And so for the record, just know that is my reason for supporting this ordinance today. As I understand it there are, Jefferson Paige Road, Pines Road, some other streets that are being addressed as major and minor arterials and asphalt only but District A has a problem with not only asphalt, we also need repairs for concrete. And I wish that at some point we can come together collectively as a body to look at what the Mayor has been offering and not take the offense that, you know the Mayor is working some kind of undercover deal, you know whereby him and his friends can make a certain amount of money by doing what he suggested. I think based on what he suggested it's going to cover a larger measure of streets within the streets of Shreveport and the way it's looking now it's somewhat partial, of course it's a need but definitely we don't want the word to be that, well we don't want to support what the Mayor is doing because you know, he has his buddies that he's going to pay under the table and you know, this and that and the other. I think what the Mayor has presented, you know, in every district within the neighborhoods, the residents, the voting citizens that reside would benefit. So that's all I have to say in reference to this and thank you for council members for hearing me out. Thank you so much.

Councilman Corbin: Councilwoman McCulloch, before I go to Councilman Jenkins, just a clarification, this particular piece of legislation has been on our agenda since last year and just like this is an amendment that we are considering right now. Each of us has had the opportunity to make adjustments or at least discuss and see if we could get adjustments to this list. So, I did not want you to think that there had not been any way that you might could have changed some of these streets.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Thank you Mr. Chairman. I want to get a little clarification first. I understand the Pine Hill Road came out and a part of Kings Highway went in. There's two portions of Kings Highway on the list. Which one was it, is the Thornhill or Holly or is it the –

Councilman Everson: Thornhill and Holly, yes.

Councilman S. Jenkins: So that's the one that was added.

Councilman Everson: Correct.

Councilman S. Jenkins: And we were talking about spending \$10 million from the Special Revenue Fund that pushes above ten million. We looking at about forty to fifty-five thousand above the ten million. Now are we going into the money that we had set aside for maintenance for that happen and if so, why?

Councilman Everson: No and I can answer that at least. What we were doing here as I understand is we are lining out the projects. These are estimates for all of these projects. Hopefully, these estimates have cushions in them for contingency budgets and perhaps we will come in under contingency budget and we may have some additional room to do all of these projects, we may not. We may end up looking at it in a year and say or eight months and say perhaps we need to look at the idea of moving more money here but we are not moving the additional money there right now because these are estimates, so we are going to approve the project, approve the funding, if the funding isn't enough for the projects then as a council we can take a look at it and add additional funding if we feel it's necessary at that time, hopefully it won't be.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Well, I think this is a good set which I will support but I don't think it's the best set, I don't think it's the greatest set that we could have taken. Just a short while ago we really didn't have any money. Well, we didn't have any significant money coming in for street repairs. I was very happy to be a part of the move to get a revenue stream for street repairs. So the money is there. I would hope that as we go forward we would look at trying to make a greater impact on street repair because I do believe and I'm saying to my colleagues, this is the issue of our time on the City Council, I really do. All of us who are serving on this Council now talked about infrastructure and streets as priorities when we ran for office. We are in the middle of our terms and we came up with a solution for revenue. I think we raised those franchise fees with a commitment. Councilman Everson, you were one of those who voted for it. I remember the vote. It was a 4/3 vote to increase that franchise fee on a resolution that I set forward and I'm saying this is the issue of our time, Lady and Gentlemen, it really is and people are looking at us, the money is there. I'll hope going forward that we will take a look at a plan that will give us greater impact which is why I gave serious consideration to the Mayor's plan. I will say this also, I would hope that this revenue stream does not get diverted to some other cause. I know the City has problems. I know there is some wisdom in not wanting to tie the money up for twenty-five years but the problems with these streets have been around for twenty-five years and if we don't do anything to repair them there are going to be there for another twenty-five years. I know there is some wisdom in that approach but we need to resolve some problems. There is going to be something out there that this City is challenged with that we are going to have to do. I would be the first to admit as I sit here today, I wouldn't know all the answers to those issues, I really would not but I do know that if we go to people and tell them that we are going to do a certain thing, we ought to do our best to do that. I know things can happen but I think we ought to do our best to do it. I think this a good set. It is not the best set that we could have made. I think we owe it to the citizens of the city of Shreveport to make sure that this money remain there for streets which what we told them we would do and I believe that we need to look at a plan that would give us a greater impact. I know I represent District G but you got bad streets all over the city of Shreveport and the people who live in District G don't just ride around in District G. They may go to church in District B, they may

go to work in District A and they may go to the hospital in District C, people have to drive all the way through the city. I just really hope as we go forward that we would have a mentality where we are wanting to do the best we can with the funds that are available and to stay committed, I hope that we will stay committed, this revenue stream can be in there for streets and that we will realize that this is the issue of our time on this Council. Now some of us won't be coming back, we don't have that to worry about. Some of us are going to go back out there and ask people to trust us again. I'm going to be among them. I'll go ahead and say it, one way or the other, I'm going to be back out there going to some of these same people saying, trust me again. And everywhere we go we are hearing people talk about streets, getting streets repair. So, this is a good set. I commend the committee on what you have done but I don't think it's best set we could have taken right now and I believe what was discussed at the meeting on yesterday is that there is still an opening to look at farther work on this, hopefully, in a way that won't impact us being able to leverage these funds in some way and really get out there and try to do something with street repairs. So, with that I'm simply saying, let's not allow a new problem to come up and we walk away from the problem that we have a commitment to, which is the repair of our streets. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman, I'm not going to prolong this and Mr. Jenkins, I love you like a brother but I'll have to disagree with you. Jeff, you did a wonderful job. I have been down here long enough to know it doesn't matter what you do, you are not going to be able to satisfy everybody. When you start doing that you are going to lose your mind. This is the best set that we could have taken at this particular time. This will alleviate some of the problems. We need \$500,000,000 in order to do what needs to be done to streets in the city of Shreveport.

Councilwoman McCulloch: How many million?

Councilman Shyne: We need about \$500,000,000.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Five-Hundred Million.

Councilman Shyne: That's right. We need about \$500,000,000. What we passed in the committee was a set in the right direction. It's going to take us years. We didn't get to this problem – and again Councilman Jenkins, this is not only the problem of today's City Council but when I got on the City Council we had 125 to 130 miles of oil dirt streets. If you think the streets are bad now, they were worst back then. I had streets in my neighborhood where it was just like out in the country. Somebody drive down the – dust would just fly everywhere. With the City coming out putting oil on these streets and little kids going out, Mr. Harris, eating the oil off these streets, twenty or thirty years from now we don't know what the effects might have been. So, we have always had street problems in the city of Shreveport, it's just not now and we will continue to have them. But we are going to have and what we are having now is going to be a shortage of money for the city of Shreveport. I disagree with you when you say that we should have tied this money up in a bonding for twenty-five years. You don't tie up your revenue streams that you might need for something else. Twenty-five years to do some street repair that's not going to really take care of the problem. So Jeff, I want to commend you for handling it. Oliver, I want to commend you for making the motion that this is the best that we can do and again, Sam, I love you like a brother but this is the best set. I don't want people out there thinking that what we are doing is not the best set. Now, it might be the best set for Sam but it's the best set for me and the best set for the committee. I supported that. We are doing what we are financially able to do at this particular time. I don't want the people in Shreveport to think that we got a bunch of money and we just don't want to do nothing with the streets. Sam you will get a chance and Oliver will probably

get a chance, and Jeff will get a chance to continue to work on this. This is a continuous process that we have work at, this is not a cure all. We got some money that has been there for the last 2 or 3 years that we have not spent. My daddy use to tell me before I reach for another biscuit, eat the one I got on my plate. I don't want to prolong this but I want the citizens of Shreveport to understand that we made this decision based on wisdom. We didn't make it based on what the Mayor thought. I figure I got just as much wisdom as the Mayor does. I'm older, I have more formal education, I've been in city government longer, I've lived longer, and other members have felt the same way. We didn't do this under the table because we thought somebody was going to get a piece of this. We did this because we felt like this was the right thing to do and I don't want this information going forward that it was some type of ill will. It was not. This is based on facts. If you didn't have an opportunity to put your two cents or fifteen cents or twenty cents in, it's not our fault. Jeff has always open this up and Mr. Harris I voted on it because the streets that you all had on here was put off on a professional standpoint. You didn't necessarily say, Joe do you have a street you want to put on here. I say you all look at it from a professional standpoint and see what needs to be there, because this is what you do. So, I appreciate what you all have done. I feel like from a professional standpoint and from being down here a long time, from remembering when we had oil dirt streets, not only streets that were cracked but oil dirt streets who had holes in them, that we made the right decision committee and committee chairman and we are going to have bite this off a little bit at a time, a little bit a time. Mr. Chairman, thank you for putting up with me.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Mr. Chairman, I will say again, the money is there. It's a matter of an approach. I respect my colleagues on this council. I think I have always maintained that in any debate. I don't take any vote personal but I am saying this, when we raised the franchise fee and had this money put into a special fund we committed to streets. I say again, I understand it maybe some wisdom and maybe not wanting to tie that revenue stream up but I'm saying let's do not take a nickel and dime approach to repairing our streets and the money is there. That's not the issue any more. Going forward I hope that we would take a more – even if it means a little more political courage, so to speak, that we would take a more in depth look at street repairs in the city of Shreveport cause I do believe this is the issue of our time on this council. I believe the people are looking at us and they are wanting us to do something about these streets. Now we are getting ready to spend \$10 million go through and do some asphalt overlays on some streets. You can compare that to a plan where you could have leverage this money, did a revenue bond, so that people will understand, a revenue bond is just that, money will come in to pay the debt and you could have went throughout the city of Shreveport and dealt with your major and your arterial streets both concrete and asphalt. I don't believe that, that is an issue that just ought to be sat to side and never looked again, that's the point I'm making right now. We could move forward with what has come out of the committee. I came to the meetings, I understand the logic behind what's being done now and thing it will be some good things come out of it Councilman Shyne. The people will be able to see something right away. They can feel real good. I understand all of that but at the end of the day what's best for the city of Shreveport is to keep this money, in this Councilman's opinion, is to keep this money, this revenue stream dedicated to streets and find a way where we can go out there and really deal with the problem and just to nickel and dime our way along. That's my position on it. My support for what's going to be done here today is there and I have already said that. I rather see something happen then nothing.

Councilman Shyne: I disagree with you on bonding of it.

Councilman S. Jenkins: I respect that and I respect what you are saying Councilman Shyne, I don't have a problem with what you are saying and I can understand your experience and I can understand your position. I hope you understand mine.

Councilman Shyne: I do. I just disagree with you on it.

Councilman S. Jenkins: My position, the position I'm taking on this is that we need to stay committed to resolve at some problem and not start taking this money throwing it in a whole lot of different direction and later on down the road and then all you are doing is piece milling every little problem that come along and nothing never gets resolved. And I would like to see us get some resolution, understand what I'm speaking from, I would like to see us get some resolution on streets and I think the money and the revenue stream that we have on would on it can allow us to do some greater than what we are doing today. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Councilman Everson: I just wanted to add as Chairman of the committee that produced this legislation, there are a number of considerations and I know that this is an issue that gets very political and also reason for (inaudible) things but I want to say that from the standpoint of the person who led a lot of this discussion and directed the conversation on both sides, I'm very respectful of all the different viewpoints came in today. I may have chosen one but I do not think that there was any impunity behind any of them. I don't think there was any ill will. I tend to go with the approach that we are taking because of the timeframe. I think that in 2011 we passed a bond, we started \$21 million in streets projects. Those projects are not done yet and while they will be done and I trust that they will be and I think the citizens will be very satisfied with them. I think that our citizenry is looking for a bit of a quicker return and by wiping off almost every major and minor arterial in the asphalt list, that is accomplishing a large amount of roadways for very efficient cost and a very efficient timeframe and so that's one reason that I lend towards this but that is not to say that we shouldn't continue discussions. I think there is room for continued discussions about other ways to tackle this problem at a larger scale. We will have the Pavement management system in place later this year and that is going to be an exciting tool for us to use. So I look forward to working with the administration continuing to work with the rest of the council and infrastructure committee on furthering this conversation using those new resources that we'll have to our advantage and it's my opinion that this is a good approach. And I certainly respect those who have different approaches and look forward to continuing discussions about those approaches but that's where I stand on it.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Councilman Everson, I don't say this in any kind of personal way, I wish there was some commitment I heard coming from this council that this revenue stream that was put in place for streets will continue to be there for streets.

Councilman Everson: Well is an account called the Streets Special Revenue Fund.

Councilman S. Jenkins: I do understand that but I also know that discussions and implications that I hear about other issues that are coming up, money ought to be available to use that concerns me. I think the first commitment needs to be to make sure that this money, stay there for streets, which is what we said we would do. As I said a few minutes ago Councilman Shyne, I can understand some wisdom in trying to keep some flexibility with all of this but I do think the first order of business should be that this money is going to stay there to repair streets like we said we were going to do and that's what I'm going to be looking for as we go forward with whatever discussions take place. I don't want us rushing into this trying to address this, that, first one thing, and the other when we said we would deal with issue of streets. Some problem needs to get itself resolved and that's what I'm going to be looking for in any discussion that we have as we go

forward.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman, let me say this and then I wish we would come to the vote. Mr. Jenkins, I think that we are all committed to do as much improvement with the street situation that we can in Shreveport.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Thank you Councilman.

Councilman Shyne: But I think what we disagree on is bonding this – that's just not a good business decision.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Well, let's don't talk about bonding –

Councilman Shyne: Let me finish now

Councilman S. Jenkins: Let's don't talk about bonding though; let's talk about a commitment to this revenue stream first and foremost going to street.

Councilman Shyne: Well look, I think Jeff said it that we have a commitment. I think I voted with you. I think I talked to you. I think I encouraged you. I think I said that was a good idea.

Councilman S. Jenkins: I need you to say those things again right now.

Councilman Shyne: Well look, I don't have to continuously repeat that. I think it was the administration who said let's put this money in the General Fund. Let's put this additional money in the General Fund. I said, no, I'm going with you. But I want to say this, the set that we are making today Councilman, is the right set that we are making. We discussed this in the Infrastructure committee.

Councilman S. Jenkins: I didn't say it was a wrong set. I said it was a good set Councilman but not the best set.

Councilman Shyne: Let's go on and vote for it.

Councilman Corbin: If we could. Our discussion has strayed far from the amendment that we are to vote on.

Councilman S. Jenkins: But thank you for your encouragement Councilman Shyne and I mean that with sincerity. I appreciate –

Councilman Corbin: I think that we are about to vote on this. The Mayor has his hand in here. Streets, Infrastructure, water and sewer all of that is going to continue to be a huge discussion point and huge problem for the rest of this council's term and probably the next council and the next administration. When we finish with what we are doing here today then we still have a Streets Special Revenue Fund, we still have plenty of discussions to be had and work out ways to move forward. What's before us today and what is – we have a motion on the table it's for Amendment No. 1.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman you can tell me whether you want me whether you want me to save my comments for the final motion or now or whatever you – I'll engage at your direction.

Councilman Corbin: Go ahead.

Mayor Glover: Thank you Mr. Chairman and members of the Council and I certainly understand and appreciate the inclination of the council to want to move along in an expeditious fashion. I want to offer that from my perspective not only as mayor but as citizen of Shreveport, there are very few issues more important to the citizens of this city right now than what it is that you all are contemplating voting for because I believe that Councilman Jenkins is absolutely correct in that this is one of the pressing issues of our time and I'm glad that probably have managed to have some of our other challenges and issues at a point and a level to where they don't over shadow something that is as important that is impressing as the condition of our street

infrastructure. The fact that I believe we are also at a tipping point with regard to the condition of our street infrastructure in that if we do not begin to act in a very active, engaged, substantive fashion then our problem had the potential to ultimately overwhelm us. I want to take this council and this city back very briefly in terms of the actual time frame of this overall situation. When this council came onboard you had before you a recommendation from a citizen study committee for a \$165 Million Bond Issue that included a record amount of expenditures for water and sewer, first time a city in its history making a significant commitment of general obligation bonds for the purpose of funding a portion of our city that has its own self-generated revenue, that being our water and sewer system. But because we were anticipating the issue that we are in the midst of negotiating right now with the Department of Justice and the EPA, we thought that would be the appropriate thing. That \$165 Million bond issue included only \$4 Million for streets. Much to the leadership at that time of then Vice Chairman Sam Jenkins and then Chairman Oliver Jenkins, this Council with input from the administration came up with a \$175 Million proposal, increased the overall amount by \$10 Million but dedicated \$21 Million in citywide street improvements. That bond issue met with overwhelming support from the citizens of the city of Shreveport. We began the process of working with you all in terms of how to go about engaging that \$21 Million, recognizing that seven council members trying to figure out how to split up and extend \$4 Million in street funding wouldn't do much of any good for the city of Shreveport. Ultimately that \$21 Million having been a council member myself and a legislator, I understood would be expected by those of you on this council as a means of being able to address what you saw as some of the most pressing problems within your respective districts. And those projects that are right now under engineering and design, some of which are underway and those that are about to be constructed are absolutely reflective of that. You will also remember that as this process move forward with Mr. Sam Jenkins coming up with the notion of increasing the franchise fee to increase this revenue stream, we both had the idea that it is something that should go towards street improvement. We also, I think amongst several different areas thought that it would be wise and prudent to figure out how it is that you ultimately end up getting or leveraging the highest and best impact for the commitment of these dollars for street purposes. This council, as Councilman Jenkins mentioned passed that by a 4/3 vote. We put before you all a proposal that would seek to try and leverage those dollars. Somehow the idea of leveraging is being presented to you all as if it is some sort of an exotic, unusual, never before tried, means of financial the capital expenditures of government. It's not. The very building that we are in right now was not purchased by a single check from the city of Shreveport. No capital expenditure of any significance of this city or any other government in Louisiana or outside of it is paid for by a single expenditure. The very streets that Councilman Shyne referenced earlier that have been replaced, those oil and dirt streets that are now crumbling and in need of repair and upgrade were not paid for by a single check, they were paid for by dollars that were leveraged by the city of Shreveport for the very purpose of providing and improvement in the condition of the infrastructure of the city of Shreveport. Yes, it is right and it's absolutely correct but now I will point out some of the other misstatements as we go forward and so what we have or had at that time was an effort to present back before this council following the passage of the bond issue that means utilizing the revenue from the increase in the franchise fee, the streets fund that was established in a way that would allow us to be able to make street improvements across the city of Shreveport above and beyond the \$21 Million in primarily neighborhood focused projects that this council supported and approved. We pushed for that. It's something I believe that this city needs because we have as been mentioned by other members of this council problems

with streets that go beyond just our neighborhood, that impact the entirety of the city. Linwood, Jewella, Hollywood, Pierremont, others are streets that just don't end up in one single neighborhood or one single council district. The effect and impact the quality of life, the ability to be able to retain and effectively attract businesses all across this city and it requires that we come up with a plan and a strategy that gives us the opportunity to be able to effectively address those problems. Now, what it is that this council is going to do today, I expect to meet with unanimous support. Why? Because none of you want to go on record as having said that you voted against a street problem. Does it represent the best? Does it represent the opportunity to be able to give us a chance to be able to give the citizens what Mrs. Stevens, the lady who was just down here earlier, Jack McCloud, whose e-mail I just received and I believe you as well Mr. Corbin, who just today rent and tore up a vehicle because he ran into a pot hole in the city of Shreveport? Does it reflect the best that we can do for them? No it does not. Does it give us – and contrary again to what Mr. Shyne has said, it does not give us the ability to be able to go out and address any of the other economic development needs that we have provided an opportunity for this council, for this city to act upon. LSU Shreveport right now is trying to figure out how it is that it positions itself to not end up being swallowed up by South Louisiana. There is a vision that has been put forth by the leadership of this hospital led by Dr. Barish, augmented and supported by the city's master plan that gives us a chance to be able to improve the infrastructure and at the same time see that investment of private dollars result in significant – or public dollars result in the significant investment of private dollars, a win, win proposition. There is nothing in what it is that you all are about to vote on either by amendment or by direct vote that will ultimately end up effecting that in any way, combined with that the fact that we have now a multi-million dollar of the art facility being constructed on the opposite side of the river that will add by 1/6 or a new venture to our local gaming market. We have presented to this council an opportunity for us to improve not only an asset that we now own in the Red River District but to improve the aesthetics and the appearance of the infrastructure around the Clyde Fant Parkway, one of our two major arterials. What you have before you won't do that. What it will do, it'll provide some quick relief on some asphalt driving surfaces but anywhere that you drive in this city on concrete where your car buckles and shakes and almost comes about, it will not do anything whatsoever. Lastly as I wrap up and hand the floor back to you Mr. Chairman, I want to thank Councilwoman McCulloch for the absolute honesty that she presents her comments in because if there are those of you who have been told by either members of this council or the community in general that there is something personal that I have involved and at state in trying to fix the streets of the city of Shreveport, I wish you could tell me what the name of my company is, cause I don't know it. These are projects that will have to be engineered and designed and a process that this council is a part of. Once they are engineered and designed there are bid documents that are produced. Those documents are advertised and bids are received and we are bound by state law to provide the lowest clarified bidder with the opportunity to go out and do the work. It's as simple as that and so all of the other efforts at trying to misdirect, mislead, misinform, misdirect people regarding this issue is something that those individuals involved with it ought to be ashamed of because ultimately what you are doing is denying the opportunity for this city to do what it is that each of us have been sent down here to do and that is to figure out how it is that we work together to address the need and the issues and the challenges that face this city. So, yes today you will do something but that something will not end up ultimate being that which will provide the greatest benefit to those of us who sent us here. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman I call for the vote and it is appalling that an individual would sit up and make derogatory statements about the decision that we are making. I think all of us are making these decisions based on what we think is best for the city of Shreveport, all this all verbiage shouldn't even be – professional people shouldn't make those kind of statements about other professional people. We are basing our decisions on what we think is best for the City of Shreveport. This is the second or third time that we have heard this kind of verbiage and I wonder if a person think when you make those kind verbiage, you are going to change somebody decision. You don't change nobody decision by talking about their character, making innuendos about why they are voting for different things that come across this council. I'm appalled to hear that, I mean that shows the lack of intelligence, the lack of understanding, the lack of self-respect that somebody would have for somebody else on this council. I would never make a statement about why you are voting for, what you voting for. That's left up to you and your God and to the people that you represent. I call for the vote Mr. Chairman.

Mayor Glover: Some of us have good reason Mr. Shyne to question why it is that some folks make (inaudible) based on actual experience.

Councilman Corbin: We have a call for the vote. We have motion, we have a second and we are voting on the amendment. Please vote.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: None

Motion by Councilman O. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Everson to adopt the ordinance as amended.

Councilman Corbin: I believe we have some discussion.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Yeah, I wanted to apologize to Stan and the rest of the crew. I did identify a couple of streets that I did request for major and minor arterials in District A. So I apologize, I was able to glimpse a couple of them. Thank you so much.

Councilman Corbin: No further discussion, please vote.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: None.

2. Ordinance No. 5 of 2013: An Ordinance amending the 2013 Budget Streets Special Revenue Fund, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (*Postponed January 22, 2013*)

Having passed first reading on January 8, 2013 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman Everson to adopt.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Okay now, this budget amendment is for 10 million and the program is for 10.4 million.

Councilman O. Jenkins: That's estimated.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Okay.

Councilwoman McCulloch: You saying okay, why are you saying okay? You say 4.10 million.

Councilman S. Jenkins: I'm saying okay because they say its estimate. They say everything is being estimated. The program I guess is estimated at 10. 4 million but the actual budget, there is no amendment to bring in line with the program and they are saying that it's all estimates.

Councilman Corbin; Ordinance No. 5 would only appropriate \$10 Million as I understand it and anything over 10 million would have to come back before the council (inaudible)

Councilman Everson: We would have to come back for review if we were going to put additional money there.

Councilman Shyne: Let me make this statement too, Mr. Chairman. Mr. Jenkins from time to time if there is a project that is being done, if they find out that they are running short of funds that particular department would get with the administration and the administration would come back to us with a motion to – if it's two and a half, if it's two thousand, if it's two million or whatever it is, then they will come back and we will vote for the rest of the money.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Don't you think it would have been easier to have an amendment on this for – to bring it in line with the program.

Councilman Shyne: I don't think so because I think right at this particular point they don't really know.

Councilman S. Jenkins: I will follow you advice on this Councilman Shyne.

Councilman Shyne: Please do.

Mayor Glover: I do think it is a legitimate point as far as this council along with the administration to have a discussion on a process that results in a \$94,000 being deleted from District A and a \$400,000 project being added for District C.

Councilman Everson: And by deleted you mean completed.

Mayor Glover: Either way.

Councilman Everson: Completed.

Mayor Glover: But it's not on the list. You had a project –

Councilman Everson: It's not on the list because it was completed.

Mayor Glover: -- In District A and now a \$400,000 project that's in District C. Those are legitimate things to be discussed and I think to be resolved.

Councilman Corbin: We have voted on the amendment and that amendment includes the streets. We are there.

Mayor Glover: You still resulted in a situation where District A, a district that without question has the highest need or one of the highest needs on this council in terms of infrastructural improvement, in terms of street repair and reconstruction that does not have a corresponding project and certainly not one of a corresponding value.

Councilman Everson: How many streets on the list of top 25 streets are in District A?

Mayor Glover: I'm talking about the Pine Hill at \$94,000 being replaced by with a project for \$400,000.

Councilman Corbin: Pine Hill should have never been on the list because it was a completed project.

Councilwoman McCulloch: But I think \$94,000 being replaced for \$400,000 is the issue.

Councilman Webb: It wasn't replaced.

Councilman Everson: It wasn't replaced, one was checked off because it was a completed project and additionally there was discussion that because the list that we had initially based it on was minor arterials when it was presented to us in the Mayor's presentation about the priorities, the major arterials were included in there and we certainly appreciate that and I think that's one of the reasons that brought to the attention of the group yesterday in the discussions how important that street was. There is a very, very high traffic volume on it and so it was added then. So that is where it came from.

Councilwoman McCulloch: The money that had already been spent, the \$94,000 that was on the list had already been spent, so that was like an error of the administration to put it on –

Councilman Everson: Yeah, because we introduced this a while back, you know so I think when we introduced it a while back it hadn't been done yet and then now that we're about to vote on it, that project has been done.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Pine Hill has been done since 2010.

Councilman Everson: So, maybe it's been done a long time. So maybe it just hadn't been

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Councilwoman McCulloch: And for it to be placed on the list now and then subtracted, that's what I don't – I don't get that.

Councilman Everson: It was on there in error.

Councilman Corbin: Our discussion and vote is on Ordinance No. 5.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: None.

3. Ordinance No. 7 of 2013: An Ordinance declaring the City's interest in certain vacant lots as surplus, and our intention to donate certain vacant lots acquired by Community Development for Phase III of Concordia Place Development, to Fuller Center for Housing of Northwest Louisiana, Inc.; and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (*Not to be adopted prior to February 12, 2013*)

Having passed first reading on January 8, 2013 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Everson, seconded by Councilman O. Jenkins to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Out of Chamber: Councilman Corbin. 1.

4. Ordinance No. 8 of 2013: An ordinance to enact 2-27 (e) Section the Code of Ordinances relative to the legal descriptions of the several Council Districts of the City and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Having passed first reading on January 22, 2013 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman S. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman O. Jenkins to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Out of Chamber: Councilman Corbin. 1.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, before we proceed, can I ask staff, who control this screen?

Mr. Thompson: Lynette.

Mayor Glover: Can you keep it or place it where it's in line with where the council is on the agenda.

Ms. Oliver: If the vote is up for them to vote, it goes back and right now the vote is up for them to vote.

Mayor Glover: It usually keeps up with each item on the agenda. It's now back at the beginning.

Ms. Oliver: I can't do it right now unless I shut the vote off. I will do it when they vote.

Mayor Glover: Okay.

Councilman Everson: So you are saying once you allow us to register our vote, that screen goes back to the beginning of the agenda.

Ms. Oliver: Yeah when it scrolls down I have to hit it but since we were going fast, I didn't hit it to go back.

Councilman Everson: Okay, got you.

Councilman Shyne: Lynette, you are doing an excellent job.

5. Ordinance No. 9 of 2013: An ordinance amending the 2013 Grants Special Revenue Fund Budget, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Having passed first reading on January 22, 2013 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Everson, seconded by Councilman O. Jenkins to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Out of Chamber: Councilman Corbin. 1.

(The Clerk read title of Ordinance No. 10 of 2013)

Councilman O. Jenkins: Mr. Chair, may I suggest we postpone this until the Councilman for that District comes back in here and we move down to 180.

Councilman Shyne: I think that is a great suggestion. If no one has any objections to it, cause you know you have been making some suggestions and there have been some objections to them but Mr. Clerk we will postpone that on --

Mr. Thompson: If there are no objections we will move on to 180 and come back to it.

6. Ordinance No. 180 of 2013: ZONING - C-67-12: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, The City Of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning property located on the north side of Pierremont, 284 feet west of Fairfield Avenue, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA., FROM R-1D, URBAN ONE FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO B-1, BUFFER BUSINESS DISTRICT, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (C/O. Jenkins) *(Postponed January 22, 2013)*

Councilman Shyne: The Chairman is back so we will take the pleasure. What's the pleasure?

Councilman O. Jenkins: I would like to make a motion to remand this back to the to the MPC to revisit site plan because according to the MPC staff, it truly doesn't conform with their guidelines.

Having passed first reading on December 27, 2012 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman O. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to remand to the MPC. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Out of Chamber: Councilman Everson. 1.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Clerk I would move that we would come back to the one that we just skipped, Mr. Chairman that's in your district.

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Chairman, while you were out No. 10 was postponed temporarily while you were out. Would you like for me to read it now?

7. Ordinance No. 10 of 2013: ZONING – C-2-13: An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, the City of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning property located on the west side of St. Vincent, 1460 feet south of Benton Kelly Drive Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA from R-A, Residence-Agriculture District to I-1, Light Industry District, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (D/Corbin)

Having passed first reading on January 22, 2013 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Corbin, seconded by Councilman Shyne to adopt.

Councilman Webb: Thank you Mr. Chairman. I was looking at the report, I guess, the **Master Plan Consideration**, they're saying they would discourage the development of this property with the underline RA, so this is supposed to be a general business district, correct? So changing that from residential to industrial is what you are basically doing, right?

Councilman Corbin: Is Dara here or she left?

Mr. Sibley: Mr. Jambor is coming forward.

Mr. Jambor: It is a transitional area obviously with existing industrial properties, RA in existence. RA is in – unfortunately in many cases simply reflective of property that has never been historically developed, kind of a residual category particularly rural areas like this and that's one of the contemplating changes under the new Unified Development Code is to consciously decide what property is simply not been developed previously and what it should be. There will be additional categories. The suggestion is it no longer be treated as a residual category. It be a conscious effort to say, this ought to remain rural in character and this is prone to be redeveloped.

Councilman Webb: I'm looking at the map. I don't have a problem with it, I just –

Mr. Jambor: Yeah, I mean that's normally based on – and you will find other – you know, for an example in very rural areas when they originally adopted the zoning ordinance, that might have been a pipe yard for United Gas, historically and that one little piece will be industrial surrounded by rural area. That just happen to be the process they used in the early days of zoning in Shreveport. Unfortunately it will be to certain results like this, not necessarily making sense.

Councilman Webb: Thank you.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: None.

8. Ordinance No 181 of 2013: ZONING - C-71-12: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, The City Of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning property located on the east side of Pines Road, 387' on the dedication of Lawton Road, 1020' north of Jefferson Paige Road, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, FROM B-1, BUFFER BUSINESS DISTRICT TO R-1A, SUBURBAN ONE-FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (A/McCulloch(Postponed January 22, 2013))

Having passed first reading on December 27, 2012 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman McCulloch, seconded by Councilman Shyne to postpone until the next regular meeting.

Councilwoman McCulloch: I actually the opportunity to go out and meet with the residents from the associations that are involved with this zoning issue only with Belle Cherri the developer and after meeting with them I also had the opportunity to actually drive down Pines Road to actually look at housing developments that were in place along with some other housing developments as well and based on what I actually saw and I spoke with Councilman Sam Jenkins – basically what I actually saw with the manufactured home – it doesn't and I plan to share this with association as well, it doesn't appear though this might be a battle that they might want to fight, you know based on the other communities that I actually had an opportunity to visit and see. There were almost a half million dollar homes that were in sight of manufactured homes. The site that I actually visited that's on this agenda today it entails the addition of a manufactured home by Belle Cherri which the association feels that it would allow other manufacturing homes to come in as well. Well in looking at the community and reviewing the community, I mean that's all that they have in that particular area. And of course I would say that these manufactured homes are somewhat in the same neighborhood as maybe not your higher income housing developments but lower income development and we are only talking about anywhere from 4 or 5, 6 manufactured homes coming in addition to the numbered of manufactured homes that are there. But again I just wanted you to know that I did meet with the association that represents 9 different communities. I pretty much got a tour of those communities with Belle Cherri and I asked for a postponement for February 26th, so if we could have this ready for the February 26th agenda, I would appreciate it. Thank you.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: None.

The adopted ordinances and amendments follow:

Amendment No. 1 to Ordinance No. 4 of 2013: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2013 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BUDGET AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO

Amend the Ordinance as follows:

Delete the Ordinance as introduced and substitute the attached Ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. 4 OF 2013
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2013 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BUDGET AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BY:

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it necessary to amend the 2013 Capital Improvements Budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in legal session convened, that Ordinance No.133 of 2012, the 2013 Capital Improvements Budget, be further amended and re-enacted as follows: **In Program C (Streets):**

Create new project **Minor Arterial Asphalt Program** and add appropriation at \$ 10,000,000.00 from Streets Special Revenue Fund. Project Scope: to perform roadway improvements on the following asphalt surfaced minor arterials in the City of Shreveport at the following estimated costs.

Street Name	Limits		Length	Width	Districts	Estimated Cost
	From	To				
Line Av	Southfield	Merrick	12,780.18	45	B,C	\$1,052,336.55
Williamson Way	Kingston	Mansfield	11,886.17	25	E	\$1,240,507.35
Mansfield Rd	Hearne Ave	Greenwood Road	15,265.31	25	B, F	\$829,592.84
Buncombe Rd	70th	City Limits	17,244.95	25	E,F,G	\$919,380.70
Airport Dr	N. Market	Grimmet	2,264.09	45	A	\$157,896.03
Ellerbe Rd	Flournoy Lucas	City Limits	5,247.09	25	D	\$259,198.61
Ellerbe Rd	Overton Brooks	City Limits	4,886.75	25	D	\$241,398.34
Kings Highway	Thornhill	Holly Street	5,087.91	25	B/C	\$758,464.68
Lakeshore Dr	I-20	Jewella	8,948.90	45	G	\$800,195.45

Pines Rd	Buncomb	City Limits	8,733.82	25	E	\$795,111.93
Allen Av	Caddo	Milam	2,632.01	50	A	\$165,563.38
Milam St	Douglass	Exposition	11,807.77	36	A,B,G	\$452,997.88
Woolworth Rd	Bert Kouns	City Limits	11,992.21	25	G	\$441,282.45
E Kings Hwy	LSU	City Limits	6,643.70	25	D	\$300,948.33
Jefferson Paige Rd	I-220	Pines Road	2,009.20	25	A	\$369,412.44
Hollywood	Linwood	St. Vincent	724.86	50	B,F	\$78,565.50
Linwood Av	Claiborne	70th	13,154.14	52	B,D,F	1,061,340.823
Linwood Av	Bert Kouns	City Limits	4,951.95	25	D	399,547.626
Stoner Av	Creswell	Louisiana	1,019.86	50	B	\$99,341.80
Common St	Crockett	Cotton	386.00	45	B	\$32,160.27

\$10,455,242.9

Total 7

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the remainder of Ordinance 133 of 2012, as amended, shall remain in full force and effect.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if any provision or item of this ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications; and, to this end, the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

ORDINANCE NO. 5 OF 2013

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2013 BUDGET STREETS SPECIAL REVENUE FUND, APPROPRIATING THE FUNDS AUTHORIZED THEREIN, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, the City Council provides for the amendment of any previously adopted budget; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it necessary to amend the 2013 budget for the Streets Special Revenue Fund to adjust appropriations and for other purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in legal session convened, that Ordinance No. 150 of 2012, the 2013 budget for the Streets Special Revenue Fund, is hereby amended as follows:

In Section 2 (Appropriations):

Decrease Improvements and Equipment by 3,000,000

Decrease Operating Reserves by \$7,000,000

Increase Transfer to Capital Projects by \$10,000,000

Adjust totals and subtotals accordingly.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the remainder of Ordinance 150 of 2012, as amended, shall remain in full force and effect.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if any provision or item of this ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications; and, to this end, the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

ORDINANCE NO. 7 OF 2012

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING THE CITY'S INTEREST IN CERTAIN VACANT LOTS AS SURPLUS, AND OUR INTENTION TO DONATE CERTAIN VACANT LOTS ACQUIRED BY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FOR PHASE III OF CONCORDIA PLACE DEVELOPMENT, TO FULLER CENTER FOR HOUSING OF NORTHWEST LOUISIANA, INC.; AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

BY: Jeff Everson

WHEREAS, the City has been designated by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") as a Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG") Entitlement City, and the regulations promulgated thereunder which are contained in 24 CFR Part 570, and;

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport, through the Department of Community Development, has acquired title to certain property identified as:

Lots 1 & 2, Concordia Park Subdivision and ½ Abandoned Alley; Physical Address: 10309 NONE, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana; (GEO No. 171305031006900), together with any improvements thereon;

Lot 43, Concordia Park Annex Subdivision; Physical Address: 6442 NONE, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana; (GEO No. 171305034004300), together with any improvements Thereon;

Lot 44, Concordia Park Annex Subdivision; Physical Address: 6443 NONE, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana; (GEO NO. 171305034004400), together with any improvements thereon;

Lot 47, Concordia Park Annex Subdivision; Physical Address: 6452 NONE, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana; (GEO No. 171305036004700), together with any improvements thereon;

Lot 50, Concordia Park Annex Subdivision; Physical Address: 6454 NONE, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana; (GEO No. 171305036005000), together with any improvements thereon.

Lot 51, Concordia Park Annex Subdivision; Physical address: 6455 NONE, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana; (GEO 171305036005100); together with any improvements thereon.

WHEREAS, the said properties were acquired by the City with the intent, and subject to the condition that they ultimately be conveyed to qualified individuals or organizations for authorized uses in accordance with deed restrictions imposed by HUD and a Memorandum of Understanding between the City and HUD relative to City's acquisition of said property from HUD; and

WHEREAS, The Fuller Center for Housing of Northwest Louisiana satisfies the national objective of the CDBG Program as it relates to benefitting low and moderate income persons for housing where at least 51% of the residents are low to moderate income persons as contained in 24 CFR 570.208, and;

WHEREAS, the donation must be used to meet the national objectives in 570.208 until five years after execution of this agreement, or for such longer period of time as determined to be appropriate by the City;

WHEREAS, the said property is not needed by the City for a public purpose and should therefore be declared to be surplus property; and

WHEREAS, LSA-R.S. 33:4712 requires that notice of this ordinance be published at least three (3) times within fifteen (15) days, one week apart.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened, that that:

Lots 1 & 2, Concordia Park Subdivision and ½ Abandoned Alley; Physical Address: 10309 NONE, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana; (GEO No. 171305031006900), together with any improvements thereon;

Lot 43, Concordia Park Annex Subdivision; Physical Address: 6442 NONE, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana; (GEO No. 171305034004300), together with any improvements Thereon;

Lot 44, Concordia Park Annex Subdivision; Physical Address: 6443 NONE, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana; (GEO NO. 171305034004400), together with any improvements thereon;

Lot 47, Concordia Park Annex Subdivision; Physical Address: 6452 NONE, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana; (GEO No. 171305036004700), together with any improvements thereon;

Lot 50, Concordia Park Annex Subdivision; Physical Address: 6454 NONE, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana; (GEO No. 171305036005000), together with any improvements thereon.

Lot 51, Concordia Park Annex Subdivision; Physical address: 6455 NONE, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana; (GEO 171305036005100); together with any improvements thereon.

are hereby declared to be surplus property and not needed by the City of Shreveport for public purpose.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the City of Shreveport is hereby authorized to donate:

Lots 1 & 2, Concordia Park Subdivision and ½ Abandoned Alley; Physical Address: 10309 NONE, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana; (GEO No. 171305031006900), together with any improvements thereon;

Lot 43, Concordia Park Annex Subdivision; Physical Address: 6442 NONE, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana; (GEO No. 171305034004300), together with any improvements Thereon;

Lot 44, Concordia Park Annex Subdivision; Physical Address: 6443 NONE, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana; (GEO NO. 171305034004400), together with any improvements thereon;

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Lot 51, Concordia Park Annex Subdivision; Physical address: 6455 NONE, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana; (GEO 171305036005100); together with any improvements thereon.

to the Fuller Center for Housing of Northwest Louisiana, Inc. in “as is” condition and without warranty of title or recourse whatsoever against the City of Shreveport, in accordance with state law, city ordinances and subject to deed restrictions imposed by the HUD and Community Development.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Mayor of the City of Shreveport is authorized to execute and deliver, for and on behalf of the City of Shreveport, any and all document relative to the donation of the property to the Fuller Center after review and approval of such document(s) by the Office of the City Attorney, and to do any and all things necessary and incidental to carry out the authorization expressed in this ordinance relative to donation of the said property.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if any provision or item of this ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

ORDINANCE NO. 8 OF 2013

AN ORDINANCE TO ENACT SECTION 2-27(E) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATIVE TO THE LEGAL DESCRIPTIONS OF THE SEVERAL COUNCIL DISTRICTS OF THE CITY TO AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 164 of 2012 to reapportion the several council districts of the city; and

WHEREAS, said ordinance adopted the official map showing the council districts; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of official legal descriptions of said council districts will assist city officials and employees and the public in the transaction of city business.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal and regular session convened that Section 2-27(e) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Shreveport is hereby enacted to read as follows:

Sec. 2-27. - City council districts.

* * *

(e) Official district legal descriptions adopted. The legal descriptions for each district attached hereto and made a part hereof and titled City of Shreveport City Council Districts Boundaries in Plan 12 Revised 12-27-2012 are hereby adopted as the official legal descriptions of said districts. The city engineer shall be responsible for preparing and maintaining updates to the map and legal descriptions when necessitated by annexations.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if any provision or item of this Ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this Ordinance which can be given affect without the invalid provisions, items or applications and to this end the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all Ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

ORDINANCE NO. 9 OF 2013

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2013 GRANTS SPECIAL REVENUE FUND BUDGET, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BY:

WHEREAS, Article 7 of the Charter of the City of Shreveport requires the adoption of a comprehensive operating budget for the year 2013; and

WHEREAS, the City has created a Grants Special Revenue Fund, to account for the receipt of and expenditure of funds provided to the City by various agencies to assist in city operations; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it desirable to amend the 2013 budget for the Grants Special Revenue Fund, to adjust revenues and for other purposes.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal and regular session convened that Ordinance No. 139 of 2012, relative to the 2013 budget for the Grants Special Revenue Fund, be hereby amended as follows:

1. Estimated Receipts – The estimated Police Grants Revenue Fund for the year 2013 are amended as follows:

PSN – Gun Crime Reduction 2011 Grant shall be increased by \$5,000, for a total of \$7,600.

Federal Justice Assistance Grant 2009 shall be increased by \$535, for a total of \$853.

The new subtotal for 2012 and Prior –Year Receipts shall be \$2,258,993.

The new grand total for Revenues shall be \$ 3,444,814.

2. Appropriations – The funds set forth herein are hereby appropriated out of the Police Grants Revenue Fund’s receipts for the year 2011 and prior year and are amended as follows:

PSN – Gun Crime Reduction 2011 Grant’s Revenues shall be increased by \$5,000; and, \$5,000 shall be appropriated to Personal Services for a total of \$7,600.

Federal Justice Assistance Grant 2009’s Revenues shall be increased by \$535; and, \$535 shall be appropriated to Other Charges for a total of \$853.

The new subtotal for 2012 and Prior –Year Receipts shall be \$2,258,993.

The new grand total for Police Appropriations shall be \$ 3,444,814.

Adjust totals and subtotals accordingly.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the remainder of Ordinance 139 of 2012 shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if any provision or item of this Ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this Ordinance which can be given affect without the invalid provisions, items or applications and to this end the provisions of the Ordinance are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all Ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

ORDINANCE NO. 10 OF 2013

BY:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 106 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT ZONING ORDINANCE, BY REZONING PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF ST. VINCENT, 1460 FEET SOUTH OF BENTON KELLY SRIVE SHREVEPORT, CADDO PARISH, LA, **FROM R-A, RESIDENCE-AGRICULTURE DISTRICT TO I-1, LIGHT INDUSTRY DISTRICT** AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

SECTION I: BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA, in due, legal and regular session convened, that the zoning classification of property located on the west side of St. Vincent, 1460 feet south of Benton Kelly Drive, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA be and the same is hereby changed **from R-A, Residence-Agriculture District to I-1, Light Industry District.**

SECTION II: THAT the rezoning of the property described herein is subject to compliance with the following stipulations:

1. **Development of the property shall be in substantial accord with the site plan submitted with any significant changes or additions requiring further review and approval by the Planning Commission.**
2. **Waiver of solid screening fence requirement is granted until such time as the adjacent property is developed residentially.**

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if any provision or item of this ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items, or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items, or applications and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

10. Tabled Legislation

1. Ordinance No. 89 of 2011: An ordinance amending and reenacting Chapter 74 of the Code of Ordinances relative to Solid Waste Collections, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (G/S. Jenkins) (*Tabled September 13, 2011*)
2. Ordinance No 25 of 2012: Amending the 2012 Capital Improvements Budget, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (*Texas Street Turn Lanes*) (*Tabled March 27, 2012*) (B/Everson)
3. Ordinance No. 205 of 2012: Approving the application of citizens regarding the organization of the Shreveport-Caddo Economic Development Authority; Designating the Economic Development area therefore; Approving eh economic Development Plan therefore; Making certain findings in connection therewith; and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (*Tabled December 11, 2012*) SCEDA By-Laws
4. Ordinance No. 170 of 2012: Amending and reenacting portions of Chapter 90 of the Code of Ordinances relative to Residential Parking Permit Zones, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (B/Everson) (*Tabled December 11, 2012*)

11. Appeals

A. Property Standards Appeals

PSD0900275: 140 Pennsylvania Avenue, Shreveport, LA (C/Jenkins) Mr. & Mrs. Robert A. Powell, 819 ½ Boulevard Street, Shreveport, LA 71104 (B/Everson) (*Postponed December 10, 2012 until March 11, 2013*)

PSD1000086: 2837 Logan Street, Shreveport, LA (G/S. Jenkins) Ms. Carolyn Ivory Wilson, 3646 Del Rio Street, Shreveport, LA 71109 (G/Jenkins) (*Postponed January 18, 2013 until June 24, 2013*)

PSD1000141: 728 Austin Pl, Shreveport, LA (B/Everson) Ms. Deborah Bryant, 9640 Tammy, Shreveport, LA 71106 (Caddo Parish) (*Tabled April 11, 2011*)

PSD1100017: 3634 Sumner Street, Shreveport, LA (G/S. Jenkins) Mr. Roberto Strickland, 3740 Jackson Street, Shreveport, LA 71109 (G/S. Jenkins) (*Postponed January 7, 2013 until March 11, 2013*)

PSD1200100: 3545 Michigan Street, Shreveport, LA (G/S. Jenkins) Mr. Carl Colvin, 6618 Burke Street, Shreveport, LA 71108 (E/Webb) (*Postponed January 18, 2013 until February 25, 2013*)

PSD1200016: 6938 Nevada Avenue, Shreveport, LA (G/S. Jenkins) Ms. Erika Thompson, 7517 Grass Valley Trail, Fort Worth, TX 76123 (*Postponed January 7, 2013 until March 11, 2012*)

PSD1200196: 3106 Murphy Street, Shreveport, LA (B/Everson) Mr. & Mrs. T. J. Johnson, 1168 Pelican Street, Shreveport, LA (C/O. Jenkins) (*Postponed January 7, 2013 until February 11, 2013*)

B. Alcoholic Beverage Ordinance Appeals

Ms. Carolyn Banks, C/O *Uncle Bucks BBQ*, 2920 Jewella, Shreveport, LA, Denial of application for Renewal of Alcohol Beverage Permit at 2920 Jewella Avenue, Shreveport, LA 71109 (G/S. Jenkins) (*Postponed January 7, 2013 until February 23, 2013*)

Mr. Paul Ordonez, C/O Shreve City Exxon, 1101 Shreveport-Barksdale Hwy., Shreveport, LA 71105, Denial of application for Renewal of Alcohol Beverage Permit at 1101 Shreveport-Barksdale Hwy., Shreveport, LA 71105 (C/O. Jenkins)

Councilman Corbin: Mr. Thompson, I believe that brings us to our MPC Appeals

C. Metropolitan Planning Commission Appeals and Zoning Board of Appeals

APPEAL – BAC-97-12: Yasir Khan, 1901 Alston Street, Shreveport, LA, SW corner of Alston and N. Dale Street, Shreveport, LA (A/McCulloch) (*To be considered February 12, 2013*)

Councilman Corbin: Ms. McCulloch, did you want to postpone that as well.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Yes, I asked earlier that based on the conditions that we postpone it until February 26, also.

Motion by Councilwoman McCulloch, seconded by Councilman Shyne to postpone until the next regular meeting. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, and Shyne. 6. Nays: None. Out of Chamber: Councilman S. Jenkins. 1.

Other Appeals: None.

Clerk's Report:

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Chairman, I am happy to report that we have some goodies in the back.

Councilman Corbin: I may have skipped over Reports from Officers, Boards, and Committees. Do we have any reports from Officers, Boards, and Committees?

Reports from Officers, Boards, and Committees

Councilman O. Jenkins: Just one, I would like to formalize, the 1:30 meeting two weeks from yesterday for the Public Safety Committee Meeting. Whoever is on that – Councilman Shyne is one of the members of our Public Safety Committee and I believe Councilwoman McCulloch is also on that.

Councilwoman McCulloch: When is it?

Councilman O. Jenkins: Two weeks from yesterday at 1:30.

Mr. Sibley: The 25th.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Thank you Dale.

Councilman Shyne: Lynette, make sure you write that down and – I don't have my iphone where I can plug it in. Write that down and call me and remind me please.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Actually, Jeff I was absent the other day when the Master Plan Committee had the special meeting. Do you think it would be in order to kind of share with us the results of that meeting?

Councilman Everson: Yeah, doing that meeting and I think I sent you a recap and if I leave anything out remind me and I'll be happy to add it but one of the things that we discussed was – that really under the leadership of the committee there have been a lot of accomplishments and so it would be a good thing for, we discussed, for the MPC, the City and the Parish Representatives on there to sort of bring a list at the March meeting of some of those Master Plan related items that have been able to be accomplished thus far for a bit of a, how far we have come. Often when a Master Plan comes in place, especially when it's one that comes after such long absence of having one, people are skeptical of if it's going to be implemented, if it's going to happen, what's going to be done with it, is it going to sit on the shelf and thankfully this plan is very much not set on the shelf. There has been a lot of work done and much to the credit of those who helped to draft it and who have been behind the implementation of it. So that was sort of what the discussion opened with. The discussion then moved to the subject of the Unified Development Code, the Master Plan that chose the selection process that the Master Plan Committee felt like they wanted a more active role in it so, the Master Plan Committee came up with an alternative suggestion which would be to add the chairman of the – Mr. Andrews who is the City appointment that was just add back on – I can't recall if he's the current chairman or the immediate past chairman of the MPC. To that committee as well so that the MPC would have an additional member and that is the suggestion for the – so that would make the Master Plan Committee plus Winzer Andrews would be the selection team for the Unified Development Code contract and that is the suggestion that was made back to the MPC. MPC would entertain that at a mid-month meeting, this month and the Master Plan

Committee decided to reconvene on February 21st after that meeting has taken place so that we can appropriately respond.

Councilwoman McCulloch: So it was suggested that the City Council as well as the Commission partake in the selection process or the evaluation process?

Councilman Everson: Yes, because the Master Plan Committee for those who don't serve on it, is made up of 2 members of the City Council, 2 members of the Caddo Parish Commission, and 2 members of the MPC and so the suggestion was made to have the selection committee be that 6 member group with the addition of Mr. Winzer Andrews, he's on the MPC as well, making it a 7 member group.

Councilwoman McCulloch: And now we are waiting on MPC to say we have the authority to do that.

Councilman Everson: Waiting to hear to – well I believe it was confirmed that the authority is there it's just a matter if they to take that approach or not. So that's the suggestion that was formally made and we'll see if that is the approach the next time.

Councilwoman McCulloch: And that was February the 21st the next meeting.

Councilman Everson: Correct.

Councilman S. Jenkins: I believe this will be a good time Mr. Chairman to remind everyone that we do have an Audit and Finance Committee meeting that is scheduled for February the 26th. I believe – is it 1:30?

Ms. Steward: That's correct.

Councilman S. Jenkins: That will be immediately preceding our next city council meeting. So, I know we set that a long ways off, so just to put it back on everybody's mind. Thank you sir.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman, let me ask Mr. Jenkins. Mr. Jenkins, are you all looking at I think the report that we got from – Mr. Chairman I think that you had done with the investigation into the Neuner report in relation to – what was our finance –

Councilman S. Jenkins: The Financial Advisor?

Councilman Shyne: Yes.

Councilman S. Jenkins: We are using the Neuner Report as guidance in the materials that we are requesting in review as well as the recommendations that we are making to be carried out. It is (inaudible) to hopefully resolve the –

Councilman Shyne: Because there were some financial discretion there about – I think we had overpaid. I think it was indicated that maybe we had made an overpayment and there were some other items in there and I would hope that we would get some kind of – look at bringing that to an end if it was really an overpayment, there was really some things that we need to put a period behind, I would hope that we would hurry up and get to that point where we could put a period that.

Councilman S. Jenkins: That's certainly the goal, Councilman Shyne. That is our goal.

Councilman Shyne: Okay.

Councilman Corbin: Last chance for Clerk's Report Mr. Thompson before we go into the Committee of the Whole, just in case anything popped in there.

Mr. Thompson: Nothing else.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Well, I tell what you what Mr. Chairman, I saw our Clerk and his lovely wife out at the Harambee Ball and I tell you I didn't know he was such a nice dancer. Light on his feet.

Councilman Corbin: Pictures in two weeks.

Councilman Shyne: You don't know Art, they use to call him Mr. Arthur Murray.

Councilman Everson: If anybody thinks they saw me at the Highland Ball, you are wrong.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Was that your brother?

Councilman Everson: No, it was indeed me but I would say that was a fun party as it usually is and I think city's very own, Ms. Karen Barnes was probably the, without question the most elegant one there. She conducted herself in such a way that would make the City proud.

Motion by Councilman O. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Shyne to go into the Committee of the Whole. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays. None.

The Council resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for communications and miscellaneous matters:

The Committee "rises and reports" (reconvenes the regular council meeting)

Adjournment: There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:20 p.m.

//s// Michael D. Corbin, Chairman

//s// Arthur G. Thompson, Clerk of Council