



Council Proceedings of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana

April 23, 2013

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana was called to order by Chairman Michael Corbin at 3:04 p.m., Tuesday, April 23, 2013, in the Government Chambers in Government Plaza (505 Travis Street).

Invocation was given by Councilman Corbin.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Everson.

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

Motion by Councilman Webb, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to approve the minutes of the Administrative Conference, Monday (April 8, 2013), Council Meeting, Tuesday, (April 9, 2013) and Special Meeting Minutes – Friday, April 5, 2013. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: None.

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 Shyne: Mr. Chairman, excuse me, but looks like I see Dr. Pennywell sitting back there with a friend of mine. We used to shoot marbles together.

Councilman Corbin: I'm not going to ask for any more stories about that. Does any City Council Member have any awards or recognition of distinguished guests?

Councilman Shyne: I just gave you mine.

Councilman Everson: I'd like to just - - - I know there's going to be a presentation later about the 'Keep America Beautiful', but I'd like to know the different organizations that came together. Especially I see my Stoner Hill crew and Precinct 38 back there. I'm proud

of both of those groups for the great work they've done, and I'm sure we'll hear a little bit more about that in a minute, but I did want to take a second just to share, I don't know if everyone's heard, but in the Stoner Hill neighborhood, Bessie Smith has been such an incredible leader over the years, and still to this day. And she's been dealing with her husband who is sick and he passed away this past weekend, so I wanted to share that and let Bessie and her family and friends know that our thoughts and prayers are with them and their family in their time of bereavement.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Thank you Mr. Chairman. I want to share in those condolences and on my list also to do the same for Ms. Bessie Smith. I was born and raised in the Stoner Hill area and she and her husband have certainly been outstanding citizens and have done a lot, not only for that area, but for many of us who grew up out there. They've been just perfect examples, so I just want to join in those condolences. Also want to express some appreciation to our Shreveport Fire Department. This past week, we had a ruptured gas leak in the Queensborough area. It called for some shelter in place and had to do that also at the school, because it was near Lakeshore School, and had an opportunity to go out into the community later on that day, and everybody felt like everything was done very decent and in order, and just want our firefighters to know that we really appreciate them and how they handled that emergency out in the community. Also finally, would like to continue to ask you to keep in your prayers and in your thoughts our good friend, Rev. Danny Mitchell and our good friend Commissioner Joyce Bowman. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Councilman Corbin: I'd like to quickly recognize the Street and Drainage crews who came out and did some work on Pugh Avenue Saturday before last. Not good conditions and it's a major project. I intended to read all their names today, but as sometimes is the case, I'm not quite prepared and organized to do that, so I will do that at a later time. But there is a big cleanup job over on Pugh Avenue, and they're nipping away at it, and I think they'll be out there later on as well. Any other recognitions from Council Members at this time.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Yes. I'd like to recognize at this point the crews at SPAR that participated last week, both at the carnival down at Festival Plaza, and then lastly with the first annual barbeque event. We had 11 or 1200 people come to that event. A great success. Several groups from Texas and Arkansas. So hopefully, it's going to be something that brings in people from near and far in the future. I will say for those that wonder about what goes on in the City of Shreveport and every once and a while, I hear somebody complaining that there's nothing going on here. I'm not sure what rock, they're living under, because there were four or five events on Saturday. It was tough to get to them all. A lot of great events, and we had good spring weather in this town, we should really do our best to get around and see those and participate and really enjoy some of the great things that our city offers. I will say from the folks that have not been to Shreveport or when they arrived for this barbeque event, and there's a group that does the circuit kinda all over the Southeast for a barbeque events, they were extremely impressed with what our city had to offer. The enthusiasm that the groups brought down there. The assistance that the City of Shreveport was willing to offer, so I thought that was a great event that really showed our

city and community very well. So thank you to all those SPAR employees and others that participated in that event.

Councilman S. Jenkins: I understand that Councilman Oliver Jenkins may have been a contestant in the barbeque event. How did you come out Councilman?

Councilman O. Jenkins: Let me make (inaudible), very capable Chef Bone Henderson. He is an excellent chef, and we ended up 2nd Place out of 35 teams in the chicken. So he did a great job.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman, two things. Oliver, I don't know why you didn't invite me, because you know I love barbeque.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Well Councilman Shyne, if you'll check your text messages, there is one for you. Because everybody on this Council as well as the Mayor received a text inviting you to it.

Councilman Webb: I was thinking you were going to bring the left over ribs yesterday.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I had an appeal from the Mayor to do the same thing. And I said, well you know I just couldn't keep it quite long enough for him. But I do appreciate those that were able to come by the tent and share their sentiments through various media forums.

Councilman Shyne: I feel better now, cause I thought maybe you were just trying leave me out on purpose.

Councilman O. Jenkins: No sir. It might have been on your IPAD. Check your IPAD, it might be on there.

Councilman Shyne: Yeah. Just one other thing, I want to recognize a good friend of mine, Brother Don Otis. You want to just throw your hand up so everybody sees it. Alright. Not that you have not been here before, you have. And we just appreciate you coming down and we appreciate the interest you have in city government.

Mayor Glover: Did you teach him as well Councilman?

Councilman Shyne: Now Mayor - - -

Mayor Glover: I'm assuming, I thought he may have. Coached, taught?

Councilman Shyne: Right, I have, but Mayor look like you trying to tell my age or something.

Mayor Glover: No, now he - - - I was a freshman, when he was a senior, so he ain't much older than me.

Councilman Shyne: Oh okay then. Yeah, I know that's right. Dale, I have to be on my Ps and Qs. He and Oliver, I have to be on my Ps and Qs around them. Okay.

Councilman Corbin: And finally, Lea Lewis, would you come to the podium please.

Councilman Shyne: Ms. Lewis looks like somebody I might have taught in one of my Black History classes.

Ms. Lewis: Yes sir. You were not my teacher, directly, but through community service, absolutely. Thank you. Yes sir. So, hello. Thank you for the opportunity to present. Thank you Councilman Everson, Mayor Glover and all assembled. I am coming today to share with you information about an incredible resource called the Louisiana Initiative for Nonprofit and Community Collaboration. Perhaps you have heard of it. The acronym is LINCC, and I have information here for the Council. LINCC is a geographic database that has been created through the collaboration of the Community Foundation of North Louisiana with LANO, Louisiana Association of Nonprofit Organizations, and essentially for the first time, to the best of our understanding through leadership of these partners, what exist now in North Louisiana is a place that keeps all nonprofit organizations in a searchable database that can be used by any stakeholder in our geographic area and beyond. So when we're speaking of LINCC, we're speaking of more than 1600 nonprofit organizations in Caddo, Bossier, Webster and Desoto Parishes are now archived in this database. It also features geographic mapping. So the incredible thing about LINCC is for a stakeholder who would use the resource, whether that is a government entity, a private citizen, a nonprofit organization or just a concerned volunteer are able to now identify who is doing the great work in our community. We know that with nonprofit organizations we have dwindling resources as it concerns funding, and one of the concerns of many funders, foundations, philanthropic individuals is, is someone already providing this service? Are you repeating or are you replicating services? So for nonprofit organizations who are doing great work, what we're encouraging is that they will use LINCC as one of the first resources that they tap into in designing programs and new initiatives to identify who is doing work in a particular sector, whether it is educational initiative or health initiative, or an environmental initiative. You can even look at a geographic area for example by 71103 and all nonprofit organizations in 71103, will appear on the LINCC map. Also, those organizations can be filtered so you can look at which organizations by sector are in 71103. So what we're hoping is that we can more purposefully create collaboration among groups that are doing incredible work, because it could be someone just right around the corner, a church organization, or a school based organization or a citizens group. So in sharing this message, we're also inviting community groups to register on LINCC. All nonprofits with 501(c)3 status are already included in the database, but what we have been doing for the past two years through several outreach meetings and talking to neighborhood organizations is encouraging even those community based organizations to register and create a profile. So that we can see again at a glance what are the assets in our community.

So that is LINCC at a glance. The information that you have their includes the URL which is for purposes of the general community at large, all citizens the URL is www.lincc.us/nla and registering is a process that takes less than five minutes. And again, it's very important so if you want your organization to be asset mapped and to appear in this database, we're encouraging all groups to register.

Councilman Everson: And Lea, can you export - - - say I want to find every organization that deals with hunger prevention or something in the community, can I export a list of those from LINCC, is that a possibility?

Ms. Lewis: Absolutely. So the information is available in list form, and again, that will provide you a listing of all organizations by name as well as the contact information. If you don't know an organization's name, but you know of a program or an event, you can search by program name, by event names, places for example like Goodwill. Goodwill is a corporate nonprofit, but of course they have several sites of service. So organizations like that that have different locations, each of those places of service would show up too. So it's really a wonderful planning tool.

Councilwoman McCulloch: So, is this a three page document or is it four?

Ms. Lewis: It is a two page document.

Councilwoman McCulloch: (Inaudible) mine is looking different from yours Ron. You see I have these two, and actually he has these two.

Ms. Lewis: Okay, let me share this. I'm going to pass this around. Let's try this one more time please Ma'am. Thank you.

Councilman Everson: I'll get these to the Clerk and we'll have these copied and make sure that everybody has one.

Councilman Shyne: Yeah, that's a smart idea.

Ms. Lewis: So the information that's going around in this packet, that's absolutely it. Yes Ma'am. Thank you.

Councilman Shyne: Lea, you want to give one to the Mayor too.

Ms. Lewis: Yes sir.

Councilman Shyne: And Dale will share that one with the Mayor.

Councilman Everson: While we're figuring out the sheets, I do want to thank Leah for coming to present this to us today. This is a really valuable resource I think that we have in our community, and so I appreciate the efforts of LANO and the Community Foundation in

getting it together. And because I know she's such a humble person, and would not use this opportunity for other things, I'll do it for her. And say that this weekend, Leah who also runs the nonprofit Sankofa Gardens and Sankofa Vision, is having an Earth Day celebration, and would you like to tell 'em a little bit about that?

Ms. Lewis: Yes, this is a community effort that's been made possible with support from the City of Shreveport and from Caddo Parish as well as numerous philanthropic and generous individuals who volunteer. We are celebrating the 6th Annual Earth Day Festival at Sankofa Gardens, a community garden that serves Ingleside, Caddo Heights, and beyond. The garden has existed for nine years now. And so what started out as a humble effort has now become, has really helped to place Shreveport in a national spotlight. Many of our partnerships including being featured in the winter edition of Yes Magazine. So here we are. So I just want to invite you and the public to come out Saturday, April 27th from 9-2 at Sankofa Gardens, learn how to grow food, and how to green your life.

Councilman Shyne: What is the address?

Ms. Lewis: Yes sir, the address is 1655 Tulane in Shreveport, 71103, off Linwood Avenue.

Councilman Shyne: Okay. Mike and I will be there. We both have green thumbs.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, that's in the shadow of the LSU Health Science Center, on the left side off Linwood.

Ms. Lewis: And so part of our commitment, if I can also share this, has been to helping create awareness about green jobs and to create green industries, so we have created an entrepreneurial division in that we are now helping other community gardens to establish themselves through installation and also through garden coaching services. So we, Sankofa Vision has helped to create the School of Greatness Garden with Bishop Sean Cooper, as well as the forthcoming Martin Luther King Garden with Southern University. So, we're spreading the love of gardening. Thank you.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Yes I see that the MLK CDC group is showing up, but I wanted to take this opportunity to congratulate the MLK CDC who representative of the last group garbage collection for the Great American Cleanup. I wanted to say congratulations. Mayor, I don't know if you have something in place already. I understood that they would be down today. So I just wanted to take this opportunity to congratulate the group leaders as well as the students that participated in the Great American Cleanup representing District A.

Councilman Corbin: If there are no other Council recognitions, Mr. Mayor, we move on to you for Awards and Recognitions.

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

Mayor Glover: Thank you Mr. Chairman and members of the Council. We'll kinda combine recognitions and communications all in one. As you all are aware, yesterday was Earth Day, and there were several opportunities in the City of Shreveport for people to participate at several different levels. And as you all know we are committed to continuing to preserve our environment, and several various programs that we do support as you just heard referenced by Lea Lewis Henderson and what she does there at Sankofa Gardens. On last week, we had an opportunity to bring together a gathering of several of the groups that work towards some of our other efforts as well. SPORTRAN members as you all are aware now has 19 compressed natural gas vehicles. This represents almost a third of the entire SPORTRAN fleet at this point, and we obviously all know natural gas burns cleaner and is less expensive than diesel. So we plan to keep moving down this road and hopefully we will have our entire fleet converted by 2020. At this point, I want to also ask Paul Pratt and the lovely young lady whose with him from Chesapeake to also come up and join us. We are in addition to what we're doing with our CNG program, both in SPORTRAN and at the Department of Public Works, we're also very proud of our residential and small commercial energy audit program that Stacy Graham and Wes Wyche are helping to spearhead. Under this partnership Mr. Chairman and members of the council with the assistance of AEP SWEPCO, the city buys down the cost of performing those energy audits resulting in out of pocket expense per family per audit of only around \$100. You can find information about this effort, for those folks who are here and those folks who may be watching by cable, or by Ustream on the City of Shreveport's website at Shreveportla.gov. We also sponsor energy efficiency retrofit home program allowing for low interest loans for residents who want to install energy efficient improvements to their homes, to have the ability to be able to result in dramatic and fantastic savings in their monthly utility bills into something that we're excited about the response that we're getting so far. Also on the LED front, we're in the process of converting a significant number of our traffic signals, yielding some very significant results in terms of the overall level of improved energy efficiency and quality that we're getting from the increased use of LED. So far these are a few of the things that the City of Shreveport is in the process of doing with support of the efforts as well with Chesapeake, Shreveport Green. I'm going to ask Donna Curtis and Ms. Sandra Calloway and all of our Keep America Beautiful folks to begin to make their way up front now as well if you will. As we said this past April 13th, we had nearly 900 volunteers Mr. Chairman and Council Members who assembled from across the City of Shreveport. And those folks collectively contributed over 3,500 volunteer hours to an effort that had an estimated value in terms of its direct dollar benefit to the City of Shreveport, in terms of man hours of over \$77,000. So we want to applaud Shreveport Green for its continued dedication to the beautification of our city, and all those folks who worked with us to put on these outstanding efforts. At this point, I want to turn this portion of communications over to Paul Pratt and let him share some words with you about the continued partnership that we have here at the City of Shreveport with Paul and his cohorts at Chesapeake, and then we'll go to Donna with our Keep America Beautiful, Shreveport Green trash haul this weekend.

Mr. Pratt: Well thank you Mr. Mayor and Mr. Chairman and Council Members for inviting us today. Last week, the Mayor mentioned us kicking off Earth Week together, and it was a

great partnership. I want to commend the Mayor and his staff, and Shelly and Rod and Gene Eddy and Stan all the gang for helping to host this day. It was a day that really highlight the efforts that you guys have taken place here in Northwest Louisiana. It shows how progressive and aggressive nature here to be on top of the largest natural gas find in the country and using it. And so at this time, Katy and I would like to present - - - well let me tell you about your trash cans. You got your little trash cans that we brought here, and this is in commemoration of Earth Day also. It's actually a pencil holder and Mr. Mayor, I was listening a couple of years ago, and you wanted (inaudible) and we have it. Here it is the natural gas busses helping to reduce emissions and particular (inaudible) here in Northwest Louisiana to help keep our environment clean and we're glad that our city is doing its part. And we're glad that Chesapeake is a partner with the City of Shreveport, so thank you.

Mayor Glover: Thank you so much. And at this point, I want to ask Donna Curtis if you would please come to the mic as well.

Councilman Shyne: Now Paul, I want to ask you one thing. Now will the Mayor put that in his office, but will he be able to take that with him, or he'll have to leave it here for - - -

Mr. Pratt: We'll let you all work that out.

Mayor Glover: Thank you Donna. As I mentioned Council Members, April 13th was the 2013 iteration of the Keep America Beautiful, Great American Cleanup. An effort that has been headed up by Donna and her fellow Shreveport Green (inaudible) for quite some time. It is one of the best things that we do here across the City of Shreveport in terms of helping to make our city a better place, and so we appreciate the leadership, the passion, the energy that you and Cassandra and all of your Board members have brought to this effort over the years. Also gives our various neighborhoods and groups across the City of Shreveport a chance to be able to not only make their neighborhoods a better place, but also vent a little bit of that competitive energy as well. And so we always have a small group competition and a large group competition, and you have an outstanding group of volunteers who are here with you today. So I will you at this point share with the Council and the folks who are here exactly who those folks are you have with you.

Ms. Curtis: Thank you very much Mayor. We are very proud of our Great American Cleanup. It stands from March 1st to May 31st. So the 877 volunteers we had out Saturday a week ago is a very small part. At the end of the three months, we will have logged in probably 8,000 people that contributed during the three months. Either picking up, planting flowers, planting gardens, planting community gardens, doing everything out there, doing educational promotions. We had a big education promotion yesterday at our State museum. Planted a lot of native plants out there and cleaned up Greenwood Road and had a really good educational opportunity yesterday. But right now, we're so proud of our groups, we have and you're right, it gets very challenging. And it gets very competitive. We were weighing all that trash that day, the DOT comes out and helps us weigh that trash, and it does get very competitive. But we're so proud of 'em. We have to divide it into two

groups, so everybody has a chance to win and it doesn't tilt toward the largest groups. You would think the trash would be heavier with the larger groups, but it doesn't always look that way. As you can see right here, 1st Place, Stoner Hill Neighborhood Action Group brought in 13,700 lbs. which is almost 7 tons of trash. But Stoner Hill action group, these two right here. Very, very competitive and did a wonderful job. They were the first ones in line when we starting weighing.

Mayor Glover: The two of you all?

Councilman Everson: Allen and Mr. Pratt.

Ms. Curtis: The 2nd Place was St. Augustine Baptist Church, always competitive. They had (inaudible) which is about 4 ½ tons. They third place in our small group was Concerned Citizens of Precinct 38. And they are here. They all got cash prizes for that.

Councilman Shyne: The only reason that they didn't have more is because we have so many good citizens that live out in Precinct 38.

Ms. Curtis: Well, that's an interesting observation Mr. Shyne, thank you. For the large group, most trash collected was 1st Place MLK Community Development Corporation. They did have 6 ½ tons. 2nd Place was Biomedical Research, this is Dawn Banks, 1200 lbs. and they worked all along Kings Hwy and all along there by Biomedical Research. 3rd Place was the Southern Hills Homeowners Association, and I don't think they're here today, but Southern Hills planted some flowers and did some pick up out in the Southern Hills area. We're very proud of it, it goes through the end of May. Like I say, we have a lot of national sponsors, and they come in and help us with the bags and the T-shirts and everything else that we have. We also have just been accepted into the finalist for the Troy Built Grant Program. There's finalist across the country and we're one of them for a \$10,000 grant to do a food bank of the Community Garden Food Bank. So we need all the votes we can get. Go on facebook.com/troybuilt and vote for us, because we want to beat Indianapolis. We're competing with big people, but if we get that we would do a huge garden at with an orchard and be able to feed people that 179,000 people they distribute food to during the year. We'll do food and fresh fruit from our orchard. So that's the other good news. They're one of the big sponsors of the Great American Cleanup, and we're one of the six finalists. So we'll see about that and we'll keep in touch. But these all deserve the hand. We just help to organize and they're the ones that (inaudible).

Councilman Corbin: If we could, could we have everybody go by the microphone and say their names, and we'll have that in the record.

Ms. Linda Scott: I live in the Hollywood neighborhood and I'm a member of Concerned Citizens Coalition, Precinct 38 and this is our 7th year participating.

Councilman Shyne: Ms. Scott is one of the backbones out there.

Ms. Connie Bolden: I'm with the St. Augustine Baptist Church. We have been with Shreveport Green since 2000. We have won every year but the first year. And this year we won 2nd Place. And I also won for having the most T-Shirts. And I had a good time eating at Outback Steakhouse. And we just have fun. I have one member, Sister Shyne is here. We have teenagers and old folks too picking up trash and we enjoy. Thank you.

Ms. Rosie Lee Shyne: I'm with the St. Augustine Baptist Church. We've been doing that for a long time and we enjoy doing it because the food be nice too. But we enjoy because we meet so many people that we never saw before. So it's a pleasure to go out in the community (inaudible).

Councilman Shyne: I've got a bad back Rosie, and that was the only reason I wasn't out picking up trash.

Mr. Willie Pratt: I'm the President of Stoner Hill Action Group. Thank you for giving us the opportunity this afternoon to come down and be recognized. I'm the president of the action group.

Ms. Irma Rogers: President, Martin Luther King Community Development Corporation. And these students directly behind me are from Linear Leadership Academy, they are a part of the MLK Dream Drill Team. They've performed here before you, they came and collected. These students are from Green Oaks High School. We have about four different teams represented that day, more than 50 of us in about 55 and 60 volunteers. Sgt. Jones with Linear Leadership, Sgt. Moore with Green Oaks Performing Arts Academy, and I have one other person, I didn't get the name, I'm sorry. At any rate, we'll be back to make another presentation because most of these children participated also in two seminars that we presented for our middle schools and our high schools concerning, sexting, texting, and carnal knowledge of juveniles to keep them safe prior to prom and other activities and anti-bullying. It's part of our anti-bullying. So we'll be back with another representation for you.

Councilman Shyne: Good job Irma.

Mr. Ron Wilson: CP38.

Mr. Pratt: Mr. Mayor, Mr. Chairman and Council. It's a pleasure to be here again. Stoner Hill (inaudible) has already been documented by Ms. Curtis, turned in a little less than 7 tons of material on this particular day in question. We were first in line and we took great pride in helping to help our neighborhood to help itself. We would hope all neighborhoods would follow that lead. I would like to bring particular attention to one gentleman who couldn't be here because of his employment, Mr. Robert Baylor. He was instrumental in tearing down items with physical strength that helped us to achieve that goal. Thank you again.

Councilman Everson: And I want to point out just as a point that while they may have been in the small group category, the Stoner Hill Action Council actually got more than the big group category. I'm proud of y'all.

Ms. Dawn Banks, and I'm with the Biomedical Research Foundation, and we've been participating in the Great American Cleanup for six years, seven years. And it's a great opportunity and we really applaud Shreveport Green for all it does for our community. Thank you.

Mr. Mack Moore: (*ROTC Instructor, Green Oaks High School*) I want to say we had a good time.

Mr. Jones: I'm president of the MLK Dream Drill Team, also member of the MLK CDC.

Ms. Beatrice Bailey: I am secretary for MLK CDC that assists Ms. Rogers in what we do in the MLK CKC area.

Ms. Rogers: I just have one comment for Mr. Everson. We had about three or four of those that did not come, because they were first in line and they stayed there a long time.

Councilman Everson: They did a great job either way, both of you did.

Mr. Lewis Wells: Hollywood area.

Councilman Corbin: Thanks to all of you and thanks to Donna for what you do with Shreveport Green. And I know recently we've had citizens speak to the council about litter. It's encouraging to see days like this where we go out and attack the problem. It's been good to see city crews as I go about town recently out picking up litter on the side of the road. So we're making a dent and that's a good thing.

Councilman O. Jenkins: There I am and sorry, we were working on a legal document in the back, so that's why I wasn't here for that. But I should say there's a good spirit of this trash cleanup as there's another big group this last weekend. And how many people Donna, do you know who was involved in this nine or ten community group's put together another trash cleanup event. The Boy Scouts were one of them, and several community churches.

Ms. Curtis: I'm not sure how many there were, but (inaudible).

Councilman O. Jenkins: Well let me say, it's alive and well. The spirit is alive and well in the City of Shreveport at this time of the year.

Ms. Curtis: We've had groups cleaning up for three weeks, continuously, Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Mayor Glover: Thank you Mr. Chairman, members of the Council. I want to thank all the folks who came down from the various neighborhoods, communities and schools and what have you to be recognized for the Earth Day, Great American Cleanup and obviously we want to express our appreciation also to Paul and the folks at Chesapeake. I think it would be most appropriate for us to probably have this hanging somewhere in the SPORTRAN office, but we'll have some conversations with Gene and Valerie about that as we go forward. Also want to take this opportunity members of the Council as well, since I think this will be the last meeting before the May 4th election date, and I know that this is a matter that will probably have increased folks attention and maybe even some potential controversy as the day grows closer, but I feel that it's appropriate to offer some comment especially since I go through the expense and the effort of becoming a member of each and every one of the PTA associations at the 60+ schools in Caddo Parish this year. We are very thankful and blessed at the City of Shreveport to have our citizens give a very resounding thumbs up to the five renewals that were on the April ballot. Those five items that were on the ballot in April, there are three items I believe that are on the May 4th ballot that have to do with school board. I'm encouraging all folks throughout the City of Shreveport to inform and educate themselves about the upcoming renewals and to hopefully get out and exercise their right and engage in this process and cast a vote. Those three renewals I think amount to somewhere in the neighborhood of about \$50+ (million) in revenue for the Caddo Parish School system and represent an integral part of the dollars they need in order to be able to operate. I know that there has been some suggestion that those renewals be postponed. That was a decision that was up to the members of school board for them to make in their elected capacity, just as the decisions that you all make as a council and what we advise as an administration. It is what it is that the citizens elected us to do. Now that that decision has been made by those elected members of the school board, it will be on the ballot on Saturday, the 4th of May. In addition to us encouraging folks to go out and vote, I'm going to ask that they also go out and vote to renew those revenue measures as well. Because the revenue is needed to operate the schools within Caddo Parish is dwindling and the lack of certainty in terms of the ability to be able to operate the functions of our secondary elementary schools system is something that I think will be a crucial part of what this board will have to communicate to the list of individuals that will make themselves known and available to be the next superintendent of the Caddo Parish School system. So I think the ability to be able to effectively attract the kind of leader. With an unstable financing environment, I think is one that would make it more difficult to find the type of individual that would serve this district well. I also believe that for those folks who believe that we may end up with a smaller school district or that it may be some 20+ schools that will be taken out of the Caddo Parish School system which are eligible for state takeover at this point and time. That is a very real possibility, and obviously no final decision has been made in that regard as of yet. The one thing that I think that also should be a part of our consideration is that whether those schools stay under the control and auspices of Caddo Parish School District or becoming part of some state recovery district, they're still going to need in addition to the state dollars to support their functions. They will also need the local matching dollars as well in order to be able to insure that they can operate sufficiently. So I want to ask again, folks go out, educate themselves, read up, review, ask questions and ultimately vote one way or the other, but please make sure you

go out and vote on May 4th. And with that I turn it back over to you Mr. Chairman and the Council.

Councilman Corbin: Thank you Mr. Mayor, and I think that sometimes we do forget that education is an important piece in moving our city forward. Jobs and growth and being able to provide basic city services, but if we don't have a quality education system, then those (inaudible) as an important piece.

Councilman Everson: I was just sort of saying that maybe we should mention that early voting is going on now. You may have said that at the beginning.

Mayor Glover: No, I did not. Did not mention it. You're right, the early voting will take place all the way up till Saturday I believe?

Councilman Everson: I think that is correct.

Mayor Glover: Yes, so starting yesterday, well we know today and every day this week, and all the way till Saturday.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Seeing Chesapeake up here reminded me about our CNG station. The city's CNG station through the efforts of the administration and others, we are now in line with all the rest of our CNG offers in the neighborhood with regard to price port which makes a big difference, because I've gotten several emails and texts over the weekend, maybe Saturday or Sunday, that price was reduced about 20% I believe, and so that's a great thing because they've said after 20 cents, I will drive across the bridge or head out to Pines Road. Now that they're all pretty much in line, that's great and hopefully sometime in the near future, we'll have a ribbon cutting ceremony or whatever one does, because it is a great thing for our city and certainly thinking that all of us up here on the council and the administration embrace moving forward in that manner. So a great effort on that and I'm glad we got that worked out and already heard some good news from some of my constituents that are eager to use it at this point.

Mr. Sibley: Well we appreciate the information Mr. Jenkins. And I know that Stan was nodding, so I think we're closer to that grand opening that we're all looking forward to.

Councilman Everson: It's kind of a hidden jewel now. I mean, you know where it is, it's easy to find, but you may not every notice it. You drive by it all day.

Councilman O. Jenkins: \$1.49 a gallon (inaudible) so that's pretty impressive figure if you think about it.

Councilman Corbin: Maybe instead of a ribbon cutting, we light a flare or something.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I don't recommend that in that area.

Councilman Corbin: At a safe distance away. That brings us down to reports.

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

Reports

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

Councilman Corbin: Does any Council Member have any questions or concerns relative to Property Standards at this time?

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, before you go there, did have a note if you don't mind?

Councilman Corbin: Okay.

Mayor Glover: In going back and referencing the Caddo Parish Schools renewals that are up, tonight there's going to be a forum out at the Broadmoor Neighborhood Association, Ken Krefft, would you - - -

Mr. Ken Krefft: (157 Archer) 6:30 just to meet, 7:00 p.m. at Broadmoor Presbyterian this evening at the Adult Ed with a three-member panel, with our school board member, finance director for the board and executive director for the Alliance for Education. Certainly everybody is welcome. 7:00 tonight.

Councilman Shyne: Dorothy, I have something for you after. You don't have to come up. I'll give it to you after the meeting.

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*)

Councilman Corbin: We have received our EMS report via email, Ms. Sanders do we have a Master Plan Committee Report?

Master Plan Committee Report (*Res. No. 132 of 2012*)

Ms. Dara Sanders: Good afternoon, the last time I was here, I reported to you that the Master Plan Committee had made a recommendation to the Metropolitan Planning Commission for the selection of Camiros for the lead consultant position for the unified development code. That recommendation was approved unanimously by the MPC Board. So staff has now begun negotiations with that lead consultant. And the Master Plan Committee will be involved in defining the scope of work, and we're signing that contract

as we move forward. And that's all I have. The next Master Plan Committee meeting is scheduled for May 6th at 12:00 noon, and I'm confident that we will have something for the Master Plan Committee to review in terms of this scope and contract.

Councilwoman McCulloch: And before you go, I'd just like to compliment you on your performance with the Master Plan Committee. You're doing a great job, and just keep up the good work, we appreciate all that you do. Don't we Jeff?

Councilman Everson: We do indeed.

Ms. Sanders: Thank you very much.

Councilman Corbin: That brings us down to Public Hearing, Mr. Thompson, would you read the title of our public hearing please?

The Clerk read the following?

Public Hearing: Proposed Resolution No. 61 of 2013: Accepting the findings of a public hearing as a result of the notice of intention to issue, sell and deliver not exceeding Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000) Utility Revenue Bonds (LDEQ Sewer Project) in one or more series for the purpose of financing the constructing and acquiring of improvements, extensions and replacement to the sewer portion of the combined revenue producing utility system; approving the publication of the minutes of such public hearing; and further providing for other matters with respect thereto.

Councilman Corbin: Do we have a presentation from the administration?

Mr. Sibley: Yes we do Mr. Chairman, we have with us today Mr. Bill Boles who most of you know has a history of being Bond counsel many of our deals. He handled this deal for us with the Bond Commission, and I'd like to ask Bill to come forward and talk about the details of this financing and then I'll ask Barbara if there are additional questions that talk specifically about the projects that this money would be used for if that's the desire of the council.

Mr. Bill Boles: Good afternoon. Always good to come here and have really good news, and the good news is if there's anybody you'd be talking to your grant person about this, but this is .95% of money which is wonderful, made available from the Department of Environmental Quality on DEQ. In order to get to this money, we have to go through a certain procedure in the issuance of these revenue bonds, utility revenue bonds, including the sewer revenue. And we have to have a public hearing. It's been advertised in the Times for four times and we'll have a public hearing to hear if there are any comments for or against, or if there's been any petition that's set forth in the notice presented to the council today. After that, I would ask the Chairman if he would note those findings in the record. The second item is a resolution and that resolution is simply to accept the findings from the hearing, and authorize the publication of those minutes. That's just another step all required

by statute in getting to access this money from LDEQ. Again it's .95%. The interest rate is actually .45% with a ½ point, administrative fees, so that's .95%. \$5,000,000 not to exceed \$5,000,000 for 22 years and we will be back to the Council presuming this goes forward and there's no objection, back with an ordinance to actually issue the bonds in the near future. And that's basically it.

Mr. Sibley: Thank you Bill.

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Boles, we normally publish the verbatim transcript of the meeting, do we need to do anything different from that, from the public hearing?

Mr. Boles: No. Just publish the way you normally publish. Just make sure that if there is a petition filed, if they could note it in there, but it'd be accompanied with the minutes. So I hopefully, that won't be the case.

Councilman Corbin: Is there anyone in attendance today that would like to speak in favor of this proposed resolution? Is there anyone who would like to speak in opposition to the resolution? If not and there are no further questions from Council, this public hearing is now closed.

Mr. Boles: Please make sure the minutes note that no petition was filed by any person of the public.

Mr. Thompson: We'll put your comments in the minutes.

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:

1. **Ordinance No. 38A of 2013**: An ordinance to amend and reenact Chapter 36 of the City of Shreveport Code of Ordinances, The Historic Preservation Ordinance; creating and establishing the Shreveport Historic Preservation Commission; and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Mr. Thompson: If you recall, yesterday we talked about this. There is a similar title on the agenda, this is just a little bit more expansive, and I believe that the ordinance is attached for everybody to read on the line.

Councilman Corbin: Is there anyone here who would like to speak in favor of adding this to our agenda? Is there anyone here who would like to speak in opposition of adding it to our agenda?

Motion by Councilman Everson, seconded by Councilman O. Jenkins to add Ordinance No. 38A of 2013 to the agenda. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Webb. 1.

Public Comments (*In accordance with Section 1.11 of the Rules of Procedures*)

Pastor Linus Mays: (335 E. Dalzell) Thank you once again for another opportunity to come before this council. This is an agenda item that's on the agenda, it's 48, on your agenda concerning the 1% sales tax that the citizens of this city is asking to pay in a tax increase hike. I spoke in opposition of this, because it sets a bad precedent for companies who are operating under their capital which are private organizations that have their own set capital that they have. And if the city bails out every business and I know that this is South Park Mall, if the city starts to become a bank or a loan company, or a financial institution, what it does is that when other people come along and wants the same favoritism, that is being conducted in this particular manner, then are you going to show the same due diligence as you will St. Vincent. So my thing is that to me, it's not a good idea. I think that those companies that's just been around as long as St. Vincent Mall has, and they feeling the financial crunch as other businesses are, in this community, then what you do in business, you do what is called downsizing. And I know that's to eliminate some people off jobs, or either what you can do is that you would do something such as borrowing capital from those lending institutions that's actually lending money, not from the city. Not from the citizens of the City of Shreveport. And so I do have a problem with that. I had a problem with the last thing that happened, because it's every company now is coming along - - - you remember you all voted on to do the walk across for Sam's and Target and that cost the taxpayers of this city money. And now here we go again, with this tax 1% tax increase on the citizens of the city. If you're a private organization, any private business, when you go into business you have a certain amount of capital, if you begin to lose money, you downsize, or either you go out of business. Now I know St. Vincent serve this city and we hate to see anybody lose their job, that's not what I'm saying. I'm just saying that the citizens of the City of Shreveport should not be responsible every time a business have a financial crunch. So with that being said, I ask that this council start really looking into this stuff instead of just saying lets one hand wash the other, and lets do this for this particular company, because it do serve the City of Shreveport. So with that being said, I just think that this is another bad idea that private businesses know what to do. They've been in business long enough to where they know what to do in order to generate capital. The fact of the matter is the City of Shreveport and the citizens of the City of Shreveport gave you all a fiduciary responsibility to watch over the welfare of this city and if we start loaning money, doing tax, 1% tax increase on the citizens of this city, I think that just sets a bad precedent in motion for other future companies that will come along and say well you did it for this one, you did it for that one, and we know that the same due diligence is not going to be shown as it was or we hope not to be for St. Vincent. So with that being said, I appreciate once again your time and I appreciate you allowing me the opportunity to speak on this agenda matter, and I hope and I pray that those of you that set in those seats that the people elect you to sit in, not you elect yourself, the people elect you to set in, I hope that

you will start listening to the voices of the people. And if this item needs to go before the people, why not let it go before the registered voters of this city. And let them vote on this particular item. Put it before the voters and see what they think. And if they think it's a good idea, let 'em make that choice. So once again, thank you very much for your time, and God bless you.

I have no other requests to speak on agenda items.

Councilman Everson: I wouldn't mind clearing up just an item or two in the comment if that's appropriate?

Councilman Corbin: It is, perfectly appropriate.

Councilman Everson: I did want to say that of course we understand that this situation with Mall St. Vincent that capital is coming from the company that owns the Mall St. Vincent. It is not being loaned up front. It is a reimbursement for them where they are putting \$16 ½ (million) in capital in their initial investment. That's to be reimbursed by the performance of the economic development district. And as an economic development tool that's available to any community in Louisiana, obviously it's been used much more frequently in communities in South Louisiana than it has up here. We have not previously used it, so I know it is a new concept for us here, but it is one that I think has substantial public benefit to extend the life of an asset that is the only commercial assets in the central part of our city that is of that size and that is assessable to a diverse and varied community around it. It also helps to maintain property values in that area. I wish we had it something like this in place when South Park Mall was facing the trouble that it faced some 10-15 years ago, whenever that was. There is certainly a consideration that yes there would be an additional tax that would go to the economic development district, but one of the good things about this type of situation is that if one does not want to pay that tax, one has an easy way to not. They can 'not' shop there. That tax is only applicable to the mall. It does not apply outside there. And so we know it is with that understanding that the company, the Rouse Properties, who is entering into this agreement with the City of Shreveport, (inaudible) economic development district. They know that and their anticipation is that they're going to be able to deliver a product that is worth 1% more to shoppers to come and have the shopping experience there.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman, I'll say this now. I want to commend Pastor Mays for coming forward and raising those types of questions because those are the types of questions that an informed citizen should raise. And he understands that there are people who are going to agree with him and disagree with him. Whether you agree or disagree, I think that the questions that you raised are valid concerns. Those are valid concerns that not only those of us up here that's fixing to vote on that should be concerned about, but the citizens and especially, the hundreds of people that you represent. So I just want to let you know that I appreciate it and I hope that you continue to raise those kinds of questions and concerns, and I do want you to know that they are very valid. Some folks might disagree with me on it. That's what life is all about.

Councilman Everson: Certainly want to agree with Councilman Shyne that those were presented respectfully, and you know I happen to hold a different opinion, but certainly appreciate you bringing those opinions and you know I think it is every citizens' right to come down and do that and it's good to see citizens expressing that right. And that is one reason that we held the public hearings that we held on the issue. We've had multiple public hearings on this, and I think without doing that, we couldn't move forward in good consciousness, but we have provided multiple opportunities for people to express their support or their dissension with the concept. And so certainly encourage all citizens to have done that.

Councilman Shyne: Again Pastor, I'm glad to see that the Councilman agrees that your concerns were very valid. Starting off, I really didn't hear that, because I hear real good in one year, and I might not hear good in the other, so I just wanted to make sure that your concerns are valid concerns, because I have some concerns Mr. Chairman, that I'll express when we get to vote on that piece of legislation. Again, Reverend continue to do what you're doing. Thank you.

Confirmation and Appointment:

Superintendent of Fleet Services Mr. Christopher Wilder

Property Standards Board Ms. Katheryn Arteberry

Dr. Jerome Cox

Motion by Councilman S. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Shyne to confirm the executive appointments of Mr. Wilder to the position of Superintendent of Fleet Services; and Ms. Arteberry and Dr. Cox to the Property Standards Board.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Mr. Chairman, I'm not sure - - - I know Mr. Wilder came by yesterday, I think I see Dr. Cox out there.

Mr. Sibley: We do have Dr. Cox out here.

Councilman S. Jenkins: (Inaudible) to come up and maybe say a few things I think he does some outstanding work here in the City of Shreveport. This is a very quality recommendation coming from you Mr. Mayor.

Councilman Shyne: And Mr. Jenkins, you and Dr. Cox, kind of favor a little bit.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Absolutely.

Councilman Shyne: Is there any kinship there?

Councilman S. Jenkins: We're all kin somewhere.

Dr. Jerome Cox: I want to thank the Council, our honorable Mayor, thank you so very much, a great friend. Certainly he and my brother (inaudible), but we won't get into that.

Councilman Shyne: Please don't.

Dr. Cox: It's amazing Councilman Shyne and I not long shared on a symposium together in reference to dialysis and how it affects the people of our community. It is so important the way that was done. You did a remarkable job and we're changing a generation of people so I hope you will help and support next year. Of course the Chairman, thank you so much for allowing me to be here, and Mr. Sam Jenkins, and some incredible people. I've got some great friends like this precious lady Ms. Rose. I mean I know so many wonderful people and this is my - - Jeff is my Councilman and I've told him I'll see him shortly after the meeting.

Councilman Shyne: How about Jackie over there with her new glasses on?

Dr. Cox: Let me tell you something, her father and our family, we all go way back, it's just amazing. So, you know I such great respect for the City of Shreveport and our Mayor and the Council. You know I'm not sure how often you are told that you do a wonderful job. And so often we get confronted with so many concerns by the citizens, but I think sometime I was at a hospital just earlier today and I stopped and in I just simply said thank you for the work that you do. We really appreciate that. And I'm honored to have been asked to serve in this capacity. I shared with her, I said, you know I don't serve on a lot of boards or anything like that. I said now I'm a servant and I want to give in the truest capacity, and I think that this would be one that I would indeed enjoy serving on. Because I think our city deserves quality folks in that capacity, and you know the way our city looks and we can give good service without antagonizing our citizens. I think it has to be done collectively and in such a way with diplomacy and tact. You know how it is when someone - - - I was at the Marshal's office today, and I watched them in court. And the bailiff referred to all of the people that came in 'yes sir' and 'no ma'am' and I think there needs to be as well shared with our citizens of the city who have concerns with their properties. So, I'm going to give you my absolute best. I'll be diligent, I'll be studious and I'll be committed to the post that I've been appointed. So I'm excited about this journey and I hope that there will be greater things to come in the future, and it's just a joy to know so many wonderful people and everyone is doing so well. I had a chance to - - - Mr. Webb, I had a chance to work with you (inaudible) so I just - - - I got a lot of family here. So with that being said, I'm excited, I hope you will approve my nomination and if there is any questions or concerns that you may have, I'm available. She has my phone number and all of that, and we thank you very much.

Mr. Sibley: Mr. Chairman, if I may just for the record, and Dorothy correct me if I'm wrong. But Ms. Ateberry had a previous engagement out of town, so she couldn't be here today. She offered to phone in, but I told her unless you guys asked, that may not be necessary.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Let her know we appreciate her stepping forward and willingness to serve also.

Mayor Glover: And Mr. Chairman, members before you take your vote, I want to express my thanks and appreciation to Dorothy and her team, but also especially to Dr. Cox and Ms. Arteberry and Mr. Wells and all the other folks who are the volunteers in terms of this effort. You know there's been one effort that I guess kind of a signature of what we tried to do over the past five or six years or so at this administration in terms of the work of Dorothy and her team of folks who work and make up that take your neighborhood back initiative (T-BONE) as we refer to it. The workload that the Property Standards Committee has taken up over the last five, six years is exponentially greater than that which was previously placed on the backs of those folks who serve before them. That work has gotten harder and more frequent, more difficult, more diligent. But they have stepped up and served more admirably and we've worn a couple of folks out, so I appreciate Dr. Cox and Ms. Arteberry being willing to step in and put their shoulder to the wheel so that we can be a part of that collective effort that allows great work to go out and take place every day by helping to hold people more accountable for the condition of their property and how it ends up affecting and impacting the overall quality of life in those particular neighborhoods. So thank you for your willingness to serve and look forward to working with you.

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

Consent Agenda Legislation

To Introduce Routine Ordinances and Resolutions

Resolutions: None.

Ordinances: None.

To Adopt Ordinances and Resolutions

Resolutions: None.

Ordinances: None.

Regular Agenda Legislation

Resolutions on Second Reading and Final Passage or Which Will Require Only One Reading

The Clerk read the following:

AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION 48 OF 2013

(A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT BY AND AMONG THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT, STATE OF LOUISIANA, THE SHREVEPORT/MALL ST. VINCENT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, STATE OF LOUISIANA, AND MALL ST. VINCENT, LLC, RELATING TO THE COLLECTION, USE AND EXPENDITURE OF A ONE PERCENT (1%) SALES AND USE TAX TO BE LEVIED IN SAID DISTRICT, AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH)

-Amend the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement as follows:

1. Amend the "APPEARANCES" paragraph beginning with the phrase "THIS COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT..." to now read as follows:

"THIS COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT (the "Agreement") which shall be dated for convenience of reference as of May 6, 2013, is by and among:

"CITY OF SHREVEPORT, STATE OF LOUISIANA (the "City"), a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana, represented and appearing herein through Cedric B. Glover, its Mayor, duly authorized hereunto by virtue of Resolution No. 48 of 2013, adopted by the governing authority of the City on April 23, 2013, whose mailing address is P.O. Box 31109. Shreveport, Louisiana 71130-1109;

SHREVEPORT/MALL ST. VINCENT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, STATE OF LOUISIANA (the "District), a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana, represented and appearing herein through Michael Corbin, Chairman of the Shreveport City Council, duly authorized hereunto by virtue of a resolution adopted by the governing authority of the District on April 23, 2013, whose mailing address is P. O. Box 31109, Shreveport, Louisiana 71130-1109;

2. Amend the second "WHEREAS" paragraph by deleting the phrase "Ordinance No. _____ on _____, 2013" and substitute with the phrase "Ordinance No. 16 of 2013 on March 12, 2013"

3. Amend the third "WHEREAS" paragraph by deleting the phrase "Ordinance No. _____ on _____, 2013" and substitute with the phrase "Ordinance No. 21 of 2013 on April 23, 2013"

4. Amend Article I as follows:

"ARTICLE I

DEFINITIONS

SECTION 1.01. Definitions. The following terms shall, for purposes of this Agreement, have the following meanings:

“*Cost of the Initial Project*” shall mean the sum of \$16,500,000 as detailed on Exhibit B hereto.

“*District*” shall mean the Shreveport/Mall St. Vincent Economic Development District, State of Louisiana, the boundaries of which are shown as Parcel I and Parcel II on Exhibit A hereto, and any expanded geographical area as the governing authority of the City shall designate by ordinance following the Effective Date in accordance with the Act. Notwithstanding the terms of Section 5.12 hereof, no amendment to this Agreement or to Exhibit A hereto shall be required in the event the City expands the District's boundaries to encompass adjacent areas.

“*EDD Sales Tax*” shall mean the 1% sales tax levied by the district pursuant to Ordinance No. 21 of 2013, adopted by the governing authority of the District on April 23, 2013, effective July 1, 2013, and collected on the sale at retail, the use, the lease or rental, the consumption and storage for use of consumption of tangible personal property and on sales of services, all defined in the Uniform Local Sales Tax Code (La. R. S. 47:337.1, et seq.), as it may be amended from time to time, or any other appropriate provision or provisions of law, as amended.

5. Amend Article II as follows:

SECTION 2.05. Scope of Initial Project

. The City and the District acknowledge that the Initial Project will require the Company to incur significant infrastructure and other development costs that are within the scope of the definition of "Economic Development Project" in the Act and which are expected to equal up to the Cost of the Initial Project as described in Exhibit A hereto.

SECTION 2.07. No Suits. The City and the District represent that, except as may be otherwise disclosed in writing, to the best of the knowledge of the District and the City,

there is no action, suit, investigation or proceeding pending, or threatened, against the District or the City, before any court, arbitrator, or administrative or governmental body, or issue of operations of the District or the City or which might adversely affect the ability of the District or the City to comply with their respective obligations hereunder or in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby, relative to this Agreement and the Reimbursement Obligation.

6. Amend Article IV, Reimbursement of Costs, as follows:

1) Amend Section 401, Construction and Installation of the Initial Project, to now read as follows:

ARTICLE IV

REIMBURSEMENT OF COSTS

SECTION 4.01. Construction and Installation of the Initial Project.

(a) The Company will use its best efforts to commence construction of the Initial Project during the second calendar quarter of 2013. The Company reasonably expects that the initial renovation and streetscape work will be completed during the third calendar quarter of 2014. The Company further expects that tenant improvements will be built out and completed concurrently with anticipated new leasing activity through the third calendar quarter of 2015.

2) Adding Sections 4.07, 4.08 and 4.09 as new sections in this Article to read as follows:

ARTICLE IV

REIMBURSEMENT OF COSTS

SECTION 4.07. Successors and Assigns

. The rights of the Company under this Agreement may not be sold, assigned, assumed or transferred in any manner to or by any other person or entity without the prior written consent of the City and the District. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the rights of the Company under this Agreement (including the rights to the Reimbursement Obligation) may be assigned by the Company, without the consent of the City or the District, at any time to any entity of which Rouse Properties, Inc., has a majority ownership or controlling

interest, provided that ownership of the Mall St. Vincent real estate is conveyed to such entity contemporaneously with such assignment. Company shall provide written notification of such assignment to City and the District within thirty (30) days of the filing of a deed or other document in the conveyance records of Caddo Parish evidencing the sale, assignment or transfer of Company's interest in the Mall St. Vincent real estate to such entity. At a minimum, the notification shall contain the name, mailing address, email address, phone number and the name of an authorized representative of the acquiring entity. Otherwise, the rights of the Company under this Agreement may not be sold, assigned, assumed or transferred in any manner to or by any other person or entity, without the prior written consent of the City and the District, which consent will not be unreasonably withheld, and in such case the sale, assignment, assumption or transfer by the Company shall be in writing and shall contain a specific provision that the successor assumes all of the obligations of the Company under this Agreement arising on or after the effective date of such transfer.

In granting or withholding consent to an assignment, the City and the District shall exercise their discretion in good faith and in accordance with commercially reasonable standards, and in that regard may consider the financial condition and real estate operational experience and capabilities of the proposed assignee.

The Company shall deliver a request for such consent in writing to the City and the District, and the City and the District shall either grant or withhold consent in writing within thirty (30) days of receipt of such request. If the City and the District withhold consent, their written notice thereof shall include an explanation of the reason or reasons consent is being withheld. If the City and the District do not either grant or withhold consent in writing within said 30-day period, then the City and the District shall be deemed conclusively to have granted such consent. If the Company conveys ownership of the Mall St. Vincent real estate and does not contemporaneously assign its rights under this Agreement to the person or entity taking title to the real estate, or assigns its rights under this Agreement without consent of the City and the District when such consent is required hereunder, then the rights of the Company under this Agreement shall terminate upon such conveyance or assignment.

SECTION 4.08. Good Faith Efforts – Specified Business Enterprises

. As used in this section:

"Disadvantaged Business Enterprise" or "DBE" shall mean a for-profit small business concern that is at least fifty-one percent (51%) owned by one or more individuals who are economically disadvantaged or, in the case of a corporation, in which fifty-one percent (51%) of the stock is owned by one or more such individuals; and whose management and daily business operations are controlled by one or more of the economically disadvantaged individuals who own it.

"Economically Disadvantaged Person" or "EDP" shall mean a citizen or lawful resident of the United States whose ability to compete in the free enterprise system has been impaired due to the diminished capital and credit opportunities as compared to others in the same or similar line of business, and whose diminished opportunities have precluded, or are likely to preclude, such individual from successfully competing in the open market.

"Metropolitan Statistical area" or "MSA" shall mean the metropolitan area in northwest Louisiana covering the parishes of Caddo, Bossier and DeSoto.

(a) The Company acknowledges that City has adopted a Fair Share Program for Equal Business Opportunity (the "Program") for DBE's and EDP's as such terms are defined herein, to comply with the City's policy of providing and ensuring contracting opportunities for such businesses. To this end, Company shall make a good faith effort to meet the goals of the Program by (i) awarding up to twenty-five (25%) percent of all contracts for the Initial Project to DBE's or EDP's residing within the MSA who satisfy the requirements of Company's bid solicitation and, (ii) awarding up to fifty (50%) percent of contracts for the Initial Project to Louisiana-based companies (not necessarily DBE's or EDP's) who satisfy the requirements of the solicitation. A contract awarded to a DBE or EDP residing within the MSA shall be credited to both goals. The foregoing notwithstanding, City acknowledges, understands and agrees that Company shall not be required to solicit bids for any part of the Initial Project (i) with respect to which an existing subcontractor has a current written maintenance contract, warranty or similar arrangement in place with the Company at Mall St. Vincent which predates the effective date of this Agreement, or (ii) contracted for by tenants at Mall St. Vincent and paid for by the Company through leasehold improvement "allowances" in such tenants' leases. The City further acknowledges that bids for some of the contracts for the Initial Project will be solicited within the 30-60 day period after execution of this Agreement, and others will be solicited at later stages of construction.

(b) The Company shall provide written notice to certain DBE's and EDP's located within the MSA, and to certain Louisiana-based companies, that their interest in the Initial Project is being solicited, not less than ten (10) business days prior to the date that bids must be submitted to the General Contractor. For such purposes, the Company shall compile and submit to the City a list of DBE's, EDP's and Louisiana-based companies based upon information provided by sources which may include but are not limited to, applicable departments of State and local government, local economic development organizations, or local contractor organizations.

(c) If the Company satisfies the goals of the Program, then the Company shall be deemed conclusively to have fulfilled all of its obligations under this Section 4.08. In the event the Company cannot satisfy the goals of the Program, the Company shall document its good faith efforts by showing that it took all necessary and reasonable steps to achieve the goal which, by their scope, intensity, and appropriateness to the objective, could reasonably be expected to obtain sufficient DBE or EDP participation, even if they were not fully successful. This information shall be fully documented and submitted to City for each bid

job in order for City to review the sufficiency of the Company's efforts. All information provided by Company shall be subject to verification by City's Fair Share division. City shall notify Company in writing within five (5) business days of City receipt of the information if the City believes the Company has failed to make good faith efforts, and shall include within such written notice a detailed description of such failure and how such failure may be remedied by the Company. If the City does not notify the Company within said five (5) business day period that it believes the Company has failed to make good faith efforts, then the Company shall be deemed conclusively to have made good faith efforts and fulfilled its obligations under this Section 4.08 with respect to the bid or bids in question.

(d) The Company shall have the right to remedy any alleged failure to make good faith efforts. After taking any such remedial action the Company shall submit to the City documentation of the actions taken, and the City shall notify the Company in writing within five (5) business days of City receipt of the documentation whether or not the Company has successfully remedied the alleged failure. If the City notifies the Company in writing that the Company has successfully remedied the alleged failure, or if the City does not notify the Company within said five (5) business day period that the Company has failed to remedy the alleged failure, then the Company shall be deemed conclusively to have made good faith efforts and fulfilled its obligations under this Section 4.08 with respect to the bid or bids in question.

(e) If the City gives notice of an alleged failure to make good faith efforts which is not remedied by the Company as provided herein, then the Company may, at the Company's sole and absolute discretion, elect to terminate this Agreement, in which event the Company shall have no obligation to construct the Initial Project, the City and the District shall have no obligation to pay the Reimbursement Obligation, and none of the parties hereto shall thereafter have any further obligations hereunder. The election to terminate this Agreement shall be made by written notice of such election delivered by the Company to the City, and shall be effective upon such delivery.

SECTION 4.09. Quarterly Progress Reports by Company

. The Company will file a written report at the beginning of each calendar quarter, commencing July 1, 2013 through and including April 1, 2015, with the Mayor and with the Clerk of Council, detailing the progress to-date on the construction and installation of the Initial Project, describing any material changes to the scope or plans of the Initial Project from the details presented in connection with the creation of the District, and addressing the Company's expectations as to the final completion date of the Initial Project. The Company agrees, upon request of the Mayor or any member of the City Council, to make available a representative of the Company who has knowledge of the Initial Project and the transactions contemplated by this Agreement to meet with the Mayor or his representatives, and/or to attend City Council meetings upon request to report upon the progress of the Initial Project.

EXPLANATION OF AMENDMENTS

This amendment:

1. Amends the “APPEARANCES” paragraph by:

(i) inserting the number and the date of adoption of the Resolution authorizing the execution of the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement on behalf of the City of Shreveport;

(ii) identifying Michael Corbin, City Council Chairman, as the authorized representative of the District for purposes of execution of the Agreement and inserts the number and the date of adoption of the Resolution authorizing the execution of the CEA on behalf of the District.

2. Amends the second “WHEREAS” paragraph by inserting the number and date of adoption of the Ordinance authorizing the creation of the District;

3. Amends the third “WHEREAS” paragraph by inserting the number and date of adoption of the Ordinance authorizing the levy and the collection of the additional one (1%) percent sales tax within the District.

4. Amends the following terms in Article I, Definitions:

a. Cost of the Initial Project by deleting the sum of “\$14,500,000” and inserting the sum of “\$16,500,000” as the cost of the initial project;

b. Amends the definition of “District” to incorporate a reference to the boundaries of the District being shown as Parcel I and Parcel II on Exhibit A;

c. Amends the definition of “EDD Sales Tax” by inserting the number and date of adoption of the Ordinance authorizing the levy and the collection of the additional one (1%) percent sales tax within the District.

5. Amends Article II, Section 2.05 (Scope of Initial Project) to add the phrases “which are expected to...” and “...up to...” to clarify the cost of the initial project; amends Article II, Section 2.07 (No Suits) by inserting the word “issues” between the word “or” and “of” preceding the phrase “...of operations of the District or the City...”

6. Amends Article IV, Reimbursement of Costs, by:

a. Amending Section 4.01(a) to revise the dates the Company reasonably expects to commence construction of the Initial Project; to complete the initial renovations and streetscape work; and, to complete the tenant improvements and build out.

b. Adding Section 4.07, 4.08, and 4.09 as new sections to Article IV of the Agreement.

The new Section 4.07 incorporates language which permits Rouse to assign the Agreement to another company without the consent of the City or the District provided: (i) the assignment is to a company that Rouse (or its successor) has a majority ownership or controlling interest and (ii) that ownership of the Mall is conveyed to the new entity at the same time as the assignment of the CEA. The section also provides that Rouse is to provide written notification of the assignment to the City and the District within thirty (30) days of the filing of a deed or other document in the conveyance records evidencing sale, assignment or transfer of the Mall. In all other instances, the Agreement may not be sold, assigned or transferred without the prior written consent of the City and the District.

The new Section 4.08 incorporates Fair Share language into the Agreement.

The new Section 4.09 adds a requirement for submittal of written quarterly progress reports by Rouse to the City and to the District beginning each calendar quarter, commencing July 1, 2013 through and including April 1, 2015. This section also contains language requiring the Company, upon request of the Mayor or any member of the City Council, to meet with the Mayor or his representation and/or to attend City Council meetings to report upon the progress of the Initial Project.

RESOLUTION NO. 48 OF 2013

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT BY AND AMONG THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT, STATE OF LOUISIANA, THE SHREVEPORT/MALL ST. VINCENT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, STATE OF LOUISIANA, AND MALL ST. VINCENT, LLC, RELATING TO THE COLLECTION, USE AND EXPENDITURE OF A ONE PERCENT (1%) SALES AND USE TAX TO BE LEVIED IN SAID DISTRICT, AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, Part II, Chapter 27, Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (La. R.S. 33:9038.31, *et seq.*) (the "Act") authorizes municipalities, parishes and certain other local governmental subdivisions to create economic development districts to carry out the purposes of the Act, which economic development districts are political subdivisions of the State of Louisiana and possess such power and authority and have such duties as provided by the Act and other law; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Act, the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana (the "City"), acting through this Mayor and City Council as its governing authority, adopted an ordinance on March 12, 2013, creating the "Shreveport/Mall St. Vincent Economic Development District, State of Louisiana" (the "District"), in accordance with La. R.S. 33:9038.32, from which District local and State sales tax increments are expected to be

determined and used to fund the Shreveport/Mall St. Vincent Economic Development District Trust Fund; and

WHEREAS, La. R.S. 33:9038.39 further permits such economic development districts to levy sales and use taxes at a rate up to two percent (2%) for authorized purposes; and

WHEREAS, Article VI, Section 20 of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974 provides that a political subdivision may exercise and perform any authorized power and function, including financing, jointly or in cooperation with one or more political subdivisions, either within or without the state, or with the United States or its agencies; and

WHEREAS, Article VII, Section 14(C) of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974 provides that the state and its political subdivisions or political corporations may engage in cooperative endeavors with each other, with the United States or its agencies, or with any public or private association, corporation, or individual; and

WHEREAS, Sub-Part A, Part VII, Chapter 2 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (La. R.S. 33:1321, et seq.) (the "The Local Services Law"), provides that political subdivisions may engage jointly in the construction, acquisition or improvement of any public project or improvement, the promotion and maintenance of any undertaking or the exercise of any power, provided at least one of the participants is authorized under a provision of general or special law to perform such activity or exercise such power as may be necessary for completion of the undertaking; and

WHEREAS, under The Local Services Law such arrangements may provide for the joint use of funds, facilities, personnel or property or any combination thereof necessary to accomplish the purposes of the agreement, and such agreements may include but are not limited to activities concerning the construction or acquisition or improvement, and operation, repair and maintenance of public projects or improvements; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 27 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (La. R.S. 33:9020, et seq.) (the "Cooperative Economic Development Law"), provides that local governmental subdivisions (including municipalities) may cooperate or engage in cooperative endeavors providing for cooperative financing of economic development projects with other local governmental subdivisions or with any other private or public entity or person, for the purpose of aiding in cooperative development, all as defined in the Cooperative Economic Development Law; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana, acting as the governing authority of the City, that the Mayor of the City is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to execute, for and on behalf of the City a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement by and among the City, the District and Mall St. Vincent, LLC or its designee (the "CEA"), the CEA to be substantially in the form and to contain substantially the terms and provisions set forth in the CEA attached hereto as

Exhibit A, with such changes as may be approved by said officer upon the advice of counsel.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana, acting as the governing authority of the District, that the Mayor of the City and the Chairman of this Council are hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to execute the CEA, for and on behalf of the District, the CEA to be substantially in the form and to contain substantially the terms and provisions set forth in the CEA attached hereto as Exhibit A, with such changes as may be approved by said officers upon the advice of counsel.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provision of 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 ordinances or resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Can the City Attorney come forward, I'm trying to see if that's okay, Section 4.07. What exactly happened here now?

Ms. Scott: If you note under Section 4.07 there was a phrase in that section in parenthesis, that refers to 'or its successors', that phrase has not been deleted. If you're looking on the hyperlinked agenda, you're not going to see it because it's already been taken out.

Mr. Thompson: If you refresh, it's been taken out.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Well I refreshed, and hold on a minute, I'm trying to see something.

Councilman O. Jenkins: And basically the intent of it is to - - -

Councilman S. Jenkins: What paragraph are we talking about?

Ms. Scott: Section 4.07.

Councilman O. Jenkins: My proposal is a function of the assignability for successorship of this if for some reason Rouse went away. I see this as a commitment cooperative endeavor agreement between the leadership of Rouse and the City of Shreveport. And in the event that there is some dramatic restructuring of that company or something was maybe less successful, I didn't want this (inaudible) floating out there for somebody else to use it as either an asset or a liability depending on which side of a restructuring you're on. And they

were very cooperative. I expressed this sentiment when we first met, and this was just clearing up a little of the language for me.

Councilman S. Jenkins: That was your proposal?

Councilman O. Jenkins: That is.

Councilman S. Jenkins: This a good proposal, you should have said probably when I asked all those questions. While we are there, on 4.08, what faith efforts dealing with DBEs and EDPs - - - and I asked the Mayor about this. Some things I just like to make sure that is aired out because as Pastor Mays said a few minutes ago, we have people we answer to. Up here in this paragraph where we say rewarding up to 25% of all contracts for the initial project (inaudible) EDPs, why shouldn't that be a minimum of 25%. Doesn't our Fair Share contract require a minimum of 25%?

Ms. Scott: Mr. Jenkins if you recall, the Fair Share program is a goal program and what this is, this is establishes a goal of 25%. Some of the work that will be done in regard to the improvements that will be made to the mall will be highly specialized. And so, this recognizes that in some instances, it may not be possible to obtain that 25% goal, but it is certainly our intent to insure that they get as close to that goal as possible. The thought being that typically with our Fair Share program, even though the ordinance may again specify a goal, it recognizes that in some instances, it's not possible to obtain that goal. And the language here is consistent with what we have done in our other contracts where we've incorporated a Fair Share requirement. If you look further, the other sections in the Section 4.08 that deal with Fair Share also incorporates language directly from the ordinance in regard to reporting or what the contractor is allowed to do in order to show or to demonstrate that they have attempted to achieve the goals, and it also sets up a mechanism for them that the City will have an opportunity to verify the information that they provide to us in regard to their attempts to achieve the goal.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Okay, and I also see we're awarding up to 50% of contracts to Louisiana based companies. That's an effort to make sure that our locally owned companies participate? Here's my concern. I think this is going to be something that's going to be done fast paced. And there's not going to be a whole lot of time to come back and try to address some of these issues. I shared with Councilman Everson, and I shared with the Mayor and CAO, I would hope that an opportunity presents itself where some representatives from MSI gets an opportunity to actually sit down and talk with the general contractor. And to try to make sure that what we're putting in writing is something that can be implemented. I look to try to support this initiative for a lot of reasons, I believe that we need to have a competitive mall here in the City of Shreveport. And you know I hate to see a declining mall just end up just leaving a very vacant area over there, and I also wanted to make sure that as the project itself goes forward its inclusive and that our local businesses, our women owned business, our minority businesses, everybody gets an opportunity to participate cause I think that's what makes our city great. I feel comfortable with what I see here, but at the same time, I'm asking an opportunity for that type of a meeting will occur

in the near future just make sure that we are looking at it from a point, Councilman Everson, of implementation. I understand the latter part of what we have here, but I want to make sure we're keeping up with the spirit of it.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman, I'd like to speak on that too and not only to you the City Attorney. I believe we have some representatives from the company back, can we get one to come up please? I'm coming the same lines that the distinguished gentleman, Councilman Sam Jenkins was saying and I hope you all understand that we represent people and that I've gotten calls pro and con. And they were not all from Pastor Mays. I've gotten calls pro and con from people who look like you and people who look like Mr. Otis back there, so I hope I'm making a point. And I know Jeff has said that this is being used in other parts of Louisiana, but I want you to understand also that we are stepping out on some new ground. And we know that there are some jobs that we might not have the capacity to do. And when I say we, I'm speaking now talking about local firms, be they Black, White, purple, blue, green Asian or whatever they might be. We realize that some of the things we might not have the capacity, but we would hope that - - - and let me say this. Now we've had firms that have come and told us all, we looked, couldn't find. They ain't looked nowhere. So, I'm saying this. I hope that you all would not do the same thing. I hope you all will look hard and low, because we're stepping out. You know some of us are stepping out on some shaky ground and of course there are others that might be stepping out on a piece of concrete, that might be solid. But I would hope that you all would look high and low for local firms first who would have the capacity to do some of the work. Secondly, I hope that you would look high and low for minority firms that are able to do some of the work and this is what we have to do. We have to build capacity. You don't build capacity if you don't do no work. If I'm making any sense to you. I mean if I'm in the electrical companies and I never get any work, how can I build capacity? And if it's public funds, and I represent you and I don't fight for you, you don't ever get any capacity. This is not about who we like. This is strictly business. This is strictly doing business and I know it might work you a little bit in order to look for those companies who have the capacity, minority and local. But I would hope that you all would do this, and I hope that you all would understand that we're trying to build the Next Great City of the South. Now I don't know what slogan the next Mayor is going to have, but I do know that you all will be around when the next mayor and the next council come, and I hope you be around even after that. So I don't know what the next slogan gone be, but I'm saying all this so you will understand that I've been around a long time and of course Sam and Mike weren't here we first drew up the Fair Share program. If my memory serves me right, Dale I believe that was under Hightower, Mayor Hightower? And since we got a new administration down here, I don't like to call his name too much, if you understand what I'm saying. But I would hope that you all would live up to the goal. It's really nothing mandatory, but I would hope that you would live up to the goals because we've had others who said that they were going to live up to the goals, and didn't do a thing. So, I would hope that you all would live up to the goals. And if you all live up to the goals, then this is an idea that will go forward from here and it just makes a better city if you understand what I'm saying. It just makes a better city. And I know I'm taking a little of your time, but I'm doing this because I want you to understand that this is extremely important, not only to me, but to the citizens of

Shreveport. And if you get it done, I'm gone do everything I can to make sure that a lot of business ends up coming that way. But if you doesn't happen, I want you to understand I'm gone do everything I can to maybe say a little something ugly. I want to be truthful with you. I don't want you to think now that I'm shucking and jiving cause I'm taking some time. But I would hope that you all would do this, and of course I understand now, and like our City Attorney said, there are going to be some jobs that we might not have the capacity to do. But there should be some that we should have the capacity to do. So there is an old saying that 'I'm not too proud to beg'. So I'm kinda begging you all to please make sure that you look high and low for minority and for local contractors who have the capacity to do some of the work that you all have done. Other than that, God be with you and I hope you the best.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Mr. Chairman, while we have these representatives up here, I'm making the request that some representatives from MSI gets an opportunity to meet with the general contractor. Do you folks see any problem with that sir?

Mr. Kevin Connell: (Rouse Properties) Obviously I've been before the Council a number of occasions as part of this process. And to your point Councilman Shyne, we're stepping on new ground ourselves to some degree. This was a bit of a new program that we had to understand ourselves, and that's why it's taking a little bit of extra time. You know we have been deferred purposefully and with reasons on a couple of occasions to get to a point to get the CEA negotiated to capture the points of some of the Council Members brought up relative to the assignment and successor as well as the engagement of the Fair Share program. So it's been an education for us as well. With that said, just to point out, Rouse is committed to its property. We own and operate malls. This mall is in our sweet spot. It's the type of property that we want to own and manage and improve upon . So we're certainly committed on that front. Regarding the Fair Share program, again, we've gotten a much clearer understanding of the program, we're working with city staff, and specifically working with the Fair Share office to in part to help craft the language that's in the CEA. We have actively engaged our general contractor, and sort of enforced the understanding of the terms of the CEA and the Fair Share program, and the good news there is, this particular contractor has had a lot of experience with similar type programs, both within the state and nationally.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Good.

Mr. Connell: So, they get it. They understand and they've been engaged in similar programs as well. So they understand the solicitation process. The reporting process, and to go sort of above and beyond maybe even what the language says, to work closely with the Fair Share office, to work closely with other local organizations that we have been in contact with to identify those contractors to solicit to them, qualify the amount, receive bids, analyze and go through the process and report accordingly. So, I think we've gotten a much better handle on that program, and our contractor certainly does. We're certainly committed to working closely with the city, city offices, the city staff, the Fair Share office especially, and other agencies representing minority business enterprise, etc. So that - - -

we're good, we're good with accepting the terms of the agreement and moving forward with that program. And looking to start again that solicitation process engaging and researching and finding the contractors capable of bidding the work and being part of the program.

Councilman Shyne: I appreciate that, I feel better and of course I will keep in contact with Dale to make sure that - - - and Dale is a very competent CAO and I know he will be giving us reports and Dale knows I love him, but he knows this is about business. This is about business. And he will be - - - Dale I know you will be staying on top of it, and as the CAO, you're always the representative to whatever we do. You know whatever we do, we come back to Dale and the Mayor. Now I might jump on Dale a little more than I do the Mayor, because you see the size of the Mayor, and you see my size. He can throw one arm and knock me back. And I might be able to wrestle with Dale a little bit, but I'm saying it in a joking manner, but Dale understands that we will be looking to him. The Mayor has chosen him to be the CAO, and Mayor again, like I've always told you, you couldn't beat - - - and you know I've always told you that. Even I'm not going to call any names, even when you might have had one or two other folks sitting in that seat. I always told you Dale was the best man. So we're going to be looking to Dale, but I hope you will live up to what you just got through telling us, and you seem to be a very fine young man, and you look to be very honest, so I'm going to take you for your word. And Mr. Chairman, again, thank you very much.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Well, I'm going to ask this, I'm not certain my questions got answered.

Mayor Glover: Let me offer. The answer to your question is yes. What's going to happen

Mr. Sibley: It's actually already started.

Mayor Glover: Exactly. Let me offer this as well. And I guess to take you back to even some of the earlier discussion that was made by Pastor Mays. I am one who I think as I heard Councilman Everson referencing earlier am sad that this process and opportunity was not in place back in the mid-1990s, so that we might have had an opportunity to be able to offer something similar for South Park Mall.

Councilman Shyne: I think you and I were on the Council.

Mayor Glover: We were on the Council

Councilman Shyne: During that time, and it was really nothing that we could do to save them.

Mayor Glover: Absolutely. And God bless us if it had not been for the good folks at Summer Grove Baptist Church, we probably would have an empty dark space that sits out there right now. And we certainly thank them and express our appreciation for that. I am

thankful that that opportunity is available for Mall St. Vincent and as I mentioned to you all our dialogue that was something that we were willing to entertain the possibility of and work over a period of time with Kevin and Ben and other folks at Rouse, an opportunity (inaudible) Cornelius, who is the individual who crafted much of the language, that ended up being instituted in the statutes that exist right now in state law that allows us to be possible. But there is also as I have often shared with you all and the public in general, there are parallel goals and objectives just as we want to make sure that we take advantage of an opportunity to be able to help to save and stabilize and grow Mall St. Vincent. We also want to also look for those opportunities where we can look to try and create where spending that's being done both by the public sector and the private sector has the opportunity to be able to help to grow and expand and advance those under represented parts of our local economy. That's one of the things that the MSI (the Minority Supplier Institute) ended up documenting about Shreveport, is that one of the things that accounts for why it is that we have so many challenges from an economic standpoint is that we have such a large gap that exist in terms of the level of wealth from certain portions from our local community. And that if we wanted to become a better community, if we wanted to become a larger community, we wanted to become a wealthier community, that one of the things that we should look to do is to figure out how it is that we marshal the collective resources of both the public and private sector towards helping to grow and expand those under represented segments within our local business community. It's a lesson that the good folks in Atlanta learned all the way back in the 1970s. Had a chance to be there over the past several days with former mayor, Ambassador Andrew Young and others talking just about that comparative history of southern cities like Atlanta in comparison to Shreveport and New Orleans or Birmingham or Nashville, and how it is that Atlanta ended up emerging as that dynamic capital mecca of the new south. The city that in the early '70s had a population of just over one million people, it now has over six million. The realization that you needed to create opportunities for more folks to as I've heard you term it over the years Mr. Shyne, access to economic mainstream. And that was something that as Kevin mentioned and shared quite frankly was something that was new to the folks at Rouse in terms of how they've done previous efforts and while I think they might have been a little bit concerned, they may have encountered the kind of the Louisiana politicians who might have been looking to try and take them on a ride for a minute. They stayed calm

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Councilman Shyne: That wasn't Jeff was it?

Mayor Glover: No it was not. It was me Mr. Shyne. And I think they were slightly concerned for a second, but they stayed patient, they kept their heads level and their ears open, and we established a dialogue that allowed me and the rest of our team to be able to fully explain in detail to them exactly what the goals and objectives are of this happen to be about. Not me showing up and saying this is my guy, and I need you to go use my guy, and we'll get this done for you - - - no, it was about creating a scenario where we open up doors of opportunity to those folks out there who believe that they have a chance to be able to engage and participate. And while we're not going to guarantee what the outcomes are, what we are going to guarantee is an open up front process to try to open up, encourage and

facilitate as much access opportunity as possible. We're going to articulate that by saying that we want to do it not only in terms of 25% for Fair Share, but what's also important and I think this may be a first and Terri, you correct me if I'm wrong, but we've articulated into this kind of agreement a local objective as well, because those are parallel concerns. And just as we want to see those other under-represented portions of the community grow and evolve, we also need to make sure that the community as a whole in terms of this MSA, this region of Shreveport, Bossier, DeSoto, Northwest Louisiana has access to opportunity as well and doesn't get left behind under these types of things. And so that dialogue took place, it evolved, and ultimately resulted in the language that's before you all today that we think obviously addresses and represents the concerns that I knew came from this Council, but more importantly from our citizens as well. And so we're here today as an administration to tell you that it's taken us more than a few conference calls to get to where we are, but we think it actually representative of a truly above board, transparent process that says we want to help your situation, we believe it can be better, we're glad to have somebody who is in partnership with us to help make that happen. At the same time, we want to allow us to also serve as a means of helping us pursue our other parallel objectives as well, and here we are. So we thank you all for your input, and your steadfastness, because as I shared with Kevin and Ben and the folks on his side that if you think I'm hard to deal with, just wait till you have to go stand in front of this group of folks. They're going to make sure that we've got something that's going to be substantive and worthwhile. And so I certainly don't speak for the council in any way, but do know without a doubt, it was insuring that we (inaudible) with the kinds of provisions that would meet your expectations that also served as a part of the efforts in terms of how it is that we dealt with Kevin and Ben and the rest of their colleagues at Rouse. We envision Mr. Jenkins, more specifically to your question that this effort as Dale has said is already underway. It will parallel in similar fashion will be seen with the Walgreen effort and Bentler Steel and some of the other larger projects that have taken place where we will use the means and mechanisms of the Fair Share office, of the Minority Supplier Institute and those other entities that are out there to help to define, detail, will convene folks, will be able to put them in a position to as the old western saying goes, 'We gone take the horses to the water, and we gone make sure that we try and have it in some drinkable proportions and what have you, it's gone be up to the horses to figure out whether they can jump in and drink.

Councilman Shyne: That's why I called your name Dale.

Councilman S. Jenkins: And that's what I mean Mr. Chairman, I do want to say you know we appreciate Rouse Management. Wanting to stay in the area, wanting to invest in the area, and I assure you my wife is going to do her part. And I'm glad that Councilman Everson brought up the fact that this tax you're talking about is an optional thing. This is not something that's being levied against everybody in the city. So it is an optional situation, so I think it's one of those situations, based on these conversations, representations, that we've made in writing and discussion today, (inaudible) everyone involved and look forward to supporting.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Yeah, I really wanted clarification on Sam Jenkins' question and I'm kinda clear, but I just wanted to as I've done in the past Jeff, inform you as well as Rouse that I have spoken with some minority contractors because when this item hit the agenda, you'd be surprised at the concerns that some of them have. And so I have talked with them, and we've had some discussion about this item and I have encouraged and urged them to call and contact you in hopes that you would contact Rouse as well.

Councilman Everson: And I appreciate that and I want to thank all the Council Members who made themselves available not long ago, when we started this process, you know we sort of took an opportunity to explain it and ask for the concerns. And those concerns were brought to the attention of myself and the administration and I want to thank the administration council city attorney for making sure that those were followed up on and thank Rouse for being responsive to those concerns. You know our deal with assignability of this deal is one that again, it being the first time we've entered into a situation of this nature, it took a little bit of detail, but I think we've figured that out to a level of satisfaction on that item, and the other that was just been discussing which is of fair amount of importance was to make sure that this economic development district truly provides some economic development in our area by engaging our economically disadvantaged businesses and our local contractors. So those were some great concerns to bring up. I thank those of you who brought them up and I thank Rouse Company for being responsive to those concerns and working with us to come to this point where we have something that addresses this.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman I just want to say one other thing. It might be in Jeff's district, but it's in your city. So Jeff, I don't mean any harm, but I'm not - - - minority contractors who call me about it Councilman McCulloch, I'm telling them to call the Mayor and the CAO. Don't mean any harm, but that's where the power is. And that's who I'm looking to Mr. Mayor. I'm not looking to Jeff to make this happen, and Jeff no hard feelings, but I'm looking to the two of you all because put all of us together, this is the city. So you and the CAO represent the city. I've been down here a long time so I understand fully how the power runs, and I know you've been here long enough to understand how the power runs. The power runs through the administration up there. So I want you all to know I'm going to be looking at the these two and the Mayor knows I can kinda be like a cat, I can scratch, and I hate to say this because I'm a preacher's son, but I can raise hell too. So Dale, that's why I called your name a while ago, I'm not going to be looking at Jeff, now I know Jeff is going to do his part, but you were elected at the city to make sure that this happens and you all are the two that I'm going to be looking to, and you all are the two that when Black contractors, I tell 'em 'Hey look, call the Mayor, call the CAO, because that's whose going to be running the show, now whoever's district it's in.

Councilwoman McCulloch: At the end of the day.

Councilman Shyne: And at the beginning of the day, Cedric is going to be running that.

Councilman Corbin: Thank you for your commitment to Shreveport and for the work you're doing in this regard and working with all the concerns, we certainly appreciate it. If there is no additional discussion, I will take a motion on the amendment.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Corbin, seconded by Councilman Everson to adopt Amendment to Resolution No. 48 of 2013. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: None

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Everson, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to adopt Resolution No. 48 of 2013 as amended. 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'd like to make a motion to suspend the rules to take up another item out of order, so that we can know that we're (inaudible) there's an item later on the agenda.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Second.

Motion by Councilman Everson, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to suspend the rules to consider Ordinance No. 21 of 2013. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: None.

The Clerk read the following:

3. **Ordinance No. 21 of 2013**: An ordinance levying an additional sales tax of one percent (1.00%) in the Shreveport/Mall St. Vincent Economic Development District, State of Louisiana (The "District"); Designating the full amount of such additional sales tax as the sales tax increments in the district from which local and state sales tax increments will be determined and used to finance economic development projects in the district in accordance with and as authorized by Part II, Chapter 27, Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended; Designating the initial annual baseline collection rate and establishing a monthly baseline collection rate for the district; Pledging and dedicating such tax increments to reimburse economic development costs and providing for other matters in connection with the foregoing. (*Postponed April 9, 2013 until April 23, 2013*)

Having passed first reading on March 12, 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.

The Clerk read the following:

Amendment No. 1 to Ordinance No. 21 of 2013:

In the second Whereas clause, delete the phrase “Ordinance No. _____, adopted _____, 2013” and substitute the phrase “Ordinance No. 16 of 2013”.

Explanation of amendment:

This is a technical amendment to insert the correct reference to the ordinance that created the Shreveport/Mall St. Vincent Economic Development District

Motion by Councilman Everson, seconded by Councilman McCulloch to adopt Amendment No. 1 to Ordinance No. 21 of 2013. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: None.

Motion by Councilman Everson, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to adopt Ordinance No. 21 of 2013 as amended. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: None.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, just to express thanks and appreciation to each of you all for your vote of confidence, obviously to Councilman Everson for the role that he’s played in this, but also to each of you for the questions, the suggestion throughout this entire process to help to make it better. Obviously want to express our appreciation to Kevin and Ben and all the folks at Rouse for giving us an opportunity to end up with ownership group that actually has some appreciation for a local regional dynamic in terms of how it is that you manage to lead, direct and package and market a facility and no insult towards the previous folks, but they were so large, so monolithic, so corporate in their focus that you know everything just kind of moved into some direction for everybody. I’ve got to remember once being told that if the decorative colors are blue and green, at corporate, they’ll be blue and green at all 350 other malls across the country. Obviously doesn’t allow you to end up being able to do the kinds of things that can take advantage of a unique set of circumstances like we think what we have right here. Also want to express appreciation to all of the staff folks involved from Cliff as counsel for Rouse and Terri and Julie and all the folks in the City Attorney’s office, and obviously Ray Cornelius and all the folks at Adams and Reese who put in a substantial amount of time and effort to help ultimately get us to this point, and obviously who we want to let the folks of the City of Shreveport know that the intention is to try and make this a reality for this coming holiday season. And so we will be moving forward continuing that process to make both local and Fair Share DBEs and what have you aware of the opportunities, but we also want to see these folks be in a position to be able to ring in the holidays, hopefully in a very positive note. As I mentioned at one of our previous meetings, we also look forward to be at the International Council of Shopping Centers effort next month. I guess we can start to work on that brochure that will be Shreveport specific to Mall St. Vincent and other retail opportunities that we have

available here within Shreveport and Northwest Louisiana, so again thank you guys and we expect this to be something that will obviously impact the City of Shreveport for at least another generation or two still ahead of us. Thank you again.

RESOLUTION NO. 57 OF 2013

A RESOLUTION TO WAIVE CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF SECTION 26-211 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATIVE TO SOCIALIZATION SERVICES, INC. UNDER CERTAIN TERMS AND CONDITIONS AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BY: COUNCILMAN S. JENKINS

WHEREAS, Section 26-211 of the Code of Ordinances prohibits the city from entering into a contract with any party who has not paid all taxes, licenses, fees and other charges which are outstanding; and

WHEREAS, Socialization Services, a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization was assessed property taxes on certain improvements for the years 2008 through 2012 which totaled \$6,127.28; and

WHEREAS, because Socialization Services is a non-profit organization, it declined to pay said taxes because it felt that the taxes were assessed in error; and

WHEREAS, after discussions with the Tax Assessor's Office and City personnel, Socialization Services accepts the opinion of the Tax Assessor that the taxes are owed, but Socialization Services is unable to pay the total amount due immediately; and

WHEREAS, Socialization Services Inc. has now paid \$1,514.98, the amount owed for 2008, and has worked out a payment plan with the City to pay the total amount owed plus interest for one of the remaining years (2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012) each month (May, June, July and August) by the 25th of the month, until the entire obligation has been satisfied; and

WHEREAS, in years past, Socialization Services has helped the city administer the "Payment Assistance Program" for certain water and sewer customers, and those services are now needed by the city.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due regular and legal session convened that Section 26-211 of the Code of Ordinance is suspended for the year 2013 for Socialization Services, Inc. only, provided Socialization Services, Inc. remains current with payments required by the property tax payment plan described above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor or his designee is authorized to immediately enter into a contract with Socialization Services, Inc. to help the city administer the Water and Sewer Payment Assistance Program, and to pay Socialization Services, Inc. for said services, provided Socialization Services, Inc. makes at least the minimal payments required by the property tax payment plan described above until the debt is extinguished.

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 the resolution are hereby declared severable.

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

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman S. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Everson 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. 58 OF 2013

A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CANVASSING THE RETURNS AND DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THE SPECIAL ELECTION HELD IN THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT, STATE OF LOUISIANA, ON SATURDAY, APRIL 6, 2013 RELATIVE TO AUTHORIZING THE CONTINUATION OF THE LEVY OF SPECIAL AD VALOREM TAXES AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana (the "City"), that:

SECTION 1. Canvass. This Governing Authority does now proceed in open and public session to examine the official tabulation of votes cast at the special election held in the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana, (the "City"), on Saturday, April 6, 2013 relative to authorizing the levy of special ad valorem taxes therein, and said Governing Authority does further proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the results of the special election.

SECTION 2. Proces Verbal. A Proces Verbal of the canvass of the returns of said election shall be made and a certified copy thereof shall be forwarded to the Secretary of State, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, who shall record the same in his office; another certified copy thereof shall be forwarded to the Clerks of Court and Ex-Officio Recorder of Mortgages in and for the Parishes of Caddo and Bossier who shall record the same in the Mortgage

Records of said Parishes; and another copy thereof shall be retained in the archives of this Governing Authority.

SECTION 3. Promulgation of Election Result. The results of said election shall be promulgated by publication in the manner provided by law.

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

RESOLUTION NUMBER 59 OF 2013

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE CITY'S INTEREST IN CERTAIN ADJUDICATED PROPERTY AS SURPLUS AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, there are numerous parcels of property which have been adjudicated to the City of Shreveport and Caddo Parish for non-payment of ad valorem taxes; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport has entered into an intergovernmental agreement with Caddo Parish under which Caddo Parish will undertake to sell said properties as authorized in R.S. 47:2201-2211, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 26-300 of the Code of Ordinances, the city's interests in said properties can be sold after the City Council declares them to be surplus; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport has an adjudicated tax interest in the properties described in Attachment "A-6" for the non-payment of City property taxes; and

WHEREAS, the purchasing agent has inquired of all City departments regarding the properties described in Attachment "A-6" and has not received any indication that they are needed for city purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened that the properties described in Attachment "A-6" are hereby declared surplus.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 26-301 of the Code of Ordinances, this declaration that these properties are surplus satisfies the requirement of Section 26-301(1)(d), therefore the MAYOR, Cedric B. Glover, is authorized by said Section 26-301 to do any and all things and to sign any and all documents, including Acts of Cash Sale, in a form acceptable to the City Attorney, necessary to effectuate the purposes set forth herein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provision or item of this resolution or the application thereof be 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 repealed.

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

RESOLUTION NUMBER 60 OF 2013

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE CITY'S INTEREST IN CERTAIN ADJUDICATED PROPERTIES AS SURPLUS AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, there are numerous parcels of property which have been adjudicated to the City of Shreveport for non-payment of ad valorem taxes; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 26-300 of the Code of Ordinances, the city's interests in said properties can be sold after the City Council declares them to be surplus; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport has an Adjudicated tax interest in the properties described in Attachment

“A-4” for non-payment of City Property taxes; and

WHEREAS, the purchasing agent has inquired of all city departments regarding the properties described in Attachment “A-4” and has not received any indication that it is needed for City purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened that the properties described in Attachment “A-4” are hereby declared surplus.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 26-301 of the Code of Ordinances, this

declaration that these properties are surplus satisfies the requirement of Section 26-301 (1) (d), therefore the MAYOR, Cedric B. Glover, is authorized by said Section 26-301 to do

any and all things and to sign any and all documents, including Acts of Cash Sale, in a form acceptable to the City Attorney, necessary to effectuate the purposes set forth herein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provision or item of this resolution or the application thereof is 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 ordinances or resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman S. Jenkins, 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. 61 OF 2013

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE FINDINGS OF A PUBLIC HEARING AS A RESULT OF THE NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ISSUE, SELL AND DELIVER NOT EXCEEDING FIVE MILLION DOLLARS (\$5,000,000) UTILITY REVENUE BONDS (LDEQ SEWER PROJECT) IN ONE OR MORE SERIES FOR THE PURPOSE OF FINANCING THE CONSTRUCTING AND ACQUIRING OF IMPROVEMENTS, EXTENSIONS AND REPLACEMENTS TO THE SEWER PORTION OF THE COMBINED REVENUE PRODUCING UTILITY SYSTEM; APPROVING THE PUBLICATION OF THE MINUTES OF SUCH PUBLIC HEARING; AND FURTHER PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana (the "City"), applied for and on February 21, 2013, received approval from the Louisiana State Bond Commission 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"); and

WHEREAS, on the date hereof, to-wit, April 23, 2013, a public hearing was held pursuant to the Notice of Intention which was published in the official journal of the City as required by law (the "Public Hearing") and at such hearing, no petition of opposition thereof was filed which would prohibit the issuance of the Bonds without an election.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City, acting as governing authority of said City (the "Governing Authority"), that:

SECTION 1. Public Hearing. Pursuant to and in compliance with the provisions of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other Constitutional and statutory authority, the Governing Authority does hereby accept the findings of the Public Hearing

held pursuant to that Notice of 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”) and, due to the fact that no petition of opposition was presented objecting to the issuance of the Bonds, the Governing Authority desires to proceed with the issuance of the Bonds. Said Bonds shall be dated the date of delivery and shall bear interest from the date thereof at a rate or rates not to exceed ninety-five hundredths per centum (.95%) per annum (inclusive of any administrative fee) and shall become due and payable and mature at such time or times, not exceeding twenty-two (22) years from the date of issuance.

SECTION 2. Publication. The minutes of the Public Hearing shall be published as soon as possible in the official journal of the City. For a period of thirty (30) days from the date of such publication, any person in interest may contest the legality of this resolution, any provision of the Bonds to be issued pursuant hereto, and the provisions made for the security and payment of the Bonds and the validity of all other provisions and proceedings relating to the authorization and issuance of the Bonds. After said thirty (30) days, no person may contest the regularity, formality, legality or effectiveness of this resolution, any provisions of the Bonds to be issued pursuant hereto, the provisions for the security and payment of the Bonds and the validity of all other provisions and proceedings relating to their authorization and issuance, for any cause whatsoever. Thereafter, it shall be conclusively presumed that the Bonds are legal and that every legal requirement for the issuance of the Bonds has been complied with. No court shall have authority to inquire into any of these matters after said thirty (30) days.

SECTION 3. Ordinance. The Bonds will be issued and authorized pursuant to an ordinance to be adopted by the Governing Authority.

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 these resolutions.

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 S. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Everson to adopt.

Councilman Shyne: Question. Is Barbara here? This is going to be very nice Barbara. This is going to be to you and Dale and the Mayor. Barbara, you and Dale and the Mayor, I would hope that you would keep the same thought in mind that you said a few minutes ago. Spending this \$5,000,000, if we have any local contractors who are able to - - - that have the capacity to do the work, or even any minority contractors, I can't think of any, but because I can't think of none, doesn't say that there might not be some there. Because you know how my thought process is Dale at this age. You know when I was your age, I could really umph. But Mr. Mayor, I would hope that we would keep this in mind because basically this is our money, taxpayer money, and we want to spend Barbara as much money as we can with our own people here if they have the capacity and even if there is a contractor that comes in, let's make sure that he hires a lot of our, because this is how we build capacity. And Mr. Mayor, this is my last go around, of course this is yours for this, but you're a young man, but you know you might be back down here again. But I would hope that when we leave, we could at least five or six years from now, say that's one of the things that we were able to do. Was to build capacity, not only for the minority community, but for the community at large. You know that when we spent money, we spent our money with our own, because a lot of cities now are trying to do that. So I would hope Mr. Mayor, you and Dale and Barbara that you all would keep that in mind and I hope you understand how I'm pointing this at you, cause I know we spend the dollars around here.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Shyne, Mr. Chairman and members of the Council. Know that this \$5,000,000 along with all of the other dollars involved in these types of transactions are fully subject to our Fair Share ordinance, their visions and these are things that we have direct influence and control in terms of how we go about proactively looking to try and find those opportunities. And you know we constantly share with Barbara and the rest of the staff every now and then, I have to have a conversation with them, kinda like we had to have with Kevin and Ben from Rouse to let them know that this is an objective of not just this administration but of this council and we believe a priority for a significant portion of the city as well. And so we want to make sure that we get absolute best value, we also have that parallel objective of trying to ensure that we use this spending as a means of generating opportunity both locally and or for folks who've not been fully represented within the economic mainstream.

Councilman Shyne: Because we have some business folks who are on the Council, and after a year or two, hey, we want to spend a little money with them. Okay, thank you Barbara.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 62 OF 2013

**A RESOLUTION TO SUSPEND CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 10
RELATIVE TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AT SUPERIOR BAR AND GRILL**

**RESTAURANT FOR THE CELEBRATION OF CINO DE MAYO ON MAY 4, 2013,
AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

WHEREAS, Superior Bar and Grill Restaurant will host a celebration of Cinco De Mayo on May 4, 2013, between the hours of 11 am and 10 pm in the parking lot of their property located at 6123 Line Avenue and on Drexel Street a dead-end public street; and

WHEREAS, the event will be free and open to the general public; and

WHEREAS Superior Bar and Grill Restaurant desires to dispense and allow the sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages on their property located at 6123 Line Avenue and on Drexel Street a dead-end public street ; and

WHEREAS, Section 10-80(a) make 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, Section 10-81 provides that Section 10-41 (requiring a retail dealer's permit) shall not apply to bona fide nonprofit event meeting the requirements of this section only when it is held within the confines of an enclosed building; and Sections 10-190 (a) of the Code of Ordinances prohibits the sale, consumption, dispensing or otherwise of alcoholic beverages in and on public places, including streets, sidewalks, public parks, unless specifically authorized by the City Council or the Zoning Board of Appeals; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of this resolution would allow the dispensing, sale, and consumption of alcoholic beverages on the parking lot of Superior Bar and Grill Restaurant at 6123 Line Avenue and on Drexel Street on May 4, 2013 from 11am-10pm for the celebration of Cinco De Mayo.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened that Certain Section of Chapter 10 Code of Ordinances is hereby suspended on May 4, 2013 between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. in a Cinco De Mayo Celebration at Superior Bar and Grill Restaurant located at 6123 Line Avenue and on Drexel Street.

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 O. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to adopt.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman, can I abstain? Michael has twisted my arm making me voting for this.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Mr. Shyne, because of you, they're not having it on the 5th of May as you would assume, because Cinco De Mayo. Because that is a day of the Sabbath. They're having it on the Saturday before. Just because they wanted your vote.

Councilman Shyne: That's why I'm voting 'YES'.

Councilman O. Jenkins: They had you in mind.

Councilman Shyne: Oliver, you're too much.

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 May 14, 2013*)

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Chairman because of discussions, that Mrs. McCulloch and Mr. Wimberly had yesterday with the Council, a motion to remove Resolution 67.

The Clerk read the following:

5. Resolution No. 67 of 2013: A resolution authorizing the publication of a notice of intention to create the Riverfront Resort Economic Development District, State of Louisiana and to levy an additional 2.00% sales and use tax therein, under the authority of Part II Chapter 27 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (LA. R.S. 33:9038.31, ET SEQ.); and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (A/McCulloch)

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman McCulloch, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to remove Resolution No. 67 of 2013 from the agenda. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: None

Councilman O. Jenkins: I'd just like to make one comment. I would certainly like that in the public domain if that is going to move forward. Removing it from the agenda is not my issue particularly, but I'd like to hear some further discussions about that before we even get to the point of drawing up these types of contracts.

Mr. Thompson: One of the reasons Mr. Wimberly appeared yesterday, he said he wanted to talk to Council Members about it, and I told him that would start the discussion, but we'll probably hearing other comments with other council.

The Clerk read the following:

1. **Resolution No. 63 of 2013**: A resolution ratifying the use of certain equipment by the Fuller Center for Housing of Northwest Louisiana, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (B/Everson)

2. **Resolution No. 64 of 2013**: A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a donation agreement between the City of Shreveport and Norris Ferry Road, L.L.C., hereinafter called "Owner" and acting herein through William L. Mayfield, Manager, for the private water and sewer improvements for St. Charles Place Subdivision, Unit 13, and related facilities, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (D/Corbin)

3. **Resolution No. 65 of 2013**: A resolution authorizing the use of certain equipment by North Shreveport Business Association, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (A/McCulloch) (*Crawfish Boil*)

4. **Resolution No. 66 of 2013**: A resolution authorizing the use of certain equipment by the North Shreveport Business Association and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (A/McCulloch) (*Heroes Barbeque Cook-Off*)

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman O. Jenkins to introduce Resolution No(s). 63, 64, 65, and 66 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 May 14, 2013*)

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Chairman, we're now under Introduction of Ordinances, but a motion to remove Ordinance No. 38 concerning Historic Preservation ordinance would be in order. You will recall that we're going to introduce 38A, which is a newer version of that same matter.

1. **Ordinance No. 38 of 2013**: An ordinance amending Chapter 36 of the City of Shreveport Code of Ordinances, the Historic Preservation Ordinance 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 remove Ordinance No. 38 of 2013 from the agenda. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: None

The Clerk read the following:

1. **Ordinance No. 31 of 2013**: An ordinance levying a tax of Eight and Sixty-Four One Hundredths (8 and 64/100ths) mills per dollar on all property subject to Ad Valorem taxation within the bounds of the Downtown Development District of the City of Shreveport for the purposes as set forth herein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
2. **Ordinance No. 32 of 2013**: An ordinance levying various taxes totaling Seventeen and Sixty-Five Hundredths (17 and 65/100ths) mills per dollar on all property subject to Ad Valorem taxation within the City of Shreveport for the year 2013 in the amounts and for the purposes described herein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
3. **Ordinance No. 33 of 2013**: An ordinance levying a tax of Twenty-Two and Five One Hundredths (22 and 5/100ths) mills per dollar on all property subject to Ad Valorem taxation within the City of Shreveport for the year 2013 for the purpose of paying principal and interest on the outstanding general obligation bonds of the City of Shreveport, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
4. **Ordinance No. 34 of 2013**: An ordinance creating and establishing a No Parking Zone between the hours of 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday on both sides of the 500 Block of Atkins Avenue, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
5. **Ordinance No. 35 of 2013**: An ordinance amending the 2013 Airport Enterprise Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (*Airport Roof Repairs*)
6. **Ordinance No. 36 of 2013**: An ordinance amending the 2013 Capital Improvements Budget and otherwise provide with respect thereto. (*Airport Roof Repairs*)
7. **Ordinance No. 37 of 2013**: An ordinance amending the 2013 Budget for the General Fund, and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (*Mowing Inner-City Right of Ways*)
8. **Ordinance No. 38A of 2013**: An ordinance to amend and reenact Chapter 36 of the City of Shreveport Code of Ordinances, The Historic Preservation Ordinance; creating and establishing the Shreveport Historic Preservation Commission; and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
9. **Ordinance No. 39 of 2013: ZONING - C-21-13**: An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, The City Of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning property located west side of Kennedy Drive, 1684' south of Hollywood Avenue, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA, **FROM R-1D, URBAN, ONE FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO R-1D-E, URBAN, ONE FAMILY RESIDENCE/EXTENDED USE DISTRICT LIMITED TO "THE HOUSING & STORAGE OF VEHICLES &**

EQUIPMENT & THE PERFORMANCE OF MAINTENANCE ON VEHICLES & EQUIPMENT” ONLY, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (F/Shyne)

10. **Ordinance No. 40 of 2013: ZONING - C-26-13:** An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, The City Of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning property located east side of Russell Road, 170’ south of Phelps Road, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA, **FROM R-1H, URBAN, ONE FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO R-1H-E, URBAN, ONE FAMILY RESIDENCE/EXTENDED USE DISTRICT LIMITED TO “A PARKING LOT FOR THE CHILD CARE CENTER” ONLY,** and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (A/McCulloch)

11. **Ordinance No. 41 of 2013: ZONING - C-27-13:** An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, The City Of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning property located blocks bound by Coty, Stoner, Centenary and Egan. Also Gilbert, Coty, Stoner & the NE corner of Jordan & Coty Streets, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA, **FROM B-3, COMMUNITY BUSINESS DISTRICT TO B-3-E, COMMUNITY BUSINESS/EXTENDED USE DISTRICT LIMITED TO “PLASTIC MANUFACTURING (BLOW MOULDING ROOM), TRANSFER AND STORAGE (18 WHEELERS) AND WATER DISTILLATION “ ONLY,** and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (B/Everson)

12. **Ordinance No. 42 of 2013: ZONING - C-29-13:** 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 Youree Drive, 430’ north of Stratford Avenue, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA, **FROM SPI-3(B-1), COMMERCIAL CORRIDOR OVERLAY (BUFFER BUSINESS) DISTRICT TO SPI-3-E(B-1), COMMERCIAL CORRIDOR OVERLAY (BUFFER BUSINESS)/ EXTENDED USE DISTRICT LIMITED TO “A WHOLESALE BEAUTY SUPPLY BUSINESS (NOT OPEN TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC)” ONLY,** and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (C/O. Jenkins)

13. **Ordinance No. 43 of 2013: ZONING - C-30-13:** An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, The City Of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning property located on SW corner of Bert Kouns and Linwood Avenue, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA, **FROM R-A, RESIDENCE-AGRICULTURE DISTRICT TO B-3, COMMUNITY BUSINESS DISTRICT,** and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

14. **Ordinance No. 44 of 2013: ZONING - C-36-13/P-4-13:** An ordinance to amend Section 106-678 and Section 106-698 of Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, The City Of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman S. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Shyne to introduce Ordinance No(s). 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38A, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43 and 44 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.

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

The Clerk read the following:

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) (*Postponed April 9, 2013 until April 23, 2013*)

Having passed first reading on August 23, 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 Shyne to postpone 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.

2. **Ordinance No. 15 of 2013**: An ordinance amending and reenacting certain sections of Chapter 94 of the Code of Ordinances relative to Utilities and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (*Postponed April 9, 2013 until April 23, 2013*)

Having passed first reading on February 26, 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 postpone until the next regular meeting.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I'll second that because I want to put it in the public domain and ask for (inaudible).

Councilman Everson: Should we table so that it's not on the immediate agenda, or should we postpone it a couple of meetings.

Councilman S. Jenkins: My motion is to postpone it till the next meeting.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman, you know I'd hate to make a second motion, but I think we need to either vote it up or down at this particular point and then bring it back. After we look at it again or look at a new approach. I have heard that there might be a new approach.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Well if we could get more of these .95% interest rates and fund the entire thing like that, I'm all for that.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, Councilman O. Jenkins. Now as a Republican, you need to be careful when saying that because some of those dollars are facilitated from the '09

American Recovery Act dollars. So that's a big part of how some of those dollars have actually trickled their way down. And it represents a great opportunity to do some work that needs to be done at a rate, that obviously ends up being very favorable to cities like Shreveport.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Well, let me say this. I'm interested in my current flock. Let's make sure that they (inaudible) to what we've got. And Councilman Shyne, I think there are merits to both sides - - I'm just one that thinks it needs to be out there, and we need to continue to work on that. I know that the administration is considering or maybe putting together some outreach programs in our community. And I'd hate for us not to have an ordinance in play when that's done. And we get amendments as we go to put in that or give them some opportunities to take some suggestions from the public. I'd love 'em by the (inaudible) so to speak to address with specific ideas. So that's my reason why I'd like to - -

Mr. Sibley: Mr. Chairman, we've also received some follow-up questions from Council Members that we're compiling information to provide back to the Council. So, we don't consider it a complete process yet and we're still going to provide that information and feedback as we get questions from y'all or the public.

Councilman Everson: Do y'all have an anticipated date when you'd have answers?

Mr. Sibley: Yes sir towards the end of this week.

Councilman Everson: Cause I'd like to maybe see if we could set up an infrastructure committee meeting where I could share the answers to those question with the Council Members that are interested. And even if it does get postponed or we voted it down or whatever the action is today, at least we'll have those answers with which to plan our future action.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, and S. Jenkins. 6. Nays: Councilman Shyne. 1.

4. Ordinance No. 28 of 2013: An ordinance amending the 2013 Capital Improvements Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

Having passed first reading on April 9, 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 S. Jenkins to adopt.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay, that brings me back to the issue of talking a little bit about bond issues and moving around, I want to say moving around money between bond projects, but I guess I'm gonna make this as a formal request to the administration at this point. I would like to see what projects that we could start that maybe have been designated

in (inaudible) No. 2. But are really ready to go, and then we're waiting on other things in the No. in re-shifting this. I had a discussion about a particular street project not in my district. And apparently there is one other street project ready to go, and I'm happy to - - - if my street projects are not ready to go, I'm happy for somebody to use my share until mine are ready. Because I'm just all about moving forward. I recognize that we've got a long list of projects and not everything is gonna be ready to do as they were initially planned and in the order in which they're planned. And I at this point like to formally request team up some projects so to speak that are ready to go, that may at one point have been scheduled for (inaudible) No. 2, but are now ready. I think certainly I formally requested that from the rest of my peers, but there's a lot of interest on the (inaudible) of this council that are - - - if projects are ready to go, (inaudible) move forward with those projects.

Mr. Thompson: Lynette is passing around a signature page for all of the Council Members for the canvassing the return document. It is something that is required, so you'll know what it is when it gets to you.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, we certainly appreciate that input from Councilman O. Jenkins. That's something that as Mayor I've been asking Dale and Stan and the rest of the guys on staff to actually look at as well. Because we are anxious to put resources behind those things that are ready to move forward the quickest. So that we can end up being able to see more of the stuff that's coming out of engineering and design actually now, motor into the construction phase. So we welcome an opportunity and we're looking at both in terms of streets area, the drainage area, as well as the public building component as well. Because there are some opportunities that we think will allow us to be able to end up shortening some time frames by utilizing those dollars in that fashion. But we'll get that back to you as soon as I can take my foot off of the backs of the staff and get a quick moment to get it to you guys.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Yes, I just wanted to express my gratitude to Councilman Oliver Jenkins, and I often share with different citizens on how I admire him as a politician, although you know he has a way of politicking sometimes. But I actually wanted to express my gratitude on behalf of District A for your willingness to make the sacrifice to assist us in moving forward with our streets projects. Thank you so much.

Councilman O. Jenkins: You're welcome.

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

5. Ordinance No. 29 of 2013: An ordinance creating stop intersections in the Twelve Oaks Subdivision within the city limits of the City of Shreveport, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (D/Corbin)

Having passed first reading on April 9, 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 O. Jenkins to remove Ordinance No. 29 of 2013 from the agenda.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman, is that the same neighborhood that our Clerk lives in?

Councilman Corbin: It is nearby.

Councilman Shyne: Cause I know he drives a little crazy and as many Stop signs that you can put up close to him, you need to do it.

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

6. **Ordinance No. 30 of 2013**: An Ordinance to amend and reenact Section 106-1029 of the Code of Ordinances relative to the SPI-3 Commercial Corridor Overlay District and to otherwise provide with respect thereto

Having passed first reading on April 9, 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 O. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Shyne to postpone until the next regular meeting.

Councilman O. Jenkins: The only thing I want to point out is the postponement is totally a function of the process with the MPC and their opportunity to hold a public hearing in this regard.

Mr. Thompson: And that hearing is going to be on the 1st of May I believe.

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. 21 of 2013

In the second Whereas clause, delete the phrase "Ordinance No. _____, adopted _____, 2013" and substitute the phrase "Ordinance No. 16 of 2013".

Explanation of amendment:

This is a technical amendment to insert the correct reference to the ordinance that created the Shreveport/Mall St. Vincent Economic Development District.

ORDINANCE NO. 21 OF 2013

AN ORDINANCE LEVYING AN ADDITIONAL SALES TAX OF ONE PERCENT (1.00%) IN THE SHREVEPORT/MALL ST. VINCENT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, STATE OF LOUISIANA (THE "DISTRICT"); DESIGNATING THE FULL AMOUNT OF SUCH ADDITIONAL SALES TAX AS THE SALES TAX INCREMENTS IN THE DISTRICT FROM WHICH LOCAL AND STATE SALES TAX INCREMENTS WILL BE DETERMINED AND USED TO FINANCE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS IN THE DISTRICT IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND AS AUTHORIZED BY PART II, CHAPTER 27, TITLE 33 OF THE LOUISIANA REVISED STATUTES OF 1950, AS AMENDED; DESIGNATING THE INITIAL ANNUAL BASELINE COLLECTION RATE AND ESTABLISHING A MONTHLY BASELINE COLLECTION RATE FOR THE DISTRICT; PLEDGING AND DEDICATING SUCH TAX INCREMENTS TO REIMBURSE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COSTS AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOREGOING.

WHEREAS, Part II, Chapter 27, Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (La. R.S. 33:9038.31, et seq.) (the "Act") authorizes municipalities, parishes and certain other local governmental subdivisions to create economic development districts to carry out the purposes of the Act, which economic development districts are political subdivisions of the State of Louisiana and possess such power and authority and have such duties as provided by the Act and other law; and

WHEREAS, by Ordinance No. _____, adopted _____, 2013, the governing authority of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana (the "City") created the Shreveport/Mall St. Vincent Economic Development District, State of Louisiana (the "District"), in accordance with La. R.S. 33:9038.32; and

WHEREAS, La. R.S. 33:9038.39 permits the District to levy a sales and use tax for authorized purposes; and

WHEREAS, La. R.S. 33:9038.34(O) provides for the creation of a special trust fund for the furtherance of economic development projects, as defined in the Act, into which the incremental increases in sales taxes shall be deposited and loaned, granted, donated, or pledged in furtherance of economic development projects (each Project hereinafter approved being referred to herein as a "Project" or "Projects"); and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Act, the governing authority of the City, in said ordinance creating the District did further create a special trust fund, named the "Shreveport/Mall St. Vincent Economic Development District Trust Fund (the "Trust

Fund") the purpose of which is to fund economic development projects selected by the District in the manner provided by the Act; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with La. R.S. 33:9038.39, and in order to finance and fund certain Projects, the governing authority of the City, in its capacity as governing authority of the District, desires levy an additional sales tax of one percent (1.00%) in the District and to designate such increase in sales tax as the sales tax increment, which will be used to reimburse costs of economic development projects as defined in the Act;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the District; that:

SECTION 1. All of the above "Whereas" clauses are adopted as part of this ordinance.

SECTION 2. Levy of Sales and Use Tax. In accordance with La. R.S. 33:9038.39 and other constitutional and statutory authority supplemental thereto, there is hereby levied in the District, effective July 1, 2013 an additional tax upon the sale at retail, the use, the lease or rental, the consumption, and the storage for use or consumption, of tangible personal property, upon the lease or rental of tangible personal property and on the sales of services in the District, as defined by law (the "District Tax"). The District Tax authorized in this ordinance is levied at the rate of one percent (1.00%) of:

(a) the sales price of each item or article of tangible personal property when sold at retail in the District, the District Tax to be computed on gross sales for the purpose of remitting the amount of tax due to the District and to include each and every retail sale;

(b) the cost price of each item or article of tangible personal property when the same is not sold but is used, consumed, distributed, or stored in the District for use or consumption in the District or elsewhere, provided there shall be no duplication of the District Tax;

(c) the gross proceeds derived from the lease or rental of tangible personal property, as defined by law, where the lease or rental of such property is an established business, or part of an established business, or the same is incidental or germane to the said business, or of the monthly lease or rental price paid by lessee or rentee, or contracted or agreed to be paid by lessee or rentee to the owner of the tangible personal property; and

(d) the amount paid or charged for taxable services, as defined by law, performed in the District.

As provided by La. R.S. 33:9038.39, no election shall be required in connection with the levy of the District Tax, since there are no qualified electors in the District, as certified by the Caddo Parish Registrar of Voters by certification attached hereto as Exhibit A.

SECTION 3. Uniform Local Sales Tax Code to Apply. The Uniform Local Sales Tax Code, as enacted by Act No. 73 of the 2003 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature, and as it may be amended from time to time, shall apply in the assessment, collection, administration and enforcement of the District Tax, the provisions of which Uniform Local Sales Tax Code are hereby incorporated by reference.

SECTION 4. Effective Date and Term. The District Tax shall be effective on July 1, 2013, and shall expire on June 30, 2033.

SECTION 5. Purposes. The proceeds of the District Tax (after paying the reasonable and necessary costs and expenses of collection and administering the District Tax), shall be dedicated and used to pay the costs of economic development projects, as defined in the Act, particularly in La. R.S. 33: 9038.34(M) and La. R.S. 33:9038.36, and pursuant to a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement to be entered into by and among the District, the City of Shreveport and Mall St. Vincent, LLC.

SECTION 6. Collector. The District Tax levied by this ordinance is authorized to be collected by a "Collector" which term shall mean the Caddo-Shreveport Sales and Use Tax Commission, P.O. Box 104, Shreveport, Louisiana 71161, or its successor as sales tax collector.

SECTION 7. Remitting and Reporting Tax. The sales and use tax collected pursuant to this Ordinance shall be remitted to the Collector on or before the twentieth (20th) day of the month following the month in which the tax became effective or was collected, and shall be reported to the Collector on a form furnished by the Collector or reported electronically as provided in La. R.S. 47:337.23.

SECTION 8. Vendor's Compensation. For the purpose of compensating the dealer in accounting for and remitting the District Tax levied by this ordinance in a timely fashion and in accordance with the procedures and instructions set forth in Section 7 above, each dealer shall be allowed one percent (1.00%) of the amount of District Tax due and accounted for and remitted to the Collector in the form of a deduction in submitting his report and paying the amount due by the dealer, provided the amount due was not delinquent at the time of payment, and provided the amount of any credit claimed for taxes already paid to a wholesaler shall not be deducted in computing the commission allowed the dealer hereunder.

SECTION 9. Exclusions and Exemptions. The Governing Authority adopts none of the optional exclusions or exemptions allowed by state sales and use tax law, nor does the Governing Authority adopt any exclusions or exemptions authorized by legislation enacted under Article VI, Section 29(D)(1) of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana of 1974 that are not allowed as an exclusion or exemption from state sales and use tax. Included within the District Tax base is every transaction, whether sales, use, lease or rental, consumption, storage or service, with no exclusions or exemptions except for those

mandated upon political subdivisions by the Constitution or statutes of the State of Louisiana, including the Act.

SECTION 10. Interest. If the amount of District Tax due by the dealer is not paid on or before the twentieth (20th) day of the month next following the month for which the tax is due, then the interest on unpaid taxes shall be computed from the first day of the month next following the month for which the tax was due at the rate set provided in La. R.S. 47:1601 and any subsequent amendments that may be made thereto.

SECTION 11. Delinquency Penalty. Penalty as provided by La. R.S. 47:337.70 shall be five percent (5%) for each 30-day period, not to exceed five 30-day periods and not to exceed 25% of the unpaid amount of District Tax due.

SECTION 12. Penalty for False or Fraudulent Return. Penalty as provided by La. R.S. 47:337.72 shall be fifty percent (50%) of the District Tax found to be due.

SECTION 13. Negligence Penalty. The penalty provided by La. R.S. 47:337.73 shall be five percent (5%) of the District Tax or deficiency found to be due, or ten dollars (\$10.00), whichever is greater.

SECTION 14. Penalty for Insufficient Funds Check. The penalty provided in La. R.S. 47:337.74 shall be an amount equal to the greater of one percent (1%) of the check or twenty dollars (\$20.00).

SECTION 15. Attorney Fees. As provided by La. R.S. 47:337.13.1, the Collector is authorized to employ private counsel to assist in the collection of any taxes, penalties or interest due under this ordinance, or to represent him in any dispute, contest, or other controversy involving the determination of the District Tax due, or in any other proceeding under this ordinance or the Uniform Local Sales Tax Law. If any taxes, penalties or interest due under this ordinance are referred to an attorney at law for collection, an additional charge of attorney fees, in the amount of ten per cent (10%) of the taxes, penalties and interest due, shall be paid by the tax debtor.

SECTION 16. Penalty for Costs Incurred. As provided by R.S. 47:337.75, and under the circumstances set forth therein, a penalty shall be added to the amount of tax due in an amount as itemized by the Collector to compensate for all costs incurred in making an examination of books, records or documents, or an audit thereof, or in the holding of hearings or the subpoenaing and compensating of witnesses.

SECTION 17. Distrainment Penalty. The penalty as provided by R.S. 47:337.76 in cases where the distraint procedure is used in the collection of the District Tax shall be ten dollars (\$10.00).

SECTION 18. Limits on Interest, Penalty and Attorney Fees. Should the interest, penalties or attorney fees herein, or the combined interest, penalties and attorney fees be declared to

be in excess of limits provided by other law, including relevant jurisprudence, then the maximum interest, penalties and attorney fees allowed by such other law shall apply.

SECTION 19. Powers of Collector. The Collector is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to carry into effect the provisions of this ordinance, to appoint deputies, assistants or agents to assist it in the performance of its duties, and in pursuance thereof to make and enforce such rules as it may deem necessary.

SECTION 20. Agreement to Collect Tax on Vehicles. With regard to the collection of the District Tax on any motor vehicle, automobile, truck, truck-trailer, trailer, semi-trailer, motor bus, home trailer, or any other vehicle subject to the vehicle registration license tax, this Governing Authority, acting through the Mayor of the City, or the Collector acting through its Administrator, is authorized to enter into an agreement with the Vehicle Commissioner, Department of Public Safety and Corrections, as provided by R.S.47:303(B), on behalf of the District, for the collection of the tax on such vehicles.

SECTION 21. Revenues of District Tax. All taxes, revenues, funds, assessments, moneys, penalties, fees or other income which may be collected or come into the possession of the Collector under any provision or provisions of this ordinance relating to the District Tax shall be promptly deposited by the Collector for the account of the District in the special fund heretofore established and maintained for the deposit of such proceeds, which fund shall be a separate bank account established and maintained with the regularly designated fiscal agent of the District, provided, however, any amount which is paid under protest or which is subject to litigation may be transferred to a separate account established by the Collector with said fiscal agent pending the final determination of the protest or litigation.

SECTION 22. Expenditure of District Tax. After all reasonable and necessary costs and expenses of collecting and administration of the District Tax has been paid as provided for above, the remaining balance in such special fund shall be available for appropriation and expenditures by the Governing Authority solely for the purposes described above and in the Act.

SECTION 23. Designation of Baseline Collection Rate. The District Tax levied pursuant to Sections 2 and 3 above is a new sales tax and the full amount thereof is hereby designated by the Governing Authority to be used in determining the local sales tax increment pursuant to the Act. The initial annual baseline collection rate for the District, which is the amount of the District Tax collected in the District in the most recent completed fiscal year prior to the establishment of the District, is hereby designated to be zero (\$0) (the "Initial Baseline Collection Rate"), as the District Tax was not levied during the most recently completed fiscal year of this governing authority prior to the establishment of the District. The monthly baseline collection rate, which is the initial annual baseline collection rate divided by twelve (12), is hereby designated to be zero (\$0) (the "Monthly Baseline Collection Rate").

SECTION 24. CFO Certification. The Chief Financial Officer of the City has furnished his certification, the form attached hereto as Exhibit B, as to the accuracy of the Initial Annual Baseline Collection Rate and Monthly Baseline Collection Rate and is hereby directed to publish such certification one time in the official journal of the City.

SECTION 25. Designation of Sales Tax Increment. The Governing Authority hereby designates the entire amount of the District Tax as the local sales tax increment, which is to be deposited, together with a like amount of State sales tax, to the extent approved by the State, in the special trust fund created herein for the furtherance of economic development projects through reimbursement of costs of economic development projects and hereby pledges and dedicates to such purpose the local sales tax increment and a like amount of State sales tax increment, to the extent approved by the State, in the manner provided by the Act.

SECTION 26. Notice to Public. This Governing Authority hereby acknowledges and affirms the prior publication of a notice describing the levy of the District Tax and informing the citizens of the date of consideration of this ordinance, said notice having been published once a week for two weeks in the official journal of the City, in the form of notice attached hereto as Exhibit C.

SECTION 27. Use of Sales Tax Increments. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, sales tax increments within the District, if any, and shall be used only for Projects that meet the definition of "economic development project" as that term is defined in La. R.S. 33:9038.34(M).

SECTION 28. Authorization of Officers. The Mayor, Director of Finance and City Clerk are hereby authorized, empowered and directed to do any and all things necessary and incidental to carry out the provisions of this ordinance.

SECTION 29. Severability. If any or more of the provisions of this ordinance shall for any reason be held to be illegal or invalid, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect any other provision of this ordinance, but this ordinance shall be construed and enforced as if such illegal or invalid provisions had not been contained herein. Any constitutional or statutory provision enacted after the date of this ordinance which validates or makes legal any provision of this ordinance which would not otherwise be valid or legal, shall be deemed to apply to this ordinance.

SECTION 30. Publication and Recordation. This ordinance shall be published in one issue of the official journal of this Governing Authority as soon as is reasonably possible. A certified copy of this ordinance shall be recorded in the mortgage records of the Parish of Caddo, State of Louisiana.

SECTION 31. Publication; Effective Date. This ordinance shall be published one time in the official journal of the City, and, as provided by Section 4.23 of the Shreveport City Charter, shall become effective seven days after approval by the Mayor.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if any provision of 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 resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

ORDINANCE NO. 28 OF 2013

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2013 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BUDGET, APPROPRIATING THE FUNDS AUTHORIZED THEREIN, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

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 Capital Improvements Budget, is hereby amended as follows:

In Program A (Buildings and Improvements):

Decrease funding for Police Property and Evidence Storage Facility (11A004) project by \$30,000 from 2011 GOB, Prop. 2; and,

In Program A (Buildings and Improvements):

Increase funding for Cross Lake Patrol Facility (11A005) project by \$30,000 from 2011 GOB, Prop 2.

Adjust totals and subtotals accordingly.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the remainder of Ordinance 133 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 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.

Tabled Legislation.

1. **Ordinance No. 25 of 2012**: An ordinance amending the 2012 Capital Improvements Budget, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (*Texas Street Turn Lanes*) (B/Everson) (*Tabled March 27, 2012*)

2. **Resolution No. 205 of 2012**: A resolution approving the application of citizens regarding the organization of the Shreveport-Caddo Economic Development Authority; Designating the Economic Development area therefore; Approving the Economic Development Plan therefore; Making certain findings in connection therewith; and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (*Tabled December 11, 2012*)

3. **Ordinance No. 170 of 2012**: An ordinance 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. (*Tabled December 11, 2012*)

Appeals

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 April 8, 2013 until May 13, 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) (*Postponed April 8, 2013 until June 10, 2013*)

PSD1100017 3634 Sumner Street, Shreveport, LA (G/S. Jenkins) Mr. Roberto Strickland, 3740 Jackson Street, Shreveport, LA 71109 (G/S. Jenkins) (*Postponed April 8, 2013 until May 13, 2013*)

PSD1200218 744 St. Peter Blvd, Shreveport, LA (D/Corbin) Mr. Murphy Montgomery, 1500 Park Ave, #214, Shreveport, LA 71104 (A/McCulloch) (*Postponed April 8, 2013 until June 10, 2013*)

PSD1200243 4043 Crosby, Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) Mr. Joe Mingo, Jr., 3821 Mayfield, Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) *NEW*

Alcoholic Beverage Ordinance Appeals

Metropolitan Planning Commission Appeals and Zoning Board of Appeals

Other Appeals

Taxi Appeal

Reports from officers, boards, and committees

Clerk's Report

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Chairman, suppose I would tell you that the City employees held a 'Get Fit Day' Saturday and there was great participation with it, Ms. Scott was there, but I don't see any other department heads in here nor the CAO, I did not see him up there.

Councilman Shyne: Was she jogging or doing any exercises?

Mr. Thompson: Walking fast. She walked four miles Mr. Shyne.

Councilman Shyne: I can't believe that.

Mr. Thompson: However, it was a great activity, there were a lot of City employees who could hardly get up the next day, but they had strong hearts, their bodies may have been a little weak, but it was a great event.

Councilman S. Jenkins: That was reaching for a report.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I wanted to ask, did you incorporate any of your U.S. Army training while you were out there with your colleagues?

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Jenkins, because I was a JAG (Judge Advocate General) Officer, I was not very good at any of that.

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 5:48 p.m.

//s// Michael D. Corbin, Chairman

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