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**Council Proceedings of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana**  
**July 22, 2014**

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana was called to order by Chairman Joe Shyne at 3:07 p.m., Tuesday, July 22, 2014, in the Government Chambers in Government Plaza (505 Travis Street).

Invocation was given by Councilman Mr. Austin Hall.  
The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Sam Jenkins.

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 Everson, seconded by Councilman O. Jenkins to approve the minutes of the Administrative Conference, Monday, July 7, 2014 Council Meeting, Tuesday, July 8, 2014, and Amendment No. 1 to Council Proceedings, July 8, 2014.**

**Amendment No. 1 to Council Proceedings of July 8, 2014** (as published on July 15, 2014, in the Official Journal) is amended as follows:

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Amend the July 8, 2014 minutes in the section styled "*Resolutions on Second Reading and Final Passage or Which Will Require Only One Reading*", as follows:

Delete the Resolution numbered 114 as published in the Official Minutes on July 15, 2014 and insert the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 114 OF 2014**

**A RESOLUTION TO AMEND RESOLUTION NO. 91 OF 2012 TO AUTHORIZE THE EXPENDITURE OF CITY WIDE STREET IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (11C003) FUNDS TO INCLUDE THE DESIGN WORK FOR THE 1600 BLOCK OF OAKDALE THAT EXTENDS TO THE CUL-DE-SAC AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

**BY: COUNCILMAN JEFF EVERSON**

**WHEREAS**, the City Wide Street Improvement Program has an appropriation of \$11,000,000, funded from 2011 GOB, Prop 3 funds; and

**WHEREAS**, the paragraph numbered 3 in Ordinance No. 114 of 2011 (the 2012 Capital Improvements Budget) requires the City Council to authorize by resolution individual street improvement projects before City Wide Street Improvements Program Funds can be expended for those projects; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Wide Streets Improvement Program will be funded at \$21,000,000 which, if allocated equally between districts, will be \$3,000,000 for each district; and **WHEREAS**, Resolution No. 91 of 2012 authorized the expenditure of funds for certain streets in District B, and funds are available after some projects initially authorized were completed under budget; and

**WHEREAS**, City Wide Street Improvement Program funds should be used to fund the design work for the 1600 block of Oakdale that extends to the cul-de-sac at a cost of \$16,000.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened, that Resolution No. 91 of 2012 is hereby amended by adding approval of the use of City Wide Street Improvement Program funds, which remained after completion of other projects under budget, for the following project: design work for the 1600 block of Oakdale that extends to the cul-de-sac, at a cost of \$16,000.

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

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

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Explanation: The resolution that was adopted provided funds for the 1600 Block of Oakdale but the resolution that was published listed the 1800 block. This amendment corrects that error.

Councilwoman McCulloch: What was the amendment to the July 8<sup>th</sup> - - -

Councilman Everson: It's just an update, it's a correction to the - - -

Mr. Thompson: It's a correction to the minutes. We changed something in the Council Meeting, but the wrong thing was put in the minutes. So this corrects that.

Councilwoman McCulloch: What was it that we changed?

Ms. Johnson: Look on the electronic agenda.

Councilman Everson: It was regarding the Oakdale ordinance to add the Cul-de-Sac?

Councilwoman McCulloch: Oh, okay.

Councilman Everson: It was just some language that was incorrectly recorded.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Oh, okay. Okay.

**Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

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

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

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor?

Mayor Glover: Yes sir Mr. Shyne. I'm going to yield to Councilman O. Jenkins. I know he has a communication that we would like to do right here, I believe at the beginning. So I will yield to him at this time.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay, perfect. Thank you Mr. Mayor.

Councilman Shyne: That's so nice of you Mr. Mayor. If anybody ever says that you and Oliver don't compromise with one another, we've got it on record that you all do.

Mayor Glover: Absolutely.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Spirit of cooperation is present here today in the Council (inaudible).

Councilman Shyne: I love that.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay, well you know there are opportunities where citizens of our fine city make a significant effort to recognize people that do great things for us, and that's what we're here to celebrate today, and I'm going to invite Amada Gouthiere to come up. And she has a presentation which will be supported by the Mayor and myself. So we may walk down to the podium here in just a minute.

*Ms. Amanda Gouthiere: (Captain Shreve Drive)* I know Fred loves this picture, because it's 25 years ago, and he says, Oh my gosh, I can't believe you've got that picture, but - - - 25 years ago today, it was a sunny and scorchingly hot day, and I was a 13 year old getting to go on a motorcycle ride with my dad. So everything was right with the world. Carefree and safe. You don't worry when you're a child and your parents are driving you, you just feel like it's all going to be okay. We pulled out of Southfield Apartments on the Southfield Road, past Albertson's, near the intersection of Kings Hwy, and within a flash, nothing was ever going to be the same. I remember it like it was yesterday. I was lying on the median on my left side with my right leg crossed over my left leg. I leaned up to see my leg and tried to (inaudible) him what had happened. I could see straight into my knee. Blood, dirt, foam, glass, tissue, everything. My leg held together only by a piece of skin on the back of my knee and that was it. Residents on the street came out to check on my dad and I. One even brought me a blanket. You see we were hit by a 19 year old who had run a stop sign and hit us with her car. Sirens blared, and then my angel appeared. Fireman and paramedic, Fred Johnson. What's your name sweetheart, he asked me. Amanda, I replied. And he said, it's all going to be okay. And you know what? I believed him. I don't remember the whole conversation, I know I must have been in shock, as all I kept thinking about and asking for was an Icee. So what exactly did my angel do? He provided comfort, security, peace, strength, care and a stuffed animal. He never allowed me to think I was going to die. He made sure I knew he wasn't going to leave my side and he didn't. He saved my life. He did, without a doubt. Everyday these men and women dedicate their lives to protecting and caring for us in emergency situations, and each of them deserves our thanks. Today is the day I get to say thank you to you Fred. I am so thankful that God brought you to the scene of our accident on this day, 25 years ago. Because not only were you my angel that day, you've been my lifelong friend ever since. I hope you know what an impact you made on me. Thank you for following God's call for your life, and thank you for being there late that night after my first of many surgeries with an Icee.

Councilman Shyne: Why don't you ask Fred to come up. And both of y'all can kinda cry together.

Ms. Gouthiere: I can hardly see the paper.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, members of the Council, what you have just heard is a story that can be told time and time and time and time again. Because what Fred Johnson did on

that day 25 years ago is what the men and women of the Shreveport Fire Department and the Shreveport Police Department do every day. You all have heard me say before, a saying that I share at each of the Police and Fire Academies at graduation that I get a chance to participate in. And it is a saying that was offered by Little Flower, Theodore Fiorella Negrette, Fiorella is Italian for Little Flower. The mayor of New York City who said back at the turn of the century, the last heroic act that a firefighter or a police officer will ever commit is when they stand up before their family, their fellow firefighters and officers and all of the folks of their city when they take their oath, that everything that they do from that point forward is just simply a part of the job. And what Fred Johnson did on that particular day was his job. And he did it well, and he did it with a depth of commitment and concern and compassion that has been the hallmark of this department since 1837, and continues to be so to this very day. And so we thank Amanda Gouthiere for giving us a chance to be able to join her in honoring Fred Johnson and all of the men and women of the Shreveport Fire Department who go out every day and just simply do their job, and do it so well. So, Councilmen and Battalion Chief and Amanda, and all of the members of this Council, I am proud to issue this proclamation on this day. And it reads thusly. It says:

WHEREAS Fred Johnson joined the Shreveport Fire Department in February of 1981, and has dedicated 33 years of service to our community, and

WHEREAS Fred Johnson has served as a firefighter and paramedic and engineer, captain and battalion chief, and

WHEREAS Fred Johnson has displayed to the performance of his duties the highest standards of professional ethics, professional competency and dedication, and

WHEREAS Fred Johnson has shown kindness, respect, care and concern and most importantly, God's love to the members of our community by being the best public servant he can be, and

WHEREAS Fred Johnson has been a lifesaving hero to Amanda Bell Gouthiere and many others, now therefore I Cedric B. Glover, Mayor of the City of Shreveport, do hereby proclaim Tuesday, July 22, 2014 as Fred Johnson Day in the City of Shreveport.

Mayor Glover: Join me in the celebration of this momentous occasion, witnessed whereby here to set my hand and cause the seal of the City of Shreveport to be affixed. Fred, you've given us almost 34 years. 25 years ago today, you gave one outstanding day of service to this young lady, and we thank you. And the least we can do is give you your day. Got something here from the Chief here as well, and then we'll have you make some comments.

Councilman O. Jenkins: The Shreveport Fire Department Certificate of Commendation presented to Battalion Fire Chief Fred Johnson, the Shreveport Fire Department recognizes you for your actions during a motor vehicle accident which occurred at Southfield Road and River Road on July 22, 1989. Today marks the 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of saving the life of Ms. Amanda Bell Gouthiere. Your EMT/Paramedical skills and caring spirit made you a hero to Ms. Gouthiere and a role model to fellow firefighters. Dated today, July 22, 2014. Tom Self, Deputy Fire Chief, Tom Self.

Councilman Shyne: Fred, come on up and say a few words, because you make me feel like an old man. Fred's mother and I worked together at Booker T. And I remember when Fred was running around as a little boy with short pants on, and look at him. He's been on the Fire Department for 33 years. Fred, it's time for me to go home.

Mr. Fred Johnson: You know this is - - - I don't really think I deserve this. I was doing what I was trained to do and you know she was so sweet at the scene. And the only thing I did

was what I wanted everybody else to do on the job. Take care of somebody's family like I would take care of them. And I really appreciate this, I really do. She's been saying this to me for years, that she wanted to do something nice for me. And I always told her, I said 'Look, this is not necessary.' But you went above and beyond today. So, I really appreciate this Mr. Mayor, Chief Self, Amanda, thank you very much.

Councilman Shyne: And Mr. Mayor, while he's on his way back to his seat, he has two young ladies with him, Ms. Sarpy who served here on this council, I want to say just a few years ago, it hasn't been that long ago. And one of the School Board members Ms. Hardy, who I'm not going to say how long she served on the school board, but she served a few years on the School Board. And we're just so glad to have you all down and both of you all have contributed to this community above and beyond the call of duty. Thank y'all very much for coming down.

Mayor Glover: And Mr. Chairman, you also have his much younger sister, Ms. Falla Johnson is here as well.

Councilman Shyne: Well, she's been taking pictures.

Mayor Glover: With that Mr. Chairman, we turn it back over to you.

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

Councilman Shyne: Okay, I'm going to go down to Council Members, you all have any?

Councilman O. Jenkins: I'd like to just say one thing, that it's great to see a citizen willing to put forth that kind of effort. And that is really appreciated. You know there are opportunities and you know certainly us up here do field a fair amount of complaints about what goes on and it's great to see some that are willing to thank those people that work very, very hard for us and do great jobs. So I appreciate that Amanda for coming up and making that effort. Thank you.

Councilman Shyne: And Fred, we do appreciate the years that you have given service for the service to the citizens of Shreveport. And of course, I just have to say this, you are truly a Shreveport Boy.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Mr. Chairman?

Councilman Shyne: Although I think some of the people were probably looking for you to go to Booker T, to be able to play football.

Councilman S. Jenkins: I certainly want to extend some personal greetings to my constituents down here, Ms. Maxine Sarpy and Ms. Ursula Hardy, and Ms. Falla Johnson. It's good to see y'all down. Just wanted to say a personal hello to you myself. These are some distinguished constituents from District G.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Aren't they all distinguished from District G?

Councilman S. Jenkins: I said these are some of them.

Councilman Shyne: And let me say this before we go on. Ms. Sarpy was married to the late Dr. Joseph Sarpy who was one of our fine physicians here in the city. Not only in the city, but in the state and this great country. And it would take me all day to start telling you about Ms. Hardy's husband who was an outstanding athlete at that great school down the road there, Grambling State University. And I believe Mike might have been Captain of the first team that Grambling won the NAIA National Championship. And he coached for a long time at J.S. Clark Jr. High, and had some of the best teams not only in Shreveport but in the state. And back during that time, if J.S. Clark and other Junior High Schools like that would have been able to be

nationally ranked, I really think that Mike would have had some of the top football teams in the country, and you know she slept and ate football, and he bled Black and Gold at Grambling. So Ursula, it's so good to see you. Both of you all have a lot of history here in this city, thank you all very much for coming down and I'm glad you all brought somebody with you in order to take some pictures.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Councilman Shyne? Also I had an opportunity to go out and actually greet our guests that we just addressed prior to the meeting, but Councilman Shyne, you know you mentioned something about Grambling State University. You know she was a basketball player, Sister Ursula, my Sorrow was a basketball player, at Grambling State University as well and also Mayor Glover I learned not here lately that during one year at Grambling State University, it was Sorrow Ursula Hardy who was selected as Senior Queen for Grambling State University at the same time my mother was Ms. Freshman. So, there is a little history there with Sorrow Hardy and my mother as well. As a matter of fact, I think that particular year Sorrow Sarpy, that was when my mother actually met my father because they went to the band I believe Conrad Hutchison to get an escort and of course my father was the bandsman that was selected to escort my mother who was elected as Ms. Freshman. Also I've been fortunate enough since I've graduated from college, I've pledged afterwards, because I didn't know that I'd be able to make any of the lines on the campus at that time, but it was always my goal to become an Alpha Kappa Alpha, and what I'd like to share this audience today that Sorrow Ursula Hardy is one of the Sorrow that crossed me over as an Alpha Kappa Alpha and so I just wanted you know and (inaudible) me crossing over as an Alpha Kappa Alpha. Of course Sorrow Sarpy is my sorrow along with other sorrows with Alpha Kappa Alpha, and so again, I would just like to welcome you and it's always a pleasure. She, Sorrow Ursula Hardy was also a mentor for me at Newton Smith's, at that time Elementary School. My first year teaching in Caddo Parish. I think she served as the Librarian, and of course, I always kept my eyes on her and she was always my mentor. And I always told myself, that when I get her age, I want to be just like her. And just know she's still wearing if not three-inch, she still wearing stilettos, and so I have reduced down to 2 ½ inches, but she's always been my mentor and again, it's always a pleasure to have you in the midst and thank you for coming.

Councilman Corbin: Just a quick reminder that tonight at from 6:00-8:00 is the Meet and Greet for the MPC Executive Director candidates at the Hilton. If we make it out of here in time and it fits in your schedule, I think that's important for us.

Councilman Shyne: Since we're recognizing a lot of folks that we used to mentor, Randy Johnson there, one of the civic and community leaders on the Cooper Road, and I guess Mayor I'm telling my age, but I knew Randy when he was running around with short pants on. That's right, one of my former students. Randy, it's so good to see you down and appreciate the work that you're doing in your neighborhood. You've always been involved and you've always been concerned about trying to improve the quality of life in your neighborhood. So, we're so glad to see you down and I hope you will continue that, and I hope you will be getting involved in the upcoming elections in the city. Thank you Randy. If nothing else Mr. Mayor, we'll come back to you and see what else you have and - - -

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

Mayor Glover: We'll turn it back over to you Mr. Shyne, in the interest of time that was referenced by Mr. Corbin

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor, that was so nice of you. If I had some money, we'd go out and eat lunch after Council Meeting. Ms. Farnell?

## **Reports**

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

Councilman Everson: I just was (inaudible) down there today.

Ms. Farnell: I'm sending you a text on that now sir.

Councilman Everson: Sounds great. Thank you.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Of course. I spoke to you earlier today Ms. Farnell regarding a complaint at Norma and Anna Streets, the 1900 block, a problem with snakes in the ponds and grass and overgrowth.

Ms. Farnell: We're following through with that.

Councilwoman McCulloch: And on Oregon street, as I explained to I don't know if Stan is here.

Ms. Farnell: He's not here.

Councilwoman McCulloch: For the past two years, I know that we've gone in and actually sprayed behind the residents that live along Oregon Street and I don't know exactly what the holdup has been for this past year, but I know there was an issue regarding the erosion there, and as far as us not being able to cut it, but we have gone in and we've actually sprayed it, so we're just trying to find out now why is it that it hasn't been sprayed. I spoke to Stan regarding this as well.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Do we have anybody here from Public Works today?

Mr. Sibley: He will be here.

Councilman Shyne: While you're still there, you got a pencil? Write this down please. 3049 Parkridge. That's over in the Sunset Acres. I've gotten maybe 7-8 calls from that location. Evidently I think the people are probably moved out and I'm told that the grass is extremely high, and there might be some furniture and stuff that was left in the garage area. Would you send someone over there to check that out, and let's see if we can get the grass cut as soon as we can? I would not bother the furniture at this particular point until we contact somebody and either leave a notice to let them know that they have X number of days to come and move that furniture. But let's see if we can at least get the grass cut. Alright, Mr. Harris just came in. Sam, did you want Mr. Harris to come up at this time?

Councilman S. Jenkins: I just had a list that I wanted to pass on to Mr. Harris.

Councilman Webb: Mr. Chairman, I thought of something I wanted to give Dorothy.

Councilman Shyne: Okay wait a minute Dorothy, just before you go.

Councilman Webb: Stan may know about it on his way up, I'd asked about it about a month ago, and I was doing so more checking about the property between Ridgewood Jr. High and the Baird Road, on the corner of - - -right across from the library? And from what I've been told, that's private property, and they're responsible for it up to the ditch. Up to the (inaudible) I mean.

Ms. Farnell: I think I have something on that, and I will respond to you on tomorrow on that. Okay?

Councilman Webb: Tomorrow?

Ms. Farnell: Yes sir.

Councilman Webb: Okay, that's fine. Well, also I thought about this may be on the same circumstance, but when you come out of Chasewood Subdivision on Baird Road, directly across the street, the ditch line right there looks bad. And that would be, from what I understand, would be the homeowner's responsibility to take care of the ditch as well.

Ms. Farnell: 7701 Chasewood?

Councilman Webb: Naw, it's on Baird Road, but it's when you're coming out of Chasewood Subdivision and you sit there at the stop sign looking straight across the street, it's the ditch right there. The homeowner should be taking care of that, from what I've been told. It hadn't been cut in 15 years.

Ms. Farnell: Let me look at that.

Councilman Webb: Okay, thank you.

Councilman Shyne: And just one other thing Dorothy, the 4800 block of Bethune, Hollywood Heights? Seems like somebody might be remodeling one of those houses and they have set some stuff on the outside, and you might want to get a sign by there saying, "Joe Shyne and Dale Sibley says you need to move that trash". Because Dale, I think if it's done with contractor, I believe I'm right, they are responsible - - -

Mr. Sibley: Supposed to go all the way?

Councilman Shyne: Right, and if not if we go by and pick it up, we want to send them a little notice that they need to pay us X number of dollars. So, if you don't mind Dorothy using your name and mine, cause she will do it, put a little sign out if you can't catch up, if your inspector can't catch up with the guys working there, give 'em a little something, because it makes the whole neighborhood look bad and we don't want our neighborhood looking like trash (inaudible), want to at least keep it looking nice. Another thing Dale, I live over in that area too.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Councilman Shyne, before Stan goes to his seat, Stan you know we talked about an issue over on Martin Street, Mr. Nathaniel Francis? You know he was supposed to go over tomorrow to actually do the site and I was hoping that Ms. Farnell could actually join us tomorrow. So, if you could get with her on a time that we're going to meet tomorrow and let me know before the meeting is over. Because as you know on yesterday we did inform Mr. Francis, that we would be meeting over there on tomorrow.

Mr. Stan Harris: Yeah, I talked with him this morning and actually set a time for 10:00.

Councilwoman McCulloch: 10:00. So, Ms. Farnell if you could join us on Martin Street tomorrow at 10:00, I sure would appreciate it. Thank you.

Councilman Shyne: Okay, Mr. Sibley, do you have any more to add?

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

Mr. Sibley: No sir.

Councilman Shyne: Ms. Scott, do you have anything to add? If not, Ms. Sanders.

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

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

Ms. Dara Sanders: Good afternoon. I would just like to take this time to address a couple of master plan related items on your agenda today? First, is the Certified Local Government application. That is actually a stated goal in the Master Plan as it relates to historic

and cultural preservation. That will give the City of Shreveport the opportunity to access grant funding, which actually comes down from the national government. The good news about CLG Grant funding is that they accept in kind matches in terms of staff time. So as your historic preservation moves forward if their application is approved, they will be able to use their time that they spend on Historic Preservation Commission as a match to award some of the grant funding that they are applying for. It includes training, outreach projects, a variety of different things that would be covered under that. The second is the Food Systems Master Plan on your agenda. That was reviewed and recommended for approval by the Master Plan Committee, as well as the Metropolitan Planning Commission. It address several of our goals related to natural heritage, access to healthy foods, sustainable neighborhoods, but it also addresses job creation and economic development. It is aimed at bringing a new economic sector to our region really, but don't currently exist and it aims at creating jobs that don't currently exist in our region. So, it does span over several of our chapters with our Master Plan. Our next Master Plan Committee meeting is August 4<sup>th</sup> at which time the Committee will be receiving an update on Unified Development Code. We expect our first draft of the code on August 15<sup>th</sup>. The Draft Review Committee which consists of MPC staff, City Staff and Parish Staff, are working internally to establish internal review dates in which we can all discuss and hash out and come to a consensus in terms of that draft before our consultants come to review it with us. There are a couple of other really important master plan implementation items on that agenda, so with that said, that's all I have.

Councilman Shyne: Okay, anybody have any questions for - - - ?

Councilman S. Jenkins: Nothing in particular to what the report was about, but I understand this may be Ms. Sanders' last meeting with us.

Ms. Sanders: Yes sir, this is my last City Council Meeting. I have accepted a job in a different state.

Councilman Shyne: Oh no!

Ms. Sanders: Yes sir. And so July 31<sup>st</sup> is my last day with Metropolitan Planning Commission.

Councilman Shyne: Where you going?

Ms. Sanders: I'm going to Dallas.

Councilman Shyne: You're not going to like it over there. It's so big and rambunctious and so impersonal over there, you see if you stay here in Shreveport, you'll have a lot of personal love. Right Mayor?

Mayor Glover: Certainly.

Councilman O. Jenkins: There are no historic buildings over there.

Councilman Shyne: Weather is hot over there.

Ms. Sanders: (Inaudible) historic eventually, right?

Councilman O. Jenkins: You won't be there (inaudible).

Councilman S. Jenkins: Well her stay here has been brief, but it's been very informative. The times I've had an opportunity to talk with you and get some assistance from you, it's always been a very pleasant exchange of information. So just want to let you know you certainly will be missed and we certainly appreciate the contributions that you have made during you time here with us. So it doesn't appear that you're going to be going too far, so stick around, you never know what the next administration may want to do. They may just reach over there and tap you on your shoulder.

Ms. Sanders: Thank you for your kind words. It's been a pleasure working with all of you.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Councilman Shyne, I'm sure Jeff would echo some of the words that I'm going to express to Dara. Coming aboard and being selected by this Council as the Chairperson of the Subcommittee for the Master Plan group, for those of you that might not know, Dara was very instrumental in helping us to get the Unified Development Code up and running for the City of Shreveport. You've really been a great asset to not only District A, but the entire City of Shreveport. You're really going to be missed a whole lot as well as your baby. Much success in the near future and hopefully, you'll come back and pay us a visit.

Ms. Sanders: Thank you.

Councilman Everson: Rose, you're right, I do echo that. Dara, you've been fantastic and on many levels I think one of the things that really kinda motivated me, running and getting on City Council was the Master Plan process, so I was excited that we've taken the steps to hire somebody to work in implementing that and you've done an excellent job in keeping us focused in doing that. And on a personal level, you're a great person as well. So, we'll certainly miss you on many levels. So thank you for your work.

Councilman Webb: Well, I hate to see you go, but you're young and I understand that perfectly. And it's been great having you here and you know the Master Plan we've had master plan several times, and it's never gotten off the table, off the floor, collected dust and I think you've made a huge contribution to making sure this one doesn't become another moth ball. So, I thank you for that and I wish you well.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I'm just sad she's leaving before the SPI-6 gets its first chance at being tested. I'm sad for a lot of reasons, but I would certainly like you here in the next month or two. It's a different story and those who understand it certainly understand.

Ms. Sanders: Don't worry, I'm passing on that knowledge to my colleagues and I'm sure they're very eager to provide you with the assistance that you need.

Councilman Webb: Where is all the MPC folks, they couldn't stand to see you leave?

Ms. Sanders: Mr. Clarke is hiding over there.

Councilman Shyne: I see the Mayor is looking and smiling. I don't know whether that means that he has a little bonus in your - - -

Ms. Sanders; I would certainly welcome a bonus.

Mayor Glover: Good work and Godspeed.

Councilman Shyne: No mention of a little bonus? Oh okay.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I thought we authorized it (inaudible), not sure (inaudible)

Councilman Shyne: Thank you very much and we really will miss you and we enjoyed your time here, but like Ron said, I understand, I got two sons myself, probably about your age. And one made me cry a few years ago because he wanted to go to Houston and Ursula I wouldn't give him any gas money to go. I said, 'Now if you're going to Houston, you gonna have to get your own gas money.' So, he was telling me about the opportunities and I said, I understand, just hate to see you go. And you know I-20 always comes east from Dallas. So you know you can always come back home. Thank you very much.

**Public Hearings:** None

**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.

1. **Resolution No. 127 of 2014:** Affirming the city of Shreveport's support, endorsement and recommendation for Amtrak passenger rail service in north Louisiana and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
2. **Resolution No. 128 of 2014:** Authorizing the organization of the northwest Louisiana Council of Governments as a Louisiana nonprofit corporation and the filing of articles of incorporation with the office of the Louisiana secretary of state and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
3. **Resolution No. 129 of 2014:** A Resolution suspending certain provisions of Chapter 10 relative to alcoholic beverages on August 9th, 2014 relative to dispensing, sale and/or consumption of alcoholic beverages at 1401 Fairfield Ave. for a customer appreciation event and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (B/Everson)
4. **Ordinance No. 75A OF 2014:** An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, the City of Shreveport zoning ordinance, by rezoning property located on the NE corner of Knight street and E Preston Avenue, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, La, from R/A, Residence /Agriculture District To B-2, Neighborhood Business District with MPC approval of the health studio, athletic club and gymnasium and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (C/ O. Jenkins)
5. **Ordinance No. 76 of 2014:** An ordinance amending the 2014 Capital Improvements Budget and otherwise providing with respect thereto (B/Everson)
6. **Ordinance No. 77 of 2014:** An ordinance amending the 2014 Streets Special Revenue Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto (B/Everson)

Councilman Shyne: Is there anyone in the audience that would like to speak in favor of adding this legislation to the agenda? Is there anyone here who would like to speak in opposition to adding this legislation to the agenda? If not, Mr. Sam Jenkins, I'll accept a motion from you.

**Motion by Councilman S. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman McCulloch to add Resolution No(s). 127, 128, 129 and Ordinance No(s) 75A, 76 and 77 of 2014. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

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

*Mr. Gary Lasher: (8330 Ashbourne)* I'm speaking for which is now 75A I assume, is that correct? A rezoning of a corner that we intend to purchase, the YMCA intends to purchase and I'm very much for that. So, when you're given a gift by a corporate citizen of Shreveport, and we hope some others follow in that. So I am for that. It is in Mr. Jenkins' district, and hope that all of you will support that as we go forward and building this as a not as a YMCA community but a whole campus of about 150 acres for the community. And so appreciate it.

Councilman Shyne: I'm going to make a few remarks and I'll turn it over to the senior member of this Council, Oliver Jenkins. I think you all are doing a fantastic job. And you know I think you all are building something out there that's going to draw not only Shreveport, but all of North Louisiana. It really looks good, and I've always admired the contributions in which you all do for the community. So Oliver was talking the other day, I don't know whether he meant it or not, but he was talking about coming up with some kind of donation.

Mr. Lasher: I think he should.

Councilman Shyne: I think he should too. And you know Oliver is from one of the wealthy families here in town, so I know you all will be getting a good donation from Oliver and his family. Oliver, I'm going to turn it over to you.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Well Gary sits in the pew in front of me in church and he looks over and sees how much I contribute. So he's got a pretty good idea. But I think most importantly, obviously a great, great, great thing for our community. And we really need to start out with just thanking BHP for their very significant contribution. I mean that's - - - if it's not the single largest contribution to the City of Shreveport, it certainly has been recently. So more than a \$10,000,000 donation, that is kinda the first Phase or two I guess of the total project, that has (inaudible) points out there opportunities for citizens, corporations to join that team to really expand that project of what it truly intends to be, and you know certainly I know Gary is very approachable. They have a great board that's working very, very hard to get those additional dollars to really get the full vision in place, and then naturally and I don't know if that's the leadership of the organization like yourself and the Board that has continued to support our community in such a fantastic manner and you deserve every bit of accommodation for it. So, great to see this. I'm personally very excited, and I know all the citizens are excited about and look forward to it coming to fruition.

Councilman Shyne: And tell Gregg Morrison I said that he has a lot of wealthy friends, so you know, he can - - raise a lot of money. Thank you Gary, I'm kinda a fortune teller, so I kinda think this will be a slam dunk. Thank you.

*Ms. Anne Fumarello: (Sci-Port)* And usually I come before you asking for money or asking for something, but today, I'm going to give you a present as you can see, it's a trash can. Two years ago, we had a horrible, horrible, horrible rain at Sciport and it dented our roof. And we had 16 of these throughout the building collecting the water in our building. And what we have done while I thank you for allowing us to do a lot water testing when it rained, having kids guess how full the bucket would get when it rained, which we've done for the last two years with our buckets. We no longer need them because the City got our roof fixed. So I did want to bring them one of our 16 buckets that we no longer need, but I also want you to know something is that we did go to all of our camp kids and explained to them about how the city takes care of us and how the Council takes care of us and we wanted to do something fun. So our camp kids have signed this and then one of our little camp kids said, well the City'll use the bucket, what is the City Council going to get, which is crazy that they figured this out. And I said okay, well you get them something. So I do have something for the Council and the City.

Councilman Shyne: I wish the Mayor would - - - aw yeah.

Ms. Fumarello: I want you to know we do not have termites. I'm not sure where this came from, but I let 'em go with it. But while this is very light hearted, we do want to thank you for everything you do for us and we do let our kids know about it and everybody know about how wonderful the city is to us. It is something. And thank you, thank you, and thank you again. And you'll always have one of our trash cans, so thank you.

Councilman Shyne: Anne, just before you go, anybody want to - - -

Councilman O. Jenkins: No, I want the thing, we're going to put it up there so we can see it.

Councilman Shyne: Dale, make sure you and the Mayor take the trash can up and put it between you all's offices hear? So when you get something from Oliver or Sam, you know you just sign it and throw it over in there. Thank you all very much.

Confirmation and Appointments: 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:*

**RESOLUTION NO. 115 OF 2014**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A DONATION FROM WELLS FARGO, PREMIER ASSET SERVICES AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO**

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport has by ordinance created an Enrichment Fund as a trust fund for the receipt of donations for the enrichment and improvement of city facilities, program and services. The ordinance is contained in Section 26-186, et seq of the Code of Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, Section 26-187 of the ordinance authorizes the Mayor or his designee to accept donations of funds up to \$10,000 per donation from any person and to execute donation agreements to obligate the city to expend such funds for any public purpose designated by the donor; and

WHEREAS, this Section of the ordinance also provides that donations over \$10,000 may be accepted only with the approval of the city council; and

WHEREAS, Wells Fargo, Premiere Asset Services ("Donor") has generously offered to donate land and improvements located at 9150 Sunny Oak Drive, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, to the City of Shreveport subject to the condition that: a) the property provide sustainable homeownership or rental opportunities a low to moderate income family or person; and b) the property is to be secured and maintained by the City until it can be rehabilitated and occupied; and

WHEREAS, the property will be used by the Department of Community Development to provide an opportunity for homeownership to a low to moderate income person or family; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to accept the donation of the property from Wells Fargo, Premiere Asset Services and to use the property for the purpose stated by the Donor.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in legal session convened, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to accept the donation of 9150

Sunny Oak Drive, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana from Wells Fargo, Premiere Asset Services subject to the conditions imposed by the Donor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor is authorized to execute any and all documents reasonably requested by the Donor acknowledging acceptance and receipt of the donation.

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 S. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman O. Jenkins to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 116 OF 2014**

#### **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CERTIFICATION AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF CULTURE, RECREATION AND TOURISM AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO**

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism has approved the City's request for certification and participation in the Certified Local Government Program ("Program"); and

WHEREAS, the Program is a federally initiated effort to build partnerships between the local, state and federal governments by offering special programs and grant opportunities to communities who have passed and are enforcing local historic preservation ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to participate in the Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in legal session convened, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute Certification Agreement with the Louisiana Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism for purposes of the Louisiana Certified Local Government Program substantially in accord with the draft hereof filed for public inspection in the Office of the Clerk of Council on July 8, 2014.

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 Everson, seconded by Councilman O. McCulloch to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 118 OF 2014**

**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-6" 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-6" 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-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 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 McCulloch, 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: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 119 OF 2014**

**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-12" 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-12” 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-12” 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 S. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman O. Jenkins to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 120 OF 2014**

**A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING DEDICATION FOR CROSS RIDGE COURT IN ESPLANADE UNIT 6, LAKE DISTRICT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

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

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

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

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

**Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Corbin, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 6. Nays: Councilman Webb. 1. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 121 OF 2014**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SETTLEMENT OF ALL CLAIMS AGAINST THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND ITS EMPLOYEE JONATHAN D. IKNER IN THE MATTER ENTITLED “STEVIE L. HENDRIX V. JONATHAN D. IKNER AND THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT” AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO**

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport and its employee Jonathan D. Ikner are named as defendants in the above referenced litigation; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to attempt to settle all claims asserted against it and its employee by the plaintiffs in this matter for an amount in excess of \$200,000; and

WHEREAS, Section 26-175(b) of the Code of Ordinances requires that any claim in a lawsuit that is \$200,000 or more may be settled only after it has been approved by the City Council by resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened that the Office of the City Attorney is hereby authorized to settle all claims asserted against the City of Shreveport and its employee Jonathan D. Ikner in the above entitled and numbered matter for an amount in excess of \$200,000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor of the City of Shreveport is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents for and on behalf of the City of Shreveport in regard to the settlement.

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby 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: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

**RESOLUTION NO 122 OF 2014**

**A RESOLUTION PROCLAIMING AUGUST 7TH AS “PURPLE HEART RECOGNITION DAY” IN SHREVEPORT, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO**

**BY: COUNCILMAN SAM JENKINS**

WHEREAS, the Purple Heart is the oldest military decoration in use today. It evolved from the Badge of Military Merit created in 1782 by General George Washington for the common soldier; and

WHEREAS, The Purple Heart is awarded in the name of the President of the United States to any member of the Armed Forces of the United States who, while serving under competent authority in any capacity with one of the U.S. Armed Services after April 5, 1917, has been wounded or killed; and

WHEREAS, the State of Louisiana recognizes August 7th as "Purple Heart Recognition Day"; and

**WHEREAS**, citizens of Shreveport and the greater Shreveport community hold members and veterans of the armed forces of the United States of America in the highest esteem, especially those who have been wounded or killed as a result of that service; and

**WHEREAS**, it is therefore appropriate and necessary for the City of Shreveport to join the State of Louisiana and set aside a special day to recognize and honor residents of this City, State and Nation who have been awarded the Purple Heart because of their service and sacrifice for this country and its citizens.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, regular, and legal session convened that August 7th is designated “Purple Heart Recognition Day” in Shreveport to recognize and to demonstrate appreciation for the sacrifices Purple Heart recipients have made in defending the many freedoms we enjoy as citizens of this great Nation.

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

Councilman S. Jenkins: Mr. Chairman, I certainly appreciate the support of my colleagues on this resolution. We have a written resolution. They are trying to schedule a program for August 7<sup>th</sup>, for Purple Heart Recognition Day, and as soon as we can get the location and time down, I will make sure that information gets to the members of the council. Thank each of you for signing the resolution and we certainly want to use this opportunity to salute those men and women in military service both active and retired who we believe gave an extra measure of devotion either through sustaining an injury or death in defending the freedoms that we enjoy here in this country. So this resolution will help Shreveport join with the remainder of the State of Louisiana on Purple Heart Recognition Day and certainly ask that citizen will recognize August 7 in whatever way that you can to thank and show some appreciation for those individuals who are recipients of the Purple Heart.

Councilman Shyne: Sam, again, I think you’re doing a fine job and I would just ask you to make sure you recognize Captain Arthur Thompson. I’m told by Lt. Col Oliver Jenkins that Captain Thompson might have hurt his foot on his way to the mess hall one day. Is there any truth in that?

Mr. Thompson: It doesn’t qualify as a wound for which the Purple Heart is awarded.

Councilman S. Jenkins: As we said on yesterday, he certainly is a recipient of the Golden Heart Award.

**Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Shyne, I’ll read 123, we would ask that it be introduced and postponed. It should have been on the agenda as a two-reader.

8. **Resolution No. 123 of 2014:** A resolution declaring the intention of the city of Shreveport (the “city”) to proceed with the issuance of not to exceed seventy-five million dollars (75,000,000) water and sewer bonds, in one or more series for the purpose of financing the cost of acquisition and construction of improvements, extensions

and replacements to the water and sewer utility system of the city, making application to the Louisiana State Bond Commission for approval of such bonds and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

**Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Everson, seconded by Councilman McCulloch to introduce and postpone Resolution No. 123 of 2014 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: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 127 OF 2014**

#### **A RESOLUTION AFFIRMING THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT'S SUPPORT, ENDORSEMENT AND RECOMMENDATION FOR AMTRAK PASSENGER RAIL SERVICE IN NORTH LOUISIANA AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO**

WHEREAS, for more than twenty (20) years, various communities, Parishes, Chambers of Commerce, Economic Development organizations and others have worked to bring Amtrak passenger rail service to North Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, on October 22, 2013, the Shreveport City Council expressed its support and endorsement for Amtrak passenger rail service in North Louisiana by the adoption of Resolution No. 187 of 2013; and

WHEREAS, among other things, the Resolution expressed support for the completion of a passenger rail line from Shreveport-Bossier to Longview, Texas and the extension of the line to Vicksburg and Meridian, Mississippi in order to provide service to Atlanta, Georgia and points east and west. A similar resolution was unanimously adopted by the Louisiana Municipal Association ("LMA") Board of Directors on August 1, 2013; and

WHEREAS, a second passenger rail corridor has been proposed from Baton Rouge to Shreveport; and

WHEREAS, this corridor will provide a key link between Dallas/Ft. Worth, Shreveport, Baton Rouge, and New Orleans and serve as a major economic development incentive for the growth and development of all the Villages, Towns, Cities, Parishes, and Counties located in each of the corridors which is a public purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened that the City of Shreveport hereby reaffirms its support and endorsement for Amtrak passenger rail service in North Louisiana from Shreveport-Bossier to Longview, Texas and the extension of the line to Vicksburg and Meridian, Mississippi.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Shreveport supports, endorses, and recommends the study, design and completion of a second passenger rail corridor from Baton Rouge to Shreveport to serve as a key link between Dallas/Ft. Worth, Shreveport, Baton Rouge, and New Orleans.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents to evidence the City's support and endorsement of Amtrak passenger rail service in North Louisiana within either or both of the corridors identified herein.

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 Everson, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to adopt.**

Councilman S. Jenkins: Good news for the City of Shreveport.

Councilman Shyne: I just hope the Mayor consulted with State Representative Roy Burrell before he put this together so we won't have any phone calls after the meeting.

Mayor Glover: We would not dare to broach the subject without proper consultation.

Councilman Shyne: Thank you.

**Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 6. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: Councilman O. Jenkins. 1. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 128 OF 2014**

#### **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ORGANIZATION OF THE NORTHWEST LOUISIANA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS AS A LOUISIANA NONPROFIT CORPORATION AND THE FILING OF ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION WITH THE OFFICE OF THE LOUISIANA SECRETARY OF STATE AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO**

WHEREAS, the Northwest Louisiana Council of Governments ("NLCOG") was originally created as the Caddo-Bossier Council of Local Governments by joint action of the City Council of the City of Bossier City, the City Council of the City of Shreveport, the Caddo Parish Commission and the Police Jury of Bossier Parish in October, 1956; and

WHEREAS, the name of the organization was formally changed to the Northwest Louisiana Council of Governments in 1993; and

WHEREAS, NLCOG has been has been designed by the State of Louisiana through the Department of Transportation and Development as the metropolitan planning organization ("MPO") for the metropolitan region; and

WHEREAS, among other things, this designation makes NLCOG responsible for development of plans and programs for Federal-Aid Highway projects in cooperation with the State of Louisiana. The process for development such plans and programs shall provide for consideration of all modes of transportation and shall be continuing, cooperative and comprehensive to the degree appropriate, based on the complexity of the transportation program; and

WHEREAS, NLCOG has been designed by the State as the agency responsible for carrying out the transportation planning process for the Shreveport-Bossier City Urbanized Area and is a recipient of funds under the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991, as amended, and the Federal Transit Act of 1991, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the organization is not incorporated as a nonprofit corporation under the laws of the State of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the organization desire to incorporate the

organization as a Louisiana nonprofit corporate in order to efficiently provide for joint and continuing consultation and planning of the metropolitan area with the City Council of the City of Bossier City, the City Council of the City of Shreveport, the Caddo Parish Commission, the Police Jury of Bossier Parish and other local units of government.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened that the City of Shreveport, by the adoption of this Resolution, does hereby, acting jointly with other units of local governments in Caddo and Bossier Parishes, authorize the incorporation of the Northwest Louisiana Council of Governments as a Louisiana nonprofit corporation with the filing of Articles of Incorporation with the Louisiana Secretary of State in accordance with applicable provision of Louisiana law. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents on behalf of the City of Shreveport to evidence the authority granted herein. 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 S. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Corbin to adopt.**

Councilman Everson: Just a quick question. I think I got the gist of this yesterday, but this is just allowing this organization to be considered 501(c) 3 or what's different?

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, we'll have City Attorney Terri Scott to come up and speak to Council.

Ms. Terrie Scott: Mr. Everson, members of the Council, right now the organization has never been incorporated either as a non-profit or a for-profit corporation. When I spoke with a representative of NLCOG trying to get the legislation together, she informed me that in one of their federal audits that was something that pointed out to the board yet again. And now this is the time the Board is taking the time to try to organize and do some of those housekeeping things that they intended to do over the years that includes going back, organizing the corporation as a proper non-profit corporation under the laws of the State of Louisiana. Since the City of Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Bossier Parish Police Jury and the Bossier City were all jointly involved in the formation and creation of NLCOG back when it was the old Council of Governments, those are the main entities who are primarily responsible and involved in NLCOG. And they're asking all of the local governmental units to signify their support for the organization moving forward to incorporate as a non-profit corporation.

Council Shyne: Terri, thank you very much. Is that your sorority colors, your Pink and White?

Ms. Scott: No sir, this is Red.

Councilwoman McCulloch: No, no, it's definitely Pink.

**Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 129 OF 2014**

**A RESOLUTION SUSPENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 10 RELATIVE TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ON AUGUST 9TH, 2014 RELATIVE TO DISPENSING, SALE AND/OR CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AT 1401 FAIRFIELD AVE. FOR A CUSTOMER APPRECIATION EVENT AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

**BY: COUNCILMAN JEFF EVERSON**

**WHEREAS**, Bear's located at 1401 Fairfield Ave. will host a Customer Appreciation Event on August 9th, 2014, between the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m.; and

**WHEREAS**, the establishment desires to dispense, and allow the consumption and sale of alcoholic beverages on the parking lot of the establishment, between the hours of 1:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. with music being played outdoors until 10:00 p.m.; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 106-130(6) provides that unless otherwise excepted, all uses shall be operated entirely within a completely enclosed structure; and

**WHEREAS**, any special exception approval granted to the establishment for alcoholic beverage sales, consumption and/or dispensing does not specifically authorize outside sales and/or consumption on the premises; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 10-80(a) makes it unlawful for any person to sell, barter, exchange or otherwise dispose of alcoholic beverages except within those sections of the city wherein such sale is permitted by the applicable zoning ordinance; and

**WHEREAS**, Section Chapter 10-103(a)(5) provides that the city council may suspend or revoke any permit if a retailer allows any person to consume any alcoholic beverage on the licensed premises or on any parking lot or open or closed space within or contiguous to the licensed premises without a proper license; and

**WHEREAS**, the adoption of this resolution would allow the dispensing, sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages on the parking lot of Bear's, 1401 Fairfield Ave., on August 9th, 2014, for a Customer Appreciation Event between the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 10:00 p.m., with music being played outdoors until 10:00 p.m.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened Sections 106-130(6), 10-103(a)(5) and 10-80(a) are hereby suspended on August 9th, 2014, for a Customer Appreciation Event, between the hours of 1:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m., with music being played outdoors until 10:00 p.m. at Bear's, 1401 Fairfield Ave.

**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 Everson, seconded by Councilman Corbin to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch,**

**Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

**Introduction of Resolutions (Not to be adopted prior to August 12, 2014)**

*The Clerk read the following:*

1. **Resolution No. 124 of 2014:** A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a donation agreement between the City of Shreveport and Wallace Lake Development, LLC, hereinafter called “Owner” and acting herein through Wit t Caruthers, Manager for the facilities to serve St. Andrews Subdivision Unit No. 1, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (D/Corbin)
2. **Resolution No. 125 of 2014:** A resolution recommending endorsement and adoption of the Regional Food System Master Plan prepared by We Grow Together For Establishing A Healthy Regional Food System, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
3. **Resolution No. 126 of 2014:** Stating the City of Shreveport’s endorsement of Shreveport CV Housing, LLC, to participate in the benefits of the Louisiana Restoration Tax Abatement Program, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. *(Not to be adopted prior to August 12, 2014)*

**Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman O. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman McCulloch to introduce Resolution No(s). 124, 125, and 126 of 2014 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: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

**Introduction of Ordinances (Not to be adopted prior to August 12, 2014)**

*The Clerk read the following:*

3. **Ordinance No. 75 of 2014: ZONING - C-49-14:** An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, the City Of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning property located on the NE corner of Knight Street and E. Preston Avenue, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA., **From R-A, Residence-Agriculture District to B-3, Community Business District** and to otherwise provide with respect thereto . (C/O. Jenkins)

**Motion by Councilman O. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman McCulloch to remove Ordinance No. 75 of 2014 from the agenda. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

2. **Ordinance No. 74 of 2014: ZONING – C-44-14:** An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, the City of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning property located on the North side of Pierremont Road, 150 feet east of Line Avenue, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA From B-1, Buffer Business District to B-2 Neighborhood Business District, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (C/O. Jenkins) *(Request for Remand to the MPC)*

**Motion by Councilman O. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Corbin to remand Ordinance No. 74 of 2014 to the MPC. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

1. **Ordinance No. 73 of 2014**: An ordinance amending the 2014 Capital Improvements Budget, and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (*Funds eight existing utility projects; Opens one new project; Closes One project*)
4. **Ordinance No. 75A OF 2014**: An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, the City of Shreveport zoning ordinance, by rezoning property located on the NE corner of Knight street and E Preston Avenue, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, La, from R/A, Residence /Agriculture District To B-2, Neighborhood Business District with MPC approval of the health studio, athletic club and gymnasium and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (C/ O. Jenkins)
5. **Ordinance No. 76 of 2014**: An ordinance amending the 2014 Capital Improvements Budget and otherwise providing with respect thereto (B/Everson)
6. **Ordinance No. 77 of 2014**: An ordinance amending the 2014 Streets Special Revenue Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto (B/Everson)

**Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Everson, seconded by Councilman McCulloch to introduce Ordinance No(s). 73, 75A, 76 and 77 of 2014 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: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

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

*The Clerk read the following:*

1. **Ordinance No. 53 of 2014**: An ordinance amending the 2014 Capital Improvements Budget and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (*Valencia Park, Hattie Perry, Cargill Park, Mamie Hicks, Bilberry Park, CC Antoine*) (*Amendment No. 1 adopted July 8, 2014*) (*Postponed July 8, 2014*)

**Having passed first reading on April 8, 2014 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 Ordinance No. 53 of 2014 as amended. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

2. **Ordinance No. 67 of 2014**: An ordinance amending the 2014 General Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (*Street Sweep Program*) (*Postponed July 8, 2014*)

**Having passed first reading on April 8, 2014 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 McCulloch to adopt.**

Councilman Everson: And as we vote, I would just like to also, I know we said yesterday, but the Infrastructure Committee did recommend passage on this and we want to thank the Administration for coming with this very comprehensive program. Look forward to the start of it.

Councilman O. Jenkins: And thank Mr. Harris for spending the day putting together those numbers for us.

Councilman Everson: And quickly done.

Mayor Glover: I'm sending for him now, just in case there are any questions or what have you.

Councilman O. Jenkins: No questions, just wanted to say I appreciate him taking the time, getting it to us before the Council Meeting.

Mayor Glover: He doesn't understand it was more important to be in here than out talking to Jody Lowery. We don't want to comment on it until you guys pass it.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Maybe he had a good feel. Maybe he got a good vibe from Councilman Shyne up here.

Mayor Glover: Got to stay focused on what's important.

Councilman Shyne: And I just wanted to tell him too that I appreciate him getting Hollywood squared away because every time I would come to a Council Meeting, Mr. Harris, we just want to commend you for the good work that you've done, and I also want to thank you for keeping Councilman Oliver Jenkins off my back. Every time he's goes to the airport, you know he goes down Hollywood, and all those bad holes and all that, I see you all have done an excellent job fixing them, so I don't have to worry about him being on my back anymore. Thank you very much. Oliver, please Mr. Thompson, proceed.

**Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

3. **Ordinance No. 70 of 2014**: An ordinance declaring the city's interest in certain vacant property as surplus, and our intention to donate certain vacant lots acquired by community development for phase III of Concordia Place Development, to Fuller Center for Housing of Northwest Louisiana, Inc. (*Not to be adopted prior to August 12, 2014*)

**Having passed first reading on April 8, 2014 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 Corbin 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: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

4. **Ordinance No. 71 of 2014:** An ordinance amending Ordinance No. 150 of 2013 (Which amended and reenacted Section 10-172 of the Code of Ordinances), and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

**Having passed first reading on April 8, 2014 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 Coirbin to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

5. **Ordinance No. 72 of 2014:** An ordinance declaring the city's interest in certain vacant property as surplus, and our intention to donate certain vacate property acquired by community development via foreclosure, to Hope for the Homeless Inc.; and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. *(Not to be adopted prior to August 12, 2014)*

**Having passed first reading on April 8, 2014 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 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: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

*The adopted ordinances and amendments follow:*

**AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO. 53 OF 2014:**

*(Adopted July 8, 2014)*

**BY: Councilman Jeff Everson**

-Substitute the Fact Sheet and Ordinance that was introduced on May 13, 2014 with the attached Fact Sheet and Ordinance

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**Explanation of Amendment:**

This amendment makes certain changes to both the Fact Sheet and the Ordinance so that the decreases and increases will balance.

**ORDINANCE NO. 53 OF 2014**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2014 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BUDGET AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

BY: Councilman Jeff Everson

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

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it necessary to amend the 2014 budget for the Capital Project Fund to adjust appropriations, reflect current revenue estimates and for other purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in legal session convened, that Ordinance No. 118 of 2013, the 2014 budget for the Capital Project Fund, is hereby amended as follows:

**Decrease appropriations in the following 2011 GOB Projects:**

**In Program B (Recreation Improvements)**

Decrease Sunset Acres Park Recreation Center by \$25,000

Decrease A. C. Steere Park Improvements by \$76,765

Decrease East Kings Highway Park Renovation by \$30,954

**In Program A (Buildings and Improvements)**

Decrease Cross Lake Patrol Facility by \$525

Decrease Barnwell Center Improvements/ADA Compliance by \$1,300,000

Decrease Industrial Park Infrastructure by \$171,800

Decrease Shreveport Convention Center Hilton Hotel Maintenance by \$1,059,956

Decrease New Fire Station #17 by \$2,150,000

**Increase appropriations in the following 2011 GOB Projects:**

**In Program B (Recreation Improvements)**

Increase Valencia Park Community Center by \$1,485,000

Increase Hattie Perry Park Community Center by \$1,350,000

Increase Mamie Hicks Park Renovation by \$675,000

Increase Bilberry Park Gymnasium by \$1,125,000

Increase C. C. Antoine Park Renovations by \$180,000

Adjust totals and subtotals accordingly.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the remainder of Ordinance No. 118 of 2013 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 to be severable.

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

**ORDINANCE NO. 67 OF 2014**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2014 GENERAL FUND BUDGET,  
APPROPRIATING THE FUNDS AUTHORIZED HEREIN AND TO OTHERWISE  
PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO**

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it necessary to amend the 2014 General Fund Budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in legal session convened, that Ordinance 120 of 2013, the 2014 General Fund Budget, is hereby amended as follows:

In Section 2 (Appropriations)

Public Works Department

Decrease Personnel Services by \$19,000

Decrease Materials & Supplies by \$406,000

Decrease Contractual Services by \$180,000

Increase Improvements & Equipment by \$605,000

Adjust totals and subtotals accordingly.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the remainder of Ordinance No. 120 of 2013 as amended, shall remain unchanged and in full force and affect.

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

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

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 71 OF 2014**

#### **AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 150 OF 2013 (WHICH AMENDED AND REENACTED SECTION 10-172 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES) AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO**

BE IT ORDAINED, by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal and regular session convened that Section 10-172 (c ) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Shreveport is hereby amended and enacted to read as follows:

Sec. 10-172. Dealers to be closed between certain hours on Sunday and Monday; exceptions

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(c) The provisions contained in subsection (a) above shall not apply to any retail dealer who sells alcoholic beverages for consumption on the premises and whose premises are located:

(1) In any area zoned B-4, Central Business District, under Ordinance No. 184 of 1957, the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Shreveport, or any amendment thereto. It shall be unlawful for any retail dealer operating in said areas to be open for business between the hours of 6:30 a.m. and 12:00 noon Sunday as a retail dealer of alcoholic beverages;

(2) In the 400 block of Creswell Street, the 1600-2100 blocks of Marshall Street, the 200 block of Stoner Avenue and the 1600-2100 blocks of Market Street, and including the properties located on both sides of the street in those blocks, and in the entire area bounded by those blocks of those streets. It shall be unlawful for any retail dealer operating in said areas to be open for business as a retail dealer of alcoholic beverages during the following times:

a. Between the hours of 2:30 a.m. and 12:00 noon Sunday;

b. Between the hours of 12:00 midnight Sunday and 7:00 a.m. Monday.

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

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

#### **Tabled Legislation.**

1. **Ordinance No. 170 of 2012:** Amending and reenacting portions of Chapter 90 of the Code of Ordinances relative to Residential Parking Permit Zones, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (*Tabled December 11, 2012*)

2. **Ordinance No. 90 of 2013:** Amending and reenacting Section 102-47 of the Code of Ordinances relative to insurance required for Vehicles for Hire and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (F/Shyne) *(Tabled August 27, 2013)*
3. **Ordinance No. 12 of 2014:** Changing the name of Steeple Chase Plaza Drive to Gregory Kirby Plaza Drive, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (G/S. Jenkins)
4. **Ordinance No. 19 of 2014:** Amending the 2014 Water and Sewerage Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
5. **Ordinance No. 20 of 2014:** Amending the 2014 Community Development Special Revenue Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
6. **Ordinance No. 21 of 2014:** Amending the 2014 Airport Enterprise Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
7. **Ordinance No. 22 of 2014:** Amending the 2014 Golf Enterprise Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
8. **Ordinance No. 24 of 2014:** Amending the 2014 General Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
9. **Resolution No. 52 of 2014:** A resolution amending the Pay Plan for General Classified Employees to provide a one-time lump sum pay increase and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (E/Webb)
10. **Ordinance No. 36 of 2014:** An ordinance amending and re-enacting Article IV of Chapter 30 of the Code of Ordinances relative to fireworks and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (C/O. Jenkins) *(Tabled June 10, 2014)*
11. **Ordinance No. 66 of 2014:** An ordinance authorizing an amendment to the agreement and lease with MBI Global, L. L. C., and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. *(Tabled July 8, 2014)*

## **Appeals**

### **Property Standards Appeals**

**PSD1000086** 2837 Logan Street, Shreveport, LA (G/S. Jenkins) Ms. Carolyn Ivory Wilson, 3646 Del Rio Street, Shreveport, LA 71109 (G/Jenkins) *(Postponed May 23, 2014 until September 22, 2014)*

**PSD1000141** 728 Austin Pl, Shreveport, LA (B/Everson) Ms. Deborah Bryant, 9640 Tammy, Shreveport, LA 71106 (Caddo Parish) *(Postponed March 24, 2014 until August 25, 2014)*

- PSD1300218** 360 E. 68<sup>th</sup> Street, Shreveport, LA (C/O. Jenkins) Mr. Daniel Southern, 368 E. 68<sup>th</sup> Street, Shreveport, LA 71106 (C/O. Jenkins) *(Postponed until July 7, 2014 until October 13, 2014)*
- PSD1300137** 1447 Hollywood Avenue, Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) Ms. Mary Dickens, 6004 Fox Ridge, Shreveport, LA 71129 (G/S. Jenkins) *(Postponed until July 7, 2014 until October 13, 2014)*
- PSD1300253** 3640 Del Rio Street, Shreveport, LA (G/S. Jenkins) Mr. Terry Williams, 900 Whispering Lake Drive, Shreveport, LA 71107 *(Postponed June 9, 2014 until August 11, 2014)*
- PSG1300703** 3640 Del Rio Street, Shreveport, LA (G/S. Jenkins) Mr. Terry Williams, 900 Whispering Lake Drive, Shreveport, LA 71107 *(Postponed June 9, 2014 until August 11, 2014)*
- PSD1300207** 1622 Creswell Avenue, Shreveport, LA (B/Everson) Mr. John C. Smith, 224 Cane Bend Drive, Haughton, LA 71037 *(Postponed April 7, 2014 until October 13, 2014)*
- PSD1300040** 600 W. 73<sup>rd</sup> Street, Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) Mr. James McReynolds 135 Mahaffey Road, Princeton, LA 71067 *(Postponed until July 7, 2014 until October 13, 2014)*
- PSG1400174** Vacant lot north of 615 W. 70<sup>th</sup> Street, Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) Ms. Lola Armstrong, 315 Camp Zion, Haughton, LA 71037 *(Postponed until July 7, 2014 until October 13, 2014)*
- PSD1400022** 2806 W. Maple Street, Shreveport, LA (G/S. Jenkins) Mr. Gary Sweatt, P.O. Box 3212, Shreveport, LA *(Postponed May 23, 2014 until July 21, 2014)*
- PSD1300250** 3413 Palm Road, Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) Mr. Herman Pickens, 3812 Scenic Drive, Shreveport, LA 71119 (F/Shyne) *(Postponed June 9, 2014 until August 25, 2014)*
- PSG1400005** 2745 Essex Street, Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) Mr. Mohammed Dehmane, 5754 Ferrell Drive, Shreveport, LA 71129 (G/S. Jenkins) *(Postponed June 23, 2014 until August 25, 2014)*
- PSD1400061** 1942 Nicholson, Shreveport, LA (B/Everson) Ms. Shaunda Gafford, 8200 Wild Briar Drive, Apt 809, Shreveport, LA 71108 (E/Webb) *(Postponed June 23, 2014 until September 22, 2014)*
- PSD1300307** 2420 Jennie Lane, Shreveport, LA (A/McCulloch) Ms. Eunice Wilkerson, 3801 Milton, Shreveport, LA 71109 (G/S. Jenkins) *(Postponed June 23, 2014 until July 21, 2014)*
- PSD1300319** 3040 Skelly Street, Shreveport, LA (A/McCulloch) Mr. Thadious L. Hawkins, 650 Kingridge Place, Shreveport, LA 71108 *(Postponed June 23, 2014 until August 25, 2014)*

**PSD1400043** 118 Egan Street, Shreveport, LA (B/Everson) Ms. Bobbie Lee Moore, 3157 Woodlawn Ave, Shreveport, LA 71104 (C/O. Jenkins) (*Postponed until July 7, 2014 until July 21, 2014*)

**PSG1400204** 201 E. Columbia Street, Shreveport, LA (B/Everson) Mr. Robin Ryland 720 Linden Street, Shreveport, LA 71104 (B/Everson) (*Postponed until July 7, 2014 until August 25, 2014*)

**PSD1400026** 832 Drexel Street, Shreveport, LA (C/O. Jenkins) Mr. Lee Roy Surry, 138 Lilly Road, Benton, LA 71006. *NEW*

**PSD1200217** 6143 Rightway Blvd, Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) Mr. Joseph Nelson, 1880 Shady Lane, Shreveport, LA 71118 (E/Webb) *NEW*

**CAB1400596** 3821 Conway Street, Shreveport, LA (B/Everson) Mr. John Cox, 3831 Conway Street, Shreveport, LA 71103 *NEW*

**B. Alcoholic Beverage Ordinance Appeals**

Denial of Application of Chad Fangue for alcohol permit for Kokopellis, 400 Commerce Street, Shreveport, LA 71101 (B/Everson) Mr. Chad Fangue, c/o Kokopellis, 400 Commerce Street, Shreveport, LA 71101 (B/Everson)

Denial of Application for renewal of Alcohol Beverage Permit for Hilton Shreveport, 104 Market Street, Shreveport, LA 71101 Mr. Don Cook c/o Hilton Shreveport, 104 Market Street, Shreveport, LA 71101 (B/Everson)

**Metropolitan Planning Commission Appeals and Zoning Board of Appeals**

*The Clerk read the following:*

BAC-44-14 – 4200 Block of Clingman Drive & SE Atlantic Street and Finley Drive, Shreveport, LA, Mr. Durr, Broadmoor Baptist Church, Minister of Business Administration, 4110 Youree Drive, Shreveport, LA 71105 (C/O. Jenkins) (*Postponed June 10, 2014 until July 22, 2014*) (*Appeal withdrawn by letter dated July 10, 2014*)

Mr. Thompson: If there are no objections, we have a letter withdrawing the appeal in that matter and so a motion to remove it from the agenda would be in order.

**Motion by Councilman O. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to remove Zoning Board of Appeals Case No. BAC-44-14 from the agenda. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

BAC-36-14 – South side of E. Kings Hwy, 350 feet west of Youree Drive, Shreveport, LA (C/O. Jenkins) (*To be considered July 22, 2014*)

Councilman O. Jenkins: I'd certainly like to give the two people involved in this case the opportunity to come speak. Mr. Tran, I don't know if you want to start or Mr. Nader, you want to start, either one. Come before the microphone, and - - - okay, Mr. Nader if you'd come forward and then afterwards we'll kinda give the opportunity of what's going on with the MPC Staff since this process started.

*Mr. Edward Nader: (Nader's Gallery, corner of E. Kings Hwy and Youree)* I'm here today to represent a property at 530 E. Kings Hwy, which is operating at (inaudible). The property abuts me on both the south side of his property and the west side as well. In the fall of last year, the property owner did a massive reconstruction adding about 50% of the current building space, and paving the entire lot. It was not required by the MPC Staff to submit a site plan. I'm confused why this property was exempt from the Shreveport Code of Ordinances requiring a site plan to be submitted. The property owner was exempt from paying a fee to the site plan which was required by law, but I had to pay one to come today which just kinda continues to add insult to injury, because a lot of time and money has been spent on this whole issue. My question is why the laws and ordinance didn't apply to his property really. Had a site plan been submitted, I would have the - - - been entitled the opportunity to make my concerns be heard by the Zoning Administration, but I was denied those opportunities and rights. There was never a posting or request for a zoning variance, no case number. Had they had a site plan been submitted, I think some professionals would have been involved, put in with regards to planning, engineering, etc. The so called site plan that I obtained from the Metropolitan Planning Commission from Mr. Clarke and Mr. Jean were actually ZBA plans for Churches Fried Chicken and they're dated 2001, and no site plans for the MPC for the development of this particular property was ever put in place. The site plan for that did get, which I don't know if you can put them on the overhead, they did not take into consideration the land that was expropriated by the Louisiana Department of Transportation for the expansion of Hwy 1. I lost a good, oh I don't know, 25 or 30 feet of my parking lot and so did they, but on their proposed site plan, it showed all of these parking spaces which I mean, they're just going to be ultimately (inaudible). I think the property was erroneously issued a permit, but instead of halting the construction, the staff decided to take their errors and continue to cover them up and push them through and no one ever said to stop, go back to the MPC and let's look at the site plans. Because according to the MPC, I have a long email chain from Mr. Clarke that went on for two months. And you know answering my concerns. According to the Planning Commission, the site plan or occupancy license was never brought in front of them, so apparently Mr. Clarke took upon himself to waive the site plan requirement, and misrepresent himself that he had the authority to do so. And I'm not so sure that that he does or does not. But the ZBA delivered - - - was not delivered accurate information and I brought it in front of their appeals board, and they also expressed that the property was exempt from landscaping, which I don't understand why that isn't either. It is my understanding that anytime a new construction or more than 10% of a property is expanded or a property is expanded by more than 10%, all of these ordinances kick in. And according to landscape, there should be like a five foot buffer parallel to the street. 15% of the front lot should be devoted to landscaping. There is no landscaping at all, there's no trees, there should be one tree for every 30 feet of street frontage. And there's not a blade of grass. And I just can't seem to understand why this gentleman and his property was exempt from this and the rest of us have to adhere to these laws and guidelines. The staff declined to enforce the ordinance and allow the property owner to build a building, and then now I'm - - - like again, I'm still dealing with this issue. And I've contacted - - - when this first started back in November, I contacted the

Mayor's office, Code Enforcement, Permits and Inspections, City Engineering, Councilman Corbin, Councilman Jenkins (Oliver), everybody who's been aware of this going on. But four or five months pass, and they ultimately got their occupancy license, and they're operating. There are a lot of details and if anybody wants them, I'll be happy to share them with you. I have a lot of photographs, I have a lot of correspondence, all of that. I'd be more than happy to share those, but I don't think this is really necessarily the platform. My whole point is that I think it should have gone in front of Metropolitan Planning Commission and it should have been handled correctly and through the proper procedure. And that was not done. It has ultimately impacted our business on more than one level. Not limited to like concrete was poured, they poured an entire concrete slab and overlaid the entire parking lot about eight inches higher than ours, and it dumps water over onto our property and makes it where the water does not drain properly. We've had instances of flooding and engineering said that they were never sent out there to take a look at it, and that it was not correct. The new curb stops are causing people to drive into our building. There is not sufficient parking, there is not sufficient backup, turning lanes, etc. And we also have a right to ingress and egress, is blocked because of the way the parking lot is configured. It's just a poor plan. And there is just physically, if there is any way we could put this on the (inaudible), there is just physically no way that you can do this one way in and one way out, but (inaudible) ingress goes in, so the two lanes will - - - they just don't, they won't, make it. I mean it's physically impossible to negotiate that. So, cars are forced to back up on the Kings Hwy that's creating traffic hazards and issues and a big mess. And it's creating a parking nuisances for all the businesses. But then (inaudible) the MPC and the ZBA didn't have the benefit of an accurate staff report, and quite frankly, I just feel like the law has been broken here and I was denied my right to have this conversation with the proper authorities at the time. I don't really understand why I have to appeal to the City to enforce their own laws, and I also feel like you know the Master Plan that we've all talked about and we're all so excited about, it just seems to be absolutely pointless if we're not going to enforce it. So, I'd also like to have my filing fees for today refunded as well. Because I feel like I should never have - - - it should not ever had gone this far. So (inaudible) that's really pretty much. I could certainly pass this around, it'd be a little easier. So, just for the history of it, this is what I achieved when I went in the first day, which was the site plan for Churches, and all of this is gone now. The State owns this. The second site plan is this one. It was inaccurate and not to scale, and this was the third one, which if you can see these cars and these are not the same size, so there's no way that that's a feasible site plan. And it's my understanding it should be to scale, this is the one - - - the last one that was provided and as you can see they have to come in this way, out this way and now here. But there are cars parked here, and here. So there's no way I can get in or out of my own property. It just seems absurd that it has gone to this point.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I certainly like to give the current property owner the opportunity to speak if he'd like to. You don't have to if you don't want to. Mr. Nader, would you mind just kinda stand up here just so they don't. I mean you can sit down on the front row or somewhere, I'm just saying.

Mr. Greg Johnson: Let me ask one question, does the MPC get to defend their position since they issued the license, because if so, we'd like them to go first and then we'll go last.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I'm certainly intending on bringing up Mr. Jean to come up here and explain the procedure from that. I know you think this is a court of law, it is not, but it doesn't matter to us.

Mr. Greg Johnson: I'm sure it's not a court of law, because there is no judge here. But okay, I'll go ahead and go first then.

*Mr. Tran: (236 Pomeroy Drive)* I'm the property owner at 530 E. Kings Hwy. I don't see what's the reason was to be here, first of all, cause I have done everything to be a good citizen, to do it right to provide a job place for Shreveport and have a great looking place for the City of Shreveport (inaudible), and first of all, the reason why he complaining, because he didn't have his own right of way. That is supposed to be on the west side, he was using my side. (Inaudible) to use it to his property, and he had his own right of way to his property too, which he blocked off. And I don't know if he pull permit or not to do it, but he did. I don't see why the city would allow him to do that because I have proof right here that he's blocking off is property up and he use a patio for his business, and (inaudible) on his middle entrance way for him to - - - so he was using - - - little bit trouble, (inaudible) I don't see why when he have (inaudible) right here and stuff. I just want to make the place look good, and I tried to do my best to remodel place to look good. And I did have everything. I paid the permit fee, all the fees, and the MPC and I worked together. I just want - - - the restaurant square footage is real small, I just added a 16 foot to my restaurant, so this can have seating area to sit in, so people can have to sit and eat. It's a small little business, and for his way (inaudible) for my concrete to be poured eight inches over him, that's my (inaudible), and I have test with the water, and this is where is flood level at right there, and it didn't go to his property at all. And he just want to - - - and that's another picture where the water flowed to the street. Not on his property. And I think I did what the law says, and he has no proof to say that to me, and we shouldn't be here at all. And that's all I have to say. And God bless everyone in here.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Mr. Johnson, did you want to add anything?

Mr. Greg Johnson: Well, I'm representing Mr. Tran on this matter and I'm well aware that we're not in a court of law, but the courts make it clear that there are certain rules of evidence that should be followed and the person bringing that allegation should be the person who has the burden of proof and Mr. Nader has only alleged, well I'm not sure exactly what he alleges. He doesn't say that the parking is inadequate for the amount of square footage, because the ordinances are very clear and they say for this amount of square footage, you need this amount of parking. He doesn't say that he doesn't meet that burden. He claims that there are problems with the elevation of the new pavement that my client laid. He doesn't show how high the pavement of any evidence that it's actually running on his property. He says that there is no room for people to get in and out. Well, he doesn't show that it is out of compliance with anything that's in the city ordinance. So, it's really just that Mr. Nader seems to be unhappy for reasons other than my client not being in compliance. And the real reason is once my client built his property and renovated it, it cut Mr. Nader out of a right of way that he was using illegally. Mr. Nader was using the side closest to his building. Once my client renovated his building and had to change his parking, Mr. Nader is no longer free to use - - - let me make this clear, keep illegal right of way. And now since he can go over there to 501 Texas and beat us because the right of way that he has makes him go around my client's property, he can seek to get around it by getting an order taking over my client's permit. But he doesn't have any real evidence at all that my client has done anything wrong. More than he doesn't have any evidence, he didn't even offer any evidence. He's just going on and on about it's not enough room to get around or the parking doesn't look adequate and this whole idea that there is no plans were given is completely untrue. Even if there were no plans given, there was an appeal to the Zoning Board, we did introduce plans and the members from the Zoning Board came up and said that the plans were in

compliance, and they went out to the property site and the site is in compliance. So, while Mr. Nader states that he has no rights, he hasn't alleged anything that gives us the - - - well, puts us in a position that we have to defend anything because he hasn't made any real allegations of noncompliance on behalf of my client.

Mr. Tran: I want to say this right here. I want everybody here to know and everybody out here to know that doesn't matter how much he harasses me, and intimidate me, I'm not going to give up my land for the way he wanted it. He wanted to trade off my land to him so he can have his right of way. So, I'm looking at you right now, you're not going to get what you wanted. No matter how much you harass me and intimidate me. Thank you.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Stephen Jean, would you mind kinda coming up and you know he and I as well as a member of the MPC, and we've had Engineering assist us with trying to go through what potential violations are out there and kind of the sequence of events how we got here today and I'll let Stephen summarize that. And certainly describe some of the offers we've made at this point.

*Mr. Stephen Jean: (MPC Interim Director)* I want to start from the beginning when I was aware of this issue was when Mr. Nader had contacted our office in regard to a permit issuance for the property next door. I did go look at what we issued downstairs, and it did not appear that the right of way was accurately depicted on the plan. One of the first thing we did was get with Mr. Nader and request that he hire a surveyor to go out to the site and we had gone to Engineering Office and obtained from Mr. Westerman the right of way location of what was actually required to widen Kings Highway. And asked for him to get a surveyor to actually pinpoint that location and submit a site plan that indicated it. So we, basically at that point had worked with the permit department and requested he cease and desist what he was doing until he complied with bringing his information. He did hire a surveyor, he did - - - at one time you can actually see the stakes out on the property where he located the stakes. Then he submitted a plan. That plan was reviewed by our Zoning Administrator Mr. Clarke approved that. After that was approved Mr. Nader had indicated that there were still numerous issues with that plan. I went out with Mr. Clarke, and there were some parking spaces. It was very obvious that those parking spaces when you get out in the field, did not work. They were eliminated, they were on the rear side of the property, there were parallel parking spaces. Mr. Tran put up signs that indicated that no parking was allowed, and removed the striping from that location. There was another parking space located near the (inaudible) that was eliminated. That striping was corrected. We have worked with him on numerous occasions and failed to take care deficiencies that we saw. When this was appealed, I was - - - did the actual issuance of the certificate of occupancy. I've asked one of the staff members to double check all of the spacing and the (inaudible), and compare that with others to be sure that that was in compliance. And almost verbatim what this inspector told us, that this was very tight. But I can, and it does meet ordinance. So, when we got further into the appeal process, I had another staff member go out and with a measuring (inaudible), and looked at the plan and make sure that all the striping was accurate and to prepare a site plan. I got the same answer. Real tight, but it does comply with the ordinance as regard to the special requirements (inaudible) spaces and in accordance with the square footage. After consultation with Councilman Jenkins, it was requested we have someone else look at this just to get an idea, you know another party to look and see. And basically paraphrasing once again, very tight, but the (inaudible) provisions that it could be questioned was whether or not it complies with landscaping orders, and really not that it complies with the storm water detention ordinance. And (inaudible) Mr. Westerman speak to his findings in regards to

storm water detention. And also whether or not there is a problem with (inaudible) onto the property. When we look at the 0- - - Mr. Nader is absolutely correct, when you look at the ordinance as it relates to expansion of more than 2% of the floor area, even if there is an existing parking lot, it does require landscaping. And what has happened in this particular case, the landscaping was once located on the site was omitted because of the widening of the highway. So it was required landscaping there, and once the (inaudible) ended up in the widening process, that would no longer be there. So Mr. Clarke made the judgment call to have alternative landscaping provided. You don't see that today because it still kind of a - - - it's still partially done along the right of way anticipating the widening of Kings Highway. So, that's where we are today. I would invite Mr. Westerman to speak in regard to his findings when he went out to the site if you would like that.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Well, is he still - - - is Robert still in here?

Mr. Sibley: Yes.

Mr. Jean: Hiding behind the column back there.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I guess for the record, I'd like him to come up.

Councilman Shyne: Is the - - -

*Mr. Westerman: (City Engineer)* In reference to what Stephen Jean is telling you, I was requested by Mr. Jean to go out and actually visit the site with him. I did observe that the parking lot issues as they've discussed with the width of the spaces, the narrowness of the isle, it was an extremely tight situation. Can be done, depending upon how careful the drivers are. The other issues about drainage. Whereas the picture that was shown by the client indicated that the drainage was running all the way down to the street, in fact what I observed, it was a minor amount of water that did drain from the property, very small amount, very slow drainage. There was some water that ponded for a minor amount of time adjacent to his building. This is what I observed on the site. Was it flooding the situation? No sir it was not. The other thing that I noticed was that the parking lot was elevated approximately 4-5 inches above the existing parking lot. Also in addition to that, there was no additional impervious area added to the site. Which mean that there was no increase in what the old potential runoff would have been. That is why detention was not looked at in that case. Other than that, those are my observations of the site.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay, thank you. And so, Stephen I've got one last question for you. With regard to the landscaping, and now we've got the widening of the street, so once that's resolved, will there be a future requirement or is there a way to put a future requirement in there to comply with landscaping at that time?

Mr. Jean: With the parking the way it is today, I'm not sure we can get to the letter of the ordinance. We may be able to get an alternative compliance with the ordinance and that's something that Mr. Clarke and I have discussed. And we'd be happy to work with them to achieve that to extent possible.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay, and I guess this is really a question for Julie. If I had a motion associated with that should I include that in my motion, or is that something at the staff level.

Ms. Glass: Tell me again, what you're wanting to require as far as the landscaping.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Well, I'm wanting them to go back in once the existing width of Kings Highway is resolved with the new intersection, that then best efforts are made to comply with the landscaping portion of the ordinance that would be required. But it seems a little foolhardy to make 'em do anything right now if they're going to lose that part of that frontage.

Ms. Glass: That doesn't make sense to require it to be done. I don't know why you couldn't include that what you just said in your motion.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay. Anybody else up here - - -?

Councilman Corbin: I do have a question.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Have at it.

Councilman Corbin: Stephen, because there's been multiple site plans on this that we've seen today, when Kings Highway is widened, how close will some of these parking spots be as it's actually built?

Mr. Jean: I think there's at least one Councilman Corbin that you - - - it's awfully close to that and we could look at that again, and see how that's functioning. I know that there was one that if there's no other way that it could be utilized without backing directly into the road and that was eliminated. There could be another one, we can look at it once again to see if you know, once we know exactly how that lays out.

Councilman Corbin: But assuming that when the widening project is finished, there is sidewalks in place and all that, they'll lose at least one parking spot?

Mr. Jean: It's possible. We could go back and look at the numbers and relook at - - - I know that there was either 16 or 18 spaces, there may be some room there that we could look at that space.

Councilman Corbin: And my other question, Mr. Nader mentioned that besides the site plan issues initially that this never went, never was anything other than an administrative review. Is that normal in a case like this?

Mr. Jean: I would say no sir, that is not normal. This is something that occurred on the issuance of the actual permit. We were made aware of it after the permit issuance. If the question was brought in previously and we were able to evaluate that, we may have especially now, if I was to look at it. I probably would say (inaudible), but it had already been issued at the time I was made aware. I mean we were just doing our best to make sure it was in compliance to the greatest extent as possible.

Councilman Corbin: And that's a permit that was issued by another department.

Mr. Jean: We're a part of that process, the permitting desk, we have a person that reviews there. That the plan that we have obviously this was - - - turn out to be factual, Mr. Nader was correct. The plan we had was not an accurate plan, so we began to work to get an accurate plan than what was initially submitted. The original plan submitted did not indicate the actual proper right of way that was actually acquired as a part of the property. So that's when we insisted that we get an amended plan that we began to work on that and make sure it did work. But yes, I will say we - - - using a golfing term, I would love to have a Mulligan on the (inaudible) that a permit and it's the only reason I've tried our best to make sure that we've had a lot of (inaudible) from Mr. Tran and everything that he's been asked to do, he's done including re-striping and things of that nature.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Anybody else?

Councilman Shyne: No. What's your pleasure?

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay. Well, here's my motion and I could certainly understand Mr. Nader's dissatisfaction, but I mean there's a lot of water that's gone under this bridge and this is kinda where we are today and I'm just trying to make the best of that. My proposal would be to deny the appeal, grant the refunding of his appellant fees, make a requirement that best efforts to comply with the landscaping ordinance are met in cooperation between the MPC Staff and Mr. Tran, once the resolution of the Kings Highway project goes forward with what the final

plans or what have you. Because it's been in design so many times, I would hate for them to start on some today and have that design changed. Is that fairly clear on what my motion is?

Councilman S. Jenkins: I would second the motion.

**Motion by Councilman O. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to deny the appeal, grant the refunding of his appellant fees, make a requirement that best efforts to comply with the landscaping ordinance are met in cooperation between the MPC Staff and Mr. Tran, once the resolution of the Kings Highway project goes forward with what the final plans or what have you.**

Councilman Shyne: Did you want to repeat that Mr. Thompson so we could (inaudible). I know the main part is to deny the appeal and look at refunding his appellate fees. Mr. Nader, we're going to give you one more shot at it and we're going to follow through with the motion.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Come (inaudible) and if I missed something that is.

Mr. Nader: I just would like to respond to some of the comments he made. I didn't go into the details about - - - because this isn't the platform for that. The parking spaces are not legal, and not compliant. I think it needs to go back to the MPC even if he remains open or whatever, and they need to revisit that and be sure that there are accurate parking spaces. You should have 12-14 feet to back up and in some places you have less than 10. There are wrecks everyday as a result of this from people backing over the street. I think right now, we've done exactly what we've done for the last eight months and glossing over it because we don't really want to mess it up and I know y'all are doing the best you can with what you have to work with. But I also think that I want to show you a picture of where the flooding did happen and it does continue. Well, I'm not going to do that, but I just think that they need to revisit some of this because quite honestly, I need to make it perfectly crystal clear to you guys and you guys as well, they used the defense from the beginning that I'm mad that my right of ingress and egress has been taken away. It is not. It's recorded legally in a courthouse, it'll never be taken away. That's all beside the point. And whether it's on the east side of the property or the west side of the property, I don't care. I just want to be able to access it. And with this site plan, I'm unable to access it. And on a daily basis, we're going to have to have cars towed and people, the police called and all that on a regular basis and I think at this point, it needs to go back to the Metropolitan Planning Commission. Let the Commission itself take a look at this site plan, modify it so that it's a workable site plan. I'm not trying to compromise this man's livelihood. That is the last thing I want to do. And I'm very happy to have a viable business next door. I'd much rather have a business next door that's productive when you traffic to our neighborhood, keeping it clean. He's done a nice job, the building looks nice. I don't have a problem with him being there, I just have a problem with the way the whole thing was handled from the beginning to now. And the thing is we keep glossing over it and glossing over it and glossing over it. And I'm going to continue to be able to access my property regardless, but it's going to create a living hell for me on a daily basis unless this site plan is modified and is addressed correctly so that the people can drive it. Plus I have to give up part of my property for Highway 1 to create a turning lane so that we can move traffic through the city more freely, meanwhile, he's allowed to have cars back onto Kings Highway and just stop that. It's counter-productive and it does not seem fair. So, if that's the case, then we should be able to put (inaudible) where people can back onto Kings Highway as well. I've come to the MPC to ask to do that. Y'all are not going to let that happen. And while Mr. Jean says that there is only one parking space that's going to be compromised, according to this last site plan that I put up, it's not even accurate as to how

they're parking today. There could be four parking spaces at the very minimal. And they have 16 that leaves them down to 12 for a 7800 square foot building and if I'm correct on a restaurant the ratio is 1-100. So I think you need 17 spaces. He's at 16, he's going to end up at 12. Now currently right now, they're parking between 8 and 10 of their cars on a daily basis of the staff and the owners across the street at the future site of Whataburger. They have four or five at CVS. They don't use ours because of the obvious reason, but when those two people - - - CVS will get enough and they'll move 'em out. And Whataburger told me they absolutely won't be part of that. Where are those cars going? Well next door is the closest place. So I think it needs to go back to the MPC, the MPC themselves should look at that, not the staff and they should get a viable plan that works for the business itself and the surrounding community as well.

Councilman O. Jenkins: And let me say one other thing, just so we're clear. We, that is the MPC Staff and myself, have been in communication with the MPC. And we have asked them to review this and if there is anything that they could see themselves doing back at the MPC, and they have asked who has been out there to re-survey, re-measure, etc., etc. We've had four different people out there and all of them say the exact thing. It is tight but it meets the specification of the ordinance. They, in their perspective, have conveyed to us or to me that they do not have an opportunity, they have nothing that they would do differently at this point. So, I appreciate your perspective, I still stand by my motion, but I'm open for anybody that wants to propose something different. But I will assure you that was given very much consideration. We also had an expert two weeks or a month to deliberate on this because of the timing issue. So - - -

Mr. Nader: (Inaudible) that a parking space should be 19 feet at the shortest and some of 'em are 16 feet. So I don't know how y'all - - - anyone that's in compliance if they're supposed to have 12 feet to back up or 14 feet to back up on certain angles and they only have 10, that's simply - - - I don't understand how the MPC - - - if they could just explain to me how I'm misreading their ordinances, their laws are written. And I'm not trying to be sarcastic by any means. I'm trying to be as respectful as I can. But I'm kinda at a point of aggravation and frustration and a little bit of disgust because it's written. The law is written here and I go exactly off that and I have it exactly outlined and I go out and I measure and it doesn't fit, well how can they do anything different? Well they can't. Because it's too right, they've left - - - (inaudible) out of the gate now. And so nobody wants to admit fault and go in and let's reformulate this and figure out the best solution. I mean, they're just going to keep doing that and all day long. And at least once a week, there's an accident out in front from somebody backing out. That can't get out the other way they're supposed to go out. It's just not a reasonable plan. And I showed you on my site plan where it shows them the (inaudible) there's six spaces that if - - - in fact I used my right of ingress and egress, they're going to have to jump over cars. I just don't, it doesn't make a bit of sense to me. I just - - - I guess I need clarity on this. I guess I'm not the sharpest knife in the drawer, but I don't understand how that works and I don't mean that in any sort of - - - I mean with all due respect, I just don't get it.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Nader, I'm sorry, but we're going to have to bring this to a vote and Marvin, you know how it is don't you. There you go. You understand how it is. We appreciate you coming down and of course you have the phone number of your councilman and you call him at any time. And he is a very compassionate man and I know he would be willing to continue to listen to you. But at this time, I'm going to call for the vote.

**Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 5. Nays: Councilmen Everson and Webb. 2. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

**Other Appeals:**

**Taxi Appeal:** None.

**SOB Appeal:** None.

Councilman Shyne: Councilman Jenkins, if you all don't mind it, we'll start with Mr. Thompson. Unless the two of you all have a difference of opinion?

Councilman S. Jenkins: Start with him. Go right ahead. You want to start with the Clerk's Report?

Councilman Shyne: Yeah.

**Clerk's Report**

Mr. Thompson: I would be happy to if I had one.

Councilman Shyne: Wow.

**Reports from officers, boards, and committees**

Councilman Everson: The Infrastructure Committee met yesterday and made several recommendations for action. Some of which we've taken today. To approve the street sweepers was the primary discussion, although there were subsequent discussions in the meeting regarding the minor arterial asphalt program which you see we've made a recommendation to move forward today with that. And also there was some drainage projects discussed as well that came from citizens that brought those to the meeting. Overall it was a really productive meeting and I think we got a lot done. So I appreciate everybody's attendance and cooperation.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Mr. Chairman, just wanted to remind everyone that the Audit and Finance Committee is going to be meeting August 11<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. Representatives from BKD Auditors. They will be there to discuss the 2013 external audit. Reports have already been emailed to Council Members. Members of the committee are Councilwoman McCulloch, Councilman Corbin, Councilman Everson and of course all are welcome to participate.

Councilwoman McCulloch: What time is that now?

Councilman S. Jenkins: 2:00. That's Monday August 11<sup>th</sup>, that would be right before our Administrative Conference.

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

**Executive Session**

Pursuant to LSA-R.S. 42:16 and R. S. 42:17(A)(2)

Stevie L. Hendrix v. Jonathan D. Ikner and the City of Shreveport

Docket No: 566,547-B

First Judicial District Court

Caddo Parish, Louisiana

**Adjournment:** There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at approximately 5:46 p.m.

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*//s// Joe Shyne, Chairman*

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