



## **Council Proceedings of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana**

*August 9, 2011*

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana was called to order by Chairman Oliver Jenkins at 3:09 p.m., Tuesday, August 9, 2011, in the Government Chambers in Government Plaza (505 Travis Street).

Invocation was given by Councilman Shyne.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman S. 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 Shyne, seconded by Councilman Webb to approve the minutes of the Administrative Conference, Monday, July 25, 2011 and Council Meeting, Tuesday, July 26, 2011. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: None.**

**Awards, Recognition of Distinguished Guests, and Communications of the Mayor which are required by law.**

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

Councilman O. Jenkins: At this point, I'd like to make a motion to suspend the rules and add an item to the agenda, and both voting on this new resolution that we're adding.

**Motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to suspend the rules to add and consider Resolution No.157 of 2011.**

Councilman O. Jenkins: Is there anybody here who would like to speak for or against adding this particular item to the agenda today?

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Chairman, maybe we should read the title, so that they'll know.

*The Clerk read the following:*

1. **Resolution No. 158 of 2011**: A resolution to honor Chief Petty Officer Robert James Reeves and Lt. Commander Jonas Kelsall for their heroic efforts in their service to this nation and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Is there anybody here that would like to speak for or against adding this to the agenda? As there is none - - -

Councilman Shyne: So moved Mr. Chairman to add it.

**Motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman McCulloch to add Resolution No. 157 of 2011 to the agenda. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and Jenkins. 7. Nays: None.**

Councilman O. Jenkins: Councilman Everson, if you would please read that resolution.

Councilman S. Jenkins: This is for the Navy Seals?

Councilman O. Jenkins: Yes. And would you like us to stand or do it (inaudible)?

Councilman Everson: Well sure, afterwards actually. But I'll stand and read it and then after I read it, if we could stand for a moment of silence.

*Councilman Everson read the following:*

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 158OF 2011**

**A RESOLUTION TO HONOR CHIEF PETTY OFFICER ROBERT JAMES REEVES AND LT. COMMANDER JONAS KELSALL FOR THEIR HEROIC EFFORTS IN THEIR SERVICE TO THIS NATION AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO**

**BY: COUNCILMAN JEFF EVERSON**

**WHEREAS**, honor, commitment to duty, fidelity to the ideals of this country, intelligence and bravery are the virtues and values that gave birth to, and sustain this nation; and

**WHEREAS**, Shreveport born Navy SEALs, Chief Petty Officer Robert James Reeves and Lt. Commander Jonas Kelsall were embodiments of these most cherished virtues and values; and

**WHEREAS**, Caddo Magnet High School graduates, Chief Petty Officer Reeves and Lt. Commander Kelsall both qualified for the elite SEAL Team 6 - they were the best of the best and the bravest of the brave; and

**WHEREAS**, Chief Petty Officer Reeves had been deployed to the war zone more than a dozen times in the 10 years since the September 11, 2001, attacks, earning four Bronze Stars for bravery and meritorious service, each with a “V device” for valor; and

**WHEREAS**, Lt. Commander Kelsall chose the route of officer training, having earned the rank of lieutenant commander and having been selected to be one of the first members of SEAL Team 7, at the time of his last mission; and

**WHEREAS**, Chief Petty Officer Reeves and Lt. Commander Kelsall were killed Saturday, August 6, 2011 in Wardak province while pursuing enemies of this nation in the war in Afghanistan; and

**WHEREAS**, Chief Petty Officer Reeves and Lt. Commander Kelsall died in a helicopter crash that killed 30 U.S. servicemen, including 22 Navy SEALs, the deadliest single loss of life in the nearly decade-long Afghanistan conflict.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal and regular session convened, that the City Council, representing all citizens of Shreveport, honors the memories of Chief Petty Officer Robert James Reeves and Lt. Commander Jonas Kelsall for their heroic efforts in their service to this nation, including their willingness to make the ultimate sacrifice so that all citizens of this nation can live in freedom.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this resolution shall be executed in triplicate originals with one original presented each to the families of Chief Petty Officer Robert James Reeves and Lt. Commander Jonas Kelsall, and the other filed in perpetuity in the office of the Clerk of Council for the City of Shreveport.

Councilman Everson: And the signatures of all Council Members are affixed. Will y'all join us in a moment of silence to honor the two fallen soldiers? Thank you.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Mr. Chairman, if I may, I want to - - - I guess make some expressions of consolation to Councilman Everson. I understand that both of these gentlemen were his classmates in high school. I mean I've lost classmates, and I know that that can be - - - may not be a family connection, but when you went to school a long time with people like that, I know there's a closeness there, so we certainly want to console you at this time also.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Also, I received a text from my son who is now the oldest one who is now 31 Uncle Joe.

Councilman Shyne: Wait, you gotta be kidding.

Councilwoman McCulloch: And he says that I graduated with Jonas Kelsall and played soccer with Jonas and Robert at Magnet High. So actually they were classmates of my son.

Councilman Everson: Well they were good guys, and I think their families are receiving their remains and honoring them today in Delaware, at Dover Air Force Base. So our hearts and

condolences go out to their families. And we should be proud as a community to have raised two such incredible soldiers.

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

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay, at this point, we have certainly a particularly distinguished guest amongst us. Council would like to recognize Senator Mary Landrieu, if she would come forth to offer certainly some words of inspiration for us as Council. Please go right in front of the microphone whatever is best for you.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman, I would ask everybody to stand. It's very seldom that we have the pleasure of a United States Senator, and whose doing a fantastic job. This is why Louisiana is getting so much.

Senator Mary Landrieu: Thank you Councilman Shyne, and thank you Mr. Chairman for this opportunity and honor just to say a few words, I know that your agenda is quite full, so I'll just be brief. But I wanted to say just a word, and thank you Council so much for the resolution that you just passed honoring these two really extraordinary Americans. It's one thing to be deployed once or twice, it's quite another to volunteer every time they need somebody to go. And I understand that both of these young men were that kind of soldier. And this community raises men and women like this and we're very, very deeply touched Jeff, by the resolution that you offered, and that you all passed. We really wanted to work harder to honor their memory to do our very best everyday in our jobs, and be reminded of their great bravery. So I thank you all for that, and I will be remembering them for weeks and months, and my staff has been very touched by the accident that happened. On a happier note, I'm happy to be here to wish the Mayor a Happy Birthday. It's not often - - - and we're excited about his leadership, and I'm thrilled to be able to be with him on his special day, and we were together earlier this morning, so I just want to be brief and share that this morning, I had the honor of inviting the Secretary of Homeland Security, to be here in this region. It's her sixth visit to Louisiana since becoming the Secretary, which is quite extraordinary. Her first visit to our Northwest Louisiana, and she was at the Cyber Innovation Center having toured Barksdale AFB, for about 10 or 15 minutes, and then at the Cyber Innovation Center. It was really a coup to get the Secretary here, and I thank all of you for the times that you've come up to Washington to visit with the staff of Homeland Security, because we've got a great asset here Mr. Mayor. As this council knows and the Bossier Council as well, and she brought with her a check, Joe Shyne for \$300,000 to deliver to the Cyber Innovation Center because like the Department has discovered here, is a model of educational strategies to train and build the workforce of the future, so that our children, elementary, secondary, and high school and college, our children can go on and young people into the fields that we refer to with STEMS (Science Technology Engineering and Math), the core curriculums that our students are going to need to be the warriors of the future. We're proud of our Seal teams all over the world, and we're proud of our warriors today, but we've got even more challenging battles to fight in the future, and protecting our cyber security, both industrial, commercial and defense is important. And this community, both Caddo and Bossier are really leading the way Mr. Chairman, in how to design, and educational program that gives children a variety of different backgrounds in a variety of different schools and their

teachers, the hands on expertise to develop the millions of graduates that we're going to need to be able to defend our country in the future. So, that's really what brought me here this morning. I had the opportunity to speak to 300 community leaders earlier today, and I'm going to be touring I think - - -

Councilman Everson: Shreveport Common I think huh?

Senator Landrieu: Everson's district to look at some of the development opportunities that this area's received several grants. So, I'm glad to see the Federal Government has still a little bit of money left. Okay? That's headed your way. We don't have much, but what we have, we're trying to share with you Mr. Chairman. So, thank you so much, and again Happy Birthday Mr. Mayor.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Thank you very much for coming. And if Pam Atchison talks too much today, you know you could just tell her that you've give the Senator a chance to ask a few questions Pam, okay?

Senator Landrieu: And thank you for letting me go before the Sheriff.

Councilman O. Jenkins: At this point, the Council would like to recognize Caddo Parish Sheriff. Okay, thank you for coming.

Sheriff Steve Prator: Thank you. Just a moment you'll start seeing the reason I'm here up on the screen. Several years ago, I heard that there existed some film of the - - - and if you'll look now, you'll see where we're talking about on Milam Street. Several years ago, I understood - - - that's the Shreveport Police Department and the Caddo Parish Sheriff's office.

Councilman Shyne: You might be able to recognize me Sheriff running the other way.

Sheriff Prator: These are not recent films. But you'll see these - - - this is an hour and 40 minutes of vintage film of the Civil Rights movement. And it's just interesting to watch, and I think that you'll really learn a lot from it. I found these tapes from a retired police officer, Buddy Smith had 'em in his attic. They were 16mm tapes, some ten of 'em. And I got 'em together and I put 'em on a DVD, and I'm passing these out. I'll give one to each councilman. You'll enjoy this. The films are at the LSU archives now in refrigeration so that they'll last forever. So, this is George D'Artois. You'll see a number of African-American pastors, Blake and Blade and others at the Little Union Baptist Church. You'll see them teargas Booker T. here in a minute. So, it's a really vintage film. The first of it starts out showing some surveillance that the police did on C.O. Simpkins. Dr. Simpkins' office. And it shows the Black leadership coming out of there, and you can tell it's surveillance film, because at one time the police moved the camera, and it's shooting out of a little box, a card board box with a hole ripped in it. You can see that. So it's just some interesting an era film that I'm so glad and so proud that we were able to find so that we can keep from now on, so that we can reflect back, it'd be interesting to do a documentary on this stuff, to see once you've viewed the whole thing. But anyway, I wanted each of y'all to have a copy of this, and feel free to make as many, and the city can make as many as they like, and pass 'em around. And we'll make sure that this is never forgotten again. You'll see George D'Artois in there quite

often, and I think he enjoyed the camera. So I think this is centered around him, most of this. Anyway, I wanted to give each one, one of these. It's so interesting, you can keep watching it for quite some time, and see everything that goes on. Pastor Blake will be in there in a few minutes and you'll see him and George D'Artois going at it. He's got a NAACP cap on (the pastor, not George D'Artois). So anyway, that's my presentation, simply as a gift to y'all and the community. I was able to get this and get it restored, and you'll see it. The first 10 minutes of it 1951 football game, college football game. So, when you see that, it's the first of it, don't think you got the wrong DVD.

Councilman Webb: Is Joe quarterbacking?

Councilman Shyne: Wait, wait Ron, you know I'm not that old.

Sheriff Prator: I still get goose bumps coming in here and seeing Joe sitting up there. The way he used to treat me when I was Police Chief. And I'll promise you, that'll never happen again.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Sheriff Prator before leave, I was looking at an article in the paper in reference to a vehicle that was purchased for \$200,000. Could you just tell us a little bit about that. Because I didn't quite get the big picture.

Sheriff Prator: Oh, okay. I'll be glad to. We were fortunate enough to find a grant from the Louisiana Safety Commission for \$232,000. It's to purchase a Batmobile, is what we call it. It's a Breath Alcohol Testing Vehicle. We can take it to the different scenes where we're doing road blocks, or where they're having saturation patrol. It's got two stations inside it. So the prisoner or the suspected drunk driver doesn't have to be transported all the way to the police station or to the substation in the case of the deputies, but they're taken to the bus. And right inside the bus, and they're immediately checked. If they're not of the certain limit, then they're released. If they are, then they are then taken and booked. So it saves us a lot of time. We can also do records checks from inside the vehicle. It's for a seven parish area. So any sheriff, any police chief. It's for Shreveport, it's for City of Shreveport, the City of Bossier, it's for anybody in the seven parish area. All they have to do is call us, we'll take the van to 'em, we operate the van for them, and so it's a parish wide, and all of Northwest Louisiana.

Councilwoman McCulloch: I'd like to see it.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Well Sheriff, thank you very much for coming down, you're welcome anytime. Particularly, if you bring movies.

Sheriff Prator: Thank you, thank you Joe.

Mr. Thompson: There's been some discussion over here. We're not sure whether or not there was a motion to adopt Resolution 158. So in order to make sure that it's - - -

Councilman Shyne: So moved.

**Motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman Everson to adopt Resolution No. 158 of 2011. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and Jenkins. 7. Nays: None.**

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay, at this point, does any of the Council Members have any awards, recognitions or distinguished guests?

Councilman Everson: I would like to start by recognizing Sci-Port who has two distinguished guests today. If y'all would - - - Angela, you want to come up and introduce Sean and Marcus to us?

*Ms. Angela Sumarolo: (Sci-Port)* It's a really good day for science. We've heard from Cyber Command, I've followed them around, and here are two people from Discovery Channel that excites people about science, technology, engineering and math with tornadoes. These are the Storm Chasers, This is Sean Casey, and Marcus Guterrez, and we're excited they're here. The (inaudible) full of people coming here to see the tornado intercept vehicle, and I want to let everybody know that if any of you would like to have a ride in this tornado intercept vehicle, just get a hold of me and we can make that happen tomorrow. Kids get really excited when it's hands on things for science. And we are so fortunate because of how we're funded and everything else, and that our movie is in place, so we're able to bring them to town. And it seems that they're having a great time, so thank you.

*Mr. Sean Casey: (Discovery Channel)* It's a bit surreal. We weren't expecting this. Right now, we've spent eight years making an IMAX film on tornadoes, because we had a passion for the environment out there, and also documenting the science that's being done on tornadoes. So, yeah, it's surreal being in this setting, we don't usually expect that when we come out with our film, but it's been very interesting. So yeah, our vehicle is there today and tomorrow if you guys want to come by and check it out. We will be there if you have any further questions.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I'm hoping you're chasing a storm. We could really use the rain (inaudible)

Mr. Casey: And our vehicle is also kinda like the BATmobile, but not like the Sheriff's.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Could you get some kind of combination of those two working together, that'd be a pretty good move.

*Marcus Guterrez: (Discovery Channel)* Thank you for having us.

Councilman Everson: I'm sorry, I did have one more group that I'd like to acknowledge, and it's the Valencia Fit for Life Group. And before they get started, I'd like to say that this group had an event last Thursday. Was it Thursday or - - -? Tuesday. Last week that was one of the best events that I've been to in a while. You know as a politician, you stop by a lot of little things going on around town and sometimes they're rewarding, sometimes you just shake a few hands. This was one of the most educational and inspiring ones I've been to in memory. These young men and

women were so passionate about what they were talking about. They had all learned to grow food in the garden, how to cook it, how to present it, marketing, leadership, there were so many skills that I was seeing that were developed here, and they had a real ownership over it. They were genuinely proud of what they had learned in this program. And it made me so happy to see it, I'm delighted to introduce them today.

*Ms. Grace Peterson: (Extension Agent, LSU AG Center)* I want to talk to you a few minutes about a great, very successful program that shows the collaboration between federal, state and local agencies coming together, and really addressing an important issue, which is creating a healthy food system. And LSU AG Center and SPAR have been actually collaborating to develop two programs, that address two goals that are written in the Shreveport-Caddo Master Plan. Those goals are that we increase the local produce here, and also that all of our citizens have access to healthy food. The LSU AG Center Team, we brought in quite a few for this, we have Vicky Chesser who is a dietician, Denise Cummings who is a horticulturalist, myself as the community garden expert, and Stephanie Hansen, whose a student worker from Centenary College. We also have numerous volunteers who have come. So this is quite a collaborative effort. Also we've worked with the SPAR managers Shalon Lewis who's been great, and SPAR Administrator, Shelly Ragle and Katherine Kennedy. We're developing two programs. One is called Fit for Kids. FIT stands for Food Initiative Task Force. We're helping these young people. We want them to understand the food system and what it takes to have a healthy food system, everything from growing food to how to prepare and eat healthy food. And the other program is the Urban Use Farm Program, and this is new this year, and they actually had a Farmer's Market which they'll tell you about, right on this site in Stoner Hill which is considered a food desert, meaning there's lack of access to healthy food. So, I'm going to turn the mic over to they spokes people for these programs. We have Pam Russell, Talor McGee, Brandon Lewis, and David Holmes and they have a few words to say.

*Pam Russell: (FIT for Kids)* Today we will talk about the problems with the food system. Well, this summer we participated in the Food Initiative Program, learning about the health problems and how healthy eating is important. Being in this program taught me a lot, like eating healthier means a healthier life. There is a problem in our community (inaudible) and lack of healthy foods. People don't have the knowledge about healthy foods, because of the lack of healthy foods in some neighborhoods. Not eating healthy foods leads to diabetes, obesity, and heart disease. Eating healthy is a better choice.

*Talor McGee: (FIT for Kids)* One cause that I've learned about why people don't eat enough healthy foods is because maybe people don't know how to prepare healthy foods in a way where they might enjoy it. Another way is because in some grocery stores, people can't afford vegetables. With them not being able to prepare it or being able to buy the vegetables, that can cause health problems.

*Brandon Lewis: (FIT for Kids)* Some solutions for the problems in our community are gardening, selling affordable veggies at our market, providing recipes and telling them how they are healthy. Get people to try and improve, give people information about how to eat healthy and how to garden. Specifically, we had a Taste-A-Thon, that was an event for our community to try new

foods and recipes from our garden. When people came to our Taste-A-Thon, they were given the opportunity to try foods, such as ‘Slap yo mama peas’, tomatoes and okra, pickles, salsa and mint tea. All these were grown in the garden. At each station, there were three (inaudible) kids that informed the person that tried the recipes, what nutrients were in it, where it came from, how to make it and how to grow it. About 70 people of all ages attended.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Sounds great.

Councilwoman McCulloch: I’m hungry.

*David Holmes: (FIT for Kids)* Another solution to our food problems is to have a local market. Our market was at Valencia Park every Thursday from 4-6. Our location was easy to get to. We sold a variety of peppers and tomatoes. We also had purple hull peas, squash, cantaloupe and collards. We sold them for half the price that you can buy at the store, because most people can’t afford healthy foods. At our market, we also provided recipes that were healthy alternatives, easy to prepare, low cost and they encouraged people to buy produce that they didn’t know how to prepare. Overall at the end of the summer, our local market was successful, helped people, and encouraged people of all ages to eat healthier foods. We also sold produce to a local restaurant, Wine Country, and he is here to tell you about his operation, Jason Brady.

*Mr. Jason Brady: (Wine Country Restaurant)* I’m here really just to show support for an incredible program. I worked with Grace for about a year or two on the local food system here, building a stronger one, a healthier one, (inaudible) source product from around here. Being in the restaurant business, that’s important to me. Putting the best product on the table, and if y’all haven’t been down there to see what they’re doing, it’s absolutely amazing. We serve collards year round, if you’ve come in, you may have had it, best collard greens coming out of Louisiana or out of the south are coming out of this garden. They’re awesome. And the kids have done great in 108 degrees and they’ve got a garden still producing. It’s an awesome program.

Ms. Peterson: We appreciate you letting us come and talk about this program, and it’s just a great way to collaborate, and hopefully, this can go to other community centers throughout the city eventually, because we feel like it’s a great model for how to bring healthy food to food desert neighborhoods. So, and the youth were great. They like it and they’re really proud of what they’re doing, and it’s become a culture of that center. So the young ones are looking forward to becoming older so that they can be involved as well.

Councilman Everson: And it was some of the best okra I’ve ever had.

Councilwoman McCulloch: So, do they know how to shell peas?

Ms. Peterson: I think they do, we practice shelling peas and they all know that when you pick okra, you get really itchy.

Councilwoman McCulloch: You need to put something on your hands.

Ms. Peterson: I know. Thank you.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay, Councilman Shyne, I believe you had some recognitions at this point.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman, I do, and it's gonna kinda be in two parts. I'm going to kinda start off and I'm going to ask Vice-Chairman Samuel, we call him Sam (inaudible) to make it official today, Samuel L. Jenkins to come in to comment on this. I would like to recognize a person who is not here. She left this world Sam when?

Councilman S. Jenkins: It was actually last Thursday.

Councilman Shyne: Ms. Gwendolyn Minor. I think the Chief probably knows her well. He grew up in the neighborhood where Ms. Minor was one of the people back during that time who believed that it takes a village to raise a child. It takes a neighborhood to raise a child. Ms. Gwendolyn Minor was a citizen here in the City of Shreveport for many, many years. She was a member of Morningstar Baptist Church. She lived out in my district, out in District F. And I want to say this to Sonny Moss. Sonny, when I first started running for the Council and I know you think it was a long time ago, Ms. Minor was one of the first people that I went to and ask for their support. And I think Willie Bradford might have been a little boy back during that time. But Ms. Minor got up in age, and her daughter and son came and got her and moved her to Atlanta, GA. And Sam I believe for the last maybe six or seven years, she has been living in Atlanta, GA. But she really never left Shreveport. She was always a Shreveporter. She was always concerned about what was going on in Hollywood. And she would ask me from time to time, Mr. Mayor so we don't want to let her down, she'd say Joe, what are you doing for the people in Hollywood. So I want to work very closely with you so we can continue to do a lot of things for the people out in Hollywood. But Ms. Minor was one of those people who was really concerned about the community. She was concerned about the young kids in the community. I know from time to time, a lot of young kids in that area might not have had a good meal, what we just got through talking about, or might not have had anything to eat period. She would open up her doors at her house and make sure that they had something to eat. Her profession was a beautician. I was going to say hairdresser, but somebody corrected me and say, you don't say that. She was a beautician. And she dates back to the Martin Luther King era too. She was one of the beauticians that Dr. King met with when he came to Shreveport many, many years ago. So, I'm going to ask Sam to come in and say a little something about her family, because there are four kids, and all of them turned out to be extremely good American citizens. So Sam, would you say a few words? And let me say this now, this is Sam's sister. Ms. Minor is Sam's sister, so in the end Sam, in honor of you and the Minor Family, I would ask us to maybe stand just for a minute or two, in honor of you and in honor of your family member.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Well thank you Councilman Shyne, and I appreciate the eloquent statements that you just made. Ms. Minor was born during my father's first marriage. She was somewhat much older than me, and we were not exactly raised in the same household, but we became very, very close over the years and I don't think there's a lot that I can add. I think that anybody that knew Ms. Minor, knows the contributions she made to the city. She is one of those

citizens that liked to stay behind the scenes, but would work very hard for a lot of good causes. I would just simply add in that I do want to send condolences to her children, Steven, and Vick (Victor Minor), who played football. He was a star I think at Woodlawn.

Councilman Shyne: Yeah right at Woodlawn. I think he played at Northwestern, from there to the Seattle Seahawks.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Yeah, he was a pro football player, and some of you may know Don Minor, Don was a local attorney here in town and ended up the Indigent Defender Board, and also Jackie Minor and her son Steven. So, I do want to send condolences to them. They will have the memorial services for her tomorrow. They'll be flying her body in today, it should be in sometime tonight. And we will have a morning service for her tomorrow at Benevolent for I think 10:00. So thank you for those kind comments and whatever gesture that the body makes, I appreciate that also, but I think it's more about her than me. I last talked to her I want to say sometime around Mother's day. But whenever I was in Atlanta, I always went by there to check on her. So she lived a good full happy life. And from what I understand, all the way up until the end. So thank you Councilman Shyne.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman, if it's alright, I'd like to ask everybody to stand, just for a moment in honor of the Minor family. Let us bow our heads. Thank you.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Does any other Council Member have any awards, recognitions or distinguished guests. Councilman Corbin.

Councilman Corbin: Just a couple of quick comments regarding 3132. I think all of us on the Council received yesterday a copy of the resolution.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Can I interrupt you, but before all of you leave, I was going to get to you all, but I apologize, but since they probably have to go, if you don't mind. The Council wanted to recognize the Chamber of Commerce's leadership group that is here today, and sorry to have y'all end up on the back end of the trail, but if somebody'd like to say a few remarks at this point, if Walker is still here, if he hadn't already left, we'd be happy to recognize you or anybody that wants to come and address the Council.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, I'm going to volunteer also my fellow birthday celebrant, Mr. Fred Sanders of the Shreveport Fire Department.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I don't recognize him out of his uniform. If you wouldn't mind telling us just a little bit about the program.

Mr. Andrew Mulford: I'm one of the junior coordinators of the program. It's a ten-eleven month program broken down into monthly sessions. Our session today was on local government, so we actually got the Mayor to come talk to us this morning (inaudible) Shreveport, and it's been a great deal.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay. Certainly feel free to contact any of us, we'd be happy to correspond with you or respond to any questions y'all have. Thank you. Chief, what do you got there?

Mr. Fred Sanders: I'm at the Shreveport Fire Department, and I'm the representative for the City of Shreveport. It's been an excellent opportunity for me to attend this program. I've learned a lot, it's been quite a few connections. We were able to hear our esteemed Mayor this morning speak to us and talk about all the positive things that are going on in the City of Shreveport, and it's been an enjoyment for me. Thank you.

Mayor Glover: And wish him a happy birthday Mr. Chairman. He's (inaudible) older than I am.

Councilman Shyne: That means that he's 35.

Councilman Corbin: I'm sorry to interrupt you, but I wanted to give them a chance and certainly if you're my guest, then you have to wait till they leave.

Councilman Corbin: As I started before, I think all of us on the Council received a copy of a resolution passed by the Committee of 100 at yesterday's meeting, and what I'd like to do is to be sure, Art, I'll give you a copy of that, to be sure that we enter that into the record, that the Committee of 100 does support the Inner Loop Project. One other quick thing related to that, that date from DOTD on Ellerbe Road construction, for those of you who travel Ellerbe Road, it is a little over 70% complete. Expect it to be completed at the end of August, or the first couple of weeks in September, which should be a benefit to anybody who travels out that way. And the final piece is, for those of you who are following 3132, when the Ellerbe Road project is complete, and school is in session, then in September, DOTD will do an extensive traffic survey on Flournoy-Lucas so we can actually get a good traffic count, the traffic patterns, a count of trucks and things like that. But information continues to come in to help us make some good decisions for the future. And just ask for everybody's patience, and keep everybody looking at the data. Thanks.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Alright. Anybody else? Okay, Mayor Glover, do you have any - - - uh, stand by. At this point, the Council would like to recognize both the Mayor, Gwen and Bea. If y'all would all come forward to the middle. Bea, can you do it with - - - can you have somebody stand in for a second.

Mr. Thompson: Just a minute, she has to put her shoes on.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Come on up.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, I wouldn't put my staff out there, I'd have covered for her.

Councilman O. Jenkins: We're waiting for one more whose hiding back there. Karen! I said Gwen, I meant Karen. I didn't know she didn't have her shoes on either.

Ms. Karen Barnes: I had my shoes on.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay.

Ms. Johnson: This is not a disciplinary action is it?

Councilman O. Jenkins: No, but hopefully the camera is focused on y'all not me. But on behalf of Louisiana Municipal Association, I thought I would read the resolution that they passed on behalf of your collective efforts and the collective efforts of the fine city in regards to the support of this weekend's event. So:

*The Chairman read the following:*

**WHEREAS**, the Louisiana Municipal Association's 74<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention held in the **City of Shreveport** could not have been successful and exciting without the assistance and leadership of the city officials and their staff; and

**WHEREAS**, the event was co-hosted by the **City of Bossier City** and its city officials and staff; and

**WHEREAS**, the activities and entertainment provided by the City of Shreveport displayed spirit and hospitality; and

**WHEREAS**, the membership of the Association and their spouses and guests were treated to the historic and modern atmosphere of this vibrant and growing progressive community; and

**WHEREAS**, the membership of the Association and their spouses and guests, delighted in the activities which made the convention an enjoyable experience for all.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the sincere appreciation of the Louisiana Municipal Association for this most memorable convention and for the friendly and gracious hospitality extended to its members, be hereby officially expressed to all of those people whose leadership and untiring efforts made it possible.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that this resolution be presented to Mayor Cedric B. Glover for display to the citizens of Shreveport, Louisiana - and to Mayor Lorenz "Lo" Walker for display to the citizens of Bossier City, Louisiana.

**THUS DONE AND ADOPTED**, at the Annual Business Meeting of the Louisiana Municipal Association at Shreveport, Louisiana, this sixth day of August, 2011.

Councilman O. Jenkins: So, very well done.

Mayor Glover: Thank you Mr. Chairman, you pre-empted the very communication that I intended to offer. Council did such a wonderful job today bring forth the folks who have appeared before you during Council Communication. The one thing that I was going to do in addition to making just a couple of other quick comments was to make sure that we take this initial opportunity,

although I intend to see that we do even a bit more to recognize these outstanding individuals. But I was going to take this opportunity to bring up and recognize and make sure that everyone understood exactly the folks who were responsible for making this past week's conference and convention, such an absolute total success. You know one of the things about being mayor, I tell people it's like being the quarterback of your favorite football team. You know when things go well, you get more credit than you deserve, when things go poorly, you get more blame than you deserve. But then the focus and attention is always on you. So throughout the entirety of last week's conference, mayors and council members and clerks and other staff folks from around the state, some 1600+ individuals who were here along with their spouses because I guess I was pretty easily recognizable amongst the group, constantly came to me and said with utmost sincerity, this absolutely one of the very best LMA Conventions that they'd ever had the opportunity to attend, bar none. And that they were simply blown away with the level of professionalism, the hospitality, the warmth, and the depth of the effort and the sincerity that was put forth by everyone that was involved. And frankly as I told them, I'll tell you all. I may be the face on this effort, but the real work, the real push, the real drive came from these two ladies who are here standing to my right as well as the other folks that they enlisted to aid and support their effort and their cause, Burnadine Anderson and Rod Richardson and all of the other folks throughout city hall as well as the numerous, numerous volunteers who came forth from groups from all across this city. Put us in a position to be able to send a resounding message to our neighbors across Louisiana that there is something very special happening up in Northwest Louisiana. And we were joined at the hip by my friend and brother mayor from across the river, Mayor Walker, and the folks of Bossier. They were there both in terms of their presence as well as their pockets to help make this effort a success. So, I'm delighted that we had a chance to be able to show folks something that many of them had never seen before. You all know the dynamic in Louisiana that those of us who are from north, it's natural for us to flow south because we go to the capitol, we go to New Orleans, we go to Lafayette, but you had folks, Mr. Chairman and members of the council who had never been north of I-10. And some of them were a bit concerned Councilman Webb, because they heard that some of us Councilman Jenkins, didn't wear shoes.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Is that (inaudible)

Councilman S. Jenkins: I took my shoes off at least one time Mr. Mayor.

Mayor Glover: I told them we don't only just take them off during council session, but we wear 'em on days other than Sunday as well. And I assured them that we had that indoor plumbing problem taken care of by Councilman Shyne about 15-20 years ago. And you know there were some things here that they should see, and if they gave us a chance, and would come on up, that we promised them that they would have a good time. But then also most important, that they'd have a chance to be able to learn a lot from a region of the state that has learned what it's like over the years, even when times were plentiful to have to make the decision, that if it's going to get done, it's going to happen because we make it happen, and not necessarily because we're going to end up getting a lot of help either from the folks in Baton Rouge or our good friends up in Washington, D.C., and so what they saw was a positive, can do, get it done attitude amongst a group of folks, that just simply set about the work of making it happen. So, I want to personally thank Karen, I want to personally thank Bea for helping to make all of us look a whole lot smarter than we

actually are. And so at this point, I'm going to ask Karen and Bea to step up and make some comments and let them say what's on their hearts as well.

Ms. Karen Barnes: Both Bea and I are very appreciative. This mayor certainly having a great love for the City of Shreveport as well as myself and it was a pleasure to serve 1600 delegates to come to our Shreveport and Bossier communities. We are a joint partnership. I certainly believe in partnerships specifically when it comes to small businesses, so it had a piece of Fair Share which is a component of what I do everyday, that's my real job. But we brought the enthusiasm to our delegates. They want to come back next year, and I told them not right now. We look forward to the next rotation, but we certainly enjoyed. It was an honor to serve my Mayor, our Mayor, my CAO, and my Assistant CAO to recognize that Shreveport is the next great city of the south. Thank you and God bless.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Bea, chance to get it on record here.

Ms. Bea Johnson: Well, I'm going to make this short, because I have to type the record. First of all, thank you Art for allowing me to do this, thank you Sharon and Lynette for doing my work while I was gone, thank you all.

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

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, if you don't mind, I'm going to extend this over to the next Council Meeting because there is a list that I did not bring with me, but I want to publicly enter into the record so that they will know yet again, how much we appreciate them. I took every opportunity during the course of the conference to make sure that we called out their names, because one of the things that we learn in putting this effort on and this is an event that rotates every six years around the major cities of Louisiana. The last time that we put this event on was in 2005, that was before the new convention center opened, before the Hilton, and so it's been a while. And there wasn't much of a blue print left behind in terms of for us to follow. And we were soon made aware that there were going to be some financial obligations that either we had to figure out how to live up to or we may end up having a conference that may not necessarily be all that fun or all that interesting. And so, the LMA has a list of corporate sponsors that they recognize and have been supportive of them over the years, but we also have an outstanding group of those here with us for this effort and at the next meeting, I'd like to be able to do is for those folks who are local, I want to ask some of those folks to come down and be a part of this council communications section, and we're going to give those folks along with Karen and Bea and some other folks some actual tangible manifestations of exactly how much we appreciate the work that they put in to help make this particular event a success. Because without their financial support as Platinum, Gold, Bronze and contributing and supporting sponsors, we would not have been able to make this event as significant as it was, and we would not have gotten the kind of reviews, response and enthusiasm that we found. And as Karen mentioned, there was more than a few folks that said, we want you all to host the conference every year. And we had to say, thank you Mr. Shyne, but no thank you. Appreciate that kind of love, but sometimes we can get love too much. So thank you all for your support and also thank you for your presence. I know that all of you made some appearance at some point and time, and several of you were there as a constant presence helping to offer support

from council and also participating and learning from the various sessions as well. So, thank you all for your presence and thank you for your leadership. Lastly, I want to join you all in expressing appreciation to the Sheriff for sharing with us what I think is going to be I think probably one of the best history lessons that the people of this city have gotten in quite a long time. I had a chance to be able to receive my copy last week from the Sheriff when he first told me about it, and had a chance to preview that video. And it puts a real face into incidents that I heard told of as a young person growing up in this city. But to actually see in very vivid images exactly some of the things that shaped and affected and impacted not only this city, but this region and our country was something that made quite an impression on me. And like the Sheriff said, I think once the historians have a chance to be able to fully review and digest exactly what was seen, it'll be something that will serve as good history lesson. Something that will be highly instructive in terms of where Shreveport's past was and how our future was made better by some things that transpired and how we can learn today how we don't end up going down that same road and making some of those same mistakes again. So I want to commend the Sheriff, because you know for a lot of folks, they may say why don't you take that kind of stuff (inaudible), nobody needs to see that, just go ahead and let that stay where it is. But being a man who believes in putting information out there for people to process and digest and for history to be absorbed and learned, and so I want to express my appreciation for that. And lastly, as I wrap up and take my seat, I sound like a Baptist Preacher, and begin to close and wrap up (inaudible).

Councilman Shyne: That's right, you're a Methodist now.

Mayor Glover: I'm Methodist. We want to keep the lines in order. I want to join this council in expressing my sorrow and the City's collective sorrow on the loss of Navy Seals Kelsall and Reeves. And as was mentioned, they are distinguished graduates of Caddo Magnet High School, and I'm very honored to be a member of the inaugural class and without question for those of us who are a part of the Magnet Mustang Family, this has been quite an impact, and also have served in many ways as a point for many of us to come together around as well. And I believe that it's also going to help do that for the city as a whole. I've been utterly amazed at the number of publications and communications that have come in from around the country who recognize that while there were 38 individuals who were lost, because I acknowledged the loss of the Afghans and the others who were lost as well, are all the folks who were on that Chinook were there, because they were trying to serve the interest of freedom here and there, and so we mourn all of them, but for one city to end up losing two individuals and for one school to lose two, and for one class from one school to lose two, is quite significant and we want those families to know that we join them in their sorrow and their loss, and that the city will be there to help to support them throughout this time and will be participating in all the respective services that will be coming forth. So thank you Mr. Chairman. Thank you members of the Council.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Thank you Mr. Mayor. Any communications relative to city business specifically Mr. Mayor or Mr. Sibley?

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

Mayor Glover: Yes Mr. Chairman.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I'll let you get back in your city business chair.

Mayor Glover: Back in the saddle. Mr. Chairman, you were part of an email chain that has circulated I think starting on yesterday that is attempting to set a time for a joint meeting of the council and the commission along with the administration to sit with Mr. David Dodd. As you all are aware, one of the provisions called for in the Shreveport/Caddo Master Plan 2030 is the expiration of the idea of a joint City of Shreveport, Parish of Caddo Economic Development Initiative. We attained Mr. Dodd to take on the task of studying and reviewing and advising on the feasibility of that. Mr. Dodd has drafted his final report. We've also provided to you all a copy of both the draft as well as the final. There will be a final/final that he will give that corrects all of the few I(s) that were not dotted and the few T(s) that were not crossed, but we're looking to present that proposition in a collective meeting of the Commission and the Council so that everyone can have an opportunity to see it, rolled out and presented by Mr. Dodd himself to take notes, and also ask any questions and what have you that may be pertinent and also engage in whatever dialogue that may be appropriate at that time, and obviously, there'll be lots of follow up before any decisions are made one way or another, but wanted to make you all aware of that and to let you know that between our staff and you all's staff and the commission staff, we'll be trying to get that set hopefully within the next week to 10 days or so.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Alright, and I'll say this for whoever is collecting them, to send out a little response, that my responses were not overwhelming from my fellow council members. I took that to mean that before an advocate for Friday. So, Friday of the two dates seems to work for this council.

Mayor Glover: Alright, we'll take that into consideration and pass it along to the others who are trying to get schedules lined up.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay, thank you. Anything else?

Mayor Glover: That'll do it Mr. Chairman.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay, does anybody have any questions or concerns for relative to Property Standards at this time?

Reports

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

Councilman Everson: Thank you for a lot of quick follow ups on a lot of issues I brought up yesterday.

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

Councilman O. Jenkins: As discussed yesterday, we received communications both about Revenue Collection Plan, and Surety Bond Forfeiture reports. So thank you both for those.

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

EMS Transports Report (*Res 239 of 2010*)

**Public Hearing:**

**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.

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Chairman, we have several, do you want me to read all of them and - - -

Councilman O. Jenkins: Why don't you read all of them and we take them up as adding all at once.

*The Clerk read the following:*

1. **Resolution No. 157 of 2011**: A resolution authorizing the mayor to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Rotary Club and to otherwise provide with respect thereto
2. **Resolution No. 159 of 2011**: A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an amendment to the agreement with Grambling State University relative to the Port City Classic football game and to otherwise provide with respect thereto
3. **Ordinance No. 85 of 2011**: An ordinance to create and establish the intersection of Fannin Street and Pete Harris Drive as a stop intersection and to otherwise provide with respect thereto
4. **Ordinance No. 86 of 2011**: An ordinance to create and establish Fannin Street from Pete Harris Drive to Douglas Street as a two way street and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
5. **Ordinance No. 87 of 2011**: An ordinance to create and establish Travis Street from Common Street to Pete Harris Drive as a two way street and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
6. **Ordinance No. 88 of 2011**: An ordinance amending the 2011 Budget for the General Fund and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay, is there anybody here who'd like to speak for or against adding these items to the agenda today?

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman, I think on yesterday, we kinda discussed what would be some of the advantages of the \$10,000 the Council would give to the Port City Classic. And I have a printout here from the Bossier Convention and Tourism Bureau. The economic impact that this

game is approximately \$5.1(million). I say that to say this. In going back to when the Mayor was on the Council, Mr. Mayor, you remember when you worked with Mayor Beard in order to bring the professional - - - was the a Canadian team?

Mayor Glover: That was the Canadian Football League.

Councilman Shyne: And Mr. Chairman, I don't know whether the Canadians felt like it was too hot down here for them or not, but some kind of way it fizzled out. But we do have a stadium out there Mr. Chairman, that - - - and I'm glad to see the Mayor is working at it, and of course I almost said Dale, when you run for Mayor, I hope that you would do the same thing. We've got to do something to make sure that we can bring in some football games out there. Because we have spent too much money on that facility for not to have maybe one or two football games a year. I would hope Mr. Mayor before you and I leave here, of course you're young enough to double around and come back. I'm at the age where I can't double around and come back. I'll have to go to the house and sit and enjoy myself. But I would hope that one day, we would at least have five six college football games out at Independence Stadium, because we do have an excellent facility out there, and we have spent millions of dollars. I would hope that eventually we would see Louisiana Tech playing at least one game a year, I would hope Mr. Chairman that we could get some of these LSU fans to see if we could get LSU up this way. We'd have a lot of Northwestern fans here in the City of Shreveport. I would hope that in the next two to three years, we would have not only Grambling, not only Southern, but maybe an LSU, maybe a Louisiana Tech every year, and maybe a Northwestern game. So I would hope that the city would do whatever we need to do in order to facilitate these teams coming into our city, because they do help us out from an economic impact. And I will not go through reading all of this, but if you would like to see it, I'd be glad to pass it on to you or any of the other council members, because if we're going to have these teams coming in here, we're going to have to do the same thing that we do for the Independence Bowl. We're going to have to let 'em know that hey look, if you come to Shreveport and play, it would be advantageous for you from a financial standpoint. Now when I was in school, we went to football games to have fun. I mean you had football games at your colleges for fun. Now it's about making a profit. It's about being able to stay if I can use this term Ron, it's about being able to stay in the black, and not Jeff, in the red. So, I would hope that we would have the support of the council, and my colleague over there is going to talk to some of her former members of the Caddo Parish Commission.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Already have.

Councilman Shyne: Okay, and I know if she talked to them, they agreed to do the same thing. So, Mr. Chairman, if you'd like for me to pass this on to you?

Councilman O. Jenkins: That'd be great.

Councilman Shyne: And I would hope that we could get support from the Council in passing this ordinance. Thank you.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay, thank you Mr. Shyne. Anybody else for or against adding these items to the agenda?

Councilman Shyne: If not Mr. Chairman, so moved.

Councilman Everson: Second.

**Motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman Everson to add Resolution No. 157 and 159 of 2011 and Ordinance No(s) 85, 86, 87, and 88 of 2011. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and Jenkins. 7. Nays: None.**

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

Confirmations and appointments:

Shreveport-Bossier Sports Commission Markey W. Pierre (*Postponed July 26, 2011*)

**Motion by Councilman Everson, seconded by Councilman McCulloch to confirm the executive appointment of Ms. Markey W. Pierre. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Webb, and Jenkins. 5. Nays: Councilmen Corbin and Shyne. 2.**

Engineering and Environmental Services Ron Norwood

**Motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman Everson to confirm the executive appointment of Mr. Ron Norwood.**

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman?

Councilman O. Jenkins: Mr. Shyne.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor?

Mayor Glover: Mr. Shyne.

Councilman Shyne: I don't think you could have selected a finer person than Ron Norwood. I have had the pleasure of working with Ron for quite a few years and I know you have too. And Ron, I don't want to just say it behind your back, but I want to let everybody know you have done an excellent job since he has been with the City of Shreveport with maybe what? 3 or 4 administrations? I don't want to make it sound too old, but - - - oh 5! Five administrations. So again Mr. Mayor, I applaud for making such a selection strictly on qualifications. Thank you.

Mayor Glover: Thank you Mr. Shyne. Mr. Shyne and Mr. Chairman, I appreciate that and we no doubt know that Ron Norwood is imminently qualified for the position of City Engineer. I'm

honored to make the nomination for his appointment and to request you all's confirmation. The only thing I had to be sure of Mr. Chairman and members of the Council was that he was not going to be responsible for any artwork or statues that might be installed around the City of Shreveport. I was fully assured that that would be all supervised and managed by SRAC, and I got comfortable with it, and we went ahead and put the signature to the letter. So, we're very proud to have him. He's done outstanding work, and he's going to continue to serve very well. Thank you Mr. Chairman, thank you members of the Council.

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

**Consent Agenda Legislation.**

**To Introduce Routine Ordinances and Resolutions**

**Resolutions:** None.

**Ordinances:** None.

**To Adopt Ordinances and Resolutions**

**Resolutions:**

*The Clerk read the following:*

**RESOLUTION NO. 151 of 2011**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING WAYNE B. MAULDIN LOCATED AT 5525 JEFFERSON PAIGE ROAD TO CONNECT TO THE WATER & SEWER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

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

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened, that Wayne B. Mauldin be authorized to connect the structure, located at 5525 Jefferson Paige Road to the water & sewer system of the City of Shreveport.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that if any provisions or items of this resolution or the application thereof are held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or

applications of this resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications, and to this end, the provisions of this resolution are hereby declared severable.

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

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

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 152 of 2011**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SHANE T. PILKINGTON AND REBECCA G. T. PILKINGTON LOCATED AT 10720 ELLERBE ROAD TO CONNECT TO THE WATER & SEWER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

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

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened, that Shane T. Pilkington and Rebecca G.T. Pilkington be authorized to connect the structure, located at 10720 Ellerbe Road to the water & sewer system of the City of Shreveport.

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

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

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

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 153 of 2011**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ROBERT LLOYD ALLEN LOCATED AT 3827 MERIWEATHER RD., TO CONNECT TO THE WATER & SEWER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

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

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened, that Robert Lloyd Allen be authorized to connect the structure, located at 3827 Meriweather Rd. to the water & sewer system of the City of Shreveport.

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

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

**Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Webb, seconded by Councilman McCulloch to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and Jenkins. 7. Nays: 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. 139 OF 2011**

#### **A RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING THAT THE CITY COUNCIL HAS REVIEWED THE 2011 INTERNAL "MUNICIPAL WATER POLLUTION PREVENTION REPORT" CONCERNING THE NORTH REGIONAL AND LUCAS WASTEWATER PLANTS**

WHEREAS, the state permits under which the North Regional and Lucas Wastewater Treatment Plants operate require an internal survey form to be completed annually and submitted to the City Council for review; and

WHEREAS, forms for the past year have been completed by City staff and are attached hereto;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal and regular session convened, as follows:

That the City Council acknowledges that it has reviewed the attached survey forms and that the sewerage system improvement work included in the recently approved general obligation bond issue is intended to maintain compliance with the conditions of the plants' permits, and that additional consideration will continue to be given to long term funding needs for treatment plant and collection system capital renewal programs.

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 O. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Corbin to adopt.**

Councilman S. Jenkins: I think there still has to be some definition of acknowledging.

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

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 140 2011**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT WITH SHREVEPORT METROPOLITAN BALLET**

**AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

**WHEREAS**, the Shreveport Metropolitan Ballet (Ballet) was founded in 1973 and today continues to present classical ballet to the citizens of Shreveport and local dancers with a performing outlet; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ballet provides public outreach by giving lectures and performances in local schools, nursing homes, hospitals, libraries, malls and community performances at the Red River Revel, the Louisiana State Fair and other public events; and

**WHEREAS**, the Ballet provide a free performance to hundreds as their first season performance; and

**WHEREAS**, the concerts and events sponsored by the Ballet provide a cultural benefit to Citizens of the City of Shreveport; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Shreveport (“City”) desires to participate with the Ballet in the co-sponsorship of the 2011-1014 Ballet season, which is a public purpose:

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened that Cedric Glover, Mayor, be and is hereby authorized and empowered to execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the City of Shreveport and Shreveport Metropolitan Ballet substantially in the form filed in the office of the Clerk of Council on July 26, 2011; and

**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; and

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

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 141 2011**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT WITH SHREVEPORT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA**

**AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

**WHEREAS**, the Shreveport Symphony Orchestra (“Symphony ”) was founded in 1948 and today is the state’s oldest continuously performing orchestra; and

**WHEREAS**, the Symphony provides education outreach by giving educational and entertaining ensemble performances at local caddo parish schools for first and second graders; and

**WHEREAS**, the Symphony provide free Civic Youth Concerts for local fifth grade students through school ensemble; and

**WHEREAS**, the Symphony annually provides free concerts and activities for citizens of the City of Shreveport; and

**WHEREAS**, the concerts and events sponsored by the Symphony provide a cultural benefit to citizens of the City of Shreveport; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Shreveport (“City”) desires to participate with the Symphony in the co-sponsorship of the 2010-1011 Symphony season, which is a public purpose:

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened that Cedric Glover, Mayor, be and is hereby authorized and empowered to execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the City of Shreveport and Shreveport Symphony Orchestra substantially in the form filed in the office of the Clerk of Council on July 26, 2011; and

**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; and

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

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 142 2011**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT WITH SHREVEPORT OPERA AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

**WHEREAS**, the Shreveport Opera (“Opera ”) was founded in 1949 and is one of the oldest Opera companies in the country; and

**WHEREAS**, the Opera annually performs for an estimated 50,000 people; and

**WHEREAS**, the Opera has an education and outreach component called Opera Xpress that brings the opera experience into area schools, hospitals and retirement centers; and

**WHEREAS**, the concerts and events sponsored by the Opera provide a cultural benefit to citizens of the City of Shreveport; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Shreveport (“City”) desires to participate with the Opera in the co-sponsorship of the 2011-1014 Opera season, which is a public purpose:

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened that Cedric Glover, Mayor, be and is hereby authorized and empowered to execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the City of Shreveport and Shreveport Opera substantially in the form filed in the office of the Clerk of Council on July 26, 2011; and

**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; and

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

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

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 143 OF 2011**

#### **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DONATION OF PAINT AND SUPPLIES TO CENTERPOINT COMMUNITY SERVICES/2-1-1 CONNECTIONS IN THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

WHEREAS, Centerpoint Community Services/2-1-1 Connections is a nonprofit organization, serving as the source of information & referral for human services including: housing and/or shelter, utility assistance, healthcare/prescriptions, food distribution, and crisis intervention in Northwest Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, Centerpoint Community Services/2-1-1 Connections offers specialized services to those persons whose lives are in crisis, experiencing potential loss of their ability to be self-sufficient, facing or experiencing homelessness; and

WHEREAS, all persons assisted by Centerpoint Community Services/2-1-1 Connections will be low to moderate income citizens residing within the City limits of Shreveport; and

WHEREAS, Centerpoint Community Services/2-1-1 Connections desires to receive paint and supplies donated by the City of Shreveport to paint its' existing building located at 2121 Fairfield Avenue, Suite 130, Shreveport, Louisiana 71101; and

WHEREAS, all work will be performed by volunteers and will enhance the quality of life for the citizens of Shreveport and services provided directly improve the conditions of the Highland area where the center is located, thus providing a public benefit; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport through its Department of Community Development has facilitated a previous painting project with Centerpoint Community Services/2-1-1 Connections; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport through its Department of Community Development desires to participate with Centerpoint Community Services/2-1-1 Connections, by donating materials and/or supplies that will be used by Centerpoint Community Services/2-1-1 Connections to paint its property; and

WHEREAS, the donation of the materials and/or supplies is a permissible exception to Article 7 § 14 of the Louisiana State Constitution of 1974.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal, and regular session convened, that the donation of paint and supplies to paint the building belonging to Centerpoint Community Services/2-1-1 Connections is hereby authorized.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 144 OF 2011**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDMENTS TO THE MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND METRO MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATES, INC., AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO**

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport entered into a Management Agreement (“Agreement”) with Metro Management Associates, Inc. (“MMA”) on June 30, 2006 for management and operation of the City’s mass transit system (the “system”); and

WHEREAS, the Agreement provides, among other things, that MMA shall manage and operate the system in a professional manner with the City retaining title, ownership, and possession of the transit property comprising the system and all revenues to be derived therefrom; and

WHEREAS, the Agreement is effective for a term of five (5) years commencing from October 1, 2006 through October 1, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the Agreement may be renewed for one (1) additional term of five (5) years subject to the mutual agreement of City and mutual written notice of the parties provided at least sixty (60) days prior to the end of the current term of the Agreement; and

WHEREAS, City and MMA desire to amend the Agreement to provide for the continued management and operation of the system by MMA.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute amendments to the Management Agreement between the City of Shreveport and Metro Management Associates, Inc., substantially in accord with the draft hereof filed for public inspection in the Office of the Clerk of Council on July 26, 2011.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provisions or items of this resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications 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 hereby are hereby repealed.

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

Councilman Shyne: Gene, I wouldn’t want to leave you out. You and your company have done an excellent job in managing our public transportation system, and I don’t want to date you either. Or I’ll just say over the last few years. Since Ron didn’t mind showing his age, I don’t know whether he wants to show your age. But Gene has been with us for quite some time, and Gene you and your company have done an excellent job. I guess I’ve been with you long enough to see the progress.

I've been with you long enough to see the professionalism and how you have moved this transportation system forward and you've always kept it where it's been about making sure that the residents in the city are taken care of. So Gene, I want to thank you for doing that. And Mr. Mayor, again, and I guess people are going to think I'm crazy for complimenting you so, when you know me and you always getting at it. But - - -

Mayor Glover: I do think you're making up for lost time Mr. Shyne.

Councilman Shyne: You did an excellent job again in selecting and renegotiating the contract with Gene and his crew.

Mayor Glover: Those kudos are quite mutual.

Councilwoman McCulloch: I just had one question concerning the income tax statement. I guess the math, I'm not really good in math, but - - - what's your name? On the income tax statement, as I was doing the math, it's showed at the very bottom, total operation equal losses. Could you explain the \$158,750.02 as a loss? I mean, cause I did the math, and maybe I didn't follow the right procedure.

Mr. Gene Eddy: I'm not clear what document you're talking about. Is this in the package that I gave you?

Councilwoman McCulloch: Right. Right here where it says total operation equal losses. Well as I did the math, it seems like this is probably what you came out ahead, \$158,000. but is it counted as a loss versus a gain? Because as I did the math, it was a gain versus a loss. So is that just a category?

Mr. Eddy: At this point, we are that far behind in our budget. \$158,000, over budget.

Councilwoman McCulloch: You're basically over budget.

Mr. Eddy: That's basically fuel cost.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Alright, that was my concern. Thank you.

Mr. Thompson: Can we pick that up?

Ms. Johnson: He spoke into her mic, so I think we did.

Councilwoman McCulloch: What's the problem?

Councilman O. Jenkins: We just want to make sure it was on record, but I think we think it's picked up on that mic. By the way Gene, I'm enjoying my readings. Quite comprehensive, and I'm going to certainly give that opportunity to others if they're interested. He's provided me with some kind of history of how this transportation from privately owned to government to or largely

government subsidized and some of the rationales behind it and it's pretty interesting, just from an economic perspective, and you know what we're expecting in terms of where that burden falls in terms of society. So I thought it was great, and I appreciate that.

Mayor Glover: I don't want to challenge the Republican meanings too much now Mr. Chairman.

Councilman O. Jenkins: But I didn't say - -I think the Mayor misunderstood what I was thanking him for. I won't clear that up, I'll just tell you that I appreciate it.

Mr. Eddy: I think he is left handed.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman. Mr. Mayor, I thought he was one of those little kids way back when you know you and I couldn't hardly ride, he'd be jumping on and off the public transportation system.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I'd be happy to say that I rode the public bus to school for 14 years. And I don't mean school bus. I mean public bus.

Councilman S. Jenkins: 14 years? (Inaudible) through college. 14 years?

Councilman Everson: Unless he started in preschool.

Councilman O. Jenkins: And it wasn't necessarily in this city. So actually changed.

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

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, so you're not out there by yourself, I rode the bus to Southfield sometimes too.

Councilwoman McCulloch: I'd really like to have the opportunity, I've never ridden the city bus. Maybe in other cities, but not in Shreveport.

Councilman O. Jenkins: We are equal service providers, so they'd be happy to take you I'm sure just about anytime.

Mayor Glover: I rode about two months ago, love to go out with you (inaudible).

Councilman Everson: I think it would be fun. Let's all jump on.

Councilwoman McCulloch: You drop your money in the machine when you got on, or you just got on.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I think city employees may have a special deal.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Oh great, I'll show my ID.

Councilman Webb: I pay every time I get on.

Mr. Thompson: Are we ready Mr. Chairman?

Councilman O. Jenkins: We are no on 147 if I'm not mistaken.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 147 OF 2011**

**A RESOLUTION TO SUSPEND CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 10 RELATIVE TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ON SEPTEMBER 10, 2011 RELATIVE TO DISPENSING, SALE AND/OR CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AT SHREVEPORT RIVERVIEW PARK FOR THE SHREVEPORT DOWNTOWN ROTARY CLUB'S RED RIVER DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL FUNDRAISER AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

BY: Councilman Jeff Everson

**WHEREAS**, the Shreveport Downtown Rotary Club will host the Red River Dragon Boat Festival Fundraiser on September 10, 2011 between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. at Shreveport Riverview Park located at 601 Clyde Fant Parkway; and

**WHEREAS**, the Shreveport Downtown Rotary Club desires to dispensed and allowed the sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages at Shreveport Riverview Park located at 601Clyde Fant Parkway during the event; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 10-80(a) makes it unlawful for any person to dispense alcoholic beverages except within those sections of the city wherein such sale is permitted by the applicable zoning ordinance, Section 10-190(a) prohibits consumption of alcoholic beverages on the parking lot of a business or on other property of a business where said property is open to the public, Section 106-130(6) provides that unless otherwise excepted, all uses shall be operated entirely within a completely enclosed structure, and Section 10-81 provides that Section 10-41 (requiring a retail dealer's permit) shall not apply to a bona fide nonprofit event meeting the requirements of this section, only when it is held within the confines of an enclosed building; and

**WHEREAS**, the adoption of this resolution would allow the dispensing, sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages at Riverview Park located at 601 Clyde Fant Parkway, on September 10, 2011 for the Red River Dragon Boat Festival Fundraiser for the Shreveport Downtown Rotary Club.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened that the suspension of Sections10-80(a), 10-81, 10-190(a) and 106-130(6) on September 10, 2011 for the Shreveport Downtown Rotary Club's Red River Dragon Festival Fundraiser, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. at the Shreveport Riverview Park located at 601 Clyde Fant Parkway.

**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, Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and Jenkins. 7. Nays: None.**

#### **RESOLUTION NUMBER 148 OF 2011**

**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 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 purchasing agent has inquired of all city departments regarding the property described herein 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 following described properties are hereby declared surplus:

1) Geo.#181403-014-0058-E/2 of Lot 45, Winter Gardens Subdivision, Unit 2, Municipal Address-922 Winter Garden Dr., **District A.**

2) Geo.#181424-001-0074-Lots 28 & 29, Blk. 1, North Shreveport Subdivision, Municipal Address-1065 Grimmitt Dr., **District A.**

3) Geo.#171423-013-0316-Lots 316 & 317, Gold Coin Subdivision, Municipal Address-634 W. 68<sup>th</sup> St., **District F.**

4) Geo.#181331-072-0106-Lot 17 & West 10 ft. of Lot 16, Blk. C, Highland Park Subdivision, Municipal Address - 261 Vine St., **District B.**

5) Geo.#181417-054-0024-Lot 24, Audrey Park Subdivision and ½ Abdn. Drainage R/W, Municipal Address-1749 Peach St., **District A.**

6) Geo.#171305-039-0039-Lot 39, Woodlawn Subdivision, Municipal Address - 1537 Acorn St., **District B.**

7) Geo.#171305-039-0059-Lots 59 & 60, Woodlawn Subdivision, Municipal Address - 1500 Easy St., **District B.**

8) Geo.#171410-028-0082-Lot 82, Exposition Heights Subdivision, Municipal Address - 3219 Boss Ave., **District G.**

9) Geo.#171404-037-0027- N. 66 ft. of Lots 6 & 7, Less E. 6.5 ft. of Lot 7 and S. 61.5 ft. of W. 44 .8 ft. of Lot 6, Bonnydell Annex, Municipal Address – 2600 Jewella Ave., **District G.**

10) Geo.#171423-018-0062-Lot 62, Linwood Subdivision, Municipal Address-403 Champ Clark St., **District F.**

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

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

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

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 149 of 2011**

**A RESOLUTION AFFIRMING THE AUTHORITY OF THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND CERTAIN OTHER PERSONS RELATIVE TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF CERTAIN ACCOUNTS WITH BANCORPSOUTH FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION BLOCK GRANT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO**

Whereas, the City received a \$1,977,900 grant from the United States Department of Energy, a portion of which can be used for providing loan loss reserve security to facilitate energy efficiency loans from a bank to borrowers for eligible projects and for interest rate buy downs to make financing of such projects more affordable; and

Whereas, the grant funds, designated as Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant, were appropriated in the 2011 Grants Special Revenue Fund Budget in Ordinance No. 147 of 2010 as amended by Ordinance No. 4 of 2011; and

Whereas, Section 4 of Ordinance No. 147 of 2010 provides:

4. Administration - The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute all contracts, deeds, grant documents and other legal instruments necessary to expend and receive the funds herein authorized, and in accordance with the assurances contained in the Federal and State grants received by the City.

Whereas, in order to carry out the above referenced grant purposes, the city will enter into a contract with BancorpSouth, in which BancorpSouth will provide loan financing directly to individual eligible residential customers, and BancorpSouth will act as Escrow Agent and provide fiduciary services to manage the city's funds which will be deposited in certain accounts with BancorpSouth; and

Whereas, Section 10.02(l) of the City Charter authorizes the Director of Finance to deposit all funds of the city in a depository bank selected by the Council; and

Whereas, Section 10.02(m) of the City Charter authorizes the Director of Finance to designate, with the approval of the mayor, an employee of the department of finance as deputy director of finance, who during the temporary absence or incapacity of the director of finance shall have and perform all the powers and duties of the director of finance;

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

1. It is hereby affirmed that the Mayor has the authority to execute an agreement with BancorpSouth to deposit the above referenced grant funds with said bank for the grant purposes.
2. BancorpSouth is designated as a depository for said grant funds during the term of the agreement.
3. It is hereby affirmed that the Director of Finance has the authority to execute all documents and do all things necessary to deposit funds into said accounts. In accordance with the terms of the agreement between the city and BancorpSouth, no checks will be drawn on said account.
4. It is affirmed that the Director of Finance has the authority to designate, with the approval of the mayor, an employee of the department of finance as deputy director of finance, who during the

temporary absence or incapacity of the director of finance shall have and perform all the powers and duties of the director of finance, which includes the powers described in Section 3 above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provision 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 Webb, seconded by Councilman Shyne to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and Jenkins. 7. Nays: None.**

### **RESOLUTION NO. 150 OF 2011**

#### **A RESOLUTION SUSPENDING THE EFFECTS OF SECTION 78-424 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATIVE TO THE USE OF GASOLINE POWERED ENGINES IN C. BICKHAM DICKSON LAKE AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Assembly and Recreation has confirmed the presence of an alligator in C. Bickham Dickson Lake; and

WHEREAS, the presence of the animal presents a danger to lake patrons and neighboring property owners; and

WHEREAS, removal of the animal will require the use of a gasoline powered boat in the lake; and

WHEREAS, Section 78-424 (b)(4) of the Code of Ordinances prohibits the use of gasoline powered engines at any time upon the waters of C. Bickham Dickson Lake.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal and regular session convened, that the provisions of Section 78-424 (b)(4) are hereby suspended for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days from the effective date of this resolution to permit use of gasoline powered engines in the lake by person(s) authorized by the City of Shreveport to remove alligator(s) from the lake.

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

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

**Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman O. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Corbin to adopt.**

Councilman O. Jenkins: Just a quick discussion here, I spoke to them at LSU again today, and I don't know if you had a chance to. I just want to make sure that we're covered on this particular issue, and then Shelly, if you want to come forward. When we move together item for up for introduction today, if we could possibly get with him and possibly add some language in there that when we choose to go with motorized craft, or whatever, that we at least confer with LSU at some level, if we could. And I have not - - - still waiting on the document from somebody relative to a cooperative endeavor agreement.

Ms. Ragle-Stone: The cooperative endeavor agreement is only - - - is an agreement that outlines the activities that LSU will do there. There is no agreement that says - - - they didn't take ownership in it, it's still the city's. It's still ours to secure to maintain. We still own it. We own 5/8ths, the State owns 3/8ths. So that agreement that I think Dr. Hinson is referring to never outlines it, here's what you have to do to make any changes. He uses a motorized boat there, and he gets permission from us when he uses it. And as I told him today, before we send anybody out there, we'd always contact him before, when we built the pier. SWEPCO was nice enough to donate us the money to do that. We use motorized, and we called him then. So, you know when and if a person goes out there, we'll let him know, and he seemed amenable to that. But that contract is about an activity, not about management of the park.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay. Well, like I said, I'm still waiting. He didn't seem to have it.

Ms. Ragle-Stone: We have it.

Councilman O. Jenkins: And he was hoping that y'all would - - -

Ms. Ragle-Stone: Yeah, we can get you a copy of it. But it's more about the activities, not about management.

Councilman O. Jenkins: And maybe if we just had some basic language like that in the other one that's on here for introduction. There's two of 'em, one is the Suspension of the rules, and one is on introduction. So we may need some type of language that can be crafted in there. Terri (inaudible), but I don't know if that needs to go into the ordinance, but we can make that policy that we contact them when we're going to.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay, just as long as we don't forget.

Ms. Ragle-Stone: Cause we'd also contact the Police Department, cause we're going need to notify them when someone is using a motorized craft because they patrol it. So, there's several people

we're going to have to notify, once we give permission to somebody to go out, we can make that policy. Terri can answer whether that should be in the ordinance or not.

Councilman S. Jenkins: I'm trying to be clear on what I'm hearing here. What, what - - - maybe I just want to be clear.

Councilman Everson: I agree.

Councilman S. Jenkins: What does LSU have to do with our park? Why do we have to get - - - I'm just

Councilman O. Jenkins: We don't have to get approval from them.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Yeah, I'm trying to see (inaudible)

Ms. Ragle-Stone: We don't. And you're right, we don't have to seek approval from them. Many - - - several years ago, the city and LSU entered into an agreement to manage the activities at C. Bickham Dixon Park, and it's a learning lab for LSU. And they use the park as a lab, and we did a cooperative endeavor agreement that allows them to use the park and the lakes on the park as a learning lab. And what the agreement does is actually outline those activities. It doesn't give them management rights or control of the parks, the city retained all that. We're still responsible for managing it, we're responsible for securing it, we're responsible for safety, you know all the things that go along with any park that we own. I think in this situation, we would do as we have done in the past with LSU, is to contact them when we're going to do some activity that's out of the norm out there.

Councilman S. Jenkins: As an accommodation, not to interfere with the activities that they may have going on.

Ms. Ragle-Stone: Right.

Councilman O. Jenkins: And they do some you know some psychological and environmental studies out there.

Ms. Ragle-Stone: And our other concern was the motorized, the gas and oils in those (inaudible) lakes. But once we talked to him, I think he understood what we were trying to accomplish.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Well, I'll certainly defer to Mr. Thompson and the City Attorney on whether we need to add that language or put it in a policy statement. But we got two weeks on that.

Ms. Ragle-Stone: Okay.

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

## **Introduction of Resolutions (*Not to be adopted prior to August 23, 2011*)**

*The Clerk read the following:*

1. **Resolution No. 154 of 2011**: A resolution authorizing the use of certain equipment by the North Shreveport Business Association, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
2. **Resolution No. 155 of 2011**: A resolution authorizing the purchasing agent or his/her designee to execute cooperative purchasing agreements allowing other Louisiana government entities to piggyback on the City of Shreveport contracts and allowing the purchasing agent to execute cooperative purchasing agreements allowing the City of Shreveport to piggyback on Louisiana entities contracts, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
3. **Resolution No. 156 of 2011**: A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an amendment to the Memorandum of Cooperative Endeavor with the Red River Waterway District and all other documents in connection therewith, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
4. **Resolution No. 157 of 2011**: A resolution authorizing the mayor to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Rotary Club and to otherwise provide with respect thereto
5. **Resolution No. 159 of 2011**: A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an amendment to the agreement with Grambling State University relative to the Port City Classic football game and to otherwise provide with respect thereto

**Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman McCulloch, seconded by Councilman O. Jenkins to introduce Resolution No(s). 154, 155, 156, 157, and 159 of 2011 to lay over until the next regular meeting. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and Jenkins. 7. Nays: None**

Councilman O. Jenkins: Mr. Sibley, it's a little bit relative to what Mr. Shyne mentioned earlier. When we talk about we need to treat this game similar to the other games, I'd like to if you could, without making it too painful, compare - - - provide us with some kind of matrix that shows what we do for the Independence Bowl, what we've done last year for the kickoff classic, and what we're proposing to do for this year, just so that we have an idea of what that is, and then I sent you an email, you may not have received it. In the addendum to the change to the agreement proposed, there is some discussion about who gets certain seats in the city, we'll get these seats, and then the revenues from certain sections go to the university. There's a whole section of general admission seats that I don't know where all the revenue goes and all the concessions and that type of thing, and I'm curious to know.

Mr. Sibley: We can break all that out for you. Just so we really know what the whole comprehensive piece is.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor, I was under the impression that the universities would be responsible for selling the tickets.

Mayor Glover: That is correct.

Councilman Shyne: Okay.

Mayor Glover: That is correct. As well as keeping the revenue.

Councilman Shyne: Right, right, and that would not be a part of our responsibility. If they needed us - - -

Councilman O. Jenkins: I think you may have misunderstood what I was - - -

Councilman Shyne: Naw, naw, I'm not misunderstanding what you're saying. I'm just telling him what my understanding is. Doesn't have anything to do with the Chairman's understanding. And if they can - - - what is their capacity out there? 55,000?

Mayor Glover: 52(thousand)

Councilman Shyne: 52,000? If they can hustle and sell, well maybe hustle might not be the right word to use for universities and colleges, might could use it on the streets somewhere, but if they have their opportunity to sell 45 or 50,000 tickets, if they can do that. That was what my impression was that a Grambling year and Alcorn sell as many tickets as you can.

Mayor Glover: That is correct.

Councilman Shyne: Okay. And that means your profits will be bigger and better.

Mayor Glover: That is correct. Just to add and as a provision to be included just as a part of the draft language, obviously how it comes out in the final form will be up to the council. We did include within the - - - is it an ordinance change, that we're talking about here?

Councilman S. Jenkins: I think it's an amendment to the contract.

Mayor Glover: That in the consideration for the additional level of city support, that there would be a block of 500 tickets that are to be provided for the purposes of distribution by Parks and Recreation (inaudible). All the others would be fore the university to sell and distribution at their direction.

Councilman Shyne: And the other thing Mr. Mayor, I would hope that you would - - - this is a suggestion that's coming from me, and I would hope that you would give it your utmost consideration, I would hope that on Tuesday, the 16<sup>th</sup> when we have the other meeting, that you would invite the gentleman, the Honorable Chairman of the Shreveport City Council to come to that meeting, I wish you would take that into consideration.

Mayor Glover: By all means Mr. Shyne, I think (inaudible) to Jim Gregory.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I couldn't find in his face that there was truly a likeness. Although I did Google it.

Councilman Shyne: And so Mr. Mayor, I'm interpreting that as an invitation

Mayor Glover: Absolutely.

Councilman Shyne: To the Chairman to come to the next meeting.

Councilwoman McCulloch: August 16<sup>th</sup> at 5:00, at the Sky Box.

Councilman Shyne: Thank you.

Mayor Glover: And Mr. Chairman, Jim Gregory was played by Bruce Jenner in the movie. You bear a striking resemblance to the free facelift.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay, lets move on to (inaudible) at this point.

### **Introduction of Ordinances (*Not to be adopted prior to August 23, 2011*)**

*The Clerk read the following:*

1. **Ordinance No. 80 of 2011**: An ordinance amending Section 26-187 of the Code of Ordinances relative to the City of Shreveport Enrichment Fund, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
2. **Ordinance No. 81 of 2011**: An ordinance amending Section 22-1 of the City of Shreveport Code of Ordinances relative to payment or collection of permit and inspection fees for City of Shreveport projects and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
3. **Ordinance No. 82 of 2011**: An ordinance amending Section 78-424 of the Code of Ordinances relative to the use of gasoline powered engines in C. Bichkham Dickson Lake, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
4. **Ordinance No. 83 of 2011**: An ordinance amending the 2011 Capital Improvements Budget, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
5. **Ordinance No. 84 of 2011**: An ordinance amending the 2011 Capital Improvements Budget, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
6. **Ordinance No. 85 of 2011**: An ordinance to create and establish the intersection of Fannin Street and Pete Harris Drive as a stop intersection and to otherwise provide with respect thereto
7. **Ordinance No. 86 of 2011**: An ordinance to create and establish Fannin Street from Pete Harris Drive to Douglas Street as a two way street and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

8. **Ordinance No. 87 of 2011**: An ordinance to create and establish Travis Street from Common Street to Pete Harris Drive as a two way street and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

9. **Ordinance No. 88 of 2011**: An ordinance amending the 2011 Budget for the General Fund and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

**Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman O. Jenkins to introduce Ordinance No(s). 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, and 88 of 2011 to lay over until the next regular meeting.**

Councilwoman McCulloch: I have a question concerning the Port City facet Mayor. What's sort of communication will we be forwarding to the Caddo Parish Commission because we Commissioners who have actually agreed to support the effort. So, will we be forwarding any form of communication seeking some form of agreement to participate with the Caddo Parish Commission?

Mayor Glover: We'll certainly make President Epperson and Commissioner Lynch know at the first level organizing committee meeting aware of exactly the legislation that's been drafted by the council, where it stands and what the potential intent of the council is at this point. It's our understanding that they have acquired, as to what it is that we're doing, and have every intention of matching if not exceeding, what the city intends to do.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Alright, thank you.

Mayor Glover: We told them that we were not in any way shy or bashful or (inaudible).

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor, on that same note, I received a call from Past President Stephanie Lynch, and Ms. McCulloch, that we were asking for \$10,000, and that's what they claimed to do, but they just wanted to make sure that that's what we were asking for, but I did tell her, just because we were asking for \$10 (thousand), if they wanted to do \$20 (thousand), it would be alright with us. Right Mr. Mayor?

Mayor Glover: By all means, by all means.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman, would that be alright with you if they wanted to do \$20 (thousand)?

Councilman O. Jenkins: Certainly, if they're offering to put our \$10 (thousand) in, of course. I mean that would even be more benevolent of them.

Councilman Shyne: I didn't think about that Mr. Chairman.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Well you know I'm always interested in negotiating. You know that's the way I like to operate.

Councilman Shyne: I'm sorry Mr. Chairman, I didn't think about that.

Councilman Corbin: I have a couple of questions about No. 84.

Councilman O. Jenkins: No. 84. And Mr. Sibley and I spoke before, and they have changed some of those numbers to reflect what was initially in various Capital Project budgets. And they're going to try to get us new (inaudible) on what is bond money separated from existing money in particular, Capital Projects.

Mr. Sibley: That's one of the issues that we determined that there were some confusion in terms of the methodology, so Brian has been working with Sharon and Art to clarify, so that we all collectively can let everyone know what those numbers represent, what they mean going forward.

Councilman Corbin: Because there are some differences between what came out of the email yesterday and the links on here. They're inconsistent, so.

Ms. Pilkinton: Mr. Chair, if you would please refresh, and you have a new one that is clean.

Councilman O. Jenkins: But I think certainly your point is, it's going to take a while to digest. Because when I opened the thing, I was a little concerned. But I understand, why.

Mr. Sibley: There is a method to the madness

Councilman O. Jenkins: There is a method that wasn't clear to me, but I'm quite sure that - - - okay.

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

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

*The Clerk read the following:*

1. **Ordinance No. 77 of 2011**: An ordinance amending Section 78-452 of the Code of Ordinances relative to the procedures for renaming public property, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

**Having passed first reading on July 26, 2011 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman O. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Everson to adopt.**

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Chairman, this ordinance deals - - - the original ordinance did not contain procedures for notification of the name change of a public street. There was nothing in there about who was supposed to do that, and also there was nothing about who was supposed to put of the signage. So this just clears that up.

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

2. **Ordinance No. 78 of 2011**: An ordinance amending the 2011 Community Development Special Revenue Fund Budget, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

**Having passed first reading on July 26, 2011 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. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and Jenkins. 7. Nays: None.**

3. **Ordinance No. 79 of 2011: ZONING - C-50-11**: Amending Chapter 106 of the Code Of Ordinances, The City Of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning property located on the east side of Youree Drive, 188 feet north of Albert Avenue, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, be and the same is hereby changed **from SPI-3(B-1), Commercial Corridor Overlay (Buffer Business) District to SPI-3-E(B-1), Commercial Corridor Overlay(Buffer Business)/Extended Use District limited to “a boutique” only**, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (C/O. Jenkins)

**Having passed first reading on July 26, 2011 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman O. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman McCulloch to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and Jenkins. 7. Nays: None.**

*The adopted ordinances and amendments follow:*

#### **AMENDMENT NO. 1A TO ORIDINANCE NO. 185 OF 2010**

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING TO THE SOUTHWESTERN ELECTRIC POWER COMPANY THE RIGHT, PRIVILEGE AND FRANCHISE TO ACQUIRE, CONSTRUCT, ERECT, MAINTAIN, REPAIR, RECONSTRUCT, AND OPERATE A SYSTEM OF ELECTRIC POWER LINES, WIRES, TRANSFORMERS, COMMUNICATION CABLES AND OTHER RELATED AND NECESSARY OR DESIRABLE APPURTENANCES IN, UNDER, OVER, ACROSS, THROUGH AND ALONG ANY AND ALL OF THE PRESENT AND FUTURE STREETS, AVENUES, ALLEYS, THOROUGHFARES, ROADS, HIGHWAYS, SIDEWALKS, BRIDGES, AND PUBLIC PROPERTIES OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA, FOR THE PURPOSE OF TRANSMITTING AND DISTRIBUTING ELECTRIC POWER TO THE CITY AND ITS INHABITANTS AND ANY OTHER PERSON OR PERSONS, FIRMS AND CORPORATIONS FOR A TERM OF TWENTY-FIVE YEARS; REGULATING THE USE OF STREETS BY THE COMPANY AND REPAIR AND RESTORATION OF THE STREETS DISTURBED BY CONSTRUCTION; PROVIDING FOR COMPENSATION TO BE PAID TO THE CITY; PROVIDING THAT THIS FRANCHISE SHALL NOT BE EXCLUSIVE; PROVIDING THE COMPANY’S OBLIGATIONS TO FURNISH EFFICIENT SERVICE;

PROVIDING FOR INDEMNITY BY THE COMPANY TO THE CITY; PROVIDING FOR CONDITIONAL FORFEITURE IN EVENT OF DEFAULT BY THE COMPANY; MAKING MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS RELATIVE TO THIS GRANT OF FRANCHISE; PROVIDING FOR ACCEPTANCE BY COMPANY; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

-Substitute the attached copy of Ordinance No. 185 of 2010 for the copy of the Ordinance previously submitted.

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Explanation of Amendment:

The attached copy of Ordinance No. 185 of 2010:

1. Amends the second “WHEREAS” paragraph to incorporate language relative to the extensions of the franchise and the Ordinances authorizing same.
2. Amends Article III to provide that the Ordinance and the rights granted therein shall take effect and continue in full force and effect commencing on the day following execution thereof by all parties.
3. Amends Article VI to add a requirement that the Grantee maintain all records supporting and relative to the Ordinance for period of not less than three (3) years following payment of gross receipts to City pursuant to the terms of the Ordinance.
4. Amends Article VII to add the word “applicable” in the phrase referencing the applicability of the National Electric Safety Code (NESC”) to Grantee’s operations hereunder; also adds a requirement for reasonable prior written notice to Grantee prior to the City’s exercise of the right to remove or abate any installation or structure that violates applicable provisions of the NESC.
5. Amends Article IX limiting “emergency conditions” as referenced in the Article to Acts of God, major equipment failures affecting reliability or causing outages, or when a state of emergency has been declared by City, State or Federal government.

The Article is further amended to add language requiring that the City shall not unreasonably withhold or delay approval of work performed in connection with relocation of Grantee’s electric lines in connection with any street or other improvement by City.

6. Amends Article XI, amended to require that requests for moving permits that require temporary removal of wires or fixtures by Grantee be made in writing to Grantee and that all expenses of same be paid to Grantee in advance by the requesting party.

**ORDINANCE NO. 185 OF 2010**

**AN ORDINANCE GRANTING TO THE SOUTHWESTERN ELECTRIC POWER COMPANY THE RIGHT, PRIVILEGE AND FRANCHISE TO ACQUIRE, CONSTRUCT, ERECT, MAINTAIN, REPAIR, RECONSTRUCT, AND OPERATE A SYSTEM OF ELECTRIC POWER LINES, WIRES, TRANSFORMERS, COMMUNICATION CABLES AND OTHER RELATED AND NECESSARY OR DESIRABLE APPURTENANCES IN, UNDER, OVER, ACROSS, THROUGH AND ALONG ANY AND ALL OF THE PRESENT AND FUTURE STREETS, AVENUES, ALLEYS, THOROUGHFARES, ROADS, HIGHWAYS, SIDEWALKS, BRIDGES, AND PUBLIC PROPERTIES OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA, FOR THE PURPOSE OF TRANSMITTING AND DISTRIBUTING ELECTRIC POWER TO THE CITY AND ITS INHABITANTS AND ANY OTHER PERSON OR PERSONS, FIRMS AND CORPORATIONS FOR A TERM OF TWENTY-FIVE YEARS; REGULATING THE USE OF STREETS BY THE COMPANY AND REPAIR AND RESTORATION OF THE STREETS DISTURBED BY CONSTRUCTION; PROVIDING FOR COMPENSATION TO BE PAID TO THE CITY; PROVIDING THAT THIS FRANCHISE SHALL NOT BE EXCLUSIVE; PROVIDING THE COMPANY'S OBLIGATIONS TO FURNISH EFFICIENT SERVICE; PROVIDING FOR INDEMNITY BY THE COMPANY TO THE CITY; PROVIDING FOR CONDITIONAL FORFEITURE IN EVENT OF DEFAULT BY THE COMPANY; MAKING MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS RELATIVE TO THIS GRANT OF FRANCHISE; PROVIDING FOR ACCEPTANCE BY COMPANY; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance 98 of 1985, the City of Shreveport granted a right, privilege and franchise to Southwestern Electric Power Company ("Grantee") to acquire, construct, erect, maintain, repair, reconstruct, and operate a system of electric power lines in, under, over, across, through and along any and all of the present and future streets, avenues, alleys, thoroughfares, roads, highways, sidewalks, bridges and public properties of the City of Shreveport for the purpose of transmitting and distributing electric power to the City and its inhabitants and other persons for a term of twenty-five (25) years; and

WHEREAS, the rights, privileges and franchise granted to Grantee pursuant to the terms of the Ordinance were first extended until December 31, 2010 pursuant to Ordinance 86 of 2010 then until August 31, 2011, or until a new multi-year Franchise Agreement has been adopted and executed by the parties, whichever occurs first pursuant to Ordinance 3 of 2011; and

WHEREAS, City desires to grant and Grantee desires to receive the right, privilege and franchise to continue to transmit and distribute electric power within the corporate limits of the City of Shreveport under and pursuant to such terms, conditions and stipulations set forth in this Ordinance.

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

ARTICLE I

That, as used in this Ordinance, the following terms shall be defined, to-wit:

(a) The word “City” as used in this Ordinance shall mean the incorporated City of Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana.

(b) The word “Grantee” as used in this Ordinance shall mean *Southwestern Electric Power Company*, a corporation, its successors and assigns.

(c) The word “City Council” as used in this Ordinance shall mean the City Council of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, and its successors elected as provided by the City Charter of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana.

(d) The word “Public Right(s) of Way” as used in this Ordinance shall mean the streets, roads, alleys, avenues, sidewalks, bridges, public grounds and public places of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana.

## ARTICLE II

Subject to the terms, conditions and stipulations set forth in this Ordinance, a franchise is hereby granted wherein Grantee shall have the right to sell, distribute, and transmit electric energy in, through, and beyond the City of Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, (within the limits thereof as same may now or hereafter lawfully exist) including the right to erect, maintain, operate, repair, remove, and replace poles, wires, conduits, transformers, communication facilities and cables and other equipment and appurtenances and to license or lease space on or within Grantee’s poles, conduits and appurtenant facilities for the attachment of third party facilities required or authorized under applicable state or federal law in, over, under, and through any Public Rights of Way.

## ARTICLE III

Except as otherwise provided herein, this Ordinance and the rights granted herein shall take effect and continue in full force and effect for a period of twenty-five (25) years commencing on the day following execution hereof by all parties. Grantee shall file its written acceptance of the terms and conditions hereof within ten (10) days after the effective date of this Ordinance or the same shall become no force and effect.

## ARTICLE IV

Except as otherwise provided herein, and in consideration for the rights and privileges herein granted, Grantee shall pay to the City an annual amount equal to five percent (5%) of the gross receipts of Grantee derived by it from the distribution and sale of all electricity and electric current to residential, commercial and industrial customers within the corporate limits of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, during the term of this franchise, to be paid quarterly by or before the first day of February, the first day of May, the first say of August and the first day of November of each year for the three-month periods ending respectively on December 31, March 31, June 30, and September 30 next preceding. The compensation set forth in this paragraph shall be paid in lieu of

any license, charge, fee, street, or alley rental, or other character of charge for the use and occupation of the Public Rights of Way. Contrary provisions of this paragraph notwithstanding, Grantee and City agree that the amount of compensation set forth in this paragraph payable to City by Grantee shall increase to the maximum amount authorized by LSA-R.S. 33:4510 and other applicable provisions of law after this Ordinance has been in effect for a period of five (5) years, commencing from the effective date thereof, and each succeeding five (5) year period thereafter throughout the effective date of this Ordinance.

City shall notify Grantee in writing of newly annexed and de-annexed areas. The notice shall include the ordinance number authorizing the action and an appropriate map identifying the areas affected by such annexation or de-annexation. Grantee shall have no responsibility for commencing payments to the City for revenue collected in newly annexed areas until it shall have received the City's notification. Upon the City's notification and starting the 91<sup>st</sup> day after receipt of such notice, Grantee will commence payments to the City for revenue collected in each newly annexed area and will make any appropriate adjustments in payments made for revenues collected in such de-annexed areas after de-annexation. Payments for revenues collected in newly annexed areas and adjustments for over payments in de-annexed areas shall be made effective back to the date of the authorizing ordinance.

#### ARTICLE V

During the period of the franchise herein granted, the Grantee shall furnish to the City a statement certified by Grantee prior to making the payments as herein set out showing the gross receipts of Grantee derived by it from the distribution and sale of electricity to residential, commercial, and industrial customers within the corporate limits of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, for the three-month periods ending respectively on December 31, March 31, June 30 and September 30 next preceding.

#### ARTICLE VI

Grantee shall permit City of its designated representative to inspect and/or audit its records and books relative to this Ordinance at any time during normal business hours, and under reasonable circumstances and to copy therefrom any information City may desire concerning Grantee's operations which relate to this Ordinance or any right granted to Grantee herein. City shall provide written notice prior to the execution of this provision. If Grantee's records and books are not located within Caddo or Bossier Parish, in the event of an audit, Grantee agrees to deliver the records or have the records delivered to City's designated representative at an address designated by City or its representative within the City of Shreveport. If City or its representative reasonably find that the records delivered by Grantee are incomplete, or Grantee has not provided access to the records or electronic copies of the records, then Grantee agrees to pay City's and/or its representative's reasonable costs to travel to the location wherein such documents are located to retrieve or audit the complete records. City and Grantee acknowledge, understand and agree that the exercise of any right granted to City by this Article IV shall be exercised subject to privacy laws and the rules, regulations and jurisdiction of the Louisiana Public Service Commission and

other applicable laws. Grantee agrees to maintain all records supporting and relative to this Ordinance for a period of not less than three (3) years following payment.

#### ARTICLE VII

All poles, wires, conduits and other equipment and appurtenances shall be erected and placed in accord with appropriate City standards and specifications and in such places and in such manner as will be consistent with necessary and least interference with public travel and other public uses of Public Rights of Way.

City shall have the right to require the placing of the electric lines of Grantee underground at no cost to the City or Grantee, whenever operationally practicable and whenever public safety and necessity in the use and occupation of such Public Rights of Way so require and subject to the regulatory authority of the Louisiana Public Service Commission. The foregoing provision notwithstanding, City reserves the right and shall have the power at any time throughout the effective period of this Ordinance to require Grantee to remove and abate, at Grantee's expense, any installation or structure that violates the applicable National Electric Safety Code or other applicable law or regulation, and in case Grantee, after reasonable prior written notice, fails or refuses to act, City shall have the power to remove or abate the same at the expense of the Grantee.

#### ARTICLE VIII

All the construction and other work, including reconstruction, maintenance, repair or removal of Grantee's system shall be subject to and in conformity with the ordinances, rules, laws and regulations now in force, or that may hereafter be approved or adopted by the City of Shreveport, provided that such ordinances, rules, laws and regulations shall not be in conflict or inconsistent with the express terms and conditions of this franchise and shall not conflict with the laws of the State of Louisiana or the laws of the United States of America.

#### ARTICLE IX

Grantee, in laying, constructing, adjusting, and repairing its electric lines, shall not interfere with any waterlines, sewer lines, conduits, or other pipe lines or supply lines, or with any public or private drain in any street or alley except with the written consent and under the direction of the City's Chief Administrative Officer or his designee. This provision shall not apply when emergency conditions exist, which conditions shall be limited to Acts of God, major equipment failures affecting reliability or causing outages, or when a state of emergency has been declared by the City, State or Federal government.

Whenever the City shall conclude to make any street or other improvements in which the electric lines of Grantee exist, or in which Grantee may propose to place electric lines, Grantee shall, in advance of such improvement and t Grantee's own expense, be required to remove such electric lines. The Grantee shall be given reasonable notice of the intention of the City to pave or make such improvements, and reasonable time under the circumstances to relocate its facilities. All such work shall be performed with reasonable diligence and Grantee shall, within a reasonable time,

restore such street, alley, and public grounds excavated by it, to their original condition as nearly as possible, subject to acceptance and approval by City, provided that the City's acceptance and approval shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed.

#### ARTICLE X

Grantee shall indemnify, save and hold harmless the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, from any and all claims, demands or causes of action for injuries and damages to persons and property, occasioned by or arising out of the construction, renewing, maintenance, operation, removal, adjustment, or repair of said Grantee's electrical system, or by virtue of Grantee conducting such business in the City of Shreveport. This duty to hold harmless and indemnify shall run in favor of the City, its officials, officers, agents, and employees. It shall include the duty to investigate any claim to defend any lawsuit including actions for injunctive relief, and to reimburse the City, its officials, officers, agents, and employees under the terms of this Article on indemnification for any sums of money that it or they are or might become legally obligated to pay to others. This indemnity does not extend to claims arising from the gross negligence or intentional conduct of the City, its officials, officers, agents and employees.

#### ARTICLE XI

Grantee, in the construction, reconstruction or adjustment of its system, shall not take up or excavate any pavement or street, alley or other public place at any time without first securing written permission and approval of same and the method to be used from City; and providing further that in every case where possible, Grantee shall, in the construction, reconstruction, or adjustment of its system, bore beneath paved streets, curbs and sidewalks instead of cutting them; and where any such cutting or excavation of streets, alleys or public ways shall be necessary, Grantee shall, at Grantee's own expense, repair and replace same according to standards and specifications of the City; and provided that when practicable, lines shall be placed in alleys instead of streets and that should Grantee fail or refuse, as above required, to properly restore and replace such pavements, sidewalks, and excavations within a reasonable time from the cutting and producing of such excavations, then the same may be replaced and restored by the City of Shreveport, Louisiana at the expense of said Grantee, and including reasonable attorney's fees and court costs that the City may incur in securing a judgment for breach thereof.

The Grantee shall, on written request of any person holding a moving permit issued by the City and, subject to applicable regulatory requirements and system operating conditions, temporarily move its wires or fixtures to permit the moving of buildings or structures with the expense of such temporary removal to be paid, in advance to Grantee, by the person requesting same in writing.

#### ARTICLE XII

Nothing herein contained shall ever be held or considered as conferring upon Grantee, or its successors and assigns, any exclusive rights or privileges of any nature whatsoever.

#### ARTICLE XIII

Grantee shall not at any time sell or assign its rights and privileges under this Ordinance to any other person, firm or corporation or surrender management control without the prior approval of the City, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed. Approval shall be deemed granted in the event Grantee provides written notice to City as provided herein in Article XVIII and City fails to respond and provide written notice within sixty (60) days of receipt of such written notice as provided for herein. Further, the Grantee may, without consent of the City, assign, sell and transfer the franchise to its parent, affiliates, or subsidiaries of its parent. Grantee (or its assign) may, also without City's consent, assign, pledge, mortgage or transfer the rights and privileges under this franchise to any lender of Grantee (or such assign). Grantee shall notify City in writing of any assignment, sale, transfer, pledge, or mortgage of any right or privilege under this franchise within sixty (60) days of such action.

#### ARTICLE XIV

The City may at any time declare a conditional forfeiture of this grant for a continuing violation by Grantee of any of the substantial terms thereof. In such event, the City shall give written notice, specifying all grounds on which forfeiture is claimed, by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, addressed and delivered to Grantee, to the attention of its president. The Grantee shall have sixty (60) days after receipt of such notice within which to discontinue said alleged violation, or to file suit in a court of competent jurisdiction for an adjudication or declaration of the rights of the parties with respect to the forfeiture of the franchise. No forfeitures shall be effective until and unless (1) the Grantee shall have continued such violation or violations for more than sixty (60) days after receipt of such written notice from the City without filing such suit; or (2) Grantee shall have continued such violation or violations for more than sixty (60) days (or such longer period as the court in its discretion shall allow) after the entry or affirmance in a court of last resort of a final judgment finding and establishing the existence of such violation or violations, and that such violation or violations are sufficiently substantial to warrant forfeiture, and decreeing forfeiture as a consequence thereof. The Grantee shall not in any event be deemed to be in default of performance of any provisions of this grant, nor shall any forfeiture be invoked for violation or violations for failure to perform any provision hereunder when due to shortages of material, supplies and equipment beyond the control of Grantee, or to fires, strikes, riots, storms, floods, war or other casualties, or to governmental regulations, limitations or restrictions as to the use or availability of materials, supplies or equipment or as to the use of the service, or to unforeseen or unusual demands for service, or for any other cause not reasonably or practicably within the control of the Grantee.

#### ARTICLE XV

Grantee shall provide, upon reasonable notice, on a project-by-project basis, such available maps, plats and/or drawings as the City may request which depict the location of all electric power lines, poles and other facilities used for the generation and distribution of electricity within the corporate limits of the Public Rights of Way. As to any such maps, plats and drawings so provided, Grantee does not warrant the accuracy thereof and to the extent the locations of the facilities are shown, such facilities are shown in their approximate locations. Any such information with respect to the location of Grantee's facilities shall be used by the City solely for management of the Public

Rights of Way. The City shall take all prudent steps required by applicable law to prevent disclosure, reproduction or dissemination of such maps, plats, drawings and/or any other information specifically marked as confidential to any unauthorized third party, without the prior express written consent of Grantee.

The City agrees to maintain the confidentiality of any information provided by the Grantee on a confidential basis or marked as confidential, as required by the Federal Critical Infrastructure Information Act and subject to the rules, regulations and jurisdiction of the Louisiana Public Service Commission and other applicable provisions of law. The City shall not be liable to Grantee for the release of any information the City is required by law to release.

#### ARTICLE XVI

Grantee shall not in its service facilities, rules, regulations, or in any other respect, make or grant preference or advantages to any user or potential user of its system, nor subject any person to any prejudice or disadvantage, subject to the applicable regulations of the Louisiana Public Service Commission and other applicable provisions of law.

#### ARTICLE XVII

The City hereby grants to Grantee permission to cut, trim, treat and dispose of trees and other vegetation upon and overhanging Public Rights of Way in the vicinity of Grantee's electric facilities where such trees and other vegetation, in Grantee's reasonable opinion, constitute a hazard to Grantee's personnel or facilities or the provision of continuous electric service. All such work shall be done under the supervision of Grantee or an agent thereof and at Grantee's sole expense and liability.

#### ARTICLE XVIII

Unless otherwise provided for herein, all notices or other communications required or permitted hereunder shall be made in writing and may be delivered by: (i) hand delivery; (ii) United States overnight registered or certified mail; (iii) overnight carrier service; or (iv) facsimile to the addresses set forth below. Notice by facsimile or hand delivery shall be effective at the close of business on the day actually received, if received during business hours on a business day and, otherwise, shall be effective at the close of business on the next business day. Notice by overnight United States mail or courier shall be effective on the next business day after it was sent. Notice by United States registered or certified mail (other than overnight mail) shall be effective upon delivery or refusal to accept delivery. A party may change its address or any contact information upon written notice to the other party pursuant to the terms hereof.

If to City : City of Shreveport

Office of the Mayor

P. O. Box 31109

Shreveport, Louisiana 71130

With Copy to : City of Shreveport

Office of the City Attorney

P. O. Box 31109

Shreveport, Louisiana 71130

If to Grantee : Manager, External Affairs

Southwestern Electric Power Company

428 Travis Street

Shreveport, LA 71101

With Copy to : Senior Counsel

American Electric Power Service Corporation

1201 Elm Street, Suite 800 (75270)

P.O. Box 660164

Dallas, TX 75266

ARTICLE XIX

Grantee shall to the fullest extent possible, consistent with Public Service Commission regulation and applicable provisions of law, provide adequate and efficient electric service within the City limits to meet the needs and demands of the actual and potential users thereof within the City.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that no provision contained herein shall be construed to constitute the grant of a franchise to Grantee for the provision of any service, other than electrical, within the incorporated limits of the City of Shreveport.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all ordinances, resolutions and parts of ordinances and resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed as of the day following execution hereof by all parties.

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 the Mayor of the City of Shreveport be and he is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the City of Shreveport this franchise agreement ordinance.

### **ORDINANCE NO. OF 2011**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT BY REPEALING DIVISION 9 OF ARTICLE V. OF CHAPTER 26 (THE SOLID WASTE COLLECTION FEE SPECIAL REVENUE FUND) AND BY ADDING DIVISION 9 OF ARTICLE V. OF CHAPTER 26 RELATIVE TO ESTABLISHING A STREETS SPECIAL REVENUE FUND AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

**BY: COUNCILMAN SAM JENKINS**

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened that Article V. of Chapter 26 of the Code of Ordinances is hereby amended by repealing and reenacting Division 9 to read as follows:

#### Article V. Funds

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#### **Division 9. Streets Special Revenue Fund**

##### **Sec. 26-210.10 Establish; purpose.**

(a) Established. A Streets Special Revenue Fund is established to account for the receipt and expenditure of all Franchise Fees received from AEP/SWEPCO in excess of 2% of the gross receipts of AEP/SWEPCO derived by it from the distribution and sale of all electricity and electric current to residential, commercial and industrial customers within the corporate limits of the City of Shreveport. All franchise fees received from AEP/SWEPCO in excess of said 2% shall be deposited in the Streets Special Revenue Fund.

(b) Purpose. This purpose of this fund shall be to dedicate these monies to the construction and repair of streets, including needed sidewalk and drainage structures.

##### **Sec. 26-210.11. Investment of Funds.**

The funds shall be invested in such investments as the Director of Finance may deem prudent and advisable and in accordance with the provision of Sec. 26-55, the cash management and investment policies for the City of Shreveport.

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

**Amendment No. 1 to Ordinance No. 56 of 2011**

Division 9 Streets Special Revenue Fund

Sec. 26-210.10 Establish; purpose

(a) Established. A streets Special Revenue Fund is established to account for the receipt and expenditure of all Franchise Fees received from AEP/SWEPCO in excess of 2% of the gross receipts of AEP/SWEPCO derived by it from the distribution and sale of all electricity and electric current to residential, commercial and industrial customers within the corporate limits of the City of Shreveport. However, all franchise fees received from AEP/SWEPCO shall be deposited in the Streets Special Revenue Fund, beginning January 1, 2012.

**ORDINANCE NO. 77 OF 2011**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 78-452 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATIVE TO THE PROCEDURES FOR RENAMING PUBLIC PROPERTY 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 78-452 of the City of Shreveport Code of Ordinances is hereby amended and re-enacted to now read as follows:

Sec. 78-452. Procedure.

The procedure for renaming public property of the City of Shreveport is established as follows:

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(3) Within fifteen (15) days after the effective date of the ordinance renaming a public street, the city engineer shall send written notice of the name change to all abutting property owners, the United States Postal Service, the director of the 911 Communication System, the Caddo Parish School Board, and such other persons or agencies as the city engineer may deem appropriate.

(4) Within fifteen (15) days after the effective date of the ordinance renaming a public street, the department of public works shall install appropriate street signs containing the new name of the street.

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. 78 OF 2011**

#### **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2011 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SPECIAL REVENUE FUND BUDGET AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO**

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it necessary to amend the 2011 budget for the Community Development Special Revenue 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 Number 144 of 2010, the 2011 budget for the Community Development Special Revenue Fund, is hereby amended as follows:

In Section 1 (Estimated Receipts):

Under "2010 and Prior Year Funds":

Increase CDBG by \$280,000

Decrease WIA Grants by \$62,400

Under "2011 Current Year Funds":

Decrease CDBG by \$470,300

Decrease Housing Program Income by \$22,900

Decrease HOME by \$174,200

Decrease HOME Program Income by \$600

In Section 2 (Appropriations):

Under "Prior Year Funds":

Increase Housing Programs – CDBG by \$280,000

Decrease Workforce Development by \$62,400

Under “Current Year Funds”:

Decrease Administration by \$67,500

Decrease Housing and Business Development by \$67,500

Decrease Housing Programs – CDBG by \$376,200

Decrease HOME Program by \$156,800

Adjust totals and subtotals accordingly.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if any provision or item of this ordinance or the application thereof shall be 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 portions thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 79 OF 2011**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 106 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT ZONING ORDINANCE, BY REZONING PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE EAST SIDE OF YOUREE DRIVE, 188 FEET NORTH OF ALBERT AVENUE SHREVEPORT, CADDO PARISH, LA, FROM SPI-3(B-1), COMMERCIAL CORRIDOR OVERLAY (BUFFER BUSINESS) DISTRICT, TO SPI-3-E(B-1), COMMERCIAL CORRIDOR OVERLAY (BUFFER BUSINESS)/EXTENDED USE DISTRICT LIMITED TO “A BOUTIQUE” ONLY AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO**

SECTION I: BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, in due, legal and regular session convened, that the zoning classification of property located on the east side of Youree Drive, 188 feet north of Albert Avenue, legally describe as Lot H and that part of Lot I lying next to and adjoining Lot H fronting 8 feet on Youree Drive and extending through to Albert Street between parallel lines, Resubdivision of Lots 68 and 69, Broadmoor Subdivision Unit 1, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA. be and the same is hereby changed **from SPI-3, (B-1) Commercial Corridor Overlay (Buffer Business) District to SPI-3-E (B-1), Commercial Corridor Overlay (Buffer Business)/ Extended Use District limited to “a boutique” only**

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

**1. Development of the property shall be in substantial accord with the site plan submitted with**

**any significant changes or additions requiring further review and approval by the Planning Commission.**

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

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

**Tabled legislation.**

**Motion by Councilman O. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to bring Ordinance No. 185 of 2011 off the table. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and Jenkins. 7. Nays: None.**

Councilman S. Jenkins: Is it appropriate to bring Ordinance No. 56 off the table?

Councilman Shyne: I'll second that, if that's what you are doing.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay.

Councilman Webb: What's the motion?

Councilman O. Jenkins: The motion is to bring Ordinance No. 56 off the table.

**Motion by Councilman S. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Shyne to bring Ordinance No. 56 of 2011 off the table.**

Councilman Shyne: The distinguished gentleman from District F.

Councilman O. Jenkins: We may not have time to put all your titles.

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

*The Clerk read the following:*

3. **Ordinance No. 185 of 2010**: An ordinance granting to the Southwestern Electric Power Company the right, privilege, and franchise to acquire, construct, erect, maintain, repair, reconstruct, and operate a system of electric power lines, wires, transformers,

communication cables,, and other related and necessary or desirable appurtenances in, under, over, across, through, and along any and all of the present and future streets, avenues, alleys, thoroughfares, roads, highways, sidewalks bridges, and public properties of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana for the purpose of transmitting and distributing electric power to the city and it inhabitants and any other person or persons, firms, and corporations for a term of twenty-five years, regulating the use of streets by the company and repair and restoration of the streets disturbed by construction; Providing for compensation to be paid to the City; Providing that this franchise shall not be exclusive; Providing the company's obligations to furnish efficient service; Providing for indemnity by the company to the city; Providing for conditional forfeiture in event of default by the company; Making miscellaneous provisions relative to this grant of franchise; Providing for acceptance by company; Providing a severability clause; Providing an effective date, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (*Tabled February 22, 2011*)

**Having passed first reading on December 14, 2010 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman Everson.**

Mr. Thompson: There are three amendments, would you like for me to read the amendments Mr. Chairman?

Councilman O. Jenkins: No Mr. Thompson, but I'd like to make a motion to adopt Amendment No. 3.

**Motion by Councilman O. Jenkins, to adopt amendment No. 3.**

Councilman Corbin: Clarification please. Mr. Thompson, with the amendments, if all three come into play and none pass, what happens?

Mr. Thompson: It would be my recommendation that you might want to reconsider one of the amendments that was not adopted at that point, to see if somebody has a compromise would vote for one of the ones, even though it was not your first choice.

Councilman Corbin: I'd like to make a motion for adoption of Amendment No. 1A.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Second.

**AMENDMENT NO. 1A TO ORDINANCE NO. 185 OF 2010**

-Substitute the attached copy of Ordinance No. 185 of 2010 for the copy of the Ordinance previously submitted.

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Explanation of Amendment:

The attached copy of Ordinance No. 185 of 2010:

1. Amends the second “WHEREAS” paragraph to incorporate language relative to the extensions of the franchise and the Ordinances authorizing same.
2. Amends Article III to provide that the Ordinance and the rights granted therein shall take effect and continue in full force and effect commencing on the day following execution thereof by all parties.
3. Amends Article VI to add a requirement that the Grantee maintain all records supporting and relative to the Ordinance for period of not less than three (3) years following payment of gross receipts to City pursuant to the terms of the Ordinance.
4. Amends Article VII to add the word “applicable” in the phrase referencing the applicability of the National Electric Safety Code (NESC”) to Grantee’s operations hereunder; also adds a requirement for reasonable prior written notice to Grantee prior to the City’s exercise of the right to remove or abate any installation or structure that violates applicable provisions of the NESC.
5. Amends Article IX limiting “emergency conditions” as referenced in the Article to Acts of God, major equipment failures affecting reliability or causing outages, or when a state of emergency has been declared by City, State or Federal government.

The Article is further amended to add language requiring that the City shall not unreasonably withhold or delay approval of work performed in connection with relocation of Grantee’s electric lines in connection with any street or other improvement by City.

6. Amends Article XI, amended to require that requests for moving permits that require temporary removal of wires or fixtures by Grantee be made in writing to Grantee and that all expenses of same be paid to Grantee in advance by the requesting party.

**Substitute motion by Councilman S. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman McCulloch to adopt Amendment No. 1A.**

Councilman S. Jenkins: There was no second on the first one.

Councilman Shyne: I’ll second that.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Can I speak on that Mr. Chairman?

Councilman O. Jenkins: I know this is a little bit of a hard call for some of us, but I really see no reason to put off 3-5 years something that we could possibly go ahead and do now. The electric energy bill had several components and that’s the reality of it. You have the rate payments. The bulk of the money is going to go to the rate payments, it’s going to go to fuel cost, and then some money is going to go to taxes. I think the upside of what we’re trying to do here now is the money that would be coming to the city is to give the citizens something back. If we adopt Amendment

1A, and move forward and adopt the companion legislation that's been brought off the table, not only will we give the citizens something back, but also we're addressing a very important need of our city, which is the improvement of our streets. I think we all know the 2011 bond issue divided the remanded amount of money for street improvements. Water and Sewer took up most of that money, and rightfully so. This gives us an opportunity to go in and deal with all of our infrastructure needs. So, that's the reason I'm asking for support of the adoption of Amendment No. 1A.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Now somehow these amendments have been changed. Now we are really off track here.

Councilwoman McCulloch: That goes straight to Amendment No. 3.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I know but, I know what he's interested in, and I know what I'm interested in doing. We both adopted the wrong - - -.

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Chairman, I'm not looking at what's on the E-agenda, but the document that Bea has, Amendment 1A is the original ordinance, and this is what you would be voting on. The original ordinance with all agreed to language and provisions incorporated with the 5% fee. That's 1A.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay.

Councilman Everson: 1A is?

Councilman O. Jenkins: 5% fee right now. Amendment 3 is no increase.

Mr. Thompson: No. 3 is - - - it retains a 2% fee for five years, and authorizes the Council to consider an increase after the fifth year and each five years thereafter, to an amount not to exceed the amount authorized by law.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Okay, Amendment 1A is what I have - - - is what I moved on, which is 5%.

Councilwoman McCulloch: And that's the one I seconded Bea.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Hold on a second because, and I'll just ask you for procedural. I made a motion on Amendment No. 3, maybe nobody wanted to second it, but I think one of the reasons that people didn't want to second it because the link from No. 3 shows a 5% increase.

Councilman Everson: For some reason when I click No. 3, I get Amendment 1A. That's what comes up. 2A is correct, but when I click 1A and 3 are flipped on the e-agenda.

Councilman Webb: When you click on 1A, you get 3. They're backwards.

Mr. Thompson: Again Mr. Chairman, we are sorry that that occurred, but 1A is the 5% fee immediately.

Councilman Shyne: Right.

Mr. Thompson: Or at the end of the - - -

Councilman Corbin: I will second the Chairman's original motion for No. 3.

Ms. Johnson: But it died for a lack of a second.

Councilman S. Jenkins: I think it died for a lack of a second.

Councilman Corbin: But it was a misunderstanding, that we didn't know what we were (inaudible) clarification.

Councilman Shyne: It died.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I mean, then I'd like to re-initiate my motion for adoption of Amendment No. 3.

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Chairman, it appears to me that the motion died for a lack of a second. If there would have been a question about what Amendment No. 3 was, I think it could have been cleared up at that time, but the Chair accepted another motion and a second, so it would appear to me that that would be the motion that you would vote on. If the Chairman, the Chairman can rule otherwise, but I think that any member of the Council could move to challenge the Chair's ruling.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman?

Councilman O. Jenkins: Just one second Mr. Shyne. Did I acknowledge the motion and the second?

Councilman Shyne: You sure did

Mr. Thompson: I thought that you did.

Councilman Shyne: I thought that you did too Mr. Chairman.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay Mr. Shyne.

Councilman Shyne: What I would suggest, if you have the votes for your motion, and your colleague and brother Mr. Jenkins, doesn't have the votes or whatever, the Robert Rules of Order would be vote on the motion that you accepted, and if it doesn't pass, then you come back with your motion.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Mr. Shyne, I'm happy with that, I - - - listen, if we had some confusion, and that's what I've done, I own up to what I've acknowledged here formally.

Councilman Shyne: I accept it.

Councilman O. Jenkins: And so I accept it, I just want to clear that up. I'm not.

Councilman Shyne: I accept it, and I would like to speak in favor of Mr. Sam Jenkins' motion if he doesn't mind it.

Councilman S. Jenkins: No sir.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Jenkins, I think also what happened is that, and this is both of them together, when we go in and spend this money on streets, what we're doing, we're saving our citizens repair bills on their cars. Because with all the pot holes or juice holes or whatever you want to call 'em, it knocks your frame out of line, it causes accidents, it causes all kinds of havoc to your automobiles, or to your vehicles maybe I should say. It does the same thing to your trucks, to your SUVs, Mr. Chairman it does the same thing to your Porsche.

Councilman S. Jenkins: My goodness Mr. Chairman.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I don't have (inaudible).

Councilwoman McCulloch: Mr. Chairman, I'd just like to add that I've had several phone calls on streets and in listening to the idea that Councilman Sam Jenkins is bringing to the table. I mean based on the bond issue and what was put in place prior to us being sworn in, prior to accepting the bond issue, I mean a lot of the streets especially in District A, would not be accommodated. I've just been receiving overwhelming phone calls and making the citizens aware that the administration has identified the bad streets, they know that they're there. The money is just not there. You know we're being directed to look, if you just need a pot hole filled, we'll fill a pot hole, so that's why I'm supporting Sam Jenkins' idea today because I mean the money that's in the bond issue versus the city-wide improvement street money is just enough to accommodate all seven districts, and especially in the minority districts. I mean it's just real bad, and it's been bad for years and years, and my concern is for the students as well as the bus drivers, transportation and as City Councilman Shyne said, you know of course in the MLK area, we put a lot of new housing up there. But I mean what's, what's, what is to have a new housing facility, if you've got to drive through pot holes to get to it. So I mean if this is going to give us a little bit more revenue in order to accommodate the citizens. And I'd have to say especially in the minority districts to get some of the streets done for that reason. I'm not for the rates going up, you know but it's going to come a day street improvements, for that reason, I would have to agree, and that's why I seconded City Councilman Sam Jenkins' motion. Because it's much needed in District A. Any money that I can get as I explained to one of the citizens today. I am pushing so hard to get more money to accommodate the needs in District A. So, I do support his motion because of the need in my district as a minority district.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Well certainly, you've read this particular piece of legislation, and there is nothing about streets in this particular piece of legislation, just so we're clear. And I'm not sure - - - either there is some confusion, or you're suggesting that by virtue of Amendment 1A, that another affect is going to take into account, but there's nothing in this particular piece of legislation about streets.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Well then that's a concern, because according to Mr. Sam Jenkins - - -

Councilman Shyne: Well let me explain that.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Now it does have a companion ordinance.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Okay.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Just so we're clear - - -

Councilman Shyne: Let me explain that Mr. Chairman.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I have the floor at the moment.

Councilman Shyne: I know.

Councilman O. Jenkins: And I'll be glad to see to you right afterwards. Now, there is a companion ordinance that talks about what to do with this additional revenue. And that is Ordinance 56 I believe. Okay. So - - -

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I'm just - - - let - - -

Councilman Shyne: Oh, okay. I thought you were getting ready to move on to something else.

Councilman O. Jenkins: No, I'm not finished. Now. What I think is a significant issue for you know the citizens of District A as with the rest of the citizens of Shreveport is where does that revenue come from? And that revenue, we call it a franchise fee, but it's essentially a tax. It is a tax, meaning the burden will be on the citizens who use electricity. Next, that is clear and if that part hasn't come completely public with the confusion about embedded fees, and there is the fact that they will get a higher bill because of this. Now, I'm not out there saying there's (inaudible) scenario where you're looking to raise revenue, I just think we demanded a lot of our citizens at this point, both in support of the bond issue, and certainly in the direction of where we are in the economy to add more of a financial burden on our individual citizens in the form of a franchise fee/tax. Anybody that says it's not a tax, it is a 100%, well maybe not 100%, it's largely passed through to the citizens. And that's why I'm not in favor of moving to Amendment No. 1A. Mr. Shyne.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman, I do agree with everything that you said. But the flip to that is, have you seen that old commercial about you either pay me now or you pay later. You know you either pay it through the franchise fee/tax or you pay it on your car repair bill. It's going to cost you one way or the other. And now it might not say streets in it in the beginning, but I believe what Councilman Jenkins' piece of legislation says that we could use this money in order to fix our streets. And if we're going to fix our streets, it's going to save us money on our car repair bills. And if you take your Porsche, or your Ford or whatever, it might be to a car dealership now to have your front end lined or to put some tires on it, it's a whole lot more Mr. Jenkins. And I think Sam, I think you might have found this out in your research, because you did a lot of research in order to craft this piece of legislation. And it's kinda like either you pay me now or you pay me later. Either - - - and I think Bossier's already gone to, since it seems like we follow Bossier a whole lot over this way, lately we've been following Bossier, and I remember the time when Bossier used to follow us. If we want to follow Bossier, I think Bossier has gone to the 5% already. And I think that's what Mr. Jenkins' and I think that's where my support comes from, is that we will save on the wear and tear of our vehicles in this city. Now I drive down some streets, and we just don't have the money right now. They're awful. I mean you almost have to hit your brakes, and I have people calling me, and the only thing I can tell 'em is we just don't have the money right now. And I think this piece of legislation that Councilman Jenkins has come up with, and I want you to know now, I'm not one of those tax and spend Democrats. You know how they always put the label on us as being big tax and spend Democrats. I'm not. I'm not. But it's either you pay me now ,or you pay me later. If we don't do something about our streets, I mean, people are going to be tearing their vehicles up, because I do this all the time. Especially out in my area. I mean they're always calling. Joe, when are y'all going to do something for Jewella? When are you all going to do something for Hollywood. When ware you all going to do something for - - - and matter of fact, it even goes - - - I want to say Jewella goes down into Ron's district, and let me say this Mr. Mayor. We've been doing a good job lately on fixing Jewella. But it's so many pot holes on Jewella. It's so many and Greenwood Road, I mean you come along in there by Fair Park, and then you go further down, you almost tear your vehicle up. So, Sam this was a great idea. We've got to come up with some funds some kind of way to fix some of these streets. And it's not about increasing unnecessary tax on people. But it's about getting revenue in order to get the streets fixed that we need to. Mr. Chairman, thank you.

Councilman Webb: Thank you Mr. Chairman. I think how quickly we forget when this council came on board, one of the first things that this new council did was rescind the \$2.50 garbage collection fee. Which I voted in favor of, which would have generated revenue to buy trash compactors and whatever. I agree a franchise fee increase is the same as a tax increase and if the people want to pay it, I like the idea of using some of that money for street repair, but it's just hard for me to know the citizens and how much cane they raised about having to pay more for utilities period, and then we're just going to turn right around and add another fee to make 'em pay for electric bills. So I don't know which one of these Mr. Clerk would we vote on to keep the fee where it is?

Mr. Thompson: That's No. 3.

Councilman Webb: Amendment No. 3. Okay.

Councilman O. Jenkins: That was the one I had - - -

Councilman Everson: One important distinction that I hope that the public recognizes about this and one fact that's weighed heavily in my thoughts on this issue has been the way that the formula is administered regionally. Right now, you know with Bossier having gone up to the 5% already, Shreveport electric payers are in affect subsidizing money that goes to the City of Bossier, a city that's competing with us for residents, and a city that has a very new development. And I certainly understand you know members of the council whose constituencies view this primarily as a tax, and who see fit to not support this, I can certainly probably - - - that's probably an accurate representation of those that are represented, how they feel about it. And I know that I have kind of a divided district on this. On the one hand, I do have some people who view it very similarly, on the other hand I represent an area that is an original part of the city that has faced the most deterioration and blight of any part of the city. And I feel like if we are able to generate these new revenues and responsibly allocate it towards something that will raise the overall value of the property in Shreveport, then it's a prudent act. But if you know we were going to raise this fee and this fee now and just kinda put it in the General Fund, that would be a responsible. And so I will be supporting this, and it's not - - - it wasn't an easy decision, but it is something that I think we will be able to make a significant impact for the long term good of the city. By removing what is on our operations budget year to year, something that is really more of a capital project. And so in the long term, I think this could be - - - put us in a better financial situation what is a minimal sacrifice, albeit admittedly a sacrifice.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Call for the question Mr. Chairman.

Councilman O. Jenkins: You're offering a question?

Councilman S. Jenkins: Just calling for the question. Every member has - - -

Councilman O. Jenkins: Councilman Corbin still has a chance.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Oh, okay. Go right ahead. I mean, I'm not trying to stop any debate on anything.

Councilman Corbin: Thank you Mr. Vice-Chairman. Thank you Vice-Council. I will not be in support of this amendment. We just went to the citizens of Shreveport, and asked for \$175,000,000 commitment for long term fixes for our city. This Council has not had the opportunity to go through a budget session yet. As a related note, we are coming off one of the hottest summers on record. And we know what that does to electric bills.

Councilwoman McCulloch: And streets.

Councilman Corbin: I believe that we do have street issues, and street issues that we need to address. I don't believe this is the time or the proper way to do that at this point. So, I will not be in support of this, and as a reminder again, nothing in the vote that we're about to take sends any

money to any street projects. There is absolutely no correlation there, and everybody needs to understand that.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay, has everybody on the Council had an opportunity to voice their opinion at this point?

Councilwoman McCulloch: Well actually I was just going to inject that if we do the research, we'll see that not only Bossier, but most cities in the State of Louisiana have actually gone to the 5%.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Yes but I'm sure you understand how the district is formed. It doesn't really - - - the way the embedded way works is not a function of most of the cities in the state, it's those that are in our particular district.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Mr. Chairman, I'm going to call for the question. I think every member has had an opportunity to speak on it, and I think everybody understands that this legislation and the other legislation we're going to consider is something we're trying to do for our streets. And to try to separate it or confuse it right now to me is not the proper thing to do. Lets - - - I'm going to call for the question.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Second.

**Motion by Councilman S. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman McCulloch to call for the question and end debate.**

Councilman Webb: I wanted to know what we were going to be voting on, call for the question?

Councilman S. Jenkins: Yes, just going to call for the question so we can (inaudible)

Councilman Webb: I vote 'Yea' for calling for the question.

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

Councilman Webb: Now what are we actually voting on first?

Councilman O. Jenkins: We are voting on Amendment 1A, which has immediate 5% increase (inaudible) franchise fee.

**Motion to adopt Amendment 1A to Ordinance No. 185 of 2010 approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Shyne, and Jenkins. 4. Nays: Councilmen Jenkins, Corbin, and Webb. 3.**

**Motion by Councilman S. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Shyne to adopt Ordinance No. 185 of 2010 as amended. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen**

**McCulloch, Everson, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and Jenkins. 5. Nays: Councilmen Jenkins and Webb. 2.**

4. **Ordinance No. 56 of 2011**: An ordinance amending the Code of Ordinances of the City of Shreveport by repealing Division 9 of Article V. of Chapter 26 (The Solid Waste Collection Fee Special Revenue Fund) and by adding Division 9 of Article V. of Chapter 26 relative to establishing a Streets Special Revenue Fund, and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (G/S. Jenkins) (*Tabled June 28, 2011*)

**Having passed first reading on May 10, 2011 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Corbin, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins.**

**Amendment No. 1 to Ordinance No. 56 of 2011**

Division 9 Streets Special Revenue Fund

Sec. 26-210.10 Establish; purpose

(a) Established. A streets Special Revenue Fund is established to account for the receipt and expenditure of all Franchise Fees received from AEP/SWEPCO in excess of 2% of the gross receipts of AEP/SWEPCO derived by it from the distribution and sale of all electricity and electric current to residential, commercial and industrial customers within the corporate limits of the City of Shreveport. However, all franchise fees received from AEP/SWEPCO shall be deposited in the Streets Special Revenue Fund, beginning January 1, 2012.

**Motion by Councilman S. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman McCulloch to adopt Ordinance No. 56 of 2011.**

Councilman O. Jenkins: May I make an amendment to this particular ordinance? May I propose?

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Chairman, Amendments to Ordinances have to be in writing.

Councilman Webb: You can make a substitute motion?

Councilman O. Jenkins: Can I make a substitute motion?

Mr. Thompson: Sure.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay, I'd like to move that instead of 2% remaining, I'd like to dedicate all of it into this fund for streets and drainage, and certainly compelled by what my colleagues have offered today - - -

Councilman Webb: Second.

Councilman O. Jenkins: And I'd like to see it all go into streets, and not just the top end 3%.

Mr. Thompson: Just a minute Mr. Chairman.

Councilman O. Jenkins: What we've got in here, what we have here is the additional portion is 3% is going into the budget. I'm proposing all 5 of it goes into a specific fund devoted just as you requested here.

Councilman S. Jenkins: I'm not certain that you can do it (inaudible) word.

Councilman Shyne: Right.

Councilman S. Jenkins: That 2% is already budgeted.

Councilman Shyne: Won't it have to be in writing Terri?

Ms. Scott: Arthur is actually preparing it in writing. Mr. Chairman, that's an amendment and Mr. Thompson is actually now preparing that amendment.

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Chairman, what I've done is to strike through the 'in excess of 2%', and it would read 'a street special revenue is established to account for the receipt and the expenditure of all franchise fees received from AEP SWEPCO of the gross receipts of AEP SWEPCO derived by it from the distribution and sale of all electricity and electric current and so forth'. So, it just removes the 'in excess of 2%', and then this would provide that all 5% or whatever that amount is, is 5%, would go in this streets special revenue fund, and as the City Attorney stated, I think it would be best to treat this as an amendment, that you have to vote for or against the amendment.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay, well I guess I'm proposing this amendment. May I get a second.

Councilman Webb: I'll second it.

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**Motion by Councilman O. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Webb to adopt Amendment 1 to Ordinance No. 56 of 2011.**

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman? Mr. Mayor, the administration has been quiet. Does this additional amendment that's being proposed by the Chair, does this impact the general budget? I mean does this - - - has the administration planned to use some parts of this franchise fee for some other?

Mayor Glover: And I stand to corrected Mr. Shyne by staff, but it is my understanding that at present, the full 2% of the franchise fee right now is built into the operating budget. Those dollars constitute about \$4,000,000 that's in this current budget to - - - Council to take action that will result in the entirety of the franchise fee, would create going into next year at minimum \$4+ (million) hole that we have to figure out how to fill, or to cut. And depending upon the effective date of this particular measure will have a significant impact on certainly the fourth quarter of this year, if not the third quarter as well.

Councilman Shyne: And I've been speaking to that since - - - what I would suggest to the Chairman and Mr. Mayor if you disagree, and if your CAO disagrees who has a mathematical mind, I would suggest to the Council, what we would do is to pass Councilman Sam Jenkins' original ordinance, and if the Chairman would like to draw the full 5%, I would ask them to hold his today, get with the administration, and don't mean any harm, but I really don't think that the Chairman had put in quite a bit of thought into this. I just don't agree and I picked up on it because I've been down here so long. And it's just certain things you just pick up on. And I know that we generally use a portion of that franchise fee in our general budget. And to keep from putting the administration in a position, where there would be a hole in the budget, Mr. Mayor, I would suggest that maybe you and your staff might want to get with the Chairman, work this out, and then the Chairman, if the Chairman was still for taking the whole 5%, we come back at another City Council meeting. But we would go along with Councilman Jenkins' original ordinance.

Councilman O. Jenkins: And understand that existing budget where it is today, and I'm happy to amend the amendment so that in affect for the subsequent year's budget that that 5% goes in there, because I understand we're eight months into a budget and that \$4,000,000 has been budgeted for that particular functions, whatever those are, will go in our general fund. Since we have not done the budget for 2012 yet, and we're in the middle of that process, it certainly gives them plenty of opportunity to reallocate resources. Now you would turn around to me and say, well, what are we going to do about that \$4,000,000 less, and I'll say, our current tax revenue is \$3.9 (million) already ahead of last year. So, essentially, that revenue just by good fortune is already coming into our budget as we speak.

Councilman Shyne: That's true Mr. Chairman, but for the rest of the year, we don't know what might happen since S&P has downgraded our bond rating for the whole country. What I wish you would do, and Mr. Mayor, I know you don't have any problems with sitting down and working with the Chairman and pointing out to him that look, if we draw this whole \$4,000,000 out, this is what we're going to be leaving out. You know we're going to be leaving out some of the money that might be going to Parks and Recreation. We're going to be leaving out some of the money that

might be going to Jim's budget. We might not be able to do as many houses. We might not be able to cut as much grass. We might not be able to do as much as this, because like to me now, and I could be wrong, but my perception is that the Chairman came up with this idea because the first idea was hey look, we're not going to vote for an increase period. Because it's a tax increase, and we don't want to carry this on. So I would suggest Mr. Mayor, that you have your staff get with the Chairman, and you all sit down and work it out, and since this is not a life or death situation, lets go head on and vote and approve what we have today, and if you and the Chairman can get together, I'll be glad to support. Now as long as the \$4,000,000, Mr. Mayor, I have to be truthful with you. As long as the \$4,000,000 doesn't impact some of the things going on in my district, would you be amenable to having your staff sit down with the Chairman, and then he could come back later on with an amendment in order to put the other 3% in there?

Mayor Glover: By all means Mr. Shyne.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman, would you be amenable to that:

Councilman O. Jenkins: Yeah, but I'm happy for you to vote on my amendment. But I'm going to let the Vice-Chair here speak.

Councilman Shyne: You know cause you don't know how I'm going to vote on your amendment. I might change my mind and vote 'Yes' on it. Now all of this is moot if the Vice-Chairman has changed his mind.

Councilman S. Jenkins: No, the Vice-Chairman has not changed his mind. I think we need to proceed in a manner that's being presented by these two items. The one that we just passed and the one that's coming up before us. I don't think we ought to disrupt the operating budget in any kind of way at this stage. Look at it as we go through the budget process for next year and see how it shakes out then. But to do something kinda off the cuff in my mind right now, taking that kind of money basically out of someone's budget at this stage, to me would not be a wise thing to do. So I will not be supporting that amendment, because of this I think it's a timely situation.

Councilman Everson: (Inaudible) clarification. What's before us right now, does it include the current (inaudible) budget or not?

Councilman O. Jenkins: And I guess it truly doesn't. So that is a shortcoming of that amendment. I certainly, if I can amend my own amendment, that is true, because it would go into affect the first of September I guess, the electricity bills. So, we would have to change the - - - I was thinking that it was fiscal year, whatever that is. So, I wouldn't. So if I could amend that so that the excess is in place until December 31, 2011, and then the other 2% falls in afterwards.

Councilman Shyne: How many amendments are we going to come up with.

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Chairman, lets see if this works. Establish: A street special revenue fund is established to account for the receipt and the expenditure of all franchise fees received from AEP SWEPCO in excess of 2% of the gross receipts of AEP SWEPCO derived by it from the

distribution of (inaudible) all electricity and electric current residential, commercial, and industrial customers within the corporate limits of the City of Shreveport, however, all franchise fees received from AEP SWEPCO shall be deposited in the Streets Special Revenue Fund, beginning January 1, 2012.

Councilman O. Jenkins: That certainly meets with my intent.

Councilman Corbin: I have a question and maybe this is to Mr. Hubbard. We passed an ordinance and raised the franchise fee to 5%. Are we saying that effective September 1<sup>st</sup>, this will be incorporated in bills sometimes later, the first of the year? Because I know from previous discussions, we talked about, this is kinda convoluted formula and it takes a lot of work. So, can you give us an idea of when citizens will actually see this on their bill and we in turn will begin to see additional income here?

Mr. Hubbard: Ballpark (inaudible) I'll have to talk to Ms. Scott, and the Mayor has a time frame that he can sign, and they're asking that we sign it, and I don't know the total schedule of our CEO, but I would - - - if we set that as September 1, I think that's an achievable time frame for it to be initiated. Certainly that can be done, programmed if you will, from our end.

Councilman S. Jenkins: It just sounds to me Mr. Chairman is it better done through the budget process with everybody is at the table, take it through the mill the way everything else will, and if it shakes out that way you know for the 2012 budget, so be it. Why try to tamper with that now when a lot of us lack the information that we may want to consider about the impact of it. (Inaudible), it's going to be sitting here in this fund, and when we come back around for the 2012 budget, we'll just deal with the issue, and if you bring it up then, I could very well be for it. If I kinda know the impact of what else may be coming into the budget to fill the whole that taking that 2% away from the administration's side will do. That's the only thing I'm saying. I just don't know enough about it, to agree to something like that. I would agree to what I'm trying to say now. Let's make sure that it goes somewhere, where the citizens know that we're going to use it for the purpose that we're saying, which would be in this part here. So, it's your call to make, but it just sounds to me like it needs to be worked out a little bit better through the budget process.

Councilman Shyne: I could support you too Mr. Chairman if it was worked out, and if the Mayor would say, hey look this is not going to impact the general budget, I mean I could support you. But it's hard for me to support, and I don't know what the impact is really going to be on the programs that the administration has already. I mean if you want to put 5%, or if you wanted to put 6% or 7%, whatever you want to put in there, that's going to benefits streets, cause I need that. But I don't want to take nothing away from the administration that they have budgeted out that might impact my district already. It might impact the police budget, and Chief knows I want him to keep on having enough police officers out in my area. So that's why I say, if you would get with the Mayor. And Mr. Mayor, you don't have no problem with sitting down working with the Chairman, do you? And letting him know what this is going to do to the general budget?

Mayor Glover: Mr. Jenkins has immediately become one of my favorite Chairmen.

Councilman Shyne: Great! Great! I'm glad to hear you say that.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I won't belabor this any further. I just would say, where my experience, and though be it limited, clearly we have unfunded streets, \$7,000,000 for several years in a row. And I'm not taking anything away from the administration's priority. But I think this is a category, where if we put it in there, it's going to go to that, where otherwise, it will not go to it. And the only way I can say it, based on the experience that I've seen, we have not funded our street program at all beyond the actual tax that's levied for that specific purpose (inaudible). So I'm not one to believe that all of a sudden that's going to dramatically change. So, I am committed just like all of you are on improving the streets, and the only way I can insure that that funding is coming there is by dedicating the entire portion. So, I think we've all said our piece.

Councilman Webb: Mr. Chairman, if I could make one more comment, I'd appreciate it. And I agree wholeheartedly with you, and what the Council needs to remember is that any given council day, you can always bring this back to the table, we can put it on the agenda, if at any given time, we feel it's necessary we change it.

Councilman Shyne: That's why we were telling Mr. Chairman, just to hold his. I mean he can always bring that back at any given day, I agree with you on that. So, let's go with the initial piece of legislation was.

Councilman Everson: I'd like to comment on this, and I think it's important that we do this today, because we just asked a lot of our citizens to increase the revenues, and we did do that for the purpose of streets for the bold step of taking our city seriously and increasing our property values, and saying we're not going to give up on the inner part of our city.

Councilman Shyne: So you don't mind taking \$4,000,000?

Councilman Everson: Not when we've got \$4,000,000 in excess. And we can remove this next year if that's the case. But when we've got the excess in place to make up for it right now. So if this doesn't work out, well, it's something internal, it's not a contract.

Councilman Shyne: We don't know what the administration had planned for this.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, I just wanted to add in light of the direction that this discussion is taking, is that while the city is in fact fortunate to see a positive trend with regard to our sales tax revenue, you all should be aware that the most mercurial, predictable, and least stable of our revenue sources happens to be sales tax. As evidence of that, you all saw a revenue report that shows just on yesterday that July sales tax, were in fact down 3% from the July of 2010. While we have seen a spike for the first half of 2011, we may be right now seeing the first month of what could be a downward trend through the balance of the year. And so the expectation that the loss of this \$4,000,000 of the current franchise fee could be made for and accounted by what could be a momentary spike in our sales tax numbers would be one that could be problematic for us.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay, so I think we're out there. I think everybody understands what my amendment is. It's essentially to leave the excess above 2% for the remainder of 2011 would go to fund streets, and then beginning in 2012, all of it would go. So that is what my amendment is, and we have a motion and a second. So, lets vote.

**Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Everson, Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, 4. Nays: Councilmen McCulloch, Shyne, and Jenkins. 3.**

**Motion by Councilman S. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman McCulloch to adopt Ordinance No. 56 of 2011 as amended. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and Jenkins. 7. Nays: None.**

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor, I would hope that the administration would keep us apprised to the impact that this might have. I guess I've been around long enough to see where you might have seven good months of sales taxes coming in. You might have three months where they might just bottom out, and the seven good months, these three could bad months could wipe 'em out. I'm concerned about the \$4,000,000 that this would take out of the general budget, and I would hope that you would keep us apprised as to the impact that this would have, so in case we need to come back. It's like Councilman Webb said, and amend this, we would be in a position to do it, because I wouldn't want to see any of the programs that we already have, because we're already scraping the bottom of the barrel trying to think of the term that Buddy Roemer used to say. About wiping the barrel or cleaning the barrel, or doing something, you know, because we're operating now on a kinda on a wing and a prayer, because we don't know what the sale taxes are going to do from month to month. We don't know what the down grading of the bond rating by S&P, I mean I think they said somewhere they said yesterday on the news that investors had lost a trillion dollars already. So, I would hope that you would keep us aware so we could at least maintain the programs that we are maintaining already.

1. **Ordinance No. 178 of 2010**: An ordinance amending the 2011 Budget for the General Fund, and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (*Tabled January 25, 2011*)

2. **Ordinance No. 179 of 2010**: An ordinance amending the 2011 Budget for the Metropolitan Planning commission's Special Revenue Fund, and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (E/Webb) (*Tabled January 25, 2011*)

5. **Resolution No. 118 of 2011**: A resolution authorizing the institution of expropriation proceedings against certain described property within the City of Shreveport, and otherwise providing with respect thereto. P47 (B/Everson) (*Tabled July 12, 2011*)

## **Appeals**

### **Property Standards Appeals**

**PSD0800400**: 5318 Mansfield Road, Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) Mr. Darien Kirkendoll, P.O. Box 8703, Bossier City, LA. (*Postponed February 18, 2011 until August 22, 2011*)

**PSD0900275:** 140 Pennsylvania Avenue, Shreveport, LA (C/Jenkins) Mr. & Mrs. Robert A. Powell, 819 ½ Boulevard Street, Shreveport, LA 71104 (B/Everson) (*Postponed July 25, 2011 until September 26, 2011*)

**HBO1000030:** 153 Merrick Street, Shreveport, LA (B/Everson) Ms. Lola B. Layton, P.O. Box 4582 Shreveport, LA 71134 (*Postponed July 11, 2011 until August 8, 2011*)

**PSD1000086:** 2837 Logan Street, Shreveport, LA (G/S. Jenkins) Ms. Carolyn Ivory Wilson, 3646 Del Rio Street, Shreveport, LA 71109 (G/Jenkins) (*Postponed July 11, 2011 until September 12, 2011*)

**PSD1000061:** 9025 Hilton Dr, Shreveport, LA (E/Webb) Mr. Jim Bruce, 9045 Hilton Drive, Shreveport, LA 71118 (E/Webb) (*Postponed July 11, 2011 until August 8, 2011*)

**HBO1000057:** 518 W. 74<sup>th</sup> Street, Shreveport, LA 71106 (F/Shyne) Mr. Lewis Stringer, 518 W. 74<sup>th</sup> Street, Shreveport, LA 71106 (F/Shyne) (*Postponed July 11, 2011 August 8, 2011*)

**PSD1000169** 4017 Crosby Street, Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) Ms. De'Borah Vance-Mozell, 2, Summer Cottage LN., Franklin Park, NJ 08823. (*Postponed July 25, 2011 until August 22, 2011*)

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

**PSD1100010** 3159 Ashton, Shreveport, LA (A/McCulloch) Mr. Jimmy Lee Burke, 2627 Quinton, Shreveport, LA, 71103 (B/Everson) (*Postponed June 27, 2011 until August 22, 2011*)

**PSD1000112** 532 Jordan, Shreveport, LA (B/Everson) Mr. Brian Lazon, 4441 Norway Drive, Shreveport, LA 71105 (C/O. Jenkins) (*Postponed July 11, 2011 until September 12, 2011*)

**PSD1100017** 3634 Sumner Street, Shreveport, LA (G/S. Jenkins) Mr. Roberto Strickland, 3740 Jackson Street, Shreveport, LA 71109 (G/S. Jenkins) (*Postponed June 13, 2011 until September 12, 2011*)

**PSD1100028** 3103 Milam, Street, Shreveport, LA (G/S. Jenkins) Mr. Sean Jackson, 3524 16<sup>th</sup> Street, South Arlington, VA 22204 – (*Postponed July 11, 2011 until September 12, 2011*)

**PSD1100007:** 7407 Henderson, Avenue, Shreveport, LA (C/O. Jenkins) Mr. Gregory Little, SPM Holdings, LLC, 108 Leo Avenue, Shreveport, LA, 71105 (C/O. Jenkins) *New*

### **Alcoholic Beverage Ordinance Appeals**

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

### **Other Appeals**

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

Councilman O. Jenkins: Mr. Vice-Chair, I believe you have a report?

Councilman S. Jenkins: I do, I've learned from Mr. Arthur Thompson, you never know when someone might call upon you to do one. I do want to report that we had an opportunity on August 1<sup>st</sup>, to meet with our City Court Judges and the City Marshal concerning some of the discussions we've had on solid waste. I do want to thank Councilman Corbin and Councilwoman McCulloch who were also there at this particular meeting along with my City Attorney, members of the Council Staff, who were there, and the Internal Auditor's office staff, who were present for the meeting. Basically, we were trying to discuss and coordinate with the city court and the city marshal the need to address an abundant amount of solid waste that's placed on the curb, an usual there for days, if not weeks at a time. And we learned at this particular meeting that the City Court, through those eviction processes, do give a lot of instruction to both the landlords and to the tenants about making arrangements with the city marshal's office to repossess property, and to deal with the issue of removing items from the house. Now the city marshal's office does not physically get involved in it, they just oversee it. But it's tantamount upon either that landlord or that tenant to make some private arrangements to move those items. What's happening is that it gets to a stage where the items make it to the curb, but neither the landlord nor the tenant see any responsibility I guess to make any arrangements to remove it because they just figure the city on their regular route are going to come by and pick all that stuff up. So, having seen that information, we're going to be looking at hopefully some legislation to address special circumstances that evictions bring forward. And certainly it's something that's going to be thought out, nothing is just going to be implemented right away so to speak, but I think it will open the door for discussion by this council on how we approach it. This is not an attempt to bash landlords, property owners, or anybody like that, they pay taxes just like everyone else. But I think if we could get some coordination, and assign some responsibility then we will be able to rid ourselves of one of the many issues that seem to occur in solid waste, and that's an abundant amount of all kinds of trash and garbage and household items that stay on the corner. I think Councilman Shyne was talking yesterday about something that had been out there over a week, maybe close to two weeks.

Councilman Shyne: Let's say a month.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Yeah, you know, and it's just coming down to the fact that no one is just really picking up on it, and taking some responsibility, so I appreciate our city court judges, and the city marshal for meeting with us. I did hear some comments yesterday from the mayor, and I share those comments, but they're not doing to shift the responsibility of this council off on any other elected officials. We're going to take some actions ourselves to address the issue. So I just wanted to report to the members of the council. It was a good meeting. A lot of good ideas came out of there, and there is a lot of cooperation available to us from city court judges, and from the city marshals. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Councilwoman McCulloch: And City Councilman Jenkins: I can appreciate you including landowners along with landlords across the board. Thank you so much.

Councilman O. Jenkins: We did have an Infrastructure Committee meeting today, and I just think it appropriate that I speak with the Parish prior to kinda giving everybody a summary of what we talked about that, and I'll certainly provide that in our next meeting. But at this point, if somebody we want to cooperate with going forward and we'll be in discussions with them about topics about the water district. Anybody else have anything?

Mr. Sibley: Mr. Chairman, just a request. The taxi ordinance situation that we spent a lot of time on last year, the Chief in SPD is ready to meet again with Public Safety just to give a final tweaking of that. So, if the Council advises as to when the next Public Safety Meeting committee, and we'll include that on the agenda, we'd appreciate it from the administration to get an opportunity to tie a bow on that situation so that we can proceed full steam ahead.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay, and I will coordinate with some of my folks, it may not be this week, but - - -.

### **Clerk's report**

Mr. Thompson: The Intergovernmental Meeting that will be held on August 26<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m. at Independence Stadium Sky Box. If any member has anything that they want on the agenda, would you please let Sharon know and she will see that it gets put on the agenda. We also received an appointment from the Mayor of Tairee T. Bradford to the Shreveport Bossier Convention and Tourist Bureau, Board of Directors. It will be on the next agenda.

Councilman O. Jenkins: And I did see an email with her background and letter, showing - - - and I do appreciate it. Let me say having that letter in there that describes what her particular assets, that's worth the position. And that's very helpful for me. So, if possible in the future, if we can go on that, it will probably avoid some confusion. She provided a letter on what her strengths and her capabilities are that are relative to the position that she's been nominated for, and I personally found that helpful, just to see what she could add to that group. And I think that's better, and I know I certainly am guilty myself, sometimes you (inaudible) resume may or may not address the specifics why you're a good candidate. So I appreciate that.

Mayor Glover: I want to speak for the generalist in the world, which I consider myself one. I don't know if that's actually a practical thing in regards to most of the appointments, in light of the one that you and I discussed on yesterday. Would know that that particular individual what the highlight and background from the experience standpoint that would be applicable to the particular board that he was appointed to.

Councilman O. Jenkins: When there's data points available, should certainly provide them.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Tairee Bradford? Is that Mary Landrieu's assistant? She was here today wasn't she. Okay.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman, I can say that was a good pick because she grew up in a very diverse neighborhood.

Mayor Glover: And strong role model right around the corner.

Councilman Shyne: Very strong role model. I won't go any further, but I can say that you made an excellent selection I know of a couple, I see Ron has gone, but I know of a couple good selections that you have made today. So I'll have to go along with that, and Rose I'll give you a full run down on Ms. - -I almost called her name, but she comes out of an excellent neighborhood.

Councilwoman McCulloch: That's my Soror. You don't have to tell me anything about her, I know her.

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

**Adjournment:** There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at approximately 6:14 p.m.

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*//s// Oliver Jenkins, Chairman*

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