



Council Proceedings of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana

September 14, 2010

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana was called to order by Chairman Joyce Bowman at 3:01 p.m., Tuesday, September 14, 2010, in the Government Chambers in Government Plaza (505 Travis Street).

Invocation was given by Pastor Kimble.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Wooley.

On Roll Call, the following members were Present: Councilmen Calvin Lester, Monty Walford, Michael Long (Arrived at 3:25 p.m.), Bryan Wooley, Ron Webb, Joe Shyne, and Joyce Bowman. 7. Absent: None.

Motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman Wooley to approve the minutes of the Administrative Conference, Monday, August 23, 2010 and Council Meeting, Tuesday, August 24, 2010. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Wooley, Webb, Shyne, and Bowman. 6. Nays: None. Absent: Councilman Long. 1.

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

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

Councilwoman Bowman: Mayor Glover?

Mayor Glover: Thank you Madam Chair, members of the council. I hope that you will allow me to yield, because I'm sure just like the others who are here, especially any children who are watching on television, I'm anxious to see what the full display is with our gentleman here in the costume. So Madam Chair, I will yield to that, if you don't mind and follow up after.

Councilwoman Bowman: Sir? We're in your hands. That's fine.

Mayor Glover: Alright, so I'm not sure whose invitation he's here at, or if they're here at their own volition, but absolutely.

Councilman Shyne: It might have been Art who invited him?

Councilwoman Bowman: Did you do that Arthur?

Mr. Thompson: Not unless I was directed by Mr. Shyne.

Ms. Kristie Stewart: I would like to start off by introducing myself, since you all put us first. My name is Kristie Stewart, I am here representing the "My Pawpaw and Me Foundation". I would like to say hello to our City Council and our Mayor. I had to kind of give myself a brief refresher on local and state government. So we are here today in reference to the signage for the area for the Charles and Marie Hamel area. Ranger is my foundation's mascot that represents my 1st Graders Response program. At the one year anniversary for my dad and son's death, we did a special dedication to the Shreveport Fire Department. Ranger is actually named after Chief Foster's dog. And it's up on my website. So, we would like to start off by saying that we came up with up with some signs that we would like to present to the City Council to consider and we would like to respectfully request this for more signage to be put out at the area of the Charles and Marie Hamel Park area.

Councilman Shyne: Aw beautiful!

Ms. Stewart: One of the signs we came up with says danger, drop off, deep water. At the bottom of the signage we have no swimming, and no lifeguard on duty. Our second sign says danger, and no swimming. We are returning back to Shreveport from relocating from Dallas, TX and we have been visiting some of your areas. Cypress Park has signs up, Cypress Lake has signs up that say swim at your risk. And we would like to respectfully request that you guys consider putting up additional signage out there. I know it's not a designated recreational area, but for people who would come in the city, sometimes when you hear things word of mouth, people would still frequently visit that area, and we would like for you guys to respectfully consider that.

Councilwoman Bowman: Okay. Well, we thank you very much, and what's his name, Ranger?

Ms. Stewart: Ranger.

Councilwoman Bowman: Welcome to the City Council meeting.

Ranger: Thank you.

Mayor Glover: Thank you so much, we definitely appreciate it. Ranger speaks as well huh?

Councilman Shyne: Yeah, I was about to say.

Mayor Glover: Thank you Madam Chair and thank you all. We appreciate it.

Councilwoman Bowman: Oh, look at Chief Shaw!

Mayor Glover: He dresses up well, doesn't he Madam Chair.

Councilwoman Bowman: Yeah, I was trying to get a whistle out there, but when you get tickled, it won't come.

Mayor Glover: Madam Chair, members of the Council, it is our privilege today to honor and recognize a group of individuals who recently celebrated their 10th anniversary several Sundays ago. It's a group that was founded obviously in 2000, that time when the Chiefship (I guess is the appropriate word) was Jim Roberts who saw a need and benefit of responding to a group of individuals who came forth to him offering to help. And so, today I have the distinct honor and privilege and to bring before members of this City Council and the citizens of the City of Shreveport, an elite group of high respected and well known religious leaders, known as Police Pastors. A small but mighty force of 12 members of our local clergy, through various faiths, backgrounds and religious denominations, who ride and walk with our police officer patrols. The program began in 2000 as a way to ease tensions between police officers and citizens in high crime neighborhoods. While on patrol, they provide comfort and counsel to officers and to the citizens that they come in contact with. They are indeed Madam Chair and members of the Council peacemakers. And I've seen first hand how their mere presence at the scene of a crime or incident can diffuse some of the most tense and hostile situations. Especially if the pastors are working in an area near their church. They greatly assist officers because they practically know the families and the siblings and the relatives and just about everyone within the community and the surrounding areas, serving essentially as on site support an invaluable liaison between the police departments, the citizens and our neighborhood. Police Pastors Madam Chair, are volunteers. They aren't sworn, they have no police power or arrest power, and they don't carry a weapon. However, some of them have gone on and actually become actual Auxiliary Officers and serve at an even greater and larger capacity. But they are as respected and revered because they are men of God, who exude the same authority and respect as our officers. Blessed are the peacemakers, and they are to be commended for all that they do in our communities and neighborhoods, for being role models and for collectively launching successful community initiatives to assist and support our family and children, and especially our young men. Many of you all are aware that within your respective districts, they have held events that sought to provide aid and support to our young people, and do so on a regular basis. And they are always some of the most looked forward to happenings within those respective communities. Along with the many honors, awards, and accolades that they receive locally, the Shreveport Pastors have received congratulatory declarations from President Obama, as well as our own Bobby Jindal. They recently celebrated their 10 year anniversary in a very moving program at Shreveport's Pleasant Hill Baptist Church. As a city, we are blessed to have our Police Pastors as they

begin their 11th year, I thought it would be befitting to recognize them in this very public way, by bestowing upon them these respective awards of excellence. And so Madam Chair, I'm going to ask that you join me, members of the Council and all who are gathered here in giving these individuals a round of applause. We have these awards Madam Chair, and we're going to start with Pastor John Battle, we're going to go next to Pastor Roy Davis, and we're going to go next to Pastor Elbert Eddie Giles.

Councilwoman Bowman: Elbert Giles.

Councilman Shyne: Alright.

Mayor Glover: Losing Boy.

Councilman Shyne: There you go.

Mayor Glover: He's a winner now, master of the 1-string G-tar.

Councilman Shyne: Now Pastor, the mayor was a little boy when you recorded that song hear? He just heard somebody else singing it.

Mayor Glover: No, I heard his version.

Councilman Shyne: You did?

Mayor Glover: Absolutely, absolutely. One of the old 45s. Pastor Eduardo Gonzales whose also one of our Auxiliary Officers as well. Rabbi Foster Kawaler. Thank you so much, appreciate it. And, Pastor Eddie O'dell. And to the commander of the Police Pastors, distinguished Pastor Calvin Kimble.

Councilman Shyne: Alright, Mooretown. Alright Calvin.

Mayor Glover: On behalf of all the pastors, Police Pastor, Pastor Kimble, would you please offer some comments to the Council.

Pastor Kimble: Let me just say thank you so much for inviting us. Thank the mayor and we thank Shreveport Police Department for allowing us the opportunity to work and to get a chance to see what a police officer do in the run of an eight-hour day. It's been a pleasure to work with the Shreveport Police Department, and let me just say, truly I am a fellow from the hood, but it's called Mooretown, and when I first came aboard to work with the Police Department, I didn't know anything about policemen and I always said, you know it's nice to see a police ride in a cruiser and I always said, "Lord, I'll never be able to ride in the front seat, I know if I ever ride in a cruiser, it's going to be in the back seat. But I worked hard to become an Auxiliary Officer, and thanks be to God today, that I have the privilege to ride in the front seat. Thank you so much, and I want to thank all of these brethren who - - - it's not about me, it's about us, I want to thank them because most of

them originally with this families of this program and have been dutiful all these ten years, and it's been a blessing and I just say thank you all, the Council, and thank the Mayor, and thank our Chief of Police, and you know what? I look forward to being here another 10 years. Thank you so much. Two of us, in fact three of us are Auxiliary Officers. Pastor Davis is an Auxiliary Officer and Pastor Gonzales who I trained is an Auxiliary Officer, and myself. Amen. Thank you.

Chief Shaw: I want to take this opportunity to just say thank you to the Pastors on Patrol. They truly are people that are on patrol. Whether they're patrolling in the neighborhoods or patrolling through the station, their time is well spent. And I'd like to speak about time. Time is something that we give that we can never get back. And again, thanks is not a big enough word. These guys are mentoring, they're counseling throughout the neighborhood, put in situations that are volatile, that could be bad. I never get an opportunity, the last time I had the chance to talk, they were standing behind me. So I get to look in their face today and tell them thank you. Thank you for the job that you do, and thank you for the time that you spend, the time that you freely give. It is well needed and well accepted, and again thank you is not a big enough word. We look forward to another 10 years. Thank you.

Mayor Glover: Thank you Chief. In addition to Pastor Battle who was not able to be here today, we also want to note, make sure to pass along our well wishes to Pastor Edward Green, who is one of our Police Pastors as well as Pastor Earnest James, who is one of our Police Pastors, he was not able to be here today. Pastor Danny Thompson is one of our distinguished Police Pastors as well, he was not able to be here today due to work, and Pastor Collier Mickle is one of our Police Pastors, he was not able to be here today due to a conflict with his funeral schedule. So we thank these individuals, they've served a great and mighty way, and also want you all to know that Pastor Gonzales and I were classmates in the Shreveport Police Department's Citizens Police Academy back in the Spring of 2006. We started there together. He moved on to the Police Pastors Program, and from there to an actually Auxiliary Officer and so these folks serve us in so many ways, not the least of which as I saw them on the night of August 2nd of this year, as they were out there at the tragic situation involving the Stewart/Warner children as well. And so we thank you, God bless you, and Lord knows how much we appreciate you.

Councilman Shyne: And tell 'em you moved onto the mayor's office.

Mayor Glover: There you go. Thank you Madam Chair, thank you all.

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

Councilwoman Bowman: Okay, does any Council Member have any guest that you'd like to recognize? Councilman Wooley?

Councilman Wooley: Thank you Madam Chair. Just wanted to recognize our City Marshall, Charlie Caldwell.

Councilman Walford: Madam Chair, I don't think you can see 'em, but we have State Representative Roy Burrell. He's hidden from you, but he is over there.

Councilwoman Bowman: Welcome. Yes sir Councilman Shyne?

Councilman Shyne: I see two of our friends out in the audience. I will not call any names, but you can see the two with the nice wide sunny looking smiles on their face.

Councilwoman Bowman: Right, welcome.

Councilman Webb: Madam Chairman, we have Sammy here, one of our regulars almost now, and wanted to come up and talk to us about the MDA.

Councilwoman Bowman: Okay, well Sammy, can you come just one second.

Mr. Sammy Mears: Thank you Joyce. Okay one second? My time is up. No it's not. Anyway I just wanted to let everyone know how great the Labor Day Telethon went on Labor Day. They raised up \$58 or 59, 000,000 nationwide, and I got on a pre-taped interview where there was Shelly Riley, myself, my friend, Brian Rowell and Patrick Dennis, and I got to thank everyone for their help and then they asked how much I gave, and I said \$145. So, it was pre-taped while they were in Las Vegas, and then they showed it when it came back. I was already gone by that time, but I was very happy to be a part of the telethon again, and this is 22 years in the making which I said \$145. And so I'm glad to be a part of it, I'm going to be there again next year. And just one little thing. I was at the Super One store the other day taking care of a little bit of business when I came out and this lady told me at Super One that the Council and everyone here is doing a super job. I said, "Oh that's real funny." And she said you tell them any way. We may be Super One, but they're doing super. I said very well, thank you.

Councilwoman Bowman: Well you tell her thank you.

Mr. Mears: Very well.

Councilwoman Bowman: Yes sir.

Mayor Glover: Madam Chair, I also want to point out Jeff Epperson who is here.

Councilwoman Bowman: That's who I was just about to recognize.

Mayor Glover: And former District Attorney, and my good friend, Jerry Jones is here as well. And Madam Chair with some business, I don't know if the Council would want to attend to at this time, but we would extend it as part of Mayoral communications if you all indulge, Missy Setters to make some expressions, regarding the turf situation and the city loan.

Councilwoman Bowman: Good she wasn't here yesterday.

Councilman Webb: It's really better that she wasn't. But she can explain things better today.

Ms. Setters: Yes I just wanted to let y'all know that as of a couple of hours ago, there's no tri-party agreement with us at all, and we'll be signing an agreement for financing with our title sponsor and we should be able to get back to you within the next 7-10 days.

Councilwoman Bowman: Okay, any council members have any - - -?

Councilman Wooley: I think we're just curious. I know we had some conversation yesterday about the concerns or what Advocare wanted from the city.

Ms. Setters: And that's all been taken care of and there's nothing there. The tri-party agreement's been withdrawn and there's no request for that anymore. So the agreement will strictly be between Advocare and the Independence Bowl for the financing and we'll get the full payment to you.

Councilman Wooley: Okay, I just wanted to make sure you understand that.

Councilwoman Bowman: The full payment will be coming to us in the next 7-10 days?

Ms. Setters: Yes Ma'am.

Councilwoman Bowman: Did you hear that Ron?

Councilman Webb: Oh, I hear that.

Councilwoman Bowman: Well I know yesterday, you said they didn't pay.

Councilman Webb: I found that out this morning when I talked to Missy.

Councilman Shyne: Missy, I wish the new carpet had been down for the Grambling and Tech game because I think if we'd had that new carpet down, Grambling would not have slipped down so much. And Grambling would have had a chance to win the game. So I think maybe by having the old carpet down and Ron, they slipped a lot, and that gave Tech the advantage. But next year, we'll definitely show you.

Councilman Webb: It's getting deep in here.

Bell rings.

Councilwoman Bowman: They told me to ring the bell on you.

Councilman Webb: I wondered when the bell would ring.

Mayor Glover: Madam Chair? I may - - - -

Councilwoman Bowman: Agree with him?

Mayor Glover: I know it doesn't happen necessarily as often as some people think, but 20-6 was not a bad showing by the Tigers, especially considering the fact that we had true freshman quarterback. But now, if we'd been in southern Nevada, we would have actually won the game, because they were giving 24 points to the Tigers.

Councilwoman Bowman: And speaking of which, I certainly would like to say congratulations to the Shreveport Captains on their championship. They had a ceremony last night which was really good, and so again congratulations.

Councilman Shyne: Joyce, just one more thing please? Shelly, I just wanted to congratulate you and your crew. You all did a - - - what is it Mr. Mayor? A yeoman's job?

Mayor Glover: Absolutely.

Councilman Shyne: Okay, you all did a yeoman's job, and I have not received anything but very positive phone calls from all over the country, from people who flew in from California, from Washington, D.C., from Chicago, and it was just beautiful. And to the Chief too, they were surprised at how smooth the traffic moved in and out and again Shelly, you all did a wonderful job. And we are extremely proud of you. Just one other little thing. You know I thought maybe you would've been there to give Grambling a little pep talk, and we might would have been able to come out with that win, but I'll take what we got. Thank you.

Councilwoman Bowman: Since we are speaking of that particular game, Mr. Mayor, did you ever hear from the folks with the Shreveport Regional Sports Authority?

Mayor Glover: Yes, we did Madam Chair, in fact I think we got some information that we want to share with the Council. We want to make that an additional part of our Mayoral Communications. Interestingly enough, despite I think having made offers to meet with various members of the council over the weekend, including Saturday and Sunday, they did not accept the invitation to meet today prior to the start of council meeting, but in fact requested to meet tomorrow at 3:00. Unfortunately that's a time that is not convenient to me or to other members of the administration. And I have since had the opportunity to meet with Mr. Washington from the Prairie View University about the game Madam Chair.

Councilman Shyne: The athletic director?

Mayor Glover: The athletic director for Prairie View, and I think based upon the information that you have that's being relayed to you and to us collectively by the Sports

Authority, I think this situation Madam Chair is best served by the City of Shreveport engaging in a relationship with Prairie View University in similar fashion to the one that we engaged with Grambling as the home team in terms of facilitating or putting this game on because if the communication cycle, in order to facilitate this ends up following the pattern that's been established by the Sports Authority over the last several months, then the fact that we're now I think at 39 days and counting before this game on October 23rd, that we're going to end up with generally the opposite of what we achieved on Labor Day weekend. And we'll go from a great game to a not so great game, and that's not anything that I think that acceptable on the part of the administration. I think that's the same that we're getting from the council. The folks from Prairie View are simply interested and desirous of moving forward and getting the game done. They are excited about the prospect of playing in Shreveport, plus the mere fact that we don't have - - - they don't have an agreement with the Sports Authority, despite the fact that they at Prairie View have signed a contract, and we in Shreveport don't have an agreement with the Sports Authority at this juncture, neither have we had the ability to be able to sit down and engage in the discussion necessary in order to facilitate that, tells me that we are at this point, really at a drop dead point from a timeframe standpoint, in the time to move forward.

Councilwoman Bowman: Mr. Sibley, this information that you just passed out to us, will you read this first sheet for us. I want it read into the record.

Mr. Sibley: Yes Ma'am. There are and this was received by the City Attorney from the attorney who now represents the Sports Authority. It's actually two letters Madam Chair, and we've all kinda gotten them in the office in time. If you'd like me to go ahead and read them both into the record. The first letter is dated September 14, 2010 and is addressed to Ms. Terri Scott, Shreveport City Attorney, regarding the response to the August letter for the City Council. Dear Ms. Scott: This firm has recently been engaged to represent the Shreveport Regional Sports Authority. Following up on the letter August 27, 2010 from Mr. Mark Millsap, President of the SRSA, to Mayor Cedric B. Glover, Council Chairwoman Joyce Bowman and Mr. Arthur Thompson, we write in response to a letter dated August 24, 2010 on the letterhead of the Shreveport City Council over the signatures of the City Council Chairwoman Bowman and Mayor Glover, addressed to Ms. Mary Ann Tice, Executive Director of the SRSA. It is not apparent from the August 24, 2010 correspondence whether you were favored with a copy of same, so we enclose a copy for your records. A number of issues were raised by such letter, and by it a number of requests are made. 1) Initial Considerations: We should perhaps preface our response with two initial considerations. First the SRSA sincerely desires to meet and exceed all reasonable and lawful requests of the City. The SRSA and the City have enjoyed a strong relationship since SRSA's inception. That relationship has served not only their mutual benefit, but also benefit of Shreveport's citizens. SRSA will do everything within reason and the law to continue to foster that relationship and comply with the City's requests. Second, it is important to remember that the SRSA is an independent legal entity.

Councilwoman Bowman: Okay, stop. One second. Read that over again, what it say?

Mr. Sibley: Second, it is important to remember that the SRSA is an independent legal entity. A nonprofit economic development corporation. It is not an office, department, commission or board of the City of Shreveport.

Councilwoman Bowman: Okay, stop. Read that one over again.

Mr. Sibley: It is not an office, department, commission or board of the City of Shreveport.

Councilwoman Bowman: Thank you.

Mr. Sibley: Of course the city participated in it's formation, however - - -

Councilman Lester: Okay, stop. I want her to read that one again.

Mr. Sibley: Of course the city participated in it's formation, however the SRSA operates independently of the city under it's articles of incorporation and the governance of its board of directors. Item 2) the City's document requests: In it's August 24th letter, the city requested a copy of SRSA's Articles of Incorporation. Thus we enclose for the City's convenience copies of the SRSA articles of incorporation and all amendments thereto. The city also requested a list of the current directors of the SRSA, with the requested additional information regarding each director. New directors were added to the board subsequent to the most recent amendment to the articles. Those directors are referenced on the enclosed list. It should be noted that over the last several years, the number of vacancies on the Board of Directors had been created due to the expiration of terms, resignations and removal due to inactivity, which positions remained vacant for a considerable time without being filled by the city administration. The vacancies precipitated an urgent need to create by amendment of articles another means of filling such vacancies. The board acted to do so by its most recent amendment to its articles. Item 3) the city's informal request for an audit. In the letter of August 24th, an informal request for an audit was made. The SRSA stands ready to immediately cooperate with any properly authorized request to audit its books. However, to date the SRSA has not received documentation that the Council has officially acted pursuant to Section 4.25 of the City Charter to require such an audit.

Councilwoman Bowman: Hold up right there. Leanis, did you hear what he just read?

Ms. Graham: Yes I did.

Councilwoman Bowman: So, you gave them an informal request for the audit?

Ms. Graham: I gave them a request for an audit as I normally do. As you remember Ms. Bowman, that request was made by a councilmember. I think the Code of Ordinance says that I get my instructions from the Council Chair, so I went to you directly to get permission to perform the audit, and you signed off on it. You gave me permission by email. So we followed the Code of Ordinances.

Councilwoman Bowman: Councilman Walford.

Councilman Walford: Okay, so we make sure we understand you. You did sign a request as I understood at the - - - I guess yesterday?

Councilwoman Bowman: Yes sir.

Councilman Walford: Thank you, I just want to - - - since we're making sure everything is on the record.

Councilman Long: Mr. Mayor, also there is an email trail prior to this actual signing of a request as well.

Councilman Wooley: So I guess the questions is whether or not they received it.

Councilwoman Bowman: Oh, they received it.

Councilman Wooley: So not to say they did not receive it, have they receive it?

Councilwoman Bowman: They received it. I received a reply from Mr. Mark Millsap. Isn't that correct Leanis?

Ms. Graham: That's correct.

Councilwoman Bowman: Yes, it was definitely received. Mr. Sibley, you may continue now.

Mr. Sibley: In this latter regard it should also be pointed out that the SRSA has for each and every year of its existence provided the City a copy of its annual audit conducted by an independent auditor at no cost to the city. On July 15, 2010, Ms. Tice made her annual report to the Council regarding the affairs of the SRSA, and delivering copies of the same to the offices of the Mayor, CAO and Clerk of Council. Furthermore, the most recent annual audit for calendar and fiscal year 2009 is very near completion by an independent auditor. The independent auditor's current report is expected to be produced by the auditor very shortly. It seems something of a waste of t0061payer resources to initiate another seemingly redundant audit when an independent audit when an independent audit is about to be produced and submitted to the city anyway.

Councilwoman Bowman: Stop right there, just stop right there. Read that one more time, just one more sentence.

Mr. Sibley: The independent auditor's current report is expected to be produced by the auditor very shortly. It seems something of a waste of t0061payer resources to initiate another seemingly redundant audit when an independent audit when an independent audit is about to be produced and submitted to the city anyway.

Councilwoman Bowman: Okay, question. I guess this question would go to - - - Rick, you might be able to answer that. How much money did we give them for this year?

Mr. Seaton: This year, it's \$106,400.

Councilwoman Bowman: And at that particular time, we were under the impression that they were still under the auspices of the City of Shreveport. Is that correct?

Mr. Seaton: I don't know what your impressions were.

Councilwoman Bowman: Will somebody please answer the question?

Councilman Walford: Madam Chair, I was under the impression that their board members were still appointed by the mayor and confirmed by the Council. Does that an answer?

Mr. Seaton: Yes Ma'am.

Councilwoman Bowman: That's what I wanted to know. And Mr. Thompson, Ms. Scott. We need to look at the Charter I guess, but we have the right to at anytime, like you're over Audit and Finance, at anytime, we - - - spend taxpayer's money to any entity or organization that receives money from the city, we have the right to call for an internal audit. Is that correct?

Mr. Thompson: Madam Chair, I don't have the document in front of me, but my recollection is that the last contract that we entered into with the Sports Authority, there's a provision in it which authorizes the city to audit. So in addition to any other rights that we have, they specifically agreed to allow the city to audit their books in the - - - I think it's a cooperative endeavor agreement, I believe that's what it's called in the latest contract that we have with them.

Councilman Long: It's important to know here is that the scope of this audit may be different than the scope of the normal annual audit. Our scope and what we're asking for maybe completely different in nature. So there is a distinction.

Councilman Walford: But they wouldn't know, because they wouldn't allow Leanis to even come to the in-brief to discuss the audit.

Mr. Sibley: Continuing Madam Chair, it says however - - -

Councilwoman Bowman: Just one minute. Say that one more time, they didn't do what?

Councilman Walford: My understanding and I think it would be best if Ms. Graham answered that, is that they would not allow her to even come for the in-brief to discuss the scope of the audit.

Ms. Graham: That's correct.

Councilman Lester: Madam Chair, hold on before you go Mr. Sibley, and I apologize for interrupting, Madam Chair, if you could and for those that are here and those that are watching, would it be appropriate for us to ask Ms. Graham to kinda lay out a timeline, and I ask that question because I mean we're talking about a letter that we were given, hand-delivered today, September 14th? Okay, it references a letter from Mr. Millsap of August 27th, and it also references a letter from you and the Mayor August 24th, but even before then, there was some conversation from the Council and from Ms. Graham's office, Internal Audit. I mean, lets not - - I don't want us to blow past the fact that we're talking about an extended period of time. This is not a deal where someone made a request and this is the response we got two weeks later. We're talking about a legitimate and a legitimate inquiry that was made by this council through Internal Audit, in the beginning, maybe if not at the even if not at the end of July, the very beginning of August. And so we're talking about well over a month later, and we're getting this letter about technical this, that and the other, and we may have and may not have done this, that and the other, but you know, we had to take these extraordinary steps because, and I think Mr. Walford alluded to it, but if it wouldn't be out of order, could we ask Ms. Graham to kinda lay out some of the timeframe of when the request was made, at what point, what response and the attenuated period of time if we could?

Councilwoman Bowman: Ms. Graham?

Ms. Graham: I think we received the request for the audit approximately August 4th. We made contact with directly, with Ms. Tice, August the 6th or 7th to request and entrance conference to begin the audit. We did not receive any communication back from Ms. Tice until the following week. We were told that she had been out for health reasons, so we did receive communications about a week later. We were told at that time, however that she could not authorize our audit, we would need to speak with a Mr. Millsap who was, we were informed the Chairman of the Board. She actually told us that she would speak with Mr. Millsap for us and direct him to call us. We waited for approximately a week after that. We had received no communication from Mr. Millsap and so we attempted to contact him. We got the contact information from the Mayor's office. We contacted Mr. Millsap by telephone and email asking for an entrance conference. Mr. Millsap at that point did indicate to us that he would get back with us as far as the entrance conference. However, since that point, we have not been able to meet with him. For various reasons he has delayed the scheduling of the entrance conference. And that's been about since I guess August 14th.

Councilwoman Bowman: Go ahead Mr. Sibley.

Mr. Sibley: The letter continues, However if the council determines that such a request is appropriate, and it acts in compliance with the City Charter to require same, the SRSA stands ready to expeditiously schedule a mutually convenient time for the entrance interview with the City's internal auditor. Section 4) conclusion: As noted, the SRSA has

always sought to meet or exceed the expectations of the City and its citizens, and to comply its obligations under the terms of its current Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the City. The city and its representatives should also rest assured that the SRSA fully intends and desires to continue to do so with respect to all future endeavors and events, all for the benefit and development of the City of Shreveport, its residents and businesses. If you have any questions or need any additional information regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me. Yours very truly, Lee H. Ayres with the firm Ayers, Warren, Shelton & Williams of Shreveport.

Councilman Lester: Madam Chair, so after conversation or communication in August, August the 6th or something, we get a response, I guess an official response on September 14th that says, if the council determines that the request that we made over a month ago is appropriate, and we act in compliance with the city charter, then they will, maybe, possibly sit down on the 5th of November or the 32nd of October or 55th of Wednesday, I mean this - - I'm sorry. I mean Madam Chairman, it just goes from the ridiculous to the sublime. Why would they ask us to ask ourselves if the two requests that we made were legitimate? I mean it defies logic.

Councilman Shyne: Let me ask the Mayor this question. Mr. Mayor, how did we get into this situation with the Shreveport Sports Authority? What brought this about? Do you or Ms. Scott either one know?

Mayor Glover: Madam Chair, members of the Council, I am at a complete loss to understand. I do know that our along with several of you have been enlisted over the last several years to try and mediate what had been an ongoing I guess feud might be an appropriate word between the Sports Authority and the Shreveport/Bossier Convention and Tourism Bureau. I recollect several meetings, some of which took place in my conference room, several others of which took place across the street in the decision center at SWEPCO, (inaudible) sure took place in the Council office, or here or within this Chamber. All in an effort to try and see if we could not advocate on behalf of the Sports Authority. Because as had been relayed to me by Ms. Tice and others, was that they were being set upon by the Convention and Tourism Bureau. That their activities were overlapping, that there was not sufficient coordination and I believed that we needed one entity, an agent to take the lead when it came to sports related to economic development. We created that entity in the Sports Authority, and we needed them to work together. Obviously there has to be a partnership amongst the various groups when we pull these efforts off, like we saw last year with Bass Masters and just a couple of weeks ago with the Port City Classic and what have you. And so we've always felt that the Sports Authority needed to be the one helping to bring those things together. What had been relayed to me by the other parties involved, from the opposite side of the table was that you all don't have an appreciation for Mayor, said is that this is a very difficult situation to work with. And what you all don't have the opportunity to see is what we have to deal with when we attempt to try and work together to do what it is that we have the collective responsibility of dealing with and for a significant period of time, I know I was of the mind that, well that's just them saying that because they want to come in and take over the Sports

economic activity here in Shreveport and Bossier City. And they are mischaracterizing exactly what it is that's happening, as these organizations and entities attempt to try and work together. I think Mr. Shyne that that particular perspective is one that I held I guess up until February of this year, when we had the SWAC Basketball tournament here, and even during and through that, I still like most of you stood up for, defended, and advocated on behalf of the Sports Authority, its role and what have you, and even I think now as I reflect on it, probably extended this situation to a much larger extent than it should have been, and I'm sad to say that as I observed the situation in which the Sports Authority as things moved forward from February up until now, they've just simply continue to devolve both in terms of their interaction of the administration, other people around the area. There was a situation involving people on their staff, which obviously was a personnel situation which I don't think bears any discussion in this forum, but it just simply got to a point to where people started telling me, now you see what we're talking about. You understand that there is a problem as this game situation made itself available. Here's where I thought we'd have an opportunity to be able to prove that situation wrong and take a course that would be different than what had been in the past. This goes all the way back to I believe March of this year, when we had that initial meeting with Councilman Lester and Mary Ann Tice and Mr. Fred Washington, Athletic Director of Prairie View became weeks after the announcement of the Port City Classic with Grambling and Louisiana Tech, and we were excited because my objective and the objective of this administrative, the desire of many, the council and across the city and the reason as to why we went and spent \$35,000,000 on the stadium, it was obvious that we continue to host the Independence Bowl, but it was also with the intent of being able to program obviously high school, soccer and what have you, but college football as you put it Mr. Shyne is economic development. And what we saw as an opportunity to be able to bring back college football to Shreveport. We've got a Labor Day game with Grambling and Louisiana Tech that we'll play for the next three years, and be able to have that as a part of what we're doing. The opportunity to be able to work with a school like Prairie View, which has historic fan base very close and the idea of being able to play or rotating a schedule of Southern University one year, Jackson State University the next year, both of those being - - -

Councilman Shyne: Which has a big following.

Mayor Glover: Exactly, made all the sense in the world. And as we sat down upstairs in my office, and I said to the athletic director of Prairie View, I'm going to make this real simple. I'm going to offer you the same basic deal that we offered Grambling and Louisiana Tech, and that deal is that we will incur the cost and expense of putting on the games. You sell the tickets, the teams show up to play, you all keep what you make at the gate, and we'll have the benefit of having all of you all of your folks here for a great weekend. We'll reach out and work with the folks at the State Fair to encourage them to work with you as well, which we've done. And so we end up with football for Labor Day weekend, football for the State Fair, and then football for the Independence Bowl. All of which brings tens of thousands of citizens to Shreveport. What was supposed to happen at that point, was that Mary Ann Tice in her capacity as Executive Director of the Sports Authority, was to begin to get with the administration, Shelly Ragle, Ronnie Hammond and all the folks who are

responsible for putting on the football game, like we did with Grambling and Louisiana Tech to make sure that we were all on the same page in terms of what we were collectively represent to Prairie View. That never happened. Despite the fact that as Mayor, I requested that they get together to begin that process, so that we could start down the road of making sure that when we get 40 days out from the game, that all we're doing right now is just dotting Is and crossing Ts, not having to gear up and do everything from our end to make sure that we've got everything in place to be able to host this game. From March, that never happened. To May, I think as I read to you all in an email from yesterday. There was a discussion about getting these aspects of this process out of the way so that we could begin. It was important for the Sports Authority and the city to be on the same page, because the city would have a relationship as it traditionally happens with the Sports Authority. The Sports Authority would in turn have a relationship with the University, and the three of us would be collectively working towards putting the game on. The Sports Authority could not understand specifically what to represent to Prairie View until they have the opportunity understood, exactly what we were specifically, contractually willing to do with regard to the game. So, the basis for this discussion should have been the Sports Authority understanding what do you mean City of Shreveport when you say you're going to put the game on? Same agreement we came to with Grambling. The contract that you all authorized us to enter into. That would have been the starting point. Somebody from the Sports Authority should have been willing to meet with us as we invited, asked and wanted to do to say, 'Guys, here's the template of what we're talking about.' So as we began to have you all have your discussions with Prairie View, they will understand this is what it is that the City is willing to do, willing to pay for, willing to offer in order to be able to make this game happen. What ultimately ended up happening Mr. Shyne and members of the Council is that the Sports Authority went and engaged in negotiations with Prairie View about what they would do in hosting the game without making the city aware, knowledgeable or privy to any of the provisions they were offering.

Councilman Shyne: That doesn't make any sense.

Mayor Glover: It does not make any sense at all. They ended up making commitments on the behalf of the Sports Authority, not the City of Shreveport, that were not in line with the agreement that we executed with Grambling and with Louisiana Tech. It's a backward process.

Councilman Shyne: Why do you think they did not contact your office?

Mayor Glover: Well it would have been directed to contact Shelly and her folks, because that's where the communication, that's where the peer to peer communication. The request from me as the Mayor was for them to get together. I have no idea as to why they would not have facilitated that contact, or the only thing I can tell you now is that I feel probably like many of those folks who have come to me over the last several years as we have attempted to try and mediate this situation between the Sports Authority and the Convention and Tourism Bureau and other entities around the area, it defies reason, it defies logic, it puts you in a posture to where you just simply don't understand exactly

what's going on except you get these reactions and responses that come with a sometimes very thinly veiled hostility. In response to what are perfectly reasonable and logical requests. I think what you all just relayed with regard to the audit situation coming from the Council is a prime example. Well the response that we got from you all, because we started down this road in particular Mr. Shyne, if you'll remember, several council meetings ago, when you asked us to give a report on the status of the upcoming Port City Classic. So, there were folks who were concerned as to whether or not, you being a Gramblingnite, people were concerned and I could hear 'em, "Joe, you've got a big game coming, and we want to make sure that this isn't too big for you all. Do you have your business in order?"

Councilman Shyne: Right.

Mayor Glover: We in turn had Shelly and Angie Costakis from the Convention and Tourism Bureau to come and make their report in detail to you exactly what it is that we're doing. We in turn heard from you all, would you make that request of the folks at the Sports Authority so that we can get a similar report regarding the Shreveport Classic between Prairie View and Southern, and I guess in terms of what got us to this point right now was the response that we got to that request and that is, you know we will not be summoned to a meeting before the city council. If you want us to come to a meeting, then you need to give us seven days notice, but not only seven days notice, but you need to give us the questions that you intend to ask us in writing if you expect us to come. And you know it was amazing. That ended up following a meeting I heard about the same time that Mr. Millsap whose now the Board Chair, did in fact show up for a meeting. We suggested to him that it would be helpful if we had a chance to sit with him in my office, 2:00 prior to the start of the Council Meeting for what we thought was going to be a congenial industrious conversation. I think sometimes within the next week to ten days, we got a letter that - - - we got a letter to the Mayor's office, you got a letter as Council Members, that described that meeting in a way that was completely contrary to how it actually took place. It was describing hostilities, and casting accusations and aspersions that just simply had no basis or fact. The obvious thing I found about the meeting itself was that Mr. Millsap how he had become Chairman of the Board and he said that he - - -

Councilman Shyne: I don't know how he got on the Board, because you are the designated person to make the appointments.

Mayor Glover: Well Mr. Millsap told me that I appointed him to the Board by letter, and I in fact - - -

Councilman Shyne: Did you check to see whether you had?

Mayor Glover: Yes we did. And there's no letter, in fact, I never met Mr. Millsap. And so - - -

Councilman Shyne: You had never met him?

Mayor Glover: I'd never met him before. Up until that point, he could have walked into that room and told me that - - -

Councilman Shyne: And you would not have recognized him?

Mayor Glover: I would not have recognized him or known him by name or by face.

Councilman Shyne: Dale, did you send that letter?

Mr. Sibley: No sir.

Mayor Glover: Well, what's just as important Mr. Shyne and members of the Council, had I sent the letter appointing him, he still would have meant that it would have had to come to you all for confirmation. Otherwise, I would have appointed him without following the proper procedures. Which obviously we would not have done. But we asked if he would provide us a copy of that, and that particular question has never been responded to. Going back throughout the earlier portion of this year, and Mr. Seaton and Mr. Sibley can give me more specifically, there've been very specific times in the course of the last year where we've asked for a parent copy of the Board of Directors.

So we would know exactly how are you presently configured. Because they sent various documents and reports that have come to the administration and the council over the last several years that had varying individuals that they listed as Board Members. And we were trying to make sure we had accurate (inaudible) as to who actually was on the board so we'd know what - - -

Councilman Shyne: So you didn't remember appointing anybody?

Mr. Sibley: And Mayor if I may, within the packet, if the council recalls at the last meeting, we talked about the articles and the changes, within the packet they list all the amendments, and that's where we found out how he had gotten on the Board. They had basically amended their articles to create three levels of Board that included an Advisory Board. And apparently Mr. Millsap served on the Advisory Board. Then the articles were amended again that allowed the Executive Board to bring members basically to expand the Board of Directors from what was originally perceived in the ordinance to add the Advisory Board members and these other members to the Board. That's how he became a member of the Board of Directors, is from this entity that was created called an Advisory Board. And then the rule would allow them to bring people off the Advisory Board onto the Main Board which basically bypassed the whole appointment/confirmation process. Additionally in the latest amendment that's included in here, I think July of this year, is where the Mayor as an Ex-Officio member of the Board was removed. So, it turns out Mr. Millsap wasn't appointed by letter of confirmation of the council.

Councilman Shyne: And I thought the Mayor had some friends on the Board.

Mr. Sibley: But all that's included in the packet that they've now forwarded to us.

Mayor Glover: And Madam Chair, all of that was done without notification to the administration and I assume based upon the response that we've gotten from you all to Council as well. And it is - - - it is befuddling.

Councilman Shyne: Madam Chairman? Would you on behalf of the Council, if the Administration needs to give some type of communication to the administration to make sure that the game between Prairie View and Southern is handled correctly? I mean do you all need any kind of direction?

Mayor Glover: Hopefully what we're going to need Madam Chair and Mr. Shyne, in order for this situation to move forward, in the way that we're suggesting, that is that we handle it in similar fashion to the Grambling/Louisiana Tech game. And that is that we contract directly with Prairie View A&M University with a similar contract with similar understanding, we're going to have to do a resolution that would authorize that contract. We're going to - - - we spoke at length a couple of times to day with Mr. Washington, we will be communicating again council as well to make sure that we keep everything in line and in order. But my recommendation to you all as Mayor is that we continue down this path of trying to facilitate this game in this manner, that we're going to end up in a situation that would not be a positive reflection on the City of Shreveport.

Councilman Shyne: Madam Chairman, would you give Mr. Thompson, the direction to draw up a resolution? We've dealing with a timeframe here.

Councilwoman Bowman: Well in addition to that Councilman Shyne, just reading on this second letter that we received from Mr. Ayers, it says that "The opportunity to bring the Prairie View games to Shreveport is one that should not be missed." However it says, "The City is treading on losing that opportunity." Wow!

Councilman Shyne: I mean how?

Councilwoman Bowman: Well, he's the one that said it Joe, I don't know.

Councilman Walford: Not to interrupt, but right there where you're reading the question that begins to worry me is, "Shreveport Regional Sports Authority has on hand a 'proposed contract' signed by Mr. Washington on behalf of Prairie View A&M. Have they already contracted with the Sports Authority?"

Mayor Glover: The Sports Authority has not yet signed the contract.

Councilwoman Bowman: Mr. Mayor, I have a question. Who owns the Independence Stadium?

Mayor Glover: The citizens of the City of Shreveport.

Councilwoman Bowman: One more question.

Councilman Shyne: Uh oh.

Councilwoman Bowman: Terri, when we do cooperative endeavor agreements, and especially this particular one that is dealing with this, is there something like 30 days they can withdraw a 30 days or we can? Where does it say in there? Is there something like that in there?

Ms. Scott: It depends on the terms of the contract. Generally for a cooperative - - - it's not unusual to include such provision in the cooperative endeavor agreement, it just depends on the particular type of agreement and what we're contracting to do with them, and what they're contracting to do with us.

Councilwoman Bowman: So, do you have a copy of the cooperative endeavor agreement?

Ms. Scott: Between - - -?

Councilwoman Bowman: The Sports Authority and the City of Shreveport.

Ms. Scott: What I have is and what we prepared is what is pending approval today, on today's agenda.

Mr. Sibley: But we do have - - -

Mr. Thompson: But what was the last - - -

Mr. Sibley: But we do have a copy of the cooperative endeavor agreement?

Ms. Scott: There is not cooperative endeavor agreement.

Councilwoman Bowman: It's dated March?

Councilman Walford: The one that the Mayor and I were looking at yesterday - - - Mr. Mayor, wasn't it dated like the 10th of March?

Mayor Glover: Correct.

Councilman Walford: Which was for 2010 calendar year. I don't mean to interrupt.

Councilwoman Bowman: No, no.

Councilman Walford: Do you have a copy of that?

Mr. Sibley: I think that's the one.

Ms. Scott: That's the funding agreement.

Councilwoman Bowman: Does it say in there that at anytime, we can withdraw or at anytime they can or something like that?

Ms. Scott: Ms. Bowman, honestly I'm not sure what the terms of that agreement are, but as it relates to the funding, they were given money for the city to perform certain services. We gave the money, they had a corresponding obligation to perform those services. One of the things that's stated before they also contractually agreed to do was to submit to an audit as well as some other terms and conditions in that agreement. Specifically whether or not there is a 30 day termination period in that agreement, I'm not sure.

Councilwoman Bowman: Okay, since we're dealing with an organization that is no longer a part of the City of Shreveport, and they don't have to really answer to us, and they've already gotten the money, so therefore we really don't have to do this (inaudible) right? Since they separated themselves from us, and of course our budget process will be starting somewhere in October, I don't think they need anymore money. Certainly they don't.

Ms. Scott: From all appearances, it appears that they do not.

Councilwoman Bowman: That's what I'm thinking and there are a lot of worthwhile organizations throughout the City of Shreveport that are usually turned down and that might be a little more money that could be spread out amongst them since they are no longer a part of the City of Shreveport and who established that organization. Councilman Walford at this particular time is getting a copy of that agreement. I think we have played this game long enough, I really do. And, it's time for it to stop. Monty, he gets that agreement, and we see where we are, we're going to settle this today. We're not calling them for anymore meetings. Because at this point, why? We've got all this, in response to everything that we had to say. Yes sir? Well since we've already written the check and it might already be spent, you know?

Councilman Lester: Yeah, but we need to know. Because if it's \$100,000 still sitting in an account that's supposed to be ours. If they may want to take their ball and go home, they need to send \$100,000 back.

Councilwoman Bowman: But another problem I see with doing that is when did they actually do these articles? Was it last year?

Mr. Seaton: The most recent revision was July 10th of 2010, and that was the revision that made them a self appointed board.

Councilwoman Bowman: Okay, Councilman Walford?

Councilman Walford: We're going to get into legal questions, but if they did that, they signed a cooperative endeavor agreement that says that the mayor or his designee may

serve as an ex-officio member of the Board of Director, and then we hear they took action to remove that. But they contracted with us.

Ms. Scott: Mr. Walford, what's the date on that contract?

Councilman Walford: I was wrong, it's March 9th, not March 10, 2010.

Councilman Shyne: Madam Chairman, back to what I asked the mayor a few minutes ago, and I don't mean any harm by saying this. I'm more interested at this point to make sure that we've got the ballgame rolling than to get the \$100,000 back or to get an audit. I'm interested in what we need to do as a Council to give you the authority if you don't have the authority already, to go head on and put in motion you know? Because I know Shelly works very fast, but I wouldn't want to put her under the gun because Shelly people with 25 and 26 years old like you are, are having heart attacks these days. Because they have a lot of stress. So, Mr. Mayor, in order to keep from shortening the time period, what do you - - - see because we won't have another Council Meeting until you know right at the end of the month. So, is there anything that we need to do in order for you all to get the ball rolling with Mr. Washington at Prairie View? And I know Shelly and the fire chief and the police chief will do the same thing that they did with the Grambling and Tech game and it will be wonderful. And we don't want to be stuck with not having a game, because you know we're going back and forth with that organization that might would want to see us not being able to have the game.

Mayor Glover: The bottom line Mr. Shyne is that we are of like minds. In fact in anticipation of just seeing this situation evolve the way that it has, we started as I mentioned to you yesterday on last Thursday when we gathered our folks in conjunction with the State Fair folks to kind of do an after action review of the Port City Classic from a logistics standpoint, out at the stadium. We invited the Sports Authority to have someone at that meeting. Mary

Ann or whomever she designated. As we told you yesterday, she sent Drew, the unpaid intern who didn't even know we were having a football game here on the 23rd of October. We have another meeting scheduled this coming Thursday that would be a part of our preparation for the event. And so we are moving forward in anticipation of doing on the 23rd of October exactly what it is that we did on the 4th of September. At some point, we will expect to have an agreement between the City of Shreveport and Prairie View A&M University that we will ask that you all review and in turn pass a resolution that will authorize me to enter into that. We're probably going to have to do some discussion about some dollars to be able to account for some of the last minute after things that we're going to have to do like shuttling, that we will end up having to account for in this situation. But there's no reason as to why we cannot put ourselves in a position to be able to make this game as successful as it has the potential to be.

Councilman Shyne: Well, that's my concern at this particular point. I want to see the game go on.

Councilwoman Bowman: Well and we do Councilman Shyne, but the last paragraph of this letter says, "Please immediately advise whether any steps can be taken to amend and revise the proposed facility agreement received from Ms. Ragle, and what steps you would propose that the SRA take in regard to this matter, so as to insure that these games can be appropriately promoted and played at Independence Stadium."

Councilman Wooley: Is that (inaudible)?

Councilwoman Bowman: No, that's why I was telling him in reference to his question that we need to go on and respond to them, and we'll do ours immediately letting them know what our plans are. We're not going to wait 10-14 days to answer them.

Councilman Wooley: Shelly, can you come up for a moment, and with the administration I suppose on this, since we got this letter, have you guys had any discussion on what to possibly advise them as they requested?

Mayor Glover: Let me take this. Let me tell you where that question comes from Mr. Wooley. The reason as to why that particular aspect was included within that letter is because the Sports Authority made representations to Prairie View that are not in line with the contract that we signed with Grambling State University. When they realized that, they saw that they were, to use a term from the neighborhood, you know what out. That was the reason as to why we were trying to work with them to make sure that we were on the same page. And had meeting of the minds so that we could represent a uniformed representation to Prairie View University in terms of what it is that we were committing to do. Because we made this agreement with a handshake, by simply saying to Mr. Washington, we will do for Prairie View the same deal that we did for Grambling which essentially means that you'll come here and we'll put on the games, bear the game day expenses, you show up, you play football, and you sell tickets, you keep the money. But now that's a conceptual understanding that you can shake hands over, but we all know that that's got to be reduced to writing. That's the same conversation that I had with Lynn Dawson that resulted in us getting the Port City Classic here. But ultimately, we had to reduce that to writing. What we asked Mary Ann and the Shreveport Sports Authority is meet with us so that we can make sure that in terms of how you move forward in your interactions with Prairie View that you do so with an understanding of what it is that we meant when we said here's what we'll do in order for you to come here and play football in Shreveport. They chose not to do that. They chose to engage in a process where they develop a contractual agreement with Prairie View based on representations that they never reached out to Shelly or to me or to Dale, or to anyone else within the administration, and I'm assuming not to you all on the Council, and said are you all okay with us saying that we want this as a part of the contract? And so essentially what they've done is written a check that they expect us to cash.

Councilwoman Bowman: Wow.

Mr. Sibley: And Mayor, if I may add to Mr. Wooley, we've had individual conversations with Board members who (inaudible) going hey what can we do? One of the things that I emphasize we're going to (inaudible), everybody down here, our concern was the game. We figure all the other issues we can deal with later, but the game. I spoke very directly, saying the thing you could do is encourage your staff to meet with us so that we can iron out the contract for the game. And that's the consistent message we've given over the past two or three weeks, every time we've been asked. The reason there's a disconnect on the contract and that was the reason we wanted to meet. Lets work it out and make sure we know what we're going and what you're doing, and the games goes on, we haven't had a chance to have that meeting. So when asked, our response was tell your staff to meet with us, so we can get it ironed out, and of course as of yesterday, we hadn't had that meeting.

Councilman Wooley: Right, and I appreciate that. I went back through the letter. It says here that there was a meeting on Friday, February 26th, it says, "The proposed contract with Prairie View arises out of the efforts of many individuals and numerous discussions between Ms. Tice and Mr. Washington" who is the athletic director, and it also takes into consideration representation made by the City through its mayor had on Friday, February 26th in which the Mayor, Mr. Washington, Ms. Tice, Mr. Dale Sibley and Ronnie Hammond, of the city were also present." So they apparently drew up a contract in response to everyone collaborating - - -

Councilwoman Bowman: Shelly say it's wrong.

Mr. Sibley: That was the initial meeting that the Mayor referenced that we all kind of came together and decided it was going to be a game. Since then, they've been working with Prairie View and the State Fair in that three party contract. They have not been working with us on any aspects of it. So, when we had the conference call that Councilman Lester put together, we acknowledged, okay you guys got a three party contract, no party, no problem with that, but we need to know what's going on and we need to execute a contract so that we can assure the facility is there, the people are there, that's what we've been trying to do since - - - we were willing to wipe away everything that happened before then. You guys got it, but as it relates to the City, we need an agreement that lets us know exactly and as we told Mr. Washington during that meeting, this is the only way you're going to insure that your game happens in Independence Stadium. That's all we're trying to do, and that's the meeting we haven't been able to have.

Councilman Wooley: And it also reference the draft of a proposed agreement between the City and the SRSA, or Sports Authority was presented to you on August 18, 2010.

Mr. Sibley: From us.

Councilman Wooley: Is that correct?

Ms. Ragle: I presented it to them.

Councilman Wooley: To them. Excuse me.

Mr. Sibley: That's the one we've been trying to meet on.

Mayor Glover: The Grambling based contract that we presented to them, that made them understand that there was a gap between what they represented to Prairie View and what it is that we were trying to talk with them about what it is that we're looking to do.

Councilman Wooley: Well, let me ask you Mr. Mayor. What happened the day when you spoke with Mr. Washington? What was the merits of that conversation?

Mayor Glover: Essentially he said we're looking to come and play a football game in Shreveport. We see the Sports Authority as an agent of the City of Shreveport. It does not matter to us whether we're contracted with the Sports authority or with the city, we're going to do what it is that you all believe is in the best interest of making this game a success. I shared with him much of what we've recounted to you all over the last several days. His thing is we believe that we're going to be able to make the game a success. He was concerned about the fact that he does not have a signed contract back from the Sports Authority. At this point, he had been told that he should expect that that contract was going to be available to him by the end of this week. I represented to him that that is not going to be a possibility because at best I see one maybe two votes on this Council that would authorize that resolution, and even if it were to get four, I don't see myself as Mayor signing it.

Councilman Wooley: So, you're saying if Prairie View and the Sports Authority come to an agreement, that you're not going to sign that one?

Mayor Glover: Because the City and the Sports Authority do not yet have an agreement.

Councilman Wooley: Just asked for clarification, that's why I asked the question.

Mr. Sibley: Well and I wanted to note Mr. Wooley, in their letter it indicated that unless they have an agreement with the City, they're not going to move forward with their agreement with Prairie View. So, it's directly tied to having an agreement with us.

Councilman Wooley: Well sure. Just simply asked for clarification.

Councilwoman Bowman: Okay Mr. Mayor, the resolution we're going to have on our next agenda, Mr. Thompson and Julie are over here listening, specifically what are we wanting in that resolution?

Mayor Glover: It would simply be very similar fashion to the one for the Grambling game that would authorize the administration to enter into a contract that would be for Prairie View. That starting point for that contract would be the Grambling contract that we would be forwarding to Mr. Washington and his legal staff, if it hadn't already gotten there today,

it will be there first thing tomorrow for them to review. And at that point, we will ask Ms. Scott and her staff along with Mr. Washington's legal staff to iron out the wrinkles. Hopefully, realign what their expectations are in line with what it is that we've done. I mean it's ironic that there've been folks that have said that we're not doing for the City, the same thing for the Southern Prairie View game that we've done for Grambling. In actuality, what has been represented to them by the Sports Authority would be potentially over and above. I don't know chapter and verse what all those things are, but what you heard reflected in Mr. Ayers' letter to you is the gap in between the contract that Shelly provided on the 18th of August and the contract that the Sports Authority had been moving forward with, with Prairie View for these past months.

Councilwoman Bowman: Okay, so you understood that?

Mr. Thompson: Well we - - - Madam Chair, it sounds like the administration is going to prepare the contract.

Mr. Sibley: Ms. Scott is working on it.

Mayor Glover: The resolution.

Mr. Thompson: I mean the resolution.

Mayor Glover: Right.

Councilman Walford: I just have one brief comment. I made it you on the telephone this morning, Mr. Shyne and I had the discussion down in the garage, and Mr. Mayor I want to make it to you. I don't care about the finger pointing. You mentioned the bottom line a few minutes ago, and the bottom line that I understand some of my fellow Council Members want is what I want, is the game and the three that follow. Make it happen. If the Sports Authority can't participate for whatever reason, lets do as we talked about yesterday, what we have to do to make the game happen. That's my interest.

Councilwoman Bowman: I think that's the interest of the majority of us here, to see that the game happens. And we're going to do that regardless.

Councilman Wooley: I just wanted to say that I too, do indeed care about the football game, I want to see it come, good economic engine for Shreveport. At the same time, I think it's our responsibility to make sure that we're crossing our Ts and dotting our Is, that there are two sides of the story and sometimes three, and unfortunately we hadn't had the opportunity to have everyone at the table.

Councilwoman Bowman: That's their fault.

Councilman Wooley: Well I'm just saying that we haven't had the opportunity to have everyone come together and share all the information at one given time and kinda

(inaudible) I know that (inaudible) it's been something that the administration has communicated to us, that they've made attempts to reach out to the Sports Authority. The Sports Authority seems to think that they've reached out as well. I know you tried to put together a meeting today at 2:00.

Councilwoman Bowman: Thank you.

Councilman Wooley: And you know, they couldn't make it. Of course, I would dare say that it was less than 24 hours, and we've been summoned to meetings in less than 24 hours and we can't make 'em all the time because we have other jobs. But, in fairness to that, they did try to have a meeting tomorrow at 3:15, if I'm not mistaken, y'all can correct me on that. So I think it was an effort there, so in fairness - - - let me make that statement plain and clear to the public.

Councilwoman Bowman: I think we have gone above and beyond fooling with these folks, and guess what? That's it, that's the end of it. Fair? We've been more than fair. And if you want us to kiss their behinds, we're not about to do it. We have gone above and beyond. If this went back - - -they changed over in March, they're not a part of us anymore, we don't have to be fair anymore. I mean, you just showed us, and yesterday hey waiting to get an email back or something from you Councilman, from them saying whether they would meet with us at 2:00. And I don't think we heard anything about 5:00. And then we sent another one, an email Mr. Seaton sent, and then got replied later on that. No, we're not playing anymore cat and mouse games with them. You got our money, cool. It's not ours, it belongs to the taxpayers of the City of Shreveport. But you won't get my vote for anymore in this budget season. I assure you of that. Councilman Lester.

Councilman Lester: Madam Chair, I wanted to just to hit one particular issue and take somewhat of a umbrage with the characterization. It is unfortunate, but it's not unfortunate that we haven't extended the opportunity, it's unfortunate that they have not availed themselves of the opportunity to come to the council meetings or come to Ms. Graham's office or allowed Ms. Graham to come to their office or come to the Mayor's office or respond to the letter in a timely fashion that the Chairman and the Mayor have sent. And at a certain point, you can ask someone to meet with you and if they keep having excuses and they fail to come down and meet you, clearly you know - - - as Richard Pryor would say, 'That's a hint and a half,' they don't want to meet with you, and they're not going to meet with you. So, lets not characterize it as we did not give them the opportunity, because that's not accurate. Because this all started when Mr. Shyne asked a perfectly legitimate question. What's going on with the football game, do you think they could come down and let us know what's happening. That was it. He didn't ask for any secret handshakes or the grip, or anything that was the lottery numbers or anything like that. We gave you \$100,000 and some odd dollars, you're having a game that we are supposed to be responsible for at a facility that is owned by the taxpayers and citizens of Shreveport. Hey, let us know what's happening. By the way, we hear that you've got a contract that we haven't seen, and as I appreciate it, the draft of the contract between the Prairie View folks and the Sports Authority folks, you know we found out at the meeting that we had sometime in June,

months and months after the fact. So you know I just - - - lets not mischaracterize it as the big bad city was being unkind or unfair as you said. I think we've been way more than fair, we've been just. And the point of the matter is, it seems pretty obvious to me that they have decided to go in a different direction, and I think you're absolutely accurate Madam Chair, that goodbye and good riddance.

Councilwoman Bowman: And Councilman Shyne one other thing. If you can recall a few months ago, during the SWAC, and you approached me and you said that this is not the way this is supposed to be going, or whatever, I argued you down and told you right there and then, you know taking up for the folks at the Sports Authority.

Councilman Shyne: You sure did.

Councilman Lester: And he wasn't the only one that was arguing with y'all.

Councilwoman Bowman: Right, right. And I blew out the folks with the Tourist Bureau as far as this was concerned. I'm done. We've been more than fair.

Mayor Glover: Madam Chair, if you don't mind, indulge me just one more moment. You know part of what I find very ironic about this situation is that we get accused of not sharing information and what have you, and I acknowledge that there have been some lapses on the part of the administration that we accept, that's water under the bridge. But we have been reaching out to this group of individuals trying to have discussions about a situation that's coming to the City of Shreveport that has a multimillion dollar implication. We requested meeting after meeting, after meeting. Going back as I related to you all yesterday, the email sent from me to Mary Ann Tice, subject line: PV contract, Prairie View University contract the 22nd of March. Mary Ann, I need you to schedule a time to meet with Shelly, Patrick and Ronnie to provide them with a briefing on above referenced matter. Thank you, Cedric. No response. We got a follow-up email to that, it came from Shelly on the 13th of May of this year. Mary Ann, would you please send me the contract with PVU so that we can start talking with them about game logistics. Also talked to Chris Giordano, and he wants to know if you received the corrected MOU back and have you had it signed. He is working on moving his rodeo and other events and wants to make sure the game is a GO before he does all of his moving. I told him I thought it was, but to email you to confirm. And that's was responded and one of the essential parts of this paragraph of this response is, Chris and I discussed scheduling (and this is dated from Mary Ann on the 13th of May of this year), Chris and I discussed scheduling, organizational meeting that will include facility management, i.e. SPAR, State Fair, Sports Authority, et al, Isha Hand was an employee of the Sports Authority at that time our operations manager. She will be the point person for operational details of the football game. Isha will be in touch with you once the game logistics are discerned. Once we discern if the second draft covers the basis and then received the final nod on the contract, we will get it right over to Chris. By the way, we've agreed that it will be a 4:00 p.m. kickoff for the game. Now, that was the 13th of May of this year. And obviously it's a recognition that if the request is made in March that we need to start talking about the contract and the operational logistical issue involving

(inaudible). We have the conversation in May again, it's acknowledged by Mary Ann, but there's no movement, no activity up until now, and we've made repeated efforts as you all have seen to try and dialogue with these folks. It boggles my mind, but what I find especially interesting is that over this past weekend, it's come to our knowledge that there are members of the Council who have met with Mary Ann Tice, Mr. Millsap and members of their Board regarding Sports Authority business. Meetings that they granted to you all in your capacity as Council members.

Councilman Lester: To some.

Mayor Glover: That we could not get, to some, that we could not get as an administration. When we have the responsibility of trying to pull off a football game in less than a month and a half, but they made the suggestion in an effort to meet with some of you all that they would meet Saturday or Sunday or anytime that they needed to in order to be able to facilitate that meeting. But we could not get anybody to meet with us at any time that we requested. Except the one time with Mr. Millsap, the time that he offered to meet with Terri and only wanted to meet with Terri. It was going to be him, Terri and Mary Ann, and nobody else could come to the meeting. And then when we made the request on yesterday, that he can't meet today, but he can meet tomorrow. I mean it's - - - and Mr. Wooley, we appreciate your efforts to facilitate communications between the Sports Authority and the administration, but that's unfortunately not the way in which you go about conducting business with people who are dealing with situations that have multimillion dollar implications on the economy of the City of Shreveport. You know (inaudible) information and certainly second and third hand negotiation just won't unfortunately get it done. And so we thank you all for your willingness to work with us. You give us that expression of support, we're going to represent that to Mr. Washington, who will have the proper information in his hand, and certainly the information that Mr. Thompson needs in order to be able to have a resolution on the agenda for the second meeting of this month.

Councilman Wooley: Thank you Madam Chairman. Thank you Mayor for the compliment. I do want to say just for the record, anytime anyone calls me and they've got something they want to express to me, obviously I make myself available to them, obviously my interest to meet with Mary Ann because I was one of the Council Members who actually met with them, plus to have an understanding from their perspective what was going on, and when it was time to make a vote of any type, something similar to what you're proposing in a resolution, I definitely would have the knowledge I would need to make a very conscientious and good decision for the City of Shreveport because of that multimillion dollar implications. I just wanted to make that clear. Thank you Madam Chair.

Councilwoman Bowman: At this time, I'm going to acknowledge Mr. Craig Lee is here, and he's a candidate for the City Council, I think we've already acknowledged Mr. Epperson. Has anyone else come in? Templeton? Thank you very much for coming. I try to acknowledge all of our candidates when they choose to come to our meetings.

Councilman Shyne: And Councilwoman Bowman, you might want to tell them on Tuesdays when the TV cameras are rolling, they might want to sit up front.

Councilwoman Bowman: Joe said that, okay? At this time, I'm going to ask Ms. Rosalind Gilbert to come forward.

Councilman Shyne: Is that her attorney with her Madam Chairman?

Councilwoman Bowman: I'm not so sure of that. Ms. Gilbert, give us your name and address for the record.

Ms. Rosalind Gilbert: (1945 Walnut Street).

Rep. Roy Burrell: Madam Chair, could I add here that - - -

Councilwoman Bowman: Could you just let us know who you are please?

Rep. Burrell: Madam Chair, thank you. I'm Roy Burrell, State Representative, District 2. 2613 Lakeway, Shreveport, LA. I wanted to make the comment that Ms. Rosalind Gilbert's case that she's bringing to you today is preferenced by information from my office. I've laid the ground work, and Ms. Gilbert can explain a portion, but I definitely want to let the Council know my office's involvement, because it was the one who actually initiated after she contacted my office.

Councilwoman Bowman: Ms. Gilbert, is that alright with you? Okay. Do you need Sharon to get these pictures on the screen for you?

Rep. Burrell: That would be fine.

Councilwoman Bowman: Sharon can you do that? I was on Ron's, you can take mine.

Councilman Shyne: Where is Ms. Bonnie Moore?

Mr. Sibley: She's here.

Rep. Burrell: Madam Chair, for the record, I wanted to also read into the record the letter that I sent to you just to make sure that if there are any questions, then this letter would state my office involvement in this that initiated the - - -

Councilwoman Bowman: Okay go ahead.

Rep. Burrell: Okay, thank you Council members. I've also already addressed the Madam Chair, Council Members and Mayor. Thank you for the opportunity to be here before you again. I guess after all these years, I didn't realize how long these Council Meetings can be based upon the issues that are there, but I'm glad to be here. Also I want to recognize

Madam Chair, Ms. Queen Esther Walker who is here supporting Ms. Gilbert because Ms. Gilbert was scared to come here, and I told her that the Chambers are the peoples chambers.

Councilwoman Bowman: We don't bite.

Rep. Burrell: I told her that I would come and stand with her, but she would not come and Ms. Esther Walker is the sister of somebody that we all know, Ms. Rosie Shaffer who you know she's a community leader with Community Renewal over around Clay Street, and Buena Vista. My involvement Madam Chair, really had to do with Ms. Gilbert coming to me after she said, she had exhausted all her avenues in trying to get help. And given the fact that she is also one of my constituents in District 2, I felt that I had a responsibility to try to help her once she contacted my office. I made no initial advancement toward her to get her involved or pushing her on her issue, she contacted my office after I guess seeing a situation on television where I was working with the water maintenance people. And she said, she picked up the phone and called. I wanted to make that clear. The letter that I sent to you Madam Chair after I talked with Ms. Gilbert and we went over and looked at her residence where there was a, what I consider, deplorable condition. She said that her house had been looked and inspected, and there was a roof placed on it. So, I took the position to go over and take a look, and give my assessment, since I do have an engineering background, and maybe there was some questions that I could answer for her to not even lead to where we are here. Then I attempted to go through the proper channels as I saw it to get it done. I addressed a letter to you on September 9, 2010 from the office - - - my office in District 2. It says, Dear Councilwoman Bowman: I'm writing in regard to one of my District 2 constituent, Ms. Rosalind Gilbert who resides at 1945 Walnut Street, Shreveport, LA, 71103. Ms. Gilbert recently notified my office of her attempt to repair her home and provide a documentation of the following. Application for emergency repair and/or reconstruction under the Neighborhood Revitalization Program in 2006, 7, and 9. And I believe under those guidelines, as a disabled individual, she could make application. Ms. Gilbert was granted a new roof from the City of Shreveport. She complained that due to the existing conditions of the structure of her house as well as the poor craftsmanship of the roof replacement that promptly continued to deteriorate including dropped floors, ceilings, shifting walls, holes developing in the floor and wall and sewer, and electrical problems. She has contacted the Department of Community Development, the Office of the Mayor who referred her back to the Department of Community Development as well as her District Councilman who according to her has also not responded. Upon Mrs. Gilbert's call to my office, I visited her home, and became deeply concerned with the deplorable conditions of her home and the lack of response from the city. Because Mrs. Gilbert seemingly had exhausted all her options in contacting the City for assistance, I am requesting your attention to this matter as Chairman of the City Council. In that, I have assured Ms. Gilbert that I will follow through with her inquiry to meet for assistance. I am requesting a meeting with you at her residence on Friday, September 10th at 3:30 p.m. At the request of Mrs. Gilbert, we have also contacted the appropriated media outlets under the Community Affairs portion of their program (I guess) to document her concerns. Thank you for your commitment and prompt attention to Mrs. Gilbert concerns. If you have any

questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. I signed it from my District office. Madam Chair, again I did go through a number of steps to try to get her assistance before I even came here. Even as I said to the media and their Consumer Affairs, but given the fact that I'm in a Mayoral race, they superseded - - - we got some statements back, that well since you are in the Mayor's race, I guess it superseded my responsibility as a State Representative to represent my constituent here, because there were rodents coming up through the floor and rats and by state law, I have the right to represent here because of health concerns. So, with that being said Madam Chair, we will get to the pictures at hand. We would call that Exhibit I. If you look at the top, you see this here, this is the ceiling that has dropped in her house. She has a black garbage bag and that she's trying to keep the water off her furniture, and off of her floors. And that is a hanging, like I said, a hanging ceiling - - - a hanging black garbage bag there in her ceiling after the new roof was placed on it. The second picture here.

Councilman Shyne: Roy, excuse me. Are you saying that the roof still leaks and it's still pouring down rain in there?

Rep. Burrell: But not only that, the sidings that are going, and the roof is off and squirrels got in there and got in here electrical equipment and caused shorts in her house.

Councilman Shyne: Is this after the work or before the work?

Rep. Burrell: After the work. Okay, that is the back door there. Her - - - this is the back door. You can see mildew on the door. That's because the rain is actually coming in the back door of her house.

Councilman Shyne: After the work?

Rep. Burrell: After the work. And the floors have shifted, so that door can't open. And it has shifted some six inches. And I might add Ms. Gilbert is also waiting for the work to be done, because she has spinal surgery that is scheduled and she doesn't want to do the spinal surgery until something is done to her house. Because she doesn't want to go through the rehabilitation and then wind up falling through the holes in the floor. And those holes are going to be coming up in a minute. Exhibit II, where you have the hot water heater where it's falling through the floor. And also if you look up here, you'll see the water is coming through her ceiling. You can see the rings that are there. That's Exhibit II. Exhibit III here, if you look at this one, that's a hole in the floor, that's where the rats are coming up through her floor. Holes in the kitchen floor, yeah with rats coming up through the floor. Down here is the holes in the kitchen under the sink. We took pictures of that. That's Exhibit III. And that is where I got involved. Because it is a health hazard from the state standpoint, we researched that. Here we have the back door, no, the back door where the floor is where the planks are starting to sink when the rain comes in. Here we have the hallway floor with the joist that is dropped over six inches. That's Exhibit IV. Exhibit V here is a six inch drop in her bedroom, the bedroom floor, and up here, a hole is in her bathroom wall. If you look back here, there are holes back here. Exhibit VI here is the front of her commode. Her

commode is falling through the floor. And this one again are holes that's starting to go through her linoleum, you can see that under her linoleum is starting to crack. Exhibit VII here, those are the floors by the commode and the tub, the bathtub, that is starting to sink here and is separating from the floor. The walls are separating from the floor and similar conditions, those are holes, the holes are (inaudible) you can see here that the walls here are separating from the floors. Exhibit VIII, this is the six inch fallen floor in the den entering into the bathroom. Okay, again that's the ceiling where the water is coming down on her clock, and also her bar area. Okay, Exhibit (I've got nine here) where the porch is actually separating from her house. So the house is collapsing around her. Okay that's the floor dropping from the wall right in here. I want to remind you that this house was inspected before the roof was placed on it. Exhibit X.

Councilwoman Bowman: Mr. Burrell, you said that it was inspected before. After the - - - when was the roof put on here?

Ms. Gilbert: In 2006.

Councilwoman Bowman: 2006. Bonnie are you familiar with this? You are. Mr. Burrell, can you let Ms. Moore come up just a minute.

Rep. Burrell: Okay.

Ms. Moore: I am familiar with this project Councilwoman Bowman. We did a roof on Ms. Gilbert's house in 2006. When the inspector went out and inspected the house in 2006, he indicated that the house was in pretty bad shape. And had deemed the house infeasible. He said that it was nothing that we could do for the house.

Councilwoman Bowman: You got that in writing?

Ms. Moore: We do. And at the time, it was really, really raining really hard in her house. And they made the decision to go on and at least put a roof on her house and I will explain the reconstruction program to you in a minute. To go and put a roof on her house, because she was living in this house, and this house was (inaudible) deplorable, and the decision really should not just to deem the house infeasible and leave the house alone. But they were trying to assist Ms. Gilbert in some form or fashion. The way the reconstruction program works is a house is deemed infeasible and it leaves 65% of the rehab work has to be deemed infeasible for us to become a reconstruction project. Our cap at that time was only \$25,000. \$25,000 couldn't have done anything to this house. As a result of that, we had a waiting list for the reconstruction program. The average cost to reconstruct a house at that time was \$80,000 or more. Today, Ms. Gilbert did not contact me until 2010, four years later. We sent another inspector out to her house. The inspector came back with the same determination that the house was infeasible, that the house needed to be demolished and reconstructed. At that time, we sent three different contractors out to Ms. Gilbert's house to look at her roof, to at least repair her roof. Ms. Gilbert sent them all back. And for the reason that she said that her house really needed the work as you can see, has been depicted

today. About a few weeks ago after reviewing Ms. Gilbert's file again, I deemed it infeasible, made the decision that we would reconstruct Ms. Gilbert's house and I made Ms. Gilbert aware of that. The problem with it is though we have 30 houses on our reconstruction list. If we were to take application today, I guarantee you, that would triple. We could easily have 100 houses on our reconstruction list. We have a budget this year of \$1.2 (million) dollars just to reconstruct houses. We only get \$1.4 (million) and we have a number of activities that are funded under that program. Not just the reconstruction program. We took some additional dollars that we have to try to at least catch up with the reconstruction program because we have the - - - the need is so great. The need outweighs the amount of monies that we have for this program. I had a lady to call me yesterday. Her house is filled with mold. Her doctor said she can't live there anymore because she has asthma. She's probably 16th on our list. Our regulations do not allow us to put anybody before anybody else. And so, we're trying to work this as fast as we can with the monies that we have to do this program. We have not slighted Ms. Gilbert, we've put her on our reconstruction list, we're trying to get to her as fast as possible, but there are so many people out there in so much need. And the resources are just not there, nor is the manpower.

Councilwoman Bowman: Ms. Moore, where is Ms. Gilbert on your list, do you know?

Ms. Moore: We just put her on there. We have 30 on there already. What we try to do and try to expedite that we (inaudible) seven houses to the Fuller Center to do for us. Hopefully, they'll do those seven this year. We're going to work simultaneously with the Fuller Center, and that's why we put so much money in that program, and when we put more money in that program, that takes away from the other programs that we have. But all the houses that we go in, unfortunately are in deplorable condition in the communities that we work in. When we go in there, the cost to construct those houses is \$45,000. I mean \$45,000 is not doing anything to many of these houses that we're doing. And so, it's just not Ms. Gilbert. It's many of the constituents that we serve in many of your neighborhoods. We get calls from all of you, all the time about the same thing. But if State Representative Burrell would have called our office, we would have more than glad to explain that to him.

Councilman Lester: Madam Chair, and I appreciate that response Bonnie, and what I read Mr. Burrell, it just wouldn't - - - the fact that I didn't respond bothered me, because that doesn't sound like something I would do. I've been sitting here scanning through my email and I see where Ms. Gilbert called the Council on June 21st and then called back on the 23rd, and I sent an email to you Ms. Moore, the Mayor, Dale, Council Member Bowman as well as Ms. Scott saying I spoke to Ms. Gilbert Monday I believe, I'm requesting info from Community Development on this case, thanks. I guess at some point Ms. Gilbert, betwixt and between passing it to Community Development and those folks, I drop the ball because I didn't call you back advising you the update on the case. So for that I'm going to apologize. But I know it just - - - you know when I didn't call you back, that bothered me, because I pay my cell phone bills like a car note. Because I try to keep copious notes. But having said that, I guess I'm at a loss because clearly, Ms. Gilbert's situation is typical of a number of people in the district. And I don't know Ms. Moore, and I'd love to talk to you

and Ms. Gilbert and the Mayor, and maybe it's a budgetary issue relative to what can we do to appropriate more monies for these programs. Because I know that I get calls all the time. I can recall before my uncle passed away, I guess that's why he's on my mind, that we went to a couple of houses in the Martin Luther King community that literally were as bad as this house or worse. I mean literally caving in and you know you have seen the citizens, you know you have - - - they have asthmatic issues, they have medical issues, all of those things, and you call it in and you say, 'Look, you know Bonnie, I'm standing at the house on, Mayor, the street between - - - just off Martin Luther King, beside the old Savannah and the Down Home Barbeque.

Mayor Glover: Norton.

Councilman Shyne: I was going to say Joe Lewis.

Councilman Lester: No, it's on the other end. But this senior citizen, I mean 70 years old, homeowner, never done anything wrong, done everything she was supposed to do. Fill out the paper work. Her roof literally is falling in, We had to - - - cause you know we're a little above 6', had to literally duck to get in the house. Asthmatic, hey do something. And it always comes back to a budgetary issue. And it's no slight on the need because the need is obvious, I guess I just don't know and maybe for the Council and the Mayor at some point, maybe when we talk about some of the bond issue conversations, there should be something done to appropriate some money for inner city revitalization and redevelopment, something that I have been talking about and I know something you have talked about also Mr. Burrell. But you know it's - - - my heart burns for folks like Ms. Gilbert and the situation that she's in. Because they didn't do anything wrong and they meet every indicator on the scope, but the answer is we can't help you because you know we've got 30 people on the list and enough money to do 15, and we can't move anybody around. So again, I'm going to say I got the message, obviously I passed it on, cause I see that. I apologize to you for not getting back with you to shepherd this letter, but I mean I don't know what can be done relative to address the situation, and maybe - - - I don't know. Thank you Madam Chair.

Councilman Webb: Bonnie, is this a typo, September 10, 2009 on the letter you signed to her?

Ms. Moore: No. It's probably not a typo. Ms. Gilbert keeps asking for more repairs to be done to her home. We deemed it infeasible.

Councilman Webb: The reason I was asking that was, wasn't that shortly after the bottom fell out?

Ms. Moore: Yeah, I didn't want to go there, you know we didn't have any inspectors for months.

Councilman Webb: Webb, I'm going there, because I know that after all that happened, I know the Mayor and the administration moved forward to go around and inspect every house that had, had any work done with Community Development and said that they were going to be first.

Ms. Moore: September 10, 2009, she had filled out another application for services. She didn't at that time complain about her roof, she wanted the rest of her house done.

Councilman Webb: Well, what about the other stuff? The toilet?

Ms. Moore: I beg your pardon?

Councilman Webb: The toilet that was coming through the floor. I mean when our inspectors went back around to re-inspect, looks like we would have taken care of those issues.

Ms. Moore: The whole house, we would have had to demolish the house and build a new one.

Councilman Webb: But my point is we were supposed to move those up front.

Ms. Moore: No, only the roof. The roof would have been the only thing. It would have been only the roof. And we sent three contractors out to do her roof and she for obvious reasons, didn't want the roof repaired?

Councilman Webb: Well Mr. Mayor, have we gone back and finished those unfinished business that wasn't taken care of the first go around? With all those homes you know?

Mayor Glover: Mr. Webb, I'm not quite sure what you trying to do. I think I - - -

Councilman Webb: What I'm trying to get at is I remember when all this came down and we went out there, you even personally went out into the field and was looking into every house that work was done with, and (inaudible) compliance.

Mayor Glover: Well let me tell you what the disconnect is in terms of what you're doing. I think Bonnie just tried to relay that to you. The work that was done on this house had to do with the roof. That was what the original work that was performed. There was no work that was done or approved or authorized for any of the other repairs that obviously the house needed. Because those were considered and deemed to be non-feasible. The roof was done in an effort to try and keep water from coming into the home, but ultimately the decision was made that to try and put whether it was \$25,000 or \$40,000 into this home to make repairs to the floors and to the toilets and what have you, that's part of a challenge of a program like this. Because the needs are so great in terms of trying to repair that from a cost benefit analysis standpoint, you can spend \$40,000 on a home and after it's done, it doesn't look like you've done any work at all on it. And somebody who comes in after you

have done it can look at you in a very critical manner which is what happened to a large extent and say, you spent X amount, but look at these other existing problems with the home. That's why the decision was made as Bonnie just relayed to you, that this is not a project that would make sense to try and do a repair for, and what we need to do is to put it in a position to be eligible for reconstruction. Which means that the whole home is raised and taken down because it would be completely ineffective, in efficient use of public dollars to try and use those dollars to try and repair the home. Because you take the home down and you build a new home from the ground up, and that's the list that Ms. Gilbert is now on. And so, there would not have been anything to have gone back and re-inspect in this situation except the roof. Not the toilet, not the walls, not the floor because none of those repairs were ever done as a part of a city program.

Rep. Burrell: Madam Chair, I think that Ms. Gilbert said that she had a few things that she wanted to say. I just brought it to you.

Ms. Gilbert: Okay I filled out an application where they did my roof in 2006. And I have my complaints down here, my problems. Raining in the roof, my floors dropping and everything. So, the first inspector that came out, Ms. Mandingo, she said, when she came and inspected, she said, oh, your house needs a lot of work done on it. And it's infeasible. And she said you need to go back down there.

Councilwoman Bowman: Did you understand what infeasible meant?

Ms. Gilbert: Yes Ma'am. And she said you need to go back down and tell them that it needs a lot of work done on it. And so I went. And they said they were going to take care of it. But when the inspector came out, the second inspector came out, it was two came out with Mr. Marshall. And he said that he was going to turn it in to Community Development and he did, so when they came back out, they said they were only going to do the roof. And I wanted to know why you just going to put a new roof on a house that's falling in? And right after they did the roof, it was about that first rain came. I was walking down the hallway, and that's when the water - - - I noticed the water was pouring down through that. The one where I had the trash bag up on the ceiling. And I called them, I immediately called them and told them it was pouring down in the new roof. And they just kept telling me, giving me the run around, saying that they were going to fix it, they were going to send the guy back out to fix it. And four years past and it's steady raining on my floors, and the floor is dropping. And it shouldn't take no four years to repair a new roof.

Councilman Lester: No, I'm just agreeing with her. I would like to look and see from Community Development the files in terms of the contractor and that kind of stuff to see kind of what's going on with that. But you know it's almost like before we deal with the good hand, let's fix the bad hand issue. And so I'm certainly concerned about you being in a situation you know it's raining on your head, that shouldn't happen. And you're right, it shouldn't take four years to get somebody back out there to deal with that type scenario. So, I would like to maybe take a look and see who the contractor was and what efforts if any were made to deal with that. And find out if there is Mr. Mayor, some remedy that we

can address that situation now, but at the same time, you know we still have not - - - we may be able to fix the roof issue, but we still have not addressed your core issue is a complete reconstruction. And you know I'd like to maybe sit down and find out from Ms. Moore and the administration how much is appropriated to the program and what it would take for us you know get something done and get her - - - you cannot move her up the list, but get the work done for those above her so we can - - -

Councilwoman Bowman: Councilman Lester, what - - - can you maybe schedule a meeting with her and (inaudible).

Councilman Lester: Well I'll go talk to her now, and then I'll get with - - - I'm sorry, I didn't mean to cut you off.

Ms. Gilbert: I also have proof where I - - - when I was complaining right after the first rain, after they did the new roof, I went back down and filled - - - every year I filled out an application. She said I didn't complain until now. But I complained as soon as that first rain, like maybe two weeks. And I have my application. I have all my paperwork.

Councilman Lester: Okay and the applications that you filled out, I see that as part of the packet. Those are applications for a new roof, or reconstruction.

Ms. Gilbert: I have all my, every year, 2007, 2008, 2009, and I also - - - when they were on the news about the contractors, I called so Mayor Glover could come out and look at it. And that's why the letter is dated 2009.

Councilman Lester: Gotcha.

Ms. Gilbert: And I also called Mayor Glover's office about five or six times, you never returned my call and I voted for you. I did, I voted for you. And I said, well I can call Mayor Glover, but after I didn't get any response from you, my City Councilman and my Mayor, I contacted, I saw an article in the newspaper, where he helped the city workers, and I say well maybe Rep. Roy Burrell could help. Somebody could help me after complaining for four years. And I don't think I should be at the bottom of the list.

Councilman Lester: Well, what I want to do is find out where you are in terms of the complaints that you made in those successive years, and see what we can do to resolve that.

Rep. Burrell: I think another point that you made that since I sat on the City Council for eight years, and dealt with the Community Development Block Grant Funds, and I assume that's what you're using to fund this program, I don't know if it's a special program beyond Community Development, but we do need to go back and assess over how many years that you have, how much money that you have in this program that you are addressing these needs. Because I understand that you've got the census already with so many (inaudible) that are there, and I know that we can take those block grant funds because we did it when I was there, and shift the money to a different priority. And I don't think it's anything hardly

more important that the welfare of citizens, especially when you have some health issues, like rodents and things begin to get in and spread disease. I think that could be a top priority in some fashion. So, I may suggest that.

Councilman Lester: And for the record, I don't disagree with that. And that desire to deal with people in the situation like hers is kinda what was the impotence for the renters' code that everybody is hot and bothered about. But having said that, I'm going to the side.

Councilwoman Bowman: Yeah, I was going to ask you to go to the side. Ms. Gilbert?

Mayor Glover: Madam Chairman?

Councilwoman Bowman: Oh, Ms. Moore?

Councilman Webb: And before Ms. Moore, Madam Chair, before y'all leave, I would like to give my forms back to you because they've got pertinent information on it such as your social security numbers on all of these and we should not have gotten that, it should have been blocked out, so I'd just rather give it back to you so I know what happened to it.

Ms. Moore: I just wanted to say we will certainly do all we can to help Ms. Gilbert. I did want to clarify that 75% of all CDBG funds are spent toward housing, and our priority goes to the elderly and disabled. Additionally, we have - - - the reconstruction program is done under the Home program. And a very (inaudible) is done under the CDBG program. And the Home program that I referred to earlier, we only get \$1.4 (million) and 100% of that goes towards housing.

Councilwoman Bowman: Bonnie if you don't mind Councilman Lester's fixin to come out and - - -

Ms. Moore: Certainly. I'll be more than glad to.

Mayor Glover: Madam Chair, before we wrap up, Ms. Gilbert I want to say that I realize that Rep. Burrell (inaudible) political season and I know that you called the Councilman and I know that you called my office. The calls to my office were returned by Ms. Moore, and the people within her office to specifically go out and attempt to address this particular situation. That's why you had the individuals who came out to try and - - - what was it three different contractors Bonnie? That we sent out to attempt to address the problem that you presented to me and my office and to my administration. And as we stated earlier, you had one of our inspectors, one of who unfortunately got caught up in the problems of last year, who came out and declared from the beginning that this was a situation that was infeasible for repairs. Part of the problem that we end up incurring with these types of situations because as Councilman Lester and others can attest to, that the need in this particular area is so great. People want to help, and I would probably say the decision to spend the dollars to try and repair your home was probably dollars that should not have been expended, because based upon the condition of your home as reported by staff and as

you came here today and illustrated, was one that was not probably of benefit. Cause you have people who have hearts, who came and saw your situation. They young lady whose name you referenced was one that wanted to try and help the situation as well as the individual who followed, and so they moved forward on the expenditure of dollars that they hoped would have helped to at least make the home water proof from any additional rain coming into it. As Mr. Webb also assumed, it was thought that there was other work that the city would have done with regard to repairing of your toilet, and your floors and of you walls and what have you. Those were dollars that were not expended because as it was stated from the beginning, it was infeasible. You are now on the list to be able to have your home completely demolished and rebuilt with a brand new home that would be provided to you by the taxpayers of the City of Shreveport. And we're trying to work with you to get that done. And I know that that doesn't happen nearly as quickly or as fast as anybody who is involved in any of these situations would ever want to see it happen. Unfortunately, the need is so much greater than the dollars and resources available. The dollars that are used as Rep. Burrell has just acknowledged to you come from federal dollars that we receive from Washington. Those dollars have become fewer and fewer and fewer over the years. It's always been hoped and talked about, especially during campaign season that we'll look to try and figure out we go about finding some local dollars to be able to come in and address and pay for these types of situations. But when you're still trying how to give pay raises to employees so that they can have a decent living, provide them with decent health insurance, have enough money to be able to fill potholes and overlay your streets. All of those are issues and challenges that weigh up against that, because unfortunately renovating and repairing and building new housing is not one of the core things that people hold us responsible for. They want to make sure that when they call the police that somebody's answering. And that they're there on an ongoing basis trying to prevent crime. They want to make sure when they call a firefighter, that there's going to be a truck that shows up in a timely fashion to help save someone's life or put out a fire. And so when we come to try and figure out where we come up with dollars to infuse into a housing program that's generated from the local level. Unless there are really, really prosperous time, usually those things are not available. But again, we want to work with you. We have you on our list, and hopefully we'll be able to get a chance to give you a new house that will end up addressing your situation.

Ms. Gilbert: I have one more question. The reason why I say I don't think my name should be at the end of the list, because when I first filed my complaint in 2006 after they put that roof on there, that's when they should have put my name on that list. Now, four years have past.

Mayor Glover: You make a good point Ms. Gilbert. We should look at that, because in order to have put the roof on your house in the first place, at some point, that initial assessment that was made by the young lady who came out and said that your house was infeasible in an effort to try and justify putting the house on the list, at some point, they had to say that it was not infeasible. Because there's no way they would have been able to justify legitimately spending \$25,000 of taxpayer's money to put a new roof on a house that was considered to be infeasible. So at some point, the evaluation was made to be

infeasible, and in an effort to try and keep the elements out of your home, that status was changed. The roof was done, but the realization was that effort does not work, it was good money essentially after bad, and so now, lets get back to figure out how to see how you can keep the house sealed up to try and keep the elements out of it, and get this on to the infeasible list, and get it to a point where we can get a new house built for you.

Ms. Gilbert: And like they were saying, I have asthma, allergies, and I stay at the doctor's for my asthma.

Rep. Burrell: As a final note Madam Chair, on that I'm assuming the final note, again as I said, I would never be here unless my office was contacted, so I brought it before you because I couldn't get the media - - - well the media although - - - they were dealing with this issue, they weren't responding in a fashion that Ms. Gilbert needed. And I knew that I had people here, and had experience here, so I brought this issue here. (Inaudible) is on my home funds. Maybe we need to also look at how they're being used. I know we only get so much, but I noticed the home funds are used for more than one purpose (inaudible) partnerships and that type of things to build housing. But I think you need to try and find a way to get these people out of these conditions. Thank you very much.

Councilwoman Bowman: Thank you, than you Ms. Gilbert for coming. Councilman Webb, go ahead.

Councilman Webb: Yeah, Roy? We're still under communications, so - - -

Councilman Walford: We're on Public Comments.

Councilman Webb: We're still on communications, come on. I want to bring something. You got your pen with you. Lotus Lane? Need a piece of paper, she's going to give you one.

Councilwoman Bowman: Jim, I'm going to get to you in just a few minutes okay? Jim Holt.

Councilman Webb: On Lotus Lane, when you turn off Jewella onto Wisteria, you go down to Lotus Lane, take a right for about a quarter of a mile, there's a mobile home park that is well beyond exceeding the amount of trailers that are supposed to be in there, and I understand there may possibly be some illegal plumbing and electrical work going in there, so will you check all that out for me?

Mr. Jambor: Yes sir.

Councilman Webb: That's it. Thank you Madam Chairman.

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

Reports:

Property Standards Report

Councilwoman Bowman: Thank you. We appreciate this. Next, Mr. Holt. Jim, I'm so sorry that - - - well no, I'm not that sorry.

Councilman Shyne: I tried to reach over and ring the bell.

Mr. Holt: We have one carry over case from yesterday and actually Mr. Lester was going to bring Mr. Anderson up at the beginning of the meeting, to get him out of here, but now Mr. Lester's out of the room. So, I'll take any other concerns you may have.

Councilman Shyne: Is the Chief here?

Mr. Sibley: He's here, he had to step out

Councilwoman Bowman: Oh, he stepped out too?

Mr. Sibley: Asst Chief Huddleston is here.

Councilman Shyne: Okay, Chief, I just want you to come up and stand by Jim because I want to make this statement. We got some people on Powell Street that's going to be watching. Jim, at 4143 a tractor went by and cleared the lot off and come to find out the lot belongs to us. 4143 Powell. He did an excellent job. What I'd like for you to do is to put that house on the demolition list. And Chief, they've been smoking dope. Two or three people jumped when I said that. I pulled up yesterday, and as I pulled up in front of the house to check and see how they had cut the grass and some other stuff, it was two people walking out of the back of it coming around. Now Chief, 20 years ago, I'd have met them, but I'm too old for that now.

Bell rings.

Councilman Shyne: I'm too old for that now.

Mayor Glover: Is that 'met' or 'joined' Mr. Shyne.

Councilman Shyne: There you go - - - 20 years ago, when I was teaching and coaching on the Cooper Road, I'd have met 'em, grabbed 'em with both hands, but Joyce I'm too old not, and Jim on both sides of this house, they've got families where they've got small kids. And Chief, if you could just have whoever rides that area to just kinda keep a look out Mr. Mayor, until we can tear it down. I didn't realize it Jim, I went across the street talking, getting on the guy across the street because somebody told me that the house belonged to him, come to find out the house belongs to us. And cause I called it in to Dorothy. So, since we're taking one off the list, if you could put that on the list, it would help the whole

neighborhood, as a matter of fact, it would be one crack house down. Because before we can get it down, if you can get whoever drive by there, just tell 'em check it because I'm too old to do that anymore. Thank you. There you go.

Councilman Webb: Jim, that address I wanted to give you on Bert Kouns, the only way I know how to describe it, there's a mailbox at 3208, and the mailbox right next to it, about 3 feet away doesn't have an address on it, but that's the house. If you coming from Walker getting towards I-20, it's on the right hand side, but the house sits about 100 yards off the road, and anyway the lot and I know it was cleared about four years ago, but I understand the owner passed away a few years ago, and you might want to check that house out as well.

Councilwoman Bowman: Jim, how do you want to handle Councilman Lester's thing?

Mr. Holt: We're not going to move until he gets back, so we'll just wait. So, if you want to
- - -

Councilwoman Bowman: So, the individual is here?

Councilman Shyne: Tell Calvin to come on back in. Just hold up.

Councilwoman Bowman: Okay, well while we're waiting, if Mr. Edward Taylor - - - do you want to come on up here and

Councilman Shyne: Cause I'm young enough to go out and get him.

Mr. Edward Taylor: (720 Cecile Place) I just wanted to address the Board today. I've made significant efforts to try to get an issue on the agenda for today's council meeting. I actually started this process prior to meeting the deadlines that were implemented or that are in place to add items to the agenda. And I've made significant efforts recently to get an item added to the agenda. And my issue is I'm a real estate developer, and I'm doing a development which is Phase II for Audrey Park which is located in District A, which is Councilman Lester's district. In Audrey Park, we built two years ago. It is Audrey Park Community Court or side by side, they are 53 single family homes that we successfully built and have operated for the past two years, and they have been 100% occupied since the day that we built them, and we also have a waiting list of 10 or 20 applicants depending on the property and the time of the year. I have not received any cooperation so far in terms of getting my issue added to the agenda, and I just wanted to express my concern about the fact that I've sat here for the past 30 minutes, I've heard about the grievances of this individual who has a house that's dilapidated in District A, and here I am, I'm using the programs available to build new housing that's actually larger, and has modern amenities and provides people with revitalized housing in these areas that are being mentioned in dire need, lack of funding, and all these issues. And I'm not able to get the support. And to me, it's confusing. And I don't know, an issue I brought up was possibly too large of concentration of this type of housing in this area. Well, the need is there, and this type of

housing, there's no detriment to the housing, because it receives federal funding in the forms of loans and federal tax credits. This program is implemented to provide housing for situations exactly as we've been sitting here discussing for about the past hour. And I'm just confused and I would just like to express my concern and bring my issue before the Council, unfortunately it's too late for anything to be done to benefit particular applications, but I just wanted to take this time to address you all.

Councilman Lester: Madam Chair, thank you. I'll tell you what I responded to you in an email and what I told your lawyer when I sent him an email. First of all, as it relates to this particular individual, you're right. Someone of her situation would benefit from that type of housing, that's why I said to you and your lawyer, if you do it in Allendale where her house is, I'll be with you 100%. I said that in an email, it's on record, I said that to your lawyer, but in MLK where you have four of those such developments in a less than four or five block area, nine or I think a total of seven in the entire community, I think we've over done that. And for the record, each and every one of those developments, I supported through Council legislation. Because they've all done - - -

Mr. Taylor: Except for mine, you didn't support, but that's beyond the fact right now. And I successfully built them, and to this day I still don't understand your opposition. You mentioned that there's too many of these type developments in your district, when in fact your district is the targeted district and it's primarily targeted because the state sees that there is a need for housing of this type, of any type - - -

Councilman Lester: In there (inaudible) there's a targeted need, but that's not the only census tract.

Mr. Taylor: No it's not. That's absolutely not, you're correct.

Councilman Lester: And as I responded to you, both in email and to your lawyer, my position is because my constituents have made it quite clear that they do not want me to support any more tax credit housing in the Martin Luther King community. So, I mean, I'm going to be responsive to what those constituents have requested to me.

Mr. Taylor: You also have constituents that are sitting here telling you that their roofs are falling down.

Councilman Lester: In Allendale, in Allendale Mr. Taylor. If you want to find some land in Allendale, I will support your project. That's what I told your lawyer, that's what I said to you in an email, and by reference of what you mentioned in our initial commentary to the Council, you made reference to the fact that we had recently supported an application for tax credit housing. That was done in Allendale. Allendale and the Cooper Road are both in my City Council district, but they are not contiguous.

Mr. Taylor: I think the constituents in Allendale could equally support some housing needs developed in Cooper Road and Cedar Grove or anywhere.

Councilman Lester: But as you know there's a (inaudible) dealing with these things, you've got challenges, you've got - - - I mean you know probably more than anything that one of the things that Louisiana Housing Financing Authority has dealt with over the arch of the last four years is density as it relates to tax credit housing. There have been some elected officials not on this particular board, but others that have said, they didn't want the first one being built, at all. There has been legislation at the state level to wipe them out in the entire neighborhoods, and I haven't supported that.

Mr. Taylor: Okay.

Councilman Lester: But at the point where you get an over abundance of one styled housing as it relates to rentals, we all know, there are real estate professionals on this board that you change the character of the neighborhood. And I said to you and to your lawyer, I support tax credit housing, cause clearly I have in that area, that's why they're there. But if you came forth with a program to address blight, that took advantage of the tax credit scenario in the Allendale community, I will support it. Because I've done so for others in Allendale.

Mr. Taylor: There's dilapidated housing in the Cooper Road area as well, there's plenty of it. There's a need for this housing. I know because I've been operating several properties in this area for years now. And so I know the need, I know that you know of the need, I know you know there's not enough funding within the City budget to address the need and yet when developers come forward with a viable solution, and they have precedence such as my previous developments that I've done, that are well operated and well received, well maintained, and I don't get the support to go forward with it, I just have to question exactly what the motives are, or maybe you haven't been articulated clearly exactly (inaudible) credentials and qualifications of this kind of housing in.

Councilman Lester: Well Mr. Taylor how can you in the same breath say you don't understand how developments are done and my level of support, that every last one of those that have been done in the Martin Luther King community have been done while I'm been on the Council? So, clearly I must understand the program, it's outcomes, and how it works, because I've done ordinances and resolutions to support them.

Mr. Taylor: And yet you still lack the capability to support my development?

Councilman Lester: For reasons I have articulated before. I have density concerns, and have expressed them, and that's a trend that not only shared by me, but other folks, other places. And let me say this for what it's worth also. Again, when you're talking about stabilizing a neighborhood and bringing it back you also have to be very careful dealing with the mix of rental property and single family detached homeownership. The Martin Luther King community traditionally had one of the highest rates of homeownership over the arch of years. And so, I understand some of that is dilapidated, because most of those folks built their houses literally by hand themselves. That's why the city did Shepherd Place, not so incidentally right next to your development, that was a homeownership, and

people have to make the argument, well you know you can't build a \$100,000 home in the inner city or MLK and people buy 'em. Well, guess what? We built 15, and they were all sold and they were all bought and looking to do more. So, if the city can put together a program that can build the 1500, the 1600, the 1100, the 1200 square foot heated house, that people will buy and will be behind a gate, then the argument that we have to do tax credit housing in that neighborhood to give back to increase the quality of houses, that's illogical fallacy. It doesn't hold any weight. Again, I have never said anything about your company. I've never said anything about you individually, I've never said anything about the standard of the house that you deal with. I don't have any problems with it. My issue is I think we have overdone this in the neighborhood, the community in general, but in this area specifically. And so for those reasons, that's why I did not support the application. And I made it real clear. So, I mean you can understand, I don't know how to be anymore articulate with my issues than that. And I think men of good will can disagree. I mean your lawyer is a good friend of mine, he's supported me and we support each other, well one time we didn't, but that notwithstanding, that's where I'm coming from.

Mr. Taylor: Sure. One final comment I'd like to make. I do appreciate the need for home ownership and I think you saw in my presentation that I emailed to the entire council, that these too have home ownership component to 'em.

Councilman Lester: I'm very well aware.

Mr. Taylor: I'm sure you are. I just wanted to mention it so that I can articulate it one more time that it does address the need for home ownership.

Councilman Lester: Mr. Taylor, I have been so far ahead of the curve - - -

Councilwoman Bowman: Councilman - - -

Councilman Lester: Let me make this statement, then I'll be quiet, I have been so far ahead of the curve as it relates to tax credit housing, I have had people who initially supported me for city council, fall out with me for a good 6, 8, 9 months, called me dirty names. People who pledged Delta with my mother, people who I was in Cub Scouts with all - - -

Councilwoman Bowman: Come on Councilman.

Councilman Lester: That have known me all my life, but I knew that the program properly executed would be of some benefit, and it has. But eve in anything, in any business, you reach a point of let me use the term of diminishing returns. And at the point that we're at now, I'm concerned with us fundamentally changing the percentage of housing in the Martin Luther King community from a stable home situation to more renters, and I'm not willing to do that. Particularly - - -

Mr. Taylor: I'm - - -

Councilwoman Bowman: Hold up, I'm not going to let an argue continue. So, I allowed you the opportunity to address the Council and I thank you for your comments, and we're going to have to move on. But I really appreciate it.

Councilman Walford: Madam Chair, I know that we're completely out of order.

Councilwoman Bowman: Yes we are, yes we are.

Councilman Walford: I have a constituent that asked if he could give a thanks to the Council and the Mayor for NIP (inaudible).

Councilwoman Bowman: C'mon Mr. Lee.

Mr. Craig Lee: (1035 Eustis) I actually thought I was going to come here and go to battle, and Monty informed me that the Mayor signed the contract last night for the NIP grant fund for the Fairfield Historic District Neighborhood Association, and I want to thank you guys for that. I actually put the 501(c)3 package for the Fairfield Historic District Association three years ago. I'm a proud member of the organization. They've done as of this moment Crepe Myrtles, sign toppers and they've also helped to negotiate the Taco Bell land deal with the Highland Restoration Association so I want to thank you for that. I'm shocked and in like a year, I've agreed, and I'm thanking the Mayor.

Mayor Glover: Enlightening at some point.

Mr. Lee: I'm actually shocked on that, and before I leave, I wanted to say since this whole housing issue has come up and Bonnie made mention about the demolition, Joe's talked about this, I met Councilman Shyne come over to my first residential reconstruction revitalization project actually two years ago. This was a dilapidated structure in the Fairfield Historic District on Eustis. I bought this in the dilapidated position for \$20,000. We put a lot of bells and whistles into this particular project. It only ran \$76,000. I put a lot of sweat equity into it, i.e. like the Habitat for Humanity Project, and this is actually possible to do for about \$40,000. Even looking at those pictures that we saw today. The thing about this is we need to think outside the box. There are a lot of skilled laborers that can actually come in that don't have their insurance or bonding capacity that could be overseen by legitimate companies, and a lot of the stuff that you have in these costs are inflated costs. And from that standpoint, I would challenge anybody, because I can show you what we've actually done to take a \$20,000 property and now it's a \$160,000 asset in the Fairfield Historic District Neighborhood Association. So there's some things that can actually be done to take existing housing and instead of demolishing it, actually put \$30-40-50,000 into it which will actually save the resources. But if this is actually done by corporations that's in it for 20-30% profit, it would never be able to be done. So, I avail myself to letting any of you guys see what we've done over in the Fairfield Historic District from that standpoint, so thank you for the NIP.

Councilwoman Bowman: Thank you Mr. Lee. Jim Holt? This is Councilman Lester's deal from yesterday.

20. PROPERTY STANDARDS APPEALS:

PSD0900283: 2705 Myrtle Street, Shreveport, LA (A/Lester) Mr. Anderson Johnson, 2709 Logan Street, Shreveport, LA (A/Lester) (*Postponed July 26, 2010 until September 13, 2010*)

Mr. Holt: Councilman Lester, continuation from yesterday, 2705 Myrtle, extending from previous Council meeting. Mr. Anderson Johnson has authority to sign for the owner Denise Maxwell. Property needs to be demolished. At one time we had the owner sign to allow us to demolish the property. Mr. Anderson then became involved. He told me he could do it at a cheaper price. That was a few months back. We said fine is that's what you want to do, we appeal it to the Council as is appropriate. And all of the grass is being cut, the house is fixin' to fall down itself if something doesn't happen pretty quick.

Councilman Lester: Okay, thank you. Sir, can you have the house demolished in 30 days.

Mr. Anderson: Yes, I think we can.

Councilman Lester: Move to postpone or continue this for 30 days. I don't know what the 30 day date is.

Councilman Shyne: I'll second that

Ms. Johnson: I believe it's October 25th.

Councilman Walford: October 25th.

Motion by Councilman Lester, seconded by Councilman Shyne to postpone until October 25, 2010. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne, and Bowman. 7. Nays: None.

Councilwoman Bowman: Shelly, I didn't see anything on the agenda, but that cook-off that's coming up on the 24th?

Councilman Lester: The Heroes?

Councilwoman Bowman: Yeah.

Councilman Lester: It's on there.

Councilwoman Bowman: It is on here? Okay, I just wanted to be sure. Did we ask Mr. Stewart or somebody to come back today too? Is he here? He's not here.

19. TAXI LICENSE PERMIT APPEAL:

Mr. Michael Stewart, 1549 Oakdale Street, Shreveport, LA 71108 (B/Walford) Ace Cab Company 6363 Hearne Ave #208, Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) *(To be revisited September 13, 2010)*

Mr. Sibley: The one that's supposed to have the GED?

Councilwoman Bowman: Yeah. Calvin he's the guy with the GED that he was suppose to - -

LT Robinson: He applied back on 5/3 of this year. And I denied him because of a prior conviction. You guys overturned my decision which was fine with the stipulation that he enroll in a GED program, and Mr. Thompson wrote this letter to him, and he must bring proof. As of yesterday he didn't show up. I called him yesterday, explained to him that he needed to be here today, bring proof - - - not here. He said he's enrolled, but - - -. He's still got his permit too Mr. Lester. That means he can go to work anywhere right now until I get authority from you guys to revoke it

Councilman Lester: Alright Madam Chairman, my motion is - - -well first let me ask this to Mr. Thompson. He was contacted relative to his requirement to be here right?

LT Robinson: I contacted him yesterday right after I spoke to y'all.

Councilwoman Bowman: You spoke to him?

LT Robinson: Well I talked to him on the phone, and there as another officer standing there with me. And I talked with him then. I said you know you need to be here. He said, well I'm not going to make no promises. And he is currently not driving.

Mr. Thompson: I was just going to say that we notified him by letter, and he was also notified yesterday by the police department.

Councilman Lester: Okay, and the letter that we sent was consistent with what we notified him for.

LT Robinson: Right, I've got the letter right here Mr. Lester.

Councilman Lester: Gotcha, I'm not questioning, I'm just rambling through so I can check these things off my deal

LT Robinson: I just make the request that you go ahead and revoke it.

Councilman Lester: So based on the fact that we did put a suspension condition based on him giving proof of enrollment, and that has not been done, and he had been notified to be

here, and he's not here, my motion is to overturn the decision - - - I guess to support the denial.

LT Robinson: Just support my previous decision. That's all.

Councilman Shyne: I'll second that.

Motion by Councilman Lester, seconded by Councilman Shyne to uphold the decision of the Shreveport Police Department, and deny the application for a taxi license permit. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne, and Bowman. 6. Nays: None. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Walford. 1.

Revenue Collection Plan & Implementation Report

Mr. Sibley: To be very brief, what we've given you is the comparison sheet 2009-2010, Revenue Collection. I'd like to note a couple of things. Overall in 2009 when we collected \$69,000,000 for the eight months in 2010, we're right at about the same number or about 99.96%, but I wanted to particularly draw attention to a couple of lines that have been the emphasis of the Council and the Administration. If you notice property tax collection, we are at 103% or over 2009, we have \$57,00,700 roughly. For the eight months of 2010, we're at \$59,000,000 approximately \$500,000. Occupational license tax which is another area of emphasis, about 4 or 5 last year through the eight months of this year, we're at about 4 or 5, for 100.02%. Also in EMS collection activity which has been another area of emphasis for us, you see we're at about 96.24%. Again, I want to take a moment if I may and just offer for the record congratulations or commendations to those in revenue section who are working very, very hard. 1) to produce these reports off on such short notice, and secondly that we go out as the Council wanted to see them earn their money. And they are in fact doing it. If you notice for the eight months of this year, we're about where we were for 12 months of last year, and we see no reasons for those numbers to go down. Obviously some of them are fairly static at this point, but others, water collection, and you notice that number is a little low, but keep in mind that we suspended cutting anyone off during the hot season months, so we expect to see that number go up a little bit. EMS calls will continue. We expect that number to go up a little bit, so all in all, we think that our guys in compliance section headed by Mr. Bowie within our finance department is doing a good job going out and collecting money that the city is due. So again, if you have any questions or additionally information or if there is anything specific that you'd like for us to do at the next Council meeting, we'll do that.

Councilwoman Bowman: It's still kind of hot, and we're still not cutting it off right now are we?

Mr. Sibley: Well we are now, it was only during the triple digits.

Councilwoman Bowman: You cutting the water off Mr. Mayor?

Mayor Glover: The pressure that goes with sitting in the big chair Madam Chair.

Public Hearing:

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

Adding Items to the Agenda (Clerk reads items into the record - public comments allowed on items proposed to be added, then items can be added only after unanimous vote [See Act 131 of 2008])

The Clerk read the following:

1. **Resolution No. 212 of 2010**: Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute agreements with the Parish of Caddo relative to replacement of the Government Plaza roof and HVAC system and to otherwise provide with respect thereto

Mr. Thompson: Madam Chairman, there is already a resolution on the agenda to do the roof. That one will be taken off, because this one involves the HVAC system, and that's the reason to add it because it's more comprehensive than the one that's on the agenda.

Councilwoman Bowman: Okay then I need to see if there is anyone here to speak in favor or adding this to the agenda? Alright is there anyone here to speak in opposition?

Motion by Councilman Webb, seconded by Councilman Walford to add Resolution No. 212 of 2010 to the agenda. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne, and Bowman. 7. Nays: None.

Mr. Sibley: Okay just for the record, again as we indicated yesterday, we expect some increase in cost and as soon as we get those final numbers, we'll bring them to the Council for your consideration.

Councilwoman Bowman: And we're going to reverse them to the Parish.

Mr. Thompson: Madam Chairman just for the record, the resolution was added unanimously.

Public Comments (*Comments on items to be adopted*)

Confirmations and Appointments: None.

CONSENT AGENDA LEGISLATION

TO INTRODUCE RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES:

RESOLUTIONS: None.

ORDINANCES: None.

TO ADOPT RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

RESOLUTIONS:

The Clerk read the following:

RESOLUTION NO. 197 of 2010

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PIERCE HOLDING COMPANY, LLC LOCATED AT 265 FLOURNOY LUCAS RD., TO CONNECT TO THE WATER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, Pierce Holding Company, LLC 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 Pierce Holding Company, LLC be authorized to connect the structure, located at 265 Flournoy Lucas Rd. to the water 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.

Councilman Wooley: So moved

Councilwoman Bowman: We need a second. Well Councilman Wooley, it's fixin' to die.

Councilman Wooley: I guess so, if no one seconds.

Councilman Webb: Which one are you reading?

Councilman Wooley: I'll second the motion.

Councilwoman Bowman: Well I could say it's too late. And then mercy, grace and all that other stuff.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Wooley, seconded by Councilman Webb to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Long, Wooley, Webb, and Shyne. 4. Nays: Councilmen Lester, Walford, and Bowman. 3.

Councilman Wooley: Thank you for your mercy Madam Chairman.

Councilwoman Bowman: Okay.

RESOLUTION NO. 198 of 2010

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING HUDCO CONSTRUCTION, L.L.C., LOCATED AT 966 ROCHEL DRIVE, TO CONNECT TO THE WATER & SEWER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, Hudco Construction, L.L.C. 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 Hudco Construction, L.L.C. be authorized to connect the structure, located at 966 Rochel Dr., 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 Wooley, seconded by Councilman Webb to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne, and Bowman. 5. Nays: Councilmen Lester and Walford. 2.

ORDINANCES: None.

REGULAR AGENDA LEGISLATION

RESOLUTIONS ON SECOND READING AND FINAL PASSAGE OR WHICH REQUIRE ONLY ONE READING

The Clerk read the following:

1. **Resolution No. 176 of 2010**: A resolution to recognize the American Federation State County, and Municipal Employees union and AFSCME Local 13-25 as the exclusive representative agent for the City Employees and for the purpose stated herein, providing relative to resolution of employees issues, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (A/Lester)

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Lester, seconded by Councilman Long to postpone until the next regular meeting. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Long, Wooley, and Shyne. 5. Nays: Councilmen Webb and Bowman. 2.

2. **Resolution No. 191 of 2010**: Supporting an application for the creation of the Highland Community Cultural District in Shreveport, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (B/Walford)

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Walford, seconded by Councilman Wooley to postpone until the next regular meeting. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne, and Bowman. 7. Nays: None.

3. **Resolution No. 192 of 2010**: Authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with the Shreveport Regional Sports Authority relative to the State Fair of Louisiana Football Game and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Walford, seconded by Councilman Wooley to adopt.

Councilman Walford: For discussion purposes, I'll make a motion. I have no reason to think that this is going to go forward at this time, and I would actually defer to the Mayor.

Councilman Webb: Well I'd like to make a comment before you go to the Mayor. In speaking with Mary Ann Tice, she said that she did not want this to pass. So, it's easy for me to vote NO.

Councilwoman Bowman: Mary Ann Tice doesn't run this council. Mary Ann Tice is at the mercy of the taxpayers of the City of Shreveport. And I'm glad she doesn't want it to pass.

We're going to do what we need to do up here. And what's best for the city. I move to kill it.

Substitute motion by Councilman Bowman, to kill Resolution No. 192 of 2010.

Mayor Glover: And I would offer that we have already prepared and will have for introduction at the proper time for the next council meeting a resolution between the city and Prairie View similar to the one that was passed earlier between the city and Grambling for the Port City Classic.

Ms. Johnson: Madam Chairman, is there a second?

Councilman Walford: I'll second it.

Substitute motion by Councilman Bowman, seconded by Councilman Walford to kill Resolution No. 192 of 2010.

Councilman Webb: Are we still on the original motion?

Councilwoman Bowman: No, that's a substitute. Mine was to kill this.

Councilman Shyne: Madam Chair, since I'm nonviolent, can we change the word 'kill'?

Councilwoman Bowman: You can change it, but I'm not. I meant what I said.

Mr. Thompson: Madam Chair, could we just vote 'NO' on Mr. Walford's?

Councilwoman Bowman: Yeah, because you don't want to write 'kill' on there?

Substitute motion by Councilman Walford, seconded by Councilman Wooley to adopt.

Motion failed by the following vote: Nays: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne, and Bowman. 7. Ayes: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 193 OF 2010

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A SUBORDINATION AGREEMENT WITH JEFFERSON LIMITED PARTNERSHIP RELATIVE TO THE JEFFERSON APARTMENTS PROJECT AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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WHEREAS, in 1989, the City of Shreveport awarded a Neighborhood Improvement Leveraging Program (NILP) loan to Jefferson Limited Partnership for the restoration of a vacant and abandoned building thereby creating 69 affordable rental units for the elderly and disabled.; and

WHEREAS, renovation of the building has provided much needed affordable housing to citizens of city as well as significantly enhanced the appearance of the downtown area; and

WHEREAS, the loan was secured by a mortgage on the property in favor of the City of Shreveport; and

WHEREAS, Jefferson Limited Partnership has obtained approval for a new loan from Davis-Penn Mortgage Company, (“Davis-Penn”); and

WHEREAS, Davis-Penn requests that the City subordinate it mortgage in favor of the new mortgage resulting from the new loan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened that Cedric B. Glover, Mayor, is hereby authorized to execute a subordination agreement with Jefferson Limited Partnership, substantially in accordance with the draft thereof which was filed with the original copy of this resolution for public inspection in the Office of the Clerk of Council on July 27, 2010.

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 Lester, seconded by Councilman Long to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne, and Bowman. 6. Nays: None. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Walford. 1.

RESOLUTION NO. 194 OF 2010

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A RIGHT OF WAY AND EASEMENT) WITH LOUISIANA MIDSTREAM GAS SERVICES, L.L.C., FOR THE CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF AN UNDERGROUND ELECTRIC LINE AND RELATED FACILITIES ON CITY PROPERTY, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, Section 4.17 of the Charter of the City of Shreveport contemplates the adoption of a resolution prior to the Mayor's execution of any contract and/or agreement in which the City of Shreveport is a party and/or has an interest.

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport has been requested to grant a Right of Way and Easement to **LOUISIANA MIDSTREAM GAS SERVICES, L.L.C.** in association with the installation of an underground electric line as shown on the attachment hereto as Exhibit A.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal and regular session convened, that it hereby authorizes the Mayor's signature on the abovementioned Right of Way and Easement.

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 Webb, seconded by Councilman Wooley to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne, and Bowman. 6. Nays: None. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Walford. 1.

RESOLUTION NO. 195 OF 2010

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASING AGENT TO DISPOSE BY PUBLIC AUCTION OF SURPLUS ITEMS AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, the Purchasing Agent, after consultation with various department heads, has determined that certain vehicles and items as shown in Exhibit A attached hereto and made a part hereof are surplus, obsolete are unusable for present and future city needs ; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 108 of 1980 authorizes the Purchasing Agent to dispose of items determined to be surplus; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to retain responsibility for the disposition of all vehicles having an acquisition value of \$10,000.00 or more; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to dispose of, by public auction, the items described in Exhibit A attached hereto and made a part hereof, which have been determined to be surplus, obsolete or unusable for present and future City needs; and

WHEREAS, the City Council concurs in the finding that the items described in Exhibit A are surplus and no longer needed for public purposes and that the acquisition value of said properties are greater than \$10,000.

NOW BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened, that the Purchasing Agent is hereby authorized to dispose of, by public auction, the items described in Exhibit A attached.

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 Webb, seconded by Councilman Long to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne, and Bowman. 6. Nays: None. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Walford. 1.

7. **Resolution No. 196 of 2010**: Stating the City of Shreveport's endorsement of Schlumberger Technology Corporation to participate in the benefits of the Louisiana Restoration tax abatement program, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (F/Shyne) *(Not to be considered for approval until a Public Hearing has been held. Public Hearing is scheduled for September 28, 2010)*

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Wooley, seconded by Councilman Long to postpone until the next regular meeting. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne, and Bowman. 7. Nays: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 199 of 2010

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CANCELLATION OF CERTAIN PROPERTY STANDARDS LIENS AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO

Whereas, the property located at Lot 32, College Park Subdivision, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, geographical number 171416013003200 has been donated by its

previous owners (which included numerous heirs with fractional ownership) to Mooretown Baptist Church; and

Whereas, there are property standards liens and taxes due on said property which were incurred but not paid by the previous owners before the donation; and

Whereas, the Mooretown Baptist Church has taken possession of the property and has maintained and will continue to maintain it and keep it in good condition in accordance with city ordinances, and will pay the past due property taxes, but is unable to afford to pay the property standards liens and will not be able to retain the possession and properly care for the property if it is required to pay the outstanding liens; and

Whereas, it is in the city's interest to facilitate this donation of property by numerous fractional ownership heirs to a single responsible owner which will properly care for this property.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened that in accordance with Section 38-72(g) of the Code of Ordinances, the Finance Director is hereby authorized to waive and cancel the currently outstanding property standards liens on the property located at Lot 32, College Park Subdivision, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, geographical number 171416013003200. It is understood that the Mooretown Baptist Church will then pay the outstanding ad valorem taxes on the property in order to redeem it from its adjudication to the City of Shreveport.

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 Bowman, seconded by Councilman Wooley to adopt.

Councilman Webb: Will somebody explain that?

Councilwoman Bowman: That's in Councilman Shyne's district and it is a church. Councilman Shyne, I'm explaining your stuff. It's a small church and some property was donated to the Church a few years ago, and not knowing the individual had donated it had like some grass cutting and some other stuff that was charged to it. So, we're just waiving that.

Councilman Webb: And we're donating it to a church?

Councilwoman Bowman: Yes.

Councilman Shyne: Since this is a political season, and I'm not running, I yield.

Bell rings.

Councilman Walford: I was wondering why the bell didn't ring.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne, and Bowman. 7. Nays: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 200 OF 2010

A RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN ADJUDICATED PROPERTY TO BE SURPLUS, WHICH WILL AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO SELL THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT'S TAX INTEREST IN THESE ADJUDICATED PROPERTIES, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BY:

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport has an adjudicated tax interest in the properties described in Attachment "A4" for the non-payment of City property taxes; and

WHEREAS, the properties described in Attachment "A4" are not needed for public purposes and should be declared surplus properties; and

WHEREAS, LA R.S. 47:2202(B) and Code of Ordinances Section 26-301. authorize a municipality to sell adjudicated property to an adjoining landowner who has maintained the adjudicated property in accordance with said section for a period of one year; and

WHEREAS, Code of Ordinances Section 26-301 provides that the sale price for such sales shall be one dollar and other good and valuable consideration; the real consideration for such sales is the purchaser's effort, labor and expenses in maintaining the property for a full year; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport has received applications pursuant to the above cited laws from adjoining landowners to purchase its tax interest in each of the properties described in Attachment "A4".

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, regular and legal session convened that the properties described in Attachment "A4" are hereby declared surplus.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Shreveport does hereby authorize the sale of its tax interest in each of the aforesaid properties for one dollar and other good and valuable consideration; the real consideration for such sale is the purchaser's effort, labor and expenses in maintaining the property for a full year.

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if any provision or item of this resolution or the application thereof is 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 herewith are hereby repealed.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Lester, seconded by Councilman Wooley to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne, and Bowman. 7. Nays: None.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 201 OF 2010

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.#171410-119-0026– Lot 2 and the W. 20.6 ft. of Lot 1, Blk. 4, Ingleside Subdivision, Municipal Address – 0 Hearne Ave., Council District G.
- 2) Geo.#161501-010-0011– Lot 11, Blk. J, Union Subdivision, Municipal Address – 5741 Day St., Council District E.
- 3) Geo. #181435-031-0088– Lot 88, Greenlawn Terrace Subdivision, Municipal Address – 2050 Weinstock St., Council District A.
- 4) Geo.#181434-044-0019– Lot 19, Blk. 4, Breezy Hills Subdivision, Municipal Address – 2848 Murphy St., Council District G.
- 5) Geo. #171402-077-0024– Lot 24, Blk. 17, W. Shreveport Subdivision, Municipal Address – 1340 Kenneth Ave., Council District A.
- 6) Geo.#171402-028-0017– Lots 17 & 18, Blk. 8, Currie Subdivision, Municipal Address – 1904 Walnut St., Council District A.
- 7) Geo.#171403-043-0030– Lot 8 and the E/2 of Lot 9, Blk. 7, Queensborough Addition, Municipal Address- 2931 Lillian St., Council District G.
- 8) Geo. #181417-028-0646– N. 50 ft. of the E. 150 ft. of Lot 608, Jones Mabry Subdivision, Municipal Address – 2360 Audrey Lane, Council District A.
- 9) Geo. #181331-044-0079– Lot 79, L.E. Carter Subdivision, Municipal Address – 1101 Foster St., Council District B.
- 10) Geo. #181331-043-0060– Lot 60 and the N. 8 ft. of Lot 61, L.E. Carter Subdivision, Municipal Address – 1014 Foster St., Council District B.
- 11) Geo. #181331-044-0109– SW Corner of Lot 83 and the NW Corner of Lot 82, L.E. Carter Subdivision, Municipal Address – 1015 Foster St., Council District B.
- 12) Geo. #181331-044-0099– Lot 99, L.E. Carter Subdivision, Municipal Address – 1170 Everett St., Council District B.
- 13) Geo. #181437-112-0020– SE 60 ft. of Lot 16, Blk. 7, L.E. Carter Subdivision, Municipal Address – 710 Louisiana Ave., Council District B
- 14) Geo. #181331-043-0075– S. 32 ft. of Lot 61, L.E. Carter Subdivision, Municipal Address – 1018 Foster St., Council District B.

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 Wooley, seconded by Councilman Long to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne, and Bowman. 7. Nays: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 202 OF 2010

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE ELGIN COURT, LLC PROJECT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO. BY: COUNCILMAN WALFORD

WHEREAS, Elgin Court, LLC (the “Applicant”) is making application for low income housing tax credits (the “Application”) with the Louisiana Housing Finance Agency (“LHFA”);

WHEREAS, the Application is seeking an allocation of low income housing tax credits for the renovation and conversion of the Ogilvie Hardware Building located at 217 Jones Street to a multi-family affordable housing complex to be known as Ogilvie Hardware Lofts (the “Development”) within the City of Shreveport (“the City”);

WHEREAS, LHFA will award extra points to the application’s score if the governing authority of the municipality supports the application.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened that it supports the application of Elgin Court, LLC for low income housing tax credits with the Louisiana Housing Finance Agency, for the renovation and conversion of the Ogilvie Hardware Building, 217 Jones Street, located within the City of Shreveport, to a multi-family affordable housing complex to be known as Ogilvie Hardware Lofts.

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 Walford, seconded by Councilman Long to adopt.

Councilman Walford: Madam Chair, Mr. Harris was here from Dallas. This is for the Ogilvie Hardware Building to become residential.

Councilwoman Bowman: Is he still here or we wore him out.

Councilman Walford: No, he very honestly became ill. And he promised me that we didn't make him ill. But he was quite ill and wanted to stay, but I told him and he understands.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne, and Bowman. 7. Nays: None.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS: (*Not to be adopted prior to September 28, 2010*)

Mr. Thompson: Madam Chair, we're under Introduction of Resolutions not to be adopted prior to September 28, 2010. But before I read those, 209 the administration suggested that it be removed from the agenda. It's the one that's being replaced by the one that was voted on today.

The Clerk read the following:

7. **Resolution No. 209 of 2010**: A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with the Parish of Caddo relative to repair of the Government Plaza roof, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman Walford to remove Resolution No. 209 of 2010 from the agenda. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne, and Bowman. 7. Nays: None.

The Clerk read the following:

1. **Resolution No. 203 of 2010**: A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute revised rights of way and easements (20 year initial term with renewal options) with Louisiana Midstream Gas Services, L.L.C., for the construction and maintenance of pipelines and related facilities on City property, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (E/Webb) (Huntington)

2. **Resolution No. 204 of 2010**: A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute revised rights of way and easements (20 year initial term with renewal options) with Louisiana Midstream Gas Services, L.L.C., for the construction and maintenance of pipelines and related facilities on City property, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (E/Webb) (Springridge)

3. **Resolution No. 205 of 2010**: A resolution acknowledging that the City Council has reviewed the 2010 Internal “Municipal Water Pollution Prevention Report” concerning the North Regional and Lucas Wastewater Plants.

4. **Resolution No. 206 of 2010**: A resolution requesting the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources, Office of the State Mineral and energy Board, to lease certain mineral interests owned by the City of Shreveport, and authorizing the Board to execute such leases and all documents relative to same, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (F/Shyne/G/Bowman)

5. **Resolution No. 207 of 2010**: A resolution authorizing the Mayor’s execution of two grant agreements with the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources for funding assistance for the purchase of CNG Garbage trucks and installation of CNG fueling infrastructure, and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (All Districts)

6. **Resolution No. 208 of 2010**: A resolution authorizing the employment of special legal counsel to represent the City of Shreveport and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

8. **Resolution No. 210 of 2010**: A resolution ratifying the use of certain equipment by the North Shreveport Business Association, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

9. **Resolution No. 211 of 2010**: A resolution authorizing the waiver of building rental fees for the Riverview Hall on October 19, 2010 by the Louisiana Workforce Commission or other sponsoring agency or organization in connection with the 2010 “Work Pays Job Fair” and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

10. **Resolution No. 212 of 2010**: Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute agreements with the Parish of Caddo relative to replacement of the Government Plaza roof and HVAC system and to otherwise provide with respect thereto

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Walford, seconded by Councilman Long to introduce Resolution No(s). 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 210, 211, and 212 of 2010 to lay over until the next regular meeting. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne, and Bowman. 7. Nays: None.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES: *(Not to be adopted prior to September 28, 2010)*

The Clerk read the following:

1. **Ordinance No. 121 of 2010**: An ordinance amending the 2010 Capital Improvements Budget, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

2. **Ordinance No. 122 of 2010**: An ordinance closing and abandoning the 20 foot wide alley dedication, running between Lindholm and Malcolm Streets, in block “M” of the Werner Park Subdivision in Section 14 (T17N-R14W), and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (F/Shyne)

3. **Ordinance No. 123 of 2010**: An ordinance creating and establishing a No Parking Zone on the west side of the 2500 block of Centenary Boulevard, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (B/Walford)

4. **Ordinance No. 124 of 2010**: An ordinance amending Chapter 26 of the Code of Ordinances relative to appropriation or expenditure of city funds, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (A/Lester)

5. **Ordinance No. 125 of 2010**: ZONING – C-57-10: An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, the City of Shreveport Zoning Ordinances, the City of Shreveport zoning ordinance by rezoning of property located on the north side of Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, 250 feet west of Legardy Street Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, **from R-1H, Urban, One-Family Residence District, to B-2, Neighborhood Business District**, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (A/Lester)

6. **Ordinance No. 126 of 2010**: ZONING – C-58-10: An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, the City of Shreveport zoning ordinance, by rezoning property located on the SW corner of Southern Avenue and Vinton, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, **from R-1D-E, Urban, One Family Residence/Extended Use District to B-2-E, Neighborhood Business/Extended Use District Limited to “A Contractor’s Office, Warehouse, and Storage” only**, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (C/Long)

7. **Ordinance No. 127 of 2010**: ZONING – C-59-10: An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, the City of Shreveport Zoning Ordinances, the City of Shreveport zoning ordinance by rezoning of property located on the east side of Stevens Road, 1,000 feet north of Flournoy-Lucas Road, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, **from R-A, Residence/Agriculture District, to B-3 Community Business District**, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (D/Wooley)

8. **Ordinance No. 128 of 2010**: ZONING – C-60-10: An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, the City of Shreveport Zoning Ordinances, the City of Shreveport zoning ordinance by rezoning of property located on the NE side of Jewella and the Inner Loop Expressway, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, **from B-3, Commercial Business District to B-3-E, to B-3-E, Commercial Business/Extended Use District limited to “Auto Painting and Minor Body Repairs” only**, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (E/Webb)

9. **Ordinance No. 129 of 2010**: ZONING – C-61-10: An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, the City of Shreveport Zoning Ordinances, the City of Shreveport zoning ordinance by rezoning of property located on the west side of Mansfield Road, 850 feet south of West 70th Street, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, **from B-3, Commercial Business District to I-1 Light Industry District**, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (F/Shyne)

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Webb, seconded by Councilman Long to introduce Ordinance No(s). 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, and 129 of 2010 to lay over until the next regular meeting.

Councilman Webb: And I wanted to say something real quickly about 119. It's the old Pep Boys that closed down a couple of years ago. They're going to turn it into a paint shop and they're going to - - - basically that's what it's going to be. There were some concerns from some of the neighboring business that they were going to have a whole bunch of wrecked cars sitting out there and it was going to be like a body shop, but that's not going to be the case, it's just basically going to be a paint - - - where you come in and get your car repainted.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Long, Webb, Shyne, and Bowman. 6. Nays: None. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Wooley. 1.

Mr. Thompson: Madam Chair, Mr. Webb, for the record, you said No. 119. Is that 128 that you're referring to?

Councilman Webb: Did I say 119? Yeah, you're correct. It was - - -

Mr. Thompson: 128.

Councilman Webb: I said the wrong one.

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING AND FINAL PASSAGE (*Numbers are assigned Ordinance Numbers*)

The Clerk read the following:

1. **Ordinance No. 117 of 2010**: An ordinance amending and re-enacting portions of Chapter 22 of the Code of Ordinances relative to Building Permits, fences around swimming pools, and the enforcement of such provisions, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Having passed first reading on August 24, 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 Bowman, seconded by Councilman Webb to adopt.

Councilman Long: So we're okay with the builders and all these people that implement this? And I'm not opposed to, I just didn't - - - (inaudible) popping up here.

Councilwoman Bowman: I have no idea, Mike do you know?

Mr. Thompson: Madam Chairman, this came about because a person complained about not having fences around swimming pools. And I believe this is the one isn't it Mike? And so this requires trying to tightening up a requirements that you would have to have a fence around swimming pools, as soon as you construct them and as soon as you put water in them. Because it was a long delay where you could have water.

Councilman Long: It's more of a cleanup situation. Okay, I'm good.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne, and Bowman. 7. Nays: None.

2. Ordinance No. 118 of 2010: An ordinance authorizing an amendment to the Lease Agreement with the Salvation Army and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (*Not to be adopted prior to September 28, 2010*)

Having passed first reading on August 24, 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 Walford, seconded by Councilman Wooley to postpone until the next regular meeting.

Councilman Walford: For those who might be watching, that can't be adopted until September 28th.

Ms. Johnson: I'm sorry.

Councilwoman Bowman: What's the problem Bea? You so quick calling out our names.

Ms. Johnson: I don't know Madam Chair. I had a birthday.

Councilwoman Bowman: I had some chocolate donuts today so, I'm on a roll.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne, and Bowman. 7. Nays: None.

3. Ordinance No. 119 of 2010: ZONING – C-45-10: An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, the City of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning property located on the SE corner of Buncombe Road and Best Drive, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, from **B-1 Buffer Business District to B-1-E, Buffer Business/Extended Use District, limited to “all uses allowed by right in the B-1 District and the uses listed below”, only**, And to provide with respect thereto. (E/Webb)

Having passed first reading on August 24, 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 Webb, seconded by Councilman Walford to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne, and Bowman. 7. Nays: None.

4. **Ordinance No. 120 of 2010**: ZONING – C-52-10: 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, 310 feet north of Archer Avenue, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, from **SPI-1-3-E (B-1), Commercial Corridor Overlay/Extended Use (Buffer Business) District to SPI-3-E, Commercial Corridor overlay/Extended Use (Buffer Business) District limited to “A Women’s Boutique only”**, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (C/Long)

Having passed first reading on August 24, 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 Long, seconded by Councilman Bowman to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne, and Bowman. 7. Nays: None.

The adopted ordinances and amendments follow:

ORDINANCE NO. 32 OF 2008

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND REENACT PORTIONS OF DIVISION 3 OF ARTICLE V OF CHAPTER 26 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATIVE TO RETAINED RISK AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

By: Councilwoman Bowman

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal and regular session convened that Sections 26-174 and 26-175 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Shreveport are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

Sec. 26-174. Risk management committee.

There shall be a risk management committee consisting of two council members appointed by the city council, the chief administrative officer, the director of finance, the risk manager and the city attorney. The purpose of the risk management committee shall be to decide whether claims of \$10,000.00 or more but less than \$200,000.00 should be approved without the necessity of filing a lawsuit, based on the legal merits of the claim. The committee shall establish its own rules.

Sec. 26-175. Authority to compromise or settle claims against the city.

(a) Claims where a lawsuit has not been filed against the city.

(1) After investigation in accordance with the policy stated in section 26-172, the director of finance or his authorized designee is authorized to compromise or settle any claim against the city without the necessity for the filing of a lawsuit against the city in a matter where such settlement does not exceed \$10,000.00.

(2) After investigation in accordance with the policy stated in section 26-172, any claim that is \$10,000.00 or more but less than \$200,000.00 may be settled without the necessity for the filing of a lawsuit against the city only after it has been approved by the risk management committee.

(3) After investigation in accordance with the policy stated in section 26-172, any claim that is \$200,000.00 or more may be settled without the necessity for the filing of a lawsuit against the city only after it has been approved by the city council by resolution.

(b) Claims where a lawsuit has been filed against the city.

(1) After investigation in accordance with the policy stated in section 26-172, the City Attorney is authorized to compromise or settle any claim in a lawsuit against the city in a matter where such settlement does not exceed \$200,000.00.

(2) After investigation in accordance with the policy stated in section 26-172, any claim in a lawsuit that is \$200,000.00 or more may be settled only after it has been approved by the city council by resolution.

(c) Any such compromise settlements shall be exigible, payable, and paid only out of funds appropriated for that purpose by the city council.

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

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

ORDINANCE NO. 117 OF 2010

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND REENACT PORTIONS OF CHAPTER 22 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATIVE TO BUILDING PERMITS, FENCES AROUND SWIMMING POOLS, AND THE ENFORCEMENT OF SUCH PROVISIONS AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

By: Councilwoman Bowman

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal and regular session convened that Sections 22-29, 22-52, and 22-59 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Shreveport are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

Sec. 22-29. Issuance of citations.

a) The director of operational services and/or his designee, or the chief building official, shall have the authority to issue a citation to any individual(s), firm(s), partnership(s) or corporation(s) engaging in any business regulated by any of the codes referenced in subsection 22-26(a) when they have the necessary information indicating that such individual(s), firm(s), partnership(s) or corporation(s) is in violation of subsection 22-26(b)(5) or Article III of Chapter 22. In addition to issuing a citation, the director of operational services and/or his designee, or the chief building official, shall issue a stop-work order to said individual(s), firm(s), partnership(s) or corporation(s).

b) The director of operational services and/or his designee, or the chief building official, shall have the authority to issue a citation to any individual(s), firm(s), partnership(s) or corporation(s) when they have the necessary information indicating that such individual(s), firm(s), partnership(s) or corporation(s) is in violation of Article III of Chapter 22.

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Sec. 22-53. Penalty for violation of article.

Any person found in violation of this article, or any part or portion thereof, shall, upon conviction, be assessed a fine of not less than \$100.00 nor more than \$500.00.

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Sec. 22-59. Fence or other enclosure.

a) All swimming pools shall be completely enclosed by a protective fence or enclosure either encompassing the periphery of the pool or surrounding the lot on which the pool is located. The fence shall be of substantial construction with gates designed to prohibit entry by trespassing children.

b) The owner or occupant of the property on which is swimming pool is located shall be responsible for compliance with this section and shall, upon conviction be subject to the penalties in Section 22-53.

c) This provision shall not apply to a pool which is under construction and has no water in it.

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

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

ORDINANCE NO. 119 OF 2010

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 106 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT ZONING ORDINANCE, BY REZONING PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE SE CORNER OF BUNCOMBE ROAD AND BEST DRIVE, SHREVEPORT, CADDO PARISH, LOUISIANA, FROM B-1. BUFFER BUSINESS DISTRICT TO B-1-E, BUFFER BUSINESS/EXTENDED USE DISTRICT LIMITED TO “ALL USES ALLOWED BY RIGHT IN THE B-1 DISTRICT AND THE USES LISTED BELOW 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 SE corner of Buncombe Road and Best Drive, legally described as Lot A, Block 3, resubdivision of Broadview Subdivision, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA, be and the same is hereby changed from **B-1, Buffer Business District to B-1-E, Buffer Business/Extended Use District Limited to “all uses allowed by right in the B-1 District and the uses listed below only”**

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

1. Development of the property shall be in substantial accord with the site plan submitted with any significant changes or additions requiring further review and approval by the Planning Commission.

2. The B-1-E zoning is limited to all uses allowed by right in this district, and the following uses only:

- **Antiques store**
- **Apparel and accessory store**
- **Bakery, retail**
- **Delicatessen limited to take-out only**

- **Floral shop**
- **Furniture sales, repair, and upholstering**
- **Gift shop**
- **Hobby supply store**
- **Pet grooming facility limited to the grooming of household pets and other small animals; no outside kennels or overnight boarding permitted**
- **Tobacco store**

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. 120 OF 2010

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, 310 FEET NORTH OF ARCHER AVENUE, SHREVEPORT, CADDO PARISH, LOUISIANA, FROM SPI-3-E (B-1), COMMERCIAL CORRIDOR OVERLAY/EXTENDED USE (BUFFER BUSINESS) DISTRICT TO SPI-3-E, COMMERCIAL CORRIDOR OVERLAY/EXTENDED USE (BUFFER BUSINESS) DISTRICT LIMITED TO “A WOMEN’S 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, 310 feet north of Archer Avenue, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, legally described as the north 50 feet of Lot E, Resubdivision of Plot 18, Broadmoor Subdivision Unit #1, be and the same is hereby changed **from SPI-3-E (B-1), Commercial Corridor Overlay/Extended Use (Buffer Business) District, to SPI-3-E, Commercial Corridor Overlay/Extended Use (Buffer Business) District limited to “a women’s boutique only”**

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

1. Development of the 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. A note shall be placed on this site plan stating that the shared driveway will not be blocked.

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.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Councilwoman Bowman: Mr. Thompson, under Unfinished Business, No. 32/08, I'd like to take this off the table.

Mr. Thompson: Is that a motion Madam Chairman?

Councilwoman Bowman: Yes sir.

Councilman Wooley: Second.

Councilman Webb: Which one?

Councilwoman Bowman: No. 32.

Mr. Thompson: The first one.

Councilman Walford: No. 1.

Councilwoman Bowman: No. 1, Ordinance No. 32 of 08.

1. Ordinance No. 32 of 2008: An ordinance to amend and reenact portions of Division 3 of Article V of Chapter 26 of the Code of Ordinances relative to Retained Risk and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (*Introduced – March 25, 2008 - Tabled April 22, 2008*)

Motion by Councilman Bowman, seconded by Councilman Wooley to remove Ordinance No. 32 of 2008 from the table. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne, and Bowman. 7. Nays: None.

Mr. Thompson: Anything else Madam Chair under Unfinished Business?

Councilman Lester: Do we adopt it, we just took it off the table.

Councilwoman Bowman: Oh, okay. Yeah I move to adopt it.

Councilman Wooley: Second.

Councilman Shyne: Was that it Joyce? Who dat want to do dat?

Bell rings.

Councilman Lester: When Joe starts rapping, it's time.

Motion by Councilman Bowman, seconded by Councilman Wooley to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne, and Bowman. 7. Nays: None.

No other matters were considered under Unfinished Business except items numbered 1 - Ordinance No. 32 of 2008, 19 - Taxi License Permit Appeal (Mr. Michael Stewart), and 20 - Property Standards Case No. PSD0900283.

NEW BUSINESS:

PROPERTY STANDARDS APPEALS:

HBO1000037 5617 McAlpine Street, Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) Mr. Frank Davis, 5417 Roberts Street, Shreveport, LA 71109 (F/Shyne) **DECISION RENDERED September 13, 2010**

PSD1000097 3013 Oak Forest Lane, Shreveport, LA (A/Lester) Mr. James Roy Montgomery, Sr., 3021 Oak Forest Street Shreveport, LA 71107 (A/Lester) **DECISION RENDERED September 13, 2010**

ABO APPEALS:

Ms. Lynea Lamptey, 109 Southfield Road, Apt 43, Shreveport, LA 71105 (C/Long)
ZOCOLO 436 Ashley Ridge Boulevard, Shreveport, LA 71106 (D/Wooley) **DECISION RENDERED September 13, 2010**

TAXI LICENSE PERMIT APPEALS:

Mr. Walton Quick, 3808 Parkway Drive, Apt D, Shreveport, LA 71104 (C/Long) Casino Cabs, 2405 Kings Hwy, Shreveport, LA 71106 (C/Long) **DECISION RENDERED September 13, 2010**

REPORTS FROM OFFICERS, BOARDS, AND COMMITTEES

Councilwoman Bowman: I have one that I need to - - - Intergovernmental Meeting will be Friday, September 24, 2010 at 11:30, Independence Stadium Skybox, which we, the citizens of City of Shreveport own and operate. Please let Sharon know if you will be able to attend, or if there is anything that you would like placed on this agenda.

Councilman Walford: Madam Chairman, can we back up to Unfinished Business, and I don't want to step into Mr. Lester's business. But a lot of people misunderstood and didn't realize that he had tabled Ordinance No. 116 of 2010. And could we just reiterate that it is tabled and it is still tabled?

Councilwoman Bowman: And that it didn't pass today.

Councilman Walford: That's where I'm trying to do with that.

Councilman Lester: I was going to say something about that.

Councilman Walford: Oh, I'm sorry. I thought that we had just gone right by it.

Councilman Lester: Naw, I was going to wait until we got to comments, because there are a couple of things I wanted to say it. Alright are we under Officers, Boards and Committees now?

Councilwoman Bowman: Right.

Councilman Lester: Thank you Madam Chair. This is the time, and I appreciate that Monty as well as Councilman Long. I have received some correspondence from a number of groups and sent out some correspondence to some rental associations as well as to a number of neighborhood groups. What I'm going to do by time table is, I'm going to sit with our staff and find out when we have an open date. The plan is to sit down with those like the real estate professionals and the apartment folks and some of the renter folks that have been in opposition to the legislation, and give them an opportunity to submit those issues and have a meeting not with a thousand people, but with representatives from that group, and then at the same time, there have been a number of opponents, neighborhood associations and folks like that, that have said these are some of the things that we want. And ask those groups to submit those questions and issues and deal with that. So what my plan is, obviously not this week, is to find a date that we can make that happen and then publish that using our friends at our local daily in the media, in general to let them know what that is. But that's what my purpose is and I appreciate you giving me the opportunity, and also Councilman Walford for reminding me to say that. Because people are like, 'oh please postpone it.' We did that last meeting, we tabled it, there's a process and we're going to deal with and that's that.

Councilman Walford: Mr. Lester, we took the liberty yesterday. There were a number of opponents here, and we took the liberty of assuring them that there would be public input and that they would have a voice. We spoke for you yesterday too.

Councilman Lester: I don't have a problem with that because when you do something that you believe to be the right thing, it doesn't matter who has a comment on it. And it can stand on itself, and if you have some issues or concerns, bring them. I certainly don't shy away from that, and the only thing that I have said continuously throughout this process, I asked people to not demagogue and turn this into something that it's not. At least read the ordinance. Because I can tell you Councilman Walford, that after the meeting where it was introduced, a number of people that made certain representations and comments at the dais, after they had an opportunity to sit down and read it, they say, 'Well you know, it's not nearly as bad as I thought it was.' Of course that didn't make the headlines, but we're not worried about a headline, we're talking about getting something done for folks, and so that's where we are on that. And so I appreciate you guys covering that for me in my absence.

CLERK'S REPORT

Mr. Thompson: Just to announce that after this meeting, there is a special meeting so that the Council can go into executive session to discuss the matter Mary K. Daigle v. City of Shreveport, Docket #: 496,806-C, First Judicial District Court, Caddo Parish, Louisiana

Councilman Walford: Mr. Chairman, on Reports from Officers, Boards and Committees, there's an Airport Task Force Meeting, Tuesday at - - Mayor, help me. 9:00?

Mayor Glover: 9 or 9:30.

Councilman Walford: That's my problem. It's one or the other. It's 9:00 and it's at the Airport in their conference room.

THE COMMITTEE RISES AND REPORTS: *(Reconvenes Regular Council Meeting)*

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:30 p.m.

//s// Joyce Bowman, Chairman

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