

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA
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The Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana, was called to order by Chairman James Green at 3:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 13, 2003, in the Government Chambers in Government Plaza (505 Travis Street).

Councilman Gibson led the Council in the Invocation and held a moment of Silence for Councilman Monty Walford's mother.

On Roll Call, the following members were Present: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Carmody, Green, Gibson, Hogan, and Jackson. 7. Absent: None.

Approve Minutes. Motion by Councilman Gibson, seconded by Councilman Walford to approve the Administrative Conference Summary Minutes of April 21, 2003 and the Council Meeting Minutes of April 22, 2003. Motion approved by the following vote: Councilman Lester, Walford, Carmody, Gibson, Hogan, Green and Jackson. 7. Nays: None.

Awards, Recognition of Distinguished Guests, and Communications of the Mayor Which Are Required By Law.

There were no Communications from the Mayor.

Councilman Green: We have some guests that we would like to recognize, the Harley Davis group (Resolution No. 64 was read in its entirety.) I would like to recognize you all.

Councilman Gibson: Mr. Chair, I'm disappointed that we didn't get to see a motorcycle come rolling in today, seeing that we did get blessed with a variety of vehicles in our City, a few weeks ago.

Councilman Green: I would like to say, certainly I'd like to recognize you all and appreciate you all for the recent convention that you all had and certainly it was just so wonderful to see all those bikes and to see all of you and don't know of any incidents that happened.

I would just like, I don't know if you all are going to have it here again next year or whenever, but if so, I would like to do a ceremony of *blessing of the bikes* in this City because it was just so wonderful. In fact, it made me want to go buy me a motorbike and I can't even ride, but we are going to have the resolution at this time (Resolution No. 64 was read in its entirety.)

(Unidentified Speaker): You will have an opportunity April 1, 2004 because we are coming back next year.

Councilman Hogan: I have to mention this also, today, this morning I was in my office working and I received a phone call from a lady. I am not sure if it ya'lls chapter or someone else but it is out Bert Kouns Road and it is at Buster's Grill, a lady named Paige Lincoln had called. And they want to get a one day permit to have a party out there to raise money for a cancer victim (a cancer patient). And so I can testify to their organization that, that it is a worthwhile organization and I appreciate it.

Councilman Carmody: Mr. Chair, if you will be kind enough to make a motion, I'd be happy to second it. It was a tremendous event, look forward to seeing them back.

Councilman Walford: With this much notice and the comment that was made, do you suppose you might find a ride for the Chairman and a photographer? (Sure I can.)

Councilman Green: If I don't have a Harley, I'll have a scooter.

Councilman Gibson: I'd just want to comment, some months ago we as a body worked with the Harley Group here locally in giving them the opportunity to utilize the Festival Plaza and several

other ancillary city-owned facilities and obviously that was a great economic impact for our community. And it is always nice to know that when they say they've got "x" number of people coming into town, that the temporary noise that the bikes make we know exactly where you are at. In fact, I was at several places during the week, around the City and I always knew that there were Harley owners in the vicinity; so, your presence is well known but we definitely appreciate the effort that your organization did in terms of bringing in people from around the country and you definitely put your money where your mouth is in terms of investment in the community and we were glad to be able to oblige to facilitate that particular event for you, so thank you very much.

Councilman Green: Also, I have some other special guests. I have some citizens from District F, my constituents who are here there are some other suppose to come, but at this time I have the Sierra Group. Would you all stand, and this is one group and others should be on the way.

They are in support of the resolution as to our district that we passed some time ago, they are in support of all of the police help that we can get, they are in support of the surveillance cameras, and getting crime out of our neighborhoods. I would like to thank you all for coming. The President is here, Mr. Ray and those are some wonderful members, thank you all for coming. Would you all be kind enough to give them a hand.

Councilman Gibson: If I could ask Pastor Bernard Kimble and the Cedar Grove Pastor/Counsel to come forward please. For the pleasure of my colleagues, back in December we had the opportunity to work together to form a Pastor Counsel out in Cedar Grove and I'd like to introduce Pastor Bernard Kimble of Mt. Olive to introduce his colleagues and to say a few words to the Council.

Pastor Kimble: Thank you, Mike. Yes, it is a pleasure to be here. We was organized as a group that was concerned about the efforts in the Cedar Grove community in the areas of housing and crime, primarily and of course we are very, very grateful to the support that we have received from Councilman Gibson. For quite some time we have felt a little bit dis-enfranchised out in Cedar Grove and so we do want to, by all means, commend him for the effort of stepping forward to help bridge those gaps.

And of course, as you know, Cedar Grove is pretty large area and it covers a big block of District D, however it is surrounded by areas that are very, very wealthy and well-to-do so a lot of times we just sort of get left out of the entire mix of things and so this Council's primary function is to support our Councilman and of course to serve as ears and eyes into the communities into which we serve and which we work and which we even live and by doing that, then we are able to keep him abreast of those particular needs that are pertinent to those citizens in Cedar Grove.

With that being said, I would like to actually introduce, we have with us Pastor A. J. Sudds, who is Pastor of the Shady Grove Baptist Church and of course, there is basically four of us on this Council and we are divided into sections of Cedar Grove, so we pretty much cover the entire section and Pastor Sudds is primarily responsible for communicating to those other pastors that are in his area.

We have in absence, Pastor Lydell Scott who is not here today. He is Pastor of the Herd Chapel Baptist Church and that's there on 79th Street, so he covers that inner part of Cedar Grove.

We have Pastor Williamson, here that is with us. He is Pastor of New Zion Baptist Church right there on St. Vincent. So we do cover, what I consider to be the heart of Cedar Grove.

While we are here, again we want to thank Councilman Gibson for the support that he has shown us and for the ear that he has actually loaned to us and of course, we do expect to be back

before this Council on different occasions and we want to say to you all, we do appreciate this support that you could possibly give to any citizens from Cedar Grove.

We are really concerned about crime and of course Mike's aware of that too. Right now we have, three police officers in that area and we do need more and so anything that you all can do to help us in those areas, then we would appreciate it.

Pastor Sudds: We are here because we are concerned about what is really transpiring in our community and we do believe that Cedar Grove is the major part of the Shreveport, we make up the Shreveport community and problems that bother us there, we want to let it be known to the City. We thank God for a Councilman that we can communicate with and that we can see. And he talks to us and we talk to him and we do pray that everything will work well for the entire City.

Pastor Williamson: For the past couple of few months, I've been pray walking in Cedar Grove and they tell you that, if you want to know what is going on in an area, walk it. I am not a politician. Politicians walk streets, I'm not a politician, but I pray walk and when I prayer walk, I feel for the people there and I tell God, God's what's going on. And you care about everyone and you must care about these people. And so when we get together and we pray about Cedar Grove we walk in Cedar Grove, we realize that God cares about those people, but he use us as instruments to help them and that's why we are here. We are instruments. You are instruments and I know together we can help the people in Cedar Grove. God bless you.

Councilman Gibson: I just want to say, that's its been a interesting experience so far in my tenure as City Council. I've learned a lot of my colleagues up here. Their ability and I think one of the things that excited me about this group coming together in November when we were elected is, the communication that we have amongst each other. And Councilman Lester, you and I have said many of times, we may disagree on some things from time-to-time, but one thing that we will do and Councilman Jackson, Councilman Carmody, all of us up here, we will communicate and that was my commitment to these gentlemen in the *Cedar Grove Pastor Council* is, we are going to communicate. And, ya'll have taught me a lot about what communication is about and that's transpired into my district all the way across the line, so I do appreciate these gentlemen coming forward today.

Councilman Jackson: Thank you Mr. Chairman, Mayor and all of this esteemed Council. I also have a special guest today that I wanted to recognize and I want to recognize her in the form of a resolution, that resolution is not yet prepared. I've not had enough time but I want to indicate now that I am in the processing of working to prepare a resolution so that she can have that as well and have that from now on.

But, I wanted her while she was in town to be able to come so that we could, as a City, and specifically as City Council show her some appreciation for the kind of image that she represents and Shreveport is benefitting from her image not only nationally but in just a little while, we will be benefitting from her internationally on a world wide basis. And everywhere she goes, the monarch of Shreveport will go with her; so, I wanted to recognize her today. She is here, I know. Will you come forward *Ms. Alana Beard* and along with Alana, I'd like to ask her mother to come and also *Ms. Dottie Bell* whose here as well, an Educator in Caddo Parish, I'd like to ask them to come forward.

Councilman Green: Would you sign my agenda.

Councilman Carmody: I was going to say, can we get autographs while you are here.

Councilman Jackson: In the form of introduction, allow me please to say that, as some of you may know, Alana is a Junior at Duke University and she is one of if not in my opinion, certainly the best woman's basketball player in the country. If you recall that as a basketball player at Southwood, she lead her team to 53 straight wins and Southwood didn't lose a home or a district games in the four years that she was on the court. And four straight Louisiana State title, I might add, to that as well.

She was named *Louisiana Player of the Year* by Gator Aide and U. S. A. Today, as a Senior. She also received obviously more honors at Southwood than I could even begin to name at the high school level, but she didn't stop at Southwood. Alana continued in her winning ways at Duke and she already ranks as one of the top players of all time, not only at Duke but in the Atlantic Coast Conference, as well.

Currently as a Junior she was the Tribe Captain of her squad and she is the only Duke Woman's Player to ever make the First Ream Associated Press All-America, in the history of that University. And I might add is, in my opinion, the leading contender for the Player of the Year honors on next year.

In just a couple of years, she already has ranked as one of the top players of All Time not only at Duke and ACC, but in the country and she averages more than 20, I think somewhere around 22 points, a game. She is at 114 steals, she ranks No. 1 among men and women. She is one of the only players, men and women, at Duke University to score over 2000 points. There is only one other person who is a female, who I think has about 116 more points than she does and she should eclipse that in the first three games of next year. So, I just wanted to say to all of you that, she has done a good and she has been an All American, she is one of the finalist for the highest awards in the land.

I was reading some information about her and one of the coaches who has the arduous task of coaching against her said that: "I think one of the key things about Alana Beard is that she scores from every spot on the floor. She is an explosive athlete who can get to the basket and also can shoot the three. There are just a handful of players in the country and in the history who can do what Alana Beard does. Like all great players, she makes every player around her better. I also think she's the best rebounding guard in the country." This is somebody who has to play against her.

To me fellow Councilman, a placed at your stations, five pages of stats and testimonies about Alana because I don't have time to go through, every one of them, but I wanted to let Alana know that not only am I proud of you, but this Council is proud of you and the City of Shreveport is proud of you as well and we will continue to follow your career with a great deal of not only interest, but pride and continue to pray for you, your success, as you not only move around in this country, but I might add she is also invited next week, I believe, to Colorado Springs, Colorado to (I guess the right term is) try out for the Olympic Team. So I have no doubt not only will she make the team, but she'll be one of the women who will be starting on our Olympic Team, so I look forward to seeing her not only continue to represent Shreveport, but as she represents the United States of America. I just wanted to say, thank you for all you have done and wish you well as you continue to move forward.

Let me, before Alana talks, I want to say thank you to Ms. Dottie Bell because she called me, I didn't know who she was. She called me last night, I don't know what time it was, but it was late and told she me that Alana was in town; of course she knows that I'm a fan of athletics and she said she was in town. I said, say no more ask her can she come at 3 o'clock tomorrow and so I thank she

and her mother for responding that quickly and thank you Dottie for calling me to allow to allow me to have this opportunity to say thank you to Alana and we'd like to hear from you too.

Ms. Beard: First of all, where did you get all those stats? I didn't have a clue about any of them.

Councilman Carmody: He's got a connection with ESPN.

Ms. Beard: I'd just like to thank the City of Shreveport for giving me this opportunity to come before you all and I just thank you. And I'm just glad to be a representative of the City of Shreveport in such an early span of my life and I can assure you that I'm going to press towards making my career even more successful.

Councilman Jackson: For all of this Council, and not only the Council, I would like to ask for those who are here in attendance to this meeting, to join me. I think it is fitting that we would show Ms. Alana Beard a sign of congratulation through our applaud.

Councilman Gibson: I'd just ask Alana the next time she plays my alma mater, the Red Raiders of Texas Tech, she ease up a little bit on them, she a little too tough on them. Also, Mr. Chair, I'd also like to recognize Dottie Bell for her outstanding leadership. She's leading the charge to get us a new Superintendent of Schools and I would tell you, we really appreciate the hard work you are putting into that because that has been a real challenge because of the awesome responsibilities that superintendent brings to our Caddo Parish Schools and I do appreciate the tireless effort that you are putting into it Dottie, thank you very much

Ms. Bell: Pray for us.

Councilman Jackson: Before you leave Alana, I just want to be sure, I know many of these guys were joking, but I really wanted to get your autograph, for real.

Mayor Hightower: As short as you are, she could sign the top of your head.

Councilman Jackson: I would do that if I had some, chalk.

Councilman Gibson: Lets not get personal over there.

Mr. Antee: As many of you know or may not know, Archie Hall played basketball for Grambling State and he was telling me, he wanted to take her on one-on-one. I don't know how long she is going to be in town.

Mayor Hightower: I know who my money is on.

Ms. Bell: Thank you all so much but Alana is coming back on July 5th and she is going to do a camp for mentoring other young girls in basketball and you will hear from us, okay.

Mayor Hightower: Dottie, I'm sure we will.

Councilman Hogan: Alana, I can appreciate that, you are from Southwood High School and I went to Southwood. It does make me sad in a way though to admit that I graduated from there 2 years before you were born but, anyway, thank you for representing Southwood. And when you get to the Olympics go back and see them over there at Southwood, hear.

Convention Center and Convention Center Hotel Project Report: Mr. Antee: Since the last meeting, the date to receive the bids has been moved back. We will receive them next Tuesday and Wednesday, I think here in the Council Chamber. There hadn't been any real movement other than the construction manager and the architect working to answer questions. The reason for moving the bid openings back 2 weeks at the request of the construction community, to have more time to look at the plans and to do their bids. And we felt like, by giving them the additional time we would get better bids and better price; so that is pretty much the update.

Next Council meeting we should have at least the preliminary numbers in and have a thorough report as to where we stand on those numbers.

Councilman Gibson: I want to thank the Administration for passing the word down. Obviously there has been quite few requests for information for the construction community. There has been some concerns about the design documents and I know that the Administration has worked diligently to pull together the construction manager which is only a facilitator of the bid to work to get that information to the design professional to respond.

It is not unusual to see on a bigger project to see the amount of request for information, but again as I mentioned yesterday at the work session, I would encourage my Council members and anybody watching today, if you know somebody in th construction industry that is looking for an opportunity to bid, next week is the time to do so. Those documents are available through a variety of sources to look at and we encourage companies to step up and bid this project but there is plenty of opportunities for everybody, but if you don't bid you are not going to have that opportunity to do so after Tuesday and Wednesday of next week. But next week is going to be a historical time, I guess in a lot of different ways for this City on the bid packages. And I am for one cautiously optimistic to see what is going to materialize out of the bids submitted through that process next Tuesday and Wednesday.

Councilman Lester: Mr. Antee, where do we stand on the Convention Center Hotel in terms of putting their team together as it relates to design and engineering and things of that nature?

Mr. Antee: I think they have submitted or they compiled a list to recommend to the Mayor to look at and I'm trying to, think we got that in yesterday. I haven't had a chance to print it out and take it to the Mayor, yet; so, I got it on my e-mail this morning and so that would be the next step.

Councilman Lester: Have we established or have they established a time table in terms of when they are going to put their design team together in the next steps of the project or have we not gotten to that point yet?

Mr. Antee: No they are to that point, I mean if the players that they recommend are acceptable, then we finalize the contract with the lead architect who then in turn enters into contracts with the sub-consultants.

Councilman Lester: Have we had any showing where those contacts are fair share compliant in terms of architects and design and engineering and things of that nature?

Mr. Antee: Like I said, I haven't had the opportunity to go through the list and present it to the Mayor, but they do know what the Fair Share Plan is and they were committed and I'm sure they are committed to make sure that it does comply with the Fair Share Plan, and so when we do look and I feel confident that it will satisfy it.

Councilman Jackson: While we are on the subject of construction, I've been having conversation, I talked yesterday, just briefly I'd talked with Councilman Gibson and I'd had conversations a couple of days ago with the Fair Share Office as well. Because while we've been focused on this Convention Center project, I know that there are other projects that are out there. There is a \$6 million dollar/ \$6.5 million dollar jail project that we've talking about and I know that we were in the process of bidding that out and getting it moving forward and getting the contract on it and what have you.

My question was, I guess for the record . . . that I've seen some numbers and certainly at this point, they are certainly nothing to brag about as it relates to where we are in Fair Share with that \$6.5 million dollar project. I wanted to know what our plans were as we move forward? Did we

have plans to do some different things. I'm getting some mixed stories about what is going on and I think different ones of us we have different perceptions of what's going on. I've heard at least two different fair share numbers and neither one of them, needless to say, was 25% but there are some different numbers that are out there and I'm just concerned that as we focus on this Convention Center, that we will allow these other opportunities to fall through the crack that minority businesses, specifically, have a chance to do some work on these smaller projects as well.

Mr. Antee: As far as the Jail Project, the Fair Share Office has now, they've got the contract. When it first came in, we had them go back and look to see where there were some areas that we could do some value engineering. The architects have done that and has come back with some significant savings on the project. So now it is at the Fair Share Compliance Office.

I've heard numbers that range between 5 and 18% as far as Fair Share compliant. Keep in mind that is a public bid job, so what we've got to look at is, whenever that number is, was it obtained in good faith and did they make a good faith effort to reach the 25% goal. If it is 5% and they made a good faith effort then by law, it will be 5%. If it is 18% and they made a good faith effort then it is 18%, even at that we go back to the contractor that is the low bid and see if there are any other areas that they could go and boast those numbers up to try to get a higher number. But it is a public bid and unless they did not operate in good faith then we are bound by law and by the Fair Share Ordinance, to move forward.

Councilman Jackson: Obviously since we haven't moved forward, we obviously haven't meet all of those standards, or at least it is not public whether or not we've meet those standards. I guess my question is always too what is, good faith effort, that is such a vague term. I know that there is some standards that will constitute a good faith effort and very often it is mailing out and those kinds of things and I guess my question is and I don't know if we are at the point now where the question can be answered. Mr. Gilliam is here, maybe he may be able to shed light on it. But what did are we prepared now to say we are finished with the good faith effort, and so the 5/5.5% that I'm seeing that we are at now, somewhere in there, then represents the best effort?

Mr. Antee: No, that is why the contract has not been forwarded out of the Fair Share Office. They are working on that now, so we are not in a position to make that determination as I understand from visiting with Mr. Gilliam earlier today. But it gets back to what Councilman Gibson has stated in the last six or seven or ten or however many Council meetings, people need to get out there and bid. And they need to submit bids and submit quotes to suppliers in order to reach these numbers because under the state bid law, if you don't bid, then you don't have the opportunity and that is what the Fair Share Ordinance is, is the opportunity.

And what is good faith? It is kind of like what the Supreme Court said, we can't really define it in words, but we know it when we see it. We know when it is not good faith. You may have 22% and there not be good faith there or you may have 2% and they did everything they could possible do. It is on a case-by-case basis and that's what Mr. Gilliam is working on now.

Councilman Jackson: I hope that at some time in the very near future, "near" meaning between now and our next meeting that we can get some kind of explanation and/or understanding with reference to where we specifically are and I guess it is not a question of whether or not we are satisfied as I think you've expressed it, how we begin to move forward.

As a part of that as well, I'm interested in whatever percentage we have, how much of that is local because certainly we could get to a higher percentage of minority participation with folks from out of town and thus have a great aesthetic package, but we don't really have any local impact or no

economic in our community. So, I guess my question also would be not for necessarily an answer today, but between now and certainly before we prepare to release that contract that we need to know, I'm asking to know specifically what that make-up is and how we break down those numbers what is actually local minorities and then what are minorities from out of town and what the number is in total.

Councilman Green: Mr. Gilliam, are you prepared to make any type statement, today or would you need some time? Along the lines of the questions Councilman Jackson was asking, just make a comment or two.

Mr. Gilliam: Indeed we are now in the process and we keep looking at this project for about 2 ½ maybe 3 weeks. We are trying to examine exactly what their good faith effort is, and if indeed it is genuine. The Purchasing Office has already calculated that inclusive percent should be around 8%. We've gone back and actually (inaudible)

Councilman Gibson: Excuse me, Mr. Chair. I didn't catch it. What was that percentage?

Mr. Gilliam: The Purchasing Office has actually included a Fair Share, they've calculated a fair share inclusion of something like 8%.

Councilman Gibson: Eight percent (8%), I thought you said 18.

Mr. Gilliam: Our office has calculated an inclusion percentage of something like 5.1% and of course, this contractor is affirmed the fact that he has 18% and it is one of those unique situation Councilman Green, where this particular contractor for whatever reason, has determined to try and interpret for us what the Fair Share Ordinance is. It is usually the other way around. They will call and solicit our opinion exactly what it. And until we can get some kind of agreement on that, we have been holding that contract and asking those kinds of questions. We have a meeting set up tomorrow at 1:30 with two representatives from that company and we are hopefully that we will be able for them to at least what our interpretation is, at least. They haven't asked and basically they've tried to tell us and that is why we kind of stood firm; obviously we haven't been satisfied with their good faith effort.

Councilman Gibson: Mr. Gilliam I appreciate your information on that. You and I have worked on a lot of different things in the last few years, working up to not only the planning but the implementation of the Fair Share Program.

One thing that we've been clear in terms of the construction industry is, sending out in terms of the good faith effort, encouraging and most general contractors in the community do a very good job of sending our registered letters for a better word, out to the list of the Fair Share companies and also the members of the Associated Minority Contractors Association to make sure that there is documentation.

And we continue to try to get that word out to all companies that, that is one way to make sure that the people get the information about our RFPs (Request For Proposals). I don't know if that was done on this particular project. And if there is anything that I can do from a Council perspective or industry perspective, I'd be more than happy to work with you on that particular aspect of it.

I had heard as high as 18% and these numbers that you've brought today are obviously something different. The difference between the 8% that you first reported and what you are saying at 5%, why the discrepancy between the 8 and 5?

Mr. Gilliam: I think the difference is that this contractor, and it is a contractor that basically we haven't had any dealings with.

Councilman Gibson: They are a Kansas City based firm.

Mr. Gilliam: I understand they are a large firm, they have a local address. It appears too that they've used a directory, a printed directory that was last dated 2001. We've tried to emphasize to them that we don't use a printed directory any longer because as soon as you get a printed directory out, it is almost obsolete by the time you get it in print. We now have on-line directory that is key word searchable, (inaudible) searchable and we've tried to sensitize this company that, that's the direction they should be going. For whatever reason though, they've insisted on using that 2001 printed document.

They've also indicated that they have used some companies that are already being certified through the State Department of Economic Development and we are telling that, we don't necessarily have a reciprocal with those particular companies.

They've also brought to the table some minority and some women companies that are outside of the Shreveport area, and that has caused us some concern.

Councilman Gibson: Let me ask a question on that line, Mr. Chair, if I could regarding the statement of if the State of Louisiana has a certified list and some of those firms that are on that list could be local, is there an opportunity there for our Fair Share Department of the City of Shreveport to reciprocate in that aspect

Mr. Gilliam: It is indeed. It is indeed. We've actually asked for two representative to please, put us in contact with those people so that we might see if we can at least get them embedded into our program.

Councilman Gibson: The only reason why I ask is, it is basically our program in terms of our certification process and the State's are basically identical in terms of efforts, so to keep a business from having to replicate if they are certified on one, I know for example and before I came back to my home town here, in Houston, there was the City of Houston, the Harris County Procurement side and the Mass Transit Authority Metro. All of them had different types of certifications but they all recognized one another to keep a company from having to go through double or triple the certification. So, I'd encourage you to continue moving forward to the reciprocity with the State of Louisiana.

Councilman Lester: Mr. Gilliam just a couple of thoughts for what they are worth. 1. My first question is, are you prepared to hold this contract as you are authorized to do under the Fair Share language if there is not a good faith showing?

Mr. Gilliam: Yes, sir.

Councilman Lester: 2. This is a general statement. Good faith, Mr. Antee, is correct—good faith means different things to different people and those of us that are in the law business, do what we do (let me just put it like that.). In my mind though, good faith should not be a profligate against implementation of the Fair Share Program and as I see it a lot of times good faith has been used as an excuse. In other words, well we've sent this correspondence. In my mind, and I think what the community expects good faith to do is, at the end of this project or as we move forward in the bid process, the General Contractor shows up with some qualified minority firm and says, even though I might not be able to give 25%, I'm bringing a minority company, a qualified, certified, bonafide minority company to the dance and if they are doing 5% they are doing 5%, if they are doing 10%, they are 10%, but to me that is what good faith is.

And I think we've got to get to a point where, you know, we just don't pass notes for lack of a better term and show up to your office and say, Mr. Gilliam I took this list and I sent this list this

submission to the last 4 or 5 companies and no one wanted to meet my price, therefore this is my showing of good faith, let me do this deal.

I think at a certain point we have to have some courageous people within the construction industry and not to say that we don't, but we have to get to a point where good faith actually means, I show up with a qualified minority company to do the work.

So, I just want to say please continue to do what you've been doing in terms of standing fast and if there is some things that we need to do from a Council standpoint to take a look at the Fair Share Program, if there are some things that need to be done, I would love to sit down and talk to you about it because if we continue to get to a point where we are saying to people, we want you to bid the project and if you bid the project, we'll get you the work. Well, maybe we need to ask a question, why aren't some of these qualified minority companies bidding the work? There could be a reason why they are not bidding the work and I suspect if we use some (inaudible) we could come with the answer to that. But, I just wanted to applaud you for what you've done and say, I'm ready to work with you to tighten the program, to move forward.

Councilman Carmody: Mr. Gilliam, I think that the Councilman Lester brings up a good question and I know that we talked about this before, but can you give us some of the reasons that people say that they don't want to come and participate?

Mr. Gilliam: A lot of times this involves around this whole concept of ready, willing, and able, and of course the concepts that we throw out all the time: capacity and availability. Those are some of the realities we deal with. But on the other side of that of course, Mr. Carmody is, the real aspect of good faith. Well, we take the idea of good faith very seriously and over the four years we've had this project under construction of the Fair Share initiatives, we've learned a lot of little techniques to the trade, a lot of little tricks of the trade, if you will.

We can find and we receive some times, huge volumes of what appears to be good faith, but when you dig below the surface you find that sometimes it is very easy over a 3 or 4 month period, you can easily identify non-responders or some businesses that have gone out of business or some businesses that are just basically P.O. boxes and you continually send and solicit from those then readily our office is going to dub that as not good faith.

Councilman Gibson: This more directed at my colleague Councilman Lester. Councilman, I was under the impression and I would like suggest that with your oversight group with the Convention Center and the Convention Center Hotel, I mean you know my thoughts in terms of both but the Convention Center Hotel specifically that, that could act as a way to not only look back but look forward in terms of receiving feedback because one of the recommendations we had made initially is an industry with the Fair Share Program in its infant stages is to have a group that works with, at that time we didn't know what it was going to be, but Fair Share Department evolved out of it. But, to have an opportunity for the City of Shreveport and the construction community to look at and then the other industries that serve, because obviously there are janitorial and there is all those other things, but specifically on the construction where the big dollars are, is to look back on the information that we are provided by the Administration to see, like for example in 2002 if we had a shortage of minority mechanical subcontractors on a project and we know we have "x" number of minority subcontractors in this community and one was the only one that continue to bid, we need to be able to be in a position to work with Fair Share and the industry to go talk to those other three and find out what it is. It may be a shortage of bonding capacity, it may be a variety of other things that come to the table, but that group could continue to provide enhancements to remove some of these

shortcomings, if you, and I don't know if they are or not, but some times I mean, Sam and I have talked about this at great length about what certain companies because it is not exclusive to minority firms. There is a lot of non-minorities that either chose not to bid City work or don't know how to go about doing business with the City and I think that Sam's department and the Administration have done a yo-man's job over the years to try provide as much information as possible, but sometimes it just doesn't hit the mark, but your Committee could act partly as reviewing some of that information to come up with long-term solutions.

Councilman Green: Mr. Gilliam, certainly we would like to commend you all and your office for what a great job you are doing and what you have done and we appreciate you taking strong interest in what you do.

Also, just hold the contract as long as you possible can and maybe we will get to the point to where we will just give Sheriff Prator a \$1 million dollars out of that and let him build us a pod up there, and we won't need that jail anyway. Have a great day.

Councilman Walford: For the benefit of your guest, I would make a motion that we suspend the rules and allow their spokesman to address the Council, seconded by Councilman Gibson. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilman Lester, Walford, Carmody, Gibson, Hogan, and Green. 6. Nays: None. Out of Chamber: Councilman Jackson. 1.

Ms. Helen Vines (2756 Rosemont, Sunset Acres): I have a few (inaudible). I want to start off by saying that I have been a resident of Shreveport for 49 years and I've lived all over the City of Shreveport. I sized down to a little house in Sunset Acres.

We have quite a few problems out there. We have some houses that are vacant. We had one little house that there is a van parked there on flat tires and grass hadn't been cut. The children are knocking out the panes in the house and that, we've been trying to get something done about that since October 13, 2002.

Councilman Green: What is the address?

Ms. Vines: I'm not sure of the address. It is the gray house. It is probably 2750 (or something like that).

Councilman Green: 2750--what's the street?

Ms. Vines: Rosemont Street.

Councilman Green: Mr. Bowie, did you get that address.

Ms. Vines: It is a gray house with the ladders on the side and its got an old gray van parked in the front. And it has been vacant and the owner has been called, but there is nothing being done about it. They throw these big tree stumps out on the street and Trash won't pick it up, they are too big. So, there they lay and it is an eyesore, okay. Now, down on the corner of Rosemont and Canal, we were suppose to have a covenant there that covered people building fences in front of the houses. Well, this is a cyclone fence at the corner of Rosemont and Canal and he's put a theme park in there. And I think, he is under the impression that he don't have to take care of anything on the outside of the cyclone fence. It is strewn with trash and all that sort of thing. A bunch of them along there think that easement that goes to the sidewalk and on, that belongs to the City they don't think that they are suppose to take care of that but we've been doing it for years. And there is people who live there in this area for 39 and 40 years and they try to have a pretty place to live and they so disgusted, they don't know what to do.

The Water Department they come out there, they blast your pipe. You don't know you are without water. And they are working on the main line and they dig up the dirt and the sand comes

running down the street when we get a rain. Then the (inaudible), shooting up (the sand) and it lands on our cars, our houses and everything else. Also, we have a 25 mile speed zone on the front and the side of West Canal Street. They come through there, I know some of them, 80 and 90 miles an hour. And they, I seldom ever see a police car and we have little kids riding their toy bicycles in the street. We didn't want a tragedy on our hands, you know. We have another and this is not directed at the African-American people, I love the African-American people. We exchange recipes, some of them are my best friends. They put up a basketball goal on the sidewalk, then they go and play basketball in the street and that just doesn't make sense to me and then they won't get out of the street when you are driving your car down there. We would like to have the street sweeper at least 2 or 3 times a year, because we have a lot of trees there and a lot of limbs and debris falls in the street that tears our car up, all sorts of things. And then when it comes rain, it washes all that stuff down there in front of our property where we've got to get out there—there is nothing else to do, the City won't clean it up, so you've got to clean it up.

I called already this year several times for a mosquito control. You can't step outside your house unless your eaten up with mosquitoes and you don't know if it is the West Nile virus or what it is. I called about the rat control. You know what happens. They brought me the medicine to put out and then warned me if I killed somebody's pet, I'd be in trouble; so that is not very good.

I am just about through. We've called for Code Enforcement, and we get a man answering the phone saying he is on the phone on he's out to coffee or something like that and nothing—it is impossible. The routiness, the shooting of the guns at night and I just think more police patrol would help that situation and if I go through the 25 mile zone speeding 80 or 90 mph, police would give me a ticket; that's all I had to say; thank you.

Ms. Betty Trice (1902 McCutcheon, Shreveport): I'm here this afternoon to present our Mayor Mr. Keith Hightower and very much appreciated City Councilmen with these petitions. They have been signed by over 2000 good, prominent, law abiding citizens. This petition is in support of and to let it be known that I and they are so proud to have Mr. James Roberts as our Shreveport Police Chief. We feel that Jim is a man who is humble, honest and good. Yet he has the strength and cumpton to stand up for what he thinks and knows is right.

We all feel that we have three strong honest leaders in our City: Mayor Keith Hightower, Sheriff Steve Prator, and Chief Jim Roberts. We love, we appreciate and we all stand up for them as well as they all work in close proximity to do what is right and to bring law and order to our great City. They and we will do what it takes to keep it that way. The main purpose of our petition is to try and bring each and every citizen in our city to stand together and to preserve peace as well as law and order here in our town.

We are asking people to please, honor and respect all of our police officers, our deputy sheriffs, our city marshals, our probation/parole officers and any other officers that are out there putting their life on the line every day and night, for us. We need to give them the authority and respect that they need to do their job. We need to understand that police officers help save the lives of many citizens in the United States everyday. Should we not remember that their life is worth saving as well? As citizens of the United States of America, we should be proud to Back the Badge, which simply means, obey the law.

Councilman Green: Chief, would you please come up. I would like to say to those petitions that just came up that, and being a citizen, I've always backed the badge. When I was on the Council before, whatever the badge needed I was there to give that support. Whenever the badge

needs today, I'm here to give that support; so, it is not a question as to whether or not I back the badge? I back the badge. I think we need law and order.

On April 3rd, it was a Thursday, 2003, I didn't get shot down by a gun, but I got shot down by the Chief of Police and I just really want to set the record straight. I was invited to a meeting, in fact all of the Council members was invited to a meeting at Chief's Office, a crime meeting and we went on April 3. Councilman Lester and I we showed up and the rest of the Council members did not chose to come.

And, in the meeting, I had never been so offended as a public official in my whole life. The meeting was going on, it was about 10:30. I said to the Chief, I said, Chief at 11 o'clock I have got to leave. Is there is a way, since my district is infiltrated with rampant crime, you have the folk here that deal with my district, is it a way that I could ask them some questions and give them some points. The Chief looked back at me in a, I guess, an angry way and say, we got a lot of ground to cover and I got to get these folk back to work. Chief, do you remember that?

Chief Roberts: I do.

Councilman Green: I would like to thank Captain Shoemake (is he here) who diligently tried as I raised my finger to get your attention for me to basically apologize because I realized at that point that, was your meeting and it was not my meeting. I was only an invited guest.

After the meeting was over, as I walked out the door with Councilman Lester, I asked him, do you understand why that happened? He said, no. And you in a soft tone said, Councilman, those questions that you had, if you have got them, if you wrote them down, we could get to them and answer them. And I said to you, I said, no Chief, I didn't write them down but I understood that this, was your meeting and my meeting would be Tuesday. Well, I hadn't had a chance to talk to you about this at my meeting and I promise, I will be kinder, more courteous to you in my meeting than you were in your meeting. Do you recall?

Chief Roberts: I recall the meeting, yes, Sir.

Councilman Green: Do you recall me raising my hand to ask some questions? And do you recall the statement that I quoted, that you have got a lot of ground to cover and you have got to get these folk back to work?

Chief Roberts: I remember you asking a question and one of my employees interrupted you and I said, hold on just a second, we will get to that.

Councilman Green: No, you must be talking about something different. Captain Shoemake will be back in and I'll let him verify.

But anyway Chief, I'm going to be nicer to you than you were to me. I just thought that since you invited me to the meeting, if in fact I needed to ask a question then I think I could have. So the questions that I was going to ask that day will have to ask it another day, but I would just like to ask a few questions and I'll be finished. Where do you live, your address where you sleep at? Your address?

Chief Roberts: 6607 Northwood Lane, is one of my residences.

Councilman Green: No, no, listen to the question.

Chief Roberts: I answered your question.

Councilman Green: Is that the place you sleep at, or is that the place that is on record that you could if you chose to?

Chief Roberts: That's a residence that I have, yes, Sir.

Councilman Green: Do you frequently sleep there?

Chief Roberts: Yes, I do.

Councilman Green: Okay, so that's your residence that you have in Shreveport?

Chief Roberts: Yes, sir.

Councilman Green: Because an ordinance that say all department head must do what?

Chief Roberts: Reside in the City.

Councilman Green: So you reside there?

Chief Roberts: I have another residence in the City.

Councilman Green: Chief, you missing what I'm asking? Do you reside at the address that you gave?

Chief Roberts: My domicile is on Northwood Lane, is that your question?

Councilman Green: No, you are giving me the words. You are telling me "reside" and now you are giving me the "domicile" and I know what the DA say, but I am just trying to find the place where you sleep at, at night, because if you were doing an investigation you would want the person to be specific. But if you chose not to answer the question, then I don't mind you taking the 5th.

Chief Roberts: Okay, I've given you the address.

Councilman Green: How long have you been on the police force here in Shreveport?

Chief Roberts: Since '82.

Councilman Green: And during that tenure how long were you a patrol officer?

Chief Roberts: I'm not really sure, probably in the neighborhood of 2 years, maybe 2 ½ years.

Councilman Green: You were actually a patrol officer?

Chief Roberts: Yes, sir, riding the streets.

Councilman Green: During your process of being a patrol officers, basically did you ever have any type of problems with criminals with guns, as to a possible shooting?

Chief Roberts: Have ever been faced with a possible shooting incidence?

Councilman Green: Right. Yes, sir.

Chief Roberts: Yes, sir.

Councilman Green: Anybody got shot?

Chief Roberts: No, sir.

Councilman Green: How did you avoid that?

Chief Roberts: Just through the grace of God.

Councilman Green: So, you avoided it then, it was God's grace? Not because of any of your skills or training?

Chief Roberts: No.

Councilman Green: How many officers do you have?

Chief Roberts: Five hundred and eighteen (518) sworn positions. We are down about thirty-two (32) right now.

Councilman Green: And how many do you have on patrol?

Chief Roberts: In the, I'll just give you a range, I don't have that information at my finger tips. Probably 164, somewhere in that neighborhood.

Councilman Green: One hundred sixty-four on patrol. Out of how many, five hundred and?

Chief Roberts: There are 518 sworn position. There are 32 vacant positions.

Councilman Green: And out of the 518, you have about 164 who patrol the streets, so basically we have three shifts, right?

Chief Roberts: That's correct.

Councilman Green: So about, how many is on each shift?

Chief Roberts: I don't have that information with me.

Councilman Green: Do you know anybody at your office that would have it, that could get it.

Chief Roberts: Sure, we can get that to you.

Councilman Green: Would you have somebody to just call them and tell them to bring it down. What I basically want to know is, each shift about how many officers would be patrolling the streets because on the chart that you gave, you gave the east side and the west side as to how it was, you broke it down.

Chief Roberts: Correct.

Councilman Green: And on one particular side if I am not mistaken where crime was low, there was more patrol over there than it is where crime is high and I was trying to figure out why?

Chief Roberts: That would not be accurate. We establish manpower needs due to calls for service.

Councilman Green: So you 164 that actually patrol the City. Do you have any way of knowing about how many miles they cover?

Chief Roberts: The City is approximately 110 square miles.

Councilman Green: One hundred and ten square miles (110) and we have got 164 officers to do it. Would you say that, that's enough?

Chief Roberts: Of course we would always like to have more. We are conducting a staffing study at this time. We have a consultant helping us look at calls for service and staffing allocations. I would say per, all practical purpose far answering calls for service, we are doing that now. The proactive things I would like to see us do some times are lacking on different shifts, especially on our evening shift, that's our busiest shift that we have.

Councilman Green: So you have 164 patrolling. How many folk you actually got behind the desk?

Chief Roberts: Well, the rest of the department is broken up in to Detectives and Narcotics people and things of that nature, if that is what you are calling *behind the desk*. I don't have that number at my fingertips.

Councilman Green: Let me just say, how many administrative positions do you possible have?

Chief Roberts: I'm not really sure, Mr. Green, without the numbers in front of you.

Councilman Green: So is there anybody that we can, you could have the Mayor to call in your office that could bring it. Do you have it anywhere close?

Chief Roberts: Sure we could get it in here.

Councilman Green: Okay, my next question while they are bringing that. The Mayor sent you a letter about a resolution, Resolution No. 45 of 2003 that concerns District F. I believe it was March 25th. On yesterday, I asked what type of—where were we on it and you said you had a strategy planned or you were planning; right?

Chief Roberts: Right.

Councilman Green: How far are we, with this plan, are you handling the plan or is there somebody in your office that is handling the plan?

Chief Roberts: Our Patrol Assistant Chief is handling that along with the Area Captain.

Councilman Green: Do you know about when the plan will be finished and in place?

Chief Roberts: I'm hoping to see a draft if the plan either Friday or the following Monday, next week.

Councilman Green: And then we will be ready to actually move on the plan?

Chief Roberts: Right. And I would like to see you, you know, lets get together and look at this thing.

Councilman Green: And whose over it, who is in charge of it?

Chief Roberts: Chief Wright.

Councilman Green: Franklin? During the process when the media got this particular resolution, they interviewed you and they interviewed me and you said that you didn't understand why I was doing this. Well, I got a group of folk here who have restless days, restless nights because of violence. I have a lady here whose son was shot down, he's paralyzed now. He is in Minden because we didn't have a facility here to house a paraplegic and she is here and she can tell you the story. She brings the picture, she brought the picture to one of the community meetings and crime is everywhere. And you said to the media that, you did not understand why I was even asking that and what just really boggled my brain is that, the interview that you had, you took some black children someone when I said about people in my district are afraid to jog. You got some black children and went somewhere for the media to take a picture with you and them laughing and talking if though that was, to me it was a subliminal message that what I was talking about, was just a bunch of jive. Do you recall that incident?

Chief Roberts: Well those children, I spent the weekend with at Camp Wanbansee, the Girl Scout Camp over in Arcadia.

Councilman Green: Oh, so that wasn't even in my district, that wasn't in my district; that was somewhere else.

Chief Roberts: That was at Fairgrounds Field and we were preparing to leave for the entire weekend.

Councilman Green: But they said that you said, you didn't understand why was even talking about anything like this because—do you recall making that statement to the media, is what I'm asking?

Chief Roberts: I think I said that, crime was down in the Mooretown area last year, 3%.

Councilman Green: It is down 3%.

Chief Roberts: Last year.

Councilman Green: Three percent from one hundred percent. I mean, I guess where you—what you do: domicile or you—what did you say? You domicile or you—what was the other word?

Chief Roberts: That crime was down 3% from the year before.

Councilman Green: No, I was saying, what you said you, domicile somewhere and then you (reside) somewhere else compared to that I guess, it wouldn't be a problem. But all I'm saying this, is that I got a problem in my district. I have got a emergency situation.

This letter was sent in March, it is now May. It broke my heart again that as time passed along, my people in my district in this entire City it seem as though nobody has regard for the law, for whatever reason. When bandits can come and snatch a truck, shoot up your men, shoot up your police car like this is Mayberry. It bothers me that from then up until now, no plan is in place and Chief, I support the badge, I think the badge is wonderful but I think there ought to come a time when where the rubber meets the road and the badge got to just, stand and take care of business.

And here again, I know that this is not popular and I know that we want everything to seem right in our town, but I got crime in my district and I need the badge help, all seven of us up here got crime in our district and I don't think that one district ought to be better than another. I don't care if you got a house that cost \$1 million dollars, if I got one that cost \$10 dollars, these folks that is here today and I got some more on the way, they say they don't ever see the police maybe once a month. They say when they call, the police don't show up. I think the police ought to call. I know that you have a rate that all depends on high priority and what's priority. Well, I think that you ought to have somebody that works low priority. Nobody might not be shooting, but if I need the police, I need the police and I need them to show up.

So, I'd just ask that some kind of way that there ought to be a structure that we can handle our business. For 164 officers on the street, if you cut those up in 3 shifts, it seems as though we are heading to a metro whereas we got to have some help.

On the letters that I asked the Mayor to send for you to ask the Sheriff Department and State Police and whoever to come, did you send those letters or did you do it by a phone call?

Chief Roberts: Yes I sent them and made calls.

Councilman Green: So everything is being worked in together.

Chief Roberts: It is being worked.

Councilman Green: Thank you Chief.

Councilman Gibson: Mr. Chair.

Councilman Green: I haven't finished.

Councilman Gibson: Excuse me.

Councilman Green: I have still got a long ways to go. You could just have a sit Chief, this my meeting.

Chief Roberts: Okay.

Councilman Gibson: Point of Order, Mr. Chair.

Councilman Green: I haven't finished yet.

Councilman Gibson: Point of Order, Mr. Chair.

Councilman Green: Sir.

Councilman Gibson: Point of Order, Mr. Chair.

Councilman Green: Sir, I haven't finished with my statement. In fact, you are just up on the agenda. What I would like to say is that in this City sometimes we make it seem like we got one thing but we got something else.

Last week when the Justice Department came to town, they met with us in the Council Office and there were three blacks, there were three whites. Councilman Gibson had to leave, so we put him on the agenda. Councilman Gibson, Councilman Hogan, and Councilman Walford went in to talk to the Justice Department. I'd just had a root canal and I was in very much pain. The three blacks, we were waiting, The three whites were in. The media showed up.

Councilman Gibson in his wise providence asked Councilman Hogan and Councilman Walford if, you all would leave because we don't the media to see three whites and no blacks. He didn't mean any harm, but I think the picture that was painted, was bad. And when I came in he said, I sent those two guys out because the media showed up and I didn't want it to seem like it was just three whites in here and no blacks.

I said, well that is what we had. That's what we see in our City. We want to make believe but I think that when the water is poisoned to put roses around it to make it look good, doesn't help.

I think that it is time that we get the real deal. We don't like to hear bad stuff, but bad stuff is in our community. There are a lot of things that we don't like, but it is in our community.

When we asked for---three Councilmen that was elected, just like all seven--- when we asked for the resignation of the Chief, and when we asked for three police officers to be suspended, the media said the three black ones, asked for it, as to say, don't worry about. I think we've got a problem. It doesn't matter whether I'm black or white. If I am a Councilman I have a right; so therefore, I'm a representative as, the other four.

Mr. Mayor I'm going to tell you, I'm going to tell you to your face. You got a problem because you have got some gentlemen up here that want your position, so bad that they can't wait for four years to end. And in backrooms they butter you up, they say nice things, and they encourage you but behind closed doors they trying to really (for a better word) cut your hair. I'm telling you to your face. I could name them. I'm telling you to your face. They talk. They come to you. They get what they want, but when they go throughout the black community, when they go throughout the white community, they say the Mayor ought to do something, I'm waiting for my leader and if my leader do something, I'll stand behind him.

Well, one thing that the general public and the citizens need to know is that, you are not our boss; so, I want you to understand. And if you want to know who they are, I'll tell you after the meeting. If you twist my arm, I'll tell you now.

Rule No. 1: There is an election coming up and these seven of us up here will possible be running for something in the near future, but no longer will I be, whether I get elected ever again, I will never ever, let another politician pimp the black folk in this town.

Rule No. 2: All of the elected officials that is running for local or state, if you don't make a stand on this shooting incident, don't ask for my vote, don't ask to come to my church, don't ask me for nothing.

Rule No. 3: I'm going to make a motion in the very near future that we forget about the 4th of July and we go back to the 19th of June.

Rule No. 4: If you don't watch the tape; don't call me because until you see the tape, we can't talk. Because what you see on t.v., those frozen slides--those are not the real truth.

Living in Shreveport while black.. Some philosophers maintain that DNA have little or no influence on the sort of people we become and the moral choice that we make. We are almost wholly autonomous individuals who make our own moral decisions in life and therefore, we alone are responsible for all the good and all the bad things we do. The shooting was bad.

Is it just sensible to call a cat who kills a mice, wicked? Do we think that Hitler and Charles Mason were rightly punished for their wicked behavior. If in fact, Charles Mason or Hitler had shot that young man down, we would say that they were very, wicked. The generic make-up and early social environments are not good enough excuses for what we do. Put an excuse on the training, is not an excuse, not a good excuse for what our officers did.

And, I would just like to encourage you, never give up. It is easy to say, but hard to do. We must keep fighting. And I think it is very important that we understand that we have a problem in this city, and right now I wonder where those folks from Deja Vu? We talk about people pulling off their clothes and dancing and whatever, but nobody wants to come and talk about the boy getting shot.

You know what Mayor, it is sad but you can't fire Jim Roberts. You could fire the Fire Chief. You could fire the City Attorney. You could fire Liz Washington, but you can't fire the

Police Chief because if you fired the Police Chief, I know and you know, before you would drive off of this campus the white community would massacre you because Shreveport is not the real deal and I understand where you are.

You can't fire the Police Chief because three black City Councilmen asked you to do it. And for a better word, if you did, by the time you got back to your office you would have a call to say, that you did what those Negroes asked you to do (that's for a better word).

Mayor can't fire the Police Chief but guess what, out of the three Council members that stood and asked for it none of the four openly have the nerve to ask for it either, because they know where their bread and butter comes from so therefore we have a real serious problem.

If in fact that boy was white and those officers were black, it wouldn't even be a question. We wouldn't even have to see the—in fact we would have bought some time to put it on national t.v. and instead of talking about having a grand jury, we would have had a lynching.

It is easy to talk about God, when it is convenient. It is easy for us to talk and to get into our groups and say why don't they hush. They were justified. What if it was your boy? How justified would it be? Since we don't have the money to pay the media, since we don't have television time, this time we going to let the public see the whole tape so that you can make your own decision because if you don't see the tape, you don't have to make an opinion. You don't have to make a decision. So, we are going to ask that you play the tape at this time, Robert and this will be our media.

Councilman Gibson: Are you going to ask for a motion and second on that, Mr. Chair?

Councilman Green: Uh-un. Is it set Robert? Thank you.

Councilman Gibson: I would like to make a motion that we see the tape, if we are going to follow Roberts Rules of Order.

Councilman Green: Hold on just a minute.

Councilman Green: Mr. Thompson is there a . . .

Councilman Gibson: I would like to make a Point of Order.

Councilman Green: Hold on, Mike.

Councilman Gibson: I would like to make a Point of Order.

Councilman Green: Mike, hold on.

Councilman Gibson: I would like to make a Point of Order.

Councilman Green: Mike.

Councilman Gibson: King James.

Councilman Green: Mike, you are not going to do me like you do the Mayor, okay.

Councilman Gibson: Point of Order.

Councilman Green: I don't have but 2 more weeks. As long as I'm here, I'm going to be the Chair, Mike.

Councilman Gibson: And I'd like you to act like a Chair.

Councilman Green: Mike.

Councilman Gibson: Point of Order. Mr. Parliamentarian.

Councilman Green: Mike.

Councilman Gibson: . . . I would like a Point of Order.

Councilman Green: Mike. Mr. Parliamentarian can't call it, I'm the only one can call it.

Councilman Gibson: I would like a Point of Order.

Councilman Green: Mike. He can't call it.

Councilman Gibson: This is ridiculous.

Councilman Green: Get hot and leave.

Councilman Gibson: I am not like you, Mr. Chairman.

Councilman Green: Go ahead. Play the tape, Robert. (The tape of the Marquise Hudspeth incident was shown.)

Councilman Carmody: Chief, last night I attended the community meeting the Town Hall Meeting at the Civic Center and it was an educational forum and I learned a lot included that the process by which, now the Justice Department and the U. S. Attorney utilized the FBI to do the investigation of the matter that has been submitted before them.

But, I wanted to ask you the process by which the Shreveport Police Department investigates any time an officer fires his service revolver. What is the process I've got a flow chart that you all have provided with your budget, that shows the different personnel. Can you just run us through how that is processed, how ya'll look at it.

Chief Roberts: Well there is several different scenarios: Say a person is shot and of course we work that as a criminal investigation just like we did. Take a statement, do the crime scene work and the whole business, submit it to the District Attorney Office for review.

Councilman Carmody: Whose compiling all of that information, out of your department?

Chief Roberts: Who is investigating it?

Councilman Carmody: Yeah.

Chief Roberts: Our supervisors and our Detective Office Investigative Division.

Councilman Carmody: Alright. And so do they then come back to the Chief with the information and apprise you of what they found in the way of facts from the evidence they gathered?

Chief Roberts: Yes they do.

Councilman Carmody: Then it is your determination to ask it to go to the District Attorney?

Chief Roberts: No.

Councilman Carmody: It automatically go to the District Attorney?

Chief Roberts: Yes.

Councilman Carmody: Last night, I believe Special Agent Kinder of the FBI, he is a Supervisory Senior Resident Agent, I thought he made a comment and Chief I know that you were there for part of it because we parked right next to each other. I thought he said that Internal Affairs normally investigates any time an officer fires his gun. That is not true?

Chief Roberts: No, sir.

Councilman Carmody: What do we have in the way of a department and maybe we don't have such a thing, like a Deadly Force Review Team where and again I don't know that I'm using the correct expression, but where you would critique the actions of the officers in regards to that particular incident and what actions he took that required him to use his weapon?

Chief Roberts: Sure, once the DA has rendered his findings within the Department ourselves we have a Shooting Review Board that looks at the entire incident and there is members of our Police Academy, our training staff, that are on this board. In fact, the Captain our of Academy heads the Board and there is Internal Affairs people in there as well.

Councilman Carmody: You are a member of that body, as well?

Chief Roberts: No, sir I am not.

Councilman Carmody: You are not. And so, again just to make sure that I am familiar with how the process works then: the incident occurs, your supervisors and detectives investigate what facts lead to the need to use the firearm?

Chief Roberts: Yes.

Councilman Carmody: Once they have those facts, they bring them back to you and simultaneously, I guess, at the same time submit it to the DA because the DA has got to have it, is that right?

Chief Roberts: That's correct. They comply the reports and all the evidence and send it to the DA.

Councilman Carmody: And I don't mean to mis-quote Special Agent Kinder, but I thought he did say that anytime there was a shooting that, the FBI investigates it. Is that right?

Chief Roberts: That has not been my experience.

Councilman Carmody: Do the rest of you gentlemen remember him saying that?

Chief Roberts: I do recall him saying that.

Councilman Carmody: Well, those are really the questions I have for you Chief, but this is my observation. I've now seen the tape over ½ dozen times and I consider myself a reasonable person, but I don't come from a law enforcement background and I don't have the expertise to critique what has occurred there or how it happened. It appears that you've now given this Councilman an insight into how the operation of the law works and then last night we kind of got, I guess the step that we are in now with the Justice Department and their review.

And I would just, as a Council member I would feel more comfortable and maybe you could tell me that we are not privy to this information to at least a overview by your Review Board of what occurred. Again, I don't know that the officer needed to be named or that the incident needs to be referred to, but if there is a circumstance that occurs like that, that we can kind of be apprized of how the Department looks at it. How do you process the information so that we try to avoid it happening again? And, again, I understand that a lot of times that an officer, you can't avoid it. You said, by the grace of God you didn't have a situation and I'm sure that a lot of officers feel like that. I mean, probably when they end their shifts and don't have something occurred they probably feel that by the grace of God that is occurred.

But I would feel more comfortable as a member of the Council and as a citizen of the community, if there were a way that the Department could communicate back to us, its critique of its Department. What rules or training might be modified. I had talked to your office and had asked, I believe Corporal Talifarreo to send me the information that the Department had because I had recalled, before I came on the Council, that there was a publication that was issued and they referenced it last night when we went to the Town Hall Meeting of *The Law and You, A Guideline for Interaction With Law Enforcement Officials*. This was produced in partnership with the NAACP, the National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives and Allstate Insurance Company.

It is this type of information that I think it is imperative for every citizen to understand what that officers expects out of any one that he stops so that you don't do something that is that unexpected.

Because again, I've never carried a gun with a badge and don't have any idea of what it would be like to try and enforce the law on someone, but I would imagine you come to the situation hopefully well-trained but preparing yourself for the possibility of a very bad outcome.

So, my suggestion again would be that as a community we that we try to be pro-active about communicating between the citizens of this community and our Department so that we don't have a situation and, I think most people try to act reasonable, I really do.

Chief Roberts: You are correct.

Councilman Carmody: I think most people do.

Chief Roberts: You are exactly right.

Councilman Carmody: And I think that that is what most of us expect from each other. I expect that the officer is going to act reasonable. I am going to try my best to act reasonably because again I don't want to surprise him or put myself in harms' way by doing something wrong. But out of this we've got to educate both the department and the citizens who are going to come in contact with the Department anytime to know this is really the most appropriate way to behave to each other, what to expect. Like this pamphlet says, from the law enforcement officers that is confronting you as well as what he is expecting you to do while he is stopping you.

Chief Roberts: And that is a very good book. The Police Department 3 years ago brought those books into the City and we hand them out by the thousands. I don't know if anyone reads them, but we certainly hand them out and it is an extremely good book.

Councilman Carmody: Well, then can I make one other suggestion to you and I think it would be beneficial. I think that you could probably get all the local channels and probably Time Warner Cablevision to participate in doing public service announcements and in 30 seconds you could probably outline exactly what this says so that persons, again, if they are not going to pick it up, have the ability to read it, at least maybe they'll see it and then it will be in their mind if and when they find themselves with a police car behind them either trying to pass or trying to stop them as to okay, this is what is proper behavior and I don't know that the City has got any funds to do it, the way that the situation is in our community right now, I bet you we would get it done pro bono because again, it is important if we don't communicate with each other and we don't learn by things that have occurred then shame on us. And I'd be happy to do whatever I could to help you and I don't know what that might be, but communication is the key, Chief.

Councilman Walford: At this point, I would like to make a motion that we return to our Regular Session, seconded by Councilman Carmody.

Councilman Jackson: I was out when we originally suspended the Rules, what did we originally suspend the rules for?

Councilman Green: For two Public Comments.

Councilman Jackson: Have we had both of those or have we had more than two?

Councilman Green: We've had both of those.

Councilman Jackson: We haven't had more than two?

Councilman Green: No.

Councilman Jackson: So, we've only entertained two. So everybody else who has turned in a request to speak, is not going to speak at this point?

Councilman Green: No, they were—these two were asked to speak because they had to leave. These were folks were from the. . . .

Councilman Jackson: Before we vote I don't know, have we ascertained whether or not anybody else who may have signed, may have to leave?

Councilman Green: No.

Councilman Jackson: I don't know, I know there is a motion on the floor and a second but I don't know whether or not it may be prudent to ascertain whether or not everybody has got to leave or if there are going to stay. The only reason I ask Mr. Chairman because I think that if we extended the effort for two people who said the only reason was not subject related but that they had to leave then in fact then we ought to extend the same courtesy to those who are here.

Councilman Green: So you are making a substitute motion?

Councilman Jackson: I don't guess I would want to substitute. I guess I would ask that if the Council thinks that that is fair that we would not take, that we would either withdraw the motion or vote in the negative.

Councilman Walford: I want to discuss it before I withdraw my motion. I made the motion to suspend the Rules for one speaker from the group that came as Reverend Green's guest (Councilman Carmody: And I seconded it.) and that is what we voted on to suspend the rules. And it is not unusual that we do that or recognize one group and that was my intent on the motion and that was the motion that was passed.

Councilman Jackson: Well, let me ask you, I didn't vote on the motion nor did I hear the motion, but the question: when you suspended the rules to allow the individual to speak, the Chairman intimates that it was because of that person's time and they needed to leave early. Was that the spirit of the motion?

Councilman Walford: My understanding was this was to be a spokesman for that group that Reverend Green had come in and don't think that it is unusual for this Council to recognize a spokesperson from a group. While I want to be fair (Councilman Jackson: I don't disagree.) I think that we have an agenda that sets time for Public Comments and we should be consistent with it.

Councilman Jackson: I agree one hundred percent with what you said, but I guess my question is about consistency and if in fact we did that. I can't control what we'll do in the future, but I think if two people have spoken . . . consistency, but what do we do to repair it, if we have already broken the trend of consistency (Councilman Walford: I don't know.) and so that is the reason that I've asked for the motion to be rescinded and that those who are here to speak who may have to leave, they could speak as well.

Councilman Walford: I am going to stand by my motion.

Councilman Carmody: How many requests to speak do you presently have in front of you?

Councilman Green: Seventeen (17).

Councilman Carmody: I am just going to make an observation. The previous Council, we stuck---and this goes to Councilman Jackson's concern---we stuck with the agenda that at this point in the meeting that we would allow Public Comments only on items that were to be considered for a vote today. And the reason that we modified our agenda was because, we did have a number of persons and I know that the Clerk and the Staff remembers this, that would come at the beginning of the meeting and then we would be here until 6 o'clock at night before we ever got to the agenda.

And not that we are trying to inconvenience anyone by asking them to wait until the end of the agenda, but the point was that is we needed to allow an opportunity for persons who were here to speak about matters that were going to be considered before Public Comments, the opportunity to come forward and give their thoughts. And so in the spirit of consistency, I would say that has been and proven to be a very prudent way to go, and I certainly don't mean to inconvenience anyone that wants to come and speak before the Council and express their opinions or concerns or views or their needs, that is what we are here to do. But, I can tell you that there was a reason why the agenda is,

the way it is and that consistency, I think has proved to be the most prudent in getting the business of the Council done.

Councilman Jackson: I don't suspect that what Councilman Carmody is saying is, wrong. I wasn't around to see what the last Council did, but I think that in the spirit of consistency, this Council, if we stop to let anybody speak---it wasn't their fault that we didn't follow what the motion was, and so I don't think that it is inconsistent to believe that people ought to, who may have to leave as well because most of the times when people speak, then they do leave.

I would think that either that we have to start suggesting that you are not going to do it. I mean, Robert's Rules of Order allows us to suspend the rules whenever we feel like it so what I'm suggesting is, rather to put our agenda before the people who came out to talk, before we put their agenda and I know they are on our agenda because they down at the bottom at the end of it, but I just think in deference, they are paying us to stay here as long as we have to. We are not--we shouldn't ask them, in my opinion, to stay until they can speak at our pleasure, but since they are and since we've already violated the established protocol, then I'm suggesting that we ought to extend to them what may not be in the future, a practice or a standard, but we ought to extend to them what is currently, in my opinion, a courteous of allowing them to speak at this particular time. I'd like to leave as well but my job is to listen to what they have to say and then to take care of our business well.

So, I would just suggest and urge the Council, if Councilman Walford is not going to withdraw his motion, I would just ask the Councilman if you would, to please join with me in extending a courtesy to the people who have come to speak and who have to leave and vote negative (to vote nay) for this motion.

Councilman Lester: I would join Councilman Jackson. I don't think this is a, some times we have a tendency to over complicate things that are pretty simple and pretty relative. The fact of the matter is, it is correct that Councilman Walford did make a motion to suspend the Rules to allow Councilman Green's guests to speak. However, in part and parcel of that, individuals spoke on an issue that is clearly, as I appreciate the agenda, not on the agenda and so I think rather than to send a message that we favor one group versus another, or one speech versus another or one position versus another since we have already violated both the letter and the spirit of the motion that was passed, that I voted for by Councilman Walford and this Council, I think that it would just prudent for us to at least at the minimum, decipher those people that want to speak on the issue in opposition or contravention to those people that spoke as it relates to the police shooting issue and then if in fact we want to take everyone else that does not speak on that particular issue and put them at the point of Public Comments, I think, we should do that. But I think for us to do otherwise, would be, would send out a negative message and certainly it is important to be consistent but to use a euphemism, we got to be consistent with our consistency. It doesn't make sense for us to do one thing at one particular time and then later say, well, we are going to be consistent but we are going to be consistent, next time; So, I would just suggest that we would allow those folks that want to speak maybe, determine if they were speaking in opposition to the matter as it relates to the shooting, decipher that. As I appreciate it, we only have a total of 17 people, I don't think that would be difficult to ascertain and once we have done that, allow those people to speak and then we go back into Regular Session. Everyone that wants to stay and speak towards the end on a different issue we can do that.

Councilman Green: On that particular issue that he was talking about, there is. . . .

Councilman Carmody: What I was going to say was that if you have 21 speakers and we limit everybody to just 3 minutes, that will be put us at after 6 o'clock and again, time factor is not really relevant here because we are here until the gavel drops. And I want to make sure that, indeed we are consistent with our consistency. And if we are going to now just say that we'll suspend the Rules and we are going to this, I mean, gentleman we can sit here all night and talk about it, but at this point if I understand correctly and I'd ask for a Point of Order, you have a motion on the table which has been seconded for us to return back to the Regular Agenda. There was a substitute motion offered.

Councilman Green: No, he didn't offer it.

Councilman Carmody: He did not.

Councilman Green: The call is to either vote yeah or to vote nay.

Councilman Carmody: I call for the question.

Councilman Jackson: Since as if that is what we are going to require. I'd like to offer a *substitute motion to allow the Rules to remain suspended and that we continue to hear the folks who signed to speak publicly, seconded by Councilman Lester.*

Councilman Gibson: I'd like to recommend that in the future, we move Public Comments up to the top because this is the second meeting in a row that we've ended up moving that up and I agree with Mr. Jackson. The Public's Comments are more important than ours and that we need to be consistent in following a trend, but I would also would charge the Chair in the fact that two weeks ago this Councilman was very confused in the fact that we suspended the Rules and then we had people speaking on one issue regarding the police matter and then we had people talking about the unionization of City employees and you couldn't follow what some of the subject matter was.

So, I would ask that we normally try to put all the subject matter in order and follow that but I would like to look to this body for future meetings and lets move it up to the top and get all of our speakers out of the way and then get to our business and then we don't get into suspending the Rules, we can go directly and let the public talk and then we can get into our subject matter.

Councilman Walford: I want to address this to Ms. Glass, the Rules are already suspended. Do we need to vote?

Ms. Glass: Mr. Thompson and I said we thought that the suspension of the Rules was only for the particular purpose and that was purpose was finished; so, that the Rules are not currently suspended.

Mr. Thompson: And you would be in the Regular Order of business now and anybody who wanted to move, for instance, to allow all of the speakers to speak would simple make a motion to allow everybody who'd signed up to speak and then you would vote to suspend the rules for that purpose and then you would vote on that.

Councilman Jackson: When did the suspension of the Rules go into effect? Once the first person stop talking?

Mr. Thompson: The person who made the motion said that he did it for a specific purpose. I believe that Mr. Lester said that he agreed with that and now the purpose has ended therefore they are not suspended any more.

Councilman Jackson: Let me ask you, don't we have—so you don't need a motion to go back to the Regular Agenda. The Rules are just suspended whatever the period of time then automatically you revert back to the meeting.

Mr. Thompson Yes, once you finish that purpose.

Councilman Jackson: Question then: What kind of protocol have we violated since there were at least two speakers, one who did not speak in reference to what he suspended the rules for, it seems as if then we were at least out of order by allowing someone else to speak, at that point.

Mr. Thompson: If nobody calls for a Point of Order, then we don't say anything.

Motion by Councilman Jackson to suspend the Rules.

Councilman Walford: Mr. Gibson tried to call for a Point of Order.

Councilman Jackson: But it wasn't in reference to that, that was because Councilman Green was talking.

Mr. Thompson: And the Chairman did not recognize him, and then he could have appealed to the entire body the ruling of the Chair and the body could have made a motion to overrule the Chair.

Councilman Walford: Back to my question of Ms. Glass or you Mr. Thompson, let's just put it on the table. What do we need to do?

Motion by Councilman Jackson to suspend, seconded by Councilman Lester to allow the Speakers.

Councilman Walford: Are we suspending for one particular subject or are we suspending for everyone who wants to speak?

Councilman Jackson: I'm suspending for the sake of consistency and in courtesy to these people who signed up and watched others speak and then have been told. . . .

Councilman Walford: You are doing it for everybody?

Councilman Jackson: For everybody who signed a form, is the only way to be fair at this point since we violated the rule.

Councilman Carmody: Is it correct Mr. Thompson, by moving everybody to the top of the agenda, then all those words will be transcribed and then placed in the official record of the City?

Mr. Thompson: That's correct.

Councilman Carmody: And when they are placed at the bottom of the agenda under Miscellaneous Matters, then were we required to pay to have all the words printed?

Mr. Thompson: They are not printed in the official publication of the City, no.

Councilman Jackson: That's Mr. Gibson's motion, you ought to have to tell him. That's Mr. Gibson's suggestion, you will have to get with him.

Councilman Walford: Back to our legal help, can we----

Councilman Jackson: Mike is coming. You don't have to keep asking questions. He's coming back.

Councilman Walford: Nah, nah, nah. That is not what I'm asking. Can we do like we do at the end of the meeting where we resolve ourselves into the Committee of the Whole?

Councilman Jackson: Call for the question.

Councilman Walford: Can we put ourselves in a position where we don't have transcribe. . . .?

Councilman Jackson: Call for the question.

Councilman Lester: Call for the previous question.

Councilman Jackson: Call for the question.

Mr. Thompson: I think your question is, whether or not you can make a motion to go into a Committee of the Whole to hear the speakers who want to speak.

Councilman Walford: Yes.

Mr. Thompson: Yes, I think. . . .

Councilman Lester: I call for the orders of the day.

Councilman Green: Let me finishing hearing Mr. Thompson.

Councilman Lester: If I call for. . . .

Councilman Jackson: He has to respond to that, Mr. Chairman.

Councilman Walford: No, he doesn't.

Councilman Lester: Yes, he does.

Councilman Jackson: Yes, he does.

Councilman Lester: With all due respect.

Councilman Green: Hold on just a minute.

Councilman Lester: Okay.

Councilman Green: Mr. Thompson was in the middle of his statement. With all courtesy to him, I need to hear what he has to say.

Mr. Thompson: If the Council chooses to do so, it can move to go into the Committee of the Whole to hear these speakers and if they are heard in the Committee of the Whole then they will not be a part of the minutes and will not be transcribed and will not be in the official publication of the minutes of the City when it is published in the newspaper.

Councilman Walford: May I continue my question. Am I correct that that represents a great deal of expense?

Mr. Thompson: Yes.

Councilman Green: So my question to Mr. Jackson, would you make a motion that we would resolve ourselves into a Committee of the Whole and Mr. Lester second it and we won't have to pay all of the money for the expenses of the transcript?

Councilman Walford: That's where I was going?

Councilman Jackson: I don't know because I think Mike Gibson is going to vote with us and I'll sit around and talk and wait for him to come back, too.

Councilman Walford: I'm going to vote with you, if you do that.

Motion by Councilman Jackson to resolve into a Committee of the Whole, seconded by Councilman Lester and approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilman Lester, Walford, Carmody, Hogan, Green and Jackson. 6. Nays: None. Out of Chamber: Councilman Gibson. 1. (Public Comments were received under Committee of the Whole.)

The Council continued with the Regular Order of Business.

Property Standards Program Report. Councilman Walford: We need the Property Standards Report.

Mr. Thompson: Yes, the Property Standards Report, I passed out the report, I don't know whether the Council. . .

Chairman Green: He passed the report out already. Did all Council members receive that report?

Public Hearings: None.

Confirmations and/or Appointments: Motion by Councilman Lester, seconded by Councilman Jackson to postpone confirmations to the *Electrical Board Appointments* of: Marcus L. McCrary, Jr; Glenn Brannen (reappointment); Huey L. Taylor (reappointment) and confirmations to the *Building Board of Appeals Appointments* of: Brian L. McNew and Cayce Hand (reappointment).

Councilman Green: All of these were postponed last time, so I'm assuming apparently they have not been requested to be, so is there a motion to postpone?

Motion to postpone the confirmations approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilman Lester, Walford, Carmody, Walford, Green and Jackson. 6. Nays: None. Out of Chamber: Councilman Gibson. 1.*

Adding Legislation to the Agenda. Motion by Councilman Carmody, seconded by Councilman Lester to add the following to the agenda:

1. Resolution No. 70 of 2003 by Councilman Lester: Resolution supporting the application of Rosenwald III and Rosenwald IV Subdivisions to the Louisiana Housing Finance Agency by Councilman Lester.
2. Resolution 71 of 2003: A resolution to amend the fee schedule for the Emergency Medical Services Division of the Shreveport Fire Department and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
3. Ordinance No. 58 of 2003: An ordinance to amend Section 26-106 of the Code of Ordinances relative to Finance and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
4. Ordinance No. 59 of 2003: An ordinance to amend Section 78-386 (b) of the City of Shreveport Code of Ordinances relative to Streets, Sidewalks and other public places and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
5. Ordinance No. 60 of 2003: An ordinance to amend Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, as amended, the City of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by amending Section 106-22,7., by increasing the fee required for a Certificate of Occupancy, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
6. Ordinance No. 61 of 2003: An ordinance authorizing the incurring of debt and issuance of Eleven Million Dollars (\$11,000,000) of General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2003B, of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana; prescribing the form, terms and conditions of said bonds; designating the date, denomination and place of payment of said bonds; providing for the payment thereof in principal and interest; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.
7. Ordinance No. 62 of 2003: An ordinance amending and reenacting portions of Section 105.6 of Chapter 1 of the City of Shreveport Comprehensive Building Code and to and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
8. Ordinance No. 63 of 2003: An ordinance authorizing the sale of city-owned property at 2704 Frederick Street and 2730 Judson Street to qualified purchasers and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilman Lester, Walford, Carmody, Gibson, Hogan, Green and Jackson. 7. Nays: None.

* Mr. Antee: Mr. Chairman, if I may, I think we passed over the appointments. We would ask that if the Council would to go ahead and go forward rather than postpone.

Ms. Lee: He was sleep?

Councilman Jackson: We called you about three times.

Ms. Lee: Five!

Councilman Green: We'll come back to those, I guess sometimes.

Mr. Antee: Its Mr. Dark's fault for not slapping me up side the head instead of asking you something.

Ms. Lee: I know, I'm going to have to call you by name.

Councilman Lester: I want that job, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. Antee: We didn't realize we'd gotten to the agenda, I'm sorry.

Councilman Green: Is it the Council's pleasure to go back?

Councilman Lester: I would, in as much I moved to postpone, I would, I guess procedurally, I would need to rescind my motion to postpone?

Mr. Thompson: At this point, you would suspend the rules to go back and take up that item.

Motion by Councilman Carmody, seconded by Councilman Lester to suspend the rules to go back to Confirmations and Appointments. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilman Lester, Walford, Carmody, Gibson, Hogan, Green and Jackson. 7. Nays: None.

Motion by Councilman Walford, seconded by Councilman Carmody for confirmation of all the appointments.

Councilman Carmody: A very quick question, as I filled out my Louisiana State Income Tax today, I made mention that I would ask again. I know that we have postponed the confirmation and appointments for these individuals, but has the Administration had a chance to take a look at everything and are they comfortable and have done their due diligence?

Mr. Strong: Yes sir. Again, on the 28th, I sent a memo to the Council saying that we did a records search and we have gone through all of the appointees. Researched back taxes on anything, checked with SPAR for the (unclear) on any rentals of public buildings or anything, on property management, and we have found have nothing outstanding on any of the above.

Councilman Gibson: Mr. Chair. Mr. Thompson, I want a direct accounting, this is the second time, I have not gotten correspondence. The second was yesterday, regarding a report that the Mayor provided. I know Chairman Green said he didn't get that same report. I'll expect you to take care of that particular issue. I didn't get this background information either. So, I'm charging you with making sure we get that correspondence from this Department Head. Thank you.

Chairman Green: Mike, when did you. . . ? Did you send it to each individual office or how did you go about?

Mr. Strong: These were done as a memo and these were three different memos on the 28th concerning the Bossier City, the issue here with the Appointments and then also the Port.

Chairman Green: My question is did your office mail them or did we mail them?

Mr. Strong: They were sent to the Council Office or hand carried to the Council Office.

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Chairman, what was supposed to have happened is that when the books went out on Friday, all of this information was supposed to be in the package that was received by each Council Member. If Council Members did not receive the information and if you'd rather for it to be mailed to you, we'd be happy to do that in the future.

Chairman Green: Alright. Thank you.

Councilman Walford: We suspended the rules.

Motion by Councilman Walford to revert to the Regular Order of business,

Councilman Jackson: I thought we just automatically go back into after we did that thing we did.

Councilman Green: Did we automatically go back?

Mr. Thompson: Yes. You completed the business that you suspended the rules for.

CONSENT AGENDA LEGISLATION:

TO INTRODUCE RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES ON CONSENT:

RESOLUTIONS: None.

ORDINANCES: None.

TO ADOPT RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES ON CONSENT:

RESOLUTIONS:

Motion by Councilman Gibson, seconded by Councilman Carmody to return to Regular Session. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Carmody, Gibson, Hogan, Green and Jackson. 7. Nays: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 65 of 2003

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING NANCY L. HOLMES & NANCY KIRBY, LOCATED AT 6430 NORTH LAKESHORE DR., TO CONNECT TO THE SEWER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened, that Nancy L. Holmes & Nancy Kirby, be authorized to connect the building located at 6430 North Lakeshore Dr., to the 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.

RESOLUTION NO. 66 OF 2003

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING DEDICATION FOR GRAND OAKS DRIVE IN THE HIDDEN TRACE UNIT NO. 4 SUBDIVISION, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal, and regular session convened, that the dedication for Grand Oaks Drive in the Hidden Trace Unit No. 4 Subdivision in Section 28 (T16N-R13W), Caddo Parish, Louisiana, and as shown on the plats attached hereto and made a part hereof, be and the same is hereby accepted as dedicated to the public for public use in the City of Shreveport.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the original plat reflecting the dedication for Grand Oaks Drive be and recorded in the official records of the District Court for Caddo Parish, Louisiana.

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. 67 OF 2003

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING DEDICATION FOR AL BOURLAND DRIVE IN THE AL BOURLAND SUBDIVISION, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal, and regular session convened, that the dedication for Al Bourland Drive in the Al Bourland Subdivision in Section 4 (T16N-R15W), Caddo Parish, Louisiana, and as shown on the plats attached hereto and made a part hereof, be and the same is hereby accepted as dedicated to the public for public use in the City of Shreveport.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the original plat reflecting the dedication for Al Bourland Drive be and recorded in the official records of the District Court for Caddo Parish, Louisiana.

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

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

ORDINANCES: None.

REGULAR AGENDA LEGISLATION:

The Deputy Clerk read the resolution by title: Resolution No. 53 of 2003: A resolution authorizing purchase of Snap II properties from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Walford, seconded by Councilman Carmody to postpone until the May 27, 2003 meeting. Motion approved by the following vote. Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Carmody, Gibson, Hogan, Green and Jackson. 7. Nays: None.

The Deputy Clerk read the resolution by title: Resolution No. 54 of 2003: A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to convey to the Caddo/Bossier Port Commission all servitude obtained by the City of Shreveport in connection with the Southern Loop Water Main Extension Project, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Lester, seconded by Councilman Jackson to postpone until the May 27, 2003 meeting.

Councilman Walford: I favor passing this. I've been contacted, I think Mr. Gibson has been contacted, I think Mr. Strong gave us a pretty good run down on the fact that this is to the City's benefit so I would vote against a postponement.

Councilman Lester: With all due respect to my colleagues, I asked that this item be postponed on April 22nd.

I asked for some very basic information. I have not received neither phone call and I respect Mr. Strong and I appreciate the fact that he came before us and gave some, answered some questions on yesterday, but that's not how I operate. I asked for the information prior to the meeting and I was not given it. I think at a minimum, I know that there are other issues that we have as Councilmen, that we ask for clarification or we ask for information and once that information is given to the proper Councilman, that Councilman says "I'm comfortable, lets move forward".

Again, I'm not an obstructionist, but I think at a minimum, if a councilman ask that a body provide that Councilman with certain information so that he can make an informed decision as to his vote, I think that's something that should be complied with and I don't think that's asking too much.

This was something I asked for in April, I hadn't gotten it. I hear that other members of the Board, of the Council have had some conversation with folks from the Port and I think that's good, but I asked for it and I still haven't gotten it. So what about me? That's what my question is. I mean, at what point are we going to give each of the seven of us the due deference when we ask for something. I think that's just a basic common courtesy and matter of protocol and decency; so, I'm asking that this matter be postponed.

Listen, if someone from the Court can get this information to me, again by the next meeting, I will be happy to move forward with it. But I can't make an informed choice if I don't have the information. And if the Council decides to move forward,

then that's fine. But I just want to go on record saying I think it sets a bad precedent when a Council Member for information and asked for something to be postponed until that Council member is given information and the Council member does not get that information, but we move on otherwise. I think that sets a bad tone. Especially given the fact, as I appreciate it, we're going to talk about a Council Member who asked for some information on the next Agenda item that was not complied with.

Councilman Jackson: Yes sir. Yesterday I think Councilman Lester wasn't here and Mr. Strong came and gave us some information and I suggested to the rest of the Councilmen that I felt like what Mr. Strong had said sounded as if it made sense and I had not heard, I heard people saying lets move forward, but they didn't have any reason for moving forward.

And Mr. Strong, I think said something that none of us knew what the City's position was in this whole scenario.

And so yesterday, I was on record saying "well, I think that's satisfactory and I want to say this Council on yesterday evening, I talked to Mr. Lester, the reason that I seconded his motion is because he said the same thing to me. That if he asked for something why is it that he's not able to get it and if they won't respond or they have not responded, isn't it fair that he at least wait until he's gotten what he asked. So in his saying that to me, I suggested to me to him that I understood what he said because I'm not on this case, I don't happen to be in the same position in this scenario, but if I am, I still would like that same common courtesy. So, I would extend to him that same courtesy of being able to allow him to get the same information. I think as we put the ball in the Port Commission's lap, and that they can get it back to us relatively swiftly and then we'd be able to move forward on it. I don't know, Mr. Strong did not express yesterday did not express anything that would cause, that 14 days would cause any significant obstruction to anything that's going to happen; so, with that, I certainly would like to ask that we would at least consider the Councilman's request.

Motion to postpone failed by the following vote: Nays: Councilmen Walford, Carmody, Gibson, and Hogan. 4. Ayes: Councilman Lester, Green and Jackson. 3.

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Walford, seconded by Councilman Gibson for passage.

Councilman Gibson: This goes back on 54. Again yesterday, I stated unequivocally and I agree with my colleague in terms of information that he is requesting. I don't know why the Caddo-Bossier Port which again, the City of Shreveport is a partner in, but only one partner hasn't provided Councilman Lester the information.

I only spoke to Port Director John Holt and I've talked to a couple of other Commissioners about the concern that Councilman Lester and my concern about having the Port provide information about economic inclusiveness and some other things. Like yesterday, I suggested again that I believe that we have a representative, a full time staff person in Sam Gilliam who is very, very professional,

very, very capable that he work in conjunction with John Holt, the Port Director and a couple of their representatives and (unclear) office, I'd have to assume that Mr. Lester, that you would like to have a part at this. Because what I heard you in your motion, you were looking for information, but you were also looking for long term commitments in general that I will work in any capacity I have, but there are a set of circumstances including engineers, including construction people that are sitting on the sidelines waiting for some things to occur and I do appreciate that we're moving that situation forward, but I don't think the two are related.

And the fact that we continue to push this item to its due diligence to make sure that 1) Councilman Lester gets the information he's looking for and 2) express the concerns in the information or the concerns that this Council has about what our Port is doing and when they are looking for procurement of services out there. And we can work in conjunction with both the City of Bossier and the City of Shreveport to come to some resolution with our Port Commission; so, I want to be clear on that.

The other comment that I wanted to make regarding item 62 is I did finally get the information and Mike Strong, I want to commend you for providing the information. In looking at and if I could have Mr. Strong come forward for a second, I do have a question.

Councilman Jackson: Point of order.

Councilman Gibson: I thought we were on 62.

Councilman Green: No, we're on 54.

Councilman Gibson: Well then I apologize then, I'll wait until 62. Apologize Mr. Chair.

Councilman Jackson: I don't know anything else to say other than the fact that I wish that we would and maybe that's the precedent that we set. That in fact if a Councilman ask for something, that if we decide that they shouldn't get it, whether we feel like we're going to expedite some opportunities for other people or whatever the case may be, I think I respect what the Councilman is doing, is asking for information and being able to get the information from them at this point.

I understand Mr. Gilliam and what he does and everybody else and yesterday, some comments about the fact that James Pannell was on there and that he'd be watching. But I think we have a responsibility ourselves to make sure that every time we vote, that in fact we have information that is sufficient for each of us and unreadiness does not necessarily mean non-support. And I would suggest to us that as we operate in this mode of impatience as it relates to some things, yet we are expeditiously looking at other things, I just think in fairness to each other and maybe, I don't know, maybe I'm guilty as well of having done the same thing, but I think we give deference to a person's concern, that we're not out of order in doing so and its perceived to be slowing something down or the people who happen to be waiting on the sidelines could be better served if we passed this today. I mean, we're here for the people who are on the sidelines, but we're here also to make sure we've done a thorough job.

I just think that, I wished that we just vote on it and we don't have to explain away. I just wish that we would yield to each other as it relates to our unreadiness in these cases.

Councilman Lester: I'd just like to go on record saying this. When we vote on any issue, there are a number of things that go into whether or not to push the button that says "Yea" or the button that says "Nay". Each one of us has a responsibility to one-seventh of the City regardless of the socio-economic background, regardless of the race.

The people of District A elected me to handle their business. In order to handle their business, we need information. We have gone through issue after issue. We're not new. We've been here about six months and we have deferred to each other when there have been questions about issues. Just as recently as yesterday, Councilman Gibson, my good friend Councilman Gibson made a strong issue and a strong case about his desire to postpone item No. 62 because he did not receive certain information so that he could make an informed choice. We supported him and in fact as I appreciate his comments, he is ready to move forward on item 62 because he has been given the information that he asked for. I don't think its an issue of asking too much for a colleague to defer to another, but if we are going to make the precedent that if I determine or if I decide or if four people decide that this issue or six people decide that an issue is more important to them, than respect for another Council member when the Council member has articulated his desire, has clearly articulated his wishes in terms of getting information and lets just be honest folks, from April 22nd until now is not, I mean, that's a tremendous period of time.

Apparently some people got the information, I did not. The information that you received was at my bequest. The information that you received did not magically drop out of the sky because you thought about it and you had ESP, a request for information by the Council member from District A got to somebody and it was responded to. The Councilman from District A did not receive that information. The Councilman from District A made it a point to say something about it on yesterday. The Councilman from District A has not received any phone calls from anyone with the Port or anything else. The Councilman from District A's home phone number, law office number, cell phone number is known to most people on the Council as well as his district office.

All I'm saying is, I think we set a negative precedent when we subject our version or our judgement for someone else's. Because I don't think that I necessarily have to ask Councilman Carmody or Councilman Walford, why they voted for something; that's something that they have to decide. But if the councilman to my left or to my right says "I want information", then that's what we defer to.

If that's going to be the case, then we're not going to respect each other at least on that level, then what message does that send to the City? What message does that send to each other as colleagues? What is the point of decorum when one Council member feels diminished because that particular. . . and listen, my feelings are hurt. I'm a big boy, but I have a memory and at some point, there is

going to be another issue that arises that you are passionate about as it relates to an issue in your particular district and you're going to ask the six of us for that same respect. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Mr. Antee: Mr. Chairman, if I may, just so that I'm sure that . . . I want to make sure that nobody from the Administration has not provided any information that's been requested by you Councilman Lester? I'm asking is there any information that should come from DOS or the Administration that you've requested that I'm not aware of?

Councilman Lester: What I asked for as it relates to item 54 was whether or not the Port had a Fair Share Program? Whether or not the Port if they had one, what were their numbers, and if they didn't, what is their plan to have one. If they didn't have a Fair Share Program, it would have been very simple for Mr. Holt or somebody to say, we don't have one. If we had one, it would have been easily for them to compile that number because I know that they have to do an audit every year. And certainly somebody got the information, because some of my Councilmen colleagues said they got the information. At a basic level, if a Councilman ask for information, the Councilman should get it, period.

Mr. Antee: And we want to make sure you get it.

Councilman Lester: Well, I'm telling you, I did not get it, period.

Mr. Antee: I just want to make sure it wasn't my department or our Administration.

Councilman Lester: I don't know whose fault it was. I'm telling you the Councilman for District A did not get the information that the Councilman for District A requested. However, the Councilman for district C, apparently the Councilman for district B got the information, that the Councilman from District A requested.

The Councilman from District A said I don't feel comfortable moving forward on this issue because I haven't gotten that information, however, the Councilman from District C apparently and the Councilman from District B received information that the Councilman from District A requested. Don't know how to make it any plainer than that. Don't know how to make it any plainer than that.

Mr. Antee: If I could Mr. Chairman, ask any of the Councilmen that did get it, did they get it from one of our Department Heads or did it come from the Port?

Councilman Walford: I don't know.

Mr. Antee: Because if it came from one of our Department Heads, I want to find out why everybody didn't get it.

Councilman Carmody: Mr. Strong, if I remember correctly, there was a cover sheet on the information that was provided to me.

Mr. Strong: There is a cover sheet on it and these were hand delivered to the Council Office on April 28th. The letter came in from the Port, dated April 25th. And I in turn put a cover letter on it to the Council and said "Please find attached information requested by Councilman Calvin Lester at the last council meeting."

Councilman Gibson: Mr. Chairman, this is the third document that we haven't received on April 28th. I didn't receive any information Councilman Lester. I did have a conversation and I had commitments based on, I think I understood what you were looking for. That's why I went to John Holt and said specifically, I asked you to

get with the Fair Share Department, I asked you to get some information to us because obviously that is a concern of my colleague. So, there is no respect or disrespect on this situation. I have zero information and I was going based on the fact in my personal opinion, we have two different issues here.

Councilman Lester: But with all due respect and due deference to Councilman Gibson, if you didn't receive information, and I didn't receive information, and I asked for us not to move forward on the basis that I did not receive the information, why are we moving forward?

Councilman Gibson: Because I don't believe there is . . . (unclear)

Councilman Lester: Evidently you don't believe its important. Which goes back to my issue, that at a basic level, we should have a certain amount of respect for each other and a certain amount of respect for each other's position; that's all I'm saying.

Councilman Jackson: Mr. Chairman, I would like to say everything I'm saying where everybody can hear what I'm saying. We went from 53 to 54. Am I correct? Why did we postpone No. 53? Did the Mayor ask us to?

Councilman Green: Right.

Councilman Jackson: Okay, what I'm suggesting is you've lifted up my point for me. We postponed routinely that which the Administration ask us. They give us justification. I think its legitimate justification, routinely. I don't think the Mayor can say differently that he doesn't have, there is not a contentious scenario generally when he ask to postpone, we sit and say "move to postpone," all of us do it and I think we do that out of courtesy. I think that's what they taught me when we first got here and I think that was the terminology when using common courtesy. And I guess my question is even when there are some areas of discontent or even impatience on some part, then are we moving, are we doing some work behind the scenes to be sure that everybody is at the same level of readiness and if there is some unreadiness, I think the key to being able to do that is to reason and to be able to say "here is my unreadiness."

Listen, I understand when everybody is ready and I'm not. I've been voted 6-1 on a number of issues on this Council because I had a difference of opinion. Even after we were informed about it; that's no issue, but I was ready to vote. I knew how I was going to vote and I was ready. What I'm suggesting is we routinely do like we did a few minutes ago. We got to 53 and I think that if the record will bare me out, Councilman Walford said "move to postpone." I'm suggesting he said *move to postpone* because on yesterday at our Administrative Hearing, the Mayor said, I'd like to hold up HUD's not doing what they said they were going to do. Blah, blah, blah we're going to wait to see what HUD said, I would suggest to you Mr. Walford, that there are some things that are important to some people in 53 in the community and other places, but we moved to postpone not to hurt anybody, but because we didn't feel like we were ready yet. One person. I didn't hear any of us (the seven of us) say yesterday that SNAP II is bothering me and I'm not really sure. None of us asked for a postponement. The Administration asked for a postponement and we just simply as is our routine said that. . . and my question I guess is . . . what do we have to do to get automatic approval for things that we may not be prepared to vote

on as it relates to we as colleagues. I guess that's my. . . and I hope that what you appreciate is not me vs you. What I'm saying, there seems to be a level of inconsistency when it relates to an individual whose not ready vs the Administration who is not ready.

Councilman Walford: I got two issues then. And Mr. Lester knows that I would not push this as disrespect to him for anything. 1) We have a City project that if we postpone, will be put behind five weeks. My second question is 2. Will this Council, is the idea that if we don't agree or if Mr. Lester doesn't agree with the Port's Fair Share Program, are we going to kill this City project (Councilman Jackson: No.) because we don't agree with their program?

Now, I appreciate now that he didn't get the document that I got that Mr. Strong walked up here with. Clearly, we've got a problem on information. I don't know what's happening. That's two that I've gotten that you didn't get and you didn't get, but we're dealing with two issues. 1) Are we going to kill it if we don't like their program. 2) Can we dictate to other entities? If the Caddo Parish School Board doesn't have a Fair Share Program in place, but we're doing numerous cooperative endeavor agreements with them.

Councilman Jackson: Did we do any of those? Does this Council do one of those?

Councilman Walford: Well you're going to have one coming up here in a few minutes.

Councilman Jackson: That's what I'm saying, I think the same judgement ought to be exercised in that case as well. I think you have to form some kind of precedence. Everybody won't have the same conviction.

Councilman Lester: Right.

Councilman Jackson: But at least acknowledge that there is . . . because your concern seems to me to be how do we insulate them against what may be our objective when it comes back. My suggestion to you is that if it comes back and we got a problem with it and at that point in time, then however many is going to vote for it can vote for it then. However gonna vote against it can vote against it then and it will be one soldier's journey to try to get this thing don't but at least until you have the information

Councilman Jackson: (already speaking) forgot, said something about five weeks. I don't know.

Councilman Walford: (unclear) the last council meeting.

Councilman Jackson: That's what I'm saying. I don't know anything about the five weeks. I do know that again, as I say, can you tell me what Resolution 53, how far that puts us behind on a project that we had planned for that?

Councilman Walford: I can't tell you.

Councilman Jackson: We have no idea. Why? Because we have selectively chosen the things that become important to us rather than saying we are waiting. . . the City's project is going to be five weeks behind, what about that first City project?

That was on the books. That's a plan for that. It's not going to happen as a development.

My issue is until we get in a position to where the City is not going to be exposed and I said to the Mayor, I agree, lets postpone it. On this issue, they're apples to oranges, but the principle still is there. If we are not ready. If not one Councilman, but if it was voted 4-3 to postpone, if 3 people are not ready, to me, that would express at least enough discontent to not move forward with any resolution like that. I just think we're moving too swiftly to try to insulate the Port. And all in the name of "it's a City project that must go forward for five weeks." Mr. Strong, are you. . . ? May I ask Mr. Strong a question Mr. Chairman?

Mr. Strong, in your opinion, would the City be in dire straights if we didn't pass this today?

Mr. Strong: No sir. The bids have been received and the bids can be extended if the Port gets these. . .

Councilman Jackson: Right. So the people who are on the sidelines, who I think Councilman Gibson referred to as those engineers and those other folks who are on the sidelines. They won't be in anyway economically disadvantaged or impacted in such a way that they'll go out of business, let say if we voted on this on the 27th vs. today, yes or no?

Mr. Strong: Only one clarification on that. The only thing is, is if the contractor does not hold his bids.

Councilman Carmody: That's right.

Councilman Jackson: So, what happens if we choose not to. . . has that happened in the history of the City before?

Mr. Strong: Yes sir.

Councilman Jackson: Okay, so is it possible then to do it, to wait until the 27th to vote even though it's a delay and lets say the contractor doesn't hold his bid, we go back out and do it again?

Mr. Strong: There is always a possibility of doing that.

Councilman Jackson: So, the City will not be. I want to know if the City suffers detriment in any major way if in fact we don't vote on it today?

Mr. Strong: No sir.

Councilman Walford: I guess the other place that I'm losing something here is, this is not the Port project, am I correct Mike?

Mr. Strong: A City project that the Port is doing. . . .

Mr. Walford: It's a City project meeting the Fair Share Program like all City projects.

Mr. Strong: It is coming out of the RDA money that the Port is administering through that. We're involved in it. But it is actually a project that the City went to the Port and approached them on.

Councilman Lester: Thank you. This is where I am gentlemen. This issue is, is not politics. Its not. We meet and we get together twice a month. Tuesdays, the second and fourth Tuesday and then we see each other on Mondays and every now and then we talk. I've been married to my wife going on four years. My wife doesn't know what I'm going to do. She doesn't. She has a pretty good idea. But what makes one of us think that we can substitute our judgement or figure out what another councilman is going to do. We're not playing checkers or chess.

We have a responsibility to our districts period. If one council member says, I have some unreadiness, then why don't, if you think that my unreadiness as it relates to the Fair Share Program and therefore if I'm not satisfied with the Fair Share Program, then I'm going to vote against this, then why don't you ask me the direct question? Or even more important than that, because that's not the issue, why don't you get in contact with the folks at the Port and say "you know what Councilman Lester has an issue. On April 22nd as it relates to these numbers." Why don't you make sure since you're in pretty good contact with these individuals, these professionals, why don't you make sure that they get the information that Councilman Lester requested and then to double check since your issue is making sure that city projects aren't postponed, then call Councilman Lester and say "Councilman Lester did you receive the information that you requested?" Its an issue about respect.

Listen, you might not like me and the fact of the matter is we're not charged with the responsibility of liking each other. It would be good that we do and I think we get along. But, you've got to respect this chair, this button and that modiquer out there that says: the citizens of District A put me here to do a job, period. You might not like Calvin Lester and you know what? You don't have to. But you need to respect the fact that I am sitting here as the representative from the citizens of District A, just like if you . . .as we have done before, if a Councilman has some questions, we deal with that.

Again, none of us has ESP. None of us has that type of ability to divine what another council member is going to come up with depending on what information is gathered. And if you're voting with the idea that I'm voting this way because he might do this, that tells me you're not really concerned about the merits of this particular project anyway. At a minimum, and I'm gonna continue to harp on this, because I think its important. At a minimum, we have certain rules, we have respect, we have certain decorum. That is all we have and when we loose respect for each other, when we lose respect for our positions and when we lose decorum, we (and no disrespect to Councilman Carmody) we denigrate the level of discourse of this body. And one of the things that I have been saying to people across the City, Black, White, Green, Rich, Poor, whatever, the one thing that I can say about this Council, maybe as opposed to others is even, and Councilman Gibson hit on it, even if we don't agree we still continue to dialogue and we try to work through our problems, but if we're going to get to a point where if a Councilman says "I have some unreadiness and I would like to be provided information", and after that Councilman comes back and says, "I still haven't been given the information" and more than one Councilman not only recognizes, but verifies that Councilman have not gotten information because they haven't gotten it themselves, and yet we still move forward. I think that sets a very, very, very bad signal. So, I mean it is what it is and I'm ready to move forward, but this gentlemen, I think we need to take a look at that, because at the end of the day we have to be able to respect each other and respect our positions.

Councilman Green: I would like to say that I'm 100% for the project, but I'm also 100% against the process and if we vote for it today, I'll be voting against it. I'm not against it after he got his information, I would still vote for it, but I think that the process is very important.

Councilman Walford: I question Councilman Lester if I could. Since you know the information is in the Chamber and was provided within two days I think of the last meeting, when you requested it, if we were to suspend the rules and come back to this, as the last item of the day, would you consider. . . . if you would, then I would withdraw my motion.

Councilman Lester: Let me say this for what its worth. In law school, we learned to synthesize a lot of information very quickly with a certain level of understanding. But I'm not going to do the citizens of District A that way. There is a reason why we don't meet every week. There is a reason why we have time to read over things over the weekend. There is a reason why we're given

information ahead of time. I couldn't vote on something if I were just given it just now especially when I asked for it on April 22nd. Then we're talking about a month later, that wouldn't be right. That wouldn't be right.

Its nothing against Mike Strong, its nothing against anybody that works for the City, its nothing against the delivery system. The fact simply remains the Councilman from District A requested information. The information was gathered, put together and given to Councilman from District C, apparently Councilman from District B. Not to Councilman from district D, not to Councilman from District G. This is information that the Councilman from District A and even after the Councilman from District A asked that we not move forward because he was unready based on the fact he had not gotten information, we moved forward anyway. That, I mean we can't solve that.

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Chairman, for the record, I want to make it clear that the information apparently was sent to our office on April 28th for all of the Council members. I don't know what happened to the delivery systems so that some council members did get it and other Council Members did not get the information, but that will not happen again. We do have the information here where the attorney apparently for the Commission says that they do comply with federal law as it relates to their Fair Share Programs, but apparently it's the fault of the Office of the Council and not the Port or not Mike Strong or anybody else.

Councilman Lester: Mr. Chairman, let me be clear. I'm not faulting the Council Office. No. The fact is I asked for information, I did not get the information. I communicated that to my colleagues. I communicated to my colleagues that I am unready to move because I did not get the information. One of my colleagues indicated that he received the information. Several of my colleagues indicated that they had not received the information. My unreadiness, I don't even know enough about the merits to even deal with that. The issue is whether or not a councilman can ask for information, let his colleagues know that he has not received that information, expressed unreadiness to vote the peoples business based on the fact that he has not gotten that information, and then his colleagues know not only did he not get the information, but they didn't get the information and yet we move forward; that's not your problem. That's our problem.

So, no. Listen, I'm not faulting the Council Office. No. I hold my colleagues responsible and if we're going to send a message that regardless of whether or not you have expressed some unreadiness, if we want to move forward, we want to move forward and we're not going to respect each other's position the office enough to defer to a council member when we defer to the Administration and we defer to each other. And I was prepared to defer to my Council colleague, Mr. Gibson on item No. 62 based on a conversation that he had with the Administration on yesterday and I might state for the record, he indicated he is ready to move forward on item 62 because the information that he had requested previously, he received; so, I think it's a double standard.

And am I upset? Yes. Am I going to get over it? Yes I will, yes I will. But I think it sends a negative signal to each one of us. And I think it sends a negative symbol to the city. It is what it is.

(Councilman Walford: I'll go ahead and withdraw the motion because of circumstances.

Councilman Green: Motion has been withdrawn by Mr. Walford. Does the second have to be withdrawn as well?

Councilman Walford: I don't remember who had the second.

Councilman Jackson: Mike did.

Councilman Walford: Did you second

Councilman Gibson: I don't know.

Councilman Walford: I don't either.

Councilman Jackson: Well, its dead for lack of a second.

Motion by Councilman Jackson, seconded by Councilman Lester to postpone the resolution until the May 27, 2003 meeting. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilman Lester, Walford, Carmody, Hogan, Green and Jackson. 6. Nays: Councilman Gibson. 1.

RESOLUTION NO. 62 OF 2003

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN EXTENSION TO THE 1998 INTERGOVERNMENTAL SOLID WASTE AGREEMENT WITH BOSSIER CITY, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport entered into an Intergovernmental Solid Waste Agreement (the "Agreement") with the City of Bossier in 1993 which provided that Shreveport would collect and dispose of solid waste generated by residents of Bossier City and related matters; and

WHEREAS, the parties now desire to enter into a new Agreement for a five (5) year period effective December 1, 2003.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened that the Mayor of the City of Shreveport is hereby authorized to execute a new Intergovernmental Solid Waste Agreement with Bossier City.

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 Green, seconded by Councilman Jackson for passage.

Councilman Gibson: Mr. Strong, could you come forward please? And while you're coming up, I want to state for the record that I didn't look at any of my City Council for disrespect. When I didn't get the information, I personally took it upon myself to work with Mr. Strong to get that information and I do appreciate Mr. Strong you getting that information for me because again, if something fell through the cracks I have to take personal responsibility to go and get that information to go and I want to be clear on my side, that there is no disrespect from my colleagues up here.

Councilman Jackson: On that issue.

Councilman Gibson: I do really appreciate data down regarding the landfill and the collection of the solid waste for the Bossier contract. I think you have included, from what I can ascertain insurance equipment in terms of my concerns with what our future capital expenditures will be because obviously and we've got some City employees out there that work on these trucks, they can probably tell me better than I can whether they are in good shape or not but I would say some of them are not in good shape and we are going to have to be paying for that in the near future, which you do have some dollars in this contract o make sure that we cover that and I do appreciate that I guess my one question that I am still a little concerned with, we do not have from what I can see in the data and at some point in time our landfill will max out and I do think that I understand from a conversation I had with you that we have a plan of action to have a contingency for additional space at some point and time, if I heard you right in a conversation yesterday, is that correct?

Mr. Strong: Currently our landfill pretty well has a lift to the year 2022 and we are looking at additional lands currently to try to get actually really double the capacity of what it is no t take it even further than that.

Councilman Gibson: And I do appreciate it Mr. Strong that you are planning to bring something before this body in the near future, bring it to the Administration to this body to look at because obviously we've got to be looking long term. The only thing that I did not see in this dollar amount was something in there to put away for a rainy day when our landfill becomes maxed out and I guess that is not included in any kind of expenses, right?

Mr. Strong: No, sir it was at the time, I understand there was a bond issue that was passed to actually start the landfill (purchase the land and to do all of the permitting and everything to get it open and it is my understanding at that time, well not my understanding, looked at it as the possibility of putting so much a ton in there, but it was decided by the Administration at that time that it be looked at as another bond issue when the time comes.

Councilman Gibson: So at some point in time we are going to be looking at a request from the Administration included in some bond election or something of that nature to anticipate the extra capacity at some later date because we will at some point and time, max out that landfill.

Mr. Strong: Well lets put it this way, I hope not because that is why I'm looking at doing more land now that we can on the exact location.

Councilman Gibson: I understand. As far as I can ascertain and again my only reason for raising this question in the past was making sure that we covered all the cost associated with the contract that we have over in Bossier that has already been approved by that City Council over there and now has, it is put before us and I just wanted to make sure that there were the proper expenses and things of that nature.

And again, you did your due diligence to get it to me, it didn't come to me and I took the action yesterday to go get it from you and I do appreciate your quick response. In fact I appreciate Mr. Holt if he is still in the audience because the due of ya'll worked the due diligently with the Mayor to get me that information after some time that had passed by. But again. From what I can see, from the quick turn-around of which that turn-around took place as of this morning, it appears that we have included all the necessary cost with the exception of future dollars that would go for an expansion to cover any excess capacity that we'd be anticipating in the future; I appreciate it.

Councilman Carmody: I did want to point tout one thing, and that is and I believe it was under our previous Council that we did, submit and were approved for adding capacity to the existing facility by going up. Is that. . . ?

Mr. Strong: Through a modification; yes, sir.

Councilman Carmody: So we've made provisions for accepting this and again, we have somebody who is looking far-sighted to try and make sure that we provide for the future needs of the City in that landfill. But I appreciate you sending me the information and I'm certainly prepared to go ahead and vote.

Resolution passed by the following vote: Ayes: Councilman Lester, Walford, Carmody, Gibson, Hogan, Green and Jackson. 7. Nays: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 64 OF 2003

A RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND THANK THE LOCAL HARLEY OWNER'S GROUP (HOG) CHAPTERS FOR THEIR CONTRIBUTION TO THE COMMUNITY AND THE CITIZENS OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

By: Councilman Green

WHEREAS, the Shreveport and Bossier City Harley Owner's Group (HOG) Chapters hosted the 2003 Louisiana State HOG Rally in the City of Shreveport; and

WHEREAS, the Shreveport-Bossier Convention & Tourist Bureau estimates that 7,000 people attended the rally, providing an estimated economic impact of \$1,694,140; and

WHEREAS, the 2003 rally was the largest rally to be held in Louisiana and one of the largest rallies in the country; and

WHEREAS, during the rally the HOG's hosted a free bike show for the public with over 100 custom bikes; and

WHEREAS, the rally included an awesome parade of Harley Davidson Motorcycles on the Arthur Teague and Clyde Fant Parkways as the public watched from along the parade route; and

WHEREAS, the HOG rally provides opportunity for various nonprofit organizations to raise funds. There were several charity raffles that sold tickets at the rally. And because bylaws prohibit the HOG organization to participate in the sale of alcohol, the March of Dimes and the Shriner's held the beer concessions for the event in the Festival Plaza and made over \$28,000 for their organizations; and

WHEREAS, the local HOG chapters have won the bid for the 2004 Louisiana State HOG Rally to be held in April 2004 in the City of Shreveport.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal and regular session convened, that they do recognize and thank the local HOG chapters for their contribution to the community and to the citizens of the City of Shreveport.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council wishes the local HOG chapters much success for the 2004 Louisiana State HOG Rally.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall be executed in duplicate originals and one original shall be presented to Homer Fouquier, Jr., rally director for the Shreveport and Bossier City Harley Owners Groups, and an original shall be filed in perpetuity in the Office of the Clerk of Council for the City of Shreveport.

/s/James Edward Green, Chairman

/s/Calvin Ben Lester, Jr., District A

/s/R. M. "Monty" Walford,

District B

/s/Thomas G. Carmody, Jr., District C

/s/Michael "Mike" Gibson, District D

/s/Jeffery "Jeff" A. Hogan, District E

/s/Theron J. Jackson, District G

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilman Carmody passed by the following vote. Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Carmody, Gibson, Hogan, Green and Jackson. 7. Nays: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 68 OF 2003

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE BUDGET FOR THE CADDO-SHREVEPORT SALES AND USE TAX COMMISSION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2003 AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the Caddo-Shreveport Sales and Use Tax Commission was created by the City of Shreveport and the Caddo Parish School Board to provide for the joint collection, enforcement and administration of sales and use taxes levied by the City and School Board; and

WHEREAS, the Sales and Use Tax Commission is required to submit its proposed budget for the ensuing fiscal year to the City Council for approval; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has submitted its proposed budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2003, a copy of which was filed with the Clerk of the City Council on May 13, 2003.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in legal session convened, that the total operating budget of \$926,550 and the capital budget of \$64,000 proposed by the Caddo-Shreveport Sales and Use Tax Commission for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2003, are hereby approved.

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 Green, seconded by Councilman Walford passed by the following vote: Ayes: Councilman Lester, Walford, Carmody, Gibson, Hogan, Green and Jackson. 7. Nays: None.

The Deputy Clerk read the resolution by title: Resolution No. 69 of 2003: A resolution of support for the proposed construction of four (4) scattered site duplex homes developments in Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Lester, seconded by Councilman Carmody to postpone the resolution until the May 27, 2003 meeting.

Mr. Antee: I would point out to the Council that Mr. Travis Miller was here. Ya'll had asked yesterday and we said that he would be here and Judge Frank Thaxton was also here and if there were any questions that you had on it. And I know that Mr. Miller tried to get with Mr. Lester prior to the meeting. So, I just want to point to you that they have been sitting since 3 o'clock this afternoon to answer any—prior to, I think about 2:30 this afternoon to answer any questions and they are here.

Councilman Lester: Mr. Chairman, I'm moving to postpone and I call for the vote. And let me say this, it is nothing disrespectful towards Judge Thaxton who I respect tremendously or Mr. Miller.

There is a process that I go through when I deal with living developments in my district and in fact I have a gentleman here, Mr. Turtine that is seeking a similar resolution and just by way of information, I spoke to Mr. Turtine with his scenario, some months ago. He came and we had a meeting with the citizens of District A that people that will be affected by this development and got some input from the community and they decided that they wanted to move forward on this so, in so far as I have not had an opportunity do that with this particular development, I am expressing some unreadiness. I haven't passed judgment on it and I would hope that after this meeting I would get with Judge Thaxton and Mr. Miller so that we can set something up as expeditiously as possible.

I understand that the deadline that they are looking for would be submission to Louisiana Home Financing by the 30th and we have a meeting on the 27th, so certainly if we, and I know that we can put those same group of folks together that will be affected by the particular development, we could meet, we

could get those people, give them an opportunity to express themselves and then I could move forward with that on the 27th and they would not be prejudiced.

But certainly before I vote to any resolution to support any housing development, residential or otherwise in MLK or any other part of my district I want to have the input from my citizens and I've done that with Mr. Turtine and that that is why moving, asking the Council to support my resolution as it relates to Mr. Turtine and Rosenwald but I've expressed some unreadiness on this.

Councilman Green: Mr. Miller, would you like to come and have expressions to the Council on this. Is Judge Thaxton still here?

Mr. Travis Miller: I think Councilman Lester was pretty direct and pretty clear. The only thing I have is information that I might be able to answer today, any questions that you might have or any Council member might have so we could move forward with our development.

It is cutting it close to the 27th and if something happened, then we might miss out on the opportunity to provide housing (decent, safe, and sanitary and affordable) housing in your district; so, if it is questions that you had about the development, I'd be happy to answer them at this time.

Councilman Lester: Well again, Mr. Miller, as I stated before, I have questions but more importantly I'm sure that some residents in the district would want to have some input on what happens in their neighborhood. And, as I have stated before, as it relates to Mr. Turtine the process that I dealt with is, those residents that will be affected, I give them the opportunity as their representative to find out what is going on in their neighborhood and to give them an opportunity to voice their opinion as opposed to unilaterally deciding what is going to go in someone's back yard. I think that shows a level of respect that I have for the citizens that put me here.

And given the fact that we've had scenarios in the MLK area particularly where other developments, not yourself took advantage of the fact that people didn't know and put developments up there and you and I have talked about these type of developments that the people in the MLK area absolutely do not want and I've made a promise to the citizens of District A particularly those in the MLK area that, before I vote for any development in their back yard, I'm going to talk to them first so that I would think that we could put together a meeting and I'm sure that we could do it expeditiously. I understand your deadline is May 30th and I will assure you that we put this meeting together and have input from the citizens, and if the citizens tell me Councilman Lester, we want you to move forward on it, I'll move forward on it. If for some reason we can't get the resolution done as I appreciate it by the rules and regulations, that a letter from the Councilman supporting that particular area, counts the same 50 points on that score card as does the resolution, so there are a number of avenues that we do, but it is my process to give the people in the area an opportunity to say what is going to be in their backyard and I think that is only right and I would think that you and Judge Thaxton would want me to do that. So, after the meeting we'll get together and we can put together a meeting very expeditiously of the people that will be affected and we go forward.

Councilman Green: Thank you Mr. Miller for coming and also, tell the Judge I was ready to go forward. I don't want to mess with judges.

Mr. Miller: He's here.

Councilman Green: Oh, he's here. Judge, I'm in favor of whatever you want. I just wanted that to be clear.

Motion to postpone the resolution passed by the following vote: Ayes: Councilman Lester, Walford, Carmody, Hogan, Green and Jackson. 1. Nays: Councilman Gibson. 1.

RESOLUTION NO. 70 OF 2003
RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE APPLICATION OF ROSENWALD III AND
ROSENWALD IV SUBDIVISIONS TO THE LOUISIANA HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY

BY: COUNCILMAN LESTER

WHEREAS, the Rosenwald III & IV Subdivisions are each 26 unit single-family subdivisions for a total of 52 homes to be located at the Southeast corner of David Raines Road and Round Grove Road behind Rosenwald Subdivision Unit No. 1 with access being provided by the Markham Street right-of-way.

WHEREAS, said development lies in the incorporated area of the City of Shreveport therefore within the jurisdiction of the Shreveport City Council.

WHEREAS, this city has been and remains supportive of sanitary, affordable housing for all of its citizens;

WHEREAS, certain special needs groups, namely the handicapped, single parent households and large families will be served by this facility with positive, needs based programs to allow them to live more productive and more rewarding lives;

WHEREAS, these special needs groups have been historically under served due to the lack of available state and federal funding;

WHEREAS, although this city does not encourage or direct its citizens to select one residence over another, it does support as a general proposition the building of new housing that is safe, sanitary and affordable;

WHEREAS, Rosenwald III & Rosenwald IV Subdivisions, along with its non-profit partner(s) will partially fund this project upon successful application with Internal Revenue Service Code Section 42 tax credits as awarded by the Louisiana Housing Finance Agency;

WHEREAS, said tax credits are awarded on a state-wide, competitive basis to those applicants that score the highest points; and

WHEREAS, a resolution of support from this governmental body will be a significant factor, but not the only factor, in determining whether or not said application is successful,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council for the City of Shreveport in due legal and regular session convened, that it supports the application of Rosenwald III and Rosenwald IV Subdivisions to the Louisiana Housing Finance Agency for tax credits pursuant to Section 42 of the Internal Revenue Code.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution of support is provided to satisfy requirements of the Louisiana Housing Finance Agency and shall not be construed or is it intended to grant any approval, variance, or waiver of any requirement, regulation or process required by federal, state or local law for the construction, development or occupancy of the proposed project.

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

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

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Lester, seconded by Councilman Jackson passed by the following vote: Ayes: Councilman Lester, Walford, Carmody, Gibson, Hogan, Green and Jackson. 7. Nays: None.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTION:

9. Resolution 71 of 2003: A resolution to amend the fee schedule for the Emergency Medical Services Division of the Shreveport Fire Department and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Carmody, seconded by Councilman Lester for Introduction of the Resolution to lay over until the May 27, 2003 meeting. Motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: Councilman Lester, Walford, Carmody, Gibson, Hogan, Green and Jackson. 7. Nays: None.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:

1. Ordinance No. 50 of 2003: An ordinance amending the 2003 General Fund Budget and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

2. Ordinance No. 51 of 2003: An ordinance amending the 2003 budget funding contractual services provided to Sportran by Metro Management Associates, Inc. and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
3. Ordinance No. 52 of 2003: An ordinance amending the 2003 budget for the Community Development Special Revenue Fund and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
4. Ordinance No. 53 of 2003: An ordinance amending the 2003 budget for the Metropolitan Planning Commission Special Revenue Fund and otherwise providing with respect thereto
5. Ordinance No. 54 of 2003: An ordinance amending the 2003 budget for the Retained Risk Internal Service Fund and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
6. Ordinance No. 55 of 2003: An ordinance amending the 2003 budget for the Riverfront Development Special Revenue Fund and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
7. Ordinance No. 56 of 2003: An ordinance to amend Section 94-138 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Shreveport by establishing a new permitting procedure for Wastewater Discharges from restaurants into the City's Sanitary Sewer System, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Carmody, seconded by Councilman Lester for Introduction of the Ordinances to lay over until the May 27, 2003 meeting. Motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: Councilman Lester, Walford, Carmody, Gibson, Hogan, Green and Jackson. 7. Nays: None.

8. Ordinance No. 57 of 2003: An ordinance declaring certain city-owned property as surplus property, authorizing the exchange of same with property owned by Word of Life, Ministries, Inc., and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Carmody, seconded by Councilman Lester for Introduction of Ordinance No. 57 of 2003 to lay over until the June 10, 2003 meeting. Motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: Councilman Lester, Walford, Carmody, Gibson, Hogan, Green and Jackson. 7. Nays: None.

9. Ordinance No. 58 of 2003: An ordinance to amend Section 26-106 of the Code of Ordinances relative to Finance and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
10. Ordinance No. 59 of 2003: An ordinance to amend Section 78-386 (b) of the City of Shreveport Code of Ordinances relative to Streets, Sidewalks and other public places and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

11. Ordinance No. 60 of 2003: An ordinance to amend Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, as amended, the City of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by amending Section 106-22,7., by increasing the fee required for a Certificate of Occupancy, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
12. Ordinance No. 61 of 2003: An ordinance authorizing the incurring of debt and issuance of Eleven Million Dollars (\$11,000,000) of General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2003B, of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana; prescribing the form, terms and conditions of said bonds; designating the date, denomination and place of payment of said bonds; providing for the payment thereof in principal and interest; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.
13. Ordinance No. 62 of 2003: An ordinance amending and reenacting portions of Section 105.6 of Chapter 1 of the City of Shreveport Comprehensive Building Code and to and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Carmody, seconded by Councilman Lester for Introduction of the Ordinances to lay over until the May 27, 2003 meeting. Motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: Councilman Lester, Walford, Carmody, Gibson, Hogan, Green and Jackson. 7. Nays: None.

14. Ordinance No. 63 of 2003: An ordinance authorizing the sale of city-owned property at 2704 Frederick Street and 2730 Judson Street to qualified purchasers and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Carmody, seconded by Councilman Lester for Introduction of Ordinance No. 63 of 2003 to lay over until the June 10, 2003 meeting. Motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: Councilman Lester, Walford, Carmody, Gibson, Hogan, Green and Jackson. 7. Nays: None

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING AND FINAL PASSAGE:

1. Ordinance No. 27 of 2003: NINETEENTH SUPPLEMENTAL ORDINANCE: A Supplemental Ordinance amending and supplementing Resolution No. 131 of 1984 (the "General Bond Resolution") adopted on June 12, 1984, as amended; providing for the issuance of \$19,600,000 principal amount of Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, 2003 Refunding Series B, of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana, pursuant to the General Bond Resolution; approving and confirming the sale of such bonds; prescribing the form, fixing the details and providing for the payment of principal of and interest on such bonds and the application of the proceeds thereof for refunding certain bonds issued for the purpose of constructing and acquiring extensions and improvements to the City's combined waterworks plant and system and sewer plant and system (the "System") of the

City; making application to the State Bond Commission; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

Having passed first reading on March 11, 2003 was read by title and on motion ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Carmody seconded by Councilman Lester for passage. The Deputy Clerk read the following amendment:

Delete the ordinance as introduced and substitute the attached ordinance.

Motion by Councilman Carmody for adoption of the amendment, seconded by Councilman Walford. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Carmody, Gibson, Hogan, Green and Jackson. 7. Nays: None.

Motion by Councilman Carmody for adoption of the ordinance as amended, seconded by Councilman Green.

Councilman Lester: The amount that we are refinancing, is the \$18 million as opposed to \$19? I think Mr. Brown was.

Ms. Washington: The par amount of the bonds is \$18,800,000 but total funding is \$19 million, but the par of the bond is \$18,800,000.

Councilman Lester: To the Administration, I ask this question routinely, so it is not going to a surprise but, do we have any—Mayor Hightower: Yes.

Councilman Lester: The question is, do we have any minority lawyers that are working on this.

Mayor Hightower: No surprise.

Councilman Lester: I try to be consistent.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Carmody, Gibson, Hogan, Green and Jackson. 7. Nays: None.

2. Ordinance No. 44 of 2003: An ordinance closing and abandoning a 16.6 foot-wide alleyway in the SW/4 of Section 5 (T17N-R13W), Caddo Parish, Louisiana and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Having passed first reading on April 22, 2003 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 Green adopted by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Carmody, Gibson, Hogan, Green and Jackson. 7. Nays: None.

3. Ordinance No. 45 of 2003: A ordinance authorizing and providing for limited vehicular access on Mackey Place into the 2700 block and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Having passed first reading on April 22, 2003 was read by title and on motion ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Hogan seconded by Councilman Walford adopted by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Carmody, Gibson, Hogan, Green and Jackson. 7. Nays: None.

4. Ordinance No. 46 of 2003: An ordinance levying a tax of Thirty and Fifty-four One Hundredths (30 and 54/100ths) Mills per dollar on all property subject to ad valorem taxation Within the City of Shreveport for the Year 2003 for the purpose of paying principal and interest on the outstanding general obligation bonds of the City of Shreveport, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

Having passed first reading on April 22, 2003 was read by title and on motion ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Lester seconded by Councilman Walford adopted by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Carmody, Gibson, Hogan, Green and Jackson. 7. Nays: None.

5. Ordinance No. 47 of 2003: An ordinance levying various taxes totaling Twenty and Seventy-Six One Hundredths (20 and 76/100ths) Mills per Dollar on all property subject to ad valorem taxation within the City of Shreveport for the Year 2003 in the amounts and for the purposes described herein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

Having passed first reading on April 22, 2003 was read by title and on motion ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Carmody seconded by Councilman Green for adoption.

Councilman Carmody: When Reverend Allen came to talk to me he had asked about a concern that he had regarding some approved tax millages that outline employee salaries and wages. And yesterday during the Council work session I had asked Mr. Dark to verify for us, because indeed this would . . . legislation include a millage of 1.31 and listed as Employee Salary and Wages. The Administration confirmed that all those monies are actually paid to the City workers; so, I'd made that commitment, I don't see Reverend Allen right now, but indeed it is being paid.

Ordinance adopted by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Carmody, Gibson, Hogan, Green and Jackson. 7. Nays: None.

6. Ordinance No. 48 of 2003: An ordinance levying a tax of Seven And Ninety-Nine One Hundredths (7 And 99/100ths) Mills per dollar on all property subject to ad valorem taxation within the bounds of the Downtown Development District of the City of Shreveport as defined by Act 554 of 1978, as amended, for the purposes as set forth herein and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

Having passed first reading on April 22, 2003 was read by title and on motion ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Carmody seconded

by Councilman Lester adopted by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Carmody, Gibson, Hogan, Green and Jackson. 7. Nays: None.

7. Ordinance No. 49 of 2003: An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, the City of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning property located on the southwest corner of Willow Ridge Boulevard & South Lakeshore Drive, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, from B-3, Community Business District to R-3 (PUD) Urban, Multiple-family Residence District (Planned Unit Development) and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Having passed first reading on April 22, 2003 was read by title and on motion ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Lester seconded by Councilman Carmody adopted by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Carmody, Gibson, Hogan, Green and Jackson. 7. Nays: None.

The adopted Ordinances, as amended, follow:

ORDINANCE NO. 27 OF 2003

Offered by Councilman _____ and seconded by Councilman _____:

TWENTIETH SUPPLEMENTAL ORDINANCE

A Supplemental Ordinance amending and supplementing Resolution No. 131 of 1984 (the "General Bond Resolution") adopted on June 12, 1984, as amended; providing for the issuance of \$18,800,000 principal amount of Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, 2003 Refunding Series B, of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana, pursuant to the General Bond Resolution; approving and confirming the sale of such bonds; prescribing the form, fixing the details and providing for the payment of principal of and interest on such bonds and the application of the proceeds thereof for refunding certain bonds issued for the purpose of constructing and acquiring extensions and improvements to the City's combined waterworks plant and system and sewer plant and system (the "System") of the City; making application to the State Bond Commission; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana (the "Issuer"), owns and operates a revenue-producing public utility comprised of a combined waterworks plant and system and sewer plant and system (the "System"); and

WHEREAS, the Issuer is authorized to borrow money and issue revenue bonds, payable solely from the income and revenues to be derived by the Issuer from the operation of the System to refund a portion of the Issuer's outstanding Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, 1994 Series A, which were issued to finance construction, improvements and extensions to the System, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 14-A of Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (R.S. 39:1444-1455) (the "Act"), and other constitutional and statutory authority; and

WHEREAS, the Issuer adopted Resolution No. 131 of 1984 (the "General Bond Resolution") on June 12, 1984, as amended and supplemented, authorizing the issuance from time to time of

Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds of the Issuer on the terms and conditions set forth in the General Bond Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the General Bond Resolution provides that the details of the Bonds of each Series of Bonds issued thereunder shall be specified in a supplemental resolution adopted by the Issuer authorizing the issuance of such Series of Bonds, subject to the terms, conditions and limitations established in the General Bond Resolution; and

WHEREAS, the Issuer proposes by this Twentieth Supplemental Ordinance to authorize the issuance of \$18,800,000 principal amount of its Bonds to be the Twentieth Series of Bonds issued under the General Bond Resolution and to be designated "Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, 2003 Refunding Series B" (the "Series 2003B Bonds"), and to specify the terms and conditions of the Series 2003B Bonds; and

WHEREAS, the Issuer has heretofore issued \$40,940,000 original principal amount of Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, 1986 Series A (the "Series 1986A Bonds") pursuant to the General Bond Resolution and the Third Supplemental Resolution; \$31,080,000 Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, 1986 Refunding Series B (the "Series 1986B Bonds") pursuant to the General Bond Resolution and the Fourth Supplemental Resolution, \$45,595,000 Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, 1986 Refunding Series C (the "Series 1986C Bonds") pursuant to the General Bond Resolution and the Fifth Supplemental Resolution; \$11,568,877.37 Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, 1989 Series A (the "Series 1989A Bonds") pursuant to the General Bond Resolution and the Sixth Supplemental Resolution; \$11,125,333.62 Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, 1990 Series A (the "Series 1990A Bonds") pursuant to the General Bond Resolution and the Seventh Supplemental Resolution; \$4,623,201.02 Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, 1990 Series B (the "Series 1990B Bonds") pursuant to the General Bond Resolution and the Eighth Supplemental Resolution; \$7,187,914.56 Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, 1991 Series A (the "Series 1991A Bonds") pursuant to the General Bond Resolution and the Ninth Supplemental Resolution; \$3,106,823.80 Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, 1992 Series A (the "Series 1992A Bonds") pursuant to the General Bond Resolution and the Tenth Supplemental Resolution; \$40,153,936.80 Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, 1992 Refunding Series B (the "Series 1992B Bonds") pursuant to the General Bond Resolution and the Eleventh Supplemental Resolution; \$10,290,000 Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, 1993 Series B (the "Series 1993B Bonds") pursuant to the General Bond Resolution and the Twelfth Supplemental Resolution; \$28,100,000 Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, 1994 Series A (the "Series 1994A Bonds") pursuant to the General Bond Resolution and the Thirteenth Supplemental Resolution; \$6,060,000 Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, 1997 Refunding Series A (the "Series 1997A Bonds") pursuant to the General Bond Resolution and the Fourteenth Supplemental Resolution; \$10,210,000 Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, 2000 Series A (the "Series 2000A Bonds") pursuant to the General Bond Resolution and the Seventeenth Supplemental Resolution; \$21,169,624 Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, 2002 Series A (the "Series 2002A Bonds") pursuant to the General Bond Resolution and the Eighteenth Supplemental Resolution; and \$40,735,000 Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, 2003 Refunding Series A (the "Series 2003A Bonds") pursuant to the General Bond Resolution and the Nineteenth Supplemental Resolution.

WHEREAS, Financial Guaranty Insurance Company (the "Bond Insurer") is issuing a policy of municipal bond insurance which insures the payment of principal of and interest on the Series 2003B Bonds (the "Bond Insurance Policy (Series 2003B)"); and

WHEREAS, Bonds may be issued pursuant to the General Bond Resolution which shall constitute Prior Lien Bonds provided certain conditions are met as provided in the General Bond Resolution; and

WHEREAS, said terms and conditions shall be satisfied prior to the issuance of the Series 2003B Bonds and, accordingly, the Series 2003B Bonds shall constitute Prior Lien Bonds;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, acting as the governing authority of said City, that:

ARTICLE I

Definitions; Findings and Interpretation

Section 101. Definitions. Unless the context shall clearly indicate some other meaning, all words and terms used in this Supplemental Resolution which are defined in Resolution No. 131 of 1984 adopted by this Council on June 12, 1984, entitled: "A resolution authorizing the issuance from time to time of Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana, prescribing the form, fixing the details and providing for the payment of principal of and interest on such bonds and for the rights of the holders thereof, as amended and supplemented by Resolution No. 152 of 1984 (the "First Supplemental Resolution") adopted on July 24, 1984, Resolution No. 160 of 1985 (the "Second Supplemental Resolution") adopted on July 9, 1985, Resolution No. 170 of 1986 (the "Third Supplemental Resolution") adopted on August 26, 1986, Resolution No. 180 of 1986 (the "Fourth Supplemental Resolution") adopted on September 9, 1986, Resolution No. 252 of 1986 (the "Fifth Supplemental Resolution") adopted on December 9, 1986, Resolution No. 147 of 1989 (the "Sixth Supplemental Resolution") adopted on August 22, 1989, Resolution No. 118 of 1990 (the "Seventh Supplemental Resolution") adopted on July 24, 1990, Resolution No. 193 of 1990 (the "Eighth Supplemental Resolution") adopted on November 27, 1990, Resolution No. 78 of 1991 (the "Ninth Supplemental Resolution") adopted on May 28, 1991, Resolution No. 1 of 1992 (the "Tenth Supplemental Resolution") adopted on January 14, 1992, Resolution No. 43 of 1993 (the "Twelfth Supplemental Resolution") adopted on May 25, 1993, Resolution No. 44 of 1994 (the "Thirteenth Supplemental Resolution") adopted on May 25, 1994, Resolution No. 153 of 1993 (the "Fourteenth Supplemental Resolution") adopted on September 28, 1993, Resolution No. 58 of 1994 (the "Fifteenth Supplemental Resolution") adopted on April 26, 1994, Ordinance No. 76 of 2002 (the "Eighteenth Supplemental Resolution") adopted on June 25, 2002, Ordinance No. 132 of 2003 (the "Nineteenth Supplemental Resolution") adopted on September 24, 2002 and Ordinance No. ____ of 2003 (the "Twentieth Supplemental Resolution") shall, for all purposes of this Twentieth Supplemental Resolution, have the respective meanings given to them in the General Bond Resolution, as amended. In addition, unless the context shall clearly indicate some other meaning, the following terms shall, for all purposes of the General Bond Resolution, First Supplemental Resolution, Second Supplemental Resolution, Third Supplemental Resolution, Fourth Supplemental Resolution, Fifth Supplemental Resolution, Sixth Supplemental Resolution, Seventh Supplemental Resolution, Eighth Supplemental Resolution, Ninth Supplemental Resolution, Tenth Supplemental Resolution, Eleventh Supplemental Resolution, Twelfth Supplemental Resolution, Thirteenth Supplemental Resolution, Fourteenth Supplemental Resolution, Fifteenth Supplemental Resolution, Eighteenth Supplemental Resolution, Nineteenth Supplemental Resolution and of this Twentieth

Supplemental Resolution or of any resolution or other instrument amendatory thereof or supplemental thereto have the following meanings:

"Bond Insurer" shall mean Financial Guaranty Insurance Company, or any successor thereto.

"Bond Insurer Policy" shall mean the municipal bond new issue insurance policy issued by the Bond Insurer and guaranteeing payment of principal of and interest on the Series 2003B Bonds.

"Fiscal Agent" shall mean the Bond Insurer's fiscal agent or its successor.

"Twentieth Supplemental Resolution" shall mean this Twentieth Supplemental Resolution as the same may be supplemented or amended hereafter.

"Redemption Price of the Refunded Bonds" shall mean a price equal to 102% of the price of the Refunded Bonds, without premium plus accrued interest to the redemption date.

"Refunded Bonds" shall mean the Issuer's outstanding Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, maturing from 2005 – 2014 1994 Refunding Series A issued pursuant to the General Bond Resolution and the Fifteenth Supplemental Resolution.

"Regular Record Date" shall mean with respect to the Series 2003B Bonds, the fifteenth day of the calendar month next preceding each Interest Payment Date.

"Series 2003B Bonds" or **"Bonds"** shall mean the \$18,800,000 principal amount of Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, 2003 Refunding Series B, issued pursuant to the General Bond Resolution as amended and supplemented to the date hereof.

"Underwriter" shall mean collectively, Morgan Keegan & Company, Inc., New Orleans, Louisiana, Stephens, Inc., Baton Rouge, Louisiana, William R. Hough & Co., Baton Rouge, Louisiana and Carty & Company, Inc., Memphis, Tennessee.

Unless or except as the context shall clearly indicate otherwise or may otherwise require in this Twentieth Supplemental Resolution: (i) all references to a particular section, paragraph or subdivision of the General Bond Resolution or this Twentieth Supplemental Resolution, as the case may be, are to the corresponding section, paragraph or subdivision of the General Bond Resolution only, or this Twentieth Supplemental Resolution only, as the case may be; (ii) the terms "herein", "hereunder", "hereby", "hereto", "hereof", and any similar terms, refer to this Twentieth Supplemental Resolution as a whole and not to any particular section, paragraph or subdivision thereof; (iii) the terms "therein", "thereunder", "thereby", "thereto", "thereof", and any similar terms, refer to the General Bond Resolution, and to the General Bond Resolution as a whole and not to any particular section, paragraph or subdivision thereof, and (iv) the term "heretofore" means before the time of effectiveness of this Twentieth Supplemental Resolution, and the term "hereafter" means after the time of the effectiveness of this Twentieth Supplemental Resolution.

Section 102. Findings and Determinations. The Governing Authority hereby finds and determines:

- (a) The Issuer is authorized under the Act to issue its revenue bonds in such amounts as may be necessary for the purpose of refunding the Refunded Bonds, and is

further authorized pursuant to the General Bond Resolution, as amended and supplemented to the date hereof, to issue the Series 2003B Bonds for such purpose by means of a Supplemental Resolution adopted pursuant to and in accordance with Sections 204 and 205 of the General Bond Resolution.

(b) The Issuer has sold the Series 2003B Bonds to the Underwriter all in accordance with the terms of the Bond Purchase Agreement dated May 13, 2003.

(c) The Series 2003B Bonds, when issued, shall constitute Prior Lien Bonds as provided in the General Bond Resolution, as amended.

(d) It is anticipated that the Refunded Bonds will be redeemed on December 1, 2004 and will be payable on such date solely from proceeds of the Series 2003B Bonds, which amounts have been calculated to be sufficient to pay the Redemption Price of the Refunded Bonds.

Section 103. Interpretation. In this Twentieth Supplemental Resolution, unless the context otherwise requires, (a) words importing persons include firms, associations and corporations, (b) words importing the singular include the plural and vice versa and (c) words of the masculine gender shall be deemed and considered to include correlative words of the feminine and neuter genders.

ARTICLE II

Authorization and Details of Series 2003B Bonds

Section 201. Authorization and Designation. Pursuant to the provisions of the General Bond Resolution, as amended, this Twentieth Supplemental Resolution and the Act, there is hereby authorized the issuance of Eighteen Million Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$18,800,000) original principal amount of Series 2003B Bonds of the Issuer to be designated "Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, 2003 Refunding Series B", for the purpose of refunding the Refunded Bonds and paying costs of issuing the Series 2003B Bonds. The Series 2003B Bonds shall be special obligations of the Issuer payable solely from the Revenues, shall be entitled pursuant to and in accordance with the General Bond Resolution, as amended, to the pledge and lien created thereby and shall be otherwise entitled to the security and benefits thereof. The Series 2003B Bonds shall be issued in the form set forth in Exhibit A hereto.

The Series 2003B Bonds, together with the Series 1993B Bonds, the Series 1994A Bonds, the Series 1997A Bonds, the Series 2000A Bonds, the Series 2001A, B and C Bonds, the Series 2002 Bonds, the Series 2002A Bonds, the Series 2002B Bonds and the Series 2003A Bonds are payable as to both principal and interest solely from the Revenues to be derived from the operation of the System, subject to the prior payment of the reasonable and necessary expenses of operation and maintenance of the System and the Bonds do not constitute an indebtedness or pledge of the general credit of the Issuer within the meaning of any constitutional and statutory limitation of indebtedness.

Section 202. Principal Amount and Type. The Series 2003B Bonds shall be issued in the aggregate principal amount of Eighteen Million Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$18,800,000).

Section 203. Denominations, Dates, Maturities and Interest. The Series 2003B Bonds are issuable as fully registered bonds. Interest on the Current Interest Bonds (payable June 1 and December 1 of each year, commencing December 1, 2003) is payable by check mailed to the registered owner. The Bonds are in the denomination of \$5,000 each or any integral multiple thereof, and in fully registered form.

The Series 2003B Bonds shall mature on the dates and shall be in the aggregate principal amounts set forth below:

Due Dec. 1st	Aggregate Principal Amount	Interest Rate	Yield
2003	\$80,000.00	2.000%	1.100%
2004	225,000.00	2.000	1.250
2005	1,605,000.00	2.000	1.400
2006	1,640,000.00	2.000	1.700
2007	1,680,000.00	2.250	2.125
2008	1,725,000.00	2.750	2.430
2009	1,775,000.00	4.000	2.700
2010	1,855,000.00	4.000	3.020
2011	1,930,000.00	4.500	3.240
2012	2,025,000.00	3.125	3.370
2013	2,095,000.00	3.250	3.490
2014	2,165,000.00	5.000	3.610

The Principal of the Bonds are payable at the principal corporate trust office of Bank One Trust Company, N.A., in the City of Baton Rouge, as Paying Agent and Bond Registrar with respect to the Series 2003B Bonds upon surrender thereof.

Each Series 2003B Bond shall be dated the date of delivery. Except as otherwise provided in this Section, the Series 2003B Bonds shall bear interest from the date thereof or from the most recent Interest Payment Date to which interest has been paid or duly provided for, as the case may be. However, when there is no existing default in the payment of interest on the Series 2003B Bonds, each Series 2003B Bond executed after the Regular Record Date for any Interest Payment Date but prior to such Interest Payment Date, shall bear interest from such Interest Payment Date provided, however, that if and to the extent that the Issuer shall default in the payment of the interest due on any Interest Payment Date, then all such Series 2003B Bonds shall bear interest from the most recent Interest Payment Date to which interest has been paid or duly provided for, unless no interest has been paid on the Series 2003B Bonds, in which case from the date of delivery.

The person in whose name any Series 2003B Bond is registered at the Regular Record Date with respect to an Interest Payment Date shall in all cases be entitled to receive

the interest payable on such Interest Payment Date (unless such Series 2003B Bond has been called for redemption on a redemption date which is prior to such Interest Payment Date) notwithstanding the cancellation of such Series 2003B Bond upon any registration of transfer or exchange thereof subsequent to such Regular Record Date and prior to such Interest Payment Date.

ARTICLE III

No Redemption Prior to Maturity

Section 301. No Redemption. The Series 2003B Bonds are not subject to redemption prior to maturity.

ARTICLE IV

Application Of Proceeds of Series 2003B Bonds

Section 401. Obligation of the Issuer in Connection with the Issuance of the Series 2003B Bonds. This Governing Authority hereby binds and obligates itself and the Issuer to use or cause to be used the proceeds derived from the sale of the Series 2003B Bonds to refund the Refunded Bonds and to pay costs of issuance associated with the Series 2003B Bonds. The Director of Finance is authorized to pay costs of issuance upon receipt of appropriate invoices.

ARTICLE V

Execution and Form of Series 2003B Bonds

Section 501. Execution and Form of Series 2003B Bonds. The Series 2003B Bonds issuable hereunder shall be executed by the Mayor, Clerk of Council and Director of Finance, respectively, substantially in the form set forth in Exhibit A hereto, with such necessary or appropriate variations, omissions and insertions as are required or permitted by law or by the General Bond Resolution, as amended and supplemented by this Twentieth Supplemental Resolution. The Series 2003B Bonds shall be lettered "R" and shall be numbered separately from 1 upward.

ARTICLE VI

Sale of the Series 2003B Bonds

Section 601. Sale of Bonds. The sale of the Series 2003B Bonds to the Underwriter is hereby in all respects approved, ratified and confirmed and after their execution, the Series 2003B Bonds shall be delivered to the Underwriter or its agents or assigns, upon receipt by the Director of Finance of the Issuer of the agreed purchase price. The execution and delivery on behalf of the Issuer of the Bond Purchase Agreement dated

May 13, 2003, is hereby approved and ratified in all respects. The Mayor and Director of Finance of the Issuer are each hereby empowered, authorized and directed to execute and deliver or cause to be executed and delivered all documents required to be executed on behalf of the Issuer or deemed by them necessary or advisable to implement this Supplemental Resolution or facilitate the sale of the Series 2003B Bonds.

Section 602. Official Statement. The Governing Authority hereby approves the form and content of the Preliminary Official Statement dated May 7, 2003, pertaining to the Series 2003B Bonds submitted to the Governing Authority and hereby ratifies its prior use by the Underwriter in connection with the sale of the Series 2003B Bonds. The Governing Authority further approves the form and content of the final Official Statement dated as of May 13, 2003 and hereby authorizes and directs the execution by the Mayor or Director of Finance of the Issuer and delivery of such final Official Statement to the Underwriter for use in connection with the public offering of the Series 2003B Bonds.

ARTICLE VII

Notice of Events of Default

Section 701. Notice to Bond Insurer. The Trustee hereby agrees to give immediate notice to the Bond Insurer of the occurrence of any Event of Default under the General Bond Resolution, as amended and supplemented to the date hereof, including, without limitation, this Twentieth Supplemental Resolution.

ARTICLE VIII

Municipal Bond Insurance

Section 801. Municipal Bond Insurance. The Bond Insurer has committed to issue the Bond Insurance Policy (Series 2003B) with respect to the payments due for principal of and interest on the Series 2003B Bonds to the Paying Agent. Upon issuance, the Bond Insurance Policy (Series 2003B) will be on file and available for inspection at the principal office of the Paying Agent. The summary of the form of policy relating to the Bond Insurance Policy (Series 2003B) is hereby authorized to appear on the Series 2003B Bonds, substantially in the form set forth in Exhibit A hereto.

Section 802. Payments to Owners under Bond Insurance; Subrogation of Bond Insurer. For so long as the Bond Insurance Policy (Series 2003B) shall be in full force and effect, the Issuer, the Paying Agent and the Trustee agree to comply with the following provisions:

- (i) If, on the third day preceding any interest payment date for the Series 2003B Bonds there is not on deposit with the Paying Agent sufficient moneys available to pay all principal of and interest on the Series 2003B Bonds due

on such date, the Paying Agent shall immediately notify the Bond Insurer and the State Street Bank & Trust Company, N.A., New York, New York, or its successor as its Fiscal Agent (the "Fiscal Agent") of the amount of such deficiency. If, by said interest payment date, the Issuer has not provided the amount of such deficiency, the Paying Agent shall simultaneously make available to the Bond Insurer and to the Fiscal Agent the registration books for the Series 2003B Bonds maintained by the Paying Agent. In addition:

- A. The Paying Agent shall provide the Bond Insurer with a list of the Bondholders entitled to receive principal or interest payments from the Bond Insurer under the terms of the Bond Insurance Policy (Series 2003B) and shall make arrangements for the Bond Insurer and its Fiscal Agent (1) to mail checks or drafts to Bondholders entitled to receive full or partial interest payments from the Bond Insurer and (2) to pay principal of the Series 2003B Bonds surrendered to the Fiscal Agent by the Bondholders entitled to receive full or partial principal payments from the Bond Insurer; and
- B. The Paying Agent shall, at the time it makes the registration books available to the Bond Insurer pursuant to paragraph A above, notify Bondholders entitled to receive the payment of principal of or interest on the Series 2003B Bonds from the Bond Insurer (1) as to the fact of such entitlement, (2) that the Bond Insurer will remit to them all or part of the interest payments coming due subject to the terms of the Bond Insurance Policy (Series 2003B), (3) that, except as provided in paragraph (ii) below, in the event that any Bondholder is entitled to receive full payment of principal from the Bond Insurer, such Bondholder must tender his Series 2003B Bond with the instrument of transfer in the form provided on the Series 2003B Bond executed in the name of the Bond Insurer, and (4) that, except as provided in paragraph (ii) below, in the event that such Bondholder is entitled to receive partial payment of principal from the Bond Insurer, such Bondholder must tender his Series 2003B Bond for payment first to the Paying Agent, which shall note on such Series 2003B Bond the portion of principal paid by the Paying Agent, and then, with an acceptable form of assignment executed in the name of the Bond Insurer, to the Fiscal Agent, which will then pay the unpaid portion of principal to the Bondholder subject to the terms of the Bond Insurance Policy (Series 2003B).

- (ii) In the event that the Paying Agent has notice that any payment of principal of or interest on a Series 2003B Bond has been recovered from a Bondholder pursuant to the United States Bankruptcy Code by a trustee in bankruptcy in

accordance with the final, nonappealable order of a court having competent jurisdiction, the Paying Agent shall, at the time it provides notice to the Bond Insurer, notify Bondholders that in the event that any Bondholder's payment is so recovered, such recovery, and the Paying Agent shall furnish to the Bond Insurer its records evidencing the payments of principal of and interest on the Series 2003B Bonds which have been made by the Paying Agent and subsequently recovered from Bondholders, and the dates on which such payments were made.

(iii) The Bond Insurer shall, to the extent it makes payment of principal of or interest on the Series 2003B Bonds, become surrogated to the rights of the recipients of such payments in accordance with the terms of the Bond Insurance Policy (Series 2003B) and, to evidence such subrogation, (1) in the case of subrogation as to claims for past due interest, the Paying Agent shall note the Bond Insurer's rights as subrogee on the registration books maintained by the Paying Agent upon receipt of proof of the payment of principal thereof to the Bondholders of such Series 2003B Bonds and (2) in the case of subrogation as to claims for past due principal, the Paying Agent shall note the Bond Insurer's rights as subrogee on the registration books for the Series 2003B Bonds maintained by the Paying Agent upon receipt of proof of the payment of principal thereof to the Bondholders of such Series 2003B Bonds. Notwithstanding anything in this Bond Resolution or the Series 2003B Bonds to the contrary, the Paying Agent shall make payment of such past due interest and past due principal directly to the Bond Insurer to the extent that the Bond Insurer is a subrogee with respect thereto.

Section 803. Redemption. The Series 2003B Bonds are not subject to optional redemption prior to maturity.

Section 804. Default-Related Provisions.

(a) The Trustee shall, to the extent there are no other available funds held under the authorizing document, use the remaining funds in the construction fund to pay principal of or interest on the Series 2003B Bonds in the event of a payment default.

(b) The applicable authorizing document provisions describing events of default shall specify that in determining whether a payment default has occurred or whether a payment on the Bonds has been made under the authorizing document(s), no effect shall be given to payments made under the Bond Insurance Policy.

(c) Any acceleration of the Series 2003B Bonds or any annulment thereof shall be subject to the prior written consent of the Bond Insurer (if it has not

failed to comply with its payment obligations under the Bond Insurance Policy.

(d) The Bond Insurer shall receive immediate notice of any payment default and notice of any other default known to the Trustee or the Issuer within 30 days of the Trustee's or the Issuer's knowledge thereof.

(e) For all purposes of the authorizing document provisions governing events of default and remedies, except the giving of notice of default to the Bondholders, the Bond Insurer shall be deemed to be the sole holder of the Series 2003B Bonds it has insured for so long as it has not failed to comply with its payment obligations under the Bond Insurance Policy.

(f) The Bond Insurer shall be included as a party in interest and as a party entitled to (i) notify the Issuer, the Trustee, if any, or any applicable receiver of the occurrence of an event of default and (ii) request the Trustee or receiver to intervene in judicial proceedings that affect the Series 2003B Bonds or the security therefore. The Trustee or receiver shall be required to accept notice of default from the Bond Insurer.

Section 805. Amendments and Supplements.

(a) Any amendment or supplement to the authorizing document or any other principal financing document shall be subject to the prior written consent of the Bond Insurer. Any rating agency rating the Bonds must receive notice of each amendment and a copy thereof at least 15 days in advance of its execution or adoption. The Bond Insurer shall be provided with a full transcript of all proceedings relating to the execution of any such amendment or supplement.

Section 806. Defeasance Provision.

(a) Only cash, direct non-callable obligations of the United State of America and securities fully and unconditionally guaranteed as to the timely payment of principal and interest by the United States of America, to which direct obligation or guarantee the full faith and credit of the United States of America has been pledged, Refcorp interest strips, CATS, TIGRS, STRPS, or defeased municipal bonds rated AAA by S&P or Aaa by Moody'd (or any combination of the foregoing) shall be used to effect defeasance of the Bonds unless the Bond Insurer otherwise approves. In the event of an advance refunding, the Issuer shall cause to be delivered a verification report of an independent nationally recognized certified public accountant. If a forward supply contract is employed in connection with the refunding, (i) such

verification report shall expressly state that the adequacy of the escrow to accomplish the refunding relies solely on the initial escrowed investments and the maturing principal thereof and interest income there and does not assume performance under or compliance with the forward supply contract, and (ii) the applicable escrow agreement shall provide that in the event of any discrepancy or difference between the terms of the forward supply contract and the escrow agreement (or the authorizing document, if no separate escrow agreement is utilized), the terms of the escrow agreement or authorizing document, if applicable, shall be controlling.

ARTICLE IX

Amendments to the General Bond Resolution

Section 901. Effective Date. The provisions of this Article IX shall be effective on the date of issuance of the Series 2003B Bonds.

Section 902. Amendment to Section 504 of Article, V of the General Bond Resolution, as Amended to the Date Hereof. Section 504 of Article V of the General Bond Resolution, as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 504. Deposit and Disposition of Revenues. From the Revenue Fund, the following payments shall be made at the times, in the amounts and in the order as follows:

"First: To the Issuer the monthly amount sufficient to pay Operating Expenses of the System.

"Second: To the Issuer for deposit in the Debt Service Fund and the Debt Service Reserve Fund as follows:

"(1) On the twenty-fifth day of each month there shall be deposited in the Debt Service Fund to the credit of the Prior Lien Interest Account hereby created therein (the 'Prior Lien Interest Account') an amount computed by (i) deducting the amount of moneys then in the Prior Lien Interest Account from the interest next due on the following Interest Payment Date on an Outstanding Prior Lien Bonds, and (ii) multiplying the difference by a fraction the numerator of which is one and the denominator of which is the number of months, from and including the month of computation, to and including the month prior to the month in which such interest is due.

"The Issuer shall transfer from the Prior Lien Interest Account to the Trustee, at least two (2) Business Days prior to any Interest Payment Date, immediately available funds sufficient to pay promptly the interest so falling due on such date on all Outstanding Prior

Lien Bonds. Moneys so transferred shall be applied by the Trustee solely for the payment when due on the interest falling due on the Outstanding Prior Lien Bonds.

(2) On the twenty-fifth day of each month there shall be deposited in the Debt Service Fund to the credit of the Prior Lien Principal Account hereby created therein (the 'Prior Lien Principal Account'), after giving effect to moneys then on deposit therein, the following amounts: (a) commencing 12 months prior to the next principal payment date for Prior Lien Bonds, an amount computed by multiplying the amount of the principal payment due on all Outstanding Prior Lien Bonds, on the next succeeding principal payment date on which such principal falls due whether at maturity or by virtue of mandatory redemption requirements by a fraction the numerator of which is one and the denominator of which is the number of months, including the month of computation, to and including the month prior to said principal payment date, together with such additional proportionate sum as may be required to pay said principal on said principal payment date. The Issuer shall transfer from the Prior Lien Principal Account to the Trustee, at least two (2) Business Days prior to any principal payment date, immediately available funds sufficient to pay promptly the principal so falling due on such date on all Outstanding Prior Lien Bonds. Moneys so transferred shall be applied by the Trustee solely for the payment when due, of the principal on all Outstanding Prior Lien Bonds as aforesaid.

"It shall be the duty of the Trustee to make such arrangements with each Paying Agent as will, to the extent of the moneys in the Debt Service Fund, assure the prompt payment when due of all Bonds and the interest thereon.

"(3) On the twenty-fifth day of each month there shall be deposited with the Trustee in the Debt Service Reserve Fund to the credit of the Prior Lien Reserve Account hereby created therein (the 'Prior Lien Reserve Account') an amount at least equal to 33-1/3% of the total of the amounts payable on such date into the Prior Lien Interest Account and Prior Lien Principal Account, which amounts shall be paid for so long and resumed as often and to the extent only as may be necessary to create and thereafter maintain a balance in the Prior Lien Reserve Account at least equal to the Debt Service Reserve Fund Requirement (Prior Lien Bonds).

"If on any Interest Payment Date the amount in the Prior Lien Interest Account or Prior Lien Principal Account shall be less than the amount required to be on deposit therein, the Trustee shall apply the moneys in the Prior Lien Reserve Account to the extent necessary to make up such deficiency (or the entire amount in the Prior Lien Reserve Account if less than sufficient). In the event any funds are so withdrawn from the Prior Lien Reserve Account to correct any such deficiency, such withdrawn amount shall be replenished from Revenues after making the deposits required by (1) and (2) above.

Whenever the amount in the Prior Lien Reserve Account exceeds the Debt Service Reserve Fund Requirement (Prior Lien Bonds), the Trustee shall withdraw from the Prior Lien Reserve Account the amount of any excess therein as of the date of such withdrawal and deposit the moneys so withdrawn into the Revenue Fund.

"Moneys on deposit in the Prior Lien Reserve Account shall be used to remedy deficiencies in the Prior Lien Interest Account or the Prior Lien Principal Account, as the case may be, with respect to the Prior Lien Bonds.

"Third: All moneys remaining on the last day of each month in the Revenue Fund, after making the deposits required in paragraphs First and Second above shall be regarded as surplus and may be used by the Issuer for any lawful purpose; provided, however, any such surplus moneys in each Fiscal Year, unless otherwise consented to by the Bond Insurer, shall remain on deposit in the Revenue Fund and be expended only for lawful purposes of the System until such time as the Issuer shall have met the bond service requirement for such Fiscal Year as set forth in Section 902 hereof."

ARTICLE X

Miscellaneous

Section 1001. Publication of Resolution. A copy of this Twentieth Supplemental Resolution shall be published in the Official Journal of the City of Shreveport. For a period of thirty (30) days from the date of such publication any person in interest shall have the right to contest the legality of this Twentieth Supplemental Resolution and of the Series 2003B Bonds to be issued pursuant hereto and the provisions securing the Series 2003B Bonds. After the expiration of said thirty (30) days, no one shall have any right of action to contest the validity of the Series 2003B Bonds or the provisions of this Twentieth Supplemental Resolution, and the Series 2003B Bonds shall be conclusively presumed to be legal and no court shall thereafter have authority to inquire into such matters.

Section 1002. Supplemental Resolution to Constitute Contract. In consideration of the purchase and the acceptance of the Series 2003B Bonds by those who shall hold the same from time to time, the provisions of this Twentieth Supplemental Resolution shall be a part of the contract of the Issuer with the holders of the Series 2003B Bonds and shall be deemed to be and shall constitute a contract between the Issuer, the Trustee, the Bond Insurer and the holders from time to time of the Series 2003B Bonds. The provisions, covenants and agreements herein set forth to be performed by and on behalf of the Issuer shall be for the benefit, protection and security of the holders of any and all of the Series 2003B Bonds and the Bond Insurer.

Section 1003. Filing of Resolution. A certified copy of this Twentieth Supplemental Resolution shall be filed and recorded as soon as possible in the Mortgage Records of the Parishes of Caddo and Bossier, Louisiana.

Section 1004. Employment of Bond Counsel. The employment of Casten & Pearce, A.P.L.C. as Bond Counsel to the Issuer in connection with the Series 2003B Bonds, is hereby approved, confirmed and ratified. The fee of such Bond Counsel for the Bonds shall not exceed eighty percent (80%) of the fee prescribed by the Attorney General of the State of Louisiana plus out-of-pocket expenses and expenses incurred with respect to the Series 2003B Bonds. A certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Attorney General of the State of Louisiana for his approval in the manner required by law.

Section 1005. Employment of Special Counsel to the Issuer. It is found and determined that a real necessity exists for the employment of Special Counsel to the Issuer in connection with issuance and delivery of the Series 2003B Bonds and, accordingly, Harvetta Colvin, Esquire, Shreveport, Louisiana has been employed as Special Counsel to the Issuer in connection with the issuance and delivery of the Bonds. The fee to be paid to Special Counsel shall be an amount less than the Attorney General's then current hourly fee schedule, together with reimbursement of out-of-pocket expenses incurred and advanced in connection with the issuance of the Bonds, said fee to be payable out of the Bond proceeds subject to the Attorney General's written approval of said employment and fee to be paid with Bond proceeds as required by the Act.

Section 1006. Paying Agent. The Issuer hereby appoints Bank One Trust Company, N.A., in the City of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, as Trustee and Paying Agent, subject to the conditions set forth in Section 1110 of the General Bond Resolution. The Paying Agent shall designate its Principal Office to the Trustee, the Bond Insurer and the Issuer and signify its acceptance of the duties and obligations imposed upon it by this Twentieth Supplemental Resolution by executing and delivering a written instrument of acceptance to the Trustee, the Bond Insurer and the Issuer. The Paying Agent is a commercial bank or trust company having a capitalization of at least \$15,000,000 and authorized by law to perform all duties imposed upon it by this Twentieth Supplemental Resolution.

Section 1007. Tax Covenants. The Issuer covenants and agrees that it will not permit at any time or times any of the proceeds of the Series 2003B Bonds or any other funds of the Issuer (including proceeds of any obligations of the Issuer) (i) to be used, directly or indirectly in any manner which would adversely affect the exclusion of interest on the Series 2003B Bonds or any Prior Lien Bonds heretofore issued (other than the Refunded Bonds) from gross income of the owner for federal income tax purposes or (ii) to be used directly or indirectly to acquire any securities or obligations the acquisition of which would cause the Series 2003B Bonds or any other Prior Lien Bonds heretofore issued (other than the Refunded Bonds) to become "arbitrage bonds" within the meaning of Section 148 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"). The Mayor, Director of Finance

and/or Clerk of Council are hereby authorized to execute such documents and take any and all such actions as may be required by this Section.

Section 1008. Rebate Fund. In connection with complying with the Code in order to maintain the tax-exempt status of the Series 2003B Bonds, there is hereby authorized and ordered established with the Paying Agent a special trust fund to be designated as the "Rebate Fund (2003B)." The Issuer hereby covenants and agrees that it will make or cause to be made all "rebate" payments to the Rebate Fund (2003B) attributable to the Series 2003B Bonds which are required to be made in order to comply with Section 148(f) of the Code. The Rebate Fund (2003B) shall be maintained with the Trustee and used to receive any amounts payable by the Issuer to the U.S. Government pursuant to Section 148(f) of the Code and invested and applied as described in a letter of instructions delivered by special tax counsel or bond counsel to the Issuer and the Trustee on the date of original issuance and delivery of the Series 2003B Bonds, as such letter may be supplemented or amended from time to time. The amounts on deposit in the Rebate Fund (2003B) shall be payable to the United States in such amounts and at such times as provided in said letter of instructions and as provided in Section 148(f) of the Code.

Section 1009. Amounts Not Security. It is hereby recognized and understood that moneys of the Issuer deposited in the Rebate Fund (2003B) and any earnings thereon do not constitute Revenues of the System, and such amounts are not and never shall be pledged to the payment of or be security for any Bonds, including, without limitation, the Series 2003B Bonds.

RESOLUTION APPROVED

City Attorney's Office

**EXHIBIT "A" TO THE
TWENTIETH SUPPLEMENTAL ORDINANCE**

(FORM OF BOND)

No. R--Principal Amount:\$_____

Maturity Date: December 1, _

Interest Rate: _____%

Bond Date: _____, 2003

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
STATE OF LOUISIANA
PARISH OF CADDO**

**WATER AND SEWER REVENUE BOND, 2003 REFUNDING SERIES B
OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT, STATE OF LOUISIANA**

The City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana (the "Issuer"), promises to pay, but only from the source and as hereinafter provided, to

Cede & Co., Inc.

or registered assigns, on the Maturity Date set forth above the Maturity Amount set forth above or upon earlier redemption, the Principal Amount as set forth above, upon presentation hereof at the principal corporate trust office of Bank One Trust Company, N.A., in the City of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, or any successor thereto (the "Trustee" and "Paying Agent/Registrar"). Interest on this Bond shall accrue from the date hereof and be payable on each December 1 and June 1 commencing on December 1, 2003.

REFERENCE IS MADE TO THE FURTHER PROVISIONS OF THIS BOND SET FORTH ON THE REVERSE HEREOF WHICH SHALL FOR ALL PURPOSES HAVE THE SAME EFFECT AS THOUGH FULLY SET FORTH HEREIN.

This Bond shall not be valid or become obligatory for any purpose or be entitled to any security or benefit under the Bond Resolution until the certificate of authentication hereon shall have been signed by the Trustee.

It is certified that this Bond is authorized by and is issued in conformity with the requirements of the Constitution and statutes of the State of Louisiana. It is further certified, recited and declared that all acts, conditions and things required to exist, to happen and to be performed precedent to and in the issuance of this Bond and the issue of which it forms a part to constitute the same legal, binding and valid obligations of the Issuer have existed, have happened and have been performed in due time, form and manner as required by law, and that the indebtedness of the Issuer, including this Bond and the issue of which it forms a part, does not exceed the limitations prescribed by the Constitution and statutes of the State of Louisiana.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Council of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana, acting as the governing authority of said City, has caused this Bond to be executed in its name by the facsimile signatures of the Mayor, Clerk of Council and Director of Finance, and a facsimile of the corporate seal of said City to be imprinted hereon.

**CITY OF SHREVEPORT
STATE OF LOUISIANA**

(facsimile) _____ (facsimile)
Clerk of Council

(facsimile)
Director of Finance

(SEAL)

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(FORM OF REVERSE OF BOND)

This Bond is one of an authorized issue of Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, 2003 Refunding Series B, of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana aggregating in principal the sum of Eighteen Million Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$18,800,000) (the "Series 2003B Bonds"), said Series 2003B Bonds having been issued by the Issuer pursuant to Resolution No. 131 of 1984 (the "General Bond Resolution") adopted by the governing authority of the Issuer on June 12, 1984, as amended and supplemented to the date hereof, and Ordinance No. 27 of 2003 (the "Twentieth Supplemental Resolution") adopted by the governing authority of the Issuer on May 13, 2003 (the General Bond Resolution, as amended and supplemented, being herein called the "Bond Resolution"). The Series 2003B

Bonds have been issued by the Issuer under the authority of Chapter 14-A of Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (R.S. 39:1444-1455) (the "Act"), and other constitutional and statutory authority, for the purpose of refunding the Issuer's outstanding Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, 1994 Refunding Series A.

The Series 2003B Bonds are issuable only as fully registered bonds in principal amounts of \$5,000 or any integral multiple thereof. As provided in the Bond Resolution, and subject to certain limitations set forth therein, the Series 2003B Bonds are exchangeable for an equal aggregate principal amount of bonds of the same maturity of any other authorized denomination.

Subject to the limitations and upon payment of the charges provided in the Bond Resolution, the transfer of this Bond may be registered on the registration books of the Paying Agent/Registrar upon surrender of this Bond at the principal corporate trust office of the Paying Agent/Registrar, duly endorsed by or accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Paying Agent/Registrar, duly executed by the registered owner or his attorney duly authorized in writing, and thereupon a new Series 2003B Bond or Bonds of the same maturity and of authorized denomination or denominations, for the same aggregate principal amount, will be issued to the transferee. Prior to due presentment for transfer of this Bond, the Issuer and the Paying Agent/Registrar may deem and treat the registered owner hereof as the absolute owner hereof (whether or not this Bond shall be overdue) for the purpose of receiving payment of or on account of principal hereof and interest hereon and for all other purposes, and neither the Issuer nor the Paying Agent/Registrar shall be affected by any notice to the contrary.

Upon any such registration of transfer or exchange, the Paying Agent/Registrar may require payment of an amount sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith. The Paying Agent/Registrar shall not be required (a) to issue, register the transfer of or exchange any Series 2003B Bonds during a period beginning at the opening of business 15 days next preceding any date of selection of Series 2003B Bonds to be redeemed and ending at the close of business on the day on which the applicable notice of redemption is given or (b) to register the transfer of or exchange any Series 2003B Bonds so selected for redemption in whole or in part.

The Series 2003B Bonds are not subject to redemption prior to maturity.

This Bond and the issue of which it forms a part, together with the other Prior Lien Bonds hereinafter defined, are payable as to both principal and interest solely from the Revenues (as defined in the Bond Resolution) to be derived from the operation of the System, subject to the prior payment of the reasonable and necessary expenses of

operation and maintenance of the System, all as provided in the Bond Resolution, and this Bond does not constitute an indebtedness or pledge of the general credit of the Issuer within the meaning of any constitutional and statutory limitation of indebtedness. The governing authority of the Issuer has covenanted and agreed and does hereby covenant and agree at all times to fix and collect rates and charges for all water and sewerage services furnished by the System sufficient to provide for the payment of all reasonable and necessary expenses of operation and maintenance of the System, to provide for the payment of interest on and principal of all Series 2003B Bonds and other Prior Lien Bonds payable therefrom as and when the same shall become due and payable and for the creation of a reserve therefore. For a more complete statement of the Revenues from which and conditions under which this Bond is payable, a statement of the conditions under which additional Prior Lien Bonds may hereafter be issued pursuant to the Bond Resolution, and the general covenants and provisions pursuant to which this Bond is issued, reference is hereby made to the Bond Resolution. If an Event of Default (as defined in the Bond Resolution) occurs and is continuing, the principal of all Outstanding Series 2003B Bonds may be declared due and payable upon the conditions and in the manner and with the effect as provided in the Bond Resolution.

This Bond and the issue of which it forms a part are issued on a parity with the outstanding bonds of the Issuer's Prior Lien Bonds, consisting of Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, 1993 Series B, Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, 1994 Series A, Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, 1997 Refunding Series A, Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, 2000 Series A, Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2001A, B and C, Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2002, Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, 2002 Refunding Series A, Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2002B and Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds, Refunding Series 2003A.

The Bond Resolution permits, with certain exceptions as therein provided, the amendment thereof and the modification of the rights and obligations of the Issuer and the rights of the owners of the Series 2003B Bonds as provided in the Bond Resolution.

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(FORM OF TRUSTEE'S CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION)

(To be Printed on all Series 2003B Bonds)

This Bond is one of the, Series 2003B Bonds referred to in the within mentioned Bond Resolution.

**BANK ONE TRUST COMPANY, N.A., As
Trustee**

By: _____
Authorized Officer

Date of Authentication: _____

(FORM OF ASSIGNMENT)

(To be Printed on all Series 2003B Bonds)

FOR VALUE RECEIVED, _____, the undersigned, hereby sells, assigns and transfers unto _____ the within Bond and all rights thereunder, and hereby irrevocable constitutes and appoints _____ attorney or agent to transfer the within bond on the books kept for registration thereof, with full power of substitution in the premises.

Dated: _____

NOTICE: The signature to this assignment must correspond with the name as it appears upon the face of the within bond in every particular, without alteration enlargement or any change whatever.

(FORM OF LEGAL OPINION CERTIFICATE)

(To be Printed on all Series 2003B Bonds)

LEGAL OPINION CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned Clerk of Council of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana, do hereby certify that the following is a true copy of the complete legal opinion of Casten & Pearce, A.P.L.C., the original of which was manually executed, dated and issued as of the date of payment for and delivery of the Bonds of the issue described herein, and was delivered to Morgan Keegan & Company, Inc. the original purchaser thereof.

(Bond Printer Shall Insert Legal Opinion)

I further certify that an executed copy of the aforesaid legal opinion is on file in my office, and that an executed copy thereof has been furnished to the Paying Agent/Registrar for this Bond.

_____ (facsimile)

Clerk of Council
City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana

(FORM OF STATEMENT OF INSURANCE)

Financial Guaranty Insurance Company (“Financial Guaranty”) has issued a policy containing the following provisions with respect to the Bonds, such policy being on file at the principal office of Bank One Trust Company, N.A., Baton Rouge, Louisiana, as paying agent (the “Paying Agent”):

Financial Guaranty hereby unconditionally and irrevocably agrees to pay for disbursement to the Bondholders that portion of the principal or accreted value (if applicable) of and interest on the Bonds which is then due for payment and which the issuer of the Bonds (the “Issuer”) shall have failed to provide. Due for payment means, with respect to principal or accreted value (if applicable), the stated maturity date thereof, or the date on which the same shall have been duly called for mandatory sinking fund redemption and does not refer to any earlier date on which the payment of principal or accreted value (if applicable) of the Bonds is due by reason of call for redemption (other than mandatory sinking fund redemption), acceleration or other advancement of maturity, and with respect to interest, the stated date for payment of such interest.

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Upon receipt of telephonic or telegraphic notice, subsequently confirmed in writing, or written notice by registered or certified mail, from a Bondholder or the Paying Agent to Financial Guaranty that the required payment of principal, accreted value or interest (as applicable) has not been made by the Issuer to the Paying Agent, Financial Guaranty on the due date of such payment or within one business day after receipt of notice of such nonpayment, whichever is later, will make a deposit of funds, in an account with U.S. Bank Trust National Association, or its successor as its agent (the "Fiscal Agent"), sufficient to make the portion of such payment not paid by the Issuer. Upon presentation to the Fiscal Agent of evidence satisfactory to it of the Bondholder's right to receive such payment and any appropriate instruments of assignment required to vest all of such Bondholder's right to such payment in Financial Guaranty, the Fiscal Agent will disburse such amount to the Bondholder.

As used herein the term "Bondholder" means the person other than the Issuer or the borrower(s) of bond proceeds who at the time of nonpayment of a Bond is entitled under the terms of such Bond to payment thereof.

The policy is non-cancellable for any reason.

FINANCIAL GUARANTY INSURANCE COMPANY

ORDINANCE NO. 44 OF 2003

AN ORDINANCE CLOSING AND ABANDONING A 16.6 FOOT- WIDE ALLEYWAY IN THE SW/4 OF SECTION 5 (T17N-R13W), CADDO PARISH, LOUISIANA AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, today the Property Management Section of the Department of Operational Services has received a request to close and abandon the above identified easement; and

WHEREAS, Water and Sewerage Engineering has reviewed this request and has no objections to the 16.6 foot wide Alleyway being closed and abandoned.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened, that the 16.6 foot-wide Alleyway as shown and as indicated on the plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, is hereby closed and abandoned.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that a certified copy of this ordinance be filed and recorded in the official records of the District Court for Caddo Parish, Louisiana.

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

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

ORDINANCE NO.45 OF 2003

A ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING AND PROVIDING FOR LIMITED VEHICULAR ACCESS ON MACKY PLACE INTO THE 2700 BLOCK AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 190 of 1993 as amended authorized and enacted a new Section 78-4 into the Code of Ordinances of the City of Shreveport, which provides for request and procedures for limited vehicular access on public residential streets and also provides with respect thereto; and,

WHEREAS, Mackey Place is an existing City Street in Southwest Shreveport where the 2600 Block and Lowe's Hardware Driveway being the only access to the 2700 Block; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal, and regular session convened, that a traffic barrier across the 2700 Block of Mackey Place is hereby authorized and approved, and that all prior procedures and steps have been completed, and that all documentation as required has been attached to this ordinance, all in accordance with said Ordinance No. 190, as amended, of 1993.

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

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

ORDINANCE NO. 46 OF 2003

N ORDINANCE LEVYING A TAX OF THIRTY AND FIFTY-FOUR ONE HUNDREDTHS (30 AND 54/100THS) MILLS PER DOLLAR ON ALL PROPERTY SUBJECT TO AD VALOREM TAXATION WITHIN THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT FOR THE YEAR 2003 FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST ON THE OUTSTANDING GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

An ad valorem tax of Thirty and Fifty-four One Hundredths (30 and 54/100ths) mills per dollar of assessed valuation be and the same is hereby levied on all property subject to ad valorem taxation within the City of Shreveport, for the year 2003, for the purpose of paying the principal and interest on the outstanding general obligation bonds of the City of Shreveport, and creating a reasonable reserve for the payment of such principal and interest as the same respectively become due and payable, and this shall be full authority to the Tax Assessor of Caddo Parish and the Tax Assessor of Bossier Parish to extend said tax on the assessment rolls of the City of Shreveport for the year .

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Director of Finance, Ex Officio Tax Collector of the City of Shreveport, be and she is hereby empowered, authorized, and directed to cause said taxes, as herein above set forth, to be spread upon the tax roll of the City of Shreveport for the year 2003, to collect said ad valorem taxes for and on behalf of said City, according to law, and to place the same to the credit of the funds described herein above as authorized by law. The taxes herein levied shall become a permanent lien

and privilege on all property subject to taxation as herein set forth, and the collection thereof shall be enforceable in the manner provided by law.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Clerk of Council shall provide a certified copy of this ordinance to the Tax Assessor of Caddo Parish and the Tax Assessor of Bossier Parish immediately after its final passage by the City Council and approval by the Mayor.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if any provision or item of this ordinance and the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 47 OF 2003

AN ORDINANCE LEVYING VARIOUS TAXES TOTALING TWENTY AND SEVENTY-SIX ONE HUNDREDTHS (20 AND 76/100THS) MILLS PER DOLLAR ON ALL PROPERTY SUBJECT TO AD VALOREM TAXATION WITHIN THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT FOR THE YEAR 2003 IN THE AMOUNTS AND FOR THE PURPOSES DESCRIBED HEREIN, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

An ad valorem tax of Twelve and Thirteen One Hundredths (12 and 13/100ths) mills per dollar of assessed valuation be and the same is hereby levied on all property subject to ad valorem taxation within the City of Shreveport, for the year 2003; for the purpose of general operating expenses of the General Fund.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that an ad valorem tax of Ninety-eight One Hundredths (98/100ths) mills per dollar of assessed valuation be and the same is hereby levied on all property subject to ad valorem taxation within the City of Shreveport, for the year 2003; for the purpose of operating and supplying recreational facilities and appurtenances and maintaining the same, title to which shall be in the public, in accordance with the results of a special election held April 5, 2003.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that an ad valorem tax of One and Seventy-three One Hundredths (1 and 73/100ths) mills per dollar of assessed valuation be and the same is hereby levied on all property subject to ad valorem taxation within the City of Shreveport, for the year 2003; for the purpose of providing revenues sufficient to enable the City of Shreveport to provide a three-platoon system in the Police Department, now in effect in the City of Shreveport in accordance with Act 323 of the Legislature of Louisiana for the year 1936.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that an ad valorem tax of One and Thirty-one One Hundredths (1 and 31/100ths) mills per dollar of assessed valuation be and the same

is hereby levied on all property subject to ad valorem taxation within the City of Shreveport, for the year 2003; for the purpose of improving, repairing, and maintaining the streets of the City of Shreveport, title to which shall be in the public, in accordance with the results of a special election held April 5, 2003.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that an ad valorem tax of One and Thirty-one One Hundredths (1 and 31/100ths) mills per dollar of assessed valuation be and the same is hereby levied on all property subject to ad valorem taxation within the City of Shreveport, for the year 2003; for the purpose of continuing the salary and wage schedule of City employees, in accordance with the results of a special election held April 5, 2003.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that an ad valorem tax of One and Thirty-one One Hundredths (1 and 31/100ths) mills per dollar of assessed valuation be and the same is hereby levied on all property subject to ad valorem taxation within the City of Shreveport, for the year 2003; for the purpose of police and fire personnel and allowance for uniforms and equipment for said departments in accordance with the results of a special election held April 5, 2003.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that an ad valorem tax of One and Ninety-nine One Hundredths (1 and 99/100ths) mills per dollar of assessed valuation be and the same is hereby levied on all property subject to ad valorem taxation within the City of Shreveport, for the year 2003; for the purpose of providing funds for the City's portion of pensions, employee life insurance and hospitalization plan for City employees in accordance with the results of a special election held April 5, 2003.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance shall be full authority to the Tax Assessor of Caddo Parish and the Tax Assessor of Bossier Parish to extend said taxes on the assessment rolls of the City of Shreveport for the year 2003.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Director of Finance, Ex Officio Tax Collector of the City of Shreveport, be and she is hereby empowered, authorized, and directed to cause said taxes, as herein above set forth, to be spread upon the tax roll of the City of Shreveport for the year 2003, to collect said ad valorem taxes for and on behalf of said City, according to law, and to place the same to the credit of the funds described herein above as authorized by law. The taxes herein levied shall become a permanent lien and privilege on all property subject to taxation as herein set forth, and the collection thereof shall be enforceable in the manner provided by law.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Clerk of Council shall provide a certified copy of this ordinance to the Tax Assessor of Caddo Parish and the Tax Assessor of Bossier Parish immediately after its final passage by the City Council and approval by the Mayor.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if any provision or item of this ordinance and the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 48 OF 2003

AN ORDINANCE LEVYING A TAX OF SEVEN AND NINETY-NINE ONE HUNDREDTHS (7 AND 99/100THS) MILLS PER DOLLAR ON ALL PROPERTY SUBJECT TO AD VALOREM TAXATION WITHIN THE BOUNDS OF THE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AS DEFINED BY ACT 554 OF 1978, AS AMENDED, FOR THE PURPOSES AS SET FORTH HEREIN, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

An ad valorem tax of Seven and Ninety-nine One Hundredths (7 and 99/100ths) mills per dollar of assessed valuation be and the same is hereby levied on all property subject to ad valorem taxation within the bounds of the Downtown Development District, as defined by Act 554 of 1978, as amended, for the year 2003, and to be expended by the Downtown Development Authority for administration, operational expenses, capital improvements, project expenses or the retirement of bonds or other evidences of indebtedness, all in accordance with the results of a special election held November 5, 2002, and this shall be full authority to the Tax Assessor of Caddo Parish to extend said tax on the assessment rolls of the City of Shreveport for the year 2003.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Director of Finance, Ex Officio Tax Collector of the City of Shreveport, be and she is hereby empowered, authorized, and directed to cause said taxes, as herein above set forth, to be spread upon the tax roll of the City of Shreveport for the year 2003, to collect said ad valorem taxes for and on behalf of said City, according to law, and to place the same to the credit of the funds described herein above as provided for and authorized by the special election held on November 5, 2002. The taxes herein levied shall become a permanent lien and privilege on all property subject to taxation as herein set forth, and the collection thereof shall be enforceable in the manner provided by law.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Clerk of Council shall provide a certified copy of this ordinance to the Tax Assessor of Caddo Parish and the Tax Assessor of Bossier Parish immediately after its final passage by the City Council and approval by the Mayor.

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

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

ORDINANCE NO. 49 OF 2003

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 106 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT ZONING ORDINANCE, BY REZONING PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF WILLOW RIDGE BOULEVARD & SOUTH LAKESHORE DRIVE, SHREVEPORT, CADDO PARISH, LOUISIANA, FROM B-3, COMMUNITY BUSINESS DISTRICT TO R-3 (PUD) URBAN, MULTIPLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT (PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT) 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 southwest corner of Willow Ridge Boulevard & South Lakeshore Drive, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, legally described below, be the same is hereby changed from B-3, Community Business District to R-3 (PUD) Urban, Multiple-Family Residence District (Planned Unit Development):

A tract of land located in Section 6, T17N-R14W, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, being more fully described as follows: beginning at the intersection of the centerline of Rocksprings Boulevard with the S'ly R-O-W line of South Lakeshore Drive; run thence along said S'ly R-O-W line along a curve to the left (said curve having a radius of 1,644.87 feet and a chord bearing N54°15'35"E a distance of 210.16 feet); run thence along said curve an arc distance of 210.31; run thence N50°35'49"E a distance of 369.74 feet to the point of curvature of a curve to the right (said curve having a radius of 20.00 feet and a chord bearing S83°47'17"E a distance of 28.59 feet); run thence along said curve an arc distance of 31.85 feet to the point of intersection with the west R-O-W line of Willow Ridge Boulevard, said point being on a curve to the right (said curve having a radius of 1,178.05 feet and a chord bearing S33°49'39"E a distance of 178.52 feet); run thence along said curve and west R-O-W line an arc distance of 178.69 feet; thence leaving said R-O-W line run S50°35'49"W a distance of 609.21 feet to the centerline of Rocksprings Boulevard; run thence along said centerline N32°06'20"W a distance of 213.25 feet to the P-O-B of tract, containing 2.79 acres, M/L.

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

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

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

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Alcohol Retail Permit: Ms. Deborah Hawkins [Employer: 2901 Milam St. (Take-A-Bag Grocery)] (G/Jackson) (Special Meeting scheduled on Tuesday, April 29, 2003 at 3:00 p.m.)
2. Resolution 203 of 2002: Authorizing the execution of an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Parish of Caddo relative to the development and operation of a park and related facilities in the MLK area. (A/Lester) (Tabled on Feb. 11)
3. Resolution No. 28 of 2003: Authorizing the Mayor to negotiate a collective bargaining agreement with PACE International Union. (Tabled on March 25)

Councilman Lester: I've asked that, I think we introduced Resolution 28, the substitute resolution for Resolution 28 that is now on the table under Unfinished Business. What is the process to consider that on next meeting?

Mr. Thompson: You can simply remove it from the table.

Councilman Lester: At the next meeting?

Mr. Thompson: Yes. And by way of explanation, the substitute that will be on the table at that time. I've talked to the original author of the resolution and he has no objection to that and I wanted to be sure that you all are in agreement, but that will be the resolution that will be on the table at that time.

4. Ordinance No. 40 of 2003: Changing the names of the Shreveport Blanchard Road from the Roy Road to North Hearne Avenue, and of Ford Street from North Hearne Avenue to Pete Harris Drive, and of Caddo Street from Pete Harris Drive to the Clyde Fant Parkway to Hilry Huckaby III Avenue. (A/Lester) (*not to be adopted prior to July 8 - Tabled on April 22*)

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Retail Permit Appeal: SAEED TANOLI, The Fil-A-Sak, 317 Pierre Avenue (decision rendered on May 12).

REPORTS FROM OFFICERS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES: None.

CLERK'S REPORT: Letter of Appeal:

BAC-22-03, M L & FANNIE H. CALDWELL, 2216 Hollywood Avenue, Special Exception use and a variance in hours of operation in a B-2 Dist., package liquor (including daiquiris) with a drive-thru operating to Midnight Mon-Thur and 1 a.m. Fri-Sat. (B/Walford) *(not to be considered prior to May 27)*

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 8:20 p.m.

/s/James Green, Chairman

/s/Arthur G. Thompson, Clerk of Council