

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA  
AUGUST 13, 2002

The Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana, was called to order by Chairman Roy Burrell, at 3:10 pm., Tuesday, August 13, 2002, in the Government Chambers in Government Plaza (505 Travis Street).

Invocation was given by Councilman Spigener.

On Roll Call, the following members were Present: Councilmen Huckaby (3:15), Stewart, Carmody, Serio, Spigener, Shyne and Burrell. 7. Nays: None.

Motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman Carmody for approval of the Administrative Conference Summary Minutes of July 22, 2002 and the Regular Meeting Minutes of July 23, 2002. Motion approved by the following vote: Councilmen Stewart, Carmody, Serio, Spigener, Shyne and Burrell. 6. Nays: None. Absent: Councilman Huckaby. 1.

**Awards, Recognitions of Distinguished Guests, and Communications of the Mayor Which Are Required By Law.** None.

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Councilman Shyne: At this point, I'd like for Mr. Ferdinand, to please come forward. I received a copy of the information, I don't know whether the other Council members were able to receive a copy of the information, a status report on the Economic Development Initiative Grant and I believe that it was kind of earmarked for the Jewella, Greenwood Road, Lakeshore Corridor.

I had gotten some calls about the status and I received your report, and it was an excellent report, very detailed. The only problem that I have with it is that you've had, I believe it was 70 people who came by and picked up an application and as of, I guess August 12, we have had no one to qualify to receive any of this money.

Mr. Ferdinand: Right.

Councilman Shyne: I am just wondering are we trying to come up with some creative and innovative ways in which we can get some of this money to some of these business people, because they call me and they need money to expand business, to go into business in that Corridor and we are sitting here with what, what is it dollar figure?

Mr. Ferdinand: A little over \$3 million dollars when you add the grant and loan together.

Councilman Shyne: It is how much?

Mr. Ferdinand: A little over \$3 million dollars, when you add both the grant and the Section 108 loan.

Councilman Shyne: We are sitting here with \$3 million dollars, but it seems like we are unable to find anybody that we can get this money to where we can have it turned over in our community. I mean, what seems to be, just the specific problem?

Mr. Ferdinand: It is combination of things. First, it is handled by a small business development area. We have two pots of money. Our regular money we've loaned out over, I think like \$739,000 thus far from the other pot, which is our regular Small Business Development Initiative using CDBG funds.

But when we got the EDI and 108 grant, had different stipulations. I tried to, I know it was a lot of material for you to go over, I tried to show some of the things that HUD requires for that. Now, the other thing that we have been able to get relief on was the commercial appraisal. We talked with the folks in D. C. rather than having a full blown commercial appraisal which may run from \$1500 to \$2300, we can get a Broker's opinion which may be around \$350 or \$400 dollars. But a lot of the other things, thus far, we haven't been able to get them to back up for that which is some up-front costs that a lot of the small businesses in that area is having a hard time to

come up with.

So, we had the five technical assistance meetings, about 243 people have attended, 70 have come like you said to pick up applications. We followed up with a letter to those that attended to say, you came to the meeting. Do you have some additional interest and now we are just knocking on doors. We started with an Attachment E there with persons that our loan coordinator, who is leaving this coming Thursday, has been able to go out and knock on doors and say, you came, we sent you a letter, and now we are coming face to face and explaining. You are kind of like one on one. What we have got to offer, what the criterion is and go from there, so we got that. In addition to that, some of persons who, expressed some interest at the meeting, some of them said they are concerned about going into the area. They mentioned the situation where and I gave you guys a copy of the article in The Times, about the traffic at Jewella and Greenwood Road. I've talked with the owner of the Whataburger, Jerry Waitenbarger (I think is his name), who owns Whataburger, and he says he has some concerns. He is having to close his business a little earlier than normal because after a certain time, he can't get in there. And in addition to that, our calls fell off tremendously after 911. There was a tremendous amount of reluctance. I know some people are still calling, but the calls fell off after 911 and then some concerns, you know about, the traffic over there, et cetera, et cetera. But, we are doing all we possible can and we went to HUD and got some relieve on the appraisal, commercial appraisal, but thus far that's all they have been able to back off and the thing we think that is discouraging some of them, is the up-front cost for a lot of these things.

Councilman Shyne: What I would hope in the future and I just maybe, Councilman Burrell, might have some comments, I would hope that as a Council we probably could get together and work with you, since we are all talking about economic development. We have got a pot of \$3 million dollars that is just laying there that's not being used. And I realize that it is probably in your district and mine, probably more in your district, but I think each one of the Council members might have some persons that live in their district, that might be interested in going into business and they might want to direct them into that particular area.

So, what I would like to do in the near future is to maybe if we could sit down and work with you and see if we could come up with some creative ideas and ways by which, we can at least get this money out into some entrepreneurs' hands because I think Councilman Burrell has a program, what is it, Entrepreneurship and we are sitting there with \$3 million dollars but it doesn't seem like we are taking advantage of it and I'd like to work with you to see if we can because people call me and, Joe, where can I get some money? I want to go into business, but I need some capital and I hear that you all have some money and if we are sitting there with \$3 million, but it seem like it is, just sitting there.

Mr. Ferdinand: What we can do, the Council may have some names of a person who would be interested in getting a loan in this area, obviously, targeted. We have a name of five persons right along about now that we've gone door-to-door and they had some stage of getting ready and want to come in that area. So we take those persons, any additional ones, because they are knocking on doors as we speak and any name the Council may have and call a meeting and says, okay all of you have shown a tremendous amount of interest and here's the requirement. Where are you with these requirements? What do you think about it, can you meet it, et cetera, et cetera? So, we all can be around the table and hear their feedback.

Councilman Burrell: Well my comment on that is that I have been working with some of the businesses in that area and my concern and I think I expressed it earlier was that, when I went back to them, they said that they had not been contacted after I had personally made contact with the Department concerning this.

Mr. Ferdinand: Are you talking that, lawn mower person?

Councilman Burrell: Talking about the lawn mower person. Mr. Ferdinand: My guy says, they have talked to him because Wavey says he knows him personally, and get his lawn mower

fixed there, so they are telling me they have talked to him.

Councilman Burrell: Okay, I am not getting into a debate one way or the other. I know that I get mine's fixed there, and as recent as 2 weeks ago. I went back by there and asked and he said well no, I have not talked with anybody about it. I did make a call but they did not return my call.

Mr. Ferdinand: We can get the chronology of events associated with that, because I asked the guys today, when they talked with these clients and we'll see. He could be wrong.

Councilman Burrell: And then in the corridor we've had a number of, several businesses that have opened there with out the assistance of the Loan Program because I am not even sure that they were aware that it was there for these people like, Joyce Beauty Shop, there close to Catherine and Jewella. We have a day care that just opened there in that same area.

As Joe say, we live in there, and we see these people on a day-to-day basis and do complain about the situation. I say well, we have monies available or we've had monies available, I know through the, I don't know if you call it the Minority Business Program or the program that we had, we had the \$1 million dollars in for so long and no one had received a loan out of that in five years because I know, we finally got it back open again. I think that is where you are talking about the \$700,000 (something) dollars---Mr. Ferdinand: Just this year, yes.

Councilman Burrell: . . . in that program. But now that we've been able to work through the community involving different organizations as well as neighborhood association where we could possible provide some economic development initiatives around there, without being personally involved in which I've requested on a number of occasions to get closely involved in it or closer into the process, I am still concerned about no interest coming out of that. And again, you said that it does have stipulations on it, that is true.

Mr. Ferdinand: Yeah. We've had interest of 243 people to attend a Technical Assistance Session, 5 of them I were told, then they get the loan application with the criteria.

Councilman Burrell: I am sure we are not the only one possible that have been able to take advantage of a situation like this. Are we the first in the nation?

Mr. Ferdinand: What, this particular program?

Councilman Burrell: Maybe to Louisiana to get a loan opportunity like this, a grant plus we have our Section 108 monies.

Mr. Ferdinand: When this was awarded, we were the only city, I know in Louisiana and in most of the southern states, we were the only one. I think the closest state to get it was a city or two in Oklahoma.

Councilman Burrell: I guess my suggestion would be not that you all have done it or not done it yet, is maybe you might want to contact some of those programs and see how they are able to get the persons to take advantage of it. Their economic situation may be different, their income levels maybe different, I don't know, but that is something that you all more than likely, should I say your department, may have the wherewithal to do, but we as Council members may not be able to do.

Mr. Ferdinand: Well, we have original announcement from HUD and we know, I don't know what city, but I think the closest one is in Oklahoma, we can benchmark that one, but as far as North Carolina no one got the--(inaudible) round, we just have to canvass and see. We'll start with Oklahoma because I know somebody out there got it.

Councilman Burrell: Well let me suggest do this, and I really, Councilman Shyne if you would maybe set up a meeting and we sit around the table with you and maybe we can brainstorm as to how we might be able to do this, we would feel more comfortable, I would feel more comfortable.

Mr. Ferdinand: Well let me ask you this, so I can be clear on your directive. Do you want to invite some of these persons who have shown extreme interest so you can hear what they say

when we tell you, you have to meet these different guidelines, and see what they say and what the stumbling block or you just want to go with my staff and Council members, first?

Councilman Burrell: Well, if you think that it would add to the---Mr. Ferdinand: I think so.

Councilman Burrell: . . . to the meeting, I think that that would be fine.

Mr. Ferdinand: And anybody that have called you, Councilman or any Councilman.

Councilman Burrell: . . . not that we are questioning you, it is just if you feel that that is something that would add to the meeting, then that's fine because all I am going to do is sit there and say, what if, what if, have we tried this, can we do that?

Mr. Ferdinand: Okay, I think it would be helpful for them to sit there and say what they can and can not do, where they may need additional relief, et cetera, et cetera.

Like I say, we loaned out \$739,000 thus far this year, but as through our current program, another pot of money, which we set the guidelines considering CDBG guidelines, but when you put a Section 108 attached to our EDI, it has additional stipulations that could cause the small business some up-front money more than other, our other program.

Councilman Burrell: Again, what I am concerned about is, we don't create a model for inner city revitalization regardless whether it is in Queensborough or Cedar Grove or Highland, Stoner or some of these areas that used to have bustling business corridors, then there will not be any gleamer of hope that we can do this and I think the next frontier for Shreveport in terms of moving it forward, is the inner city and that is what we are dealing with and we are going to have to get innovative. Because no, we can not develop the inner core the same way we do the suburbs. You know, you have people out there with plenty money and they are not coming back in, but if we make it attractive, you'll get them back in. They are doing it elsewhere, why not Shreveport, I guess we always say.

Mr. Ferdinand: Well, I'll have my guys get in touch with the Franchise Association to see if maybe some franchises may be interested in partnering with some local citizens where they have some backing to come in there and they are trying to make contact. I know they are home based out of D. C. and they are trying to make contact with that Association. At one time we did have a contact, but that particular young lady resigned and went to another job, and the other person we are trying to find out her replacement because at the time that I personally talked to her, kind of met her at a seminar, she says that she was interested in putting some of the franchises together to get interested in that, but when she left, it kind of fell off so we are trying to see who would come forward from a franchise standpoint and be willing to partner with local citizens to do something in that corridor.

Councilman Burrell: We have got to be innovative. Again, it is not like we have all of this green space that is sitting out there and it is cheaper to build. It is more expensive to build in the inner core, but you have many times, a greater density and you have people there that expend their funds just as well as those that are outside the inner core, so we have to take advantage of those type of things.

And secondly, you are talking about security, yes we are going to have to beef up security in those areas also, that is not your area, but you know that we've talked about that issue and our Police Department is going to have to play their role there, especially as we relate to a problem that I know that we are going to discuss today again, and that's the Greenwood Road and Jewella Corridor, we have got to deal with that issue.

Councilman Shyne: At this particular point, since we are talking about the Jewella and Greenwood Road Corridor, I think the Chief came in and do you want to kind of see what we are going to be looking at for that traffic situation?

Councilman Burrell: I guess we can since we are under Awards and Recognitions. Chief will you come up again, we are not really taking this out of order, since we are dealing with it, I guess we can deal with it at this point.

Chief, I appreciate you coming here today. I had one of your officers here yesterday

trying to explain what are we going to do with that problem over there at Jewella and Greenwood Road which we are suffering just like Mr. Ferdinand said just then, some of the businesses over there are greatly concerned about what is taking place and I know that just this past week, I've had a number of calls. I had some today about the same situation.

They seem to be leaving the Jewella and Greenwood Road Corridor now, moving down into the neighborhoods and shooting and—it doesn't appear that they are shooting at anybody, they are just disturbing the peace. And what are we going to do to get that peace back? And I want you to feel comfortable that we are behind you short of abuse but we have got to do something, put a tab on there and try to clean that situation up. I know when been dealing with it for a while, but we have got to do something there.

Chief Roberts: Well we been dealing with that situation for years and it is going to take a lot more than the Police Department. It is going to take a concerted effort of the entire community to bring some of the kids in and a lot of it is a parental situation.

I noticed the past weekend, we had two people shot, two of those were minors that shouldn't even been out at that time of the morning, so it is much more widespread than just a police problem.

And like I said, we have been dealing with this for years and you heard me stand in this very place, and talk about that situation. Unfortunately due to the crowds that we have, we don't have the manpower to handle those types of crowds throughout the summer months and it has gotten to be where it is Wednesday through Sunday in some cases, but definitely Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays are just a terrific problem out there ad they move from Greenwood and Jewella, as you well know, we talked about this before and they go to the riverfront. 10:30 Sunday night, I was on the riverfront watching the crowd that was out there and they just move throughout the City and it takes a tremendous amount of our manpower to watch these groups as they move around, so it is a real problem.

Councilman Burrell: Well, I know it is a problem but at the same time, we can't let it take us over and if these youngsters are under age, don't we still have a curfew law?

Chief Roberts: We certainly do.

Councilman Burrell: Well, are we addressing the curfew law?

Chief Roberts: Yes we are.

Councilman Burrell: So let me assume then, no I don't want to assume, I want you to tell me, then the youngsters who are out there that it is not enough that we can pull the ones out that are at least that violating the curfew and get them off the street.

Chief Roberts: Well, we do the best we can, Mr. Burrell. Well, of course, you had 3- or 400 people out there on the parking lot, we don't have the personnel to go through every vehicle and check i.d.'s and determine if they are underage or not.

Councilman Burrell: So what do we do, just watch them?

Chief Roberts: We do, that's what we have to do.

Councilman Carmody: Chief, the private property owners, are they not responsible to have security out there on their lots to assist in not having the crowds gather like that?

Chief Roberts: Well they are kind of in the same situation we are. They would have to be there from Wednesday night through Sunday night and this usually starts around 9:30 at night and goes to the wee hours of the morning.

Councilman Carmody: So, the businesses then are closed and they don't have any security on premises?

Chief Roberts: Right and of course the parking lots are empty and open during the time of the night, so it is extremely difficult. And then again, you are dealing with private property issues and what we are legally bound to do as far as private property goes. We have some restrictions on the Police Department, as far as private property and the authority we have on private property.

Councilman Carmody: If a private property owners gives the permission to the police to move people along that are in essence trespassing, then do ya'll have the ability to clear the crowd off of that property?

Chief Roberts: We can, yes.

Councilman Carmody: But you are saying that they basically move like a flight of geese to another location and set them themselves down there?

Chief Roberts: They really do and that is part of the problem. They will filter all throughout the city and there is 3 or 4 spots that they like to congregate and most of the time, 99% of these kids are good kids, but when you throw the 1 or 2 or 3 car loads of people that are there to cause problems, that's when you have, what we had Sunday night.

Councilman Shyne: Chief I noticed that at one time, look like you maybe about 10 or 12 Pastors on Patrol. I saw a lot of, I saw a lot of the pastors and I guess maybe instead of wearing a cross around their neck, they had a police badge.

Is it anyway you get them to come out and give you some help? Because you are exactly right. I mean this has gotten to be a problem, that is more than just a police problem. It is going to have to be a concerted effort by the entire community to bring this situation underhand because year before last, we provided some activities for these youngster down at Airport Park. And we would start like 2 o'clock in the evening and go to maybe 7:30 or 8 o'clock at night and we was hoping by that time, all of their energy would be gone. But as you know, they would leave the park and still come back up so it is not that they don't have anything to do. There are a lot of things that, they could be going to church on a Sunday night, they could go to the movies on a Sunday night, they could go to a baseball game on a Sunday night, they could go and study on a Sunday night. I mean, there is a lot of things that they could do, but this is what they want to do. They want to come and just chill-out or just lounge around.

And you are exactly right, 90 to 95% of the kids, are good kids but you have got that one or 2% or maybe not even that much, you have got 2 or 3 car loads of bad apples that can get in there and that will cause the problems.

And it is going to have to be more than a public safety problem. We are going to have to have other people in the community to help reach out and that is why I was wondering, if you thought you could get some of the Pastors, because you had a group that came down here once, look like it might have been maybe 10 or 12 and they were talking about how active they are and what they have been involved in and it seems like to me, this would be an ideal situation for them to get active and get involved in. They might be able to encourage some of them to come to church on a Sunday morning or come to prayer meeting on a Wednesday night or get involved in some Youth Christian groups if they would do that because I see it more than just a public safety problem.

Chief Roberts: That is true. We have asked the pastors to do their part on Sundays in the pulpit if they would encourage their members not to allow their children to go up there. I have done the same thing at community meetings. Most of the community meetings I make, I encourage people, not to allow that to happen and I don't know how successful they are. It seems like every weekend on certain weekends we have more and more people show up, but they have been doing that but I am sure that they would really, anything we ask them to do, that they would help.

Councilman Shyne: I think maybe we could ask them to come up, they might recognize some of their members or they might recognize somebody that they know. I mean, anything, Chief, in a positive manner that we can use in order to disperse those youngsters because it seems like it is just catching on, more and more, every weekend.

When we were having that out at the park and it is time consuming. I used to go out and work every Sunday at the park because a lot of them I knew from the school system from coaching and activities like that, but you need a—you are going to need a lot of people to get

involved. Because Sunday before last, it looked like it might have been 1,000 cars up there, Chief. And like you say, with the number of officers that we have, it is just too many cars. So, I don't know how we are going to, I thought maybe at first, we had talked about providing activities. You remember, when we were meeting. I thought that would be the solution, but that is not the solution. Because when they leave these activities, if it is 11 o'clock at night, they are going to come up there and gather and they will gather, I have gotten up at and—cause Chief Cochran I usually go to bed around 10:30. I am not as young as I used to be so I can't stay up like Brother Carpenter over there and maybe watch a late movie---but some times I've gotten up at 1:30 or 2:00 and Chief, they are still up there.

Chief Roberts: Well it is normally around 3 in the morning before everyone disperses and we get back to normal.

Councilman Shyne: I don't know, I really don't have an answer right now. Maybe this is something that, Councilman Burrell or some of the other Council members, that we might just have to discuss and see what we can come up with.

Councilman Burrell: Well, we discussed it a lot and I just don't want that area to become a holding tank. Well, don't want them over there no more wanting them anywhere else, so we need find something. If you want to ticket them, ticket them, I don't care. If we need to pass some legislation somehow incorporate the parents, I don't-. . . what bother me is, is that it is going to get completely out of hand. We are going to wind up having to use unnecessary force to try to do something or even the citizens are going to rise up against it, and we are going to really have a mess on our hand and I don't know any place else to go. I know it is part of your Department. I am not trying to put everything on you Chief, but I do expect possible some alternatives coming out of your area, your department. I know you have connections all over this United States, and I am sure that this is not the only place that that happens. I have heard about it in California, I've heard it in a number of different areas. Lets see what they are doing to try to get rid of this problem because it is actually, it is becoming just mind-boggling and the residents are starting to react and I am hearing those residents. And not at 10 o'clock, I am hearing them at 2 o'clock and 3 o'clock in the morning that they are starting to call and I don't appreciate that, not from that perspective. And I'll get up and I'll go down there, I'll be with you, I don't have a problem with that either, but we have got to get a handle on it.

Chief Roberts: And the officers have been doing an outstanding job with the crowds.

Councilman Burrell: Well, I appreciate that and I do commend. . .

Chief Roberts: The police officers that work out there, every weekend and they are out there dealing with the situation to keep it from getting out of control. And we are doing something. We are trying to do, everything that we possible can to keep these folks moving, within the law.

Councilman Burrell: Well, we say within the law, but I am not going outside the existing law, but there may be some alternatives that we can work out to put into the law to give you more teeth to do what you need to do, that is what I am saying here.

Again, we can't let the public rule society. We have our laws and we make these laws to try to curtail a lot of the disobedience that is out there, we just have to think outside of the box, is all I know.

Councilman Spigener: Chief, you said that you are identifying underage young people who are not even suppose to be out at that time of the night. When you find someone that is breaking the curfew, what do you all do with them? Do you take them to the Juvenile Center or take them to the Police Department? Do the parents have to come get them?

Chief Roberts: We have a curfew center that parents have to come down and pick them up. In a lot of cases, if they are close to their home, the officer will take them home and turn them over to their parent and it just varies from different officers.

Councilman Spigener: Is it within, I am sure it is not, but we were saying, that we will have

to think outside of the box, is there anyway holding those parents responsible as far as a fine or a ticket or something like that, that might get a message out in the community, hey you better take care of your kids or you are going to have to face some consequences and that might help in (inaudible) but maybe a slap on the hand is effective.

Chief Roberts: A number of violations of the curfew, we go for the parent and they have to appear in court.

Councilman Burrell: What is that number, Chief? The number of violations that the youngsters have to?

Chief Roberts: I think it is three, three violations, go to court.

Councilman Burrell: We can't make a special exception in a case you have a situation that is mounting that you see a potential danger to society that we can not somehow make a special exception for that, for areas like that? One size don't always fit all.

Chief Roberts: Well, that is true, but you are treating people differently than you would normally treat.

Councilman Burrell: We have a different situation than we normally have. These kids are not just driving down the street and keeping up with the traffic, I wouldn't say keeping up with the traffic because they are, but they are bumper to bumper. But they are not driving the speed limits, they are not moving. I see them where they stop the cars in the street and get out of their car, and talk to somebody in the next car. Now, that is just a bit much.

And if we are not out there putting them out, I don't care whether it is a patty wagon or a junker, if we are not doing that and then getting the parents involved in this, we are going to continue to have the same situation because what they are saying is, what they would be saying is, is that we don't have a law, so we do what we please because it is a number of us; that's not a good answer.

Councilman Serio: Chief, Ms. Spigener had mentioned something a second ago, explain the curfew law to me, how does the—explain the parameters of the curfew law. You have to be what age and in at what time?

Chief Roberts: Oh gosh, I don't have it here in front of me, I wish I did. I think the curfew is 10 o'clock during the weekdays and it goes to 12 on the weekends. And if you are under 17-years of age, you are considered a juvenile and it applies to those persons that are caught after hours.

Councilman Serio: So, after 10 o'clock at night, on week nights, 12 p.m. on the weekend, if you are under 17 you can be cited, brought down to the station and your parents have to pick you up. After three incidents, the parent is then cited?

Chief Roberts: Brought to the curfew center over on Line Avenue.

Councilman Serio: Where is the curfew center on Line?

Chief Roberts: Rutherford House over on Line.

Councilman Serio: Brought over there so the parents have to pick them up at Rutherford House.

Chief Roberts: At Rutherford House. Alright now, obviously it doesn't sound like we are enforcing this piece of legislation that is already on the books. We use it on a regular basis or just selectively?

Chief Roberts: The officers, try to use it on a regular basis as they run across a juvenile.

Councilman Serio: Well we have got 500 people out in the parking lot, it seems like we could probably fill up Rutherford House 2 or 3 times a night.

Chief Roberts: Well all 500 of these people are not juvenile.

Councilman Serio: Alright. What about trespassing laws. If a business is closed, they still don't have the rights their property after the close their business?

Chief Roberts: Sure they do.

Councilman Serio: So if you are on somebody's property even after they are closed, then

you are trespassing?

Chief Roberts: Not necessarily.

Councilman Serio: Explain that.

Chief Roberts: If the owner of that property comes out and tells us they want these people moved from their parking lot, we tell them to disperse and move on. If they refuse to do that, we can arrest those people for entering and remaining on the premises.

Councilman Serio: So if businesses were to put up the proper signage with, *no trespassing*, then you have the authority to remove anybody that is there, after hours?

Chief Roberts: Depends on the location.

Councilman Serio: Explain that.

Chief Roberts: You have to be very careful. A lot of these people in around those businesses are conducting legal business, especially, the gas stations.

Councilman Serio: But if you are just standing around jaw-boning for two or three hours, you are not buying gas.

Chief Roberts: That's true and if the attendant ask us to move these folks along, we do that and they can be arrested if they don't leave the premises.

Councilman Serio: Alright. Mr. Burrell just mentioned something about traffic control, with people driving slow, apparently in mass, going up and down the street, stopping, not maintaining proper vehicle speed, apparently not abiding by the traffic laws. What are we doing to enforce the traffic laws?

Chief Roberts: We write tickets. We flag traffic. The officers park their patrol vehicles and flag traffic when it backs up. Of course, the interstate is right close to that location.

Councilman Serio: Is this also occurring on the interstate?

Chief Roberts: It will back up traffic on the exit ramps from the interstate, it can. And officers direct traffic at that times and those will usually beat cars that we expect to be out in the neighborhoods patrolling.

Councilman Serio: Well, it sounds like we have some of the legislation in place. It is a matter of enforcement.

Chief Roberts: It is a matter of having enough people to do all the enforcement that we need to have if enforcement is the answer to this problem.

Councilman Serio: Well, obviously if we are having this type of a problem and we are tying up traffic, we are closing businesses down early because they can not conduct business with a large mass of people that is crowding the street and crowding the parking lots, obviously we've got an issue that somehow or another, the Shreveport Police Department can help alleviate some of their problems. Now, I am not sure exactly how you move that many people at one time, but I think it is going to be a matter of enforcement and not so much selective enforcement, just enforcement and if we have to get with the business groups out there and find out and get *no trespassing* signs or *no loitering* signs up on those properties to make it easier to enforce the current laws, it seems like that would help the City of Shreveport and whatever needs to be done to help these businesses out as well, to help out the families. Because obviously we've got kids out that are 17-years of age until 2 o'clock in the morning, we need to have them down at Rutherford House and have their parents pick them up and I think you said a while ago if they are picked up 3 times then the parents face criminal charges. If that is what it takes, we need to do it. I mean, I don't think I'm stepping out of line, I am not trying to step on your toes Roy, but I think that's the problem.

Councilman Burrell: No, whatever you can, think out of the box, say it because we just at a point now, we have got to do something with this before we wind up picking kids up in boxes.

Councilman Serio: We don't want to pick them up in bags and boxes.

Councilman Burrell: But maybe we need to look at the Parish, because we pay Parish taxes too, although we are in the city and I know you all have, I don't know about the

jurisdictional, any type of jurisdiction, but it is a Parish problem as well as a City problem, because we are in the Parish; so maybe there will be some joint effort there, I don't know. I am just trying to get outside of where we are and deal with this problem.

Councilman Carmody: Chief, I am not sure if this is a proper way to do it, but it seems like we ought to be soliciting the cooperation of the property owners who owns these parking lots to secure their parking lots when their businesses close.

Chief Roberts: That is also what we are also doing, is we are trying to gather the business owners in those four corners there.

Councilman Carmody: Because it has got to be a tremendous amount of insurance liability especially when somebody is injured on those properties regardless of who causes the harm.

Chief Roberts: No doubt.

Councilman Carmody: It seems like if there was not a possibility for the parking lots to be accessed then it would alleviate the police necessity for ya'll to try and move a large crowd that is trespassing. And again, if we are enforcing the traffic laws for the traffic that is moving through the intersection to keep traffic moving along, then I think it would discourage those children or young people from, I guess basically cruising.

Chief Roberts: It would help.

Councilman Spigener: Chief, we are talking about involving businesses. In some areas where I've had a little problem with people putting cars for sale and I know it is a totally different issue and a much bigger problems, signs have been put up that says, *private property, no trespassing*.

Would it be, give you all more rights if you could have the property owners to put up signs that says: No trespassing after and have their business hours on there? I am sure that signs can be torn down and no regards given to the signs, but at least it seems to me that that would give you all more authority if the property owner says hey, after I am closed at 9 o'clock, I don't want you on my property. Does it have any validity?

Chief Roberts: Well it does. The businesses that are open, one of the problems that we have, the Citgo gas station, for instance, at 10:30/11:00 o'clock at night, there is a crowd out there, maybe 100 people out there and they are some people getting gas, there is some people in the store, but they are just there and it takes them 15 or 20 minutes to move along, and of course, you have a situation like that, it shuts a business down. Is that a violation of the law if they are there, conducting legal business? I don't think so unless we get a complaint from the persons running the store that they want their lot cleared.

Councilman Spigener: I am speaking about the businesses that are not 24-hour businesses, that close at 9 or . . .

Chief Roberts: And there are parking lots and other people park on these lots at night. You have the Super 1 Food out there. A lot of people grocery shop in the middle of the night and they are out there. And there are people on these lots that are there for legitimate purposes and along with the crowds that come out there. One size doesn't fit all and that's our problem, that is what we are struggling with here.

Councilman Burrell: But normally the few people who are shopping at Super 1 and places like that, they are pretty much separate from those who are there, just hanging out over in an area. I have never seen it, maybe you have, I am not saying, questioning you on that part, but from my observation, those that are shopping. They are normally a section that they get out of their car, they go shopping, they come back, and then they leave. But the people that we are talking about, is that group that may be on the same parking lot over there in the corner that is piled up on top of each other, which is obvious to anyone that they are there, just congregating, in that perspective and in that crowd, is not a good situation and I think we should be addressing. So, we have two different scenarios here, maybe on the same parking lot.

I am just concerned that we are using the area as a harbor for these kids not to move somewhere's else. I want them out of there.

Let me repeat it. I would like for them to be out of there because you have residents that is around that shopping area that are now becoming very, very upset and they will become hostile. Because when they are going to super market or going to the Rite-Aid, I've had older people who say, they try to go get their medicine, they have to go get it at night, they can't even get in there. They can't even get down the street.

And I've been there when I've seen emergency vehicles can not get down the street with the lights turning and we are talking about the possibility of, death, here. So I don't again, I don't know what we are going to have to do, but it has got to be something. If it means bringing in the National Guard, I don't care. You are going to have to get a handle on this. Now, I am talking to you, I guess we should be talking to the Administration, but I am sure we should be supporting the same thing, if we can't have it in any part of town, really, but they just happen to be choosing that part right now. It could be somewhere else, but we've had this problem in that area for a long time. It is time for us to, us to get rid of that.

Chief Roberts: Well, let me add this, they will go somewhere else.

Councilman Burrell: Let them go.

Chief Roberts: So, I just want to leave you with that thought.

Councilman Burrell: Well, I can assure you, I can rest a little easier too, that if they go there for a while even if they come back. I don't mind. You can go somewhere—I mean, you can stay there for a while, but don't be there constantly. This is the area that you are going nest in, that is no good. You've got to move them around.

Councilman Carmody: Chief, does the circumstances change as to how the police approach this situation when they are not on private property, but are say, in a public park? I mean, does ya'll method change at that point? Of course, any of us have driven down Clyde Fant Parkway see where the Veteran's Park kind of get inundated with looks like, young people. I don't know how many of them are juveniles or not. I mean do ya'll basically arrive and kind of go through the crowd and ask them to disperse or they allowed, because it is a public place, to congregate?

Chief Roberts: Well, the park is open. What we do is, and we patrol through the area and that is what we are looking for, underage people, people out in the park drinking and what have you and we take the necessary action that we see there. But that park is open and they have a legal right there, unless we close the park and they have been occasions where we've had trouble at Veteran's Park and we closed it. We reserve that right to close the park and there have been park and there have been several times thus summer that we've had to do that.

Councilman Burrell: Chief, I'd rather for them to be at Veteran's Park, where you don't have residents than in a neighborhood where you do have residents and people are shooting and can shot into some of residents' homes and that's the calls that I am getting now, that they don't know where the bullets are going. And I would again, rather for them to be in an empty park, if they want to shot at each other, that is their business.

Chief Roberts: No, sir it is not their business.

Councilman Burrell: Well, if it is your business then it is your business to clear it up. Now, if we are going to take that, I am trying to find a way that I can work with you. I don't have a problem with, but again, now it has become a resident's problem, not only a business problem, but a residents' problem. And if we need to take it somewhere where it is isolated, I think you would rather have it there than to have it in your neighborhood where you are trying to rest, where you are trying to go and access your commercial businesses for your own livelihood but I just don't want this area to be, well I know you are not neglecting it, but not concentrated on to try to deal with the problem because it has gone beyond just a traffic problem, it is a residential problem now and a commercial problem. And if you have businesses closing up and leaving out

of the area because of that, it becomes a tax problem, something that we need in that area to maintain the infrastructure. So, I don't know, whatever we can do, I join you to do it but we have to do something. You with me Chief?

Chief Roberts: I'm with you.

Councilman Burrell: And don't take it as a scolding, just take it as somebody who is frustrated, just like you are.

Chief Roberts: Well, you are looking at someone that is extremely frustrated and had been for about 10 years, with that situation, so any recommendations or ideas, we are open.

Councilman Burrell: Well, I appreciate it; thank you. I am sorry we prolonged that issue but it is something that is very, very vital to the welfare of this community, because if it gets out of hand, then you are back to a boiling over point probably within our community.

The Council addressed Resolution No. 103 of 2002: A resolution acknowledging the accomplishments and service of Claude Underwood, Jr., as a Distinguished Member of the Shreveport City Council, from January 31, 1994 to Nov. 28, 1994. (See text of resolution under Resolutions on Second Reading and Final Passage).

**Public Hearings:**

(1) The Chairman declared the public hearing open: Approve a Restoration Tax Abatement Renewal Application for 601 Spring St., Ark-La-Tex Antique & Classic Vehicle Enterprise, LLC.

There was no Presentation from the Administration the Chairman called for persons to speak in favor of the Application.

Ms. Francine Miller (2014 River Road): I came to ask that you all approve the request for Restoration Tax Abatement for the renewal for the Ark-La-Tex Classic Vehicle Enterprises.

I appreciated what the Council and the Administration has done in the past and through community support, the Museum which is housed at the site will celebrate its 7<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this weekend. I also came to see if there were any questions.

We are pleased that we've been able to re-invest some of the money that we saved through the tax abatement into the building. Other than that, I just appreciate what you've done in the past and would appreciate your approval of this one.

Councilman Spigener: Francine, what are the needs that you all have as far as the building is concerned, kind of where are your funds headed now, I know they are probably a lot? But what seems to be the top priority and kind of what are your future plans?

Ms. Miller: Last year we did complete restoration of the basement into a parking garage which was at a cost of around \$80,000. The museum had some plans before 911. We had a photo exhibit entitled "The Day American's Skies Were Sealed." We have about 39, 11 x 14 photographs of the New York and Washington crisis. We also have an FBI Agent who will speak at 6 o'clock on terrorism. And right now they are in the process of obtaining sponsorships for live reindeers for the Thanksgiving holidays.

I will say this, we have had some requests to do more work on the roof, there is 24,000 square feet on the roof. And I have checked into partial plans to get an access to the roof other than the one that we already have it is going to be around \$50,000 dollars so I would like to do that. I don't know how soon that will happen but I appreciate the tax abatement, that's been helpful to me in the past and I'm sure it will be helpful to me in the future.

Councilman Serio: How many programs, on an annual basis, some of the different parties and all that you. I know you rent the place out and you have a number of parties on a year long basis. How many groups do you have coming in using the facility?

Ms. Miller: We have an annual tour number of about 65,000. As an example on the parties. Now we did have a slow down last year, as a result of 911, but the previous year we had 27 parties in the month of December. We do a lot of corporate parties. We already have a number of Christmas parties reserved, reservations for this year and we also have some

reservations into 2003. We do a lot of seminars too.

Councilman Serio: Do you.

Ms. Miller: Yes sir. We also do tours, educational tours for the children and the Louisiana State Police do safety tours.

Councilman Serio: So you've got about 65,000 people a year come through?

Ms. Miller: Yes, sir and for your information, they are demolishing the two buildings adjacent to the museum building and it will be made into a parking garage, I am not doing that, another person is doing it.

Councilman Serio: How many of those folks from out of town. Do you have any bus groups coming in?

Ms. Miller: Yes, sir we do have some tour buses coming in and I will say this. I think that the out of town people have a great appreciation, frankly, of what's there than the people that are here in the City. And I think part of that reason is because a lot of us are too busy to take the time to visit our own city assets.

Councilman Carmody: I just have to echo that because Ms. Miller, I think is very correct. There are a number of museums here in town that when you ask native Shreveporters when was the last time you went, they were like, I didn't even realize that that's there. It was just really a shame because those are all quality-of-life venues that we can go to and enjoy. And I've heard nothing but compliments on your museum and if those of you who have not seen it lately, it is nice to see kind of the cars. They do kind of change and turn over and you get to see different vehicles, but it is certainly an asset to downtown.

Ms. Miller: Thank you. I appreciate the Council making Milam Street a two-way street, that's assisted us, very much. Its also a assisted the tourist who come into town and get a little bit confused about which way to go get to the riverfront, that has helped us immensely. And I really think it has been a real asset to people that are unfamiliar with the downtown area.

Councilman Burrell: Francine, I appreciate your museum, it is different, to say the least, and historical.

Ms. Miller: Thank you.

The Chairman called for any person to speak in opposition to the application. No one came forward to be heard and the hearing was closed.

(2) The Chairman declared the public hearing open: De-Annexation: To reduce the limits and boundaries of the City - 59.16 acre tract located north of Brossette Rd. and west of Woolworth Road.

The Administration made the following Presentation. Mr. Strong: This project began per a letter back in the into last April from an Attorney, Mr. Bobby Sutton, Sr., who was representing Mr. Delbert Speights, who is the property owner of approximately 100 acres of this underdeveloped land which is located between Brossette and Shirley Francis Road, and west of Woolworth Road in the extreme southwest portion of Shreveport.

When it initially came into us, it was for a complete 100 acres requesting for de-annexation and in doing this, it would have left a void of being, a portion of the city, inside, being made into an island. So our office had actually denied that request upon the submittal of that and said, he needed to re-submit.

He has now resubmitted back to us a 59.16 acre section which is, makes it totally outside of the city limits for this section up here and none of it is, will leave an island. The portion that we were talking about, would have been the section up towards Shirley Francis Road, which would be north of there. So based upon this 59.16 acres that is now submitted, the Department has no objections to this annexation and there are no residents on the property, voting residents, on the property at this time, it is vacant.

Councilman Burrell: So we are not acquiring any taxes from this? Mr. Strong: No, Sir.

Councilman Burrell: Not at this time. I might make a comment too. The only reason that I

agreed to it, originally, because if you want to see a perfect example of urban sprawl or should I say, boundary sprawl, is this situation here because it just sits on a tip. And it is one of those situations there where in order to serve someone, you have to go out on an island, like you said, to even get there.

And if we are going to look at planned growth for Shreveport we need to look at concentric growth where we are going to the inside and working our way out so that we can maximize the facilities, the use of the facilities that we have and we don't do that whenever we deal with situations where we have urban sprawl. And maybe this will cut out part of the potential of having urban sprawl out in that area because if someone built something at that location, you are going to have to provide facilities all the way out to that tip and it would be good if you had other growth surrounding it as you move out, but you don't. You just have a, actually, what I consider a peninsula more so than an island that is out on the extreme end of our city limits actually, well it is in the west.

The Chairman called for any person to speak in favor of the application. No one came forward to be heard.

The Chairman called for any person to speak in opposition to the application. No one came forward to be heard and the hearing was closed.

**Confirmations and/or Appointments:** None.

**Adding Legislation to the Agenda:** The Council added the following legislation to the agenda on motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman Carmody.

- 1) Resolution 110 of 2002: A resolution ordering and calling a special election to be held in the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana, to authorize the levy of a special tax in the Downtown Development District, making application to the State Bond Commission in connection therewith and providing for other matters in connection therewith.
- 2) Resolution 111 of 2002: A resolution amending Resolution No. 94 of 2002 to correct a technical error therein, and otherwise provide with respect thereto.
- 3) Resolution 112 of 2002: A resolution ratifying the suspension of certain provisions of Chapter 10 and Chapter 106 of the City of Shreveport Code of Ordinances on August 9-10, 2002 in connection with Grand Opening Activities of the Red River Entertainment District and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
- 4) Ordinance No. 126 of 2002: An ordinance declaring a public emergency in connection with the purchase of a 350 ton chiller for the L. Calhoun Allen Exposition Hall, at a cost of approximately \$68,060.00 and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
- 5) Ordinance No. 127 of 2002: An ordinance authorizing the Shreveport Airport Authority to dispose of property located on 3013 Meriwether Road, Lot 7 as described herein as surplus property and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Huckaby, Stewart, Carmody, Serio, Spigener, Shyne and Burrell. 7. Nays: None.

Motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman Stewart to suspend the Rules to consider Resolution No. 111 of 2002. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Huckaby, Stewart, Carmody, Serio, Spigener, Shyne and Burrell. 7. Nays: None. (See text of resolution under Resolutions on Second Reading and Final Passage.)

**Public Comments.** None.

**CONSENT AGENDA LEGISLATION:**

**INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES ON CONSENT:**

Motion by Councilman Stewart, seconded by Councilman Spigener to Introduce the Ordinances on the Consent Agenda to lay over until the August 27, 2002 meeting. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Huckaby, Stewart, Carmody, Serio, Spigener, Shyne and Burrell. 7. Nays: None.

**RESOLUTION:** None.

**ORDINANCE:**

1. Ordinance No. 119 of 2002: An ordinance closing and abandoning a 20 foot wide sanitary sewer servitude crossing a portion of Scoggins Island in Sections 4 and 5 (T17N-R13W), Caddo Parish, Louisiana and to otherwise provide with respect.
2. Ordinance No 120 of 2002: An ordinance to create and establish a no parking zone between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday on the east side of the 3400 block of Dillingham Avenue and to otherwise provide with respect.
3. Ordinance No 121 of 2002: An ordinance to create and establish a no parking zone anytime zone on the east side of the street, in front of 3606 Valley View, and to otherwise provide with respect.

**ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES ON CONSENT:**

**RESOLUTIONS:**

Motion by Councilman Serio, seconded by Councilman Stewart to adopt the Resolutions on the Consent Agenda. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Huckaby, Stewart, Carmody, Serio, Spigener, Shyne and Burrell. 7. Nays: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 104 of 2002  
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING HUEY L. BROWN, KEVIN S. BROWN, KIRK  
MARTINSON, TIFFANY L. MARTINSON, LOCATED AT 10650 EAST KINGS HIGHWAY,

**TO CONNECT TO THE WATER & SEWER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

WHEREAS, Huey L. Brown, Kevin S. Brown, Kirk Martinson, & Tiffany L. Martinson 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 Huey L. Brown, Kevin S. Brown, Kirk Martinson, & Tiffany L. Martinson, be authorized to connect the building located at 10650 East Kings Highway, to the water & sewer system of the City of Shreveport.

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

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 105 of 2002**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING STEVE EVANS, LOCATED AT 835 AERO DR., TO CONNECT TO THE WATER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened, that Steve Evans, be authorized to connect the building located at 835 Aero Dr., to the water system of the City of Shreveport.

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

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 106 of 2002**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ROBERT J. HALL & REBECCA T. HALL, LOCATED AT 9964 CANVASBACK CIR., TO CONNECT TO THE WATER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

WHEREAS, Robert J. Hall & Rebecca T. Hall 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 Robert J. Hall & Rebecca T. Hall, be authorized to connect the building located at 9964 Canvasback Cir., to the water system of the City of Shreveport.

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

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 107 of 2002**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING WORD OF GOD MINISTRIES, INC. LOCATED AT 5895 BERT KOUNS INDUSTRIAL LOOP, TO CONNECT TO THE WATER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened, that Word of God Ministries, Inc., be authorized to connect the building located at 5895 Bert Kouns Industrial Loop, to the water system of the City of Shreveport.

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

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 108 of 2002**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING WILLIAM JASON OLDS & KIM ZERN OLDS, LOCATED AT 9936 CANVASBACK DR., TO CONNECT TO THE WATER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

WHEREAS, William Jason Olds & Kim Zern Olds 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 William Jason Olds & Kim Zern Olds, be authorized to connect the building located at 9936 Canvasback Dr., to the water system of the City of Shreveport.

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

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

**ORDINANCES:** None.

**REGULAR AGENDA LEGISLATION:**

**RESOLUTIONS:**

RESOLUTION NO. 92 of 2002

RESOLUTION STATING THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT'S ENDORSEMENT OF ARK-LA-TEX ANTIQUE & CLASSIC VEHICLE ENTERPRISE, LLC TO PARTICIPATE IN THE BENEFITS OF THE LOUISIANA RESTORATION TAX ABATEMENT PROGRAM AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, the Restoration Tax Abatement has been created by the Electors of the State of Louisiana as an Act 445 of 1983, and amended in Act 783 of 1984, Article VII, Part II, Section 21(H) of the Louisiana Constitution and Louisiana R.S. 47:4311-4319, to authorize the Board of Commerce and Industry, with the approval of the Governor and the local governing authority and in accordance with procedures and conditions provided by law, to enter into a contract granting property owners who propose the expansion, restoration, improvement or development of an existing structure or structures in a downtown development district, historic district, or economic development district, established in accordance with law, the right to pay ad valorem taxes based upon the assessed valuation of the property prior to the commencement of the expansion, restoration, improvement or development; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport desires to promote economic activity, create and retain job opportunities, and improve the tax base throughout the City for the benefit of all citizens; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City Council to foster the continued growth and

development (and redevelopment) of the City to the continued prosperity and welfare of the City; and

WHEREAS, this project is located in a Downtown Development District; and

WHEREAS, this project is a commercial property;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular, and legal session convened that the City Council hereby approves the ARK-LA-TEX ANTIQUE & CLASSIC VEHICLE ENTERPRISE, LLC application 19-940499-93 for participation in the Louisiana Restoration Tax Abatement Program.

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 Huckaby, seconded by Councilman Serio passed by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Huckaby, Stewart, Carmody, Serio, Spigener, Shyne and Burrell. 7. Nays: None.

#### RESOLUTION NUMBER 102 OF 2002

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A MEMORANDUM OF COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR WITH THE RED RIVER WATERWAY DISTRICT AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport (“City”) has developed and desires to implement a comprehensive plan to revitalize the urban riverfront on the Red River (“RiverView Project”); and

WHEREAS, the RiverView Project will directly and substantially enhance both recreation and commerce on the Red River; and

WHEREAS, the success of the RiverView Project will require the cooperation of and substantial commitment from the Waterway Commission and Shreveport; and

WHEREAS, the City has requested, and the Waterway Commission has agreed, to assist in the development of the RiverView Project and the Regional Visitors’ Center;

WHEREAS, the City desires to enter into a Memorandum of Cooperative Endeavor with the Waterway Commission relative to the implementation of the RiverView Project.

NOW, THEREFORE NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, regular and legal session convened that the Mayor is authorized to execute a Memorandum of Cooperative Endeavor with the Red River Waterway District, substantially and in accordance with the draft thereof which was filed for public inspection in the Office of the Clerk of Council on July 23, 2002.

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 resolution or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Carmody, seconded by Councilman Serio passed by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Huckaby, Stewart, Carmody, Serio, Spigener, Shyne and Burrell. 7. Nays: None.

RESOLUTION NO. 103 OF 2002

A RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND SERVICE OF CLAUDE UNDERWOOD, JR. AS A DISTINGUISHED MEMBER OF THE SHREVEPORT CITY COUNCIL, FROM JANUARY 31, 1994 TO NOVEMBER 28, 1994 AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO

By: City Council Members

WHEREAS, Claude Underwood, Jr. was appointed by the Shreveport City Council to serve as an interim member of the Council from January 31, 1994, to November 28, 1994, because of his proven record of community service; and,

WHEREAS, during his service on the Council, Claude Underwood Jr. made significant contributions relative to the creation and adoption of ordinances and resolutions of the City of Shreveport, including the several operating and capital budgets of the City; and,

WHEREAS, during his service on the Council, Claude Underwood Jr. demonstrated his knowledge of and passion for the history of this area by sponsoring and/or supporting legislation to plan an African-American Museum on the Riverfront, to save the former Galilee Baptist Church from destruction, and to request that the former Galilee Baptist Church be designated a National Historic Landmark; and,

WHEREAS, Claude Underwood Jr. died on July 24, 2002, at the age of 82, and it is desirable and necessary to recognize Claude Underwood's accomplishments as a member of the Shreveport City Council.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of Shreveport, in due, legal and regular session convened, does hereby recognize Claude Underwood, Jr. for his distinguished service as a member of the Shreveport City Council from January 31, 1994, through November 28, 1994.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall be executed in duplicate originals. One original shall be presented to the family of Claude Underwood, Jr. and one original shall be filed in perpetuity in the offices of the Shreveport City Council.

Councilman Burrell: Mr. Thompson, if it is in order and I don't know if the Council would mind this, although I had my name as Introducing it, if anyone wanted to join in introducing that, then that's no problem. I did it because of the time

factor there and I wanted to try to do something at the time of his funeral. Since we all have to sign off on it, that may be a joint effort or for those that do want to sign off on it, but anybody want to join in in recommending it, from that perspective, I have no problem with that either.

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Stewart, seconded by Councilman Carmody passed by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Huckaby, Stewart, Carmody, Serio, Spigener, Shyne and Burrell. 7. Nays: None.

#### RESOLUTION NO. 110 OF 2002

Offered by Councilman Stewart and seconded by Councilman Huckaby.

#### RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION ORDERING AND CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TO AUTHORIZE THE LEVY OF A SPECIAL TAX IN THE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, MAKING APPLICATION TO THE STATE BOND COMMISSION IN CONNECTION THEREWITH AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

WHEREAS, the Downtown Development Authority (the "Authority"), as governing authority of the Downtown Development District (the "District"), has submitted a proposal and recommendation to this Council for the submission to the voters of the City the question of a special tax renewal as provided herein, all in accordance with Act 554 of 1978, Act 411 of 1980 and Act 163 of 1984 of the Louisiana Legislature; and

WHEREAS, this Council now desires to call an election as provided herein and in accordance with said proposal and recommendation from the Authority;

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

SECTION 1. Election Call. Subject to the approval of the State Bond Commission, and under the authority conferred by Act 554 of 1978, Act 411 of 1980 and Act 163 of 1984 of the Louisiana Legislature, the applicable provisions of Chapter 5 and Chapter 6-A of Title 18 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, and other constitutional and statutory authority, a special election is hereby called and ordered to be held in the City on **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2002**, between the hours of six o'clock (6:00) a. m., and eight o'clock (8:00) p.m., in accordance with the provisions of La. R. S. 18:541, and at the said election there shall be submitted to all registered voters qualified and entitled to vote at the said election under the Constitution and laws of this State and the Constitution of the United States, the following proposition, to-wit:

CITY OF SHREVEPORT (DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT)  
PROPOSITION (TAX CONTINUATION)

SUMMARY: 25 YEAR, 7.99 MILLS PROPERTY TAX CONTINUATION TO BE LEVIED IN THE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, TO BE EXPENDED BY THE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR ADMINISTRATION, OPERATIONAL EXPENSES, ACQUIRING PROPERTY, PROJECT EXPENSES AND/OR THE RETIREMENT OF BONDS OR OTHER EVIDENCES OF INDEBTEDNESS.

Shall the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana (the "City"), acting through the City Council as the governing authority thereof, be authorized to continue to levy a special tax of Seven and Ninety-Nine Hundredths (7.99) mills on all property subject to taxation situated within the bounds of the Downtown Development District of the City of Shreveport (the "District") as defined by Act 554 of 1978, as amended by Act 411 of 1980 and Act 163 of 1984 (the "Act"), for a period of twenty-five (25) years, beginning with the year 2002 and ending with the year 2027, with the proceeds of said tax to be used solely and exclusively for the purposes and benefit of the District, and to be expended by the Downtown Development Authority for administration, operational expenses, acquiring property, project expenses and/or the retirement of bonds or other evidences of indebtedness, in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Act as the same now exists or may hereafter be amended?

SECTION 2. Publication of Notice of Election. A Notice of Special Election shall be published in "The Times," a daily newspaper of general circulation within the City, published in Shreveport, Louisiana, and being the official journal of the Governing Authority, once a week for four consecutive weeks, with the first publication to be made not less than forty-five (45) days nor more than ninety (90) days prior to the date fixed for the election, which Notice shall be substantially in the form attached hereto as "Exhibit A" and incorporated herein by reference the same as if it were set forth herein in full.

SECTION 3. Canvass. This Governing Authority, acting as the governing authority of the City, shall meet at its regular meeting place, the City Hall, Shreveport, Louisiana, on **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2002, at THREE O'CLOCK (3:00) P.M.**, and shall then and there in open and public session proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the result of the said special election.

SECTION 4. Polling Places. The polling places set forth in the aforesaid Notice of Special Election are hereby designated as the polling places at which to hold the said election, and the Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners, respectively, will be the same persons as those designated in accordance with law.

SECTION 5. Election Commissioners: Voting Machines. The officers designated to serve as Commissioners-in-Charge and Commissioners pursuant to Section 4 hereof, or such

substitutes therefor as may be selected and designated in accordance with La. R.S. 18:1287, shall hold the said special election as herein provided, and shall make due returns of said election for the meeting of the Governing Authority to be held on Tuesday, November 12, 2002, as provided in Section 3 hereof. All registered voters in the City are entitled to vote at said special election and voting machines shall be used thereat.

SECTION 6. Authorization of Officers. The Clerk of Council of the Governing Authority is hereby empowered, authorized and directed to arrange for and to furnish to said election officers in ample time for the holding of said election, the necessary equipment, forms and other paraphernalia essential to the proper holding of said election and the Chairman and/or Clerk of Council of the Governing Authority are further authorized, empowered and directed to take any and all further action required by State and/or Federal law to arrange for the election, including but not limited to, appropriate submission to the Federal Department of Justice under Section 5 of the Federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended.

SECTION 7. Furnishing Election Call to Election Officials. Certified copies of this resolution shall be forwarded to the Secretary of State, the Commissioner of Elections, the Clerks of Court and *Ex-Officio* Parish Custodian of Voting Machines in and for the Parishes of Bossier and Caddo, State of Louisiana, and the Registrars of Voters in and for said Parishes, as notification of the special election herein called in order that each may prepare for said election and perform their respective functions as required by law.

SECTION 8. Application to State Bond Commission. Application is made to the State Bond Commission for consent and authority to hold the aforesaid special election as herein provided, and in the event said election carries for further consent and authority to levy and collect the special tax in the Downtown Development District provided for therein, and a certified copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to the State Bond Commission on behalf of this Governing Authority, together with a letter requesting the prompt consideration and approval of this application.

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Stewart, seconded by Councilman Huckaby passed by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Huckaby, Stewart, Carmody, Serio, Spigener, Shyne and Burrell. 7. Nays: None.

#### RESOLUTION NO. 111 OF 2002

A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 94 OF 2002 TO CORRECT A TECHNICAL ERROR THEREIN AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BY: COUNCILMAN SHYNE

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 94 of 2002, ordering and calling a special election to be held in the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana, to authorize the levy and collection of an additional one-fourth percent sales and use tax therein; and

WHEREAS, the Proposition and the Summary of the proposition were set forth therein as intended by the City Council, but one word was inadvertently omitted from the title of the Proposition in the body of the resolution, and this error should be corrected.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in

due, legal and regular session convened that in Section 1 of Resolution No. 94 of 2002, at the top of page 2, the title of the Proposition is hereby amended to read as follows:

**CITY OF SHREVEPORT (SALES TAX INCREASE FOR POLICE AND FIRE SALARIES, BENEFITS, EQUIPMENT AND PERSONNEL)**

The remainder of Resolution No. 94 of 2002 shall remain unchanged by this resolution.

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

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

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman Carmody passed by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Huckaby, Stewart, Carmody, Serio, Spigener, Shyne and Burrell. 7. Nays: None.

**RESOLUTION NO. 112 OF 2002**

**A RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE SUSPENSION OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 10 AND CHAPTER 106 OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT CODE OF ORDINANCES ON AUGUST 9-10, 2002 IN CONNECTION WITH GRAND OPENING ACTIVITIES OF THE RED RIVER ENTERTAINMENT DISTRICT AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

WHEREAS, the grand opening activities of the Red River Entertainment District are originally scheduled for June 13-15,2002; and

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted Resolution Number 55 of2002 suspending the effects of certain ordinances in connection with these activities;

WHEREAS, the grand opening has been rescheduled for August 9-10, 2002; and

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

WHEREAS, a portion of the grand opening activities will be conducted as a bona fide private party, as the same is defined in Section 10-1 of the Code of Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, Section 10-80( c) provides, among other things, that a bona fide private party shall be held on the premises and within an enclosed building; and

WHEREAS, the grand opening activities will take place within an area identified as the "Red River Entertainment District" including an outside area near and underneath the Texas Street Bridge; and

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

WHEREAS, Red River Entertainment District, LLC, and/or its assigns, desires to dispense by sale or otherwise, allow the consumption of alcoholic content beverages within the area identified as the "Red River Entertainment District" including an outside area near and underneath the Texas Street Bridge, and to allow consumption of alcoholic content beverages outside of a licensed

premises and on public property in connection with the grand opening activities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened that the suspension of the provisions of Sections 10-80(a), 10-180(c), and 106-130 (6) of the Code of Ordinances on August 9-10, 2002 in connection with grand opening activities of the Red River Entertainment District is ratified.

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 Huckaby, seconded by Councilman Carmody passed by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Huckaby, Stewart, Carmody, Serio, Spigener, Shyne and Burrell. 7. Nays: None.

#### **INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS:**

1. Resolution No. 109 of 2002: A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a Cooperative Agreement in the amount of \$30,000 between the City of Shreveport and the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources for the implementation of a Clean Cities Program.

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Spigener, seconded by Councilman Huckaby for Introduction of the Resolution to lay over until the August 27, 2002 meeting. Motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Huckaby, Stewart, Carmody, Serio, Spigener, Shyne and Burrell. 7. Nays: None.

#### **INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES:**

1. Ordinance No. 122 of 2002: An ordinance to amend Section 90-3 of the City of Shreveport Code of Ordinances relative to traffic and vehicles and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
2. Ordinance No. 123 of 2002: An ordinance to amend Section 50-204.1 (a) and (b) of the City of Shreveport Code of Ordinances relative to miscellaneous offenses and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
3. Ordinance No. 124 of 2002: An ordinance authorizing the donation of four (4) city owned lots in the University Park Subdivision to qualified participants in the City's Neighborhood Revitalization Program and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
4. Ordinance No. 125 of 2002: An ordinance amending the 2002 budget for the Riverfront Development Special Revenue Fund and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

5. Ordinance No. 127 of 2002: An ordinance authorizing the Shreveport Airport Authority to dispose of property located on 3013 Meriwether Road, Lot 7 as described herein as surplus property and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Carmody, seconded by Councilman Huckaby for Introduction of the Ordinances to lay over until the August 27, 2002 meeting ((Nos. 122, 123, and 125) and the September 10, 2002 meeting (Nos. 124 and 127). Motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Huckaby, Stewart, Carmody, Serio, Spigener, Shyne and Burrell. 7. Nays: None.

### **ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING AND FINAL PASSAGE:**

1. Ordinance No. 87 of 2002: An ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute a lease agreement leasing certain city owned property to Gary Harris and Stephen D. Porter, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

Having passed first reading on July 23, 2002 was read by title and on motion ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Spigener, seconded by Councilman Huckaby adopted by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Huckaby, Stewart, Carmody, Serio, Spigener, Shyne and Burrell. 7. Nays: None.

1. Ordinance No. 88 of 2002: An ordinance amending the 2002 budget for the Police Grants Special Revenue Fund and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

Having passed first reading on July 23, 2002 was read by title and on motion ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman Stewart for adoption. The Deputy Clerk read the following amendment:

#### Amendment No. 1:

#### AMEND THE ORDINANCE AS FOLLOWS:

In Section 1 (Estimated Receipts), under 2001 and Prior - Year Receipts, increase Prior-Year Police Block Grant 2002 by \$16,200. Under Fiscal Year 2002 Revenues, increase Police Block Grant 2002 by \$6,600.

In Section 2 (Appropriations), under 2002 and Prior-Year Receipts, increase Prior-Year Police Block Grant 2002 - Other Charges by \$16,200. Under Fiscal Year 2002 Revenues, increase Block Grant 2002 - Materials and Supplies by \$6,600.

All subtotals and totals are to be adjusted accordingly.

Motion by Councilman Carmody, seconded by Councilman Spigener for adoption of the amendment. Motion approved by following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Huckaby, Stewart, Carmody,

Serio, Spigener, Shyne and Burrell. 7. Nays: None.

Motion by Councilman Carmody, seconded by Councilman Spigener for adoption of the ordinance as amended. Motion adopted by following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Huckaby, Stewart, Carmody, Serio, Spigener, Shyne and Burrell. 7. Nays: None.

2. Ordinance No. 89 of 2002: An ordinance amending the 2002 Golf Enterprise Fund Budget and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

Having passed first reading on July 23, 2002 was read by title and on motion ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Huckaby, seconded by Councilman Shyne adopted by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Huckaby, Stewart, Carmody, Serio, Spigener, Shyne and Burrell. 7. Nays: None.

3. Ordinance No. 90 of 2002: An ordinance amending the 2002 Water and Sewerage Enterprise Fund Budget and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

Having passed first reading on July 23, 2002 was read by title and on motion ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman Stewart for adoption. The Deputy Clerk read the following amendment:

Amendment No. 1:

AMEND THE ORDINANCE AS FOLLOWS:

In Section 2 (Appropriations), increase Other Charges by \$125,000. Increase Operating Reserves by \$1,675,000. Decrease Transfer to Capital Projects Fund by \$1,800,000.

Motion by Councilman Stewart, seconded by Councilman Spigener for adoption of the amendment. Motion approved by following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Huckaby, Stewart, Carmody, Serio, Spigener, Shyne and Burrell. 7. Nays: None.

Motion by Councilman Stewart, seconded by Councilman Serio for adoption of the ordinance as amended. Motion adopted by following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Huckaby, Stewart, Carmody, Serio, Spigener, Shyne and Burrell. 7. Nays: None.

4. Ordinance No. 91 of 2002: An ordinance amending the 2002 Capital Improvements Budget and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

Having passed first reading on July 23, 2002 was read by title and on motion ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman Stewart for adoption. The Deputy Clerk read the following amendment:

AMEND THE ORDINANCE AS FOLLOWS:

In Program B (Recreation Improvements):

Establish a new project entitled **Fair Grounds Field Equipment (02-B002)** and fund it at \$30,000 from Riverfront Development.

**In Program E (Water Improvements):**

Decrease the appropriation for **McNeil Water Line (94-E004)** by \$1,800,000. Funding source is Water and Sewer Revenues.

**In Program H (Airports Improvements):**

Increase the appropriation for **Sweeper Acquisition (02-H004)** by \$16,600. Funding sources are FAA Grant \$13,600, State Grant \$1,500 and Shreveport Airport Authority \$1,500.

Establish a new project entitled **Construction of Wash Racks at Downtown Airport (02-H005)** and fund it at \$85,000 from Shreveport Airport Authority.

**In Program I (Fire Improvements):**

Increase the appropriation for **Fire Equipment Replacement (01-I002)** by \$300,000. Funding source is 1997 GOB, Prop. 1.

Motion by Councilman Stewart, seconded by Councilman Spigener for adoption of the amendment. Motion approved by following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Huckaby, Stewart, Carmody, Serio, Spigener, Shyne and Burrell. 7. Nays: None.

Motion by Councilman Huckaby, seconded by Councilman Stewart for adoption of the ordinance as amended. Motion adopted by following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Huckaby, Stewart, Carmody, Serio, Spigener, Shyne and Burrell. 7. Nays: None.

5. Ordinance No. 92 of 2002: An ordinance amending the 2002 Airports Enterprise Fund Budget and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

Having passed first reading on July 23, 2002 was read by title and on motion ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman Stewart for adoption. The Deputy Clerk read the following amendment:

Amendment No. 1:

AMEND THE ORDINANCE AS FOLLOWS:

In Section 2 (Appropriations), decrease Operating Reserves by \$\$86,500 and increase Transfer to Capital Projects Fund by \$86,500.

Motion by Councilman Huckaby, seconded by Councilman Spigener for adoption of the amendment. Motion approved by following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Huckaby, Stewart, Carmody, Serio, Spigener, Shyne and Burrell. 7. Nays: None.

Motion by Councilman Stewart, seconded by Councilman Spigener for adoption of the ordinance as amended.

Councilman Carmody: Mr. Miller, that it does show that we're are allocating \$800,000 towards the Continental Maintenance Facility? Mr. Miller: Yes, for the Continental Express facility, yes, sir

Councilman Carmody: And I know that this Council has moved to approved, I think \$300,000 to redo the roof. This \$800,000, can you give us an explanation of how that money is to be spent?

Mr. Miller: That is going to be for the sprinkler system. We are converting a water sprinkler system to foam, at the request of the tenant and their insurance company and we had an engineer estimate of about \$1.2 million and the bids came in at \$1.7 million.

Councilman Carmody: Its expensive.

Councilman Shyne: It goes to show you how expensive life saving devices are now, a days. Life, has gone up, put a price on it.

Ordinance adopted by following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Huckaby, Stewart, Carmody, Serio, Spigener, Shyne and Burrell. 7. Nays: None.

Mr. Antee: That additional amount for the sprinkler system is built back into the rent, so that the tenant, Continental, will be paying that over the term of the lease. I just wanted to let the Council know that.

Councilman Burrell: That sounds better.

6. Ordinance No. 93 of 2002: An ordinance to amend Section 10-52 of the City of Shreveport Code of Ordinances relative to alcoholic beverages and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

Having passed first reading on July 23, 2002 was read by title and on motion ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman Stewart for adoption. The Deputy Clerk read the following amendment:

Amendment No. 1:

Amend the ordinance as follows:

Before the first BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED paragraph insert the following:

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance shall become effective November 1, 2002.

Motion by Councilman Carmody, seconded by Councilman Huckaby for adoption of the amendment. Motion approved by following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Huckaby, Stewart, Carmody, Serio, Spigener, Shyne and Burrell. 7. Nays: None.

Motion by Councilman Carmody, seconded by Councilman Huckaby for adoption of the ordinance as amended. Motion adopted by following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Huckaby, Stewart, Carmody, Serio, Spigener, Shyne and Burrell. 7. Nays: None.

7. Ordinance No. 94 of 2002: A de-annexation ordinance to reduce the limits and boundaries of the City of Shreveport - A 59.16 acre tract of land located in the SW/4 of Section 4 (T16N-R15W), Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Having passed first reading on July 23, 2002 was read by title and on motion ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Burrell, seconded by Councilman Huckaby adopted by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Huckaby, Stewart, Carmody, Serio, Spigener, Shyne and Burrell. 7. Nays: None.

8. Ordinance No. 95 of 2002: An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, the City of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning property located on the northwest corner of Jewella Avenue and Woodrow Street, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, from B-2, Neighborhood Business District to B-2-E, Extended Use Community Business District, limited to “a funeral home” only and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Having passed first reading on July 23, 2002 was read by title and on motion ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman Huckaby for adoption.

Councilman Burrell: I want to enter a motion to postpone because I have not adequately discussed this issue, yet and it is in my Council district.

Motion by Councilman Burrell, seconded by Councilman Stewart to postpone the ordinance until the August 27, 2002 meeting. Motion adopted by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Huckaby, Stewart, Carmody, Serio, Spigener, Shyne and Burrell. 7. Nays: None.

9. Ordinance No. 96 of 2002: An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, the City of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning property located on the south side of Greenwood Road, 75 feet west of Barbara, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, from R-1D, Urban, One Family Residence District to B-3, Community Business District, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Having passed first reading on July 23, 2002 was read by title and on motion ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Burrell, seconded by Councilman Carmody to postpone the ordinance until the August 27, 2002 meeting. Motion adopted by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Huckaby, Stewart, Carmody, Serio, Spigener, Shyne and

Burrell. 7. Nays: None.

10. Ordinance No. 118 of 2002: An ordinance amending the 2002 Community Development Special Revenue Fund and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

Having passed first reading on July 23, 2002 was read by title and on motion ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman Huckaby adopted by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Huckaby, Stewart, Carmody, Serio, Spigener, Shyne and Burrell. 7. Nays: None.

Having passed first reading on July 23, 2002 was read by title and on motion ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman Stewart to postpone Ordinance Nos. 97 thru 117 of 2002 until the August 27, 2002 meeting. Motion adopted by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Stewart, Carmody, Serio, Spigener, Shyne and Burrell. 6. Nays: None. Out of Chamber: Councilman Huckaby. 1.

11. Ordinance No. 97 of 2002: An ordinance authorizing the Shreveport Airport Authority to dispose of property located on 2634 Meriwether Road, Lots 1 and 2 as described herein as surplus property and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
12. Ordinance No. 98 of 2002: An ordinance authorizing the Shreveport Airport Authority to dispose of property located on 2642 Meriwether, as described herein as surplus property and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
13. Ordinance No. 99 of 2002: An ordinance authorizing the Shreveport Airport Authority to dispose of property located on 2700 Meriwether Road, as described herein as surplus property and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
14. Ordinance No. 100 of 2002: An ordinance authorizing the Shreveport Airport Authority to dispose of property located on 2722 Meriwether Road, as described herein as surplus property and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
15. Ordinance No. 101 of 2002: An ordinance authorizing the Shreveport Airport Authority to dispose of property located on 2730 Meriwether Road, as described herein as surplus property and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
16. Ordinance No. 102 of 2002: An ordinance authorizing the Shreveport Airport Authority to dispose of property located on 2734 Meriwether Road, as described herein as surplus property and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
17. Ordinance No. 103 of 2002: An ordinance authorizing the Shreveport Airport Authority to dispose of property located on 2804 Meriwether Road, as described herein as surplus property and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
18. Ordinance No. 104 of 2002: An ordinance authorizing the Shreveport Airport Authority to

dispose of property located on 2807 Meriwether Road, as described herein as surplus property and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

19. Ordinance No. 105 of 2002: An ordinance authorizing the Shreveport Airport Authority to dispose of property located on 2812 Meriwether Road, as described herein as surplus property and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
20. Ordinance No. 106 of 2002: An ordinance authorizing the Shreveport Airport Authority to dispose of property located on 2821 Meriwether Road, as described herein as surplus property and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
21. Ordinance No. 107 of 2002: An ordinance authorizing the Shreveport Airport Authority to dispose of property located on 2911 Meriwether Road, Lot 13, as described herein as surplus property and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
22. Ordinance No. 108 of 2002: An ordinance authorizing the Shreveport Airport Authority to dispose of property located on 2919 Meriwether Road, Lot 12 as described herein as surplus property and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
23. Ordinance No. 109 of 2002: An ordinance authorizing the Shreveport Airport Authority to dispose of property located on 2925 Meriwether Road, Lot B as described herein as surplus property and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
24. Ordinance No. 110 of 2002: An ordinance authorizing the Shreveport Airport Authority to dispose of property located on 3005 Meriwether Road, Lot 8 as described herein as surplus property and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
25. Ordinance No. 111 of 2002: An ordinance authorizing the Shreveport Airport Authority to dispose of property located on 3021A Meriwether Road, Lot 6 as described herein as surplus property and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
26. Ordinance No. 112 of 2002: An ordinance authorizing the Shreveport Airport Authority to dispose of property located on 3048 Meriwether Road, as described herein as surplus property and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
27. Ordinance No. 113 of 2002: An ordinance authorizing the Shreveport Airport Authority to dispose of property located on 2606 Betty Street, Lot 7 as described herein as surplus property and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
28. Ordinance No. 114 of 2002: An ordinance authorizing the Shreveport Airport Authority to dispose of property located on 2610 Betty Street, Lot 8 as described herein as surplus property and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
29. Ordinance No. 115 of 2002: An ordinance authorizing the Shreveport Airport Authority to dispose of property located on 2613 Betty Street, Lot 5 as described herein as surplus

property and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

30. Ordinance No. 116 of 2002: An ordinance authorizing the Shreveport Airport Authority to dispose of property located on 2614 Betty Street, Lot 9 as described herein as surplus property and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
31. Ordinance No. 117 of 2002: An ordinance authorizing the Shreveport Airport Authority to dispose of property located on 3621 Maywood Drive, Lot 40 as described herein as surplus property and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
32. Ordinance No. 127 of 2002: An ordinance declaring a public emergency in connection with the purchase of a 350 ton chiller for the L. Calhoun Allen Exposition Hall at a cost of approximately \$68,060.00 and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Having passed first reading on August 13, 2002 was read by title and on motion ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Serio, seconded by Councilman Carmody for adoption.

Councilman Carmody: I did receive a communication from a constituent that had asked for an explanation of this particular situation, I believe that the City is declaring this a public emergency. And their question was whether or not, this replacement of a public work which would require a 25-day advertisement for bid?

Mr. Antee: The chiller went out at Expo Hall, I think, early on a Friday. We had got a night show that was scheduled for that weekend as well as a couple of several other events scheduled. Most places, up north, it may not be an emergency for a chiller to go out on a Friday, but in July and August in Shreveport, Louisiana, with numerous events scheduled, I think it meets the definition of an emergency. I think Gary Norman and Shelly Ragle and everybody over there at SPAR did an unbelievable job and even had people working through the night to make sure that the event went off without anybody knowing and it up running and should be commended for that. And we will be glad to answer any question that anybody may have from a legal standpoint as to whether or not it necessitated an emergency.

Councilman Carmody: Mr. Antee, I appreciate that explanation. It does indicate here that an emergency is defined: It means an unforeseen, mischance, or bring with it destruction or injury of life or property or the imminent threat of such destruction or injury as a result of an order from any judicial body to make immediate action which requires construction of repairs, absent compliance with the formalities of this part where the mischance or court order will not admit of the delay incident to advertising as provided in this part.

In essence I think what they are asking is, is whether or not, first of all who would make the call as to whether or not this was a required public bid or that it classified as an emergency?

Mr. Antee: Well. I guess the buck stops here and I'll take any criticisms but we've got several events scheduled at Expo Hall and we didn't have air conditioning and I'll be glad to meet with anybody privately or publicly to go through and address it. And we'll stand by the decision that was made to get it up and running and we got it up and running.

Councilman Carmody: In August, I would say that your air conditioning going out

probably constitutes an emergency, at least in Shreveport.

Mr. Antee: In a building with several thousand people going through over the weekend.

Councilman Carmody: And I would take it that if we were not able to facilitate the function that was rented out for, that then we would be the responsible party to relocate them and probably foot the bill for that relocation?

Mr. Antee: Well. I know that you could relocate such an event on . . . on a 24-hours notice and that is about how much notice we had prior to the starting of the event. Mr. Gary Norman is here and got a lot more of the details. One of the things that they did do is locate a chiller that was used that could replace the initial one and saved I don't know how many thousands of dollars. but Gary can report on that.

Mr. Norman: As far as the relocation of the event, I mean this actually happened like at 5 o'clock on Friday afternoon. We didn't have anywhere that we could relocate the event not only did we have an event that was in the building, but we had a substantial event that also was going to be in the building for Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, also. So, we made the call to get a temporary chiller in, get the building back up and function and all and then what we are trying to do.

We relocated the events that we have coming up for the next 2 weeks, leading up to another major event and we are trying to get another chiller in for replacement of that to be able to get the building up and functioning and operating. We are under a very, very short time constraints to do that. If we are not able to do that, I am not sure that there is a facility large enough to locate the other events that could. . . .

Councilman Carmody: Thank you Gary. It sounds like ya'll are to be commended for patching things together, at least, and keeping our functions happening.

Councilman Serio: I think it is tough when you don't have any windows to put a window unit up to chill that place.

Councilman Burrell: I thought that is what they had done, he said he patched it up or fixed it up, put a few fans in there.

Ordinance adopted by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Huckaby, Stewart, Carmody, Serio, Spigener, Shyne and Burrell. 6. Nays: None. Out of Chamber: Councilman Huckaby. 1.

The adopted Ordinances as amended follows:

#### ORDINANCE NO. 87 OF 2002

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A LEASE AGREEMENT LEASING CERTAIN CITY OWNED PROPERTY TO GARY HARRIS AND STEPHEN D. PORTER, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport owns certain property outside the city limits which is more fully described herein below; and

WHEREAS, Gary Harris and Stephen D. Porter wish to store ornamental plants on the below-described property of the City; and

WHEREAS, Gary Harris and Stephen D. Porter wish to enter into a lease agreement with the City of Shreveport to allow Gary Harris and Stephen D. Porter to legally occupy the below-described property of the City; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened, that Mayor Keith Hightower, be and he is hereby authorized to execute a Lease Agreement by and between the City of Shreveport and Gary Harris and Stephen D. Porter, substantially in accordance with the draft thereof which was filed with the original copy of this ordinance in the office of the Clerk of Council on July 8, 2002, leasing city owned property being described as follows, to-wit:

TRACT A

BEGINNING AT A POINT IN THE EAST RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF LA HWY. 1 APPROXIMATELY 281 FEET SOUTH OF THE INTERSECTION OF THE SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF OLD ST. RT. 20 (HARTS ISLAND ROAD), SAID POINT ALSO BEING THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF 2001 CADDO PARISH TAX ASSESSOR'S TRACT 161303-003-0017, RUN THENCE IN A NORTHEAST DIRECTION ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID TRACT 161303-002-0017 APPROXIMATELY 33 FT TO THE WEST TOE OF THE RED RIVER LEVEE. RUN THENCE SOUTHEAST ALONG THE TOE OF SAID LEVEE APPROXIMATELY 400 FEET TO A POINT AND CORNER; RUN THENCE SOUTHWEST APPROXIMATELY 15 FEET TO THE EAST RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF LA HWY 1, RUN THENCE NORTHWESTERLY ALONG THE SAID EAST RIGHT OF WAY LINE APPROXIMATELY 400 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, SAID TRACT CONTAINING A TOTAL AREA OF 9,600 S.F., MORE OR LESS.

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

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

ORDINANCE NO. 88 OF 2002

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2002 BUDGET FOR THE POLICE GRANTS SPECIAL REVENUE FUND AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it desirable to amend the 2002 budget for the Police Grants Special Revenue Fund, to appropriate additional funds and for other purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in legal session convened, that Ordinance No. 159 of 2001, the 2002 budget for the Police Grants Special Revenue Fund, be amended and re-enacted as follows:

In Section 1 (Estimated Receipts):

Fiscal Year 2002 Revenues:

Appropriate \$280,000 from Weapons of Mass Destruction grant.

Under 2001 and Prior - Year Receipts, increase Prior-Year Police Block Grant 2002 by \$16,200. Under Fiscal Year 2002 Revenues, increase Police Block Grant 2002 by \$6,600.

In Section 2 (Appropriations):

From Federal Fiscal Year 2002 Revenues:

From Weapons of Mass Destruction grant, appropriate \$280,000 to Improvements and Equipment.

Under 2002 and Prior-Year Receipts, increase Prior-Year Police Block Grant 2002 - Other Charges by \$16,200. Under Fiscal Year 2002 Revenues, increase Block Grant 2002 - Materials and Supplies by \$6,600.

All subtotals and totals are to be adjusted accordingly.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the remainder of Ordinance No. 159 of 2001 shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect and that totals and subtotals shall be adjusted accordingly.

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

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

ORDINANCE NO. 89 OF 2002

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2002 GOLF ENTERPRISE FUND BUDGET AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it necessary to amend the 2002 Golf Enterprise Fund budget, to increase fund balance and for other purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in legal session convened, that Ordinance No. 153 of 2001, the 2002 budget for the Golf Enterprise Fund, is hereby amended as follows:

In Section 1 (Estimated Receipts):

Increase Estimated Available Fund Balance 1/1/2002 by \$31,500.

In Section 2 (Appropriations):

Increase Operating Reserves by \$31,500.

Adjust totals and subtotals accordingly.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the remainder of Ordinance No.153 of 2001 shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

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

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

ORDINANCE NO. 90 OF 2002

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2002 WATER AND SEWERAGE ENTERPRISE FUND BUDGET AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it necessary to amend the 2002 Water and Sewerage Enterprise Fund budget, to transfer funds to capital projects, increase fund balance and for other purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in legal session convened, that Ordinance No. 150 of 2001, the 2002 budget for the Water and Sewerage Enterprise Fund, is hereby amended as follows:

In Section 1 (Estimated Receipts):

Increase Estimated Available Fund Balance 1/1/2002 by \$7,861,200.

In Section 2 (Appropriations):

Increase Operating Reserves by \$2,306,200.

Increase Transfer to Capital Projects Fund by \$5,555,000.

Increase Other Charges by \$125,000. Increase Operating Reserves by \$1,675,000. Decrease Transfer to Capital Projects Fund by \$1,800,000.

Adjust totals and subtotals accordingly.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the remainder of Ordinance No. 150 of 2001 shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

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

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

ORDINANCE NO. 91 OF 2002  
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2002 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BUDGET AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it necessary to amend the 2002 Capital Improvements Budget to provide additional project funding and for other purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in legal session convened, that Ordinance No. 149 of 2001, the 2002 Capital Improvements Budget, be further amended and re-enacted as follows:

In Program A (Building and Improvements):

Increase the appropriation for Shreveport Convention Center (97-A004) by \$3,648,500. Funding source is Interest Earnings.

In Program B (Recreation Improvements):

Change the funding sources for Riverfront Park Extension (96-B002). Decrease 1996 GOB, Prop. 8 by \$15,300 and increase 1997 GOB, Prop. 8 by \$15,300.

Change the funding sources for Neighborhood Park Facility Improvements (96-B006). Decrease 1996 GOB, Prop.2 by \$18,600 and increase 1997 GOB, Prop. 2 by \$18,600.

Establish a new project entitled Fair Grounds Field Equipment (02-B002) and fund it at \$30,000 from Riverfront Development.

In Program E (Water Improvements):

Increase the appropriation for McNeil Water Line (94-E004) by \$1,800,000. Funding source is Water and Sewer Revenues.

Increase the appropriation for Twelve Mile Bayou Water Main Bridge Relocation (99-E003) by \$100,000. Funding source is Water and Sewer Revenues.

Decrease the appropriation for **McNeil Water Line (94-E004)** by \$1,800,000. Funding source is Water and Sewer Revenues.

In Program F (Sewer Improvements):

Increase the appropriation for Lucas and N. Regional WWTP Expansion (00-F001) by

\$70,000,000. Funding source is 2002 Utility Revenue Bonds.

Increase the appropriation for Stoner Lift Station Improvements (01-F004) by \$3,200,000. Funding source is Water and Sewer Revenues.

Increase the appropriation for 900 Madison Sewer Main Improvements (92-F006) by \$10,000. Funding source is Water and Sewer Revenues.

Establish a new project entitled Albert Street Sewer Main Improvements (02-F008) and fund it at \$95,000 from Water and Sewer Revenues.

Establish a new project entitled Corbitt Street Water and Sewer Main Improvements (02-F009) and fund it at \$350,000 from Water and Sewer Revenues.

In Program H (Airports Improvements):

Increase the appropriation for Access Control System Upgrades (01-H001) by \$207,500. Funding sources are Shreveport Airport Authority \$18,800, State Grant \$18,800 and Federal Aviation Administration \$169,900.

Increase the appropriation for Downtown Master Plan Update (01-H007) by \$42,700. Funding source is Shreveport Airport Authority.

Increase the appropriation for Improvements for Continental Airlines Facility (01-H008) by \$800,000. Funding source is Shreveport Airport Authority.

Increase the appropriation for **Sweeper Acquisition (02-H004)** by \$16,600. Funding sources are FAA Grant \$13,600, State Grant \$1,500 and Shreveport Airport Authority \$1,500.

Establish a new project entitled **Construction of Wash Racks at Downtown Airport (02-H005)** and fund it at \$85,000 from Shreveport Airport Authority.

In Program I (Fire Improvements):

Change the funding sources for Fire Truck Replacement (96-I003). Decrease 1996 GOB, Prop. 1 by \$126,600 and increase 1997 GOB, Prop. 1 by \$126,600.

Increase the appropriation for Fire Equipment Replacement (01-I002) by \$300,000. Funding source is 1997 GOB, Prop. 1.

Adjust totals and subtotals accordingly.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the remainder of Ordinance 149 of 2001, as amended, shall remain in full force and effect.

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

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

ORDINANCE NO. 92 OF 2002

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2002 AIRPORTS ENTERPRISE FUND BUDGET AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it necessary to amend the 2002 Airports Enterprise Fund budget, to transfer funds to capital projects, increase fund balance and for other purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in legal session convened, that Ordinance No. 151 of 2001, the 2002 budget for the Airports Enterprise Fund, is hereby amended as follows:

In Section 1 (Estimated Receipts):

Increase Estimated Available Fund Balance 1/1/2002 by \$2,947,200.

In Section 2 (Appropriations):

Increase Operating Reserves by \$2,085,700.

Increase Transfer to Capital Projects Fund by \$861,500.

Decrease Operating Reserves by \$86,500 and increase Transfer to Capital Projects Fund by \$86,500.

Adjust totals and subtotals accordingly.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the remainder of Ordinance No. 151 of 2001 shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

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

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

ORDINANCE NO. 93 OF 2002

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 10-52 OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATIVE TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE

WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal and regular session convened, that Section 10-52 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Shreveport, is hereby amended to revise Section 10-52(a) and to add Sections 10-52 (a)(1-3), and now reads as follows:

Sec. 10-52 Term; renewal

(a) A permit issued under this chapter shall be dated from the effective date as shown on the permit and be valid for 365 days from that date, unless sooner suspended or revoked. Application for the renewal of such a permit shall be filed in the manner provided by this article on or before 30 days prior to the expiration date as shown on the existing permit. The permit holder, or in the case of a corporation, the designated agent shall sign and certify that all information contained in the application is true and correct. The renewal permit will be dated from the date of expiration of the existing permit.

(1) If a permit holder fails to make application for renewal 30 days prior to the expiration date of the current permit, the following actions will occur. For applications submitted up to, and including 14 (fourteen) days late, a late fee of \$50.00, will be assessed. An additional late fee of \$50.00 will be assessed for all or part of each 7 (seven) day period in excess of 14 days. The maximum late fee assessed shall not be greater than \$200.00. For applications submitted in person, the late fee will be calculated from the date the application is submitted to the ABO office. For applications submitted by mail directly to the Revenue office, the late fee will be assessed utilizing the post mark date on the envelope. The Chief of Police, or his designated representative, shall reserve the right to waive the late fee for extenuating circumstances. All requests for waiver of late fees shall be in writing and shall be submitted with the application for renewal. Requests for late fee waivers will be handled on a case by case basis. The decision of the Chief of Police regarding the waiver will be final. Late fees will be paid prior to the new permit being issued.

(2) For those permit holders who fail to make application for renewal prior to the liquor permit expiration date, the permit will be automatically suspended. The Chief of Police will notify the business via registered letter of the suspension. Due to the fact that the permit holder's liquor permit has expired, enforcement action may take place prior to the business receiving the letter. Lack of official notification will not be grounds to operate without penalty. The permit will remain under suspension until the application is submitted, approved and the fees paid for the renewal. The suspension will be automatically removed once those actions are completed. The Chief of Police will notify the business via registered letter of the removal of the suspension. The permit will be valid upon approval.

(3) For those permit holders who fail to make application for renewal prior to the expiration date of the permit, the following will apply. If the business fails to meet the requirements for renewal and the permit renewal is denied, the license will continue to be suspended until the appeal process is completed. Any business that violates this section and continues to sell, serve, dispense, allow

persons to consume or otherwise dispose of any alcoholic beverage shall be punishable under section 10-41.

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BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance shall become effective November 1, 2002.

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

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

ORDINANCE NO. 94 OF 2002

A DE-ANNEXATION ORDINANCE TO REDUCE THE LIMITS AND BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT - A 59.16 ACRE TRACT OF LAND LOCATED IN THE SW/4 OF SECTION 4 (T16N-R15W), SHREVEPORT, CADDO PARISH, LOUISIANA, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the Property Management Section of the Department of Operational Services has received a petition to de-annex and remove from the corporate limits of the City of Shreveport the following described property, to-wit:

Begin at the west 1/4 corner of Section 4 (T16N-R15W), Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, and also being a point on the present City limits line as established by Annexation Ordinance No. 41 of 1984; run thence, from said point of beginning, south 00° 18' east along the west line of Section 4 and along the existing City limits line a distance of 2602.13 feet to the southwest corner thereof of Section 4; run thence south 89° 54' 50" east along the south line of Section 4 and along the City limits line a distance of 660.47 feet to the east line of the W/2 of the SW/4 of the SW/4 of Section 4; run thence north 00° 18' west along the said east line of the W/2 of the SW/4 of the SW/4 of Section 4 and along the City limits line a distance of 1298.41 feet to the south line of the NW/4 of the SW/4 of Section 4; run thence south 89° 42' 43" east along the said south line and along the City limits line a distance of 662.07 feet to the southeast corner thereof of the NW/4 of the SW/4 of Section 4; run thence north 00° 13' 47" west along the east line of the NW/4 of the SW/4 of Section 4 and along the City limits line a distance of 1296.06 feet to the intersection with the east-west centerline of said Section 4 (T16N-R15W); run thence north 89° 28' 55" west along the east-west centerline of Section 4 a distance of 1324.21 feet to the west 1/4 corner thereof of Section 4 (T16N-R15W), Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, the point of beginning, and containing 59.16 acres, more or less.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened, that the limits and boundaries of the City of Shreveport are hereby changed to exclude and remove from the limits and boundaries of said City the above-described property.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the de-annexed area contained herein be and is hereby

removed from Council District "G".

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Clerk of Council be and is hereby authorized to record, within ten(10) days of the final passage of this ordinance, with the Clerk of the District Court for Caddo Parish a description of the entire boundary of the municipality as changed by this de-annexation ordinance.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Clerk of Council be and is hereby authorized to record a certified copy of this de-annexation ordinance in the official records of the District Court for Caddo Parish, Louisiana.

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 resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

#### ORDINANCE NO. 118 OF 2002

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2002 BUDGET FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SPECIAL REVENUE FUND AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO

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

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it necessary to amend the 2002 budget for the Community Development Special Revenue Fund, to shift funds between expenditure categories and for other purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in legal session convened, that Ordinance No. 157 of 2001, the 2002 budget for the Community Development Special Revenue Fund, as amended, is hereby further amended as follows:

In Section 2 (Appropriations), under Codes Enforcement, decrease Personal Services by \$30,000 and increase Materials and Supplies by \$30,000.

All totals and subtotals shall be adjusted accordingly.

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

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

#### ORDINANCE NO. 126 OF 2002

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING A PUBLIC EMERGENCY IN CONNECTION WITH THE PURCHASE OF A 350 TON CHILLER FOR THE L. CALHOUN ALLEN EXPOSITION HALL AT A COST OF APPROXIMATELY \$68,060.00 AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the chiller which services the L. Calhoun Allen Exposition Hall (“Expo Hall”) failed on August 2, 2002; and

WHEREAS, under normal conditions, delivery of a new chiller will take approximately nine (9) weeks from the date the order is placed; and

WHEREAS, events have been scheduled in the building over the next few weeks which necessitate the immediate delivery and installation of the new chiller.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened, that emergency action by the Department of Public Assembly and Recreation (SPAR) in connection with the purchase of a new chiller for L. Calhoun Allen Exposition Hall at a cost of approximately \$68,060.00 is hereby authorized.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that a public emergency is hereby declared and notice of such public emergency shall, within ten (10) days thereof, be published in the official journal of the City of Shreveport proposing or declaring such public emergency in accordance with the provisions of Section 38:2212(D) of the Louisiana Revised Statutes.

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.

/s/Roy A. Burrell, Chairman

/s/Arthur G. Thompson, Clerk of Council

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. Discussion and/or Action Relative to the Public Safety Committee. (F/Shyne) (Tabled on Oct. 23) Remained tabled.
2. Alcohol Retail Permit: Ms. Deborah Hawkins [Employer: 2901 Milam St. [Take-A-Bag Grocery] (G/Burrell) (Special Meeting scheduled for Thursday, August 29, 2002 at 1:30 p.m.)
3. Alcohol Retail Permit: Mr. Alton Ross (2911 Milam Street - *New Nat Café*) (Tabled on July 23, 2002)

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. ABO Card appeal: Ronald Norwood (Residence - B/Stewart / Employer: Oliver St. Bistro)  
Councilman Carmody: Can I ask the Police Department to provide us with the information.  
Officer Collins: Yesterday, the Police Department stated its case about the numerous convictions. We have not come up with any new information since then and if you have any questions, I’ll try to answer any questions about the information that was brought up yesterday.

Councilman Burrell: Mr. Norwood, do you want to make a comment again. We invited you back today and requested that that you possible bring a letter.

Mr. Norwood: I went up there and tried to get one from my boss and he told me that, since I am going against the Police Department, that he wouldn't do it because if he needed any help up there, that the Police Department would turn their back on him and not come help him, so he wouldn't give me one.

Mr. James A. Hackley (2421 Devon Street, Shreveport, I am a retired Deputy Sheriff and City Police out of Lake Charles): I been a friend with this young fellow here for about a year and a half. I want to commend him, he needs this job for his family, he's got 2 kids and he had no violation other than DWI since he been out on paroled.

Mr. Norwood: He saying other than when I got in trouble a long time ago.

Councilman Stewart: I would like the officer representative of the Police Department to respond to the allegation for the record, please. This gentleman indicated that the police, that Mr. Columbo, is that who you spoke with. Perhaps restate it so that we are clear of what you understood him to say, Sir, so that the officer may respond.

Mr. Norwood: I talked to Mr. Columbo today and he said that he knew politics and that he wouldn't give me a letter of recognition because if he needed any help up there, at the Olive St. Bistro, that the Police Department will turn their back on him.

Officer Collins: Needless to say, that is not our position in the Police Department. We don't take anything personal like in the Police Department. If he wanted to recommend this young man for a position, that takes responsibility upon him and in no way will that affect our response to any calls for service from that business, so if he is under that impression, he is totally wrong, we would still give him the first rate service we would give anybody else.

Councilman Stewart: Thank you for coming Sir, and thank you for the response. I spoke to the manager this morning and asked if a letter would be forthcoming. He said, he could not write it. He did not expand beyond that. I think that is an essential part of what we have to address. Do you need to respond to that?

My suggestion is that we follow the guidance of the Police Department and deny this.

That has been consistent with issues like this, that I have addressed in the past. I understand you concerns, I understand their's and their efforts. I would suggest to you, that you, based on your record make a continued effort to seek other employment but not where these requirements are a part of what we believe to be the correct decision making process.

Motion by Councilman Stewart to uphold the decision of the Police Department, seconded by Councilman Carmody. Motion approved by the following vote: Councilmen Huckaby, Stewart, Carmody, Serio, Spigener, Shyne and Burrell. 7. Nays: None.

**REPORTS FROM OFFICERS, BOARDS, AND COMMITTEES.** None.

**CLERK'S REPORT.** None.

**THE COMMITTEE RISES AND REPORT.** None.

**ADJOURNMENT.** There being no further business to come before the Council, the

meeting adjourned at approximately 6:00 p.m.

/s/Roy A. Burrell, Chairman

/s/Arthur G. Thompson, Clerk of Council