

#### **NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING**

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Public Notice: Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Shreveport shall hold its Administrative Conference on Monday, January 7, 2013 at 3:00 p.m. and Regular Meeting on Tuesday, January 8, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. Both meetings will be held in the Government Chambers at Government Plaza (505 Travis Street).

#### ADMINISTRATIVE CONFERENCE

January 7, 2013
AND
CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDAS

January 8, 2013

- 1. ADDING ITEMS TO THE AGENDA, PUBLIC COMMENTS, CONFIRMATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS.
- 2. ADDING LEGISLATION TO THE AGENDA (REGULAR MEETING ONLY) AND PUBLIC COMMENTS ON MOTIONS TO ADD ITEMS TO THE AGENDA
- 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES ADMINISTRATIVE CONFERENCE (JUNE 24, 2013) AND CITY COUNCIL MEETING (JUNE 25, 2013)

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4. CALL TO ORDER

5. CONFIRMATION AND APPOINTMENT::

**Director of Water and Sewer**Barbara Featherston

## **Shreveport Public Assembly and Recreation Department**

Asst to the Director

Division Manager Administration

Division Manager Recrection

Asst to the Division Manager

Charles Hymes

- 6. CONSENT AGENDA LEGISLATION
- 7. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES (NOT TO BE ADOPTED PRIOR TO AUGUST 27, 2013)
- 8. INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS (NOT TO BE ADOPTED PRIOR TO AUGUST 27, 2013)
- 9. REGULAR AGENDA LEGISLATION
- 10. TO ADOPT ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS
- 11. TO INTRODUCE ROUTINE ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Resolution: None Ordinances: None

- 12. RESOLUTIONS ON SECOND READING AND FINAL PASSAGE OR WHICH WILL REQUIRE ONLY ONE READING
- 13. INVOCATION
- 14. ROLL CALL

- 15. AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS, COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR RELATIVE TO CITY BUSINESS, AND REQUIRED REPORTS
- 16. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS
- 17. RESOLUTIONS: NONE
- 18. ORDINANCES: NONE
- 19. ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING AND FINAL PASSAGE
- 20. METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION APPEALS AND ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
- 21. APPEALS
- 22. TABLED LEGISLATION
- 23. CLERK'S REPORT
- 24. ADJOURNMENT
- 25. REPORTS FROM OFFICERS, BOARDS, AND COMMITTEES
- 26. RESOLUTIONS:
- 27. ORDINANCES: NONE
- 28. ORDINANCES:
- 29. THE COMMITTEE "RISES AND REPORTS" (RECONVENES THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING).
- 30. REPORTS:
- 31. CITY COUNCIL MEETING (JUNE 25, 2013)

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- 32. PROPERTY STANDARDS APPEALS
- 33. COMMUNICATION FROM THE MAYOR
- 34. COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS
- 35. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES
- 36. PUBLIC HEARING
- 37. PUBLIC COMMENTS
- 38. CONFIRMATION AND APPOINTMENTS:

Director of Water and Sewer Ms. Barbara Featherston

### **Shreveport Public Assembly and Recreaton**

Assistant to the Director Division Manager Administration Division Manager Recreation Assistant to the Division Manager

Michael D. Corbin, Chairman

Mr. Ronnie Hammond Ms. Becky Berry Mr. Nick Robberson Mr. Charles Hymes

Arthur G. Thompson, Clerk of Council

# SUMMARY MINUTES SHREVEPORT CITY COUNCIL ADMINISTRATIVE CONFERENCE

June 24, 2013

The Administrative Conference of the City council of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana, was called to order by Chairman Michael Corbin at 3:15 p.m., Monday, June 24, 2013, in the Government Chambers of Government Plaza, 505 Travis Street, Shreveport, Louisiana. Invocation was given by Councilman Webb, and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Corbin. On roll call, the following members were present: Councilmen Jeff Everson, Oliver Jenkins, Michael Corbin, Ron Webb, Joe Shyne, and Sam Jenkins. 6. Absent: Councilwoman Rose McCulloch. 1. The Council met and set the following agenda for Tuesday, June 25, 2013 agenda:

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# ADMINISTRATIVE CONFERENCE June 24, 2013 AND CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDAS June 25, 2013

Monday, June 24, 2013 - 3:00 p.m. Tuesday, June 25, 2013 - 3:00 p.m. Government Plaza Chambers 505 Travis Street, 1st Floor

Inquires (318) 673-5262

- 1. Call to order.
- 2. **Invocation**.
- 3. **Roll call**.
- 4. **Approval of the minutes** Administrative Conference (June 10, 2013), and City Council Meeting, (June 11, 2013).
- 5. Awards, Recognition of Distinguished Guests, Communications of the Mayor relative to city business, and Required Reports
- A. Awards and recognition of distinguished guests by City Council members, not to exceed fifteen minutes.
- B. Awards and recognition of distinguished guests by the Mayor, not to exceed fifteen minutes.
- C. Communications of the Mayor relative to city business other than awards and recognition of distinguished guests.

#### D. Reports

Property Standards Report (Res. 7 of 2003)

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

Surety Bond Forfeitures Report (Res 238 of 2010)

EMS Transports Report (Res 239 of 2010)

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

- 6. **Public Hearing**: None
- 7. Adding Items to the Agenda, Public Comments, Confirmations and Appointments.
- A. Adding legislation to the agenda (regular meeting only) and public comments on motions to add items to the agenda.
- B. Public Comments (In accordance with Section 1.11 of the Rules of Procedures)
- C. Confirmation and Appointment: None.
- 8. Consent Agenda Legislation

**To Introduce Routine Ordinances and Resolutions** 

**Resolutions**: None. **Ordinances:** None.

**To Adopt Ordinances and Resolutions** 

**Resolutions:** 

- Authorizing James T. Smiley located at 1640 Wells Island Road to connect to the Water & Sewer System of the City of Shreveport and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (A/McCulloch)(*Postponed June 11, 2013*)
- Authorizing Anthony W. Daniels and Glenda G. Daniels located at 7473 Shirley Francis Road to connect to the Water & Sewer System of the City of Shreveport, and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (G/S. Jenkins)

Ordinances: None.

9. **Regular Agenda Legislation** 

Resolutions on Second Reading and Final Passage or Which Will Require Only One Reading

Stating the <u>renewal</u> of the City of Shreveport's endorsement of Regenesis Construction Co., LLC to participate in the benefits of the Louisiana Restoration Tax Abatement program and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (*Not to be adopted prior to June 25*, 2013)

- A resolution authorizing the execution of a retainer agreement with Ronald F. Lattier, Attorney at Law; ratifying any/all work previously performed; and to otherwise provide with respect thereto
- Selecting The Times as the Official Journal for the City of Shreveport for the period commencing July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (*Postponed June 11, 2013*).
- Ratifying the use of certain equipment by Urban Support Agency, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
- Requesting the Metropolitan Planning Commission to review and recommend appropriate amendments to the future land use policy map prior to the adoption of the Shreveport-Caddo Unified Development Code, and otherwise provide with respect thereto. (G/S. Jenkins)
- Repealing Resolution No. 239 of 2010, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (C/O. Jenkins)
- Authorizing the Mayor to execute an act of release of a retained servitude located in the closed and abandoned rights-of-way of Ashton Street and Looney Street in the Weinstock, R. J. Looney, and Cleveland Subdivisions, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (A/McCulloch)
- Declaring the City's interest in certain adjudicated property as surplus and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (A/McCulloch/B/Everson/D/Corbin/F/Shyne)
- Declaring certain adjudicated property to be surplus which will authorize the Mayor to sell the City of Shreveport's tax interest in these adjudicated properties, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (A/McCulloch/D/Corbin/F/Shyne/G/S. Jenkins)
- Suspending the effects of certain provisions of Chapter 10 relative to alcoholic beverages and Chapter 106 relative to Zoning for Properties located at 1207, 1205 and 1303 Shreveport Barksdale Highway, for an Independence Day Celebration, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (C/O. Jenkins)
- Suspending the effects of Sections 10-190 and 10-192 and Section62-65(a) of the City of Shreveport's Code of Ordinances relative to the "Robinson's Rescue", and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (B/Everson)
- 113 Urging and requesting the MPC and ZBA to amend their bylaws to require electronic voting and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (B/Everson)
- B. Introduction of Resolutions (Not to be adopted prior to July 9, 2013)

- A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute grant documents with the U.S. Department of Justice, and otherwise provide with respect thereto.
- Authorizing the Mayor to execute a donation agreement between the City of Shreveport and Southern Trace, a limited partnership, a Texas limited partnership, by Southern Trace Development Corporation, hereinafter called "Owner" and acting herein through W. H. Johnson Ramsey, Manager, for the private water and sewer improvements for Southern Trace Phase V Section XXVII and related facilities and otherwise provide with respect thereto. (D/Corbin)
- Authorizing the Shreveport Police Department to accept a donation of Cellebrite Universal Forensic Extraction Device valued at \$10,084.00 from Red Ball Oxygen Company, Inc.
- Authorizing the execution of a State/Entity lighting maintenance agreement with the Department of Transportation and Development in regard to a roadway and interchange lighting system project on Segment K of the I-49 project, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
- Declaring the City of Ostrava, Czech Republic, as a Sister City of the City of Shreveport, authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with the City of Ostrava and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
- C. Introduction of Ordinances (Not to be adopted prior to July 9, 2013)
- Amending and reenacting certain provisions of Section 30-201 and 30-203 of the Code of Ordinances relative to Fire Prevention and protection Article VIII Limited access gates and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
- Closing and abandoning the 20 foot wide alley between Common and Douglas Streets and between Caddo and Fannin Streets, in the ten acre lot 2 subdivision located in Section 37 (T18N-R14W), Caddo Parish, Louisiana, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (B/Everson)
- Declaring the City's intention to acquire full ownership of certain adjudicated properties for the Murphy Street Park Project, and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (G/S. Jenkins)
- Amending the 2013 General Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized herein, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (SPAR equipment repair and maintenance)
- **ZONING C-37-13:** An ordinance amending various current sections of Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, The City of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance to create a use-by-right for certain factory-build homes, in accordance with definitions and requirements contained therein, in all districts in which similar dwellings constructed on site are permitted.

- 72 ZONING C-50-13: An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, The City Of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning property located on the NW corner of Youree Drive & Ardmore Drive, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA, FROM SPI-1-E (B-1), HIGHLAND URBAN CONSERVATION (BUFFER BUSNIESS) EXTENDED USE DISTRICT TO SPI-1-E (B-1), HIGHLAND URBAN CONSERVATION (BUFFER BUSINESS)/EXTENDED USE DISTRICT TO ADD "A DOG GROOMING SALON" and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (G/S. Jenkins)
- 73 ZONING C-53-13: An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, The City Of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, FOR CONTINUATION OF R-2-E (SPI-2) URBAN, ONE FAMILY RESIDENCE/EXTENDED USE DISTRICT LIMITED TO "A MOTEL ONLY", on property located on the SE corner of Lewis Lane & California Drive, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (C/O. Jenkins)
- D. Ordinances on Second Reading and Final Passage (Numbers are assigned Ordinance Numbers)
- 89/11 Amending and reenacting Chapter 74 of the Code of Ordinances relative to Solid Waste Collections, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (G/S. Jenkins) (*Postponed June 11, 2013*)
- Amending the 2013 Budget for the Convention Center Hotel Enterprise Fund and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (*Vetoed June 17, 2013 and returned to agenda via Section 4.21 of the Charter*)
- Amending the 2013 Capital Improvements Budget and to otherwise providing with respect thereto. (*Airfield Drainage Rehabilitation*) (G/S. Jenkins)
- Amending the 2013 Budget for the Water and Sewerage Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
- Amending and Reenacting Section 10-190 of the Code of Ordinances relative to drinking in public and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
- An ordinance amending the 2013 Capital Improvements Budget and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
- An ordinance amending the 2013 Streets Special Revenue Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto
- An ordinance amending the 2013 Streets Special Revenue Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto
- An ordinance amending the 2013 General Fund, appropriating the funds authorized therein and otherwise providing with respect thereto

## **Tabled Legislation**.

- 1. Ordinance No. 25 of 2012: Amending the 2012 Capital Improvements Budget, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (*Texas Street Turn Lanes*) (B/Everson) (*Tabled March 27, 2012*)
- 2. **Resolution No. 205 of 2012**: Approving the application of citizens regarding the organization of the Shreveport-Caddo Economic Development Authority; Designating the Economic Development area therefore; Approving the Economic Development Plan therefore; Making certain findings in connection therewith; and otherwise providing with respect thereto (*Tabled December 11*, 2012)
- 3. Ordinance No. 170 of 2012: Amending and reenacting portions of Chapter 90 of the Code of Ordinances relative to Residential Parking Permit Zones, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (*Tabled December 11, 2012*)
- 4. <u>Ordinance No. 15 of 2013</u>: Amending and reenacting certain sections of Chapter 94 of the Code of Ordinances relative to Utilities and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (*Tabled May 14, 2013*)
- 5. Ordinance No. 30 of 2013: Amending and reenact Section 106-1029 of the Code of Ordinances relative to the SPI-3 Commercial Corridor Overlay District and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (C/O. Jenkins) (*Tabled May 14, 2013*)

# **Appeals**

### A. Property Standards Appeals

PSD0900275 140 Pennsylvania Avenue, Shreveport, LA (C/Jenkins) Mr. & Mrs. Robert A. Powell, 819 ½ Boulevard Street, Shreveport, LA 71104 (B/Everson) (*Postponed May 13, 2013 until June 24, 2013*)

Motion by Councilman O. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to postpone until September 23, 2013. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Absent: Councilman McCulloch. 1.

PSD1000086 2837 Logan Street, Shreveport, LA (G/S. Jenkins) Ms. Carolyn Ivory Wilson, 3646 Del Rio Street, Shreveport, LA 71109 (G/Jenkins) (*Postponed January 18, 2013 until June 24, 2013*)

Motion by Councilman S. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman O. Jenkins to postpone until September 23, 2013. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Absent: Councilman McCulloch. 1.

- PSD1000141 728 Austin Pl, Shreveport, LA (B/Everson) Ms. Deborah Bryant, 9640 Tammy, Shreveport, LA 71106 (Caddo Parish) (*Postponed June 10, 2013 until September 9, 2013*)
- PSD1100017 3634 Sumner Street, Shreveport, LA (G/S. Jenkins) Mr. Roberto Strickland, 3740 Jackson Street, Shreveport, LA 71109 (G/S. Jenkins) (*Postponed May 13, 2013 until July 18, 2013*)
- PSD1200218 744 St. Peter Blvd, Shreveport, LA (D/Corbin) Mr. Murphy Montgomery, 1500 Park Ave, #214, Shreveport, LA 71104 (A/McCulloch) (Postponed June 10, 2013 until June 24, 2013)

Motion by Councilman <u>Corbin</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>Shyne</u> to close this case and remove from the agenda. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Absent: Councilman McCulloch. 1

- PSD1200243 4043 Crosby, Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) Mr. Joe Mingo, Jr., 3821 Mayfield, Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) (Postponed April 22, 2013 until July 22, 2013)
- PSG1200642 357 W. 80<sup>th</sup> St., Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) Mr. Benny Washington, 1826 Clanton St., Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) (*Postponed May 13, 2013 until June 24, 2013*)

Motion by Councilman <u>Shyne</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>O. Jenkins</u> to uphold the decision of the Property Standard Board of Appeals. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Absent: Councilman McCulloch. 1

- HBO1300017/PSD130001 1831 Hollywood Avenue, Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) Mr. Ashanti Kabara, 2711 Oak Street, Shreveport, LA 71104 (B/Everson)(*Postponed June 10, 2013 until September 9, 2013*)
- B. Alcoholic Beverage Ordinance Appeals
- C. Metropolitan Planning Commission Appeals and Zoning Board of Appeals
- D. Other Appeals Taxi Appeal
- 12. Reports from officers, boards, and committees
- 13. Clerk's Report
- 14. The Council resolves itself into a Committee of the whole at the <u>regular meeting only</u> for communications and miscellaneous matters:

Approval of the Minutes (*June 11, 2012*)
Communications of the Mayor
Communications from Council Members
Public Comments (*In accordance with Section 1.11 of the Rules of Procedures*)

15.	The Committee 'rises and reports' (reconvenes the regular council meeting)
16.	Adjournment
•	<b>Example 1</b> There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned a eximately 4:50 p.m.
//s// N	Michael D. Corbin, Chairman
//s// A	Arthur G. Thompson, Clerk of Council

## Council Proceedings of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana June 25, 2013

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana was called to order by Chairman Michael Corbin at 3:07) p.m., Tuesday, June 25, 2013, in the Government Chambers in Government Plaza (505 Travis Street).

Invocation was given by Bishop Brandon. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Everson.

On Roll Call, the following members were Present: Councilmen Rose Wilson-McCulloch, Jeff Everson, Michael Corbin, Oliver Jenkins (Arrived at 3:20 p.m.), Ron Webb, Joe Shyne, and Sam Jenkins. 7. Absent: None.

Motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman McCulloch to approve the minutes of the Administrative Conference, Monday, June 10, 2013 and Council Meeting, Tuesday, June 11, 2013 Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Out of the Chamber: O. Jenkins. 1.

Councilman Corbin: We welcome everybody here today, and we have a few visitors, and we're glad that you're down to watch government in progress today. If you have something that you need to speak about, glad that you're here. At this time, does any Council Member have any awards, recognitions or distinguished guests?

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

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

Councilman S. Jenkins: Thank you Mr. Chairman. I want to start out by extending congratulations to Pastor Danny R. Mitchell, Jr., son of the late Dr. Danny R. Mitchell, Sr. He was installed as the Pastor of the New Elizabeth Baptist Church. So he's stepping into his father's footsteps there. We know he will do a good job, and we certainly ask that everyone would keep him and the church lifted up in their prayers. I also want to extend gratitude to the Department of Community Development, Ms. Bonnie Moore, Ms. Valerie Ervin and all of those who are involved with Community Development. This week, we had the opportunity to have an open house of two houses there were reconstructed from the ground up. One of 'em on Sunset Avenue and the other one on Jackson Street. And I want to congratulate them for making the decision to not just go out and patch up an old structure, but to move forward with actually building new homes for these individuals from the ground up. I think that's great for the individuals who are recipients of the work, but more than that, I think it's great for the City of Shreveport that we will

invest in housing inside some of our older, more core neighborhoods. Areas that we need to repopulate and keep people in those areas. So thank you so much for that decision that was made, thank you Mr. Mayor, we know all of that comes from the Administration side, and so we are very pleased with what occurred on those two occasions. I don't know if the Administration is going to have SPORTRAN or representatives of SPORTRAN to come up. We've been talking about relocating the bus terminal from its present location on Crockett Street to a new location on Murphy Street. And we're trying to do all we can to get this information out into the community so that the riders of the bus will know exactly what will be involved. So, Mr. Chairman if it's okay at this time, I see a representative has come forward, and I'll just turn it over to her at this stage to get some more information.

Ms. Valerie McElhose: We were very excited and eager to get to present our new terminal to our passengers. We decided to do it a little bit differently. Instead of having just the traditional public hearing, this year we had a public hearing, but we also had a public meeting, that was pretty much an all day, 10-6:00 event at the downtown terminal. And to try and get people to come and look at our pictures and have a conversation with us. We provided water and juice. We had popcorn for kids. And so we used it as an opportunity to get to not just show them our terminal, but also to really have a dialogue with them. Ask them questions, had they heard about it. Most every comment we had was positive. Some of the comments that we had, seemed like more people once they heard the terminal was moving and they saw the new location and the new building, they were pretty happy with that. The comments they made to us had to do with other issues within our service, whether they were on a route that needed to be extended, or they had specific issues with their specific service. Buses running late, those kinds of things. It was very popular, it was very positive. The one comment that we heard and we heard this at the beginning. And it was one of the things that we responded to quickly, and that was the question of what happens to downtown bus service when the Crockett Street terminal moves. And my answer to everyone was we really don't know yet exactly what that will look like. We know there are a couple of options. One is to use some of the existing routes that still come through that downtown area, and let passengers connect on that. The other option is to do a downtown circulator where we run all day long, just one route that just stays downtown. It may go across the river and connect the two riverfronts. That seems to be a pretty popular idea. We are in the process of receiving some funding from NLCOG to do a full transportation development plan. When we get started on that plan, our first item of business is to address how the change in the terminal location affects our routes. So we will look at all of that and the thing that we are very confidently telling people is that we will address the need for service, and there won't be any reduction in service. It may be a little different, but you'll still be able to get to that. And then just on a side note, just to try to confirm that most of our passengers ride the bus to downtown for the sole purpose of transferring to another bus and going back out on another side of town or going into Bossier. And we really think that moving the terminal is going to decrease that time, and give us quicker times on the overall system. So, we're kinda looking forward to that. Also, we did the dump the pump last week, which is a national recognition for transit, trying to encourage people to ride the bus one day. Once again, we pulled what I'm starting to call the SPORTRAN Carnival. We had the SPORTRAN Carnival at the terminal. We had a lot of folks come out. Councilman Everson was there and different folks. We had a couple of radio stations, television people, so we were pretty pleased with the media coverage we've gotten. We feel like there is a positive buzz going around the city that we are doing things different and we are trying to improve our transit system. So with that being said, I think that one other thing is that we did have one other public meeting, at which Councilman Jenkins was there. We got to hear a few other comments from people and then we're still open for comments. So just because we've had the two meetings, we're still accepting comments. There's a link on our website that you can connect to, and you can always send an emails to <a href="Info1@sportran.org">Info1@sportran.org</a>. So we're still trying to get the dialogue going and trying to find out what people think and what their needs are.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Well I certainly want to commend you and Mr. Eddy. I see Ms. (inaudible) has made her way to the Chamber, all of you who are working with SPORTRAN as well as with SPAR for making sure that the public input is being received. More often than not, you know we make changes and people will say 'I didn't know'. I do not think that this is something that would take anybody by surprise because of the efforts that you all have put forth and made sure that the information is being disseminated. I have been hearing nothing but positives about it thus far. And as you said, I do appreciate you all looking at the concern about downtown and the connection of downtown. I'm sure that that's viable with whatever it is that we plan to do. I had an opportunity to look at the pictures and the renderings of the new terminal. I think it's great. I think the location will be great also. So just continue to get the word out as you've been doing. Just know that it is appreciated. But I'm hearing from the public that it is appreciated that they're being involved and being informed ahead of time for this change. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman, my comments is going to be to Dale, and Sam, and Jeff. Dale, I was meeting with a few business folks today, and I don't know whether my reasoning was taken to heart. But let me tell you what they said, and I want to say it in the beginning of the council meeting, because they told me they would be watching. The North Market gate and of course I kinda mentioned this to Rose, this ain't about districts, it's about the city. Hollywood Avenue, you know it comes down from the airport, the north gate that comes out, they were saying that it's hard for business folks to come in and I told them we had had - - - like I said yesterday, we had had a tremendous amount of rain, and you know they say, 'Well Joe, you know everybody have a lot of rain, but if you could please, and I think Rose and them got a meeting tomorrow with another group up there. Please, those are the gateways into the city, and this isn't coming from me, don't be doing it cause this is something Joe Shyne wants you to do. It's left up to you all. But please see if you can get somebody up there to cut the grass, to pick up the trash paper. Matter of fact, a guy passed by my house Bishop about two days ago, he and his friend. They had been drinking a little beer and the next thing I knew, they had thrown the beer cans and a brown paper bag out, and Chief if it had been 20 years ago, I'd ran and caught 'em. But Dale, I can't do that now. But we've got people who do that, that don't even think about what they're doing. But we have to make sure that we keep our gateway. There's Hollywood Avenue, coming down and Ron, later on, we're going to get some of those panels fixed too. Because it's good for front end folks, Sam. It's good for front end folks. So I'm saying this to you and Jeff because Dale you know you can cut it one time, but it ain't gone stay cut. This is something that Mayor's to come will have to think about because me and Cedric and Ron gone be gone in the next day or two. But you all are going to have to do this. Let's make sure that we keep our gateway. I really hadn't thought about it like that. But you're exactly right. If a business person is coming into town or maybe wants to invest something in Shreveport, Bishop you know how it is. You might have a couple of preachers coming into town and want to start a new church or something. And we got our city, especially the gateway where the grass and stuff is not cut. Sometimes if you don't cut any Mooretown, I'll get

my weed eater and my boy and we'll go over there and do that. But we can't do the gateway. So please, let's get somebody on it. Because you're the CAO. You know you the guy that makes things go. And so please get somebody look in on that. And I want to give you one other thing. And Mr. Chairman, bear with me. The - - - I want to say the 3900 block of Crosby Street, we do this about every five years, but again now, I'm blaming all this on the rain. Cause we've had so much rain lately. I remember it was a group over there, and it was a great big bush that has grown out and actually grown into the street. And I try to explain to 'em that because of all this rain that we've had lately, things just have grown three or four times as fast. And one of these days, I'm going to be as big as you and the Mayor if this rain keeps on, cause I'm going to be eating all this fresh vegetables that this rain is bringing up.

Mayor Glover: But not nearly as good lookin'.

Councilman Shyne: But please put somebody over there in the 5900 block and - - -

Mr. Sibley: 39 or 59?

Councilman Shyne: I'm sorry, 3900 block. Of course they'll know how to do it. You either need something to cut that big ole - - - or spray that big ole vine. But it has- - - Mayor, it has grown all out in the streets, and it's because we've had so much rain. You know it's not because we just haven't been keeping up with things. Because I have to even cut my yard now more than what I used to do. But please get somebody over there. And again, so the people who watching, the gateway coming in on N. Market, coming out of N. Market. Rose and nem gone meet with some folks tomorrow.

Mr. Sibley: Yes and we have some folks who are going to be there also.

Councilman Shyne: Right, and I told the people that. Of course now, you ain't got nobody that's gone be meeting on Hollywood Ave.

Mr. Sibley: But we do have it on the list Mr. Shyne.

Councilman Corbin: I didn't know if I was going to have to drive you and the Mayor and Councilman Webb to the Farmer's Market in a little bit. Not sure where that was going. Any other recognitions from Council Members.

Councilman S. Jenkins: I don't know how this one slipped my mind. Mr. Chairman, but I do want to extend congratulations to Commissioner Jerald Bowman, District 5 seat held by his mother until her death, the Honorable Joyce Bowman and was held by myself prior to that. I just want to wish him well. I've had an opportunity to talk with him on a couple of occasions. I think he's a very bright young man that is doing now a great job for District 5. So, he is someone that we need to embrace and keep in our prayers also as he tries to carry on the leadership set by his mother for the citizens of District 5. Commissioner Jerald Bowman, congratulations.

Councilman Corbin: Mayor Glover, at this time, I'll turn it over to you for awards, recognitions and communications relative to city business.

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

Mayor Glover: Thank you Mr. Chairman. I think one of the things that both Ron and I will take heart in, Mr. Shyne may get as large, but he won't get nearly as good lookin as either one of us. With that Mr. Chairman, we also want to have the opportunity to piggyback on a couple of the comments that were made by Council Members. With regard to the SPORTRAN situation, I want to join the council in commending both Gene and Val and all the folks with SPORTRAN along with Von and their entire team for putting on an exemplary effort in terms of helping us to be able

to effectively engage the riding community and the public in general with regard to anticipated changes coming within the SPORTRAN system. It also creates a parallel opportunity that myself and members of the administration had been meeting with Councilman Everson, since he represents the downtown area along with Liz Swaine with the DDA and some others to explore parking challenges that we have within the downtown area as well that could ultimately end up being impacted if not facilitated by the potential relocation of the SPORTRAN headquarters. We've got several scenarios at work right now within the downtown area. The 600 block of Texas which has seen substantial investment and expansion, both from the public and the private sector. Southern University is growing there exponentially with the standing up of its nursing school. And what I believe is termed the old Allen Building, there at the 600 block of Texas. But you also have Roland Von Kurnatowski who owns the last three buildings in that block, the biggest of which is the old Sears building. He has considerable plans that are currently underway. The biggest challenge of that particular effort faces right now is the need for additional parking. We also have other buildings within the downtown area that have the ability to see some substantial investment and redevelopment, but they also face parking challenges as well. One of those needs happens to actually be the City of Shreveport as well, since we operate Community Development out of the 401 Texas Street building, which has practically no parking. You also have the Parish of Caddo which has the old Selber's or Rubenstein building, I can't remember which - - - Selber's building that's there in the 600 block of Milam as well, that they have 1) they own, and 2) are working on various scenarios for redevelopment. You also have the Slattery building that's there on Marshall that's been empty for more than a few years right now and the biggest impediment to its future, refurbishing, redevelopment is the lack of parking. And so we have seen in examples of other communities that have managed to be able to help parallel significant public/private partnerships in the downtown, that end up resulting in significant growth and development. We're working on those areas. We have nothing at this point to report, but it's something that we think is something that needs to be done as quickly as possible and as efficiently and as cost effective as possible. So hopefully, we'll keep our fingers crossed and hopefully we'll have some good news to report that'll end up paralleling along with what Val just related to you as well. Also, I heard her mention and we have great hopes that there might be one day a scenario that affords us an opportunity to be able to create a circulator that goes throughout the downtown area. We think that'll be an absolute imperative. When we end up facilitating that location, it would be great if it would manage to be able to cross over and service both sides of the river. We have that hope, and we'll be holding out that potential and that opportunity. I do however want to I guess cast a bit of sobering news and remind us all that Gene had three very nice trolleys about five or six years ago, when we first came on board as Mayor of the City of Shreveport and working with the previous council that we tried to develop a use for downtown Shreveport and the city in general that would have involved circulating people on both sides of the riverfront here within the downtown area. Unfortunately, we could only get resources from one side of the river. One thing I think that will have to be unfortunately an imperative, if that particular opportunity is to be taken advantage of, is that all parties involved are going to have to be willing to pull out their checkbooks and find the resources necessary to help be able to make that happen. It won't be something that we'll facilitate just simply on the Shreveport side, but we certainly are hopeful, and we see the potential and the opportunity. Also appreciate Mr. Shyne bringing up the - - - I think what we discussed a little bit on yesterday, and that is the appearance of many of the public thoroughfares throughout Shreveport. Our gateways, and even those within the interior of the city. And there is some merit

to the contention that some of that has been facilitated by the less than dry summer and spring that we've been experiencing. But I think as I also mentioned yesterday, and I think this council and our public needs to be firmly aware of this as well. Is that the lion share for why things are the way that they are, is because of the allocation of resources that we have made collectively as an administration and you all as the council, in terms of how we have budgeted our dollars, and that we do not have the availability of staff personnel, resources, materials to be able to maintain those areas in the way and the manor and the level in which we have in years past. I give you the example that always springs to mind easiest. And Mr. Chairman, you and I have discussed this. There was once a point and time when I think there were five plus staff people at the Barnwell Center, down on the riverfront, who were stationed at that location, whose primary responsibility was to go out and keep that area clean and neat and well-manicured and what have you. As we sit here today, that number has gone from five to zero. And that has happened in various levels and capacities all around the city of Shreveport. One thing that gives me great hope in terms of future opportunity, despite the fact that we have stagnant sales tax revenues and what have you, the ending of our contractual relationship to collect garbage for Bossier is going to free up some resources for us. We'll no longer end up ultimately having tax payers of Shreveport subsidizing another city's solid waste collection. It also will hopefully give us the impudence to refocus and redirect how it is that we go about how it is that we go about solid waste collections here. So we can do that more cost effectively and more efficiently, and free up some of those resources that we now spend cleaning up people's houses and fronts of their houses that actually in many instances is actually their responsibility. And I think the folks in Bossier will soon get well acquainted with just how a for profit solid waste collection operation works and what they pick up and what they don't pick up, and what they have no reservations in leaving behind. We have a chance to be able to see exactly how much actual money, manpower and resources that we are expending as a city, again cleaning up things that should otherwise be maintained by the property owner. And that keeps us from having at least a portion, if not the entirety of the resources that we need to keep those gateways and those medians and those other common areas all across this city, looking better, cleaner, and neater. And so, again we're right now wrapping up the second quarter of this year. We're heading into the process by which we will begin to engage the council, projecting out for next year's budget we hope, that as we move forward, we will have some talks that will put us in an position to be able to see how we can do a bit of a better job of being able to keep those areas in line with what I know Councilwoman McCulloch's expectations are and the rest of this council as well. Also Mr. Chairman and members of the Council, want to take the opportunity to commend the Brothers of Rho Omega Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. In fact is Mr. Sibley's affiliation for putting on yet another outstanding 'Let The Good Times Roll Festival'. It comes on the heels of Mudbug Madness in May and precedes the Independence Day Festival which will take place on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, but it gives us here one of the very best festival seasons anywhere in the United States of America, recently recognized by Livability Magazine. But had a great time, enjoyed it and certainly appreciate their effort and their sacrifice to give the folks in this area yet again another reason to come and enjoy the City of Shreveport. Also Mr. Chairman and members of the Council, want to make you all aware that for right now, we're in the midst I think of the Annual Football Camp that's put on by Jacob Hester. I believe that's being held out at Calvary Athletic Complex on 9300 block of Linwood. So anybody who is interested in participating in that, we certainly encourage them to go out and sign up and have a chance to enjoy that. Also want to express appreciation to the head coaches of both ULM and ULL for the recent

free football clinics that they put on at Independence Stadium and Shreveport's own Morris Claiborne will be this Saturday, I believe starting at 10:00. Is that correct Shelly? Don't see anybody from SPAR here. I believe it's 10:00 this coming Saturday at Independence Stadium. Morris will put on his second completely football clinic for young men and there may be even welcome young women as well. I don'think he discriminates, may be a little harder to compete once they get into teenage years, but there've been some pretty bad 10 year old females football players I've seen on the internet. So - - - but anyway, this coming Saturday, the 29th starting at 10:00 a.m. at Independence Stadium. I think registration starts at 8 and goes to 10:00, the clinic itself will start at 10:00 a.m. and is completely free. You'll get a T-shirt, you'll get a light lunch, provided by the wonderful folks at Raising Canes. And we encourage all folks to come out and have a chance to enjoy and we certainly express appreciation for Morris' commitment to continue to give back and support the young people of this community. Obviously I know the folks at Fair Park and LSU and those of us who are Cowboy fans certainly take heart in that as well. And before I wrap up Mr. Chairman and members of the Council, I want to express a great appreciation to Ron Setley and members of the Setley family. I believe they have it to town. They are folks who are in the paper manufacturing business up in the northeastern portion of the country who were looking to expand and went about a nationwide search to find a place to be able to stand up a manufacturing operation. For those of you who are double Ts of McDonalds, you will probably have touched a Ron Setley influenced piece of material at some point. They make I think about 30% of all of the packaging materials for McDonalds hamburgers and wraps and what have you. They are now, not only manufacturing those out of Shreveport, which was announced in 2011, in June of last year, they made the announcement that they were moving their world-wide headquarters to the city of Shreveport as well. That ribbon cutting and dedication will take place tomorrow at 10:00 a.m. out at the Port and certainly would hope that you and any other members of the public who are so inclined to come out and have a chance to be able to be a part of that, please do so. It represents about 350+ total jobs that are now here located within the Shreveport area, and I think one of our few world-wide headquarters of a significant manufacturing operation. So we certainly welcome them and look forward to the celebration on tomorrow. Also Mr. Chairman, I want to again as I did on yesterday express my thanks and appreciation to you and the members of the council for giving us an opportunity to be able to meet with you on last Friday to discuss the various dog park options that are before us. We hopefully have provided to you all a copy of the power point presentation that we presented on that afternoon, or that morning rather. We also have had that power point presentation placed on the city's website at shreveportla.gov so citizens out there can come and take a look at that and go through what's detailed and presented, and we certainly welcome the opportunity to be able to engage in further discussions and dialogue with you Mr. Chairman and other members of the council as we go forward. Also, I think that I may have mentioned yesterday I had the opportunity prior to the Audit and Finance Committee to go and visit with Agata Fertitta McCall and her husband, Jonathan and the other folks there at Fertitas on yesterday. And they expressed nothing but absolute enthusiasm about the idea of being able to see dog lovers from throughout this region end up a half a block away from them at what is I believe one of the few commercial, I know it's one of the few restaurants in the entire, it may have been the first restaurant in the state of Louisiana that made its way to the National Register of Historic places. Jeff, you might offer me some clarity on that.

Councilman Everson: I don't know if it's the first, but I know it is certainly one of the longest operating and also you know in the area, there is really probably only one other

commercial building that is still standing, and it's been out of use for some time. But there was a long history in that area during the prohibition time, and after times, and after a lot of jazz clubs and blues clubs. It's a very interesting area, and that serves as one of our last reminders of the heyday down there.

Mayor Glover: Absolutely in fact for those who would want to more, if you Google Fertitas, they have an excellent website that gives you some of the history that Jeff just referenced. It is in fact been a building that continually open and operated as a family owned and lived in business in that old tradition of commerce on the ground level, and living quarters up above. It has been continuously occupied by a combination of the Fulco and the Fertita families since 1927. And as Councilman Everson just referenced, was at one point in the city's history the epi center of the old blues district. An area that kind of bookend Ledbetter Heights or St. Paul's Bottoms as it was referred to back in those days in terms of being the places where folks came to this area and sought to have a good time, listen to some good music, have something good to eat and get 'em an ice cold adult beverage every now and then. So, lots of history, lots of opportunity, lots of potential, and glad to see that they have so eagerly welcomed that particular possibility as well. As I mentioned, we look forward to working with you all going forward. At this point Mr. Chairman I want to invite Erica Lamere and her family to please come forward. Alright Mr. Chairman, members of the Council, I want you to meet a young lady who has earned national acclaim for the volunteer work that she does within our community. Erica Lamere is one of 10 students recognized this year as Prudential Spirit of Community Award winners. Her story of volunteerism is uniquely personal and Erica is to be admired not only for her commitment to helping others through her community service, but also the courage that she displays for talking publicly about her own mental health struggles. Erica attended Caddo Middle Magnet where she founded a nonprofit foundation called Erica's Wish. Her foundation has donated more than \$5,000 worth of clothing, books and other items to young patients at Brentwood, a local psychiatric facility. Her idea is to provide every young Brentwood patient with items to comfort and entertain them during their hospitalization. I want to pause right here and let Erica put it in her own words. Let's queue up the video.

# Video Presentation By Erica Lamere

Mayor Glover: For her efforts, Erica received an all-expense paid trip to Washington, D.C., where she was congratulated by Academy award winning Actor Kevin Spacek, and Olympic Gold Medalist Allison Phoenix. So today we pay special tribute to our own hometown hero, Erica Lamere by presenting to her, this Mayor's Award of Excellence. Erica, congratulations.

Councilman Shyne: Ah, that's so wonderful. Wonderful.

Mayor Glover: Erica is joined here today by her parents as well as her siblings. So at this at this point, I'm going to invite Erica to come to the mic and share any thoughts that she may have and also invite her parents to do the same.

Ms. Erica Lamere: I don't know what to say but just thank you for inviting me and giving me this award. And going to D.C. and getting all my awards has helped me to build the courage up to start talking to people, and I honestly don't know what to say right now, but just thank you and going through the struggles has sort of built my confidence up some more.

Councilman Shyne: Alright!

Mrs. Lamere: First I'd like to thank Mayor Cedric Glover for doing this for my daughter. It's been a very difficult journey for her, for her family and for all the other children and families that struggle out there with the many different types of mental health illnesses that we face today. Statistically, 1 in 5 children in our country are struggling with a mental health illness. That is a large population in every city and every town in America whose needs are being overlooked. They're in our schools, they're in our hospitals, they're in our daycare centers, and yet it's not being talked about and the very many issues that surround their needs are not being addressed. From academics in school, time off for hospitalization stays, for understanding and awareness in the community from the friends and peers and the bullying that goes on in the school situation must be addressed. These children are taking their lives statistically 7-10 a month. That's a lot of children that just can't cope anymore. And we all know that media plays into this. We know that our socio-economic environments play into this, we know genetics play into this, but as a community, we have a responsibility to them. To make their life understood, so that kids you know, I have found that when children have things explained to them, the stigmas and all the mysteries that cause them to act one way towards a peer sort of disseminate. And then suddenly they realize that kid isn't as strange as they thought, and that kid isn't so different from them as they thought. And things become a little bit more equal in the playing field. And if we can get more awareness and understanding out there, I think it would help them tremendously. And I'm doing my part to do that. I've been talking about that this while I was up in D.C., I've been talking about it, I think if you read the Mother's Day article in the Shreveport Times, that was our family. I'm doing what I can as a parent to try to get the word out, to try and change the times for these children. And we're also looking at putting together a brand new type of program. You know alcoholics have AL anon, and drug users have their overcoming groups. Children don't overcome mental health, they learn to live with it. So we're going to work on a new program to have a support group for these kids so that when they do come out of Brentwood, or LSU, they have their own group where they can meet. They can talk about their struggles, and we're looking at having them once a month outing for these kids. I don't care if they're wearing pink tutus, black combat boots, and their hair is purple. They're going to go out, they're going to play a game of baseball. We're going to have a professional baseball coach taking them out there, and that's their group. So they can feel comfortable with each other, they can talk about similar struggles they're having and they can learn to live together and get through this life that's very difficult for them. So I thank you for your time. And I appreciate your recognition of my daughter.

Mr. Lamere: I'd just like to take this time to thank Mayor Glover, City Council and I come out of some tough times myself as a kid. And I don't want to go on ranting and raving, but I realized that one person can reach into the life of a kid and make a difference. I had a young man call me from prison today. Collect. And I took his call. He was employed by me, and he went on to tell he how I was like a father figure to him. Which I never knew I was. He was just an employee. I was nice to him, I treated him well. And he made me stop and think how every one of us can reach into the life of one kid and make a difference. And it doesn't matter what you do, whether you have 'em over for dinner, or take 'em to the ballpark, or whatever the deal is. And you know it may not be a long term thing, this young man worked for me what a year? Three armed robberies, Thanksgiving morning. Nine years in prison because he got caught up in the wrong crowd. But for a few short months that he was employed by me, I can see that the man is ready to turn around and I don't think he's just one of these prison guys that are calling up trying

to get out. He's going to do his time. He's doing his artwork. I presented his artwork to William Joyce. I got a call the other day from William Joyce's secretary. This man's artwork is outstanding. His life is outstanding, and I believe this kid is going to come around. Okay, we all have problems, we all run into trouble. But I believe by each one of us reaching into somebody's life we can make a difference. Thank you.

Mayor Glover: I think we need to give a round of applause to the entire Lamere family. Thank you all. Continue the work that you're doing. God bless. Thanks Mr. Chairman. I believe we have a group here from BizCamp. Alright. There we go, that's Lena Leviston, Little J.

Councilman Shyne: And your good friend Roy Burrell.

Mayor Glover: We have a group of students here today Mr. Chairman, members of the Council from BizCamp. As you know this is a dynamic training academy and camp that offers intense training every summer to young entrepreneurs between the ages of 3 and 17. Now in its 20th year, BizCamp remains as relevant today as it was in the '90s when it was first started. So I'll have BizCamp Director, Lena Leviston introduce us to a couple of here students in the program. One of which who I already know and who I had a chance to spend a little time with at the 'Let The Good Times Roll Festival' this weekend. So Ms. Leviston come on up and introduce these two young folks to us.

Ms. Leviston: Thank you Mayor Glover, and good evening to our City Council, Mr. Everson. We want to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support of BizCamp. We started this organization in the year of 2000 and we've been going full speed ever since. Our first BizCamp was held in 2001. So we're now in our 12<sup>th</sup> year. And I've been with 'em every year of those times.

Councilman Shyne: Congratulations.

Ms. Leviston: As most of you know, I retired after 43 years with the Caddo School system, and 20 of those years as Supervisor of Career and Technical Education. So I have a really good background of entrepreneurship and knowing what our students need. You know that BizCamp was organized because we believe that entrepreneurs are not born, but that we grow them. And we grow them through organizations such as BizCamp. And BizCamp has proven its way because we have many, many youngsters who have gone into business of their own. A lot of them are still in high school and they're doing things throughout in their high schools to get money to help others. They're writing business plans in other words. This year, we're fortunate to have with us four teachers, and we're really grateful to have two professors from Southern University who are with the students and two from Caddo Parish Schools. Giving us a total of four teachers. Dr. Cynthia Hester and I believe she is Dean of the Department of Business at Southern University, and she's one of our teachers. And we have Mrs. Debra Brown who works also in the Business Department at Southern University. We have Ms. Cassandra Howard who is a teacher at Fair Park, and Ms. Tia Young, who is a teacher at Woodlawn. These teachers are really going at it this year and the reason why we don't have all of our students here is because we started a little late this year and they are doing their business plans. It just so happens that these two students have already written their plan, have done their business cards and have they are ready to present on tomorrow. Also I want to recognize - - - he came in Mr. Darren Dixon. Darren would you stand? Darren is one of our BizCamp directors or whatever you want to call him. He works with BizCamp, but he's at Southern University. And what is your title at Southern? He's the Director of Small Business Development and he works with us through BizCamp. We also have the help from Remington College. Their advance business students are there with us, we have about six of 'em including the head of the Department of Business at Remington College. They have volunteered their time to come to Centenary to work with those business plans. We are really into it. We want to make sure that these students get what they need and we're there to give it to them. We also had an instructor, well not an instructor, but she's the CPA for Yokem Toyota to come in and teach the income statement. So we have these people in the community who are willing to help us and we want you to know how much we appreciate you and those people. But I brought two students with me today who are going to say in their own words, thank you.

Ms. Kayla Mayweather: Good afternoon. On behalf of our State Representative Roy Burrell, our administrative staff, our teachers, and other BizCamp students. We want to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support.

Ms. Marvin Williams: We've already been in camp for one week and have already learned so much about how to become successful entrepreneurs. We've visited Cohabitat, and now we know so many channels to go through to help us get started and own our own business.

Ms. Mayweather: We are in the process of writing our business plans which will be judged by a panel of business women and men. On Thursday, we will set up shops to sell our merchandise at the Louisiana Boardwalk from 12:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Mr. Williams: As a token of our appreciation, please accept these T-shirts. Again, we say thank you.

Mayor Glover: Thank you Ms. Leviston, thank you Kayla, thank you Little J. And Mrs. Leviston, I'm not sure if my friend Little J doesn't have kind of an advantage over some of the other students at BizCamp this year. Because he's already in business. He is the son of our very own Marvin "Jabber Jaws" Williams. And together, they are the proprietors of Little J Records out on W. 70th Street. What's the address Little J?

Mr. Williams: 3009 W. 70th Street.

Mayor Glover: See I told you, he's a business man. 3009 W. 70<sup>th</sup> Street, so keep learning, keep growing and Kayla, very impressed by you as well. Excellent job and we look forward to seeing you guys at the end of the summer.

Mr. Williams: Thank you.

Mayor Glover: And thank you Ms. Leviston for what you continue to do. Two things Mr. Chairman, members of the council before I take my seat. I know that one of the things that we will have on our agenda today for discussion and Executive Session has to do with the DOJ EPA situation that we have been working with you all toward concluding. I just want to add maybe just a little bit of additional urgency to that by I think you guys have already seen within recent weeks. We've had two major blowouts, not on the sewer side, but on the water side. One in the Allendale/Lakeside area week before last. Just recently out on the Ellerbe Road area, I think we had an 18-inch main to blow there. 24-inch main that was over in Allendale and Lakeside. And those are issues and challenges that we have nobody from the federal government breathing down our necks at this point. On the sewer side and Barbara, give me a number for last week if you have it. I know week before last we recorded 11 sanitary sewer overflows if I'm not mistaken? For the month of May, we had 11 sanitary sewer overflows. Now, based upon the fine that the EPA and the Department of Justice imposed or would impose or could impose for each of those, those 11 would come in at \$37,500 per. I'll keep the math easy. If it was 10, it'd be \$375,000.

Councilman O. Jenkins: \$407 (thousand), but that's - - -

Mayor Glover: I'm sorry? \$407(thousand) That's what Southfield and Dartmouth will do for you. And so we're talking over \$400,000 that we could have been subject to and that's in just

one month's time. No doubt that we're half-way through or almost through rather with June and we've had overflows this month as well. At the end of this month, we'll end up a calculation of what those numbers actually are as well. We'll report those just as we did the previous 11, and the bottom line of it is if we don't put ourselves in a situation where we can ultimately avoid being fined, then that's what we're opening ourselves up to in terms of potential sanctions that could hit us on a monthly basis. The last thing I want to do Mr. Chairman members of the Council and you can correct me if you don't want to move in this direction. But I know that we have Ms. McNeil and Ms. Papillion who are here. I don't know at what point they might have been inclined to come up and speak. I do know that Mrs. McNeil is rather elderly, and don't want her to have to wait any longer than necessary. So I would extend an invitation as a part of Mayoral Communication to invite them to step forward and offer whatever communication they may have. I know that they are one of the six families who are a part of the home reconstruction program. I think we've got pretty much happy and in line with that effort up to this point. I think that they may represent the exception, and certainly we want to offer them the opportunity to present their concerns to the Council, and certainly we are prepared from the administration.

Councilman Shyne: Now Mr. Mayor, while they're coming up and you're on your way back, I just want to piggyback on one thing you said about football camp. I got a call from Eddie Robinson, Jr. He wanted me to give you his number. Doug Williams, and Shaq Harris some of these people might now know who they are, but I know you do. And there's a team of professional players that they have around them, and they've had camps down in Baton Rouge, Monroe, Lake Charles, Ruston, and they wanted to have one here for next year. But I told them that you probably wouldn't call them. You'd probably have Shelly or Dale over there. And I told them I didn't know your schedule, but I did tell them that the wide-receiver over here, Oliver Jenkins probably would want to be a part of that group. You could work with the linemen if your knees were a little bit better.

Councilman Corbin: He's still on injured reserve.

Mayor Glover: I can still coach now.

Councilman Shyne: You think you could come off next year?

Mayor Glover: I can still coach.

Councilman Shyne: Right, well I told him that we had two people here in city government that would work with - - - he could work with the wide-receivers, you could work with the interior linemen, and then the other - - - well matter of fact, the professional group that'd be coming in, they might be able to stand around and learn something. Now I don't want y'all to make a commitment right now, but I'll tell Eddie. I'll call him back and tell him that you all would be available. But I want to give this number to you when you come over there and you could pass it on to Dale or Shelly or if you have a chance, you know you can call Eddie Robinson, Jr.

Mayor Glover: Unless he's changed his number, I should still have it. But I'll take that paper to make sure. That both he and his dear late mother's number also. But if he hadn't changed it, I've got it.

Councilman Shyne: But I'm gone give it to you because I told him.

Mayor Glover: Absolutely, we want to make sure it's still the same.

Councilman Shyne: That's right. Cause I told him I would, because I don't know whether he's watching or not.

Mayor Glover: And I think Councilman Oliver Jenkins unfortunately may have to pass those duties over to our good friend, John Atkins. Because I think he was a shooting guard as opposed to a wide-receiver.

Councilman O. Jenkins: By the way, just so we're clear, John Atkins was a running back, I was a wide-receiver on the football team.

Mayor Glover: And John Atkins was corner back as well. So at one point and time, we were they biggest and the smallest, but John always had the biggest heart. Thank you Mr. Chairman, members of the Council.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Mayor Glover, I have a question for you. In reference to the 24-inch water main that broke in Allendale community, I actually forwarded you some photos of the actual flooding. I attended a meeting with Foster's representatives this past week, and I made an inquiry as to what should actually take place in a case like this. I actually witnessed and saw the flooding occur in Allendale community. And as I shared with you, there was a family of six that actually had a handicapped child whereby they couldn't even get into the house to even access the equipment that was needed for that handicapped child. I guess what I really want to know from administration is what action is the city of Shreveport actually taking to identify the residents and the families that were actually flooded, I mean affected by the flooding in their homes. I've had several people to contact me, regarding the flooding of their homes, and I've talked with members of the St. Mary Baptist Church and as I understand they have an outreach program there. But I mean, what actions is the city actually taking on identifying the residents that were actually affected by the breakage of the 24-inch water main.

Mayor Glover: Whenever you have a situation Councilwoman and this would be an area where I don't know what would be the parallel to Commissioner Campbell, because this is not even a utility that would be regulated by the PSC.

Councilwoman McCulloch: That's what they explained to me.

Mayor Glover: Exactly. This is something our yard, exactly. In instances where you have actions or instances that may have some city liability, you have our Risk Management Department, that works in conjunction with the involved department to identify those individuals, businesses, and what have you that have been affected and impacted. And those individuals have the right to be able to file a claim against the City of Shreveport to be compensated for losses for instances that are our fault. And so it's my understanding that that process is under is underway right now.

Mr. Sibley: It is.

Mayor Glover: We are reaching out to identify who those folks are, both in terms of the individuals as well as the church and any other. And then we're working to try and see how we go about to resolve and address those issues.

Councilwoman McCulloch: So we've actually identified each resident, is that my understanding?

Mayor Glover: Yes Ma'am.

Councilwoman McCulloch: (Inaudible) concerned about the senior citizens, the handicapped, those that were not able to go and come and make application, make phone calls, or stand in lines. I was just wondering if the city has something in place whereby they would actually be able to contact and go by make the application to Risk Management.

Mayor Glover: Well, part of my directive and I think is also a part of our standard protocol is that we go out and we identify as best we can those individuals who have been impacted. Those folks who have water that's come into their home or what have you, and offer them contact

information and begin to have our Risk Management folks begin to evaluate and assess what may need to be done to address that. In addition to that under these types of circumstances, we have instances where you may have someone whose not affected directly. But they may be out of water because of the repairs and what have you. And so we even go out and we do door hangers and make notifications, and in some instances if conditions warrant, we actually bring out water so that folks will have access to some water during the period of time, especially if we're dealing areas where people may be either invalids, elderly or otherwise disabled. And so, that process is underway, and between Dale and Barbara and Evelyn and Risk Management will be able to give you a report exactly on terms of how we're progressing.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Okay. Ms. Evelyn Kelly?

Mayor Glover: Yes.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Alright, thank you so much.

Mayor Glover: We had some reports that some folks thought that we were being overly helpful to the church and not focusing on the people. I want to stay right with God, so we made sure we take care of the Lord's house, but we've taken care of the people also. So we're going to make sure we try and be as forward leaning as we can in both areas. Any feedback you can give us will certainly be helpful.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Well alright, thank you so much.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor, let Carrie come up and she might want you to stand right there by her. Come on up sweetheart.

Ms. Carrie Papillion: Good day Mr. Mayor, that's my mother Frances McNeil back there, and my mother is a part of the Mayor keeps saying six houses, but I recall it was five. Community Development rebuilt my mother's home. And I'm here today seeking help for my mother, because my mother asked me to come the last mile in resolving her issues with getting back in her home a year later, when she was promised to be back in in six months. Her issues right now, she has no gutters on her house, and the water is falling on her head. She had gutters on her home before they tore the house down. She never had a flat roof because there is no flat roof houses in Mooretown at all. And she had a patio slab on the back of her house that she had an awning on. They told her they was gone put that back for her. Hasn't put her slab back. Her carport is not up, she had a carport. Her fence is not properly installed, this is a safety issue, it's raggedy, the wire's sticking out. Instead of having brackets on it, it had circles of wire on it. And so my mother had - - - I've been in communication with the Mayor, Ms. Moore. I started this process at the annex building under the old inspector Ray Jones, them. This is how far back my mother's file has been sitting with the city. So her issue right now today is her rent also hasn't been paid by the city. The apartment that she's living in right now is (inaudible) her. Because the city has not paid her rent. They owe \$330.68. they moved my mother out of her home and now they want us her children to relocate her for two weeks, pay the rent. That wasn't the contract. The city moved her and she shouldn't be under this type of stress that she's fixin to be evicted. She never lived in an apartment. She been living on Florence Street over 60 years. That's the only place she have ever lived since the age of 15. So, the city has given her - - - I spoke to Mr. Mayor, I thought we had an agreement that this was going to be worked out. Ms. Moore started rehashing the old one year ago, June 12th, I emailed Ms. Valerie Ervin before they tore her house down, I specifically asked them 'are you going to replace everything on her property she had'? She said the (inaudible) contracting company bid was too high. She was going to bid my mother's porch, back porch, carport, fence and front yard to put it back the way it was at the end when the contracting bid was

too high. We've been back and forth for over a year. Before they even tore her house down, I asked her to put it in writing. She sent me an email and said she was going to do it at the end. A year later, she's back tracking. One day they're going to fix her- -- she's in code, it's on her plans. My mother is seeking help on a resolution that people cannot come to agreement with her starting with the Mayor, Ms. Moore, I've been dealing with her. Valerie Ervin, they're back and forth. She's ready to get in her home. She's -- - the contractors, his deadline ended March 31st. So why three of the homeowners out of the five are still out of their house and it's June. His contract ended, but they want to penalize the seniors and rush them - - - it's more like bullying them to me. Because they're pressuring them to take this house. Close it and then appeal the process afterward for the things that you didn't get. That's crazy to me. Why appeal when you're already out of your home, and you promised them to fix everything back. So I don't know where to go from here because the Mayor sent it back to Ms. Moore. And I told him I need to - - - I need help. My mother is sitting there. She needs to get back in her home.

Councilman Shyne: Well, Carrie that's the boss. You know how you see this TV story, The Undercover Boss? That's the boss right there. You're looking at the boss. And you're looking at his Lieutenant. Well, I won't say Lieutenant, I'll say Assistant Boss. Mr. Mayor, it's alright if I give Dale an upgrade, huh? From Lieutenant to Assistant Boss.

Mayor Glover: Absolutely.

Councilman Shyne: But you're looking at the boss.

Mayor Glover: You can call him the Mayor if you want to.

Councilman Shyne: Well no, no, no, no. But you're looking at the boss right there and the boss can take care of it. I know you live out in Mooretown, but for the - - -

Ms. Papillion: My mother lives out in Mooretown.

Councilman Shyne: Right, yes. Your mother lives out in Mooretown. But he's actually the boss out there in Mooretown. That's the boss right there. So, Boss, I'm turning it over to you. Alright.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, members of the Council, with all due respect to Ms. Papillion, this is unfortunately one of those situations where I think no good deed goes unpunished. This is an issue that I take very seriously, because it involves the home of a senior citizen, a woman who is on oxygen and who is being given the opportunity to have a better home, better housing. And we want to make sure that we do it well and do it right. In fact, I think as Mayor, I shared with some previously, this is an example of how, based on some of the lessons that came from, some of the challenges from 2009 with the home repair program where you have \$35,000 limit in terms of the amount of money that you can spend to do repairs and upgrades. You have homes that \$35,000 is only about half the cost of renovations that need to be done. And the home itself would end up probably with only a value of about \$60,000. And so it ends up not being very wise to ultimately spend \$35,000 to repair a home, still end up with significant gaps in terms of what needs to be done, and end up with an overall home that is still undervalue. That's why in this case and others that Councilman Jenkins, you made reference to earlier. The decision was made to do complete reconstruction. And that's what has happened here. You have a home there on Florence Street, Mrs. McNeil's home, which has been completed re-constructed. It is a brand new beautiful home, that is warranted for a full year. When Ms. Papillion raised the issues that she just shared with you all, I didn't just depend on feedback from Bonnie Moore or Valerie Ervin, or their staff members, I went out personally and inspected the home myself. And can tell you that as Mayor of the City of Shreveport, I am perfectly convinced that this situation has been addressed,

completely, thoroughly. All of the engineering reports in terms of there not being a need for gutters for this type of construction. That there is a front porch that is very nice and very attractive. The idea of trying to figure out how to construct I think what Ms. Papillion has requested is a 10" X "6" wide patio to be constructed adjacent to the home. There's not even a space large enough to be able to accommodate or facilitate that. The fencing is all proper and appropriate, and again, this is one example that frankly, I'm at a loss in terms of how to ultimately resolve except to come to the conclusion that we have spent as much as we should in terms of trying to address this situation, as Ms. Papillion mentioned, there was some delays that ended up being caused by the fact that the home that was demolished and cleared away contained asbestos that was not initially anticipated. And so that added a dimension in terms of remediation and clean up time that had to go into the construction. And as Ms. Papillion also mentioned, and I believe and I'll stand corrected by staff from Community Development, one of the things that Bonnie and her team has also done in their efforts to make sure that these reconstruction efforts end up being as least burdensome and impactful as possible on the folks who are involved, and is something that is not required I believe by HUD regulation. Is that Mrs. McNeil, Ms. Papillion's mother was in fact accommodated at city expense in an apartment for I believe the last 11 months. And that is rent that has been paid by the City of Shreveport to the tune I think, somewhere about \$10,000 or so for this past year. And Ms. Papillion is correct. This has gotten to a point to where we are attempting to close on the home, to appropriately turn it back over to Ms. McNeil, and welcome her into her new home, so that we can put a period on this effort and be able to hopefully take joy, just as expressed early along with this council as well as the rest of the community that we now have another structure back within a neighborhood that will keep the family there as a committed stakeholder. And so, again I've looked at this one from the front, from the back, from the side, from the top and the downward, the before pictures, the after pictures, and this is a situation that again from our perspective represents a tremendous blessing, and we believe that is time to, as I said, to close it, to move on, and acknowledge that we appreciate the concerns that have been expressed by Ms. Papillion. But we do not believe them to be substantive, or significant enough at this point to prevent us from being able to close out and go on and begin the process of trying to help the next senior that is in need, that has a challenge and a problem because right now, staff is still basically tied to trying to get this one particular project closed out.

Councilman Shyne: Carrie, did you understand? What the boss is saying, this is the end. Ms. Papillion: Okay.

Councilman Shyne: You can't go no higher than him.

Ms. Papillion: Boss, speaking of additional program than the program my mother is in. Because what he just expound, is not the same information that HUD guidelines told my mother. The City of Shreveport didn't give my mother a home. My mother qualified for this house under the federal HUD program because she is disabled and had nothing to do with the city. These new rules he talking, they just came into effect. And no, my mother's house is not right. When my mother signed this contract with Robert Dumas, she asked specific questions. Would my house be put back the same way it was when you took it down? He said everything you have on your home will be put back. I've got emails from Bonnie Moore as recently as - - - you can prove that Ms. Bonnie Moore on June 23<sup>rd</sup> sent me, Mayor and you an email saying that she wanted me to relocate my mother somewhere else or pay the rent because the house wasn't ready. She needed two weeks. Why I gotta relocate my mother, cause she said she was going to put the gutters on. She was going to put a slab in the back like my mother had. She was going to put the carport up.

She was going to send a new fence man out. So why would she have me just as late as June 23<sup>rd</sup> try to move my mother somewhere else until she finishes this house if it was done? So that's two different contradictory stories right there. I can --- the email is just June 23<sup>rd</sup> when she acknowledged that I said my neighbor's house burned. Mines got burned. She said well I asked you to move your mother, your brothers and all this. So therefore that in itself tells you that something is incomplete. If she's asking me to take her somewhere else other than to her home. Because y'all don't want to pay the rent. It's not my mother's fault. My mother's house set up for three months with this contractor. I'm thinking that Community Development is an advocate for the senior citizens when they their houses down and relocate 'em. I did your inspector's job. Called them after three months, and said the box got grass growing in it where he's supposed to put the concrete. Two months later, a month and a half later, he poured the concrete. Then it sets up another two months before he starts building. I tell your inspector why is this house been setting up for five months. You're eating up her rent money and the weather is not bad, we had good weather all this time. Then it sets, he started working around October, November. She supposed to have been back in her house for Thanksgiving. Then he said Christmas, then January, the February, then they said, well we're just going to let him fill his contract. So, this house set up for nine months with no work, and your inspectors did not get on this building to build these people's house in a timely fashion. That's why we're at the end now, done ran out of the rent money cause they ate it up all this time with these delays. So, to the Mayor, her house is not and the City of Shreveport did not give her that home. She qualified for that home under the federal regulations. That money, the City of Shreveport is managing for the federal government. It's not coming out of this budget. So for you to say you all gave her a new home. Yeah, she's grateful for the new home, she's been trying to get a new home since 2009, when she started this process in 2003.

Councilman Corbin: Ms. Papillion? Ms. Papillion: Yeah, I'm through.

Councilman Corbin: I'm not trying to cut you off, I'm trying to tell you is this.

Ms. Papillion: And I don't mean to be disrespectful.

Councilman Corbin: And you're not.

Councilman Shyne: You're not, you're a citizen.

Councilman Corbin: I think certainly Council has heard your concerns. I think to move this forward, it's going to be my suggestion that you sit down with Ms. Moore and a representative from the Mayor's office. Those are the people that if there's any help to be done, those are the people that can help you. And go through that process.

Ms. Papillion: That's what I thought I was going through, when I went through the Mayor. Councilman Corbin: And then hopefully we'll get good news of how everything is resolved and everyone is happy down the road.

Ms. Papillion: So in the meanwhile, she gets put out from the apartment she's living in? Now I could have took my mother to California if they wanted to - - -

Councilman Corbin: And again, I don't have the answers to that. That's why I suggest that you talk to Ms. Moore and you make sure that the communication is going properly. Because I have a hard time believing that a program is going to put your mom out if there's not been some other - - -

Ms. Papillion: I can play you the voicemail right now from the management saying the City of Shreveport said, your mother is responsible for the rent.

Councilman Corbin: Okay, what I'm asking you is to get those people together who can help you. And if the Mayor's office needs the help facilitate that meeting, I think they will.

Ms. Papillion: Okay. Sounds good to me.

Councilman Shyne: And again now, we've done all that we can do. And it had to come back to the boss. Now, Bonnie Moore works for who Mr. Mayor?

Mayor Glover: Me.

Councilman Shyne: There you go. Bonnie Moore works for the Mayor. She doesn't really work for the two of us. So he's the only somebody who can handle the problem where it is right now. We didn't really know that you had been to the Mayor. But you're with the Mayor, like I said, the boss. So he directs Bonnie Moore in what she can and cannot do. Now sometimes he'll do it through Dale, sometimes he might think he gets lost a little bit if it goes through Dale, so he'll do it directly. But I believe the Mayor is willing to sit down and work with you to have somebody to call you. Mr. Mayor, do you have her number or whatever it is?

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, members of the Council, to be clear, and you're right Mr. Shyne, we have engaged this process. And this was one that I felt warranted direct hands on engagement from yours truly, and that's exactly what we've done. What we have is a situation here where as Mrs. Papillion has attempted to represent federal dollars that we are the stewards of, that we asked and have the opportunity to be able to make use of here at the local level to go out and address what we see as the housing needs and challenges that face the city of Shreveport. And so, the source of those dollars are taxpayer dollars. In this particular case, they come from the federal government, but all of us in this room today, in our respected elected capacities are responsible for. And so we want to make sure that we make wise use of them. I also want to make very clear, that this is a program and you all have seen from other folks who have come and appeared before this council and the previous council, that the list of individuals who would like the opportunity to be able to participate in this program is considerable. And so there is no - - this is not an entitlement. You don't fit a definition or a set of circumstances and you are automatically able to say give me my home. There are lots of folks who are eligible and could participate in this program. We unfortunately have far too few resources to be able to accommodate that list of folks who are on that list right now is very long. You have some folks who have in fact passed away waiting for their opportunity to be able to have a chance to be able to be here. And so what we have done is we have reviewed this situation, done so in depth and in detail, to make sure that everything is appropriate and in order. We have a home that is in more than ready to move in fashion. And we believe that it would be imprudent and unwise to continue to use public dollars to provide some place for someone to stay who already has a home that is ready to be occupied, that has been properly inspected, and that has a warranty on it for the next year. So I've looked at it from the front, the back, the sides, inside and out, and we believe at this point and time that what's prudent, not only for Mrs. McNeil, but for the taxpayers as well as for those folks who we hope to still have an opportunity to help going forward, is for us to close this situation out and move forward. And that's what we've informed Ms. Papillion of as well as Ms. McNeil. Thank you Mr. Chairman, thank you members of the Council.

Ms. Papillion: Thank you very much. But I just want to say, this mayor needs to learn the program.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Mr. Irma Rogers wanted to come up and make a short presentation on anti-bullying. She'll be very brief.

Ms. Irma Rogers: To our Mayor, Chairman Corbin, Vice-Chair Shyne and all of our City Councilmen and woman. We started this year which is our 10th anniversary for the MLK Community Development Corporation with our fall forum whereby we have covered several subjects in the past few years, including to a Haynesville Shale incident, emergency preparedness, and we also had General Everett Thomas to visit and talk with our students in a salute to Barksdale and what Barksdale does for our community. As some of our subjects this year, our fall forum in October, we presented an anti-bullying campaign. It also covered some other subjects. At that forum, we had more than 135 children from each of our - - - it was four of our schools. Primarily the two elementary schools and our two middle schools. We also took it to Green Oaks High School in April, just prior to the prom. And that presentation not only included anti-bullying, but sexting, what is carnal knowledge of a juvenile, and other advertence to crime prevention for our young people. We had them to sign both of these. This has also been presented in conjunction with the Shreveport Police Department. Our Community Liaison Officers, Cpl. Detrick Williams, and Mrs. Sandra Lister. When we were at Green Oaks, we incorporated the Sheriff's Department. I have a poster that I'm going to present to the Commission. But I just wanted you to know a little bit of what we do with our NIP funds, when we put down youth services, these are some of the services. I heard this mother speak about bullying, we've carried this campaign with these two venues. There was a small group of Tot Teens, and last week, the Law and Youth Academy. The same kinds of subjects were covered. With the first few, we passed out arm bands that said, 'I will not bully'. This sign is their pledge against bullying. The other poster board that I'm going to present to the Commission has the cards they signed about anti-bullying, and the other information that came from the Sheriff's Department, is all about things to help them understand what crime is. What things they can get into at a young age. That will affect their lives for the rest of their lives. So this culminated last week, we have one more camp. It's going to be a boys camp July 24-25th. I don't know the number there, but we will have reached more than 400 children with this same subject. We will have supplied about 300 of them with armbands and thumb-bands. The thumbbands were primarily for the high school students at Green Oaks, we did11 and 12th graders only. And it says, I will not text and drive, and each one of those children got a thumb-band, and arm bands, and little packets, and cell phone covers, that say think before you post. So I just wanted you to know that we've carried this out, and this parent to know, this is one thing that we saw as our mission, and we've carried it to almost 500 students so far. With the help of our police and sheriff's department. And I'm going to present this poster, it has a few of the pictures from a couple of the events on here to our City Councilwoman Mrs. Rose Wilson-McCulloch, and to you guys and thank you so much for the funding that you give us.

Councilwoman McCulloch: You have about six or seven those thumb - - - so that I can give to my colleagues?

Ms. Rogers: They're at the office, I'll have to bring them.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Bring me 10 of 'em for the Council.

Ms. Rogers: Yes, I'll get you some or whatever I have left. Ms. Lister always ask for what I have left.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Yeah, gotta have one for the Mayor and Jeff Everson.

Ms. Rogers: And we do get comments. We heard about the bullying over in Marshall, TX. Some other things. And we had a child to present and a mother to present at the fall forum about having been bullied. And all of the things this mother had to go through because her child was bullied at school. So, we thought it was a very good subject for this year, and we just want to

thank you guys, and let you know with some of the funding that we get. Thank you so much. Councilwoman McCulloch: I think I'll post that in my yard for a minute for two.

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

#### **Reports**

Property Standards Report (Res. 7 of 2003)

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

Surety Bond Forfeitures Report (Res 238 of 2010)

EMS Transports Report (Res 239 of 2010)

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

Ms. Dara Sanders: Good afternoon, very briefly, the Master Plan Committee has spent the majority of its time reviewing the contract for the Unified Development Code. The MPC has received recommended revisions and additions from the City Attorney's office that we will be incorporating into that final draft. And we expect to obtain the Chair's signature on that contract within a matter of days. The next meeting is July 1<sup>st</sup>, and if I can answer any questions that you may have.

Councilman Everson: I was glad to see those revisions. They look good down from the City Attorney's office, (inaudible) language that y'all were looking for, finally surfaced.

Ms. Sanders: Exactly, thank you.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Now Dara, while you're there, the mayor volunteered to help us with an outreach as far as reaching out to the various communities in order to inform and educate the public in the districts.

Ms. Sanders: We're working on that process internally, and will be announcing our approach in the future.

Councilwoman McCulloch: So you will be getting back with the Mayor's office?

Ms. Sanders: Yes Ma'am.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Okay, thank you so much.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I appreciate your efforts on the Pierremont corridor overlay, and I got your public comments. That's good. And look forward to the next phase.

Ms. Sanders: Yes, we'll be presenting those findings and recommendations to MPC at our next meeting next week, and requesting permission to advertise an official ordinance for the Pierremont corridor design overlay district. So we anticipate some action on that in the near future as well. Thank you.

Councilman Corbin: Mr. Thompson, that brings us down to the public hearing. Would you - - -?

Mr. Thompson: That's correct Mr. Chairman, you may want to open the public hearing and ask whether or not the administration has a presentation.

Councilman Corbin: And we will do that.

**Public Hearing**: Proposed Resolution No. 81 of 2013: A resolution stating the <u>renewal</u> of the City of Shreveport's endorsement of Regenesis Construction Co., LLC to participate in the benefits of the Louisiana Restoration Tax Abatement program and to otherwise provide with

respect thereto (Not to be adopted prior to June 25, 2013)

Councilman Corbin: The public hearing is now open. Is there a presentation from the Administration?

Mayor Glover: Yes. The appropriate folks from Community Development, please come forward.

Ms. Ebony Mapp: Good afternoon Council. Mayor Glover and Mr. Sibley. I'll be talking to you about the restoration tax abatement application for 219 Fannin Street, Shreveport, LA. To begin, I'd just like to give a brief summary of the RTA program, and this is for the benefit of the public watching and here today. Summary of the RTA program for the benefit of the public that is present and those watching here today. The Restoration tax abatement is an incentive program established at the state level, to encourage the expansion, restoration, improvement or development of existing structures in a qualifying economic development district at the local level. The program allows commercial and residential property owners that seek to expand, restore or otherwise physically improve an existing structure the opportunity to defer the post improvement assessed tax amount for five years, provided that property taxes have not been paid on the improvements. This means that for five years after completion of the project, property owners will have pay taxes based on the value of the property prior to the improvements having been made. An RTA contract may be renewed for an additional 5 years. The property presented for your consideration today is located at 219 Fannin Street, Shreveport, LA 71101 and is owned by Mr. and Mrs. James H. Lester. I have a picture of what the property used to look like. Is that good enough, or can you see? So this is what the project looked like in 2008 or rather prior to the purchase of the property by the Lester's.

Councilman Shyne: Yeah, that's the Lester's property?

Ms. Mapp: Yes sir.

Councilman Shyne: Okay. Built in 1914, the two-level, 12,000 sq. ft. property had been vacant since 1978 and at one time served as both an automotive office and boarding house. At the time of purchase, the property was in dangerous and unstable condition and the prior owner originally had plans to tear the building down. It was in such bad condition, actually, that when when the purchasers went to review the property, they purchasers had to sign a hold-harmless agreement in order to inspect it. It was in pretty bad shape. Formerly operating as a home-based business in the Queens-borough neighborhood, the owners of the two companies REgenesis and City View Realty, were attracted to downtown Shreveport and the work/live/play lifestyle. They were also attracted to the opportunity to spur development on that particular block. Prior to their investment, the only other occupied structure on Fannin I believe, was the parking garage at Fannin & Spring Streets. So, they purchased the property with an intent to turn it into office space, workshop, and a residence. They did a complete overhaul; They actually gutted the interior, replacing the roof, windows, electrical, and plumbing and added improvements to the façade, including a balcony. And I have a picture of what it looks like today.

Councilman Shyne: Now what is the address of that again?

Ms. Mapp: 219 Fannin Street. It's at the intersection of Fannin and I believe Spring.

Councilman Shyne: Okay, right.

Councilman Everson: Between Spring and Market.

Councilman Shyne: I know where it is, I just don't know the address. You know how you know where places are?

Ms. Mapp: It's across the street from Goodyear.

Councilman Shyne: Like I know where Mike lives, I just don't know his address. Ms. Mapp: Oh, okay. The property now allots 2,000 sq. ft. for the businesses and 4,000 sq. ft. for warehouse, workspace, equipment and storage space on the lower level and the full 6000 sq. ft. of residence space on the upper level. Total project costs for the renovation totaled \$432,000, with construction \$371,000 and created 3-4 permanent jobs and approximately 25 temporary jobs. And obviously those were mostly related to construction. In 2008, the Lester's applied for and received an abatement. Today, they are requesting a renewal of the abatement calculated to be \$1,473.00 per year for the next five years, totaling \$7,365.00. And just for your interests I have several additional pictures for you to take a look at. This shows a little bit of what the property looked like prior to the restoration. It was in pretty poor condition, they like I said, they gutted it, this is what it looked like when they were beginning renovations. They broke it down to the studs, they took off all the whatever was lining the wall and exposed all the brick on that side on both levels. And that's the downstairs area. And this is the upstairs. This was some kind of a kitchen, that was on the upper level, and with some type of storage area, but again, they gutted all of that. And this is what it looks like now. This is the foyer on the first floor when you first level when you first walk in. And then they built a kind of a loft space above that. Like it has a seating area, and this is all work space. This is a lobby for clients to come in and wait until such time as they can meet with the owners of the business. And here are some of the improvements that they made. They re-did like I said, all of the plumbing, this is in their workspace area. All of the plumbing, they also corrected a sewer line, I believe they had a cast iron sewer line that had to be ripped out entirely. They replaced that, and that's just evidence of where that was. Ripped out the ceiling and they were able to retain some of this tin ceiling which is more than likely historic. Very beautiful. They were able to retain some of that. Here is some of the workspace. More workspace, and as you can see it's a very large area. And then here's their home.

Councilman Shyne: Now tell 'em if they need a good roofing man, I got one here.

Ms. Mapp: Well the roof is already done. They did do that. So this is the kitchen area on the second level, this is a part of their residence. Another living area. Another living area on the second floor, very lovely. If there are any questions, I'd be happy to answer them at this time.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I guess I just gotta ask the obvious question, that I obviously don't have anything against these people and the system is set up the way the system it is, but in their case, they've finished their improvements to their property. So, I guess from our perspective, what's the rationale for extending them for another five years. Now I would understand if they were only halfway through their project or whatever. But since they've already completed their project, explain to me why the incentive to continue to extend.

Ms. Mapp: That they may remain. I guess it is at your discretion to decide which way to go, but of course, they're going to apply for it again. They have that opportunity. Anyone that applies for an RTA has the opportunity to apply for a renewal, and really it's at the city's discretion. The City Council's discretion to decide whether that's going to be approved or not.

Councilman Everson: And the most recent one of these, just to that I recall at least, was Silver Lake Ballroom I believe that was on Marsha Rice, I think was the developer on that, and it was historic building, sort of you know where the Times is? (Inaudible) this building that has an event reception center on the bottom, and that one maybe a year or two ago, we extended that for a second period.

Councilman O. Jenkins: But was the project already done?

Councilman Everson: It was long completed. In fact I don't know if I'm being 100% accurate, but I think that RTA doesn't kick in until the project is complete.

Ms. Mapp: No, it does kick in, it does kick in.

Councilman Everson: From the beginning of the work?

Ms. Mapp: Uh hm.

Councilman O. Jenkins: And I'm not, I'm just trying to understand what the incentive is. I mean, why don't we just do a ten year from the front side to begin with if we're going to grant an extension automatically and why is that provision even in there?

Ms. Mapp: It may be unless it's just speculation on my part, but it may relate back to job creation. Because part of the rules (inaudible) for the incentive of course is to get people to move to these, to invest into these areas, but also to create jobs. And so there is a question where I have to go back to these people and say well, did you create jobs? Were they permanent, were they temporary. And so, that's a way to kind of decide whether a renewal was even something that can be considered.

Councilman Shyne: I can give him another reason.

Mayor Glover: Can I jump in here as well if you don't mind.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor, I'll give 'em another reason, because at the time, we had a majority of Republicans on the Council.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I guess. Okay, say they didn't want to go for a ten year plan (inaudible). Okay.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, members of the Council. I think it's also a part of the consideration before the application in terms of a project that they put together on the front end. And that is as you do your calculation of what it is that you're going to do, many of them do it I believe with an expectation of doing something significant enough and impactful enough to end up warranting the ten years. I believe this gives local government the ability to be able to serve as kind of a check and balance to that to ensure that what actually has been done, actually is worthy of the continued added benefit of the additional five years. Had you had a situation here where you didn't have the ability for this young lady to stand before you and make the kind of quality presentation that she just did, detailing the significant improvement, then that would probably be something that would be appropriate to weigh in determining whether or not you would extend for the additional five years. But also knowing that it would not have been possible to ultimately end up receiving a total of ten years' worth of benefits, you might have seen a project not as nearly significant or as impactful as you have before you.

Councilman O. Jenkins: The (inaudible) that is if it wasn't really any better, it wouldn't be any savings on his tax, right? Cause you're base lining - - - and maybe I misunderstand.

Councilman Everson: Yeah, if they didn't really improve it.

Councilman O. Jenkins: If they didn't improve it, you wouldn't be giving them the tax abatement on those improvements.

Mayor Glover: If the after picture wasn't much more impressive than the before picture, then you probably would say, I don't believe that an additional five years is warranted. From my perspective, since there is such a significant difference between the before and the after, from the administrative perspective, we believe that it is certainly warranted, and it provides what we think is the kind of incentive that insures that for folks who look at other potential opportunities going forward, that they start off with a substantial front end commitment, knowing that they have an opportunity to qualify and benefit from five years and then five years later, they need to be able to

make sure that they can detail and document that as they seek the additional five years.

Councilman O. Jenkins: And just so I'm clear on the write up sheet, that number that's in there on the abatement is the improvements that they've made and what that taxable amount would be.

Ms. Mapp: Yes.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay, thank you.

Ms. Mapp: Okay, thank you.

Councilman Corbin: Is there anyone present who would like to speak in favor of the Restoration Tax Abatement Resolution? Is there anyone who would like to speak in opposition to the Restoration Tax Abatement Resolution? If not then this public hearing is now closed. Mr. Thompson: Is there any legislation to be added today?

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

Adding legislation to the agenda (regular meeting only) and public comments on motions to add items to the agenda.

Mr. Thompson: We have one matter Mr. Chairman.

The Clerk read the following:

1. Ordinance No.74 of 2013: An ordinance to amend various sections of Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, the City of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Mr. Thompson: Ordinance No. 71 is on your agenda. It should be removed and this will be the replacement for it. It was just a mix up in what came to our office.

Councilman Corbin: Is there anyone who would like to speak in favor of adding this item to our agenda? Is there anyone who would like to speak in opposition?

Motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to add Ordinance No. 74 of 2013. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

Public Comments (*In accordance with Section 1.11 of the Rules of Procedures*) Confirmation and Appointment: None.

**Consent Agenda Legislation** 

**To Introduce Routine Ordinances and Resolutions** 

**Resolutions**: None. **Ordinances**: None.

**To Adopt Ordinances and Resolutions** 

**Resolutions:** 

*The Clerk read the following:* 

1. **Resolution No. 104 of 2013**: A resolution authorizing James T. Smiley located at 1640 Wells Island Road to connect to the Water & Sewer System of the City of Shreveport and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (A/McCulloch)(*Postponed June 11, 2013*)

Councilwoman McCulloch: So this was actually postponed? Cause I haven't heard from anybody on this issue, and I was going to ask the administration.

Councilman Corbin: We postponed it at the last meeting.

Councilman Shyne: You want to postpone again?

Councilwoman McCulloch: Well I need to move to postpone again.

Councilman Shyne: I'll second that.

# Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman <u>McCulloch</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>Shyne</u> to postpone until the next regular meeting.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Has the administration heard? Have anybody talked - - -? Mr. Sibley: We did present some information yesterday, but if we could link you up with Barbara and everybody outside of this meeting, if you need to just to kinda get caught up. Councilwoman McCulloch: Alright. Thank you so much.

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

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 114 Of 2013**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ANTHONY W. DANIELS AND GLENDA G. DANIELS LOCATED AT 7473 SHIRLEY FRANCIS ROAD TO CONNECT TO THE WATER & SEWER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, Anthony W. Daniels and Glenda G. Daniels 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 Anthony W. Daniels and Glenda G. Daniels be authorized to connect the structure, located at 7473 Shirley Francis Road to the water & sewer system of the City of Shreveport. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provisions or items of this resolution or the application thereof are held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications, and to this end, the provisions of this resolution are hereby declared severable.

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

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman <u>S. Jenkins</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>Shyne</u> to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson,

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

**Ordinances**: None.

**Regular Agenda Legislation** 

Resolutions on Second Reading and Final Passage or Which Will Require Only One Reading

*The Clerk read the following:* 

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 81 of 2013**

RESOLUTION STATING THE RENEWAL OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT'S ENDORSEMENT OF REGENESIS CONSTRUCTION CO., 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 residential 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 REGENESIS CONSTRUCTION Co., LLC application <u>2008-0774</u> for <u>renewal</u> of its 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 <u>Everson</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>Shyne</u> to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

2. **Resolution No. 94 of 2013**: A resolution authorizing the execution of a retainer agreement with Ronald F. Lattier, Attorney at Law; ratifying any/all work previously performed; and to otherwise provide with respect thereto

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman <u>O. Jenkins</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>Everson</u> to postpone until the next regular meeting. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

### **AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO RESOLUTION NO. 101 OF 2012**:

Amend the Resolution as follows:

Delete the Resolution as introduced and substitute the attached

### **RESOLUTION NO. <u>101</u>** OF 2013

# A RESOLUTION SELECTING <u>THE TIMES</u> AS THE OFFICIAL JOURNAL FOR THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT FOR THE PERIOD COMMENCING JULY 1, 2013 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2014 AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport is required by its Charter and State Law to select an Official Journal to publish minutes, ordinances, resolutions, budgets, official notices, advertisements, and other official proceedings of the City of Shreveport for the period July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014; and

WHEREAS, <u>The Times</u> has submitted the following proposal:

All printing of required legals in the Classified Section - \$0.23 per agate line (7.0 point);

All printing of required legals in the Retail Section - \$6.48 per column inch;

All other (non-required) ads in the Classified Section - \$2.52 per agate line;

All other (non-required) ads in the Retail Section - \$42.84 per column inch; Affidavits: \$20.00 each; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that <u>The Times</u> be selected the Official Journal for the City of Shreveport to provide the services required by law for the prices described above.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, regular and legal session convened that the proposal of <u>The Times</u> is accepted and <u>The Times</u> be and is hereby designated the official journal of the City of Shreveport for the period July 1, 2013 and ending June 30, 2014 and the Mayor of the City is hereby authorized to execute an agreement with <u>The Times</u> under the terms and conditions described above.

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

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

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman O. Jenkins to adopt Amendment No. 1 to Resolution No. 101 of 2013. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman <u>S. Jenkins</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>Everson</u> to Resolution No. 101 of 2013 as amended. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

Councilman Corbin: I will note that it's almost 5:00 and we're just getting into our agenda. So as we look forward, we may want to have discussions about moving some things around on our agenda that affect the minutes.

Mr. Thompson: That was adopted 7-0. Mr. Mayor, Lynette is going to come and see you and see whether or not we can get this signed because it's supposed to start July 1<sup>st</sup>.

Mayor Glover: Sure.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 105 OF 2013**

## A RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE USE OF CERTAIN EQUIPMENT BY URBAN SUPPORT AGENCY AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the City desires to participate in programs which, directly benefit the school students and visitors of the City by participating in wholesome activities which serve to benefit the educational community; and

WHEREAS, Urban Support Agency desires to provide a wholesome activity open to the community and to benefit its students by hosting the Fun Day 2013; and

WHEREAS, Urban Support Agency has requested the use of certain city owned equipment; and WHEREAS, the program sponsored by Urban Support Agency will provide educational opportunities, mentoring programs, and fun activities to children who participate which serves a public benefit and serves a public purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened that the use certain city-owned equipment by Urban Support Agency on June 20, 2013 during the Fun Day is hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the use of the equipment by Urban Support Agency is conditioned upon the execution of an indemnity and hold harmless agreement by Urban Support Agency in favor of the City of Shreveport in a form acceptable to the Office of the City Attorney. 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 <u>Everson</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>Shyne</u> to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 6. Nays: Councilman Webb. 1. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

**RESOLUTION NO. 106 OF 2013** 

A RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THE METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION TO REVIEW AND TO RECOMMEND APPROPRIATE AMENDMENTS TO THE FUTURE LAND USE POLICY MAP PRIOR TO THE ADOPTION OF THE SHREVEPORT-CADDO UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BY: COUNCILMAN SAM JENKINS:

WHEREAS, "Great Expectations:" Shreveport-Caddo 2030 Master Plan" is a guide for the City Council and Citizens to use in making decisions on a broad range of issues, including but not limited to neighborhoods, housing, economic development, smart growth, and future land use; and WHEREAS, the Shreveport-Caddo 2030 Master Plan contemplates a number a strategies to insure its implementation, including Metropolitan Planning Commission (MPC) staff dedicated to implementation; and

WHEREAS, the Shreveport-Caddo 2030 Master Plan "Future Land Use Policy Map" is intended to reflect the vision, goals, and recommended actions of the Plan for directing 50% of new households to be located inside the loop and focusing growth in compact neighborhood centers or "urban villages," especially outside the loop; and

WHEREAS, the Shreveport-Caddo Unified Development Code is intended to implement the Future Land Use Policy Map.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the City Council of the City of Shreveport, pursuant to the Metropolitan Planning Commission (MPC) purpose outlined in the Charter, does hereby request that the MPC review and recommend amendments, if appropriate, to the Future Land Use Policy Map prior to the adoption and administration of the Shreveport-Caddo Unified Development Code.

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

### **RESOLUTION NO. 107 OF 2013**

## A RESOLUTION TO REPEAL RESOLUTION NO. 239 OF 2010, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

BY: COUNCILMAN OLIVER JENKINS

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 239 of 2010, which required a report concerning EMS transports at the second regular council meeting each month, was enacted so that the City Council could monitor EMS transports to ensure that the City's EMS policy is being followed; and WHEREAS, the Public Safety Committee is satisfied that said policy is being followed and the Fire Department ensures the Public Safety Committee that EMS transport information is regularly captured and reports can be generated upon request, if said information is needed in the future; and

WHEREAS, therefore, the Public Safety Committee recommends that that Resolution No. 239 of 2010 be repealed.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened, that Resolution No. 239 of 2010, which required a report concerning EMS transports at the second regular council meeting each month, is repealed. 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 <u>O. Jenkins</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>Shyne</u> to adopt.

Councilman O. Jenkins: And this is in regard to the EMS transport requests.

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

### **RESOLUTION NO. 108 OF 2013**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN ACT OF RELEASE OF A RETAINED SERVITUDE LOCATED IN THE CLOSED AND ABANDONED RIGHTS-OF-WAY OF ASHTON STREET AND LOONEY STREET IN THE WEINSTOCK, R. J. LOONEY, AND CLEVELAND SUBDIVISIONS, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, on December 30, 1949, Ashton and Looney Streets were closed and abandoned by Ordinance No. 193 of 1949, and a 60-foot wide utility servitude was retained. The ordinance was filed and recorded in the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana as instrument number 61667, and

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport received a request from Dan Atchley of Atchley and Atchley, who represents the current owners, to release the aforementioned utility servitude to allow for the re-subdivision of various lots, to permit the construction of a new housing development, and WHEREAS, Letters of No Objection have been received by both AEP/Southwestern Electric Power and CenterPoint Energy, and

WHEREAS, the Office of the City Engineer has approved the provisions of this re-subdivision and has no objections to the release of the utility easement, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal, and regular session convened, that the MAYOR, Cedric B. Glover, is hereby authorized and empowered to represent the City of Shreveport in the execution of an Act of Release of a 60-foot servitude located in the closed and abandoned rights-of-way of Ashton Street in Weinstock Subdivision and Looney Street in R. J. Looney Subdivision and Cleveland Subdivision as shown on the attached plat and made a part hereto.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Property Management Section of the Office of the City Engineer is hereby authorized to record a certified copy of this resolution and the Act of Release in the official records for Caddo Parish, Louisiana.

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

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

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

#### **RESOLUTION NUMBER 109 OF 2013**

## A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE CITY'S INTEREST IN CERTAIN ADJUDICATED PROPERTY AS SURPLUS AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, there are numerous parcels of property which have been adjudicated to the City of Shreveport and Caddo Parish for non-payment of ad valorem taxes; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport has entered into an intergovernmental agreement with Caddo Parish under which Caddo Parish will undertake to sell said properties as authorized in R.S. 47:2201-2211, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 26-300 of the Code of Ordinances, the city's interests in said properties can be sold after the City Council declares them to be surplus; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport has an adjudicated tax interest in the properties described in Attachment "A-10" for the non-payment of City property taxes; and

WHEREAS, the purchasing agent has inquired of all City departments regarding the properties described in Attachment "A-10" and has not received any indication that they are needed for city purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened that the properties described in Attachment "A-10" are hereby declared surplus.

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

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

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

### **RESOLUTION NO. 110 OF 2013**

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

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport has an adjudicated tax interest in the properties described in Attachment "A-2" for the non-payment of City property taxes; and

WHEREAS, the properties described in Attachment "A-2" are not needed for public purposes and should be declared surplus properties; and

WHEREAS, LA R.S. 47:2202(B) and Code of Ordinances Section 26-301. authorize a municipality to sell adjudicated property to an adjoining landowner who has maintained the adjudicated property in accordance with said section for a period of one year; and WHEREAS, Code of Ordinances Section 26-301 provides that the sale price for such sales shall be one dollar and other good and valuable consideration; the real consideration for such sales is the purchaser's effort, labor and expenses in maintaining the property for a full year; and WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport has received applications pursuant to the above cited laws from adjoining landowners to purchase its tax interest in each of the properties described in Attachment "A-2".

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, regular and legal session convened that the properties described in Attachment "A-2" are hereby declared surplus.

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

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

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

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

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman <u>Shyne</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>S. Jenkins</u> to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson,

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

10. Resolution No. 111 of 2013: A resolution suspending the effects of certain provisions of Chapter 10 relative to alcoholic beverages and Chapter 106 relative to Zoning for Properties located at 1207, 1205 and 1303 Shreveport Barksdale Highway, for an Independence Day Celebration, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (C/O. Jenkins)

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman O. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to remove Resolution No. 111 of 2013 from the agenda. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 112 OF 2013**

A RESOULTION TO SUSPEND THE EFFECTION OF SECTIONS 10-190 AND10-192 AND SECTION 62-65 (a) OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATIVE TO THE "ROBINSON'S RESCUE" AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDES WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the "Robinson's Rescue" will sponsor a "Yappy Hour" fundraiser on September 21, 2013 in Betty Virginia Park; and

WHEREAS, the event will be open to the general public; and

WHEREAS, Robinson Rescue desires to dispense sell, and allow its patrons to purchase and consume beverages on the public sidewalks and in a public park at Betty Virginia Park during the event; and

WHEREAS, Sections 10-190 and 10-192 and Section 62-65 (a) of the Code of Ordinances prohibits the sale, consumption, dispensing or otherwise of alcoholic beverages in and on public places, including streets, sidewalks, public parks, unless specifically authorized by the City Council or the Zoning Board of Appeals; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of this resolution would permit Robinson Rescue to dispense sell and its patrons to purchase and consume alcoholic beverages on the public sidewalk and in the public park, Betty Virginia during the "Yappy Hour" fundraiser event.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened that Sections 10-190 and 10-192 and Section 62-65 (a) of the City of Shreveport Code of Ordinances is hereby suspended on September 21, 2013 between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. in Betty Virginia Park during the "Yappy Hour" fundraiser event sponsored by Robinson Rescue.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all other applicable provisions of the City of Shreveport Code of Ordinances shall remain in full force and effect.

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

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

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman <u>Everson</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>Shyne</u> to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

### **RESOLUTION NO. 113 OF 2013**

# A RESOLUTION URGING AND REQUESTING THE MPC AND ZBA TO AMEND THEIR BYLAWS TO REQUIRE ELECTRONIC VOTING AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, the current bylaws of the MPC and ZBA provide that the usual voting method will by voice with confirmation by a show of hands when requested by a board member;

WHEREAS, this method may result in confusion regarding votes and inaccurate results;

WHEREAS, an electronic voting machine is available to each body;

WHEREAS, electronic voting is a more accurate method of recording votes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Shreveport City Council in due, regular and legal session convened, that the Shreveport Metropolitan Planning Commission and the City of Shreveport Zoning Board of Appeals are hereby urged and requested by the Shreveport City Council to amend their respective bylaws to require electronic voting.

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

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

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman <u>Everson</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>O. Jenkins</u> to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

**Introduction of Resolutions** (*Not to be adopted prior to July 9, 2013*) *The Clerk read the following:* 

- 1. **Resolution No. 115 of 2013**: A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute grant documents with the U.S. Department of Justice, and otherwise provide with respect thereto.
- 2. **Resolution No. 116 of 2013**: Authorizing the Mayor to execute a donation agreement between the City of Shreveport and Southern Trace, a limited partnership, a Texas limited partnership, by Southern Trace Development Corporation, hereinafter called "Owner" and acting herein through W. H. Johnson Ramsey, Manager, for the private water and sewer improvements for Southern Trace Phase V Section XXVII and related facilities and otherwise provide with respect thereto. (D/Corbin)

- 3. **Resolution No. 117 of 2013**: Authorizing the Shreveport Police Department to accept a donation of Cellebrite Universal Forensic Extraction Device valued at \$10,084.00 from Red Ball Oxygen Company, Inc.
- 4. **Resolution No. 118 of 2013**: Authorizing the execution of a State/Entity lighting maintenance agreement with the Department of Transportation and Development in regard to a roadway and interchange lighting system project on Segment K of the I-49 project, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
- 5. **Resolution No. 119 of 2013**: A resolution declaring the City of Ostrava, Czech Republic, as a Sister City of the City of Shreveport, authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with the City of Ostrava and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman O. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to introduce Resolution No(s). 115, 116, 117, 118 and 119 of 2013 to lay over until the next regular meeting. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

Introduction of Ordinances (Not to be adopted prior to July 9, 2013) The Clerk read the following:

5. Ordinance No. 71 of 2013: ZONING - C-37-13: An ordinance amending various current sections of Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, The City of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance to create a use-by-right for certain factory-build homes, in accordance with definitions and requirements contained therein, in all districts in which similar dwellings constructed on site are permitted.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to remove Ordinance No. 71 of 2013 from the agenda. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

*The Clerk read the following:* 

- 1. Ordinance No. 67 of 2013: An ordinance amending and reenacting certain provisions of Section 30-201 and 30-203 of the Code of Ordinances relative to Fire Prevention and protection Article VIII Limited access gates and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
- 2. Ordinance No. 68 of 2013: An ordinance closing and abandoning the 20 foot wide alley between Common and Douglas Streets and between Caddo and Fannin Streets, in the ten acre lot 2 subdivision located in Section 37 (T18N-R14W), Caddo Parish, Louisiana, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (B/Everson)

- 3. Ordinance No. 69 of 2013: An ordinance declaring the City's intention to acquire full ownership of certain adjudicated properties for the Murphy Street Park Project, and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (G/S. Jenkins)
- 4. **Ordinance No. 70 of 2013**: An ordinance amending the 2013 General Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized herein, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (SPAR equipment repair and maintenance)
- 6. Ordinance No. 72 of 2013: ZONING C-50-13: An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, The City Of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning property located on the NW corner of Youree Drive & Ardmore Drive, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA, FROM SPI-1-E (B-1), HIGHLAND URBAN CONSERVATION (BUFFER BUSNIESS) EXTENDED USE DISTRICT TO SPI-1-E (B-1), HIGHLAND URBAN CONSERVATION (BUFFER BUSINESS)/EXTENDED USE DISTRICT TO ADD "A DOG GROOMING SALON" and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (G/S. Jenkins)
- 7. Ordinance No. 73 of 2013: ZONING C-53-13: An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, The City Of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, FOR CONTINUATION OF R-2-E (SPI-2) URBAN, ONE FAMILY
  RESIDENCE/EXTENDED USE DISTRICT LIMITED TO "A MOTEL ONLY", on property located on the SE corner of Lewis Lane & California Drive, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (C/O. Jenkins)
- 8. Ordinance No.74 of 2013: An Ordinance to amend various sections of Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, the City of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman <u>S. Jenkins</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>O. Jenkins</u> to introduce Ordinance No(s). 67. 68, 69. 70, 72, 73 and 740. of 2013 to lay over until the next regular meeting.

Councilman Shyne: Question. Oliver, I'm glad to see that that's 'grooming' and not rooming. I thought maybe you were trying to slip in another dog park over that way, but I see it now. Dale, was reading it on yesterday, Dale I thought you said 'rooming'. And I know how Oliver is, I thought he was trying to slip in something. Mayor, I thought he was trying to slip it in on you and I wasn't gone let him do it, hear? Cause I know Oliver.

Mayor Glover: I saw one of his compatriots out in the audience, I thought that might have been the case as well Mr. Shyne.

Councilman O. Jenkins: No, that was not the intent.

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

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

*The Clerk read the following:* 

1. Ordinance No. 89 of 2011: An ordinance amending and reenacting Chapter 74 of the Code of Ordinances relative to Solid Waste Collections, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (G/S. Jenkins) (Postponed June 11, 2013)

Having passed first reading on May 28, 2013 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman S. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Shyne to postpone until the next regular meeting. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

2. **Ordinance No. 52 of 2013**: An ordinance amending the 2013 Budget for the Convention Center Hotel Enterprise Fund and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (*Vetoed June 17*, 2013 and returned to agenda via Section 4.21 of the Charter)

Having passed first reading on May 28, 2013 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman O. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Webb to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, and Shyne. 6. Nays: Councilman S. Jenkins. 1. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

3. <u>Ordinance No. 60 of 2013</u>: An ordinance amending the 2013 Capital Improvements Budget and to otherwise providing with respect thereto. (*Airfield Drainage Rehabilitation*) (G/S. Jenkins)

Having passed first reading on <u>June 11, 2013</u> was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman <u>S. Jenkins</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>Everson</u> to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

4. **Ordinance No. 61 of 2013**: An ordinance amending the 2013 Budget for the Water and Sewerage Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Is that the DEQ revolving loan?

Mr. Thompson: That's correct.

Having passed first reading on <u>June 11, 2013</u> was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman <u>O. Jenkins</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>Everson</u> to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7.

Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

5. Ordinance No. 62 of 2013: An ordinance amending and Reenacting Section 10-190 of the Code of Ordinances relative to drinking in public and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Having passed first reading on <u>June 11, 2013</u> was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman <u>Everson</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>S. Jenkins</u> to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, and S. Jenkins. 6. Nays: Councilman Shyne. 1. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

6. **Ordinance No. 63 of 2013**: An ordinance amending the 2013 Capital Improvements Budget and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

Councilman S. Jenkins: So moved. Councilman Webb: Explain that one.

Councilman S. Jenkins: No. 63, 64, 65, and 66. Here's what we're dealing with. We have a scenario, where we have about \$10,000,000 in the asphalt overlay program. That's the money that's generated by the franchise fees. At the same time we have the city's operating reserve is down to about \$4.5 (million) and we wanted to try to move forward with a second bond sale. We need to move forward with the second bond sale to complete the projects that the citizens approved in 2011, and remember a part of that is street projects. We started some street projects. A lot of them are in design phase, but they're not in construction phase, and a lot of those street projects are waiting for the second bond sale to be completed. So you've got streets that's involved with the bond sale that needs to be completed. You've got asphalt overlay program that needs to begin. What this would simply do is remove \$4.6 (million) out of the asphalt overlay, put it in the operating, the city's operating reserve that will bring that reserve back up to \$9,000,000. That was the amount that was there when we did the first bond sale. If my recollection serves me right, I believe it was a number like \$9,000,000. If we go forward with the second bond sale, you can try to finish your projects, out of the 2011 bond issue. We can go back with the remaining I think that would be \$5.4 (million) that's in the asphalt overlay program and go head and begin to do some asphalt overlay on some of the streets. I believe at the end of the year, we should be looking at another \$5.6 (million) that will be there and we could do a second phase. In other words, we could break the asphalt overlay program down to two phases instead of one, for the asphalt overlay. This will allow us to move forward with both in a direction of finishing our projects that we're trying to get accomplished. So, in order to do that, the way it was explained to me (inaudible) go back and decrease the money out of the asphalt overlay program as it stands now. Then you have to have some legislation to put it back into Streets Special Revenue Fund. And then we have to have some legislation to take that out of there and leave it to the General Fund, the \$4.6 (million) and then you have to have some legislation to go back and put the money back into the asphalt overlay program.

Councilman Webb: And what happens if it's not there to put back?

Councilman S. Jenkins: What's not there to put back?

Councilman Webb: Well we took how many millions of dollars did we take out of the Haynesville Shale and put it into the General Fund, and that was in a reserve?

Councilman S. Jenkins: Well, here's the thing.

Councilman Webb: And now it's gone, and will never come back. Now if we put this into the General Fund, then we're denying the people out there that are waiting on us to do these streets another opportunity to get their roads overlayed.

Councilman S. Jenkins: If you don't do a second bond sale though Councilman, you're not going to be able to complete the streets that we promised out of the 2011 Bond Issue. We can't begin to move in that direction, and get the money from the second bond sale.

Councilman Webb: We can, we'll just have a higher rate of interest.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Say that again now?

Councilman Webb: We can, we'll have a higher rate of interest if the bonds are approved. The only thing having more money in the reserve will just give you a better bond rating. That doesn't mean we can't do it with a higher bond rating.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Well, I would think we'd want the best bond rating we could at the lowest interest we could, and if we continue to delay, I mean the cost of actually doing these projects could go up.

Councilman Webb: I go to the bank and borrow money and I got a good credit rating, I can get a lower interest. If I got a higher credit rating, they may approve my loan with a higher interest rate. But I still get what I want. I just have to pay a little more back.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Right, and I don't think that's what - - - I don't think the goal ought to be pay more for money.

Councilman Webb: Well the whole thing about it is, when we created that SWEPCO franchise fee, and we - - - and I thought your - - - the offer of that legislation that you brought forward which was a fantastic idea to generate some revenue to overlay streets. Now we have all that money in there to do so, and now, we're turning around and saying 'Well, what the heck? We'll just put it in General Fund'. And it'll be gone, and we'll never get it back.

Councilman S. Jenkins: No, this is what you gain by putting something in the general fund. At least this is what I'm hoping, that you will gain, by putting something in the general fund. It will allow you to move funds, get the remainder of the money you need to finish the streets that the citizens voted on that we recommended from the first bond sale. Otherwise like you say, the goal shouldn't be to pay more money or pay more for materials. I think you ought to or should want to try to get the best rates you can at the best cost you can. This will let you go ahead and get the streets that need to be done as part of the bond issue, and streets that need to be done as a part of the asphalt overlay. We're just going to do it in two phases. So you're not denying any streets. You're actually moving in a direction where you can go ahead and complete all of the streets. That's what this will do.

Councilman Shyne: But Mr. - - - I'm sorry.

Councilman Corbin: If we can, because we have a number of people that have pushed the button to speak. I'd like to let Councilman Sam Jenkins finish his comments and then we'll just go down the - - -

Councilman Shyne: Sam might be through.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Well let me say this here. I'm not trying to lose any blood over this. I do know this. We've been discussing streets, and we keep going further and further down the road, further and further down the year. And it seems to me we need to make some decision about what we can do to go ahead and get something initiated. We keep discussing bond issues, and don't get this confused with anything else. I don't care whose involved with the bond issue,

that's not my point right now. We keep discussing that, and we're going further and further down the road, further and further down the year, and we still have not come to a conclusion about moving forward with the bond issue. Now a request was made to move the entire \$10,000,000 over into the reserve. I don't agree with that for the reasons that you said Councilman Webb. I'd hate to see the money get tied up in reserves and none of it ever comes back. But if we could put something over there, that could at least get us back to a level that we were for the first bond issue, I think we could try and look at trying to complete the streets, you're trying to do as a part of the 2011 bond project, and you could still move forward with your asphalt overlay. We're just doing it in two phases instead of just one. Now that's pretty much the long and short of it.

Councilman Corbin: Thank you Councilman Jenkins. I'd like to speak on all four of these as well. I think as much as anybody on the council I have tried to keep our reserve fund in the forefront. And conversations about my concerns of where we are with our reserve whether it be associated with the next bond issue sale, or just daily operating practices. So, I understand that we have reserve issues. I'm not at a point where I can support these four pieces of legislation for a number of reasons. First, until I see some mid-year budget adjustments, and I see what we're doing to protect our spending and protect our reserve, I'm not ready to move on putting any more money into the reserve. I've seen a little glimmer of life in the recent sales tax reports. But I'd like to see a trend there. I'd like to see where we are and if there's any impact from the new casino in Bossier before I commit any more money to reserve, unless we just have to. I'd like to see if we're going to consider \$5,000,000 in asphalt overlay, I'd like to see that list. I'd like to see a list of what we're looking at doing. And I guess I'd really like to see this work its way through the Infrastructure Committee. And where it came up originally, and it be refined at the Infrastructure Committee, and then come to the Council as a recommendation.

Councilman S. Jenkins: And I don't mind postponing it and referring it to the Infrastructure Committee. That's what I asked at first, but no one has said anything back to me one way or the other. I asked the committee to consider this plan and this legislation as a part of (i naudible). I have no problem postponing it and sending it there. As I said, I'm not - - - look, this is an idea. It don't have to be the only idea. But Lady and Gentlemen, we need to start moving on something here. You know I think the points that you made Mr. Chairman are well and good. They are part of the liberation that needs to take place, but we need to have some plan out there to move forward with it. I don't have a problem postponing it, and letting everybody take another look at it. Let the Infrastructure Committee take a look at it. If you want to adjust it, adjust it. I'm just saying please, let's come back with some actions, one way or the other on what we're going to do about completing the 2011 Bond Issue before our terms are up as Council Members. And what we're going to do about some asphalt streets.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I'm happy to say (inaudible).

Councilman Everson: I think mostly it was covered by the Chair's comments. But I did want to just reinforce the idea that I think that a little bit further review at the next Infrastructure Committee meeting would be good. I appreciate Councilman Jenkins' - - -what he did here, came with a compromise plan you know. I mean the Administration presented one, the Infrastructure Committee had a very different view. And Sam came in to tried to - - - to present a compromise plan. So you know I appreciate him moving the discussion forward, and I think that the appropriate place to give a little bit of further review of discussion would be in the Infrastructure Committee meeting. So welcome doing that, and in our Executive Session today, I believe what we'll be discussing some issues that will require some follow up from the Infrastructure, so I think

we'll probably set another meeting early next week for Infrastructure where we could discuss this in further detail, if that's the will of the council, that would be a good way to go.

Councilman Shyne: I'm just chopping at the bit to speak. Sam I appreciate what your intention of coming up with is, but you had some fallacies in what you were saying that we can't move forward. It ain't no such thing that you can't move forward if you don't put this money in the reserve. Because you can. You can go out and - - - well I'm saying that and I'm saying it to say, the public will think that you can't move forward, you know with you saying that. Because that's what you said. And I don't mean any harm. I know you, you probably trying to figure out, did I really say that or not, because you say it so much, but you did. We have to make the decision on whether and the administration has to make the decision on whether they want to go forward selling additional bonds. It's kinda like Councilman Webb said, it's not that we're at a standstill, and it's not that we can't go out and sell some bonds, if we don't put this money in the reserve. We can. Now, this is the kind of compromise that we have to decide on as Council Members if we want to do this. Maybe we do go out and maybe the interest rates might be a little bit higher, and then they might not be. You know they might not be. We can determine that when we get to that point. But I'm sick and tired of hearing people say, 'Jeff, I think I might have read in the paper where you made the statement that we've got third world streets.' Am I quoting you right, the other day?

Councilman Everson: I believe that was the Mayor that stated that and I was quoting his comment about third world streets and (inaudible), which is a statement that the Mayor made in reference to the dog park.

Councilman Shyne: Right, I wanted to make sure that I was - - - that my quote was coming right. But I'm sick and tired of having people tell me, 'Joe, y'all got to fix my front end'. You remember we had this lady come down here Sam from your district wanting the city to fix her front end, because she had run into some holes. But I'm tired of people stopping me. Cause I got old Jimmy out there Oliver, you know and it stays out of line. So I can kinda go along. But I'm tired of people stopping me saying, 'Look, when are y'all going to do something about the streets here? We voted. You all ought to have some money to do something about the streets.' So you know whatever the compromise is or whatever, we need to start doing something. And Mr. Harris, this is not at you, cause I know you got to do what comes from the administration or what comes from us. But we got to do something about our streets. Mr. Chairman, we've got to start trying to fix the streets in the city of Shreveport for our citizens out there, because they're ridiculous, and I guess I'm a part of - - - and they tell me, 'Well Joe, you're a part of making that decision'. And I am. But we've got to do something, and I hope you know even if we don't vote to put any more money into the reserve, that we can do something, that we'll go head on and move forward to try to get something done with our streets here in the City of Shreveport.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Alright Mr. Chairman, I don't think there was a second on my motion.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Second.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Well, I was fixin to take my motion back.

Councilwoman McCulloch: No, don't take it back.

Councilman Shyne: Well, if he wants to vote (inaudible).

Councilman Webb: It was never seconded, the discussion started.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Oh, you were going to take the original motion back? Okay. Sorry about that.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Hold on a minute, let me do this. Y'all know we're here kinda late in the evening and we can get confused easily. What I'd like to do - - -

Councilman Shyne: Cause he didn't want to get it voted down. You give him a second, then we could have voted it down.

Councilman Corbin: Let's let Councilman Sam Jenkins - - -

Councilman S. Jenkins: Here's what I want to do. I want to make a motion to postpone action on No. 63, 64, 65, and 66 and ask Mr. Chairman, that if they refer it to the Infrastructure Committee as a part of its deliberations, so that we could see what if anything can be worked out as it regards to streets, and that would be my motion.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Second.

- 7. Ordinance No. 64 of 2013: An ordinance amending the 2013 Streets Special Revenue Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto
- 8. **Ordinance No. 65 of 2013**: An ordinance amending the 2013 Streets Special Revenue Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto
- 9. **Ordinance No. 66 of 2013**: An ordinance amending the 2013 General Fund, appropriating the funds authorized therein and otherwise providing with respect thereto

Having passed first reading on <u>June 11, 2013</u> was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman <u>S. Jenkins</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>McCulloch</u> to postpone Ordinance No(s) 63, 64, 65 and 66 of 2013 until the next regular meeting.

Mayor Glover: Thank you Mr. Chairman and members of the Council. I don't want to belabor this point, but there are not any two things probably more important facing the City of Shreveport right now than the issues we're discussing. You take Public Safety of the table, and Economic Development, they probably are the two most important issues. And I want to make it very perfectly clear, that 1) We appreciate Mr. Sam Jenkins at least taking some action with regard to this, because it's time. But I also want to make it perfectly clear that the basis for seeking to improve the status and the amount of the reserve is not just because of the fact that we need to go for a second sale. And to relate this to Mr. Webb's comments about the Haynesville Shale fund being folded into the city's general reserve fund was an action that was taken unanimously by this Council, those were funds that just didn't end up being squandered or spent some place, they were dollars that ended up being accounted for based upon the fact that we had to make sure that the budget of the City of Shreveport's books balance at the end of the year. And the issue of increasing the reserve is more about insuring that we end up being able to effectively balance the city's books at the end of the year, then ensuring that we have the kind of bond rating and bond status that we're looking for. Why is that important? Because we basically budget based upon certain revenue projections. And we expend those dollars as we go throughout month to month, quarter to quarter. If we end up at the end of the year having expended more than what came in, then the way in which we end up ensuring that we have not gone into a deficit situation is about

balancing that budget with what is available within the reserve fund. That's its primary purpose, as well as to ensure that other emergencies and other sorts of things that face the City of Shreveport. So, first and foremost we need to make sure that we have an adequate reserve in line I believe with the sentiment you were expressing Mr. Chairman to ensure that we have the ability to be able to cover the expenses of the City of Shreveport throughout the balance of the remaining seven months in the calendar as well as this fiscal year. And so that's first and foremost. And that is a consideration that trumps any of the other considerations that you all have placed on the table at this point And that's why we have asked because that \$4 \(\frac{1}{2}\) (million) that's currently there right now does not represent even at this point \$4 ½ (million) because there are dollars there from other various sources like the Retained Risk, like retirement fund, that ultimately have to go back to those intended uses and purposes at some other point. So you end up actually with an amount at this point that's less than \$4 ½ (million). Also in line with what you've expressed Mr. Chairman, we'll get you some ideas from the administration's side, but we also certainly welcome any input and suggestions that you and the rest of the council would make. The budget that we have put together and ultimately passed by this council dating back to 2009, when the international financial market began to be in upheaval and things began to flatten out and revenues began to flatten out, we have been submitting and operating at levels that are pretty sparse. It goes back to the earlier comments about staffing levels in various areas that accounts for why it is that we aren't cutting the grass with the levels of frequency and what have you that we have in previous years, and you do not have certain functions (inaudible) or staffed in the same ways that they were 10, 12, and 15 years ago. But we'll come back with some things more specific. But the first and foremost consideration for adjusting our reserve fund is to ensure that we are in a strong fiscal position as we go throughout this year. Secondly, yes it is also a consideration when you go back before the financial markets to be able to have your debt reviewed and evaluated. A part of what that is graded upon is what is the level of your reserve. For the city of Shreveport, with an operation this size to not go back with an appropriate reserve would be considered something that would result in the possibility of our credit rating being downgraded, as well as the cost of money being higher. Those are as well larger considerations than any of the other things that we're talking about here today also. And I'm not going to be the mayor who will consciously engage in a process that will end up resulting in the city's bond rating being downgraded when it did not have to be so. We have options available to us if we are willing to step forward and act. I would also offer to those who say that they're tired of the streets, people telling them that they are sick and tired of their streets being repaired. Had we moved forward with adjusting the reserve fund at some point, we could be right now before the markets executing this bond sale, and we'd be in a position to be out there fixing the Hersey D. Wilsons and the Oakdales, and all of the other streets that are before us right now to get done. Those that are currently being engineered. We'd also be able to move forward with drainage projects like what (inaudible) I'm sure constantly bothers Mr. Everson about, because I constantly hear from Ms. Webb. We'd also be in a position to be out doing continued sewer and water repair work, all of which has been voted on, approved and allowed for by the citizens of this city who have entrusted us to move forward in a timely and expeditious fashion. We've also presented to this council Mr. Shyne, frankly three other scenarios that would allow us to be able to fix more streets over and above what we already have. This council has said 'No' each and every time. And so not only have we not fulfilled the obligation to do what it is that you've already voted on. We've not acted on the second half of what's necessary to be able to move forward in that effort, we also have not taken advantage of any other opportunities to be able

to do above and beyond what we could have done. What we do have is a situation that it needs and warrants immediate attention from the assets that are available to us under the city's control. There happens to be a revenue stream that Mr. Sam Jenkins bravely offered before this council, that only (inaudible) by I think with four votes, and that now is available for us. It puts us in a position to be able to strengthen our situation. If we fail to do so, then we won't end up with a second bond sale, we won't end up with those streets being fixed, we won't end up with those drainage projects being done, we won't end up with those park projects being facilitated, we won't have that water and sewer work to be done and it will be left to somebody else to do that which the people have elected us to do.

Councilman Shyne: Sam, that'll be you or Jeff.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Well, I tell you what. Mr. Chairman, my motion is there to postpone it till the next meeting. I hope the Infrastructure Committee will take a look at it come back with something for us to consider. I think it's a shame.

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

Councilman Everson: Just for the record, I will say this. One of the projects that was mentioned, the one Mr. (inaudible) is still in design and even if we have a second sale ready right now, we couldn't move too much further on it right. Because of where it is in the process.

Mayor Glover: It will be out - - -

Councilman Everson: I don't want them to hear that and think we're waiting on something, because it is still in (inaudible).

Mayor Glover: But we are waiting, we are waiting.

Councilman Everson: It is under the - - - it is not completed.

Mayor Glover: But we are waiting though.

Councilman Everson: But the completion of the design is not done.

Mayor Glover: And that design (inaudible)

Councilman Everson: (Inaudible) already has the funding.

Mayor Glover: That process is eminent. And by the time you end up calculating the time necessary to complete what it takes to go to a sale, we will have those design instruments in hand and will be ready to go to bid, and we won't have money to go to (inaudible).

Councilman Everson: Okay, but what I'm saying is that that project is not at this point delayed by anything (inaudible).

Mayor Glover: It will be delayed

Councilman Everson: Because it is still under design.

Mayor Glover: It will be delayed, it will be delayed because by the time that they are complete, we will not have money in hand, and so there will be the lag time between the completion of those documents and the availability of dollars to move forward to start construction. If you want to tie them up, then we would be acting at least right now if not, a month ago.

Councilman Everson: And another bit of clarification I would say that the Infrastructure Committee did make a recommendation, and that recommendation was to move forward with the asphalt street construction program. So, the contention that no decision was suggested is slightly

inaccurate. I'd just say that it's not (inaudible).

Councilman O. Jenkins: I will comment on one thing.

Councilman Everson: But there was a decision made.

Councilman O. Jenkins: And this is what I was clarifying. The reason all \$10,000,000 has to be moved out of there, is because the projects that are associated with that \$10,000,000 are already in there. So you can't partially fund all your \$10,000,000 worth of projects. That's why you couldn't just remove \$5,000,000 from it. Cause then you'd have I don't know how many projects, let's say it was 20 projects, you couldn't have 20 projects, 50% funded.

Councilman S. Jenkins: No, you could go back and select what your money would allow you to do. And my point about the Infrastructure Committee, understand that there was an asphalt overlay program that came from the Infrastructure Committee. But, we continue to delay and ask for more information from the administration that done gave us everything that they know to give us as far as alternatives to the streets. We have a scenario here where we need to try to complete the 2011 bond projects. And I think that's being ignored. It's just my personal opinion, it's being ignored. I hope it's not getting caught up in politics, or anything else. But we need to try to get those projects completed. We can't do it without the additional money. What was on the table was, can you move the entire amount, the entire \$10,000,000 over to reserves. Which I'm not necessarily advocating that and I'm not ready to do it, but I do think we ought to be able to come up here with some compromise that will allow both of these things to move forward or begin to go in that direction. That's all I'm asking the committee to take a look at. If you don't want to do it, I mean that's fine. Come back with something that's going to allow one or the other to go forward, if not both. That's what I'm asking. That's what was on the table. All I heard from the committee was go back and bring me something else. The mayor sent us everything else. He sent us everything you asked for time and time again. So we need to make a decision as a council, one way or the other. If we're going to say, 'Hey look Mayor, it's just not going to go down and we're going to go head on and spend this \$10,000,000 on this asphalt overlay program, let's go on and do it. But then I have no idea as we sit here today how we're going to put ourselves in some position to move forward a second bond sale. I certainly would not want to do it at the cost of more money or at the cost of more material increases in those areas as opposed to trying to do something with it right now. So that's what my comments is all about. And please understand, whatever the decision is, I think we ought to make it and let's try to move forward one way or the other with some street repairs before we come off the council, because right now everything is either in the design phase and it's not much of anything getting done, and I know there is some panel replacement that's going on out there. Now we've got an asphalt program that's being delayed once again.

Councilman Everson: We're not delaying it.

Councilman Shyne: Right.

Councilman S. Jenkins: At the last Infrastructure meeting that I was at, the only thing that I saw come out that meeting was go back and bring us some information.

Councilman Everson: No, that was the administration that came to us and asked us if it was okay if they continue to delay it

Councilman Shyne: Right.

Councilman Everson: Because they had the following concerns. They were the ones that were offering that information.

Councilman O. Jenkins: We have a plan that we voted on unanimously.

Councilman Shyne: Right.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Expending that \$10,000,000.

Councilman S. Jenkins: How do you intend to move forward with a second bond sale? What's the plan for that?

Councilman O. Jenkins: Well I'm not debating - - -

Councilman S. Jenkins: I'm not debating either, I'm just saying how do you intend to finish \$21,000,000 worth of street projects with only \$11,000,000 that have been approved in the 2011 bond sale by the citizens? How do you intend? What's the plan?

Councilman O. Jenkins: Go out and sell the bonds.

Councilman S. Jenkins: At higher rates, and at the risk of having - - -

Councilman Shyne: It won't be that high.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Your rating lower - - -

Councilman Everson: But the other question is what happens to the money that we set aside?

Councilman Shyne: Right.

Councilman Everson: And I know that was discussed earlier. But you know we don't have a guarantee that we'll get that back, and we did so - - -

Councilman Webb: And you won't get it back.

Councilman Everson: Specifically to be used for streets. So we didn't set it specifically to be used for not budgeting well enough, because now if we go to a ratings agency, and we say, 'Hey look, we closed this project out and we put all this money in here so we can look like we budgeted better to you, do you think they're going to believe that? I'm not sure they will.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Well that's certainly not what I'm suggesting. I'm saying that we transfer the \$4.6 (million) into the reserves to help the bond sales. You've got \$21,000,000 worth of streets that's only been half way funded, I do think is helping with streets. So I beg to differ on that. And I understand. I mean there are a lot of things that need to be considered with it. That's why I say we'll postpone it. I'm just hoping the committee will take a look at it. I'm tired of - - - that's just me speaking. I'm tired of just waiting for more and more information. We need to make a decision about it one way or the other, and put a plan out here and try to work that plan. Because as an old politician told me once, pick a horse and ride it. That's what it's time to do.

Mayor Glover: Now there are at least of a couple of you who might be able to make the statement that Councilman Everson just made. Unfortunately, he's not one of them.

Councilman Shyne: Wow.

Mayor Glover: Possibly Councilwoman McCulloch could make that statement, possibly Councilman Webb could make that statement, possibly Councilman Shyne could make that statement, possibly Councilmember Oliver Jenkins could make that statement. But Mr. Everson is not in a position to make that statement. Neither is Mr. Sam Jenkins, and neither are you Mr. Chairman. Because you all passed the asphalt street program in February of this year. I believe it was in March of this year when Mr. Oliver Jenkins asked for an update on the status of that program and where we were with moving forward with encumbering and spending those dollars. I in turn made the request Mr. Chairman for the opportunity to be able to sit and visit with you as Council Chairman with Mr. Jenkins as Chairman of the Audit and Finance Committee, and with Mr. Everson as Chairman of the Infrastructure Committee. We met upstairs on the second floor in the large conference room. And we had a discussion where I laid out to you all basically the same concerns that we are expressing here today. And my statement was to the effect of do we have an understanding that it would be best for the administration to not expend or encumber these dollars

at this point. To my recollection, each of you said, yes. We have in turn had a series of other discussions since that point in time, where that question has again been asked. That until we come to some resolution about what it is that we're going to do between the administration and the council with regards to the reserves, the second bond sales and those other related issues that these are dollars that we should make sure that we keep free, unencumbered and available for whatever use ultimately ends up being in the best interest of the city of Shreveport. Now, for Mr. Everson to come back and say what it is that he just said a second ago, is completely intellectually dishonest.

Councilman Shyne: Wow.

Mayor Glover: And should not be accepted by you all as councilmembers, as representatives of the sentiment that has existed with regard to this issue to this point.

Councilman Everson: I for one, simply restated that we passed the unanimous decision. Is that not making a decision? I think it is. Now, was there a vote taken on you asking to take some time to look at it to see if - - - yeah, there was a meeting that we were asked you know, can we have a minute to look at this? And figure out what we can do. And I don't recall a vote being taken there. That wasn't a formal request. It was a - - - the administration would like to look at this. And I in fact don't remember being asked. I remember being told that that was why it was not happening right away. Now at the very recent Infrastructure Committee meeting, it was stated to us or perhaps that was in a work session, that you know what the council decided would be honored. And I appreciate that. But now we're being asked to go back and review this again, which is fine. We've accepted that. And you know we'll look at these proposals that have been put forth that are on our agenda now. But to say that there is an inaccuracy or dishonesty in saying that we made a unanimous decision to approve an asphalt streets program, that's totally untrue. That's exactly what we did. And so there's been no other votes taken since then, there's been no other official action taken since then. But we have agreed to further review this, and so the rest of this conversation has been a little bit circular. So you know, I don't know where you get off saying that it is dishonest, because we made an official decision. Last I checked, that's how we make decisions is we vote. We voted on it, it passed. Yes, that's the last vote I remember taking on the issue. And I think it was a pretty decisive decision.

Councilman Webb: May I make a - - - thank you. You know, I agree, \$10,000,000 is nowhere going to touch what we gotta do. But I feel like the citizens out there, three years ago, they voted for a bond passage, and they haven't really seen anything in these three years. And it's - - - all I'm saying if we don't do something, I mean if we took that \$10,000,000, and at least did some roads, they might be more inclined to pass another bond for more money. But you go all the way up to another bond and we're holding all this money back, they might just say 'NO'.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Wait now, this is not a bond that's going to go before the voters again.

Councilman Webb: Why wouldn't it?

Councilman S. Jenkins: They voted. No this just (inaudible). See they already voted on it, this is just the second sale. We did a partial sale, this would be the second sale is what we'd be doing. It's just going to be a matter of taking out - - -

Councilman Webb: But if you're wanting to reach out for more money - - - Councilman S. Jenkins: No, it's the same money we've already approved.

Councilman Webb: No, I'm talking about the mayor at one point talking about when - - - Councilman Corbin: (Inaudible) a separate bond issue.

Councilman Webb: Right, a separate bond issue, for more money, for more street repair, which is greatly needed. I agree with that, but if you don't do something with what money we do have - - -

Councilwoman McCulloch: That was a fixed street you're talking about?

Councilman Webb: Yes, that's what I'm talking about. I mean it's not much, but at least it's something.

Councilman S. Jenkins: It still leaves me with the question Councilman Webb, what are you going to do about \$21,000,000 worth of streets that's tied up in the bond sale that y'all have \$11,000,000 worth to do. I mean it kinda goes back to what you trying to say. It just sits there in perpetuity until some genie comes along and gives some source of revenue to put into the reserves to get it at a level where you can do a bond sale at the right price and bring the rest of that money in or what. It just seems to me we ought to be trying to make some decisions that will either hopefully let us do both of these things that we're talking about, which is what this legislation was about, which is what I was asking this committee to consider. You had to pick one or the other and say, hey look, this is what we're going to do. And just live with it. But I don't think continued requests for information that we already have is the answer.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I'm not convinced that we're mutually exclusive at this point. And I'm not you know there's a lot of smart folks that are looking at when the appropriate time to issue those bonds or to come out for sale, but I'm gonna say that it is not this council that would be putting that forth on the agenda.

Councilman Shyne: There you go.

Councilman O. Jenkins: That would come from the administration when they think the timing is right for us to sell those additional bonds.

Councilman S. Jenkins: I think some discussion has already come forward about the need to do a second bond sale. The administration cannot be expected to come under any condition to do a bond sale. I think as city leaders, you know we have a role to play in this too. Especially if we can do something by way of appropriating money that could help facilitate another bond sale. I don't think we just sit on our hands and totally leave it up to the administration to stick anything out there under any circumstances. I think it should be a collaborative effort here. I think that this may be a way to go. I understand if people are not ready, but if this is not the way to go, then let's pick one. But it (inaudible) we've got incomplete streets, incomplete projects all over the place right now. Nothing has been completed yet.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay, I personally am not aware of any legislation that we have enacted on this council that has prevented as (inaudible) would discourage means, but I'm not going to use that term. But that has prevented the administration from putting forth a bond sale. And I'm not saying that they should be doing it. But I'm not convinced that changing this asphalt overlay is preventing them from doing a bond sale. And that's my opinion.

Councilman Webb: Exactly.

Councilman Shyne: And I have the same opinion.

Councilman O. Jenkins: And I recognize that it is a council meeting, and it's ours to discuss, and we have different - - - and I do believe both you and I have the best interest of this city Councilman S. Jenkins: Oh, absolutely.

Councilman O. Jenkins: In mind, and I don't discourage you from your approach, it's just not the approach that I want to take at this point.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Right, it's nothing personal about any of this. I'm just simply saying okay, it seems to me we've just got incomplete projects all over the place. (Inaudible) that some of these projects and hopefully something (inaudible).

Councilman Corbin: I'd like to ask if we do this. I'd like to ask the Infrastructure Committee if we can fast track consideration of the legislation that Councilman Sam Jenkins put forward, thoroughly discuss that and make any alterations or suggestions that we want to make at that time. At the same time, I think we as council and Mayor Glover to respond to one of your remarks as well, I think we need to look at this \$10,000,000 that we're volleying about here a little bit. And if the whole thing needs to go in the reserves, if that's the decision that we make, whatever amount, whether it's \$4,000,000, \$5,000,000, \$10,000,000, whatever that is. If that's what we need to do to shore up our finances, we also have to be prepared for the bad news at the end of the year, if some of that is not there. But I agree, we've got to make some decisions, and we've got to find some resolutions and some ways to move forward. And I would ask that we do that through committees, through our own conversations, and come back and put some legislation forward that we can move ahead with.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman, let me make this to our Chairman of the Infrastructure Committee. I would hope that if we decide not to put anything, I would hope that you would come back and make that statement. And say, 'Look, we have - - - ' and this might be a little contradictory to some of the statements that have been made today, where it kinda seems like your committee has not done what it needed to do, but I've been sitting in there and I think I'm a member of that committee, and we have, and I don't want to get into whether you were intellectually wrong or untrue, or not. You know I don't like making personal jabs at my colleagues, but I would hope that you would come back to the council. This is our recommendation. We recommend, and this is no reflection on Councilman Sam Jenkins' legislation. If he does not agree, with the decisions that are being made by the Infrastructure Committee, he has a vote. He can verbalize his disagreement, and then vote against it. But you know it makes me feel bad when it seems like that we're holding up everything, or you as Chairman of the Infrastructure Committee is not trying to move this forward.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Who said that?

Councilman Shyne: Hold it, let me finish, let me finish.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Well I just want to be clear now. This is your statements now. Don't attribute - - - I'm just going to be clear on something. Don't attribute anything to me, because I have a mouth and I can speak for myself.

Councilman Shyne: Did I call a name? I said your legislation.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Well, let me be - - -

Councilman Shyne: Now if you want me to call a name, wait hold it now, hold it. If you want me to call a name, I will.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Well just let me be clear now. Anything - - -

Councilman Shyne: Well I think I had the floor Mr. Chairman. And I think he cut in - - - when he had the floor, I didn't cut in on him.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Anything I have to say, I can say it myself.

Councilman Shyne: Well I got the floor right now.

Councilman Corbin: Alright, Mr. Shyne.

Councilman Shyne: And I want Mr. Jenkins to know that I'm big enough to call anybody's name that I want to from the mayor on down or from the Pope on down.

Councilman Webb: The Pope?

Councilman Shyne: Yeah from the Pope on down. I'm big enough and I can stand behind it. But Jeff, I would wish that you would bring the information that's out of the, that's decided on in Infrastructure Committee, I wish you would bring it back so we can stop dilly dallying around saying that there is no information, that there are no decisions being made in the Infrastructure Committee. Bring it back, lets vote, let's move on.

Councilman Everson: We'll come with a very solid decision, and we did set a tentative date if y'all want to look at your calendars to see if July  $2^{nd}$  at 1:30 works for the members of the Infrastructure - - -

Councilman Shyne: July what?

Councilman Everson: 2<sup>nd</sup>, that's next Tuesday, one week from today.

Councilman Shyne: At what time?

Councilman Everson: 1:30.

Councilman Shyne: I would hope that you would not only invite the Infrastructure Committee members, but as Chairman, I would hope that you would extend an invitation to all Council Members. Would you do that?

Councilman Everson: I believe we typically do, do that. And we'll continue that practice. Councilman Shyne: But I just, I just - - - look, right. There you go, but we want to make it known. So, this can't be something that we understood, that all council members are invited. I know we generally do that, but I just want to make sure. So we can move on. Because we've been kicking this around for I don't know how long and I think you've brought some decisions back from the Infrastructure Committee. Now it might not be the decision that some people want. But you've brought some back, and I would hope that the next Infrastructure Committee, that you would bring this back.

Councilman Everson: We'll take a look at it and bring back that decision.

Councilman O. Jenkins: In the spirit of moving on - - -

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman? Councilman Corbin: Mayor Glover.

Mayor Glover: And I know Mr. Oliver Jenkins that you probably want to move on that these issues are not comfortable for you. You or probably Mr. Everson, but they are real and they are true. And I want to bring back Mr. Chairman, what you just expressed in terms of your sentiment about what needs to happen with regards to the - - - as you put it the \$10+ (million) that we're bantering around. Your comments that you just offered was the crystallization of our discussion that took place between yourself, Mr. Sam Jenkins, and Mr. Jeff Everson, back in March. And for Mr. Everson to say, that that did not become a clear statement from me or from the administration until the last Infrastructure Committee meeting is again, intellectually dishonest. Because that was the sentiment, the consensus, the belief that we all left that March meeting with. In fact, I even offered a bit of levity for the moment and said to you all that if it's the desire of the council to move forward with this, now that I have given you the concerns that I have expressed, I (inaudible) dog park (inaudible). We'll move forward with it if that's what it is that you all believe that we should do. That was established in March. Mere weeks after passage. And so Mr. Everson for you to say that the council acted, gave direction, passed something unanimously, and that the administration has not acted upon it, again is not dealing with this matter in an appropriate, consistent, transparent, truthful and honest fashion. Bottom line - - -

Councilman Everson: Did we not pass it unanimously?

Mayor Glover: Yes you did.

Councilman Everson: Okay, then that part is accurate. So what you are saying is that - - you're saying that I'm being intellectually dishonest by not leaving with the same impression as you. I may have left that meeting not feeling the same as you did, so it is not intellectually dishonest, it is my interpretation of a situation and you know a situation in which I did not feel like there was a choice being given, but rather a directive being stated. And that is my interpretation. So, again, there's really not a point in belaboring this too much, because we have agreed to review this. It is going to move forward. The point of what we left that meeting thinking about that day, which I also don't recall any joke about dog park or anything So maybe I left the meeting a little earlier than the rest of the participants. I don't recall. Honestly. I mean we have a lot of meetings, and I don't recall this particular one, because it wasn't an official meeting, it wasn't open to the public, and it wasn't in minutes. So I can't go back and review that. But you know I'm not accusing you of purposefully misleading anybody. I think that we were of the understanding that the administration was taking some time to look at our budget issue to see about the second bond sale. Not saying that's inaccurate. But what I'm saying is that the official decision that we made was clear back then, we were recently asked to look at these proposals at which point and time, Councilman Sam Jenkins made a compromise proposal, not in the committee meeting, but to the council. And now it's being recommended that that be reviewed by the committee. So that's where we are and we're happy to be there. We've stated the next meeting time. I don't see what else there is to - - -

Councilman S. Jenkins: I did make my proposal in that meeting, just trying to keep everything - - - (inaudible) no, I can't make a motion, I'm not on the committee. But I did.

Mayor Glover: It's not a formal meeting Mr. Everson. Again - - -

Mr. Everson: It was a formal meeting.

Mayor Glover: Don't sit here and play games.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Wait a minute, what I asked was for - - - I said, I would like for the Infrastructure Committee to consider transferring that \$4.6 (million) into a reserve, doing the Phase I, Phase II of the asphalt overlay program.

Mayor Glover: And that was in March.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Right, so that we could move forward with - - -

Councilman Everson: No, that was - - - Councilman S. Jenkins: This was the - - -

Councilman Everson: This was two weeks ago.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Yeah, the last Infrastructure meeting. That's what I'm talking about. I did make that proposal.

Councilman Everson: It was June 10<sup>th</sup> Councilman Webb: Mr. Chairman.

Mayor Glover: That suggestion was made in - - - Councilman Webb: We're going in circles here - - -

Councilman Corbin: I agree. We've asked that this go back to the Infrastructure Committee meeting. I don' think we're getting anywhere going back and forth here. Obviously there's additional discussions that need to be made.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, and I'll leave it with this. Had we done exactly what it is that Mr. Everson so flippantly said that the council did, and that is to unanimously vote to spend \$10.6 (million), we wouldn't be having this conversation today. And any consideration of being

able to use that \$10.6 (million) in a way that affectively strengthens and enhances and advances the interest of Shreveport would be a moot point. Because we'd be fixing a few streets, but we wouldn't have those dollars available to be having this very discussion that we're asking still for some sort of a recommendation to come from Mr. Everson and the Infrastructure Committee.

Councilman Corbin: Okay, we're going to move forward at this point.

The adopted ordinances and amendments follow:

### **ORDINANCE NO. 52 OF 2013**

## AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2013 BUDGET FOR THE CONVENTION CENTER HOTEL ENTERPRISE FUND AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BY: Councilman Oliver Jenkins

WHEREAS, the City Charter provides for the amendment of any previously adopted budget, and WHEREAS, the City Council finds it necessary to amend the 2013 budget for the Convention Center Hotel Enterprise Fund to adjust appropriations, reflect current revenue estimates and for other purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDANINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in legal session convened, that Ordinance No. 148 of 2012, the 2013 budget for the Convention Center Hotel Enterprise Fund, is hereby amended as follows:

In Section 5 (Administration):

Amend and reenact the paragraph to read as follows:

<u>Administration</u> – The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute all contracts, deeds, grant documents and other legal instruments necessary to expend or receive funds herein authorized, excluding contracts for financial advisory services. No requests for payment for financial advisory services shall be paid unless a contract with the person or entity providing the financial advisory services was approved by the City Council prior to the services being provided.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the remainder of Ordinance No. 148 of 2012 shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

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

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

### **ORDINANCE NO. 60 OF 2013**

### AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2013 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BUDGET AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BY: COUNCILMAN S. JENKINS

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it necessary to amend the 2013 Capital Improvements Budget to shift 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. <u>133</u> of 2012, the 2013 Capital Improvements Budget, be amended and re-enacted as follows:

In Program H (Airport Improvements):

Establish a new project entitled Rehabilitation of Airfield Drainage at Shreveport Regional Airport with an appropriation of \$1,250,000.00. Funding source is \$1,250,000.00 (100%) from the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development. The scope of this project is to fund the design phase and construction oversight and construction of the accepted solution.

This project will establish a new project entitled Rehabilitation of Taxiway B,D,E,F at Shreveport Regional Airport with an appropriation of \$2,850,000.00. The Funding source is (90%) from the Federal Aviation Administration and (10%) from the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development. The scope of the project will design and construct a pavement rehabilitation solution that addresses the current poor surface condition of the four taxiways and correct any deficiencies. This project will establish a new project entitled Rehabilitation of Taxiway Alpha at Shreveport Regional Airport with an appropriation of \$4,070,000.00. The funding source is (90%) from the Federal Aviation Administration and (10%) from the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development. The scope of the project will address the poor condition of the current surface and correct any deficiencies.

This project will establish a new project entitled Airfield Guidance Sign Replacement, Airfield Lighting & Regulators at Shreveport Regional Airport with an appropriation of \$1,100,000.00. The funding source is (100%) from the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development. The improvements under this project will replace the existing directional airfield guidance signs and address operational concerns with both the airfield lighting system and regulators.

This project will establish a new project entitled Rehabilitation of South Ramp and Shade Port Pavement at Shreveport Downtown Airport with an appropriation of \$350,000.00. The Funding source is (100%) from the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development. The scope of the project will design and construct a pavement rehabilitation solution that addresses the current poor surface condition of the pavements and correct any deficiencies.

This project will amend the existing budget for the Rehabilitation of Taxiway N, D, E at Shreveport Downtown Airport by reducing it by \$5,774.00. This will also amend the scope of the project to include construction of the pavement solution that will address deficiencies in the current surface of the pavement. The total new amended project budget is \$1,170,000.00 (90%) Federal Aviation Administration and \$130,000.00 (10%) Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development.

Adjust totals and subtotals accordingly.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the remainder of Ordinance No. 133 of 2012, as amended, shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

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

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

### **ORDINANCE NO. 61 OF 2013**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2013 BUDGET FOR THE WATER AND SEWERAGE ENTERPRISE FUND, APPROPRIATING THE FUNDS AUTHORIZED THEREIN, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it necessary to amend the 2013 budget for the Water and Sewerage Enterprise Fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in legal session convened, that Ordinance 144 of 2012, the Water and Sewerage Enterprise Fund, is hereby amended as follows:

### 1. Estimated Receipts:

Increase Other Income by \$2,000,000

### 2. Appropriations:

Increase Improvements and Equipment by \$2,000,000

Adjust totals and subtotal accordingly.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the remainder of Ordinance No. 144 of 2012 shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

BE IF 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 the 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. 62 OF 2013

## AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND REENACT SECTION 10-190 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATIVE TO DRINKING IN PUBLIC 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 10-190 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Shreveport is hereby amended by adding subsection (c) to read as follows:

(c) The provisions of this section shall not apply to persons consuming alcoholic beverages in plastic containers in a designated area located on the grounds of Centenary College during any event authorized by Centenary College. Centenary College shall give the city police department no less than ten days' written notice which shall include the date, time and description of the designated area of the campus where the event is to be held. If said event is catered by a person holding a valid caterer's permit issued in accordance with section 10-53, no other alcoholic beverage permit or zoning approval is required.

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

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

### **Tabled Legislation**.

1. Ordinance No. 25 of 2012: Amending the 2012 Capital Improvements Budget, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (*Texas Street Turn Lanes*) (B/Everson) (*Tabled March 27, 2012*)

- 2. **Resolution No. 205 of 2012**: Approving the application of citizens regarding the organization of the Shreveport-Caddo Economic Development Authority; Designating the Economic Development area therefore; Approving the Economic Development Plan therefore; Making certain findings in connection therewith; and otherwise providing with respect thereto (*Tabled December 11*, 2012)
- 3. Ordinance No. 170 of 2012: Amending and reenacting portions of Chapter 90 of the Code of Ordinances relative to Residential Parking Permit Zones, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (*Tabled December 11, 2012*)
- 4. Ordinance No. 15 of 2013: Amending and reenacting certain sections of Chapter 94 of the Code of Ordinances relative to Utilities and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (*Tabled May 14, 2013*)
- 5. Ordinance No. 30 of 2013: Amending and reenact Section 106-1029 of the Code of Ordinances relative to the SPI-3 Commercial Corridor Overlay District and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (C/O. Jenkins) (*Tabled May 14, 2013*)

### **Appeals**

### **Property Standards Appeals**

- PSD0900275 140 Pennsylvania Avenue, Shreveport, LA (C/Jenkins) Mr. & Mrs. Robert A. Powell, 819 ½ Boulevard Street, Shreveport, LA 71104 (B/Everson) (*Postponed May 13, 2013 until June 24, 2013*)
- PSD1000086 2837 Logan Street, Shreveport, LA (G/S. Jenkins) Ms. Carolyn Ivory Wilson, 3646 Del Rio Street, Shreveport, LA 71109 (G/Jenkins) (*Postponed January 18, 2013 until June 24, 2013*)
- PSD1000141 728 Austin Pl, Shreveport, LA (B/Everson) Ms. Deborah Bryant, 9640 Tammy, Shreveport, LA 71106 (Caddo Parish) (*Postponed June 10, 2013 until September 9, 2013*)
- PSD1100017 3634 Sumner Street, Shreveport, LA (G/S. Jenkins) Mr. Roberto Strickland, 3740 Jackson Street, Shreveport, LA 71109 (G/S. Jenkins) (*Postponed May 13, 2013 until July 18, 2013*)
- PSD1200218 744 St. Peter Blvd, Shreveport, LA (D/Corbin) Mr. Murphy Montgomery, 1500 Park Ave, #214, Shreveport, LA 71104 (A/McCulloch) (Postponed June 10, 2013 until June 24, 2013)
- PSD1200243 4043 Crosby, Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) Mr. Joe Mingo, Jr., 3821 Mayfield, Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) (Postponed April 22, 2013 until July 22, 2013)

PSG1200642 357 W. 80<sup>th</sup> St., Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) Mr. Benny Washington, 1826 Clanton St., Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) (*Postponed May 13, 2013 until June 24, 2013*)

HBO1300017/PSD130001 1831 Hollywood Avenue, Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) Mr. Ashanti Kabara, 2711 Oak Street, Shreveport, LA 71104 (B/Everson)(*Postponed June 10, 2013 until September 9, 2013*)

Alcoholic Beverage Ordinance Appeals Metropolitan Planning Commission Appeals and Zoning Board of Appeals Other Appeals Taxi Appeal Reports from officers, boards, and committees

Councilman S. Jenkins: Mr. Chairman, we did have an Audit and Finance Committee meeting, and the purpose of that meeting was to review the contract, the financial advisor contract with the City of Shreveport. The Grigsby Firm and the City of Shreveport's contract. Let me just kinda step back if I may. The Council passed resolutions asking for an external investigation of that particular financial advisor's contract. That work was put in the hands of Mr. Frank Neuner, an attorney out of the City of Lafayette. Mr. Neuner did reduce a report in written form and also made a presentation of his findings here to the Council. That information was shared with the administration, and the administration was given an opportunity to respond to it which the administration did do. After that information was provided to us from the administration and from Mr. Neuner, it was put in the hands of the Council Staff, to include the Clerk of Council, our legal as well as Internal Audit to go through both the response and the information that had been provided us by Mr. Neuner. And the goal is to come with some recommendations as to what aspects of that external investigation needed to be pursued. We have a written report and findings that comes from a committee that the committee has reviewed. We have provided copies of that information to members of the council as well as to the administration. There was one point that we felt coming from the committee needed to be looked at further, and that was an interpretation of the contract as far as the bond sale. There is one interpretation coming from legal that says that it should have been billed as one transaction. It appears from the record that it was billed as three separate transactions, and puts in play here is about \$53,000 that needs to be further pursued and further looked at as far as the committee is concerned. Now we're wanting everyone to have an opportunity to further look into the findings of the Audit and Finance Committee and we're going to hopefully come back to the next meeting with some legislation as it relates to recommendations here to the Council further pursuit of the issue that we found. I do want to put in there, and I do want to say, that there were a number different questions that were raised during Mr. Neuner's review. I believe he told us about \$677,000 of what he called questionable spending, or questionable transactions, and I just want to assure everyone that those points were thoroughly looked at, thoroughly reviewed, but it boils down to this one matter right now as far as what the committee saw, and that is the transaction involving the contract, the bond sale, and billed. Should have been billed as one transaction, but it was billed as three transactions, and we think that warrants some further review. And that's the recommendation that's going to be coming to the council. Hopefully at the next meeting, and if the council decides that some legislation needs to be involved with that recommendation as far as the pursuit of those funds, then that information also

will be forthcoming. We also had a number of recommendations coming from the committee about future contracts, such as the financial advisor's contract, (inaudible) written findings also some of those recommendations are already in place with the present contract, and consideration needs to be given to some of them that may not be in place with the present contract. There were no findings or any violation of law either local, state or federal. I think Mr. Neuner also makes that point in his report. So, just want to give this capsule of a report right now. Hopefully, we'll be able to bring everything before the council at our next meeting. And whatever recommendations the council wants to move forward with at that particular point will be up to this council as a body of the whole. But that's the recommendation that will be coming from the committee.

Councilman Shyne: Question. Are we still in a contract with Grigsby?

Councilman S. Jenkins To my understanding his contract has not been terminated. Whatever contract is there is still in place. I'm not sure he's providing any services while this matter is pending.

Councilman Shyne: But we're still in contract with him?

Councilman S. Jenkins: Yes, I'm not aware of any contract - - - his contract being terminated.

### Clerk's Report

Mr. Thompson: We did receive from the Mayor's office the employment of Ms. Katiyra Simpson, I believe it is to the Shreveport Housing Authority. It will be on the next Council's agenda.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor, is she here?

Mayor Glover: No Mr. Shyne.

Councilman Shyne: Could you have her be at the next Council meeting? Thank you.

**The Committee "rises and reports"** (reconvenes the regular council meeting) **Adjournment**: There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at approximately

621 p.m.

//s// Michael D. Corbin, Chairman	
//s// Arthur G. Thompson, Clerk of Cou	

### Council Proceedings of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana June 25, 2013

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana was called to order by Chairman Michael Corbin at 3:07) p.m., Tuesday, June 25, 2013, in the Government Chambers in Government Plaza (505 Travis Street).

Invocation was given by Bishop Brandon. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Everson.

On Roll Call, the following members were Present: Councilmen Rose Wilson-McCulloch, Jeff Everson, Michael Corbin, Oliver Jenkins (Arrived at 3:20 p.m.), Ron Webb, Joe Shyne, and Sam Jenkins. 7. Absent: None.

Motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman McCulloch to approve the minutes of the Administrative Conference, Monday, June 10, 2013 and Council Meeting, Tuesday, June 11, 2013 Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Out of the Chamber: O. Jenkins. 1.

Councilman Corbin: We welcome everybody here today, and we have a few visitors, and we're glad that you're down to watch government in progress today. If you have something that you need to speak about, glad that you're here. At this time, does any Council Member have any awards, recognitions or distinguished guests?

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

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

Councilman S. Jenkins: Thank you Mr. Chairman. I want to start out by extending congratulations to Pastor Danny R. Mitchell, Jr., son of the late Dr. Danny R. Mitchell, Sr. He was installed as the Pastor of the New Elizabeth Baptist Church. So he's stepping into his father's footsteps there. We know he will do a good job, and we certainly ask that everyone would keep him and the church lifted up in their prayers. I also want to extend gratitude to the Department of Community Development, Ms. Bonnie Moore, Ms. Valerie Ervin and all of those who are involved with Community Development. This week, we had the opportunity to have an open house of two houses there were reconstructed from the ground up. One of 'em on Sunset Avenue and the other one on Jackson Street. And I want to congratulate them for making the decision to not just go out and patch up an old structure, but to move forward with actually building new homes for these individuals from the ground up. I think that's great for the individuals who are recipients of the work, but more than that, I think it's great for the City of Shreveport that we will

invest in housing inside some of our older, more core neighborhoods. Areas that we need to repopulate and keep people in those areas. So thank you so much for that decision that was made, thank you Mr. Mayor, we know all of that comes from the Administration side, and so we are very pleased with what occurred on those two occasions. I don't know if the Administration is going to have SPORTRAN or representatives of SPORTRAN to come up. We've been talking about relocating the bus terminal from its present location on Crockett Street to a new location on Murphy Street. And we're trying to do all we can to get this information out into the community so that the riders of the bus will know exactly what will be involved. So, Mr. Chairman if it's okay at this time, I see a representative has come forward, and I'll just turn it over to her at this stage to get some more information.

Ms. Valerie McElhose: We were very excited and eager to get to present our new terminal to our passengers. We decided to do it a little bit differently. Instead of having just the traditional public hearing, this year we had a public hearing, but we also had a public meeting, that was pretty much an all day, 10-6:00 event at the downtown terminal. And to try and get people to come and look at our pictures and have a conversation with us. We provided water and juice. We had popcorn for kids. And so we used it as an opportunity to get to not just show them our terminal, but also to really have a dialogue with them. Ask them questions, had they heard about it. Most every comment we had was positive. Some of the comments that we had, seemed like more people once they heard the terminal was moving and they saw the new location and the new building, they were pretty happy with that. The comments they made to us had to do with other issues within our service, whether they were on a route that needed to be extended, or they had specific issues with their specific service. Buses running late, those kinds of things. It was very popular, it was very positive. The one comment that we heard and we heard this at the beginning. And it was one of the things that we responded to quickly, and that was the question of what happens to downtown bus service when the Crockett Street terminal moves. And my answer to everyone was we really don't know yet exactly what that will look like. We know there are a couple of options. One is to use some of the existing routes that still come through that downtown area, and let passengers connect on that. The other option is to do a downtown circulator where we run all day long, just one route that just stays downtown. It may go across the river and connect the two riverfronts. That seems to be a pretty popular idea. We are in the process of receiving some funding from NLCOG to do a full transportation development plan. When we get started on that plan, our first item of business is to address how the change in the terminal location affects our routes. So we will look at all of that and the thing that we are very confidently telling people is that we will address the need for service, and there won't be any reduction in service. It may be a little different, but you'll still be able to get to that. And then just on a side note, just to try to confirm that most of our passengers ride the bus to downtown for the sole purpose of transferring to another bus and going back out on another side of town or going into Bossier. And we really think that moving the terminal is going to decrease that time, and give us quicker times on the overall system. So, we're kinda looking forward to that. Also, we did the dump the pump last week, which is a national recognition for transit, trying to encourage people to ride the bus one day. Once again, we pulled what I'm starting to call the SPORTRAN Carnival. We had the SPORTRAN Carnival at the terminal. We had a lot of folks come out. Councilman Everson was there and different folks. We had a couple of radio stations, television people, so we were pretty pleased with the media coverage we've gotten. We feel like there is a positive buzz going around the city that we are doing things different and we are trying to improve our transit system. So with that being said, I think that one other thing is that we did have one other public meeting, at which Councilman Jenkins was there. We got to hear a few other comments from people and then we're still open for comments. So just because we've had the two meetings, we're still accepting comments. There's a link on our website that you can connect to, and you can always send an emails to <a href="Info1@sportran.org">Info1@sportran.org</a>. So we're still trying to get the dialogue going and trying to find out what people think and what their needs are.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Well I certainly want to commend you and Mr. Eddy. I see Ms. (inaudible) has made her way to the Chamber, all of you who are working with SPORTRAN as well as with SPAR for making sure that the public input is being received. More often than not, you know we make changes and people will say 'I didn't know'. I do not think that this is something that would take anybody by surprise because of the efforts that you all have put forth and made sure that the information is being disseminated. I have been hearing nothing but positives about it thus far. And as you said, I do appreciate you all looking at the concern about downtown and the connection of downtown. I'm sure that that's viable with whatever it is that we plan to do. I had an opportunity to look at the pictures and the renderings of the new terminal. I think it's great. I think the location will be great also. So just continue to get the word out as you've been doing. Just know that it is appreciated. But I'm hearing from the public that it is appreciated that they're being involved and being informed ahead of time for this change. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman, my comments is going to be to Dale, and Sam, and Jeff. Dale, I was meeting with a few business folks today, and I don't know whether my reasoning was taken to heart. But let me tell you what they said, and I want to say it in the beginning of the council meeting, because they told me they would be watching. The North Market gate and of course I kinda mentioned this to Rose, this ain't about districts, it's about the city. Hollywood Avenue, you know it comes down from the airport, the north gate that comes out, they were saying that it's hard for business folks to come in and I told them we had had - - - like I said yesterday, we had had a tremendous amount of rain, and you know they say, 'Well Joe, you know everybody have a lot of rain, but if you could please, and I think Rose and them got a meeting tomorrow with another group up there. Please, those are the gateways into the city, and this isn't coming from me, don't be doing it cause this is something Joe Shyne wants you to do. It's left up to you all. But please see if you can get somebody up there to cut the grass, to pick up the trash paper. Matter of fact, a guy passed by my house Bishop about two days ago, he and his friend. They had been drinking a little beer and the next thing I knew, they had thrown the beer cans and a brown paper bag out, and Chief if it had been 20 years ago, I'd ran and caught 'em. But Dale, I can't do that now. But we've got people who do that, that don't even think about what they're doing. But we have to make sure that we keep our gateway. There's Hollywood Avenue, coming down and Ron, later on, we're going to get some of those panels fixed too. Because it's good for front end folks, Sam. It's good for front end folks. So I'm saying this to you and Jeff because Dale you know you can cut it one time, but it ain't gone stay cut. This is something that Mayor's to come will have to think about because me and Cedric and Ron gone be gone in the next day or two. But you all are going to have to do this. Let's make sure that we keep our gateway. I really hadn't thought about it like that. But you're exactly right. If a business person is coming into town or maybe wants to invest something in Shreveport, Bishop you know how it is. You might have a couple of preachers coming into town and want to start a new church or something. And we got our city, especially the gateway where the grass and stuff is not cut. Sometimes if you don't cut any Mooretown, I'll get

my weed eater and my boy and we'll go over there and do that. But we can't do the gateway. So please, let's get somebody on it. Because you're the CAO. You know you the guy that makes things go. And so please get somebody look in on that. And I want to give you one other thing. And Mr. Chairman, bear with me. The - - - I want to say the 3900 block of Crosby Street, we do this about every five years, but again now, I'm blaming all this on the rain. Cause we've had so much rain lately. I remember it was a group over there, and it was a great big bush that has grown out and actually grown into the street. And I try to explain to 'em that because of all this rain that we've had lately, things just have grown three or four times as fast. And one of these days, I'm going to be as big as you and the Mayor if this rain keeps on, cause I'm going to be eating all this fresh vegetables that this rain is bringing up.

Mayor Glover: But not nearly as good lookin'.

Councilman Shyne: But please put somebody over there in the 5900 block and - - -

Mr. Sibley: 39 or 59?

Councilman Shyne: I'm sorry, 3900 block. Of course they'll know how to do it. You either need something to cut that big ole - - - or spray that big ole vine. But it has- - - Mayor, it has grown all out in the streets, and it's because we've had so much rain. You know it's not because we just haven't been keeping up with things. Because I have to even cut my yard now more than what I used to do. But please get somebody over there. And again, so the people who watching, the gateway coming in on N. Market, coming out of N. Market. Rose and nem gone meet with some folks tomorrow.

Mr. Sibley: Yes and we have some folks who are going to be there also.

Councilman Shyne: Right, and I told the people that. Of course now, you ain't got nobody that's gone be meeting on Hollywood Ave.

Mr. Sibley: But we do have it on the list Mr. Shyne.

Councilman Corbin: I didn't know if I was going to have to drive you and the Mayor and Councilman Webb to the Farmer's Market in a little bit. Not sure where that was going. Any other recognitions from Council Members.

Councilman S. Jenkins: I don't know how this one slipped my mind. Mr. Chairman, but I do want to extend congratulations to Commissioner Jerald Bowman, District 5 seat held by his mother until her death, the Honorable Joyce Bowman and was held by myself prior to that. I just want to wish him well. I've had an opportunity to talk with him on a couple of occasions. I think he's a very bright young man that is doing now a great job for District 5. So, he is someone that we need to embrace and keep in our prayers also as he tries to carry on the leadership set by his mother for the citizens of District 5. Commissioner Jerald Bowman, congratulations.

Councilman Corbin: Mayor Glover, at this time, I'll turn it over to you for awards, recognitions and communications relative to city business.

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

Mayor Glover: Thank you Mr. Chairman. I think one of the things that both Ron and I will take heart in, Mr. Shyne may get as large, but he won't get nearly as good lookin as either one of us. With that Mr. Chairman, we also want to have the opportunity to piggyback on a couple of the comments that were made by Council Members. With regard to the SPORTRAN situation, I want to join the council in commending both Gene and Val and all the folks with SPORTRAN along with Von and their entire team for putting on an exemplary effort in terms of helping us to be able

to effectively engage the riding community and the public in general with regard to anticipated changes coming within the SPORTRAN system. It also creates a parallel opportunity that myself and members of the administration had been meeting with Councilman Everson, since he represents the downtown area along with Liz Swaine with the DDA and some others to explore parking challenges that we have within the downtown area as well that could ultimately end up being impacted if not facilitated by the potential relocation of the SPORTRAN headquarters. We've got several scenarios at work right now within the downtown area. The 600 block of Texas which has seen substantial investment and expansion, both from the public and the private sector. Southern University is growing there exponentially with the standing up of its nursing school. And what I believe is termed the old Allen Building, there at the 600 block of Texas. But you also have Roland Von Kurnatowski who owns the last three buildings in that block, the biggest of which is the old Sears building. He has considerable plans that are currently underway. The biggest challenge of that particular effort faces right now is the need for additional parking. We also have other buildings within the downtown area that have the ability to see some substantial investment and redevelopment, but they also face parking challenges as well. One of those needs happens to actually be the City of Shreveport as well, since we operate Community Development out of the 401 Texas Street building, which has practically no parking. You also have the Parish of Caddo which has the old Selber's or Rubenstein building, I can't remember which - - - Selber's building that's there in the 600 block of Milam as well, that they have 1) they own, and 2) are working on various scenarios for redevelopment. You also have the Slattery building that's there on Marshall that's been empty for more than a few years right now and the biggest impediment to its future, refurbishing, redevelopment is the lack of parking. And so we have seen in examples of other communities that have managed to be able to help parallel significant public/private partnerships in the downtown, that end up resulting in significant growth and development. We're working on those areas. We have nothing at this point to report, but it's something that we think is something that needs to be done as quickly as possible and as efficiently and as cost effective as possible. So hopefully, we'll keep our fingers crossed and hopefully we'll have some good news to report that'll end up paralleling along with what Val just related to you as well. Also, I heard her mention and we have great hopes that there might be one day a scenario that affords us an opportunity to be able to create a circulator that goes throughout the downtown area. We think that'll be an absolute imperative. When we end up facilitating that location, it would be great if it would manage to be able to cross over and service both sides of the river. We have that hope, and we'll be holding out that potential and that opportunity. I do however want to I guess cast a bit of sobering news and remind us all that Gene had three very nice trolleys about five or six years ago, when we first came on board as Mayor of the City of Shreveport and working with the previous council that we tried to develop a use for downtown Shreveport and the city in general that would have involved circulating people on both sides of the riverfront here within the downtown area. Unfortunately, we could only get resources from one side of the river. One thing I think that will have to be unfortunately an imperative, if that particular opportunity is to be taken advantage of, is that all parties involved are going to have to be willing to pull out their checkbooks and find the resources necessary to help be able to make that happen. It won't be something that we'll facilitate just simply on the Shreveport side, but we certainly are hopeful, and we see the potential and the opportunity. Also appreciate Mr. Shyne bringing up the - - - I think what we discussed a little bit on yesterday, and that is the appearance of many of the public thoroughfares throughout Shreveport. Our gateways, and even those within the interior of the city. And there is some merit

to the contention that some of that has been facilitated by the less than dry summer and spring that we've been experiencing. But I think as I also mentioned yesterday, and I think this council and our public needs to be firmly aware of this as well. Is that the lion share for why things are the way that they are, is because of the allocation of resources that we have made collectively as an administration and you all as the council, in terms of how we have budgeted our dollars, and that we do not have the availability of staff personnel, resources, materials to be able to maintain those areas in the way and the manor and the level in which we have in years past. I give you the example that always springs to mind easiest. And Mr. Chairman, you and I have discussed this. There was once a point and time when I think there were five plus staff people at the Barnwell Center, down on the riverfront, who were stationed at that location, whose primary responsibility was to go out and keep that area clean and neat and well-manicured and what have you. As we sit here today, that number has gone from five to zero. And that has happened in various levels and capacities all around the city of Shreveport. One thing that gives me great hope in terms of future opportunity, despite the fact that we have stagnant sales tax revenues and what have you, the ending of our contractual relationship to collect garbage for Bossier is going to free up some resources for us. We'll no longer end up ultimately having tax payers of Shreveport subsidizing another city's solid waste collection. It also will hopefully give us the impudence to refocus and redirect how it is that we go about how it is that we go about solid waste collections here. So we can do that more cost effectively and more efficiently, and free up some of those resources that we now spend cleaning up people's houses and fronts of their houses that actually in many instances is actually their responsibility. And I think the folks in Bossier will soon get well acquainted with just how a for profit solid waste collection operation works and what they pick up and what they don't pick up, and what they have no reservations in leaving behind. We have a chance to be able to see exactly how much actual money, manpower and resources that we are expending as a city, again cleaning up things that should otherwise be maintained by the property owner. And that keeps us from having at least a portion, if not the entirety of the resources that we need to keep those gateways and those medians and those other common areas all across this city, looking better, cleaner, and neater. And so, again we're right now wrapping up the second quarter of this year. We're heading into the process by which we will begin to engage the council, projecting out for next year's budget we hope, that as we move forward, we will have some talks that will put us in an position to be able to see how we can do a bit of a better job of being able to keep those areas in line with what I know Councilwoman McCulloch's expectations are and the rest of this council as well. Also Mr. Chairman and members of the Council, want to take the opportunity to commend the Brothers of Rho Omega Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. In fact is Mr. Sibley's affiliation for putting on yet another outstanding 'Let The Good Times Roll Festival'. It comes on the heels of Mudbug Madness in May and precedes the Independence Day Festival which will take place on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, but it gives us here one of the very best festival seasons anywhere in the United States of America, recently recognized by Livability Magazine. But had a great time, enjoyed it and certainly appreciate their effort and their sacrifice to give the folks in this area yet again another reason to come and enjoy the City of Shreveport. Also Mr. Chairman and members of the Council, want to make you all aware that for right now, we're in the midst I think of the Annual Football Camp that's put on by Jacob Hester. I believe that's being held out at Calvary Athletic Complex on 9300 block of Linwood. So anybody who is interested in participating in that, we certainly encourage them to go out and sign up and have a chance to enjoy that. Also want to express appreciation to the head coaches of both ULM and ULL for the recent

free football clinics that they put on at Independence Stadium and Shreveport's own Morris Claiborne will be this Saturday, I believe starting at 10:00. Is that correct Shelly? Don't see anybody from SPAR here. I believe it's 10:00 this coming Saturday at Independence Stadium. Morris will put on his second completely football clinic for young men and there may be even welcome young women as well. I don'think he discriminates, may be a little harder to compete once they get into teenage years, but there've been some pretty bad 10 year old females football players I've seen on the internet. So - - - but anyway, this coming Saturday, the 29th starting at 10:00 a.m. at Independence Stadium. I think registration starts at 8 and goes to 10:00, the clinic itself will start at 10:00 a.m. and is completely free. You'll get a T-shirt, you'll get a light lunch, provided by the wonderful folks at Raising Canes. And we encourage all folks to come out and have a chance to enjoy and we certainly express appreciation for Morris' commitment to continue to give back and support the young people of this community. Obviously I know the folks at Fair Park and LSU and those of us who are Cowboy fans certainly take heart in that as well. And before I wrap up Mr. Chairman and members of the Council, I want to express a great appreciation to Ron Setley and members of the Setley family. I believe they have it to town. They are folks who are in the paper manufacturing business up in the northeastern portion of the country who were looking to expand and went about a nationwide search to find a place to be able to stand up a manufacturing operation. For those of you who are double Ts of McDonalds, you will probably have touched a Ron Setley influenced piece of material at some point. They make I think about 30% of all of the packaging materials for McDonalds hamburgers and wraps and what have you. They are now, not only manufacturing those out of Shreveport, which was announced in 2011, in June of last year, they made the announcement that they were moving their world-wide headquarters to the city of Shreveport as well. That ribbon cutting and dedication will take place tomorrow at 10:00 a.m. out at the Port and certainly would hope that you and any other members of the public who are so inclined to come out and have a chance to be able to be a part of that, please do so. It represents about 350+ total jobs that are now here located within the Shreveport area, and I think one of our few world-wide headquarters of a significant manufacturing operation. So we certainly welcome them and look forward to the celebration on tomorrow. Also Mr. Chairman, I want to again as I did on yesterday express my thanks and appreciation to you and the members of the council for giving us an opportunity to be able to meet with you on last Friday to discuss the various dog park options that are before us. We hopefully have provided to you all a copy of the power point presentation that we presented on that afternoon, or that morning rather. We also have had that power point presentation placed on the city's website at shreveportla.gov so citizens out there can come and take a look at that and go through what's detailed and presented, and we certainly welcome the opportunity to be able to engage in further discussions and dialogue with you Mr. Chairman and other members of the council as we go forward. Also, I think that I may have mentioned yesterday I had the opportunity prior to the Audit and Finance Committee to go and visit with Agata Fertitta McCall and her husband, Jonathan and the other folks there at Fertitas on yesterday. And they expressed nothing but absolute enthusiasm about the idea of being able to see dog lovers from throughout this region end up a half a block away from them at what is I believe one of the few commercial, I know it's one of the few restaurants in the entire, it may have been the first restaurant in the state of Louisiana that made its way to the National Register of Historic places. Jeff, you might offer me some clarity on that.

Councilman Everson: I don't know if it's the first, but I know it is certainly one of the longest operating and also you know in the area, there is really probably only one other

commercial building that is still standing, and it's been out of use for some time. But there was a long history in that area during the prohibition time, and after times, and after a lot of jazz clubs and blues clubs. It's a very interesting area, and that serves as one of our last reminders of the heyday down there.

Mayor Glover: Absolutely in fact for those who would want to more, if you Google Fertitas, they have an excellent website that gives you some of the history that Jeff just referenced. It is in fact been a building that continually open and operated as a family owned and lived in business in that old tradition of commerce on the ground level, and living quarters up above. It has been continuously occupied by a combination of the Fulco and the Fertita families since 1927. And as Councilman Everson just referenced, was at one point in the city's history the epi center of the old blues district. An area that kind of bookend Ledbetter Heights or St. Paul's Bottoms as it was referred to back in those days in terms of being the places where folks came to this area and sought to have a good time, listen to some good music, have something good to eat and get 'em an ice cold adult beverage every now and then. So, lots of history, lots of opportunity, lots of potential, and glad to see that they have so eagerly welcomed that particular possibility as well. As I mentioned, we look forward to working with you all going forward. At this point Mr. Chairman I want to invite Erica Lamere and her family to please come forward. Alright Mr. Chairman, members of the Council, I want you to meet a young lady who has earned national acclaim for the volunteer work that she does within our community. Erica Lamere is one of 10 students recognized this year as Prudential Spirit of Community Award winners. Her story of volunteerism is uniquely personal and Erica is to be admired not only for her commitment to helping others through her community service, but also the courage that she displays for talking publicly about her own mental health struggles. Erica attended Caddo Middle Magnet where she founded a nonprofit foundation called Erica's Wish. Her foundation has donated more than \$5,000 worth of clothing, books and other items to young patients at Brentwood, a local psychiatric facility. Her idea is to provide every young Brentwood patient with items to comfort and entertain them during their hospitalization. I want to pause right here and let Erica put it in her own words. Let's queue up the video.

### Video Presentation By Erica Lamere

Mayor Glover: For her efforts, Erica received an all-expense paid trip to Washington, D.C., where she was congratulated by Academy award winning Actor Kevin Spacek, and Olympic Gold Medalist Allison Phoenix. So today we pay special tribute to our own hometown hero, Erica Lamere by presenting to her, this Mayor's Award of Excellence. Erica, congratulations.

Councilman Shyne: Ah, that's so wonderful. Wonderful.

Mayor Glover: Erica is joined here today by her parents as well as her siblings. So at this at this point, I'm going to invite Erica to come to the mic and share any thoughts that she may have and also invite her parents to do the same.

Ms. Erica Lamere: I don't know what to say but just thank you for inviting me and giving me this award. And going to D.C. and getting all my awards has helped me to build the courage up to start talking to people, and I honestly don't know what to say right now, but just thank you and going through the struggles has sort of built my confidence up some more.

Councilman Shyne: Alright!

Mrs. Lamere: First I'd like to thank Mayor Cedric Glover for doing this for my daughter. It's been a very difficult journey for her, for her family and for all the other children and families that struggle out there with the many different types of mental health illnesses that we face today. Statistically, 1 in 5 children in our country are struggling with a mental health illness. That is a large population in every city and every town in America whose needs are being overlooked. They're in our schools, they're in our hospitals, they're in our daycare centers, and yet it's not being talked about and the very many issues that surround their needs are not being addressed. From academics in school, time off for hospitalization stays, for understanding and awareness in the community from the friends and peers and the bullying that goes on in the school situation must be addressed. These children are taking their lives statistically 7-10 a month. That's a lot of children that just can't cope anymore. And we all know that media plays into this. We know that our socio-economic environments play into this, we know genetics play into this, but as a community, we have a responsibility to them. To make their life understood, so that kids you know, I have found that when children have things explained to them, the stigmas and all the mysteries that cause them to act one way towards a peer sort of disseminate. And then suddenly they realize that kid isn't as strange as they thought, and that kid isn't so different from them as they thought. And things become a little bit more equal in the playing field. And if we can get more awareness and understanding out there, I think it would help them tremendously. And I'm doing my part to do that. I've been talking about that this while I was up in D.C., I've been talking about it, I think if you read the Mother's Day article in the Shreveport Times, that was our family. I'm doing what I can as a parent to try to get the word out, to try and change the times for these children. And we're also looking at putting together a brand new type of program. You know alcoholics have AL anon, and drug users have their overcoming groups. Children don't overcome mental health, they learn to live with it. So we're going to work on a new program to have a support group for these kids so that when they do come out of Brentwood, or LSU, they have their own group where they can meet. They can talk about their struggles, and we're looking at having them once a month outing for these kids. I don't care if they're wearing pink tutus, black combat boots, and their hair is purple. They're going to go out, they're going to play a game of baseball. We're going to have a professional baseball coach taking them out there, and that's their group. So they can feel comfortable with each other, they can talk about similar struggles they're having and they can learn to live together and get through this life that's very difficult for them. So I thank you for your time. And I appreciate your recognition of my daughter.

Mr. Lamere: I'd just like to take this time to thank Mayor Glover, City Council and I come out of some tough times myself as a kid. And I don't want to go on ranting and raving, but I realized that one person can reach into the life of a kid and make a difference. I had a young man call me from prison today. Collect. And I took his call. He was employed by me, and he went on to tell he how I was like a father figure to him. Which I never knew I was. He was just an employee. I was nice to him, I treated him well. And he made me stop and think how every one of us can reach into the life of one kid and make a difference. And it doesn't matter what you do, whether you have 'em over for dinner, or take 'em to the ballpark, or whatever the deal is. And you know it may not be a long term thing, this young man worked for me what a year? Three armed robberies, Thanksgiving morning. Nine years in prison because he got caught up in the wrong crowd. But for a few short months that he was employed by me, I can see that the man is ready to turn around and I don't think he's just one of these prison guys that are calling up trying

to get out. He's going to do his time. He's doing his artwork. I presented his artwork to William Joyce. I got a call the other day from William Joyce's secretary. This man's artwork is outstanding. His life is outstanding, and I believe this kid is going to come around. Okay, we all have problems, we all run into trouble. But I believe by each one of us reaching into somebody's life we can make a difference. Thank you.

Mayor Glover: I think we need to give a round of applause to the entire Lamere family. Thank you all. Continue the work that you're doing. God bless. Thanks Mr. Chairman. I believe we have a group here from BizCamp. Alright. There we go, that's Lena Leviston, Little J.

Councilman Shyne: And your good friend Roy Burrell.

Mayor Glover: We have a group of students here today Mr. Chairman, members of the Council from BizCamp. As you know this is a dynamic training academy and camp that offers intense training every summer to young entrepreneurs between the ages of 3 and 17. Now in its 20<sup>th</sup> year, BizCamp remains as relevant today as it was in the '90s when it was first started. So I'll have BizCamp Director, Lena Leviston introduce us to a couple of here students in the program. One of which who I already know and who I had a chance to spend a little time with at the 'Let The Good Times Roll Festival' this weekend. So Ms. Leviston come on up and introduce these two young folks to us.

Ms. Leviston: Thank you Mayor Glover, and good evening to our City Council, Mr. Everson. We want to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support of BizCamp. We started this organization in the year of 2000 and we've been going full speed ever since. Our first BizCamp was held in 2001. So we're now in our 12<sup>th</sup> year. And I've been with 'em every year of those times.

Councilman Shyne: Congratulations.

Ms. Leviston: As most of you know, I retired after 43 years with the Caddo School system, and 20 of those years as Supervisor of Career and Technical Education. So I have a really good background of entrepreneurship and knowing what our students need. You know that BizCamp was organized because we believe that entrepreneurs are not born, but that we grow them. And we grow them through organizations such as BizCamp. And BizCamp has proven its way because we have many, many youngsters who have gone into business of their own. A lot of them are still in high school and they're doing things throughout in their high schools to get money to help others. They're writing business plans in other words. This year, we're fortunate to have with us four teachers, and we're really grateful to have two professors from Southern University who are with the students and two from Caddo Parish Schools. Giving us a total of four teachers. Dr. Cynthia Hester and I believe she is Dean of the Department of Business at Southern University, and she's one of our teachers. And we have Mrs. Debra Brown who works also in the Business Department at Southern University. We have Ms. Cassandra Howard who is a teacher at Fair Park, and Ms. Tia Young, who is a teacher at Woodlawn. These teachers are really going at it this year and the reason why we don't have all of our students here is because we started a little late this year and they are doing their business plans. It just so happens that these two students have already written their plan, have done their business cards and have they are ready to present on tomorrow. Also I want to recognize - - - he came in Mr. Darren Dixon. Darren would you stand? Darren is one of our BizCamp directors or whatever you want to call him. He works with BizCamp, but he's at Southern University. And what is your title at Southern? He's the Director of Small Business Development and he works with us through BizCamp. We also have the help from Remington College. Their advance business students are there with us, we have about six of 'em including the head of the Department of Business at Remington College. They have volunteered their time to come to Centenary to work with those business plans. We are really into it. We want to make sure that these students get what they need and we're there to give it to them. We also had an instructor, well not an instructor, but she's the CPA for Yokem Toyota to come in and teach the income statement. So we have these people in the community who are willing to help us and we want you to know how much we appreciate you and those people. But I brought two students with me today who are going to say in their own words, thank you.

Ms. Kayla Mayweather: Good afternoon. On behalf of our State Representative Roy Burrell, our administrative staff, our teachers, and other BizCamp students. We want to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support.

Ms. Marvin Williams: We've already been in camp for one week and have already learned so much about how to become successful entrepreneurs. We've visited Cohabitat, and now we know so many channels to go through to help us get started and own our own business.

Ms. Mayweather: We are in the process of writing our business plans which will be judged by a panel of business women and men. On Thursday, we will set up shops to sell our merchandise at the Louisiana Boardwalk from 12:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Mr. Williams: As a token of our appreciation, please accept these T-shirts. Again, we say thank you.

Mayor Glover: Thank you Ms. Leviston, thank you Kayla, thank you Little J. And Mrs. Leviston, I'm not sure if my friend Little J doesn't have kind of an advantage over some of the other students at BizCamp this year. Because he's already in business. He is the son of our very own Marvin "Jabber Jaws" Williams. And together, they are the proprietors of Little J Records out on W. 70th Street. What's the address Little J?

Mr. Williams: 3009 W. 70th Street.

Mayor Glover: See I told you, he's a business man. 3009 W. 70<sup>th</sup> Street, so keep learning, keep growing and Kayla, very impressed by you as well. Excellent job and we look forward to seeing you guys at the end of the summer.

Mr. Williams: Thank you.

Mayor Glover: And thank you Ms. Leviston for what you continue to do. Two things Mr. Chairman, members of the council before I take my seat. I know that one of the things that we will have on our agenda today for discussion and Executive Session has to do with the DOJ EPA situation that we have been working with you all toward concluding. I just want to add maybe just a little bit of additional urgency to that by I think you guys have already seen within recent weeks. We've had two major blowouts, not on the sewer side, but on the water side. One in the Allendale/Lakeside area week before last. Just recently out on the Ellerbe Road area, I think we had an 18-inch main to blow there. 24-inch main that was over in Allendale and Lakeside. And those are issues and challenges that we have nobody from the federal government breathing down our necks at this point. On the sewer side and Barbara, give me a number for last week if you have it. I know week before last we recorded 11 sanitary sewer overflows if I'm not mistaken? For the month of May, we had 11 sanitary sewer overflows. Now, based upon the fine that the EPA and the Department of Justice imposed or would impose or could impose for each of those, those 11 would come in at \$37,500 per. I'll keep the math easy. If it was 10, it'd be \$375,000.

Councilman O. Jenkins: \$407 (thousand), but that's - - -

Mayor Glover: I'm sorry? \$407(thousand) That's what Southfield and Dartmouth will do for you. And so we're talking over \$400,000 that we could have been subject to and that's in just

one month's time. No doubt that we're half-way through or almost through rather with June and we've had overflows this month as well. At the end of this month, we'll end up a calculation of what those numbers actually are as well. We'll report those just as we did the previous 11, and the bottom line of it is if we don't put ourselves in a situation where we can ultimately avoid being fined, then that's what we're opening ourselves up to in terms of potential sanctions that could hit us on a monthly basis. The last thing I want to do Mr. Chairman members of the Council and you can correct me if you don't want to move in this direction. But I know that we have Ms. McNeil and Ms. Papillion who are here. I don't know at what point they might have been inclined to come up and speak. I do know that Mrs. McNeil is rather elderly, and don't want her to have to wait any longer than necessary. So I would extend an invitation as a part of Mayoral Communication to invite them to step forward and offer whatever communication they may have. I know that they are one of the six families who are a part of the home reconstruction program. I think we've got pretty much happy and in line with that effort up to this point. I think that they may represent the exception, and certainly we want to offer them the opportunity to present their concerns to the Council, and certainly we are prepared from the administration.

Councilman Shyne: Now Mr. Mayor, while they're coming up and you're on your way back, I just want to piggyback on one thing you said about football camp. I got a call from Eddie Robinson, Jr. He wanted me to give you his number. Doug Williams, and Shaq Harris some of these people might now know who they are, but I know you do. And there's a team of professional players that they have around them, and they've had camps down in Baton Rouge, Monroe, Lake Charles, Ruston, and they wanted to have one here for next year. But I told them that you probably wouldn't call them. You'd probably have Shelly or Dale over there. And I told them I didn't know your schedule, but I did tell them that the wide-receiver over here, Oliver Jenkins probably would want to be a part of that group. You could work with the linemen if your knees were a little bit better.

Councilman Corbin: He's still on injured reserve.

Mayor Glover: I can still coach now.

Councilman Shyne: You think you could come off next year?

Mayor Glover: I can still coach.

Councilman Shyne: Right, well I told him that we had two people here in city government that would work with - - - he could work with the wide-receivers, you could work with the interior linemen, and then the other - - - well matter of fact, the professional group that'd be coming in, they might be able to stand around and learn something. Now I don't want y'all to make a commitment right now, but I'll tell Eddie. I'll call him back and tell him that you all would be available. But I want to give this number to you when you come over there and you could pass it on to Dale or Shelly or if you have a chance, you know you can call Eddie Robinson, Jr.

Mayor Glover: Unless he's changed his number, I should still have it. But I'll take that paper to make sure. That both he and his dear late mother's number also. But if he hadn't changed it, I've got it.

Councilman Shyne: But I'm gone give it to you because I told him.

Mayor Glover: Absolutely, we want to make sure it's still the same.

Councilman Shyne: That's right. Cause I told him I would, because I don't know whether he's watching or not.

Mayor Glover: And I think Councilman Oliver Jenkins unfortunately may have to pass those duties over to our good friend, John Atkins. Because I think he was a shooting guard as opposed to a wide-receiver.

Councilman O. Jenkins: By the way, just so we're clear, John Atkins was a running back, I was a wide-receiver on the football team.

Mayor Glover: And John Atkins was corner back as well. So at one point and time, we were they biggest and the smallest, but John always had the biggest heart. Thank you Mr. Chairman, members of the Council.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Mayor Glover, I have a question for you. In reference to the 24-inch water main that broke in Allendale community, I actually forwarded you some photos of the actual flooding. I attended a meeting with Foster's representatives this past week, and I made an inquiry as to what should actually take place in a case like this. I actually witnessed and saw the flooding occur in Allendale community. And as I shared with you, there was a family of six that actually had a handicapped child whereby they couldn't even get into the house to even access the equipment that was needed for that handicapped child. I guess what I really want to know from administration is what action is the city of Shreveport actually taking to identify the residents and the families that were actually flooded, I mean affected by the flooding in their homes. I've had several people to contact me, regarding the flooding of their homes, and I've talked with members of the St. Mary Baptist Church and as I understand they have an outreach program there. But I mean, what actions is the city actually taking on identifying the residents that were actually affected by the breakage of the 24-inch water main.

Mayor Glover: Whenever you have a situation Councilwoman and this would be an area where I don't know what would be the parallel to Commissioner Campbell, because this is not even a utility that would be regulated by the PSC.

Councilwoman McCulloch: That's what they explained to me.

Mayor Glover: Exactly. This is something our yard, exactly. In instances where you have actions or instances that may have some city liability, you have our Risk Management Department, that works in conjunction with the involved department to identify those individuals, businesses, and what have you that have been affected and impacted. And those individuals have the right to be able to file a claim against the City of Shreveport to be compensated for losses for instances that are our fault. And so it's my understanding that that process is under is underway right now.

Mr. Sibley: It is.

Mayor Glover: We are reaching out to identify who those folks are, both in terms of the individuals as well as the church and any other. And then we're working to try and see how we go about to resolve and address those issues.

Councilwoman McCulloch: So we've actually identified each resident, is that my understanding?

Mayor Glover: Yes Ma'am.

Councilwoman McCulloch: (Inaudible) concerned about the senior citizens, the handicapped, those that were not able to go and come and make application, make phone calls, or stand in lines. I was just wondering if the city has something in place whereby they would actually be able to contact and go by make the application to Risk Management.

Mayor Glover: Well, part of my directive and I think is also a part of our standard protocol is that we go out and we identify as best we can those individuals who have been impacted. Those folks who have water that's come into their home or what have you, and offer them contact

information and begin to have our Risk Management folks begin to evaluate and assess what may need to be done to address that. In addition to that under these types of circumstances, we have instances where you may have someone whose not affected directly. But they may be out of water because of the repairs and what have you. And so we even go out and we do door hangers and make notifications, and in some instances if conditions warrant, we actually bring out water so that folks will have access to some water during the period of time, especially if we're dealing areas where people may be either invalids, elderly or otherwise disabled. And so, that process is underway, and between Dale and Barbara and Evelyn and Risk Management will be able to give you a report exactly on terms of how we're progressing.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Okay. Ms. Evelyn Kelly?

Mayor Glover: Yes.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Alright, thank you so much.

Mayor Glover: We had some reports that some folks thought that we were being overly helpful to the church and not focusing on the people. I want to stay right with God, so we made sure we take care of the Lord's house, but we've taken care of the people also. So we're going to make sure we try and be as forward leaning as we can in both areas. Any feedback you can give us will certainly be helpful.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Well alright, thank you so much.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor, let Carrie come up and she might want you to stand right there by her. Come on up sweetheart.

Ms. Carrie Papillion: Good day Mr. Mayor, that's my mother Frances McNeil back there, and my mother is a part of the Mayor keeps saying six houses, but I recall it was five. Community Development rebuilt my mother's home. And I'm here today seeking help for my mother, because my mother asked me to come the last mile in resolving her issues with getting back in her home a year later, when she was promised to be back in in six months. Her issues right now, she has no gutters on her house, and the water is falling on her head. She had gutters on her home before they tore the house down. She never had a flat roof because there is no flat roof houses in Mooretown at all. And she had a patio slab on the back of her house that she had an awning on. They told her they was gone put that back for her. Hasn't put her slab back. Her carport is not up, she had a carport. Her fence is not properly installed, this is a safety issue, it's raggedy, the wire's sticking out. Instead of having brackets on it, it had circles of wire on it. And so my mother had - - - I've been in communication with the Mayor, Ms. Moore. I started this process at the annex building under the old inspector Ray Jones, them. This is how far back my mother's file has been sitting with the city. So her issue right now today is her rent also hasn't been paid by the city. The apartment that she's living in right now is (inaudible) her. Because the city has not paid her rent. They owe \$330.68. they moved my mother out of her home and now they want us her children to relocate her for two weeks, pay the rent. That wasn't the contract. The city moved her and she shouldn't be under this type of stress that she's fixin to be evicted. She never lived in an apartment. She been living on Florence Street over 60 years. That's the only place she have ever lived since the age of 15. So, the city has given her - - - I spoke to Mr. Mayor, I thought we had an agreement that this was going to be worked out. Ms. Moore started rehashing the old one year ago, June 12th, I emailed Ms. Valerie Ervin before they tore her house down, I specifically asked them 'are you going to replace everything on her property she had'? She said the (inaudible) contracting company bid was too high. She was going to bid my mother's porch, back porch, carport, fence and front yard to put it back the way it was at the end when the contracting bid was

too high. We've been back and forth for over a year. Before they even tore her house down, I asked her to put it in writing. She sent me an email and said she was going to do it at the end. A year later, she's back tracking. One day they're going to fix her- -- she's in code, it's on her plans. My mother is seeking help on a resolution that people cannot come to agreement with her starting with the Mayor, Ms. Moore, I've been dealing with her. Valerie Ervin, they're back and forth. She's ready to get in her home. She's -- - the contractors, his deadline ended March 31st. So why three of the homeowners out of the five are still out of their house and it's June. His contract ended, but they want to penalize the seniors and rush them - - - it's more like bullying them to me. Because they're pressuring them to take this house. Close it and then appeal the process afterward for the things that you didn't get. That's crazy to me. Why appeal when you're already out of your home, and you promised them to fix everything back. So I don't know where to go from here because the Mayor sent it back to Ms. Moore. And I told him I need to - - - I need help. My mother is sitting there. She needs to get back in her home.

Councilman Shyne: Well, Carrie that's the boss. You know how you see this TV story, The Undercover Boss? That's the boss right there. You're looking at the boss. And you're looking at his Lieutenant. Well, I won't say Lieutenant, I'll say Assistant Boss. Mr. Mayor, it's alright if I give Dale an upgrade, huh? From Lieutenant to Assistant Boss.

Mayor Glover: Absolutely.

Councilman Shyne: But you're looking at the boss.

Mayor Glover: You can call him the Mayor if you want to.

Councilman Shyne: Well no, no, no, no. But you're looking at the boss right there and the boss can take care of it. I know you live out in Mooretown, but for the - - -

Ms. Papillion: My mother lives out in Mooretown.

Councilman Shyne: Right, yes. Your mother lives out in Mooretown. But he's actually the boss out there in Mooretown. That's the boss right there. So, Boss, I'm turning it over to you. Alright.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, members of the Council, with all due respect to Ms. Papillion, this is unfortunately one of those situations where I think no good deed goes unpunished. This is an issue that I take very seriously, because it involves the home of a senior citizen, a woman who is on oxygen and who is being given the opportunity to have a better home, better housing. And we want to make sure that we do it well and do it right. In fact, I think as Mayor, I shared with some previously, this is an example of how, based on some of the lessons that came from, some of the challenges from 2009 with the home repair program where you have \$35,000 limit in terms of the amount of money that you can spend to do repairs and upgrades. You have homes that \$35,000 is only about half the cost of renovations that need to be done. And the home itself would end up probably with only a value of about \$60,000. And so it ends up not being very wise to ultimately spend \$35,000 to repair a home, still end up with significant gaps in terms of what needs to be done, and end up with an overall home that is still undervalue. That's why in this case and others that Councilman Jenkins, you made reference to earlier. The decision was made to do complete reconstruction. And that's what has happened here. You have a home there on Florence Street, Mrs. McNeil's home, which has been completed re-constructed. It is a brand new beautiful home, that is warranted for a full year. When Ms. Papillion raised the issues that she just shared with you all, I didn't just depend on feedback from Bonnie Moore or Valerie Ervin, or their staff members, I went out personally and inspected the home myself. And can tell you that as Mayor of the City of Shreveport, I am perfectly convinced that this situation has been addressed,

completely, thoroughly. All of the engineering reports in terms of there not being a need for gutters for this type of construction. That there is a front porch that is very nice and very attractive. The idea of trying to figure out how to construct I think what Ms. Papillion has requested is a 10" X "6" wide patio to be constructed adjacent to the home. There's not even a space large enough to be able to accommodate or facilitate that. The fencing is all proper and appropriate, and again, this is one example that frankly, I'm at a loss in terms of how to ultimately resolve except to come to the conclusion that we have spent as much as we should in terms of trying to address this situation, as Ms. Papillion mentioned, there was some delays that ended up being caused by the fact that the home that was demolished and cleared away contained asbestos that was not initially anticipated. And so that added a dimension in terms of remediation and clean up time that had to go into the construction. And as Ms. Papillion also mentioned, and I believe and I'll stand corrected by staff from Community Development, one of the things that Bonnie and her team has also done in their efforts to make sure that these reconstruction efforts end up being as least burdensome and impactful as possible on the folks who are involved, and is something that is not required I believe by HUD regulation. Is that Mrs. McNeil, Ms. Papillion's mother was in fact accommodated at city expense in an apartment for I believe the last 11 months. And that is rent that has been paid by the City of Shreveport to the tune I think, somewhere about \$10,000 or so for this past year. And Ms. Papillion is correct. This has gotten to a point to where we are attempting to close on the home, to appropriately turn it back over to Ms. McNeil, and welcome her into her new home, so that we can put a period on this effort and be able to hopefully take joy, just as expressed early along with this council as well as the rest of the community that we now have another structure back within a neighborhood that will keep the family there as a committed stakeholder. And so, again I've looked at this one from the front, from the back, from the side, from the top and the downward, the before pictures, the after pictures, and this is a situation that again from our perspective represents a tremendous blessing, and we believe that is time to, as I said, to close it, to move on, and acknowledge that we appreciate the concerns that have been expressed by Ms. Papillion. But we do not believe them to be substantive, or significant enough at this point to prevent us from being able to close out and go on and begin the process of trying to help the next senior that is in need, that has a challenge and a problem because right now, staff is still basically tied to trying to get this one particular project closed out.

Councilman Shyne: Carrie, did you understand? What the boss is saying, this is the end. Ms. Papillion: Okay.

Councilman Shyne: You can't go no higher than him.

Ms. Papillion: Boss, speaking of additional program than the program my mother is in. Because what he just expound, is not the same information that HUD guidelines told my mother. The City of Shreveport didn't give my mother a home. My mother qualified for this house under the federal HUD program because she is disabled and had nothing to do with the city. These new rules he talking, they just came into effect. And no, my mother's house is not right. When my mother signed this contract with Robert Dumas, she asked specific questions. Would my house be put back the same way it was when you took it down? He said everything you have on your home will be put back. I've got emails from Bonnie Moore as recently as - - - you can prove that Ms. Bonnie Moore on June 23<sup>rd</sup> sent me, Mayor and you an email saying that she wanted me to relocate my mother somewhere else or pay the rent because the house wasn't ready. She needed two weeks. Why I gotta relocate my mother, cause she said she was going to put the gutters on. She was going to put a slab in the back like my mother had. She was going to put the carport up.

She was going to send a new fence man out. So why would she have me just as late as June 23<sup>rd</sup> try to move my mother somewhere else until she finishes this house if it was done? So that's two different contradictory stories right there. I can --- the email is just June 23<sup>rd</sup> when she acknowledged that I said my neighbor's house burned. Mines got burned. She said well I asked you to move your mother, your brothers and all this. So therefore that in itself tells you that something is incomplete. If she's asking me to take her somewhere else other than to her home. Because y'all don't want to pay the rent. It's not my mother's fault. My mother's house set up for three months with this contractor. I'm thinking that Community Development is an advocate for the senior citizens when they their houses down and relocate 'em. I did your inspector's job. Called them after three months, and said the box got grass growing in it where he's supposed to put the concrete. Two months later, a month and a half later, he poured the concrete. Then it sets up another two months before he starts building. I tell your inspector why is this house been setting up for five months. You're eating up her rent money and the weather is not bad, we had good weather all this time. Then it sets, he started working around October, November. She supposed to have been back in her house for Thanksgiving. Then he said Christmas, then January, the February, then they said, well we're just going to let him fill his contract. So, this house set up for nine months with no work, and your inspectors did not get on this building to build these people's house in a timely fashion. That's why we're at the end now, done ran out of the rent money cause they ate it up all this time with these delays. So, to the Mayor, her house is not and the City of Shreveport did not give her that home. She qualified for that home under the federal regulations. That money, the City of Shreveport is managing for the federal government. It's not coming out of this budget. So for you to say you all gave her a new home. Yeah, she's grateful for the new home, she's been trying to get a new home since 2009, when she started this process in 2003.

Councilman Corbin: Ms. Papillion? Ms. Papillion: Yeah, I'm through.

Councilman Corbin: I'm not trying to cut you off, I'm trying to tell you is this.

Ms. Papillion: And I don't mean to be disrespectful.

Councilman Corbin: And you're not.

Councilman Shyne: You're not, you're a citizen.

Councilman Corbin: I think certainly Council has heard your concerns. I think to move this forward, it's going to be my suggestion that you sit down with Ms. Moore and a representative from the Mayor's office. Those are the people that if there's any help to be done, those are the people that can help you. And go through that process.

Ms. Papillion: That's what I thought I was going through, when I went through the Mayor. Councilman Corbin: And then hopefully we'll get good news of how everything is resolved and everyone is happy down the road.

Ms. Papillion: So in the meanwhile, she gets put out from the apartment she's living in? Now I could have took my mother to California if they wanted to - - -

Councilman Corbin: And again, I don't have the answers to that. That's why I suggest that you talk to Ms. Moore and you make sure that the communication is going properly. Because I have a hard time believing that a program is going to put your mom out if there's not been some other - - -

Ms. Papillion: I can play you the voicemail right now from the management saying the City of Shreveport said, your mother is responsible for the rent.

Councilman Corbin: Okay, what I'm asking you is to get those people together who can help you. And if the Mayor's office needs the help facilitate that meeting, I think they will.

Ms. Papillion: Okay. Sounds good to me.

Councilman Shyne: And again now, we've done all that we can do. And it had to come back to the boss. Now, Bonnie Moore works for who Mr. Mayor?

Mayor Glover: Me.

Councilman Shyne: There you go. Bonnie Moore works for the Mayor. She doesn't really work for the two of us. So he's the only somebody who can handle the problem where it is right now. We didn't really know that you had been to the Mayor. But you're with the Mayor, like I said, the boss. So he directs Bonnie Moore in what she can and cannot do. Now sometimes he'll do it through Dale, sometimes he might think he gets lost a little bit if it goes through Dale, so he'll do it directly. But I believe the Mayor is willing to sit down and work with you to have somebody to call you. Mr. Mayor, do you have her number or whatever it is?

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, members of the Council, to be clear, and you're right Mr. Shyne, we have engaged this process. And this was one that I felt warranted direct hands on engagement from yours truly, and that's exactly what we've done. What we have is a situation here where as Mrs. Papillion has attempted to represent federal dollars that we are the stewards of, that we asked and have the opportunity to be able to make use of here at the local level to go out and address what we see as the housing needs and challenges that face the city of Shreveport. And so, the source of those dollars are taxpayer dollars. In this particular case, they come from the federal government, but all of us in this room today, in our respected elected capacities are responsible for. And so we want to make sure that we make wise use of them. I also want to make very clear, that this is a program and you all have seen from other folks who have come and appeared before this council and the previous council, that the list of individuals who would like the opportunity to be able to participate in this program is considerable. And so there is no - - this is not an entitlement. You don't fit a definition or a set of circumstances and you are automatically able to say give me my home. There are lots of folks who are eligible and could participate in this program. We unfortunately have far too few resources to be able to accommodate that list of folks who are on that list right now is very long. You have some folks who have in fact passed away waiting for their opportunity to be able to have a chance to be able to be here. And so what we have done is we have reviewed this situation, done so in depth and in detail, to make sure that everything is appropriate and in order. We have a home that is in more than ready to move in fashion. And we believe that it would be imprudent and unwise to continue to use public dollars to provide some place for someone to stay who already has a home that is ready to be occupied, that has been properly inspected, and that has a warranty on it for the next year. So I've looked at it from the front, the back, the sides, inside and out, and we believe at this point and time that what's prudent, not only for Mrs. McNeil, but for the taxpayers as well as for those folks who we hope to still have an opportunity to help going forward, is for us to close this situation out and move forward. And that's what we've informed Ms. Papillion of as well as Ms. McNeil. Thank you Mr. Chairman, thank you members of the Council.

Ms. Papillion: Thank you very much. But I just want to say, this mayor needs to learn the program.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Mr. Irma Rogers wanted to come up and make a short presentation on anti-bullying. She'll be very brief.

Ms. Irma Rogers: To our Mayor, Chairman Corbin, Vice-Chair Shyne and all of our City Councilmen and woman. We started this year which is our 10th anniversary for the MLK Community Development Corporation with our fall forum whereby we have covered several subjects in the past few years, including to a Haynesville Shale incident, emergency preparedness, and we also had General Everett Thomas to visit and talk with our students in a salute to Barksdale and what Barksdale does for our community. As some of our subjects this year, our fall forum in October, we presented an anti-bullying campaign. It also covered some other subjects. At that forum, we had more than 135 children from each of our - - - it was four of our schools. Primarily the two elementary schools and our two middle schools. We also took it to Green Oaks High School in April, just prior to the prom. And that presentation not only included anti-bullying, but sexting, what is carnal knowledge of a juvenile, and other advertence to crime prevention for our young people. We had them to sign both of these. This has also been presented in conjunction with the Shreveport Police Department. Our Community Liaison Officers, Cpl. Detrick Williams, and Mrs. Sandra Lister. When we were at Green Oaks, we incorporated the Sheriff's Department. I have a poster that I'm going to present to the Commission. But I just wanted you to know a little bit of what we do with our NIP funds, when we put down youth services, these are some of the services. I heard this mother speak about bullying, we've carried this campaign with these two venues. There was a small group of Tot Teens, and last week, the Law and Youth Academy. The same kinds of subjects were covered. With the first few, we passed out arm bands that said, 'I will not bully'. This sign is their pledge against bullying. The other poster board that I'm going to present to the Commission has the cards they signed about anti-bullying, and the other information that came from the Sheriff's Department, is all about things to help them understand what crime is. What things they can get into at a young age. That will affect their lives for the rest of their lives. So this culminated last week, we have one more camp. It's going to be a boys camp July 24-25th. I don't know the number there, but we will have reached more than 400 children with this same subject. We will have supplied about 300 of them with armbands and thumb-bands. The thumbbands were primarily for the high school students at Green Oaks, we did11 and 12th graders only. And it says, I will not text and drive, and each one of those children got a thumb-band, and arm bands, and little packets, and cell phone covers, that say think before you post. So I just wanted you to know that we've carried this out, and this parent to know, this is one thing that we saw as our mission, and we've carried it to almost 500 students so far. With the help of our police and sheriff's department. And I'm going to present this poster, it has a few of the pictures from a couple of the events on here to our City Councilwoman Mrs. Rose Wilson-McCulloch, and to you guys and thank you so much for the funding that you give us.

Councilwoman McCulloch: You have about six or seven those thumb - - - so that I can give to my colleagues?

Ms. Rogers: They're at the office, I'll have to bring them.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Bring me 10 of 'em for the Council.

Ms. Rogers: Yes, I'll get you some or whatever I have left. Ms. Lister always ask for what I have left.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Yeah, gotta have one for the Mayor and Jeff Everson.

Ms. Rogers: And we do get comments. We heard about the bullying over in Marshall, TX. Some other things. And we had a child to present and a mother to present at the fall forum about having been bullied. And all of the things this mother had to go through because her child was bullied at school. So, we thought it was a very good subject for this year, and we just want to

thank you guys, and let you know with some of the funding that we get. Thank you so much. Councilwoman McCulloch: I think I'll post that in my yard for a minute for two.

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

#### **Reports**

Property Standards Report (Res. 7 of 2003)

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

Surety Bond Forfeitures Report (Res 238 of 2010)

EMS Transports Report (Res 239 of 2010)

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

Ms. Dara Sanders: Good afternoon, very briefly, the Master Plan Committee has spent the majority of its time reviewing the contract for the Unified Development Code. The MPC has received recommended revisions and additions from the City Attorney's office that we will be incorporating into that final draft. And we expect to obtain the Chair's signature on that contract within a matter of days. The next meeting is July 1<sup>st</sup>, and if I can answer any questions that you may have.

Councilman Everson: I was glad to see those revisions. They look good down from the City Attorney's office, (inaudible) language that y'all were looking for, finally surfaced.

Ms. Sanders: Exactly, thank you.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Now Dara, while you're there, the mayor volunteered to help us with an outreach as far as reaching out to the various communities in order to inform and educate the public in the districts.

Ms. Sanders: We're working on that process internally, and will be announcing our approach in the future.

Councilwoman McCulloch: So you will be getting back with the Mayor's office?

Ms. Sanders: Yes Ma'am.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Okay, thank you so much.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I appreciate your efforts on the Pierremont corridor overlay, and I got your public comments. That's good. And look forward to the next phase.

Ms. Sanders: Yes, we'll be presenting those findings and recommendations to MPC at our next meeting next week, and requesting permission to advertise an official ordinance for the Pierremont corridor design overlay district. So we anticipate some action on that in the near future as well. Thank you.

Councilman Corbin: Mr. Thompson, that brings us down to the public hearing. Would you - - -?

Mr. Thompson: That's correct Mr. Chairman, you may want to open the public hearing and ask whether or not the administration has a presentation.

Councilman Corbin: And we will do that.

**Public Hearing**: Proposed Resolution No. 81 of 2013: A resolution stating the <u>renewal</u> of the City of Shreveport's endorsement of Regenesis Construction Co., LLC to participate in the benefits of the Louisiana Restoration Tax Abatement program and to otherwise provide with

respect thereto (Not to be adopted prior to June 25, 2013)

Councilman Corbin: The public hearing is now open. Is there a presentation from the Administration?

Mayor Glover: Yes. The appropriate folks from Community Development, please come forward.

Ms. Ebony Mapp: Good afternoon Council. Mayor Glover and Mr. Sibley. I'll be talking to you about the restoration tax abatement application for 219 Fannin Street, Shreveport, LA. To begin, I'd just like to give a brief summary of the RTA program, and this is for the benefit of the public watching and here today. Summary of the RTA program for the benefit of the public that is present and those watching here today. The Restoration tax abatement is an incentive program established at the state level, to encourage the expansion, restoration, improvement or development of existing structures in a qualifying economic development district at the local level. The program allows commercial and residential property owners that seek to expand, restore or otherwise physically improve an existing structure the opportunity to defer the post improvement assessed tax amount for five years, provided that property taxes have not been paid on the improvements. This means that for five years after completion of the project, property owners will have pay taxes based on the value of the property prior to the improvements having been made. An RTA contract may be renewed for an additional 5 years. The property presented for your consideration today is located at 219 Fannin Street, Shreveport, LA 71101 and is owned by Mr. and Mrs. James H. Lester. I have a picture of what the property used to look like. Is that good enough, or can you see? So this is what the project looked like in 2008 or rather prior to the purchase of the property by the Lester's.

Councilman Shyne: Yeah, that's the Lester's property?

Ms. Mapp: Yes sir.

Councilman Shyne: Okay. Built in 1914, the two-level, 12,000 sq. ft. property had been vacant since 1978 and at one time served as both an automotive office and boarding house. At the time of purchase, the property was in dangerous and unstable condition and the prior owner originally had plans to tear the building down. It was in such bad condition, actually, that when when the purchasers went to review the property, they purchasers had to sign a hold-harmless agreement in order to inspect it. It was in pretty bad shape. Formerly operating as a home-based business in the Queens-borough neighborhood, the owners of the two companies REgenesis and City View Realty, were attracted to downtown Shreveport and the work/live/play lifestyle. They were also attracted to the opportunity to spur development on that particular block. Prior to their investment, the only other occupied structure on Fannin I believe, was the parking garage at Fannin & Spring Streets. So, they purchased the property with an intent to turn it into office space, workshop, and a residence. They did a complete overhaul; They actually gutted the interior, replacing the roof, windows, electrical, and plumbing and added improvements to the façade,

Councilman Shyne: Now what is the address of that again?

including a balcony. And I have a picture of what it looks like today.

Ms. Mapp: 219 Fannin Street. It's at the intersection of Fannin and I believe Spring.

Councilman Shyne: Okay, right.

Councilman Everson: Between Spring and Market.

Councilman Shyne: I know where it is, I just don't know the address. You know how you know where places are?

Ms. Mapp: It's across the street from Goodyear.

Councilman Shyne: Like I know where Mike lives, I just don't know his address. Ms. Mapp: Oh, okay. The property now allots 2,000 sq. ft. for the businesses and 4,000 sq. ft. for warehouse, workspace, equipment and storage space on the lower level and the full 6000 sq. ft. of residence space on the upper level. Total project costs for the renovation totaled \$432,000, with construction \$371,000 and created 3-4 permanent jobs and approximately 25 temporary jobs. And obviously those were mostly related to construction. In 2008, the Lester's applied for and received an abatement. Today, they are requesting a renewal of the abatement calculated to be \$1,473.00 per year for the next five years, totaling \$7,365.00. And just for your interests I have several additional pictures for you to take a look at. This shows a little bit of what the property looked like prior to the restoration. It was in pretty poor condition, they like I said, they gutted it, this is what it looked like when they were beginning renovations. They broke it down to the studs, they took off all the whatever was lining the wall and exposed all the brick on that side on both levels. And that's the downstairs area. And this is the upstairs. This was some kind of a kitchen, that was on the upper level, and with some type of storage area, but again, they gutted all of that. And this is what it looks like now. This is the foyer on the first floor when you first level when you first walk in. And then they built a kind of a loft space above that. Like it has a seating area, and this is all work space. This is a lobby for clients to come in and wait until such time as they can meet with the owners of the business. And here are some of the improvements that they made. They re-did like I said, all of the plumbing, this is in their workspace area. All of the plumbing, they also corrected a sewer line, I believe they had a cast iron sewer line that had to be ripped out entirely. They replaced that, and that's just evidence of where that was. Ripped out the ceiling and they were able to retain some of this tin ceiling which is more than likely historic. Very beautiful. They were able to retain some of that. Here is some of the workspace. More workspace, and as you can see it's a very large area. And then here's their home.

Councilman Shyne: Now tell 'em if they need a good roofing man, I got one here.

Ms. Mapp: Well the roof is already done. They did do that. So this is the kitchen area on the second level, this is a part of their residence. Another living area. Another living area on the second floor, very lovely. If there are any questions, I'd be happy to answer them at this time.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I guess I just gotta ask the obvious question, that I obviously don't have anything against these people and the system is set up the way the system it is, but in their case, they've finished their improvements to their property. So, I guess from our perspective, what's the rationale for extending them for another five years. Now I would understand if they were only halfway through their project or whatever. But since they've already completed their project, explain to me why the incentive to continue to extend.

Ms. Mapp: That they may remain. I guess it is at your discretion to decide which way to go, but of course, they're going to apply for it again. They have that opportunity. Anyone that applies for an RTA has the opportunity to apply for a renewal, and really it's at the city's discretion. The City Council's discretion to decide whether that's going to be approved or not.

Councilman Everson: And the most recent one of these, just to that I recall at least, was Silver Lake Ballroom I believe that was on Marsha Rice, I think was the developer on that, and it was historic building, sort of you know where the Times is? (Inaudible) this building that has an event reception center on the bottom, and that one maybe a year or two ago, we extended that for a second period.

Councilman O. Jenkins: But was the project already done?

Councilman Everson: It was long completed. In fact I don't know if I'm being 100% accurate, but I think that RTA doesn't kick in until the project is complete.

Ms. Mapp: No, it does kick in, it does kick in.

Councilman Everson: From the beginning of the work?

Ms. Mapp: Uh hm.

Councilman O. Jenkins: And I'm not, I'm just trying to understand what the incentive is. I mean, why don't we just do a ten year from the front side to begin with if we're going to grant an extension automatically and why is that provision even in there?

Ms. Mapp: It may be unless it's just speculation on my part, but it may relate back to job creation. Because part of the rules (inaudible) for the incentive of course is to get people to move to these, to invest into these areas, but also to create jobs. And so there is a question where I have to go back to these people and say well, did you create jobs? Were they permanent, were they temporary. And so, that's a way to kind of decide whether a renewal was even something that can be considered.

Councilman Shyne: I can give him another reason.

Mayor Glover: Can I jump in here as well if you don't mind.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor, I'll give 'em another reason, because at the time, we had a majority of Republicans on the Council.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I guess. Okay, say they didn't want to go for a ten year plan (inaudible). Okay.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, members of the Council. I think it's also a part of the consideration before the application in terms of a project that they put together on the front end. And that is as you do your calculation of what it is that you're going to do, many of them do it I believe with an expectation of doing something significant enough and impactful enough to end up warranting the ten years. I believe this gives local government the ability to be able to serve as kind of a check and balance to that to ensure that what actually has been done, actually is worthy of the continued added benefit of the additional five years. Had you had a situation here where you didn't have the ability for this young lady to stand before you and make the kind of quality presentation that she just did, detailing the significant improvement, then that would probably be something that would be appropriate to weigh in determining whether or not you would extend for the additional five years. But also knowing that it would not have been possible to ultimately end up receiving a total of ten years' worth of benefits, you might have seen a project not as nearly significant or as impactful as you have before you.

Councilman O. Jenkins: The (inaudible) that is if it wasn't really any better, it wouldn't be any savings on his tax, right? Cause you're base lining - - - and maybe I misunderstand.

Councilman Everson: Yeah, if they didn't really improve it.

Councilman O. Jenkins: If they didn't improve it, you wouldn't be giving them the tax abatement on those improvements.

Mayor Glover: If the after picture wasn't much more impressive than the before picture, then you probably would say, I don't believe that an additional five years is warranted. From my perspective, since there is such a significant difference between the before and the after, from the administrative perspective, we believe that it is certainly warranted, and it provides what we think is the kind of incentive that insures that for folks who look at other potential opportunities going forward, that they start off with a substantial front end commitment, knowing that they have an opportunity to qualify and benefit from five years and then five years later, they need to be able to

make sure that they can detail and document that as they seek the additional five years.

Councilman O. Jenkins: And just so I'm clear on the write up sheet, that number that's in there on the abatement is the improvements that they've made and what that taxable amount would be.

Ms. Mapp: Yes.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay, thank you.

Ms. Mapp: Okay, thank you.

Councilman Corbin: Is there anyone present who would like to speak in favor of the Restoration Tax Abatement Resolution? Is there anyone who would like to speak in opposition to the Restoration Tax Abatement Resolution? If not then this public hearing is now closed. Mr. Thompson: Is there any legislation to be added today?

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

Adding legislation to the agenda (regular meeting only) and public comments on motions to add items to the agenda.

Mr. Thompson: We have one matter Mr. Chairman.

The Clerk read the following:

1. Ordinance No.74 of 2013: An ordinance to amend various sections of Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, the City of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Mr. Thompson: Ordinance No. 71 is on your agenda. It should be removed and this will be the replacement for it. It was just a mix up in what came to our office.

Councilman Corbin: Is there anyone who would like to speak in favor of adding this item to our agenda? Is there anyone who would like to speak in opposition?

Motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to add Ordinance No. 74 of 2013. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

Public Comments (*In accordance with Section 1.11 of the Rules of Procedures*) Confirmation and Appointment: None.

**Consent Agenda Legislation** 

**To Introduce Routine Ordinances and Resolutions** 

**Resolutions**: None. **Ordinances**: None.

**To Adopt Ordinances and Resolutions** 

**Resolutions:** 

*The Clerk read the following:* 

1. **Resolution No. 104 of 2013**: A resolution authorizing James T. Smiley located at 1640 Wells Island Road to connect to the Water & Sewer System of the City of Shreveport and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (A/McCulloch)(*Postponed June 11, 2013*)

Councilwoman McCulloch: So this was actually postponed? Cause I haven't heard from anybody on this issue, and I was going to ask the administration.

Councilman Corbin: We postponed it at the last meeting.

Councilman Shyne: You want to postpone again?

Councilwoman McCulloch: Well I need to move to postpone again.

Councilman Shyne: I'll second that.

## Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman <u>McCulloch</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>Shyne</u> to postpone until the next regular meeting.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Has the administration heard? Have anybody talked - - -? Mr. Sibley: We did present some information yesterday, but if we could link you up with Barbara and everybody outside of this meeting, if you need to just to kinda get caught up. Councilwoman McCulloch: Alright. Thank you so much.

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

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 114 Of 2013**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ANTHONY W. DANIELS AND GLENDA G. DANIELS LOCATED AT 7473 SHIRLEY FRANCIS ROAD TO CONNECT TO THE WATER & SEWER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, Anthony W. Daniels and Glenda G. Daniels 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 Anthony W. Daniels and Glenda G. Daniels be authorized to connect the structure, located at 7473 Shirley Francis Road to the water & sewer system of the City of Shreveport. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provisions or items of this resolution or the application thereof are held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications, and to this end, the provisions of this resolution are hereby declared severable.

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

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman <u>S. Jenkins</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>Shyne</u> to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson,

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

**Ordinances**: None.

**Regular Agenda Legislation** 

Resolutions on Second Reading and Final Passage or Which Will Require Only One Reading

*The Clerk read the following:* 

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 81 of 2013**

RESOLUTION STATING THE RENEWAL OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT'S ENDORSEMENT OF REGENESIS CONSTRUCTION CO., 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 residential 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 REGENESIS CONSTRUCTION Co., LLC application <u>2008-0774</u> for <u>renewal</u> of its 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 <u>Everson</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>Shyne</u> to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

2. **Resolution No. 94 of 2013**: A resolution authorizing the execution of a retainer agreement with Ronald F. Lattier, Attorney at Law; ratifying any/all work previously performed; and to otherwise provide with respect thereto

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman <u>O. Jenkins</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>Everson</u> to postpone until the next regular meeting. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

### **AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO RESOLUTION NO. 101 OF 2012**:

Amend the Resolution as follows:

Delete the Resolution as introduced and substitute the attached

#### **RESOLUTION NO. <u>101</u>** OF 2013

# A RESOLUTION SELECTING <u>THE TIMES</u> AS THE OFFICIAL JOURNAL FOR THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT FOR THE PERIOD COMMENCING JULY 1, 2013 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2014 AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport is required by its Charter and State Law to select an Official Journal to publish minutes, ordinances, resolutions, budgets, official notices, advertisements, and other official proceedings of the City of Shreveport for the period July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014; and

WHEREAS, <u>The Times</u> has submitted the following proposal:

All printing of required legals in the Classified Section - \$0.23 per agate line (7.0 point);

All printing of required legals in the Retail Section - \$6.48 per column inch;

All other (non-required) ads in the Classified Section - \$2.52 per agate line;

All other (non-required) ads in the Retail Section - \$42.84 per column inch; Affidavits: \$20.00 each; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that <u>The Times</u> be selected the Official Journal for the City of Shreveport to provide the services required by law for the prices described above.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, regular and legal session convened that the proposal of <u>The Times</u> is accepted and <u>The Times</u> be and is hereby designated the official journal of the City of Shreveport for the period July 1, 2013 and ending June 30, 2014 and the Mayor of the City is hereby authorized to execute an agreement with <u>The Times</u> under the terms and conditions described above.

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

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

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman O. Jenkins to adopt Amendment No. 1 to Resolution No. 101 of 2013. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman <u>S. Jenkins</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>Everson</u> to Resolution No. 101 of 2013 as amended. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

Councilman Corbin: I will note that it's almost 5:00 and we're just getting into our agenda. So as we look forward, we may want to have discussions about moving some things around on our agenda that affect the minutes.

Mr. Thompson: That was adopted 7-0. Mr. Mayor, Lynette is going to come and see you and see whether or not we can get this signed because it's supposed to start July 1<sup>st</sup>.

Mayor Glover: Sure.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 105 OF 2013**

## A RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE USE OF CERTAIN EQUIPMENT BY URBAN SUPPORT AGENCY AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the City desires to participate in programs which, directly benefit the school students and visitors of the City by participating in wholesome activities which serve to benefit the educational community; and

WHEREAS, Urban Support Agency desires to provide a wholesome activity open to the community and to benefit its students by hosting the Fun Day 2013; and

WHEREAS, Urban Support Agency has requested the use of certain city owned equipment; and WHEREAS, the program sponsored by Urban Support Agency will provide educational opportunities, mentoring programs, and fun activities to children who participate which serves a public benefit and serves a public purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened that the use certain city-owned equipment by Urban Support Agency on June 20, 2013 during the Fun Day is hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the use of the equipment by Urban Support Agency is conditioned upon the execution of an indemnity and hold harmless agreement by Urban Support Agency in favor of the City of Shreveport in a form acceptable to the Office of the City Attorney. 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 <u>Everson</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>Shyne</u> to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 6. Nays: Councilman Webb. 1. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

**RESOLUTION NO. 106 OF 2013** 

A RESOLUTION TO REQUEST THE METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION TO REVIEW AND TO RECOMMEND APPROPRIATE AMENDMENTS TO THE FUTURE LAND USE POLICY MAP PRIOR TO THE ADOPTION OF THE SHREVEPORT-CADDO UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BY: COUNCILMAN SAM JENKINS:

WHEREAS, "Great Expectations:" Shreveport-Caddo 2030 Master Plan" is a guide for the City Council and Citizens to use in making decisions on a broad range of issues, including but not limited to neighborhoods, housing, economic development, smart growth, and future land use; and WHEREAS, the Shreveport-Caddo 2030 Master Plan contemplates a number a strategies to insure its implementation, including Metropolitan Planning Commission (MPC) staff dedicated to implementation; and

WHEREAS, the Shreveport-Caddo 2030 Master Plan "Future Land Use Policy Map" is intended to reflect the vision, goals, and recommended actions of the Plan for directing 50% of new households to be located inside the loop and focusing growth in compact neighborhood centers or "urban villages," especially outside the loop; and

WHEREAS, the Shreveport-Caddo Unified Development Code is intended to implement the Future Land Use Policy Map.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the City Council of the City of Shreveport, pursuant to the Metropolitan Planning Commission (MPC) purpose outlined in the Charter, does hereby request that the MPC review and recommend amendments, if appropriate, to the Future Land Use Policy Map prior to the adoption and administration of the Shreveport-Caddo Unified Development Code.

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

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 107 OF 2013**

## A RESOLUTION TO REPEAL RESOLUTION NO. 239 OF 2010, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

BY: COUNCILMAN OLIVER JENKINS

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 239 of 2010, which required a report concerning EMS transports at the second regular council meeting each month, was enacted so that the City Council could monitor EMS transports to ensure that the City's EMS policy is being followed; and WHEREAS, the Public Safety Committee is satisfied that said policy is being followed and the Fire Department ensures the Public Safety Committee that EMS transport information is regularly captured and reports can be generated upon request, if said information is needed in the future; and

WHEREAS, therefore, the Public Safety Committee recommends that that Resolution No. 239 of 2010 be repealed.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened, that Resolution No. 239 of 2010, which required a report concerning EMS transports at the second regular council meeting each month, is repealed. 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 <u>O. Jenkins</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>Shyne</u> to adopt.

Councilman O. Jenkins: And this is in regard to the EMS transport requests.

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

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 108 OF 2013**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN ACT OF RELEASE OF A RETAINED SERVITUDE LOCATED IN THE CLOSED AND ABANDONED RIGHTS-OF-WAY OF ASHTON STREET AND LOONEY STREET IN THE WEINSTOCK, R. J. LOONEY, AND CLEVELAND SUBDIVISIONS, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, on December 30, 1949, Ashton and Looney Streets were closed and abandoned by Ordinance No. 193 of 1949, and a 60-foot wide utility servitude was retained. The ordinance was filed and recorded in the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana as instrument number 61667, and

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport received a request from Dan Atchley of Atchley and Atchley, who represents the current owners, to release the aforementioned utility servitude to allow for the re-subdivision of various lots, to permit the construction of a new housing development, and WHEREAS, Letters of No Objection have been received by both AEP/Southwestern Electric Power and CenterPoint Energy, and

WHEREAS, the Office of the City Engineer has approved the provisions of this re-subdivision and has no objections to the release of the utility easement, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal, and regular session convened, that the MAYOR, Cedric B. Glover, is hereby authorized and empowered to represent the City of Shreveport in the execution of an Act of Release of a 60-foot servitude located in the closed and abandoned rights-of-way of Ashton Street in Weinstock Subdivision and Looney Street in R. J. Looney Subdivision and Cleveland Subdivision as shown on the attached plat and made a part hereto.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Property Management Section of the Office of the City Engineer is hereby authorized to record a certified copy of this resolution and the Act of Release in the official records for Caddo Parish, Louisiana.

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

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

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

#### **RESOLUTION NUMBER 109 OF 2013**

## A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE CITY'S INTEREST IN CERTAIN ADJUDICATED PROPERTY AS SURPLUS AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, there are numerous parcels of property which have been adjudicated to the City of Shreveport and Caddo Parish for non-payment of ad valorem taxes; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport has entered into an intergovernmental agreement with Caddo Parish under which Caddo Parish will undertake to sell said properties as authorized in R.S. 47:2201-2211, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 26-300 of the Code of Ordinances, the city's interests in said properties can be sold after the City Council declares them to be surplus; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport has an adjudicated tax interest in the properties described in Attachment "A-10" for the non-payment of City property taxes; and

WHEREAS, the purchasing agent has inquired of all City departments regarding the properties described in Attachment "A-10" and has not received any indication that they are needed for city purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened that the properties described in Attachment "A-10" are hereby declared surplus.

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

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

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

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 110 OF 2013**

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

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport has an adjudicated tax interest in the properties described in Attachment "A-2" for the non-payment of City property taxes; and

WHEREAS, the properties described in Attachment "A-2" are not needed for public purposes and should be declared surplus properties; and

WHEREAS, LA R.S. 47:2202(B) and Code of Ordinances Section 26-301. authorize a municipality to sell adjudicated property to an adjoining landowner who has maintained the adjudicated property in accordance with said section for a period of one year; and WHEREAS, Code of Ordinances Section 26-301 provides that the sale price for such sales shall be one dollar and other good and valuable consideration; the real consideration for such sales is the purchaser's effort, labor and expenses in maintaining the property for a full year; and WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport has received applications pursuant to the above cited laws from adjoining landowners to purchase its tax interest in each of the properties described in Attachment "A-2".

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, regular and legal session convened that the properties described in Attachment "A-2" are hereby declared surplus.

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

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

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

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

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman <u>Shyne</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>S. Jenkins</u> to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson,

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

10. Resolution No. 111 of 2013: A resolution suspending the effects of certain provisions of Chapter 10 relative to alcoholic beverages and Chapter 106 relative to Zoning for Properties located at 1207, 1205 and 1303 Shreveport Barksdale Highway, for an Independence Day Celebration, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (C/O. Jenkins)

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman O. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to remove Resolution No. 111 of 2013 from the agenda. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 112 OF 2013**

A RESOULTION TO SUSPEND THE EFFECTION OF SECTIONS 10-190 AND10-192 AND SECTION 62-65 (a) OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATIVE TO THE "ROBINSON'S RESCUE" AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDES WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the "Robinson's Rescue" will sponsor a "Yappy Hour" fundraiser on September 21, 2013 in Betty Virginia Park; and

WHEREAS, the event will be open to the general public; and

WHEREAS, Robinson Rescue desires to dispense sell, and allow its patrons to purchase and consume beverages on the public sidewalks and in a public park at Betty Virginia Park during the event; and

WHEREAS, Sections 10-190 and 10-192 and Section 62-65 (a) of the Code of Ordinances prohibits the sale, consumption, dispensing or otherwise of alcoholic beverages in and on public places, including streets, sidewalks, public parks, unless specifically authorized by the City Council or the Zoning Board of Appeals; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of this resolution would permit Robinson Rescue to dispense sell and its patrons to purchase and consume alcoholic beverages on the public sidewalk and in the public park, Betty Virginia during the "Yappy Hour" fundraiser event.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened that Sections 10-190 and 10-192 and Section 62-65 (a) of the City of Shreveport Code of Ordinances is hereby suspended on September 21, 2013 between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. in Betty Virginia Park during the "Yappy Hour" fundraiser event sponsored by Robinson Rescue.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all other applicable provisions of the City of Shreveport Code of Ordinances shall remain in full force and effect.

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

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

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman <u>Everson</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>Shyne</u> to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 113 OF 2013**

# A RESOLUTION URGING AND REQUESTING THE MPC AND ZBA TO AMEND THEIR BYLAWS TO REQUIRE ELECTRONIC VOTING AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, the current bylaws of the MPC and ZBA provide that the usual voting method will by voice with confirmation by a show of hands when requested by a board member;

WHEREAS, this method may result in confusion regarding votes and inaccurate results;

WHEREAS, an electronic voting machine is available to each body;

WHEREAS, electronic voting is a more accurate method of recording votes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Shreveport City Council in due, regular and legal session convened, that the Shreveport Metropolitan Planning Commission and the City of Shreveport Zoning Board of Appeals are hereby urged and requested by the Shreveport City Council to amend their respective bylaws to require electronic voting.

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

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

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman <u>Everson</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>O. Jenkins</u> to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

**Introduction of Resolutions** (*Not to be adopted prior to July 9, 2013*) *The Clerk read the following:* 

- 1. **Resolution No. 115 of 2013**: A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute grant documents with the U.S. Department of Justice, and otherwise provide with respect thereto.
- 2. **Resolution No. 116 of 2013**: Authorizing the Mayor to execute a donation agreement between the City of Shreveport and Southern Trace, a limited partnership, a Texas limited partnership, by Southern Trace Development Corporation, hereinafter called "Owner" and acting herein through W. H. Johnson Ramsey, Manager, for the private water and sewer improvements for Southern Trace Phase V Section XXVII and related facilities and otherwise provide with respect thereto. (D/Corbin)

- 3. **Resolution No. 117 of 2013**: Authorizing the Shreveport Police Department to accept a donation of Cellebrite Universal Forensic Extraction Device valued at \$10,084.00 from Red Ball Oxygen Company, Inc.
- 4. **Resolution No. 118 of 2013**: Authorizing the execution of a State/Entity lighting maintenance agreement with the Department of Transportation and Development in regard to a roadway and interchange lighting system project on Segment K of the I-49 project, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
- 5. **Resolution No. 119 of 2013**: A resolution declaring the City of Ostrava, Czech Republic, as a Sister City of the City of Shreveport, authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with the City of Ostrava and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman O. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to introduce Resolution No(s). 115, 116, 117, 118 and 119 of 2013 to lay over until the next regular meeting. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

Introduction of Ordinances (Not to be adopted prior to July 9, 2013) The Clerk read the following:

5. Ordinance No. 71 of 2013: ZONING - C-37-13: An ordinance amending various current sections of Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, The City of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance to create a use-by-right for certain factory-build homes, in accordance with definitions and requirements contained therein, in all districts in which similar dwellings constructed on site are permitted.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to remove Ordinance No. 71 of 2013 from the agenda. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

*The Clerk read the following:* 

- 1. Ordinance No. 67 of 2013: An ordinance amending and reenacting certain provisions of Section 30-201 and 30-203 of the Code of Ordinances relative to Fire Prevention and protection Article VIII Limited access gates and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
- 2. Ordinance No. 68 of 2013: An ordinance closing and abandoning the 20 foot wide alley between Common and Douglas Streets and between Caddo and Fannin Streets, in the ten acre lot 2 subdivision located in Section 37 (T18N-R14W), Caddo Parish, Louisiana, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (B/Everson)

- 3. Ordinance No. 69 of 2013: An ordinance declaring the City's intention to acquire full ownership of certain adjudicated properties for the Murphy Street Park Project, and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (G/S. Jenkins)
- 4. **Ordinance No. 70 of 2013**: An ordinance amending the 2013 General Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized herein, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (SPAR equipment repair and maintenance)
- 6. Ordinance No. 72 of 2013: ZONING C-50-13: An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, The City Of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning property located on the NW corner of Youree Drive & Ardmore Drive, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA, FROM SPI-1-E (B-1), HIGHLAND URBAN CONSERVATION (BUFFER BUSNIESS) EXTENDED USE DISTRICT TO SPI-1-E (B-1), HIGHLAND URBAN CONSERVATION (BUFFER BUSINESS)/EXTENDED USE DISTRICT TO ADD "A DOG GROOMING SALON" and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (G/S. Jenkins)
- 7. Ordinance No. 73 of 2013: ZONING C-53-13: An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, The City Of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, FOR CONTINUATION OF R-2-E (SPI-2) URBAN, ONE FAMILY
  RESIDENCE/EXTENDED USE DISTRICT LIMITED TO "A MOTEL ONLY", on property located on the SE corner of Lewis Lane & California Drive, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (C/O. Jenkins)
- 8. Ordinance No.74 of 2013: An Ordinance to amend various sections of Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, the City of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman <u>S. Jenkins</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>O. Jenkins</u> to introduce Ordinance No(s). 67. 68, 69. 70, 72, 73 and 740. of 2013 to lay over until the next regular meeting.

Councilman Shyne: Question. Oliver, I'm glad to see that that's 'grooming' and not rooming. I thought maybe you were trying to slip in another dog park over that way, but I see it now. Dale, was reading it on yesterday, Dale I thought you said 'rooming'. And I know how Oliver is, I thought he was trying to slip in something. Mayor, I thought he was trying to slip it in on you and I wasn't gone let him do it, hear? Cause I know Oliver.

Mayor Glover: I saw one of his compatriots out in the audience, I thought that might have been the case as well Mr. Shyne.

Councilman O. Jenkins: No, that was not the intent.

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

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

*The Clerk read the following:* 

1. Ordinance No. 89 of 2011: An ordinance amending and reenacting Chapter 74 of the Code of Ordinances relative to Solid Waste Collections, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (G/S. Jenkins) (Postponed June 11, 2013)

Having passed first reading on May 28, 2013 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman S. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Shyne to postpone until the next regular meeting. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

2. Ordinance No. 52 of 2013: An ordinance amending the 2013 Budget for the Convention Center Hotel Enterprise Fund and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (*Vetoed June 17*, 2013 and returned to agenda via Section 4.21 of the Charter)

Having passed first reading on May 28, 2013 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman O. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Webb to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, and Shyne. 6. Nays: Councilman S. Jenkins. 1. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

3. <u>Ordinance No. 60 of 2013</u>: An ordinance amending the 2013 Capital Improvements Budget and to otherwise providing with respect thereto. (*Airfield Drainage Rehabilitation*) (G/S. Jenkins)

Having passed first reading on <u>June 11, 2013</u> was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman <u>S. Jenkins</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>Everson</u> to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

4. **Ordinance No. 61 of 2013**: An ordinance amending the 2013 Budget for the Water and Sewerage Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Is that the DEQ revolving loan?

Mr. Thompson: That's correct.

Having passed first reading on <u>June 11, 2013</u> was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman <u>O. Jenkins</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>Everson</u> to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7.

Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

5. Ordinance No. 62 of 2013: An ordinance amending and Reenacting Section 10-190 of the Code of Ordinances relative to drinking in public and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Having passed first reading on <u>June 11, 2013</u> was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman <u>Everson</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>S. Jenkins</u> to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, and S. Jenkins. 6. Nays: Councilman Shyne. 1. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

6. **Ordinance No. 63 of 2013**: An ordinance amending the 2013 Capital Improvements Budget and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

Councilman S. Jenkins: So moved. Councilman Webb: Explain that one.

Councilman S. Jenkins: No. 63, 64, 65, and 66. Here's what we're dealing with. We have a scenario, where we have about \$10,000,000 in the asphalt overlay program. That's the money that's generated by the franchise fees. At the same time we have the city's operating reserve is down to about \$4.5 (million) and we wanted to try to move forward with a second bond sale. We need to move forward with the second bond sale to complete the projects that the citizens approved in 2011, and remember a part of that is street projects. We started some street projects. A lot of them are in design phase, but they're not in construction phase, and a lot of those street projects are waiting for the second bond sale to be completed. So you've got streets that's involved with the bond sale that needs to be completed. You've got asphalt overlay program that needs to begin. What this would simply do is remove \$4.6 (million) out of the asphalt overlay, put it in the operating, the city's operating reserve that will bring that reserve back up to \$9,000,000. That was the amount that was there when we did the first bond sale. If my recollection serves me right, I believe it was a number like \$9,000,000. If we go forward with the second bond sale, you can try to finish your projects, out of the 2011 bond issue. We can go back with the remaining I think that would be \$5.4 (million) that's in the asphalt overlay program and go head and begin to do some asphalt overlay on some of the streets. I believe at the end of the year, we should be looking at another \$5.6 (million) that will be there and we could do a second phase. In other words, we could break the asphalt overlay program down to two phases instead of one, for the asphalt overlay. This will allow us to move forward with both in a direction of finishing our projects that we're trying to get accomplished. So, in order to do that, the way it was explained to me (inaudible) go back and decrease the money out of the asphalt overlay program as it stands now. Then you have to have some legislation to put it back into Streets Special Revenue Fund. And then we have to have some legislation to take that out of there and leave it to the General Fund, the \$4.6 (million) and then you have to have some legislation to go back and put the money back into the asphalt overlay program.

Councilman Webb: And what happens if it's not there to put back?

Councilman S. Jenkins: What's not there to put back?

Councilman Webb: Well we took how many millions of dollars did we take out of the Haynesville Shale and put it into the General Fund, and that was in a reserve?

Councilman S. Jenkins: Well, here's the thing.

Councilman Webb: And now it's gone, and will never come back. Now if we put this into the General Fund, then we're denying the people out there that are waiting on us to do these streets another opportunity to get their roads overlayed.

Councilman S. Jenkins: If you don't do a second bond sale though Councilman, you're not going to be able to complete the streets that we promised out of the 2011 Bond Issue. We can't begin to move in that direction, and get the money from the second bond sale.

Councilman Webb: We can, we'll just have a higher rate of interest.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Say that again now?

Councilman Webb: We can, we'll have a higher rate of interest if the bonds are approved. The only thing having more money in the reserve will just give you a better bond rating. That doesn't mean we can't do it with a higher bond rating.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Well, I would think we'd want the best bond rating we could at the lowest interest we could, and if we continue to delay, I mean the cost of actually doing these projects could go up.

Councilman Webb: I go to the bank and borrow money and I got a good credit rating, I can get a lower interest. If I got a higher credit rating, they may approve my loan with a higher interest rate. But I still get what I want. I just have to pay a little more back.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Right, and I don't think that's what - - - I don't think the goal ought to be pay more for money.

Councilman Webb: Well the whole thing about it is, when we created that SWEPCO franchise fee, and we - - - and I thought your - - - the offer of that legislation that you brought forward which was a fantastic idea to generate some revenue to overlay streets. Now we have all that money in there to do so, and now, we're turning around and saying 'Well, what the heck? We'll just put it in General Fund'. And it'll be gone, and we'll never get it back.

Councilman S. Jenkins: No, this is what you gain by putting something in the general fund. At least this is what I'm hoping, that you will gain, by putting something in the general fund. It will allow you to move funds, get the remainder of the money you need to finish the streets that the citizens voted on that we recommended from the first bond sale. Otherwise like you say, the goal shouldn't be to pay more money or pay more for materials. I think you ought to or should want to try to get the best rates you can at the best cost you can. This will let you go ahead and get the streets that need to be done as part of the bond issue, and streets that need to be done as a part of the asphalt overlay. We're just going to do it in two phases. So you're not denying any streets. You're actually moving in a direction where you can go ahead and complete all of the streets. That's what this will do.

Councilman Shyne: But Mr. - - - I'm sorry.

Councilman Corbin: If we can, because we have a number of people that have pushed the button to speak. I'd like to let Councilman Sam Jenkins finish his comments and then we'll just go down the - - -

Councilman Shyne: Sam might be through.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Well let me say this here. I'm not trying to lose any blood over this. I do know this. We've been discussing streets, and we keep going further and further down the road, further and further down the year. And it seems to me we need to make some decision about what we can do to go ahead and get something initiated. We keep discussing bond issues, and don't get this confused with anything else. I don't care whose involved with the bond issue,

that's not my point right now. We keep discussing that, and we're going further and further down the road, further and further down the year, and we still have not come to a conclusion about moving forward with the bond issue. Now a request was made to move the entire \$10,000,000 over into the reserve. I don't agree with that for the reasons that you said Councilman Webb. I'd hate to see the money get tied up in reserves and none of it ever comes back. But if we could put something over there, that could at least get us back to a level that we were for the first bond issue, I think we could try and look at trying to complete the streets, you're trying to do as a part of the 2011 bond project, and you could still move forward with your asphalt overlay. We're just doing it in two phases instead of just one. Now that's pretty much the long and short of it.

Councilman Corbin: Thank you Councilman Jenkins. I'd like to speak on all four of these as well. I think as much as anybody on the council I have tried to keep our reserve fund in the forefront. And conversations about my concerns of where we are with our reserve whether it be associated with the next bond issue sale, or just daily operating practices. So, I understand that we have reserve issues. I'm not at a point where I can support these four pieces of legislation for a number of reasons. First, until I see some mid-year budget adjustments, and I see what we're doing to protect our spending and protect our reserve, I'm not ready to move on putting any more money into the reserve. I've seen a little glimmer of life in the recent sales tax reports. But I'd like to see a trend there. I'd like to see where we are and if there's any impact from the new casino in Bossier before I commit any more money to reserve, unless we just have to. I'd like to see if we're going to consider \$5,000,000 in asphalt overlay, I'd like to see that list. I'd like to see a list of what we're looking at doing. And I guess I'd really like to see this work its way through the Infrastructure Committee. And where it came up originally, and it be refined at the Infrastructure Committee, and then come to the Council as a recommendation.

Councilman S. Jenkins: And I don't mind postponing it and referring it to the Infrastructure Committee. That's what I asked at first, but no one has said anything back to me one way or the other. I asked the committee to consider this plan and this legislation as a part of (i naudible). I have no problem postponing it and sending it there. As I said, I'm not - - - look, this is an idea. It don't have to be the only idea. But Lady and Gentlemen, we need to start moving on something here. You know I think the points that you made Mr. Chairman are well and good. They are part of the liberation that needs to take place, but we need to have some plan out there to move forward with it. I don't have a problem postponing it, and letting everybody take another look at it. Let the Infrastructure Committee take a look at it. If you want to adjust it, adjust it. I'm just saying please, let's come back with some actions, one way or the other on what we're going to do about completing the 2011 Bond Issue before our terms are up as Council Members. And what we're going to do about some asphalt streets.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I'm happy to say (inaudible).

Councilman Everson: I think mostly it was covered by the Chair's comments. But I did want to just reinforce the idea that I think that a little bit further review at the next Infrastructure Committee meeting would be good. I appreciate Councilman Jenkins' - - -what he did here, came with a compromise plan you know. I mean the Administration presented one, the Infrastructure Committee had a very different view. And Sam came in to tried to - - - to present a compromise plan. So you know I appreciate him moving the discussion forward, and I think that the appropriate place to give a little bit of further review of discussion would be in the Infrastructure Committee meeting. So welcome doing that, and in our Executive Session today, I believe what we'll be discussing some issues that will require some follow up from the Infrastructure, so I think

we'll probably set another meeting early next week for Infrastructure where we could discuss this in further detail, if that's the will of the council, that would be a good way to go.

Councilman Shyne: I'm just chopping at the bit to speak. Sam I appreciate what your intention of coming up with is, but you had some fallacies in what you were saying that we can't move forward. It ain't no such thing that you can't move forward if you don't put this money in the reserve. Because you can. You can go out and - - - well I'm saying that and I'm saying it to say, the public will think that you can't move forward, you know with you saying that. Because that's what you said. And I don't mean any harm. I know you, you probably trying to figure out, did I really say that or not, because you say it so much, but you did. We have to make the decision on whether and the administration has to make the decision on whether they want to go forward selling additional bonds. It's kinda like Councilman Webb said, it's not that we're at a standstill, and it's not that we can't go out and sell some bonds, if we don't put this money in the reserve. We can. Now, this is the kind of compromise that we have to decide on as Council Members if we want to do this. Maybe we do go out and maybe the interest rates might be a little bit higher, and then they might not be. You know they might not be. We can determine that when we get to that point. But I'm sick and tired of hearing people say, 'Jeff, I think I might have read in the paper where you made the statement that we've got third world streets.' Am I quoting you right, the other day?

Councilman Everson: I believe that was the Mayor that stated that and I was quoting his comment about third world streets and (inaudible), which is a statement that the Mayor made in reference to the dog park.

Councilman Shyne: Right, I wanted to make sure that I was - - - that my quote was coming right. But I'm sick and tired of having people tell me, 'Joe, y'all got to fix my front end'. You remember we had this lady come down here Sam from your district wanting the city to fix her front end, because she had run into some holes. But I'm tired of people stopping me. Cause I got old Jimmy out there Oliver, you know and it stays out of line. So I can kinda go along. But I'm tired of people stopping me saying, 'Look, when are y'all going to do something about the streets here? We voted. You all ought to have some money to do something about the streets.' So you know whatever the compromise is or whatever, we need to start doing something. And Mr. Harris, this is not at you, cause I know you got to do what comes from the administration or what comes from us. But we got to do something about our streets. Mr. Chairman, we've got to start trying to fix the streets in the city of Shreveport for our citizens out there, because they're ridiculous, and I guess I'm a part of - - - and they tell me, 'Well Joe, you're a part of making that decision'. And I am. But we've got to do something, and I hope you know even if we don't vote to put any more money into the reserve, that we can do something, that we'll go head on and move forward to try to get something done with our streets here in the City of Shreveport.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Alright Mr. Chairman, I don't think there was a second on my motion.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Second.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Well, I was fixin to take my motion back.

Councilwoman McCulloch: No, don't take it back.

Councilman Shyne: Well, if he wants to vote (inaudible).

Councilman Webb: It was never seconded, the discussion started.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Oh, you were going to take the original motion back? Okay. Sorry about that.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Hold on a minute, let me do this. Y'all know we're here kinda late in the evening and we can get confused easily. What I'd like to do - - -

Councilman Shyne: Cause he didn't want to get it voted down. You give him a second, then we could have voted it down.

Councilman Corbin: Let's let Councilman Sam Jenkins - - -

Councilman S. Jenkins: Here's what I want to do. I want to make a motion to postpone action on No. 63, 64, 65, and 66 and ask Mr. Chairman, that if they refer it to the Infrastructure Committee as a part of its deliberations, so that we could see what if anything can be worked out as it regards to streets, and that would be my motion.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Second.

- 7. Ordinance No. 64 of 2013: An ordinance amending the 2013 Streets Special Revenue Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto
- 8. Ordinance No. 65 of 2013: An ordinance amending the 2013 Streets Special Revenue Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto
- 9. **Ordinance No. 66 of 2013**: An ordinance amending the 2013 General Fund, appropriating the funds authorized therein and otherwise providing with respect thereto

Having passed first reading on <u>June 11, 2013</u> was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman <u>S. Jenkins</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>McCulloch</u> to postpone Ordinance No(s) 63, 64, 65 and 66 of 2013 until the next regular meeting.

Mayor Glover: Thank you Mr. Chairman and members of the Council. I don't want to belabor this point, but there are not any two things probably more important facing the City of Shreveport right now than the issues we're discussing. You take Public Safety of the table, and Economic Development, they probably are the two most important issues. And I want to make it very perfectly clear, that 1) We appreciate Mr. Sam Jenkins at least taking some action with regard to this, because it's time. But I also want to make it perfectly clear that the basis for seeking to improve the status and the amount of the reserve is not just because of the fact that we need to go for a second sale. And to relate this to Mr. Webb's comments about the Haynesville Shale fund being folded into the city's general reserve fund was an action that was taken unanimously by this Council, those were funds that just didn't end up being squandered or spent some place, they were dollars that ended up being accounted for based upon the fact that we had to make sure that the budget of the City of Shreveport's books balance at the end of the year. And the issue of increasing the reserve is more about insuring that we end up being able to effectively balance the city's books at the end of the year, then ensuring that we have the kind of bond rating and bond status that we're looking for. Why is that important? Because we basically budget based upon certain revenue projections. And we expend those dollars as we go throughout month to month, quarter to quarter. If we end up at the end of the year having expended more than what came in, then the way in which we end up ensuring that we have not gone into a deficit situation is about

balancing that budget with what is available within the reserve fund. That's its primary purpose, as well as to ensure that other emergencies and other sorts of things that face the City of Shreveport. So, first and foremost we need to make sure that we have an adequate reserve in line I believe with the sentiment you were expressing Mr. Chairman to ensure that we have the ability to be able to cover the expenses of the City of Shreveport throughout the balance of the remaining seven months in the calendar as well as this fiscal year. And so that's first and foremost. And that is a consideration that trumps any of the other considerations that you all have placed on the table at this point And that's why we have asked because that \$4 \(\frac{1}{2}\) (million) that's currently there right now does not represent even at this point \$4 ½ (million) because there are dollars there from other various sources like the Retained Risk, like retirement fund, that ultimately have to go back to those intended uses and purposes at some other point. So you end up actually with an amount at this point that's less than \$4 ½ (million). Also in line with what you've expressed Mr. Chairman, we'll get you some ideas from the administration's side, but we also certainly welcome any input and suggestions that you and the rest of the council would make. The budget that we have put together and ultimately passed by this council dating back to 2009, when the international financial market began to be in upheaval and things began to flatten out and revenues began to flatten out, we have been submitting and operating at levels that are pretty sparse. It goes back to the earlier comments about staffing levels in various areas that accounts for why it is that we aren't cutting the grass with the levels of frequency and what have you that we have in previous years, and you do not have certain functions (inaudible) or staffed in the same ways that they were 10, 12, and 15 years ago. But we'll come back with some things more specific. But the first and foremost consideration for adjusting our reserve fund is to ensure that we are in a strong fiscal position as we go throughout this year. Secondly, yes it is also a consideration when you go back before the financial markets to be able to have your debt reviewed and evaluated. A part of what that is graded upon is what is the level of your reserve. For the city of Shreveport, with an operation this size to not go back with an appropriate reserve would be considered something that would result in the possibility of our credit rating being downgraded, as well as the cost of money being higher. Those are as well larger considerations than any of the other things that we're talking about here today also. And I'm not going to be the mayor who will consciously engage in a process that will end up resulting in the city's bond rating being downgraded when it did not have to be so. We have options available to us if we are willing to step forward and act. I would also offer to those who say that they're tired of the streets, people telling them that they are sick and tired of their streets being repaired. Had we moved forward with adjusting the reserve fund at some point, we could be right now before the markets executing this bond sale, and we'd be in a position to be out there fixing the Hersey D. Wilsons and the Oakdales, and all of the other streets that are before us right now to get done. Those that are currently being engineered. We'd also be able to move forward with drainage projects like what (inaudible) I'm sure constantly bothers Mr. Everson about, because I constantly hear from Ms. Webb. We'd also be in a position to be out doing continued sewer and water repair work, all of which has been voted on, approved and allowed for by the citizens of this city who have entrusted us to move forward in a timely and expeditious fashion. We've also presented to this council Mr. Shyne, frankly three other scenarios that would allow us to be able to fix more streets over and above what we already have. This council has said 'No' each and every time. And so not only have we not fulfilled the obligation to do what it is that you've already voted on. We've not acted on the second half of what's necessary to be able to move forward in that effort, we also have not taken advantage of any other opportunities to be able

to do above and beyond what we could have done. What we do have is a situation that it needs and warrants immediate attention from the assets that are available to us under the city's control. There happens to be a revenue stream that Mr. Sam Jenkins bravely offered before this council, that only (inaudible) by I think with four votes, and that now is available for us. It puts us in a position to be able to strengthen our situation. If we fail to do so, then we won't end up with a second bond sale, we won't end up with those streets being fixed, we won't end up with those drainage projects being done, we won't end up with those park projects being facilitated, we won't have that water and sewer work to be done and it will be left to somebody else to do that which the people have elected us to do.

Councilman Shyne: Sam, that'll be you or Jeff.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Well, I tell you what. Mr. Chairman, my motion is there to postpone it till the next meeting. I hope the Infrastructure Committee will take a look at it come back with something for us to consider. I think it's a shame.

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

Councilman Everson: Just for the record, I will say this. One of the projects that was mentioned, the one Mr. (inaudible) is still in design and even if we have a second sale ready right now, we couldn't move too much further on it right. Because of where it is in the process.

Mayor Glover: It will be out - - -

Councilman Everson: I don't want them to hear that and think we're waiting on something, because it is still in (inaudible).

Mayor Glover: But we are waiting, we are waiting.

Councilman Everson: It is under the - - - it is not completed.

Mayor Glover: But we are waiting though.

Councilman Everson: But the completion of the design is not done.

Mayor Glover: And that design (inaudible)

Councilman Everson: (Inaudible) already has the funding.

Mayor Glover: That process is eminent. And by the time you end up calculating the time necessary to complete what it takes to go to a sale, we will have those design instruments in hand and will be ready to go to bid, and we won't have money to go to (inaudible).

Councilman Everson: Okay, but what I'm saying is that that project is not at this point delayed by anything (inaudible).

Mayor Glover: It will be delayed

Councilman Everson: Because it is still under design.

Mayor Glover: It will be delayed, it will be delayed because by the time that they are complete, we will not have money in hand, and so there will be the lag time between the completion of those documents and the availability of dollars to move forward to start construction. If you want to tie them up, then we would be acting at least right now if not, a month ago.

Councilman Everson: And another bit of clarification I would say that the Infrastructure Committee did make a recommendation, and that recommendation was to move forward with the asphalt street construction program. So, the contention that no decision was suggested is slightly

inaccurate. I'd just say that it's not (inaudible).

Councilman O. Jenkins: I will comment on one thing.

Councilman Everson: But there was a decision made.

Councilman O. Jenkins: And this is what I was clarifying. The reason all \$10,000,000 has to be moved out of there, is because the projects that are associated with that \$10,000,000 are already in there. So you can't partially fund all your \$10,000,000 worth of projects. That's why you couldn't just remove \$5,000,000 from it. Cause then you'd have I don't know how many projects, let's say it was 20 projects, you couldn't have 20 projects, 50% funded.

Councilman S. Jenkins: No, you could go back and select what your money would allow you to do. And my point about the Infrastructure Committee, understand that there was an asphalt overlay program that came from the Infrastructure Committee. But, we continue to delay and ask for more information from the administration that done gave us everything that they know to give us as far as alternatives to the streets. We have a scenario here where we need to try to complete the 2011 bond projects. And I think that's being ignored. It's just my personal opinion, it's being ignored. I hope it's not getting caught up in politics, or anything else. But we need to try to get those projects completed. We can't do it without the additional money. What was on the table was, can you move the entire amount, the entire \$10,000,000 over to reserves. Which I'm not necessarily advocating that and I'm not ready to do it, but I do think we ought to be able to come up here with some compromise that will allow both of these things to move forward or begin to go in that direction. That's all I'm asking the committee to take a look at. If you don't want to do it, I mean that's fine. Come back with something that's going to allow one or the other to go forward, if not both. That's what I'm asking. That's what was on the table. All I heard from the committee was go back and bring me something else. The mayor sent us everything else. He sent us everything you asked for time and time again. So we need to make a decision as a council, one way or the other. If we're going to say, 'Hey look Mayor, it's just not going to go down and we're going to go head on and spend this \$10,000,000 on this asphalt overlay program, let's go on and do it. But then I have no idea as we sit here today how we're going to put ourselves in some position to move forward a second bond sale. I certainly would not want to do it at the cost of more money or at the cost of more material increases in those areas as opposed to trying to do something with it right now. So that's what my comments is all about. And please understand, whatever the decision is, I think we ought to make it and let's try to move forward one way or the other with some street repairs before we come off the council, because right now everything is either in the design phase and it's not much of anything getting done, and I know there is some panel replacement that's going on out there. Now we've got an asphalt program that's being delayed once again.

Councilman Everson: We're not delaying it.

Councilman Shyne: Right.

Councilman S. Jenkins: At the last Infrastructure meeting that I was at, the only thing that I saw come out that meeting was go back and bring us some information.

Councilman Everson: No, that was the administration that came to us and asked us if it was okay if they continue to delay it

Councilman Shyne: Right.

Councilman Everson: Because they had the following concerns. They were the ones that were offering that information.

Councilman O. Jenkins: We have a plan that we voted on unanimously.

Councilman Shyne: Right.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Expending that \$10,000,000.

Councilman S. Jenkins: How do you intend to move forward with a second bond sale? What's the plan for that?

Councilman O. Jenkins: Well I'm not debating - - -

Councilman S. Jenkins: I'm not debating either, I'm just saying how do you intend to finish \$21,000,000 worth of street projects with only \$11,000,000 that have been approved in the 2011 bond sale by the citizens? How do you intend? What's the plan?

Councilman O. Jenkins: Go out and sell the bonds.

Councilman S. Jenkins: At higher rates, and at the risk of having - - -

Councilman Shyne: It won't be that high.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Your rating lower - - -

Councilman Everson: But the other question is what happens to the money that we set aside?

Councilman Shyne: Right.

Councilman Everson: And I know that was discussed earlier. But you know we don't have a guarantee that we'll get that back, and we did so - - -

Councilman Webb: And you won't get it back.

Councilman Everson: Specifically to be used for streets. So we didn't set it specifically to be used for not budgeting well enough, because now if we go to a ratings agency, and we say, 'Hey look, we closed this project out and we put all this money in here so we can look like we budgeted better to you, do you think they're going to believe that? I'm not sure they will.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Well that's certainly not what I'm suggesting. I'm saying that we transfer the \$4.6 (million) into the reserves to help the bond sales. You've got \$21,000,000 worth of streets that's only been half way funded, I do think is helping with streets. So I beg to differ on that. And I understand. I mean there are a lot of things that need to be considered with it. That's why I say we'll postpone it. I'm just hoping the committee will take a look at it. I'm tired of - - - that's just me speaking. I'm tired of just waiting for more and more information. We need to make a decision about it one way or the other, and put a plan out here and try to work that plan. Because as an old politician told me once, pick a horse and ride it. That's what it's time to do.

Mayor Glover: Now there are at least of a couple of you who might be able to make the statement that Councilman Everson just made. Unfortunately, he's not one of them.

Councilman Shyne: Wow.

Mayor Glover: Possibly Councilwoman McCulloch could make that statement, possibly Councilman Webb could make that statement, possibly Councilman Shyne could make that statement, possibly Councilmember Oliver Jenkins could make that statement. But Mr. Everson is not in a position to make that statement. Neither is Mr. Sam Jenkins, and neither are you Mr. Chairman. Because you all passed the asphalt street program in February of this year. I believe it was in March of this year when Mr. Oliver Jenkins asked for an update on the status of that program and where we were with moving forward with encumbering and spending those dollars. I in turn made the request Mr. Chairman for the opportunity to be able to sit and visit with you as Council Chairman with Mr. Jenkins as Chairman of the Audit and Finance Committee, and with Mr. Everson as Chairman of the Infrastructure Committee. We met upstairs on the second floor in the large conference room. And we had a discussion where I laid out to you all basically the same concerns that we are expressing here today. And my statement was to the effect of do we have an understanding that it would be best for the administration to not expend or encumber these dollars

at this point. To my recollection, each of you said, yes. We have in turn had a series of other discussions since that point in time, where that question has again been asked. That until we come to some resolution about what it is that we're going to do between the administration and the council with regards to the reserves, the second bond sales and those other related issues that these are dollars that we should make sure that we keep free, unencumbered and available for whatever use ultimately ends up being in the best interest of the city of Shreveport. Now, for Mr. Everson to come back and say what it is that he just said a second ago, is completely intellectually dishonest.

Councilman Shyne: Wow.

Mayor Glover: And should not be accepted by you all as councilmembers, as representatives of the sentiment that has existed with regard to this issue to this point.

Councilman Everson: I for one, simply restated that we passed the unanimous decision. Is that not making a decision? I think it is. Now, was there a vote taken on you asking to take some time to look at it to see if - - - yeah, there was a meeting that we were asked you know, can we have a minute to look at this? And figure out what we can do. And I don't recall a vote being taken there. That wasn't a formal request. It was a - - - the administration would like to look at this. And I in fact don't remember being asked. I remember being told that that was why it was not happening right away. Now at the very recent Infrastructure Committee meeting, it was stated to us or perhaps that was in a work session, that you know what the council decided would be honored. And I appreciate that. But now we're being asked to go back and review this again, which is fine. We've accepted that. And you know we'll look at these proposals that have been put forth that are on our agenda now. But to say that there is an inaccuracy or dishonesty in saying that we made a unanimous decision to approve an asphalt streets program, that's totally untrue. That's exactly what we did. And so there's been no other votes taken since then, there's been no other official action taken since then. But we have agreed to further review this, and so the rest of this conversation has been a little bit circular. So you know, I don't know where you get off saying that it is dishonest, because we made an official decision. Last I checked, that's how we make decisions is we vote. We voted on it, it passed. Yes, that's the last vote I remember taking on the issue. And I think it was a pretty decisive decision.

Councilman Webb: May I make a - - - thank you. You know, I agree, \$10,000,000 is nowhere going to touch what we gotta do. But I feel like the citizens out there, three years ago, they voted for a bond passage, and they haven't really seen anything in these three years. And it's - - - all I'm saying if we don't do something, I mean if we took that \$10,000,000, and at least did some roads, they might be more inclined to pass another bond for more money. But you go all the way up to another bond and we're holding all this money back, they might just say 'NO'.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Wait now, this is not a bond that's going to go before the voters again.

Councilman Webb: Why wouldn't it?

Councilman S. Jenkins: They voted. No this just (inaudible). See they already voted on it, this is just the second sale. We did a partial sale, this would be the second sale is what we'd be doing. It's just going to be a matter of taking out - - -

Councilman Webb: But if you're wanting to reach out for more money - - - Councilman S. Jenkins: No, it's the same money we've already approved.

Councilman Webb: No, I'm talking about the mayor at one point talking about when - - - Councilman Corbin: (Inaudible) a separate bond issue.

Councilman Webb: Right, a separate bond issue, for more money, for more street repair, which is greatly needed. I agree with that, but if you don't do something with what money we do have - - -

Councilwoman McCulloch: That was a fixed street you're talking about?

Councilman Webb: Yes, that's what I'm talking about. I mean it's not much, but at least it's something.

Councilman S. Jenkins: It still leaves me with the question Councilman Webb, what are you going to do about \$21,000,000 worth of streets that's tied up in the bond sale that y'all have \$11,000,000 worth to do. I mean it kinda goes back to what you trying to say. It just sits there in perpetuity until some genie comes along and gives some source of revenue to put into the reserves to get it at a level where you can do a bond sale at the right price and bring the rest of that money in or what. It just seems to me we ought to be trying to make some decisions that will either hopefully let us do both of these things that we're talking about, which is what this legislation was about, which is what I was asking this committee to consider. You had to pick one or the other and say, hey look, this is what we're going to do. And just live with it. But I don't think continued requests for information that we already have is the answer.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I'm not convinced that we're mutually exclusive at this point. And I'm not you know there's a lot of smart folks that are looking at when the appropriate time to issue those bonds or to come out for sale, but I'm gonna say that it is not this council that would be putting that forth on the agenda.

Councilman Shyne: There you go.

Councilman O. Jenkins: That would come from the administration when they think the timing is right for us to sell those additional bonds.

Councilman S. Jenkins: I think some discussion has already come forward about the need to do a second bond sale. The administration cannot be expected to come under any condition to do a bond sale. I think as city leaders, you know we have a role to play in this too. Especially if we can do something by way of appropriating money that could help facilitate another bond sale. I don't think we just sit on our hands and totally leave it up to the administration to stick anything out there under any circumstances. I think it should be a collaborative effort here. I think that this may be a way to go. I understand if people are not ready, but if this is not the way to go, then let's pick one. But it (inaudible) we've got incomplete streets, incomplete projects all over the place right now. Nothing has been completed yet.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay, I personally am not aware of any legislation that we have enacted on this council that has prevented as (inaudible) would discourage means, but I'm not going to use that term. But that has prevented the administration from putting forth a bond sale. And I'm not saying that they should be doing it. But I'm not convinced that changing this asphalt overlay is preventing them from doing a bond sale. And that's my opinion.

Councilman Webb: Exactly.

Councilman Shyne: And I have the same opinion.

Councilman O. Jenkins: And I recognize that it is a council meeting, and it's ours to discuss, and we have different - - - and I do believe both you and I have the best interest of this city Councilman S. Jenkins: Oh, absolutely.

Councilman O. Jenkins: In mind, and I don't discourage you from your approach, it's just not the approach that I want to take at this point.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Right, it's nothing personal about any of this. I'm just simply saying okay, it seems to me we've just got incomplete projects all over the place. (Inaudible) that some of these projects and hopefully something (inaudible).

Councilman Corbin: I'd like to ask if we do this. I'd like to ask the Infrastructure Committee if we can fast track consideration of the legislation that Councilman Sam Jenkins put forward, thoroughly discuss that and make any alterations or suggestions that we want to make at that time. At the same time, I think we as council and Mayor Glover to respond to one of your remarks as well, I think we need to look at this \$10,000,000 that we're volleying about here a little bit. And if the whole thing needs to go in the reserves, if that's the decision that we make, whatever amount, whether it's \$4,000,000, \$5,000,000, \$10,000,000, whatever that is. If that's what we need to do to shore up our finances, we also have to be prepared for the bad news at the end of the year, if some of that is not there. But I agree, we've got to make some decisions, and we've got to find some resolutions and some ways to move forward. And I would ask that we do that through committees, through our own conversations, and come back and put some legislation forward that we can move ahead with.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman, let me make this to our Chairman of the Infrastructure Committee. I would hope that if we decide not to put anything, I would hope that you would come back and make that statement. And say, 'Look, we have - - - ' and this might be a little contradictory to some of the statements that have been made today, where it kinda seems like your committee has not done what it needed to do, but I've been sitting in there and I think I'm a member of that committee, and we have, and I don't want to get into whether you were intellectually wrong or untrue, or not. You know I don't like making personal jabs at my colleagues, but I would hope that you would come back to the council. This is our recommendation. We recommend, and this is no reflection on Councilman Sam Jenkins' legislation. If he does not agree, with the decisions that are being made by the Infrastructure Committee, he has a vote. He can verbalize his disagreement, and then vote against it. But you know it makes me feel bad when it seems like that we're holding up everything, or you as Chairman of the Infrastructure Committee is not trying to move this forward.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Who said that?

Councilman Shyne: Hold it, let me finish, let me finish.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Well I just want to be clear now. This is your statements now. Don't attribute - - - I'm just going to be clear on something. Don't attribute anything to me, because I have a mouth and I can speak for myself.

Councilman Shyne: Did I call a name? I said your legislation.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Well, let me be - - -

Councilman Shyne: Now if you want me to call a name, wait hold it now, hold it. If you want me to call a name, I will.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Well just let me be clear now. Anything - - -

Councilman Shyne: Well I think I had the floor Mr. Chairman. And I think he cut in - - - when he had the floor, I didn't cut in on him.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Anything I have to say, I can say it myself.

Councilman Shyne: Well I got the floor right now.

Councilman Corbin: Alright, Mr. Shyne.

Councilman Shyne: And I want Mr. Jenkins to know that I'm big enough to call anybody's name that I want to from the mayor on down or from the Pope on down.

Councilman Webb: The Pope?

Councilman Shyne: Yeah from the Pope on down. I'm big enough and I can stand behind it. But Jeff, I would wish that you would bring the information that's out of the, that's decided on in Infrastructure Committee, I wish you would bring it back so we can stop dilly dallying around saying that there is no information, that there are no decisions being made in the Infrastructure Committee. Bring it back, lets vote, let's move on.

Councilman Everson: We'll come with a very solid decision, and we did set a tentative date if y'all want to look at your calendars to see if July  $2^{nd}$  at 1:30 works for the members of the Infrastructure - - -

Councilman Shyne: July what?

Councilman Everson: 2<sup>nd</sup>, that's next Tuesday, one week from today.

Councilman Shyne: At what time?

Councilman Everson: 1:30.

Councilman Shyne: I would hope that you would not only invite the Infrastructure Committee members, but as Chairman, I would hope that you would extend an invitation to all Council Members. Would you do that?

Councilman Everson: I believe we typically do, do that. And we'll continue that practice. Councilman Shyne: But I just, I just - - - look, right. There you go, but we want to make it known. So, this can't be something that we understood, that all council members are invited. I know we generally do that, but I just want to make sure. So we can move on. Because we've been kicking this around for I don't know how long and I think you've brought some decisions back from the Infrastructure Committee. Now it might not be the decision that some people want. But you've brought some back, and I would hope that the next Infrastructure Committee, that you would bring this back.

Councilman Everson: We'll take a look at it and bring back that decision.

Councilman O. Jenkins: In the spirit of moving on - - -

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman? Councilman Corbin: Mayor Glover.

Mayor Glover: And I know Mr. Oliver Jenkins that you probably want to move on that these issues are not comfortable for you. You or probably Mr. Everson, but they are real and they are true. And I want to bring back Mr. Chairman, what you just expressed in terms of your sentiment about what needs to happen with regards to the - - - as you put it the \$10+ (million) that we're bantering around. Your comments that you just offered was the crystallization of our discussion that took place between yourself, Mr. Sam Jenkins, and Mr. Jeff Everson, back in March. And for Mr. Everson to say, that that did not become a clear statement from me or from the administration until the last Infrastructure Committee meeting is again, intellectually dishonest. Because that was the sentiment, the consensus, the belief that we all left that March meeting with. In fact, I even offered a bit of levity for the moment and said to you all that if it's the desire of the council to move forward with this, now that I have given you the concerns that I have expressed, I (inaudible) dog park (inaudible). We'll move forward with it if that's what it is that you all believe that we should do. That was established in March. Mere weeks after passage. And so Mr. Everson for you to say that the council acted, gave direction, passed something unanimously, and that the administration has not acted upon it, again is not dealing with this matter in an appropriate, consistent, transparent, truthful and honest fashion. Bottom line - - -

Councilman Everson: Did we not pass it unanimously?

Mayor Glover: Yes you did.

Councilman Everson: Okay, then that part is accurate. So what you are saying is that - - you're saying that I'm being intellectually dishonest by not leaving with the same impression as you. I may have left that meeting not feeling the same as you did, so it is not intellectually dishonest, it is my interpretation of a situation and you know a situation in which I did not feel like there was a choice being given, but rather a directive being stated. And that is my interpretation. So, again, there's really not a point in belaboring this too much, because we have agreed to review this. It is going to move forward. The point of what we left that meeting thinking about that day, which I also don't recall any joke about dog park or anything So maybe I left the meeting a little earlier than the rest of the participants. I don't recall. Honestly. I mean we have a lot of meetings, and I don't recall this particular one, because it wasn't an official meeting, it wasn't open to the public, and it wasn't in minutes. So I can't go back and review that. But you know I'm not accusing you of purposefully misleading anybody. I think that we were of the understanding that the administration was taking some time to look at our budget issue to see about the second bond sale. Not saying that's inaccurate. But what I'm saying is that the official decision that we made was clear back then, we were recently asked to look at these proposals at which point and time, Councilman Sam Jenkins made a compromise proposal, not in the committee meeting, but to the council. And now it's being recommended that that be reviewed by the committee. So that's where we are and we're happy to be there. We've stated the next meeting time. I don't see what else there is to - - -

Councilman S. Jenkins: I did make my proposal in that meeting, just trying to keep everything - - - (inaudible) no, I can't make a motion, I'm not on the committee. But I did.

Mayor Glover: It's not a formal meeting Mr. Everson. Again - - -

Mr. Everson: It was a formal meeting.

Mayor Glover: Don't sit here and play games.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Wait a minute, what I asked was for - - - I said, I would like for the Infrastructure Committee to consider transferring that \$4.6 (million) into a reserve, doing the Phase I, Phase II of the asphalt overlay program.

Mayor Glover: And that was in March.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Right, so that we could move forward with - - -

Councilman Everson: No, that was - - - Councilman S. Jenkins: This was the - - -

Councilman Everson: This was two weeks ago.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Yeah, the last Infrastructure meeting. That's what I'm talking about. I did make that proposal.

Councilman Everson: It was June 10<sup>th</sup> Councilman Webb: Mr. Chairman.

Mayor Glover: That suggestion was made in - - - Councilman Webb: We're going in circles here - - -

Councilman Corbin: I agree. We've asked that this go back to the Infrastructure Committee meeting. I don' think we're getting anywhere going back and forth here. Obviously there's additional discussions that need to be made.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, and I'll leave it with this. Had we done exactly what it is that Mr. Everson so flippantly said that the council did, and that is to unanimously vote to spend \$10.6 (million), we wouldn't be having this conversation today. And any consideration of being

able to use that \$10.6 (million) in a way that affectively strengthens and enhances and advances the interest of Shreveport would be a moot point. Because we'd be fixing a few streets, but we wouldn't have those dollars available to be having this very discussion that we're asking still for some sort of a recommendation to come from Mr. Everson and the Infrastructure Committee.

Councilman Corbin: Okay, we're going to move forward at this point.

The adopted ordinances and amendments follow:

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 52 OF 2013**

# AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2013 BUDGET FOR THE CONVENTION CENTER HOTEL ENTERPRISE FUND AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BY: Councilman Oliver Jenkins

WHEREAS, the City Charter provides for the amendment of any previously adopted budget, and WHEREAS, the City Council finds it necessary to amend the 2013 budget for the Convention Center Hotel Enterprise Fund to adjust appropriations, reflect current revenue estimates and for other purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDANINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in legal session convened, that Ordinance No. 148 of 2012, the 2013 budget for the Convention Center Hotel Enterprise Fund, is hereby amended as follows:

In Section 5 (Administration):

Amend and reenact the paragraph to read as follows:

<u>Administration</u> – The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute all contracts, deeds, grant documents and other legal instruments necessary to expend or receive funds herein authorized, excluding contracts for financial advisory services. No requests for payment for financial advisory services shall be paid unless a contract with the person or entity providing the financial advisory services was approved by the City Council prior to the services being provided.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the remainder of Ordinance No. 148 of 2012 shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

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

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

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 60 OF 2013**

# AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2013 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BUDGET AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BY: COUNCILMAN S. JENKINS

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it necessary to amend the 2013 Capital Improvements Budget to shift 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. <u>133</u> of 2012, the 2013 Capital Improvements Budget, be amended and re-enacted as follows:

In Program H (Airport Improvements):

Establish a new project entitled Rehabilitation of Airfield Drainage at Shreveport Regional Airport with an appropriation of \$1,250,000.00. Funding source is \$1,250,000.00 (100%) from the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development. The scope of this project is to fund the design phase and construction oversight and construction of the accepted solution.

This project will establish a new project entitled Rehabilitation of Taxiway B,D,E,F at Shreveport Regional Airport with an appropriation of \$2,850,000.00. The Funding source is (90%) from the Federal Aviation Administration and (10%) from the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development. The scope of the project will design and construct a pavement rehabilitation solution that addresses the current poor surface condition of the four taxiways and correct any deficiencies. This project will establish a new project entitled Rehabilitation of Taxiway Alpha at Shreveport Regional Airport with an appropriation of \$4,070,000.00. The funding source is (90%) from the Federal Aviation Administration and (10%) from the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development. The scope of the project will address the poor condition of the current surface and correct any deficiencies.

This project will establish a new project entitled Airfield Guidance Sign Replacement, Airfield Lighting & Regulators at Shreveport Regional Airport with an appropriation of \$1,100,000.00. The funding source is (100%) from the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development. The improvements under this project will replace the existing directional airfield guidance signs and address operational concerns with both the airfield lighting system and regulators.

This project will establish a new project entitled Rehabilitation of South Ramp and Shade Port Pavement at Shreveport Downtown Airport with an appropriation of \$350,000.00. The Funding source is (100%) from the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development. The scope of the project will design and construct a pavement rehabilitation solution that addresses the current poor surface condition of the pavements and correct any deficiencies.

This project will amend the existing budget for the Rehabilitation of Taxiway N, D, E at Shreveport Downtown Airport by reducing it by \$5,774.00. This will also amend the scope of the project to include construction of the pavement solution that will address deficiencies in the current surface of the pavement. The total new amended project budget is \$1,170,000.00 (90%) Federal Aviation Administration and \$130,000.00 (10%) Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development.

Adjust totals and subtotals accordingly.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the remainder of Ordinance No. 133 of 2012, as amended, shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

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

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

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 61 OF 2013**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2013 BUDGET FOR THE WATER AND SEWERAGE ENTERPRISE FUND, APPROPRIATING THE FUNDS AUTHORIZED THEREIN, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it necessary to amend the 2013 budget for the Water and Sewerage Enterprise Fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in legal session convened, that Ordinance 144 of 2012, the Water and Sewerage Enterprise Fund, is hereby amended as follows:

#### 1. Estimated Receipts:

Increase Other Income by \$2,000,000

### 2. Appropriations:

Increase Improvements and Equipment by \$2,000,000

Adjust totals and subtotal accordingly.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the remainder of Ordinance No. 144 of 2012 shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

BE IF 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 the 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. 62 OF 2013

# AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND REENACT SECTION 10-190 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATIVE TO DRINKING IN PUBLIC 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 10-190 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Shreveport is hereby amended by adding subsection (c) to read as follows:

(c) The provisions of this section shall not apply to persons consuming alcoholic beverages in plastic containers in a designated area located on the grounds of Centenary College during any event authorized by Centenary College. Centenary College shall give the city police department no less than ten days' written notice which shall include the date, time and description of the designated area of the campus where the event is to be held. If said event is catered by a person holding a valid caterer's permit issued in accordance with section 10-53, no other alcoholic beverage permit or zoning approval is required.

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

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

### **Tabled Legislation**.

1. Ordinance No. 25 of 2012: Amending the 2012 Capital Improvements Budget, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (*Texas Street Turn Lanes*) (B/Everson) (*Tabled March 27, 2012*)

- 2. **Resolution No. 205 of 2012**: Approving the application of citizens regarding the organization of the Shreveport-Caddo Economic Development Authority; Designating the Economic Development area therefore; Approving the Economic Development Plan therefore; Making certain findings in connection therewith; and otherwise providing with respect thereto (*Tabled December 11*, 2012)
- 3. Ordinance No. 170 of 2012: Amending and reenacting portions of Chapter 90 of the Code of Ordinances relative to Residential Parking Permit Zones, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (*Tabled December 11, 2012*)
- 4. Ordinance No. 15 of 2013: Amending and reenacting certain sections of Chapter 94 of the Code of Ordinances relative to Utilities and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (*Tabled May 14, 2013*)
- 5. Ordinance No. 30 of 2013: Amending and reenact Section 106-1029 of the Code of Ordinances relative to the SPI-3 Commercial Corridor Overlay District and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (C/O. Jenkins) (*Tabled May 14, 2013*)

## **Appeals**

#### **Property Standards Appeals**

- PSD0900275 140 Pennsylvania Avenue, Shreveport, LA (C/Jenkins) Mr. & Mrs. Robert A. Powell, 819 ½ Boulevard Street, Shreveport, LA 71104 (B/Everson) (*Postponed May 13, 2013 until June 24, 2013*)
- PSD1000086 2837 Logan Street, Shreveport, LA (G/S. Jenkins) Ms. Carolyn Ivory Wilson, 3646 Del Rio Street, Shreveport, LA 71109 (G/Jenkins) (*Postponed January 18, 2013 until June 24, 2013*)
- PSD1000141 728 Austin Pl, Shreveport, LA (B/Everson) Ms. Deborah Bryant, 9640 Tammy, Shreveport, LA 71106 (Caddo Parish) (*Postponed June 10, 2013 until September 9, 2013*)
- PSD1100017 3634 Sumner Street, Shreveport, LA (G/S. Jenkins) Mr. Roberto Strickland, 3740 Jackson Street, Shreveport, LA 71109 (G/S. Jenkins) (*Postponed May 13, 2013 until July 18, 2013*)
- PSD1200218 744 St. Peter Blvd, Shreveport, LA (D/Corbin) Mr. Murphy Montgomery, 1500 Park Ave, #214, Shreveport, LA 71104 (A/McCulloch) (Postponed June 10, 2013 until June 24, 2013)
- PSD1200243 4043 Crosby, Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) Mr. Joe Mingo, Jr., 3821 Mayfield, Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) (Postponed April 22, 2013 until July 22, 2013)

PSG1200642 357 W. 80<sup>th</sup> St., Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) Mr. Benny Washington, 1826 Clanton St., Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) (*Postponed May 13, 2013 until June 24, 2013*)

HBO1300017/PSD130001 1831 Hollywood Avenue, Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) Mr. Ashanti Kabara, 2711 Oak Street, Shreveport, LA 71104 (B/Everson)(*Postponed June 10, 2013 until September 9, 2013*)

Alcoholic Beverage Ordinance Appeals Metropolitan Planning Commission Appeals and Zoning Board of Appeals Other Appeals Taxi Appeal Reports from officers, boards, and committees

Councilman S. Jenkins: Mr. Chairman, we did have an Audit and Finance Committee meeting, and the purpose of that meeting was to review the contract, the financial advisor contract with the City of Shreveport. The Grigsby Firm and the City of Shreveport's contract. Let me just kinda step back if I may. The Council passed resolutions asking for an external investigation of that particular financial advisor's contract. That work was put in the hands of Mr. Frank Neuner, an attorney out of the City of Lafayette. Mr. Neuner did reduce a report in written form and also made a presentation of his findings here to the Council. That information was shared with the administration, and the administration was given an opportunity to respond to it which the administration did do. After that information was provided to us from the administration and from Mr. Neuner, it was put in the hands of the Council Staff, to include the Clerk of Council, our legal as well as Internal Audit to go through both the response and the information that had been provided us by Mr. Neuner. And the goal is to come with some recommendations as to what aspects of that external investigation needed to be pursued. We have a written report and findings that comes from a committee that the committee has reviewed. We have provided copies of that information to members of the council as well as to the administration. There was one point that we felt coming from the committee needed to be looked at further, and that was an interpretation of the contract as far as the bond sale. There is one interpretation coming from legal that says that it should have been billed as one transaction. It appears from the record that it was billed as three separate transactions, and puts in play here is about \$53,000 that needs to be further pursued and further looked at as far as the committee is concerned. Now we're wanting everyone to have an opportunity to further look into the findings of the Audit and Finance Committee and we're going to hopefully come back to the next meeting with some legislation as it relates to recommendations here to the Council further pursuit of the issue that we found. I do want to put in there, and I do want to say, that there were a number different questions that were raised during Mr. Neuner's review. I believe he told us about \$677,000 of what he called questionable spending, or questionable transactions, and I just want to assure everyone that those points were thoroughly looked at, thoroughly reviewed, but it boils down to this one matter right now as far as what the committee saw, and that is the transaction involving the contract, the bond sale, and billed. Should have been billed as one transaction, but it was billed as three transactions, and we think that warrants some further review. And that's the recommendation that's going to be coming to the council. Hopefully at the next meeting, and if the council decides that some legislation needs to be involved with that recommendation as far as the pursuit of those funds, then that information also

will be forthcoming. We also had a number of recommendations coming from the committee about future contracts, such as the financial advisor's contract, (inaudible) written findings also some of those recommendations are already in place with the present contract, and consideration needs to be given to some of them that may not be in place with the present contract. There were no findings or any violation of law either local, state or federal. I think Mr. Neuner also makes that point in his report. So, just want to give this capsule of a report right now. Hopefully, we'll be able to bring everything before the council at our next meeting. And whatever recommendations the council wants to move forward with at that particular point will be up to this council as a body of the whole. But that's the recommendation that will be coming from the committee.

Councilman Shyne: Question. Are we still in a contract with Grigsby?

Councilman S. Jenkins To my understanding his contract has not been terminated. Whatever contract is there is still in place. I'm not sure he's providing any services while this matter is pending.

Councilman Shyne: But we're still in contract with him?

Councilman S. Jenkins: Yes, I'm not aware of any contract - - - his contract being terminated.

# Clerk's Report

Mr. Thompson: We did receive from the Mayor's office the employment of Ms. Katiyra Simpson, I believe it is to the Shreveport Housing Authority. It will be on the next Council's agenda.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor, is she here?

Mayor Glover: No Mr. Shyne.

Councilman Shyne: Could you have her be at the next Council meeting? Thank you.

**The Committee "rises and reports"** (reconvenes the regular council meeting) **Adjournment**: There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at approximately

621 p.m.

//s// Michael D. Corbin, Chairman	
//s// Arthur G. Thompson, Clerk of Cou	