

FACT SHEET**CITY OF SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA**

<u>TITLE</u> An ordinance to revise Chapter 2, Article VIII, Division 2, Section 2-421 of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, Code of Ordinances, relative to on-site certification visits for Fair Share program participants, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.	<u>DATE</u> May 28, 2019	<u>ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT</u> Executive Office – Fair Share <u>COUNCIL DISTRICT</u> City-wide <u>SPONSOR</u> Jerry Bowman, Jr. Willie Bradford
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PURPOSE
To revise Section 2-421 of the Shreveport City Code relative to the Fair Share program.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Shreveport City Code Chapter 2, Article VIII, Division 2, [Section 2-421](#) relative to *mandatory* on-site certification visits for Fair Share program participants is in need of revision.

It is recommended that the City revise its ordinance so as to align this section of the City Code with actual administrative practices whereby on-site visit *may be* made but are not always mandatory.

<u>TIMETABLE</u> Introduction: May 28, 2019 Final Passage: June 11, 2019	<u>ATTACHMENTS</u> NA
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SPECIAL PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS

Pursuant to Shreveport City Charter [Section 4.17](#), except in the case of emergency ordinances, no final action shall be taken on any ordinance at the meeting at which it is introduced or prior to the next regular meeting of the council occurring at least two (2) weeks after its introduction.

<u>FINANCES</u> NA	<u>SOURCE OF FUNDS</u> NA
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ALTERNATIVES

(1) Adopt the ordinance as submitted, or (2) Amend the ordinance, or (3) Reject the ordinance.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council adopt the ordinance.

<u>FACT SHEET PREPARED BY:</u> Karen Strand, Assistant City Attorney	and	Quinn Eubanks, Director of Fair Share
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ORDINANCE NO. _____ OF _____ 2019

AN ORDINANCE TO REVISE CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE VIII, DIVISION 2, SECTION 2-421 OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA, CODE OF ORDINANCES, RELATIVE TO ON-SITE CERTIFICATION VISITS FOR FAIR SHARE PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BY: COUNCILMEMBER

WHEREAS, the Shreveport City Code Chapter 2, Article VIII, Division 2, [Section 2-421](#) relative to *mandatory* on-site certification visits for Fair Share program participants is in need of revision; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that the City revise its ordinance so as to align this section of the City Code with actual administrative practices whereby on-site visit *may be* made but are not always mandatory.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, in due, legal and regular session convened, that Section 2-421 is hereby repealed and replaced to now read as follows:

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Sec. 2-421. - On-site certification visits.

On-site visits may be made by the director of fair share, or his/her designee, to the applicant's location of business to assist with determination of the applicant's eligibility for certification under the fair share program. The director of fair share, or his/her designee, may also accept the certification of another agency and make such certification a part of the applicant's file.

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BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Mayor of the City of Shreveport, or his designee, shall be and is hereby authorized to do any and all things and to sign any and all documents in a form acceptable to the City Attorney, or her designee, necessary to effectuate the purposes set forth herein.

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.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this Ordinance shall become effective in accordance with the provisions of [Shreveport City Charter Section 4.23](#).

THUS DONE AND ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana.

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

City Attorney's Office