

<b>TITLE</b> A Resolution authorizing the donation of Shreveport Police Department surplus property, specifically retiring one Police K-9, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.	<b>DATE</b> 12/18/2020	<b>ORIGINATING DEPT./DIV.</b> Shreveport Police Department <b>SPONSOR OR COUNCILMEMBER</b> Shreveport Police Department
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**PURPOSE**

This resolution will authorize the Shreveport Police Department to donate K-9 "Renzo" to the Shreveport Police K-9 Citizens Support Group, Inc., a non-profit corporation in good standing with the Louisiana Secretary of State's Office.

This Ordinance or Resolution will have direct impact on Council District: **ALL**

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

"Renzo" is an eleven year old Malinois K-9 that has served the citizens of Shreveport honorably for eight years, working as a dual purpose k-9 in both patrol and narcotics functions. Renzo is eleven years old and is no longer able to handle the duties associated with being a police dog.

Based on what is in the best interest of the service animal, and the citizens that we serve, the Shreveport Police Department wishes to donate "Renzo" to the Shreveport Police K-9 Citizens Support Group, Inc., a non-profit corporation in good standing with the Louisiana Secretary of State's Office, so that he may be retired in a humane and dignified manner commensurate with his service to our City.

**TIMETABLE**

Introduction: **December 18, 2020**

Final Passage: **January 12, 2021**

**SPECIAL PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS****FINANCES**

N/A

**SOURCE OF FUNDS****CONCLUSION**

The council may:

1. Approve the Resolution if deemed appropriate.
2. Approve an amended version of the Resolution.
3. Reject the Resolution.

**FACT SHEET PREPARED BY:** Antwoine White, Deputy Chief Of Police

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_ OF \_\_\_\_\_ 2020

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DONATION OF SHREVEPORT POLICE DEPARTMENT SURPLUS PROPERTY, SPECIFICALLY RETIRING ONE POLICE K-9, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

**BY: COUNCILMEMBER:**  
**DISTRICT: \_\_\_\_\_**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Shreveport Police Department’s K-9, “Renzo”, an eleven year old Malinois that has served the citizens of Shreveport honorably for eight years, working as a dual purpose K-9 in both patrol and narcotics functions; and

**WHEREAS**, this dog is older and is no longer able handle the duties associated with being a police dog,; and

**WHEREAS**, the City desires to donate K-9 “Renzo” to the *Shreveport Police K-9 Citizens Support Group Inc.*, a non-profit corporation in good standing with the Louisiana Secretary of State’s Office, which serves a public purpose and renders a public service; and

**WHEREAS**, the *Shreveport Police K-9 Citizens Support Group Inc.*, has agreed to accept all responsibility, financial obligations and liability associated with the acceptance of this donation; and

**WHEREAS**, Shreveport City Code Section 26-53(b) states that “public funds or property of the city shall not be donated, loaned or pledged to any person, except for public purposes”; and

**WHEREAS**, Louisiana Constitution Article 7, §14(C) titled Cooperative Endeavors, states: “For a public purpose, the state and its political subdivisions or political corporations may engage in cooperative endeavors with each other, with the United States or its agencies, or with any public or private association, corporation, or individual”; and

**WHEREAS**, due to lack of performance and officer safety concerns, K-9 “Renzo” described herein, has reached the end of his service career with the Shreveport Police Department and is hereby deemed surplus of the City of Shreveport; and

**WHEREAS**, donation of “Renzo” to the *Shreveport Police K-9 Citizens Support Group, Inc.*, serves a public purpose and renders a public service because this donation under these circumstances provides for the most

humane and dignified way to retire this service animal that has served the citizens of Shreveport honorably.

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due regular and legal session convened, that Mayor Adrian Perkins is hereby authorized by the City Council to execute any and all documents and/or agreements, including a Cooperative Endeavor and Act of Donation Agreement, between the City of Shreveport and the *Shreveport Police K-9 Citizens Support Group, Inc.*, a non-profit corporation, whereby the City shall make donations, as follows:

“Renzo”	Service Animal	An eleven year old Malinois police K-9
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**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 application of this Resolution which can be given affect 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.

**APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:**

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City Attorney’s Office