

**FACT SHEET****CITY OF SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA**

<b><u>TITLE</u></b>	<b><u>DATE</u></b>	<b><u>ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT</u></b>
An ordinance to revise Chapter 78 Article IV “Streets, Sidewalks and Other Public Places – Construction, Excavations” of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, Code of Ordinances, relative to construction, excavations, and bores in the city public right-of-way, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.	April 21, 2021	Department of Engineering and Environmental Services
		<b><u>COUNCIL DISTRICT</u></b> City-wide
		<b><u>SPONSOR</u></b>

**PURPOSE**

To revise Chapter 78, Article IV of the Shreveport City Code relative to construction, excavations, and bores in the city public right-of-way.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Chapter 78, Article IV relative to construction, excavations, and bores in the city public right-of-way is in need of revisions. The Department of Engineering and Environmental Services will be administering and implementing Article IV on behalf of the Department of Public Works by granting or denying permit applications for construction, excavations, or bores in the city public right-of-way. If approved, this ordinance will not become effective until October 1, 2021 in order for staff to be hired and trained. In order for the Department of Engineering and Environmental Services to properly administer this permit, the companion budget amendment must be approved.

**TIMETABLE**

Introduction: May 11 2021  
Final Passage: May 25, 2021

**ATTACHMENTS**

Exhibit “A” Revisions to Ch. 78, Article IV

**SPECIAL PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS**

Pursuant to Shreveport City Charter [Section 4.17](#), every ordinance or resolution . . . making or authorizing the making of any contract, or granting, amending or extending any franchise or right to occupy or use the streets, highways, bridges or public places in the city for any purpose, shall be complete in the form in which it is finally passed, **shall remain on file with the clerk of council** for public inspection for at least one (1) week before the final passage or adoption thereof, and **shall be published once, together with a notice of the time at which the council proposes to take final action thereon**, in the official journal at least one (1) week before the final passage or adoption thereof.

**FINANCES**

NA

**SOURCE OF FUNDS**

NA

**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.

**FACT SHEET PREPARED BY:**

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ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_ OF \_\_\_\_\_ 2021

**AN ORDINANCE TO REVISE CHAPTER 78 ARTICLE IV “STREETS, SIDEWALKS AND OTHER PUBLIC PLACES – CONSTRUCTION, EXCAVATIONS” OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA, CODE OF ORDINANCES, RELATIVE TO CONSTRUCTION, EXCAVATIONS, AND BORES IN THE CITY PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

**BY COUNCILMEMBER:**

**WHEREAS**, the Shreveport City Code Chapter 78, Article IV titled “Streets, Sidewalks and Other Public Places – Construction, Excavations” is in need of revisions with regard to construction, excavations, and bores in the city public right-of-way; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Engineering and Environmental Services will be administering and implementing Article IV on behalf of the Department of Public Works by granting or denying permit applications for construction, excavations or bores in the city public right-of-way.

**WHEREAS**, it is recommended that the City revise its ordinance so as to update the procedure for reviewing, issuing, and inspecting work related to these permits.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, in due, legal and regular session convened, that Chapter 78, Article IV titled “Streets, Sidewalks and Other Public Places – Construction, Excavations” of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, Code of Ordinances is hereby revised as shown in Exhibit “A.”

**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 on October 1, 2021 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:**

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City Attorney's Office