



Council Proceedings of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana

March 8, 2011

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana was called to order by Chairman Oliver Jenkins at 3:04 p.m., Tuesday, March 8, 2011, in the Government Chambers in Government Plaza (505 Travis Street).

Invocation was given by Councilman Sam Jenkins.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Jeff Everson.

On Roll Call, the following members were Present: Councilmen Rose Wilson-McCulloch (Arrived at 6:11 p.m.), Jeff Everson, Michael Corbin, Oliver Jenkins, Ron Webb, and Sam Jenkins. 6.
Absent: Councilman Joe Shyne. 1

Motion by Councilman Webb, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to approve the minutes of the Administrative Conference, Friday, February 18, 2011 and Council Meeting, Tuesday, February 22, 2011. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, and S. Jenkins. 5. Nays: None. Absent: Councilmen McCulloch and Shyne. 2.

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: Mr. Chairman, I do have a distinguished guest here today. If it pleases the Council, I'd like for him to step forward. Mr. Troy Broussard. Just come forward and introduce himself, if it's okay with the Chairman.

Mr. Troy Broussard: It's a pleasure to be here, I want to introduce myself to everyone. Some of you already know, but I want to introduce. My name is Troy J. Broussard, Regional Director of AT&T, and I handle everything from Alexandria going northward, which includes Shreveport. If you have any issues, please let me know, I just want to introduce myself and make myself available to you guys.

Councilman S. Jenkins: You still have the fastest 3G network in the nation?

Mr. Broussard: One thing Councilman Jenkins, we're even. Thanks a lot. Don't forget the period, very important. Okay?

Councilman S. Jenkins: It's good to see you. We always welcome our corporate partners to the city, and I've had the opportunity to meet you and your lovely wife. We've had opportunities to talk, and we're just glad to have you here and glad to see you here, and we know who to call upon. With AT&T, with both compliments and complaints.

Mr. Broussard: I take 'em all definitely. Just bring 'em to me, get in contact with me, I'll make sure we take care of your issue, if that little beeping noise would have continued, I would have had to jump into action as well too. That's why I say I was ready to, okay? Any other questions? Anything else?

Councilman Everson: Well Troy, I just wanted to thank you for how active you've been in the community, you know since taking this position, I've seen you at a number of fundraisers on a number of boards and really doing your part to make sure that AT&T is a good corporate citizen. So I appreciate that. Thank you.

Mr. Broussard: Appreciate it Councilman Everson, appreciate it. Thank you. Have a great day guys, thank you.

Councilman Everson: I have a couple of things I wanted to recognize. First of all, I wanted to recognize Shelly. I saw Shelly walk in a minute ago, for the great job that she did yesterday on the presenting of the skate park to the citizens. The Rob Dyredek Foundation came in and had a great crew of really positive people that were out there with a great message, and they had a couple hundred kids out there, it was a really popular event, and Shelly coordinated the whole thing. None of it could have happened without all of the hard work that she put in so, I surely want to thank her for doing that. And you know it was a tremendous success. Plus we ended up with a great new renovated skate park at no cost to the city. So, it was a wonderful win-win and also wanted to quickly, I know that probably some of the others will acknowledge the Shreveport Police Department in the meeting, but just for the work that you've done both at the Mardi Gras this past weekend, and this past season of Mardi Gras has been fantastic as well as for the capture of the South Highland, Highland, and Broadmoor burglaries. Just incredible work, and really making the citizens feel like they have a great group of people protecting and serving them. And another, on a sadder note, I would like to acknowledge Philip Rozeman, who many of the members of the community action group for the Master Plan are here today to visit with us. Philip had planned on being with us as well, but his son-in-law was the victim of a heinous crime in Arlington, TX that many of you may have seen, it made national news. It was just a tragic murder of a gentleman who was a preacher at a Baptist church in Arlington. And upstanding young man who was the victim of senseless violence. It was motivation was a robbery, and they broke into the church, and robbed the church. So, our hearts go out to the Rozeman family for their loss and if it's appropriate, I would be happy to recognize the CAG right now to come and make some comments.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay.

Mr. Caroline Majors: (Smart Growth Urban Planning Advocates) We appreciate the acknowledgement and certainly know that Dr. Rozeman wanted to be here, so on behalf of the Communications Committee for the CAG (Community Advisory Group), we did want to give y'all an update on where we are in the Community Advisory Group. We've reformed and added some new members, and we're also mobilizing currently to analyze the bond issue and also promote that in the community, because we feel that it actually really does provide the best launch pad for us to start implementing many of the things in the Master Plan. And so we are coming out in support for that, and then we want to voice that to you to let you know what we're doing. And aside from that, we just want to encourage and promote the Master Plan to you and let you know we're at your service in terms of providing any explanation that we can or providing any kind of policy analysis that you might need in the interim while you're getting ready to go. We appreciate you. Thank you.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Alright, thank you. Any other Councilmen have any other comments? I do. First I'd like to recognize John Kay, with Congressman Flemming's office for being here with us today, hopefully, he'll give us a good evaluation to report back to your boss that we're doing good work here in Shreveport. Second, I'd like to certainly once again, like I did yesterday, but want to say it again today, commend both SPAR, Streets and Drainage, SPD, and the Fire Department for all their great work over the last 10 days or so. Amazingly, that on a Sunday morning, you can get out there and walk down the parkway, and it'll be as clean as it was Saturday morning before the parade started, and that is a testament to their efforts. They work long and hard and do a great job for us. Certainly with regard to protecting our citizens and keeping it safe and a friendly environment for everybody to enjoy. We certainly want to support those in public safety that do such a good job in that domain. So greatly appreciate that, and then you know lastly, to the great effort of both SPD and the neighbors that actually gave them some of the good leads that lead to the eventual arrest of these burglars in the South Highland and Broadmoor neighborhoods, that was great cooperation between government and civilian community. So, certainly appreciate that. I don't believe we have anything further, so Mayor Glover at this point, if you have any awards, recognitions, or distinguished guests?

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

Mayor Glover: Thank you Chairman Jenkins, members of the Council. As usual we certainly thank all those folks who take time from busy schedule to come and be a part of these council proceedings as our special guests, as we also extend that same appreciation to those folks who watch us by television and by internet. But I also want to join you all in expressing appreciation on behalf of the Administration for the outstanding work that's being done over the last several weeks by all of those folks involved with our Mardi Gras efforts. I think this may be the first time, both in my Council tenure and in my Mayoral tenure. I can remember the Council Meeting on Mardi Gras Day. We certainly know that if we were a little bit further south in Louisiana, that none of us would be here right now. In fact I know someone with the name Broussard is probably looking at us trying to figure out just what the heck we're doing, actually sitting here sound, and sober, and sane, engaging in the public businesses. But certainly without question, we have had a wonderful Mardi Gras season here. I want to thank everyone from the Krewe of Harambe, Sobek, and Centaur, and Gemini, and Highlands, and Barkus and Meow, and all of the various folks who are

involved. They had great balls at the Shreveport Convention Center, and we're certainly glad to host them there. And Mr. Chairman and members of the Council, as you mentioned, certainly none of this could have been possible were it not for the outstanding work of our employees, the men and women of the City of Shreveport, both in terms of the Police Department, the Fire Department, Public Works, everybody up and down the line who stepped forward and put forth yeoman's work to make this another safe, sane, but wonderful celebration. So, I join you all in expressing our collective appreciation for their work. Also I want to join you all in expressing thanks and extending kudos on behalf of the continued outstanding work of the Shreveport Police Department. You all should have there at your respective seats a copy of the crime statistics for this particular year to date, and again the men and women of the department are doing outstanding work. It was very hard to believe that in comparing 2010 to 2009, that these good folks in conjunction with the citizens of the City of Shreveport have managed to achieve another double digit dip in the crime rate compared to the previous year. But based upon the work that we've undertaken so far this year, I think that we're ahead yet again in a positive direction. And Mr. Chairman, as you pointed out, none of the work that's done by the members of the Police Department happen in a vacuum. It's always been a partnership that has to take place between law enforcement and the folks out there in the neighborhood, in our communities being willing to step forward and provide us with the information and the insight with the perspective that's necessary in order to be able to crack these cases. And that's exactly what happened with the Broadmoor-South Highland burglar, an it was outstanding police work combined with information that was provided to us by the citizens of this city. A neighbor who saw something that did not line up with what was the norm, who decided to rather than just simply ignore it, passed that information along to Police authorities, and effective use was made of it and helped to contribute to the apprehension of the individual who we think are responsible for the line share of what's happened. But we're not going to rest there, we're going to continue in the proactive fashion that this department has worked in over the last four years at least and see if we can't keep the good news going. I also want to join you all in expressing appreciation to Shelly in particular Tim Wachtel, who is a SPAR staffer, and Tim is a rather quite individual. You know you wouldn't necessarily notice Tim, when you walked in a room, he just simply goes about the hard work of doing his job on a daily basis. But it was Tim who actually reached out back in 2005, when the city decided they wanted to open up a skate park and try to see if he could manage to make contact with Rod Dyredek, and sure enough, eventually Rod did respond and that relationship developed from there. And out of that relationship that contributed to the initial skate park effort that resulted in what happened on yesterday. That effort five years ago represented one of the initial skate park design efforts of Rod Dyredek, and to his credit is one that he says he didn't get right, and it bothered him throughout the entirety of that time. And as he was blessed with greater success, he decided that one of the things that he wanted to do was to go back and to make right something that wasn't quite right. And he put forth \$50,000 of his money, we put forth some time, and effort and energy of some of our employees, and we managed to collectively do something that was simply outstanding. But it all started with Tim, Shelly, and Patrick and all the good folks in the Parks and Recreation Department. And without question Mr. Chairman and members of the Council, you all were there on yesterday, and we saw what we expect to be the impact of that, literally hundreds of young people of all ages were there. I think as young as 2. One little kid with his (inaudible) Ridgemont High Tennis Shoes on, out on his skateboard, and all the way up to teenagers that were probably well into their 30s and 40s. But I think it will be a source of continued growth for the area, and in fact, I've asked Tim and Shelly to

work towards envisioning additional phases of that skate park, that we can give consideration to in future years as resources and opportunities make themselves available so that we can possibly make that an even larger more substantive attraction for the quality of life here in Shreveport. That represents our first run in encounter with MTV this week, because much of what happened on yesterday as you all will remember was a part of the Rob Dyredek reality show that airs on MTV. And we will have a second bite at the MTV apple, thanks to the efforts of Sam Voison and the folks at SMG who will be sponsoring *Bellator* on the 12th of this month. I believe it's Saturday if I'm not mistaken. So for folks who are not yet aware, there will be a live broadcast of the Municipal Auditorium, of mixed martial arts. I think it's 4 fights or 8 fights, I can't remember which. So, this week, Shreveport has been without question in the spotlight for MTV, and we're looking forward to that exposure. And lastly, Mr. Chairman, I want to express my appreciation publicly to Rocco Landesman who is the Chairman for the National Endowment for the Arts. Mr. [Landesman](#) will be here on this coming Thursday, and we hope that you all can find time in your schedule. I think we start as early as 9:00, and there are activities that will go throughout the entirety of the day that will involve him having a chance to be able to be here and have an onsite visit to the Shreveport Central Fire Station, the old Central Fire Station, which is the new headquarters for SRAC and Mr. Landesman was instrumental in helping to facilitate \$100,000 grant that we received about this time last year through an organization that I'm involved with called the Mayor's Institute on City Design. That initial \$100,000 was used to help advance division of the Shreveport Common area. We had an opportunity several weeks ago to meet with one of the foundations that's affiliated with Mr. Landesman, and they were so impressed with the effort and with the vision that they have also announced that they're going to be committing an additional \$292,000 in grant dollars for that Shreveport Common effort as well. We'll be announcing and revealing that on Thursday. And so I certainly want to invite you all as well as any members of the public who are interested to come out and be a part. If you want further details, if you'll go back and look at your newspaper from this past Sunday, there was a detailed article that appeared on the front page, below the fold that gives you additional background about Mr. Landesman, from the NEA, The Mayor's Institute on City Design, and how we end up getting to this point. So we're certainly excited about that, and we look forward to it. And we know it's going to be a great, great chance to be able to again, bring some positive attention and positive folks to the City of Shreveport. With that Mr. Chairman, we'll wrap up our comments, because we will save at you all's direction our GIS presentation for the latter part of the meeting.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Perfect, and certainly I see Pam is in the audience here, and so she would be quick to tell us if we missed anything in there or anything in particular you'd like to add in regard to that, since I noticed you sitting out there.

Mayor Glover: Thank you Mr. Chairman. I did not notice here there, and would certainly welcome her to come up.

Ms. Pam Atchison: (SRAC) (Inaudible) Thank you Mayor Glover, thank you Chairman Jenkins, I appreciate it all members. Thank you. Well, you couldn't have said it better, thank you. That's a great way to start your press conference tomorrow at 10:30. On Thursday when the chairman will be here, this is such a huge honor for the City of Shreveport to have the Chairman of the National Endowment for the Arts come to Shreveport, just to save more than 200 cities, city mayors like

Mayor Glover applied for this grant a year ago, and out of 200 applications, only 17 were awarded. Of the 17 that were awarded, Chairman Landesman saw 10 projects that he felt would really change the landscape and the cultural economy of the city. I like to think of it as the song from 'Paint Your Wagon', and I've always said if I could sing, dance and weighed 150 lbs less, I'd be (inaudible). I can't sing it, but I can say you know the song from 'Paint Your Wagon' just starts out, '*Got a dream boy, got a song, paint your wagon and come along.*' The dream was Mayor Glover's. He said from Day 1, if the Shreveport Regional Arts Council is going to move into our very historical Central Fire Station, it must become a place for the citizens and for the artists to have a new home. Just for you to know, when you come into that building, 65% of the use of the building is for the arts community, it's for emerging artist, and it's a rehearsal and performing space. Then he said, we've got to accomplish some other goals. We've got to make some new ways to think about coming into Shreveport on Common Street, instead of only on Spring Street. And he said, we've got to open up the neighborhoods, so we've looked at the nine block area called Shreveport Common as a small niche within the larger West Edge/Ledbetter Heights initiative. I know Caroline is here, Caroline Majors, and this niche area, Shreveport Common is I think what we would call if the dream is the Mayor's got a dream, if the song is the 1200 artists in Shreveport and Bossier who are singing and dancing, making great music, making visual art and literary art, okay, the Shreveport Regional Arts Council would be the wagon, and we're going to try to make everyone come along to Shreveport Common. The fact that the Chairman for the National Endowment for the Arts is coming first is a very big compliment. First of all to the Mayor. I just have to say it. It's the Mayor's design initiative award. Secondly to our whole city, and thirdly to the partnership with the arts council. I'm hoping you all and all of our citizens have it on the calendar to fill the Strand Theatre at 10:30, welcome the Chairman for the National Endowment for the Arts, and then stay with us throughout the day as we tour Shreveport Common, the Central Art Station, and talk about the new place that the arts are going. Thank you very much Mayor Glover, thank you Oliver, I appreciate it.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, I can't say it any better than what Pam just did, but I also want to take a moment since we are recognizing Ms. Majors and some of the other folks who were here with the CAG. I would ask that all of those folks who are here as a part of the CAG or who have volunteered to be a part of the Master Plan effort, would you please stand? And I obviously join Councilman Everson and all of you all in expressing great sorrow at the tragedy that's befallen Dr. Rozeman, his daughter and the entirety of the Rozeman family. And have them all lifted up in prayer.

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

Councilman O. Jenkins: Any further business relative to city business at this point Mr. Mayor?

Mayor Glover: Not at this point Mr. Chairman.

Councilman O. Jenkins: You know if decorum allowed me, I'd be wearing beads today celebrating Mardi Gras, but I didn't think it was appropriate for the Chairman. But I'll remember that next

year if we get so lucky. Okay. Mr. Holt, or does anybody have any questions for Mr. Holt relative to Property Standards today?

Reports:

Property Standards Report (*Res. 7 of 2003*)

Councilman Webb: I have one.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay, Mr. Holt, if you'd come forward please?

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Chairman, while he's coming forward, I wanted to mention for the public that Mr. Shyne called, and said that he was unable to come today. He really isn't playing hooky, he really couldn't come.

Mr. Holt: Chairman Jenkins, how can I help you?

Councilman Webb: Jim, 9662 Wesso. I was at the neighborhood association meeting last night, and it was mentioned to me that we had condemned this particular house, and whoever I guess purchased it has taken our sign down.

Mr. Holt: I don't know anything about it. We put up signs that not inhabitable, but that does not stop any tax buyer from jumping in the middle of something trying to rent it before we can get it torn down. I'll just have to check on it and get you the status.

Councilman Webb: Yeah if you would, just check on it and see what's going on.

Mr. Holt: Okay sir.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Anybody else? Thank you Mr. Holt.

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

Councilman O. Jenkins: Mr. Sibley.

Mr. Sibley: Yes Mr. Chairman, very briefly. As I indicated on yesterday, we'd like to present a full report on Occupational License Taxes at the next meeting, as that's been the focus the first part of the year. Just a couple of notes that may be of interest to the Council and the public. We always monitor sales tax collections, and I know everyone gets a report, but the public may not always see it. But so far this year, we appear to be doing fairly well. We're at 5.3% year to date. Of course, January's collections were based on December were fairly significant. This past month has kinda dropped to 1.1%, but unlike last year, at least this year all the numbers are in the positive. We had a couple of negative months last month so that looks good for us, and I would think that's going to bode well as we enter into the budget cycle. Secondly, as we indicated and it's on the agenda, we're asking you guys to add the DDA parking contract which we appreciate. That is a part of our

collection efforts in terms of the parking. We are working with them trying to find - - - you know last year it was kind of an incentive built in, and we're kinda playing with that because it's almost philosophically inconsistent, to pay someone to collect and then give them an incentive to collect. So we're kinda working on that trying to find a better way. In working with DDA to enhance the overall parking situation. And that includes some options they're looking at as extending the territories and different equipment, some technology, some modern technology being injected into the system, but we do have the base contract up for you to look at, because right now, they're operating without a contract, and we want to at least get the cart going as we try and negotiate some of these other issues. And then thirdly, Ms. Scott on the Surety Bonds, although we treat that as a separate issue, that is a part of our collections process. As indicated yesterday, she's given you a fairly detailed report and I'm sure she's going to come up here in a second. And also I've indicated and I'll ask her to speak to the issue of perhaps of bringing in a consultant so we can really evaluate whether or not there is a realistic practical solution to the surety bond forfeiture arena so that we can actually do what it is that the Council would like to see us do, and we'd like to do, and that is actually collect on a lot of these forfeitures that are out there. So, if I could use that as a segway into Ms. Scott's surety bond forfeiture report Mr. Chairman, I'd like to do that.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay.

Surety Bond Forfeitures Report (*Res 238 of 2010*)

Ms. Scott: Good afternoon members of the Council.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Good afternoon. I hope you're not expecting us to be able to read that during the - - -

Ms. Scott: No actually, the bulk of what I'm holding here is the report that Mr. Webb requested during our last report, and this is information that's been compiled by the IT director for City Courts, whose actually the gentleman who provides the reports to us on the bond forfeiture. And we have some copies for you. We emailed copies of it to all of you, but in the event all of you want hard copies, then we will provide the additional. I think I'm about two short, but we'll get those to you by the end of this meeting. As you go through it, if you will let me know if the substance of the report or the format of it is such that you want us to keep presenting this information to you in the same format, then just let us know. Based on the information that we got from Mr. Whiteside that's included in this report, he states it's a grand total - - - I'm going to state that as approximate. There's approximately \$395,568 that is outstanding as of the date of this report which was March 2, 2011. This amount - - - with bond forfeitures, that amount changes daily, because every time there is a court appearance, every time there is an arraignment, every time there's a trial, and the defendant who is out on bond does not appear, then the court has the option of rendering a judgment to forfeit that bond. Which is one of the reasons we wanted a consultant to come in. As I told you last week, we're collecting, but the amount that is being collected versus the amount that is outstanding, and the amount that continues to be added to the amount that is outstanding, we're not seeing any significant reductions in that. What we want to do is to make sure that we're doing everything within our power, to have someone else come in, look at our system, look at our operations and see what we can do differently to try to make a dent in that amount. Realizing that

again, it's always going to be chasing a moving number, it's always going to be chasing a moving target. But at least if we have systems and processes in place that allow us to efficiently and effectively go after the money, then we can do that. This amount, I can tell you with absolute certainty will never go down to zero. It never will. It is always money that's going to be out there, that we're always going to have to collect. But we need to make sure that the method we use to collect is efficient. So, with that what was stated in an email to you, is that from the last report up until today, we've collected an additional \$25,901. That has been done within the past 30 days. I will provide again, hard copies of this information to all of you. It is also available electronically if you want that as well. And again, if there is any additional information you want from us, or additional format, or substance, just let me know.

Councilman Webb: Thank you Mr. Chairman. Terri, what I was looking for, and maybe it's in that format, when I look at it, I'll - - is I perfectly understand that it will never go down to zero, but what I'm looking for is those bondsmen that have old balances. Is that format going to reflect on what is one year old, two years old, three years old?

Ms. Scott: There are dates in the report. And the report is spelled out in terms of - - - it list the bond, the bondsman's name, the surety company that they write under. The amount of the bond, and for each defendant who bonds out of jail, there is an affidavit number of power of attorney number that's assigned. So each of these items that are listed in the report represents a bond that was written for the defendant. The defendant's name is also provided. And if you will, let me just pass out copies of what I have right now so you guys can (inaudible).

Councilman O. Jenkins: I'm assuming your intent is you know if people are not paying for, why are we continuing to allow them to write bonds?

Councilman Webb: Yeah, I feel we have bondsmen that have some old balances, and they may owe less than the did last year, but they still have some outstanding balances that are quite old that we haven't collected on.

Ms. Scott: They do, but Mr. Webb if you recall that's the purpose, that's the end result that we want out of this process. And it's the process that is dictated by state law. One of the challenges that we had when we started doing is that again, going back, the Marshal's office had been collecting on the judgments. We now have probably 25 or so lawsuits that are pending, that challenge the process that was used in the past to collect on those judgments. So those matters are pending right now. We've got trial dates set and some of them we are still in discovery process as far as some of the other cases. Those cases are the determination or the decision on those cases will then tell us and give us a bit of relief if you will, in using the process that we have now put in place. That process was not put in place until I believe it was February, no I'm sorry, November or December of last year when the Marshal's office stopped sending out the notices which is one of the things that we're being challenged about in terms of our process. When the Marshal's office stopped sending out the notices and that function was actually assumed by the Clerk of Court's office, as per the requirements of the statute. So, what's listed in there. It's a lot of information, it's a lot of bonds, but there is a question right now that is to be decided by the court whether or not the

process used for us to obtain those judgments on those bonds, was in fact in compliance with the law.

Councilman Webb: In reference, Councilman Everson was just showing me - - - looks like we have one here February 21, 2001.

Councilman Everson: This is 10 years later.

Councilman Webb: That's what I'm talking about.

Ms. Scott: And that's accumulative list, that is accumulative list, and what you will find as you go through it is that all of that, there may be challenges in trying to collect all of that for the issue Councilman Everson just pointed out. It's a 2001 judgment.

Councilman O. Jenkins: And then on the other side, when we talk about you know hiring consultants and the rest of it, you know I do my little (inaudible) sensor comes up, because I want to make sure we're not spending you know more money on consultants than we really hope to gain in terms of monetary advantage.

Ms. Scott: Well, when you consider the amount that's outstanding right now, and again, the cost of that contract, if the decision is made and the administration approves of our going forward with it, the cost would be small in comparison to what we have the potential to gain. Well in excess of six figures out there, we need to put in a process that allows us to collect the money and collect it efficiently. And so, the individual that we're in discussion with right now is a former prosecutor in East Baton Rouge Parish, that we feel has a very deep knowledge of the process and the procedure. And we don't envision this taking a long time, but basically come in and look at what the prosecutor's office is doing in terms of our internal processes. And as I told you, we've got one person handling this. And the result of it very well may be, that we need to bring somebody else in that will assist that person, or that somewhere up in the process there is something that needs to be done differently, either at the courts level or at the Marshal's level that will be able to assist us in trying to collect the money. Those are the kinds of things that we're looking at. And this is the process in terms of collection, that we're at the tail end of a process. It starts with of course with the judgment, the Marshals have a role in it, the Clerks have a role in it, but ultimately the responsibility to collect the money is ours. And so we need to make sure that everybody that is involved in the process has a system in place that allows us to do what we need to do on the end.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Thank you. Mr. Thompson, we're now down to the Public Hearing, so please proceed.

EMS Transports Report (*Res 239 of 2010*)

Public Hearing:

Resolution No. 23, 2011: Stating the City of Shreveport's endorsement of Mandina Properties, LLC to participate in the benefits of the Louisiana Restoration Tax Abatement Program, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (B/Everson)

Mr. Thompson: I believe that the administration has a presentation. Mr. Sibley, you have a presentation for the Public Hearing?

Mr. Sibley: Yes. Ms. Moore? Thank you Mr. Thompson, little bit distracted there.

Ms. Moore: Good afternoon. You have before you a request from Mandina Properties, L.L.C., for participation in the State Restoration Tax Abatement Program. You are among four taxing authorities that choose to participate in this program. The program grants a five year deferred assessment of the ad valorem property taxes on renovations and improvements of the project. The project is located at 830 Fannin Street. The owner of the property is Thomas Mandina. He was notified of this meeting, I don't think that he is currently present. He has renovated and expanded a 2500 square foot convenience store that was severely damaged in 2009 in the tornado. He has converted it to a 4500 square foot restaurant. Inside of the restaurant will hold 96 patrons, outside in the covered patio will hold 90 patrons, for a total of 186 customers. The estimated cost of the renovations is \$850,000. The taxes to be abated to the City is \$3,741 per year for five years for a total of \$18,705. The RTA program also allows for a second year, however this is not under consideration today. There will be 40 construction jobs created, and an estimated 40 jobs will be created through the restaurant. And that's our presentation.

Councilman O. Jenkins: But hasn't this already been constructed?

Ms. Moore: It has.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay, do we have anyone here to speak in favor of the restoration tax abatement ordinance or anybody wishing to speak in opposition to this abatement? Okay, if not, then this hearing is closed.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman before you close? I want to officially go on record for the administration in saying that we are in favor.

Councilman Everson: I would like to also just - - - this project is in my district and if I may just make a few comments about this to make sure that everybody is familiar with what it is. This is right now where the Millennium Studios have been constructed, it is a structure that was in the neighborhood for quite some time, and it was relatively tragic that it was destroyed. They've done a fantastic job of rebuilding this restaurant. And it is part of what will be a catalyst for reinvigorating the area around Ledbetter Heights, plus Allendale. So, this is very (inaudible) project, not just for the owners of this business, but for the surrounding communities. So, it would be very positive in creating an incentive for more investment.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay, if we don't have anything else, then the public hearing is now closed. Mr. Thompson, shall we move on to item 7?

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: Yes Mr. Chairman, we are now under adding legislation to the agenda, there are several. But if the Council agrees, we recommend that we just take the first one first.

The Clerk read the following:

1. **Resolution No. 50 of 2011**: Authorizing the execution of a contract for Parking System Management with the Downtown Development authority of the City of Shreveport and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Mr. Thompson: If added, this particular resolution will have to lay over, it cannot be adopted today. And it is to continue an existing relationship that we have with the DDA. You may want to ask if there is anyone who wants to speak.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay. Is there anyone opposition to adding this item to the agenda? As there is none.

Motion by Councilman Everson, seconded by Councilman McCulloch to add Resolution No. 50 of 2011. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, and Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Absent: Councilman Shyne. 1.

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Chairman, the other items that are on the agenda that can be added today have to do with a housekeeping matter. Resolutions 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, and 39 had the correct addresses, but they had the wrong builder/developer. All of them list Glover Builders, LLC as being the builder/developer, but they have other builder/developers. Therefore we would recommend that there would be a motion to suspend the rules and remove Resolutions 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, and 39 from the agenda, because the names of the building/developer is incorrect, and if that motion is adopted, then we would ask you to add the new ones to the agenda with the same numbers.

1. **Resolution No. 34 of 2011**: Authorizing Glover Builders, LLC, located at 9455 Milbank Drive to connect to the Water & Sewer System of the City of Shreveport. (D/Corbin)

2. **Resolution No. 35 of 2011**: Authorizing Glover Builders, LLC, located at 9464 Milbank Drive to connect to the Water & Sewer System of the City of Shreveport. (D/Corbin)

3. **Resolution No. 36 of 2011**: Authorizing Glover Builders, LLC, located at 9468 Milbank Drive to connect to the Water & Sewer System of the City of Shreveport. (D/Corbin)

4. **Resolution No. 37 of 2011**: Authorizing Glover Builders, LLC, located at 9476 Milbank Drive to connect to the Water & Sewer System of the City of Shreveport. (D/Corbin)

5. **Resolution No. 38 of 2011**: Authorizing Glover Builders, LLC, located at 9484 Milbank Drive to connect to the Water & Sewer System of the City of Shreveport. (D/Corbin)

6. **Resolution No. 39 of 2011**: Authorizing Glover Builders, LLC, located at 9518 Milbank Drive to connect to the Water & Sewer System of the City of Shreveport. (D/Corbin)

Motion by Councilman Webb, seconded by Councilman Corbin to remove Resolutions 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, and 39 from the agenda. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, and Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Absent: Councilman Shyne. 1.

Mr. Thompson: At this time, the items to be considered for addition to the agenda are 34, 35, 36, and 37 which has Wade Patterson Contractor, Inc. as the developer. 38 and 39 which has Classic Design Homes Inc. as the developer.

The Clerk read the following:

1. **Resolution No. 34 of 2011**: A resolution authorizing Wade Patterson Contractor, Inc., located at 9455 Milbank Drive, to connect to the water & sewer system of the City of Shreveport. Attachments (D/Corbin)

2. **Resolution No. 35 of 2011**: A resolution authorizing Wade Patterson Contractor, Inc, located at 9464 Milbank Drive, to connect to the water & sewer system of the City of Shreveport. Attachments (D/Corbin)

3. **Resolution No. 36 of 2011**: A resolution authorizing Wade Patterson Contractor, Inc, located at 9468 Milbank Drive, to connect to the water & sewer system of the City of Shreveport. Attachments (D/Corbin)

4. **Resolution No. 37 of 2011**: A resolution authorizing Wade Patterson Contractor, Inc, located at 9476 Milbank Drive, to connect to the water & sewer system of the City of Shreveport. Attachments (D/Corbin)

5. **Resolution No. 38 of 2011**: A resolution authorizing Classic Designed Homes, Inc., located at 9484 Milbank Drive, to connect to the water & sewer system of the City of Shreveport. Attachments (D/Corbin)

6. **Resolution No. 39 of 2011**: A resolution authorizing Classic Designed Homes, Inc., located at 9518 Milbank Drive, to connect to the water & sewer system of the City of Shreveport. Attachments (D/Corbin)

Councilman Corbin: So moved

Councilwoman McCulloch: Second.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Motion by Councilman Corbin.

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Chairman, again, under state law, we have to ask if anybody would like to speak either for or against adding these items to the agenda.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Is there anyone present who would like to speak for or against adding these items to the agenda? I don't believe there is anyone. On motion by Councilman Corbin, seconded by Councilman McCulloch to add them. Is there any discussion?

Motion by Councilman Corbin, seconded by Councilman McCulloch to suspend the rules to add Resolutions 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, and 39. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, and Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Absent: Councilman Shyne. 1.

Mr. Thompson: Thank you Mr. Chairman, we're now under Public Comments.

Public Comments (*In accordance with Section 1.11 of the Rules of Procedures*)

Mr. Harley Ray Nored: I wasn't aware we were to the point where we are, I was looking at the itinerary, and we're already up to - - -

Councilman O. Jenkins: Public Comments, yes sir.

Mr. Nored: Public Comments. Okay. I'm going to go ahead and sit back down, I wanted to hear what everybody else had to say. Because I really wasn't quite ready. I didn't know we were at this point. Is that okay?

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay with me. Next, Mr. Kenneth Crawford?

Mr. Kenneth Crawford: (2405 Kings Hwy) My purpose here today is to speak about the amendment to Chapter 102, Code of Ordinances, Vehicles for Hire. I understand from talking with Councilman Webb before that Mr. Everson may have some information that was in the work area yesterday. And before I - - - and I would like to know what that information may be. What changes might have been made before I - - -

Councilman Everson: Sure. Is this appropriate for now? Can I respond?

Councilman O. Jenkins: Yes you may.

Councilman Everson: This is the draft of the ordinance that was put together by City Attorney's office. After sharing the concerns that from the public comments, there are some things that were addressed in here, and some that have not been. And if - - -

Mr. Crawford: Is that it - - - is that subject to final passage today? Or, are y'all going to suspend that until we - - -

Councilman Everson: It is on the agenda for today. So I mean it doesn't have to be voted on today, but it is on the agenda, so it is a possibility.

Mr. Crawford: Okay, I have a few things of concern after our last meeting. Can you tell me what might have changed in that since our last- - -?

Councilman Everson: Sure. The main thing, and Terri, if I forget something, if you could remind me. One thing is that the definition of interactive transportation service, has been changed to read interactive transportation services means the transportation of passengers for hire in, over and upon the public streets of either Shreveport or Bossier City in a motor vehicle with the capacity to carry up to ten (10) passengers, but I thought we had changed that to say nine passengers, no less than 9 passengers, if not, no more than 11. I thought that was the wording. Okay, well apparently, that was one thing that has been left out of this. But it is supposed to say - - - it says with the capacity to carry up to ten (10) passengers. What that should say is with the capacity to carry no less than 9 passengers.

Councilman Webb: Less than 9 passengers?

Councilman Everson: No less than 9. No, I'm sorry, I'm sorry. That is equipped to carry no less than 9, no more than 11. And that was as the result from the meeting, there were concerns about if there was not - - -

Councilman Webb: So, if you pick someone up, they have to pick up at least 9 people?

Councilman Everson: No, the vehicle has to be equipped to pick up that many people. So it has to be that size vehicle. So, it can't be a scooter, it can't be a two-seater, three-seater vehicle. So, it has to be a van that could hold no less than 9 people. They don't necessarily have to have 9 people in it. And the - - - such service being provided on a pre-arranged basis. All calls for service shall be made by use of a computer or multimedia device, and computer application software designed and intended to permit passengers to track, schedule and pay for such service. So that's the definition that resulted from that. The requirements - - - all calls for service shall be made by use of a computer or multimedia device, and computer application software. So that's the difference between - - -

Mr. Crawford: Basically web-based internet access.

Councilman Everson: Yes. Not just a phone call. It has to be both the use of the multimedia device or computer, and the computer application software that is designed and intended to permit passengers to track, schedule and pay for such service. Lets see - - - shall be unlawful for the driver of an interactive transportation vehicle to accept payment for any service provided by an interactive transportation service provider except as set forth in the subsection, meaning no cash payments. No funds. Only tips, not payment for services. So they would be in violation of the law if somebody were to get in and ask for transportation to another location and pay with cash. So that's what that - - -

Mr. Crawford: At that point, would still be allowed to operate using a credit card?

Councilman Everson: There are the payment of any fee, fare or charge for any service provided by an interactive transportation service provider shall be made exclusively by credit card through a pre-installed credit card reader or by use of a multimedia device, and computer application software designed and intended to accept such payment, however, that is in conjunction with the requirement that the call for service be made.

Mr. Crawford: Is there a timeframe for the prearrangement?

Councilman Everson: Terri, do you know? I don't believe so.

Mr. Crawford: Okay. I believe limousines have at least an hour.

Councilman Everson: And this is another section that - - - we're going through this, the rates of fares for an interactive transportation service shall be approved by the City Council, rates shall be posted inside each vehicle, and shall be printed in plain legible type, posted on a card which shall be placed in such a manner that it can be easily and conveniently read by any passenger riding therein. So, that is separately, those rates have to be approved by the council. Rates shall not be adjusted more than once in a 365 day period, which is the same as what the cab drivers have. Written receipt upon request is a requirement that we mentioned that was added in there. *Written receipt upon request*. The driver of any vehicle used in the operation of an interactive transportation service shall provide, upon request of the passenger, a written receipt showing the time and date of the transport and, the amount charged thereof. Another requirement that was put in, that is new is that *Company owed vehicle*. Any vehicle used in the operation of an interactive transportation service shall be owned by and titled to the individual or association issued the vehicle for hire license as set forth in this chapter, which would require that all of the vehicles that are transportation for hire vehicles are company vehicles, and not where the taxi arrangements provide for an owner/operator arrangement, that would not be allowed to - - - .

Mr. Crawford: And there's nothing in the ordinance that already has some type of fee structure, rate structure for that?

Councilman Everson: Not in this. That would have to be approved by separate legislation. And then there's another change that's - - -

Mr. Crawford: How about operating hours? Such time of which they're required to provide service.

Councilman Everson: That is not included in this amendment, and one thing that is included though is that I'm not seeing here that Terri, is a - - - remember we talked about the display of they type of service? Can you point out where that is?

Ms. Scott: That is currently required for vehicles for hire under Section 102-81. So, the way the ordinance was written initially, vehicles for hire or this type of vehicles for hire were exempted

from that provision. So what we've done is to take out the exemption for us, so they are already covered under Section 102-89, and are required to post there class of service or have a sign that displays the class of service.

Councilman Everson: And so the council - - - just make sure everybody understands. We were talking about there was one of the concerns, the taxi drivers during the public comments was that you know this is a different type of service and should be displayed as a different type of service. So that is addressed in this ordinance. Now the reason I didn't see it is because they previously had an exemption, now they don't have an exemption. So they are bound to display the type of service, and then what is the other - - - ? Oh, we discussed about the prohibition of picking up - - - nobody can be contacted in person to - - - and that was from a different subsection that we shifted this to.

Ms. Scott: It was in the amendment under Section 102-87, subsection 4. It states that it shall be unlawful for the driver of an interactive transportation service vehicle to solicit or receive any passengers for service except as set forth in Subsection 1, and Subsection 1 is the requirement that requires calls for service be made by use of the app and the multimedia device.

Councilman Everson: So, is that - - - does that answer that, another provision is there is a prohibition of what's called cruising and vehicle for hire industry, which is where a vehicle would pull up to a location where they see perhaps people waiting for a bus, or people lined up for taxis and it is actually illegal to just go up there without being called for service, just to sit there and wait for people to overflow. This provision, this change makes sure that that applies, which it applies to other vehicles for hire, so this makes sure that it applies to the interactive transportation service as well. And that's just an update to make sure that they can't go in and scoop passengers without their services being requested. So the request has to be made to them up to an area where people are waiting for them.

Mr. Crawford: One of my biggest concerns with this whole amendment is that to be honest with you, I feel like we're making a place for these guys to do business. And the fact is there is already categories these guys should have been able to do business to start with. The fact is that, if I decided tomorrow that I wanted to open another taxi cab company, I would have to buy 10 vehicles. The opportunity for this business to basically cherry pick their hours, their customers, their place they operate, all in the name of a new business, innovations, however you want to word it. The truth is that it's, I hate to use unfair, but that's the most common thing that I can think of. The fact is, is that everybody that's in business today, myself, Action Taxi, Golden Stripe, Able Taxi all the other guys, all the limo services, all the shuttles, they were given a set of rules and said, 'you want to operate, this is where you need to be', and now these guys have come along and gotten in the ear of a couple of City Councilmen and have decided that in the name of innovation and interactive business, and selling the Council on the fact that they can get the City something that they haven't seen before, such things a say reliable transportation, prearranged or prepaid trips, no need for people to handle cash on the street, not only take credit cards, track our vehicles, on and on and on, these things are already in place in the ordinance that we have. The truth is, is that we're making a place for 'em to do business. And it's going to put the businesses that are already here, that have already been paying the fees, already been paying the sales tax, already have employees in place. It will still, no matter how many rules you put in place that they have to

go by, will still put them at a disadvantage. They absolutely will be in a category on their own. The things that this place sells, is that this company will try to make us believe that they can sell us is safety, and I assure you nobody that transports people more than the taxi cab business has a better safety record than maybe SPORTRAN. I'll be honest with you guys. I've prepared a three page report that express my personal feelings about what we have going today. Some of it has some of my financial stuff about my expenses, some of it has just some of my personal feelings about what's gone on in the last few weeks, and the direction of getting this pushed through to Council so that these guys can do business. When the fact is that these guys were already doing business before y'all ever even approved this ordinance. We even advertised on our Facebook page, we appreciated the New Years Eve stuff. New Years Eve is the best day of business in the taxi cab industry. We didn't come into a market to play by the rules that were already in place, they came into this market to make themselves a place, and I feel like that some of the things that have been said in the meetings that we've had, and the fact that we're still pushing to get a new ordinance in place so these guys can do business is just proving what I've said already. I would ask that the Council not put anymore time into this ordinance that we already have. We've used an extensive bunch of the city's time and expense with Ms. Terri, and if you're going to put another workload onto Guy DesMarais already, and I would ask that you guys suggest strongly to the I-Shuttle people that if they want to be shuttles, get into the shuttle business. And if they want to be taxi cabs, get into the taxi cab business, and not make it any harder on us that have already been in that business, to try to keep our businesses open all in the name of innovation. I'm sure that if you guys vote on that today, what you're going to see is a bunch of guys with the city that can match that vehicle description that you have and can do a few things and then we're going to have a bunch of guys running around picking up people. There's a word for that already and it's called 'jitney'. We haven't been able to grasp that task of keeping that regulated with the Police Department and their resources already, this is just going to open the door for it even worse. It's going to put a bigger burden on the Police Department, it's going to put a bigger burden on the people that have to do business with us, and ultimately it'll put a bigger burden on the council. Because it won't be the last time that we visit about it. Appreciate y'all's time. Thank you.

Mr. David McFarland: (2104 Barksdale Blvd, Bossier City, LA) I'm not going to line by line and pick out and show the different problems with the ordinance, but there's still a lot of stuff that needs to be done and a lot of stuff that needs to be addressed. Jeff'll tell you, probably more than anybody else, I've worked with his office and with the gentleman involved. I see no problem with them coming into the market, but they do have to be restricted. They do have to have limitations because all of the other markets have those kinds of limitations. From what you've said, you have addressed several of them, but there's still several things that were unaddressed. The last time Jeff and I spoke was Friday, went to the website just a few minutes ago, on my smart phone, and none of this which you - - - is on the city's website. So, we can't even know what it is that you're voting on here today, because it's not posted. There's no way for us to be able to tell what it is that - - - we're in the dark. We're still in the dark. But if you go through with what I just saw on the website, you've just opened up the flood gates. You will be horrified with the end results of what will happen here, because you will destroy public transportation here in the city. You're going to open it up to anybody and anything. Some of the arguments that you had mentioned haven't had a chance to look at 'em. I'd really love to get the opportunity. Now this vote that you plan on taking here today, is this the final vote, or is this the first vote?

Councilman O. Jenkins: Well, we've had it introduced, so this would be potentially the final vote. If we don't postpone it or table it for some other reason.

Mr. McFarland: Technically if the Mayor were to sign it by the end of the day, by this time next week, they can go in operations?

Councilman Everson: In 10 days.

Mr. McFarland: In 10 days. I strongly recommend. There's still a lot of things, I've got nothing against these guys. Jeff'll tell you, I'm not against them, they'll tell you I'm not against them. Okay. Competition is good for the business. But they've got to have some restrictions that - - - what I've seen so far, it's just not there. Thank you.

Mr. Harley Nored: (411 E. Bert Kouns) And I needed to see the gist and the direction of the conversation of what these gentlemen had to say. Now what concerns me is enforceability. Here you have a new service, and they only take credit cards, and it's not busy everyday. And a van will hold a lot of people, so they're sitting where ever, and so somebody walks up with \$50 or 60 cash, you know to be quite honest with you, I don't know too many people that can say no to that, and I don't know if it's enforceable. You know we already have some entities that are operating, and one of the biggest problems is the entities that are operating illegally anyway. The hotel shuttles are already running fares for cash instead of just their hotel guests to and from where ever the city code says they can go. If they want to go to south Shreveport, they'll go. You know they drop off somebody at one of the boats, or one of the restaurants, and they get a chance to pick somebody up, I can assure you, they're doing it. And what concerns me here, along with a lot of other things that these gentlemen brought up is what about all the time people will come up and say, 'Gee I need to get down there, there's not a cab around here, I've got \$50, will you take me down to Ellerbe Road?' And without some kind of enforcement, I mean what - - - do y'all have any idea of what's likely to happen or - - -

Councilman Everson: I can address that a little bit. I did have a conversation with Guy and several other people from the Police Department about enforceability, and we - - - you know this is obviously a new responsibility, or expanded responsibility now at the Police Department their additional efforts enforcing this, and it has been a tremendous problem in y'all's industry of unregistered and unlicensed vans that are picking up people without being licensed, you know? So, that's in violation of the ordinance obviously. The enforcement of that is part of what Guy has been brought on board to do. And from what I can tell so far, I mean obviously it's a new position that he has been making great efforts and strides to take people seriously. You know there was a particular company that had been operating violation of the ordinance, and they were marketing themselves as, I guess as a limousine or I don't know exactly what they were calling themselves, but they weren't what they were supposed to be. And that particular organization was not granted a permit, which is a step in the right direction. By showing enforceability of these laws and intent to begin a more strict enforcement of them, and you know hopefully that was a big reason for some of the adjustments that were made in this amendment, was to make sure that it would continue to be enforceable, and that it would not undo some of the efforts of what Guy and the rest of the

people who are working to start stepping up the enforcement of the jitney operations, (inaudible) use slang after dealing with some of this vehicle for hire stuff.

Mr. Nored: That's a word that actually appears in the code. That's a word that's actually - - -

Councilman Everson: It is in the code, but there's not a definition of it, but obviously it's a problem of having unlicensed vans. Many times there are vans for hotels, or vans that are customer service kind of vehicles that are being operated as vehicle for hire vans or in violation of the ordinance. So this is something that we took in consideration of and are working on the adding of this to make sure that this amendment would not make it more difficult for the increased enforcement.

Mr. Nored: Well that's what I had to say, and thank you very much.

Ms. Nettie Brown: (9307 Kildare Park Road) I'm here to speak on the proposed ordinances 28, 29, 30, 31 and 32. First of all, I'd like to tell you that I respect the Administration and the Council for your knowledge and your skills and your (inaudible) to try and run the city as best you can. And I know that ideas are - - - everybody's got one, they could be a dime a dozen. But my opinion is based on what has happened here in the city in the past. With respect to those 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 proposals. I must admit that much of my opinion is based on previous work that this great city has done. We spent approximately a million dollars with a company called EMA back in 2002, where we decided that we would take DOS and take away the top heaviness and all that extra money for positions. I mean, and move toward making a skilled workforce, a knowledge based workforce, technologically sound and able to do the job. Certainly we need directions, and we certainly do need management, but excess management causes wasting taxpayer money. We moved from having a little person here, and a little person here, a little person here, and people reporting to this person, reporting to that person and reporting to that person, they call that fat and waste. They called that waste. They called that a lack of good fiscal spending. In order to - - - and we spent like I say, a million dollars or more with that company setting up a system where DOS's phone and we report to one central figures. Right now, we have two central figures. We have the CAO and we have the CAO's person, and then you have divisions out there that have skilled and talented people in each division. So, if you go out and pull in somebody to pull these divisions together, when they can report what their knowledge and their abilities, and their skills, they can report to one person and this would be more effective. First of all, now a few nights ago, I was reminded of this. I woke up suddenly. I usually wake up suddenly, I think God wakes me up, I might have been bad all day, but anyway I woke up suddenly, I was watching the National Conference of Governors, and a renowned professor of Economics and Business Strategies from Harvard University, I think his name was Dr. Michael Porter, was speaking to the governors in the United States as a whole. And he was talking about building a better America and improving the economic environment. He stated that the United States would be better if we promoted, he stated that the dollars would be better spent by promoting a competitive working environment in the states. And he further states that competitiveness does not by definition does not equate to low paying jobs, nor reduce employee benefits. Competitiveness was related to the steel labor workforce, which promotes productivity and equates to savings to the public. Discussion was also - - - he also discussed the policy of us thinking by grabbing the golden person from outside the city to come in and set up a

business and give them the big tax breaks, this is the way to go. He said, the most effective cities in the United States are not going toward that idea anymore. Because usually these people will come to your state, and I'll say your city, and you will give them these excessive tax breaks, while we're still squeezing the poor little people like us, and they will stay here and work one contract with you and as soon as it's time to renew, then they would get better pickings somewhere else, and it's usually overseas. So, I'm just asking y'all to really consider instead of extending this DOS "dynasty concept", my suggestion is, (and what do I know, but just think about it), to take a closer look at the individual divisions of DOS, and existing mechanisms which make this city flow. The available talent, services and then provide the training needed to use what you've got. And he also suggest - - - the doctor from Harvard also suggested that every state (city) has something that's good. Why not use what we have is good and export it. You know, don't just bring people in to sort of misuse us, take what we've got and then go overseas and usually when they come in, they bring half the people that had from somewhere else anyway. So, relieve the citizens and the workers of the City of Shreveport from this top heavy administrating strategy, and give us the workers the stakeholder status in place of this being commodities. We are not commodities. We've got 1500 leaks, water pipe leaks in this city. And every time they fix a leak, our certified microbiological lab takes the test. Okay. The people are safe, because employees are prepared. Lets prepare all of our employees to do a better job. And give them a feeling of ownership. The key words here are technology, and science, and training, and knowledge and skills, and experience. Break the void perpetuated by the non-productivity of a big hierarchy with many dollars being spent on a few positions, while squeezing - - - and I say squeezing a raise. Not getting a raise in three years is squeezing.

Ms. Johnson: Mr. Chairman?

Ms. Brown: Just a little more, and I'll be through. Not getting a merit raise in three years is actually squeezing. And I'm not talking about myself. I'm floating on out of here in a few years. I'm talking about that talent that I have in my lab, microbiologist and chemists and people like that, or EIT type people who take care of the (inaudible) system. The guys that fix those holes in the road out there. And the ones that's out there patching those pipes. A lot of times we call a contractor. The contractor will go out there and fix a pipe right here. We'll test that. Do you know in a few days, we're out there fixing the pipe down the street because we're putting bandaids on it instead of training our people. EMA suggested this, that we train the people that we have on staff. You know take those dollars that we're going to spend on fat positions, and I'm not talking about fat like me, I mean fat positions, non-productive positions and spend it on our people that are going to live here and most likely die here. Thank you. Y'all have any questions? Just my opinion.

Mr. Ken Krefft: (157 Archer) Thanks to the Police Department for the - - - we had our little BP crisis, but Brooks and Picket are in custody. I want to encourage y'all to support the Master Plan, it's long overdue, and to invite the public two weeks from tonight to have a part of that discussion and to watch a power point at the Broadmoor Neighborhood presents the opportunity to get into little of the early part of the Master Plan. There's \$175,000,000 bond issue, three weeks from Saturday is broken into three propositions. It sounds like a lot, but it's really about (inaudible) a day over 20 years per resident, and I don't think that's an absorbent price to do all the things that are proposed and a lot of that's fairly mandated. So, this would be at the Broadmoor Presbyterian

Church, the bond issue was just a little piece of it, but the key to the Master Plan success I think is hiring the top notch administrator. I don't know he or she is going to be. But if it works with a really good person, it doesn't work so well without. So, just open the pocketbook and open your eyes and just get a really, really good person even if we have to snatch 'em from somebody else, and as one who turned 18 on Mardi Gras Day many years ago, this is always been a joyous day. One final thought on the bond issue. I haven't seen a whole lot yet, I hope it's not too late, it's less than a month away. It's kinda of stealth almost below the radar, so I think we ought to maybe begin to promote it at least a little bit. And I know y'all are aware of it, but people who I've talked to about it at the parade Sunday, what bond issue? Totally clueless. You're kidding, and then we go to the duck pond after the parade, and people are complaining about the conditions. I said, well there's actually a project coming up. Nobody knew out of about 10 people, nobody knew there was a project to improve the E. Kings Hwy duck pond, so I think we do need to promote it. Thank you.

Ms. Caroline Majors: (301 Crockett St) And we just wanted to take this opportunity as two local planners and also as members of the Community Advisory Group to bring to your attention a few local initiatives that we've been collaborating on with a number of community members. First is the proposed preparation of a bicycle/pedestrian master plan for the city, and potentially for part of the parish or all of the parish. We've been working in partnership with the Better Shreveport, The National Park Service, and an organization called Think First thus far, and we also have received support from both NLCOG and the MPC on this plan. The second initiative is the preparation of a plan to establish a healthy local food system, and this is something that's being led by Grace Peterson and the LSU AG Center, and the third would be the reactivation of the Caddo Storm Water Partnership. To this point, each of these initiatives have been supported by both of our firms on a volunteer basis and (inaudible), and each of these are truly grassroots efforts that have been citizens beginning to implement the master plan. We're eager to see it - - - to see the fruits of the work that we put into it. And we bring this before you at this time, because we really feel like your support is both critical, and immensely valuable, to validate the work that has been done by these few members and the work that we're investing as well.

Ms. Stephanie Pedro: (610 Commerce St) And I just wanted to talk a little bit about the bike and pedestrian master plan. It might seem a little far off to maybe this culture and this city, but Secretary LaHood from Department of Transportation last week logged on the significant job creation that results from bike and ped infrastructure. He quoted a study that the Political Economy Research Institute did, by compiling data from the City of Baltimore, and what they found that on street bike lanes, and pedestrian facilities, what I'm talking about here are paint striping and crosswalks, just paint alone brought more and created more direct jobs, more indirect jobs, and more induced jobs per dollar than either road upgrades or road resurfacing. And this report follows the CDC survey that just came out that showed a 67% widespread support of America's cities for street design activities that increased physical activity. So, if we can use our transit from work to home as a physical activity, then we're really getting, you know we're increasing the health by our economy and by our society, and I think it's just a win-win for everybody. I think that we could really make some headway here. We've got the movie industry where we're having a huge influx of people from other cities who are really looking around and trying to find out they can get around without a car. And I think that we're on the brink of a transformation. And we hope that we could have the opportunity to create a plan, a management plan for laying out these facilities over

time, and to be included in our capital outlay budget. And then the last thing I wanted to talk about, we talked about those three plans, the bike and ped plan, the Urban Ag plan, and then the reactivation or the activation of the Caddo Storm Water Partnership, which was formed right after the floods in L.A. We have a local expert, an urban planner that is not positioned at the Global Strike Command, Mary Ann Balley is going to speak at the Red River Watershed Institute on Thursday Night, and she's going to talk about the last 20 years that she worked in her own urban planning from doing green infrastructure development. Something that this city could readily embrace, and it could really tie in with greenways, with urban agriculture, and bringing our community and things with a healthy progressive society.

Ms. Majors: And I guess this is one last final note that we would like to re-emphasize the importance of a unified development code for the city. As planners, we see the evidence that is essential for us to move on this, and it would also encourage ultimately more efficient use of our infrastructure which right now is obviously critical. It would also improve the quality of our health environment.

Mr. Pedro: Yeah, and so not only that unified development code going to propel these efforts that we're already working on, but it's also going to pave the way to unify our local, public and private resources, and work together to redevelop this city and parish, in a smart growth, low carbon society. Thank you. Y'all have any questions?

Councilwoman McCulloch: Did I understand you to say you all are planners right? And as you were speaking, I understood you to say that you had private entities that are actually contacting you?

Ms. Pedro: There are a number of nonprofit organizations that we are working with, and members of many of them. And they are citizens that care enough and have been participating in the Master Plan, and see the need for these types of services. And then we as planners, and also members of those organizations have been volunteering our time to help them prepare to get those plans in place. Essentially though, it would be necessary for city government to also want to embrace those plans, and really to fully prepare those plans, there would probably need to be some also paid work. But thus far, we're just sort of a growing movement, and people are excited and infused about, and basically improving our city in these ways.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Okay, so am I understanding too that as planners, you're looking out for the welfare of all districts? And you talked about the biking, and the - - -

Ms. Pedro: Yes, we are - - -

Councilwoman McCulloch: (Inaudible), but you know I'm kinda like - - -

Ms. Majors: We're actually very much - - - as planners we are very much interested in looking at the most comprehensive planning efforts we can for both the bike/ped plan and also for this healthy local food systems plan.

Councilwoman McCulloch: This is an urban - - -

Ms. Majors: Yeah, for either one of those to really be successful, you have to look at a much broader picture, so potentially wide, to see how these networks connect and to serve all populations equitably. So, equity would be a primary value in any of these plans that we pursue.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Roy explained to us on yesterday that being a part of government, what we have to do is seek private entities in order to fund projects within I would say our individual districts. So my understanding from you that that's a part of what you do. I mean, do you concentrate on one district in particular? Or, do you concentrate on all of the districts?

Ms. Pedro: I would definitely would want to concentrate on not only the whole City of Shreveport, but Caddo Parish as it especially pertains to growing urban food. You know we've been doing some research on this plan of what is actually being grown in Caddo Parish right now. Right now, it's really nothing. It's commodity crops like soy and cotton that's exported out, and so we're really not - - - if there were - - - if tomorrow came and we weren't able to get distributed food from thousands of miles away, we would be in a serious state of emergency because we do not have the capacity right now to grow our own food because it's not localized right now, and we're trying to build those local programs to bring entrepreneurs on and begin to grow food even in the urban environment, and sell that food so that we can localize our food system, which is really important.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Well District A will be planning a meeting real soon within the next two weeks or so, and I'd really love to invite you all to come and speak to actually all of our association presidents in regards to what it is you have to offer as planners for District A. I'd like to get in touch with you if I could get your card, your contact information, I'd sure love to have it.

Ms. Majors: We'd be happy to do it. Thank you.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Thank y'all very much.

Confirmations and appointments.

Consent Agenda Legislation.

To Introduce Routine Ordinances and Resolutions

Resolutions: None.

Ordinances: None.

To Adopt Ordinances and Resolutions

Resolutions:

The Clerk read the following:

RESOLUTION NO. 30 of 2011

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TOMMY D. DIGILORMO & VIRGINIA G. DIGILORMO, LOCATED AT 920 PINE HILL RD., TO CONNECT TO THE WATER & SEWER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, Tommy D. Digilormo & Virginia G. Digilormo 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 Tommy D. Digilormo & Virginia G. Digilormo be authorized to connect the structure, located at 920 Pine Hill Rd. 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 McCulloch, seconded by Councilman O. Jenkins to adopt.

Councilwoman McCulloch: I have concerns. I guess because I'm pretty familiar with Pine Hill Waterworks being on Caddo Parish Commission, is there a reason why they're choosing not to use Pine Hill Waterworks as a service versus the City of Shreveport? Can someone answer that?

Mayor Glover: Ron, you want to help us with that one?

Mr. Norwood: I don't have first hand knowledge, but I would guess that they're existing well system is going bad, so they want to connect to the city. That happens very often.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Okay, thank you.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, and Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Absent: Councilman Shyne. 1.

RESOLUTION NO. 31 of 2011

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING GLOVER BUILDERS, L.L.C., LOCATED AT 9551 ROCHEL DR., TO CONNECT TO THE WATER & SEWER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, Glover Builders, L.L.C. 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 Glover Builders, L.L.C. be authorized to connect the structure, located at 9551 Rochel Dr. 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 Corbin, seconded by Councilman Webb to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, and Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Absent: Councilman Shyne. 1.

RESOLUTION NO. 32 of 2011

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING GLOVER BUILDERS, L.L.C., LOCATED AT 9451 MILBANK DR., TO CONNECT TO THE WATER & SEWER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, Glover Builders, L.L.C. 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 Glover Builders, L.L.C. be authorized to connect the structure, located at 9451 Milbank Dr. 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 Corbin, seconded by Councilman McCulloch to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, and Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Absent: Councilman Shyne. 1.

RESOLUTION NO. 33 of 2011

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING GLOVER BUILDERS, L.L.C., LOCATED AT 9452 MILBANK DR., TO CONNECT TO THE WATER & SEWER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, Glover Builders, L.L.C. 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 Glover Builders, L.L.C. be authorized to connect the structure, located at 9452 Milbank Dr. 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 Corbin, seconded by Councilman Everson to adopt.

Councilman Webb: Mr. Chairman, can I make a substitute motion to take all of them at once?

Councilwoman McCulloch: I was just telling him that Ron.

Councilman Everson: Second, third, fourth and fifth.

Councilman Webb: I'll second that.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay, well let's first finish this one and then we'll start at the next one.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, and Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Absent: Councilman Shyne. 1.

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Chairman, the ones that were added, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, and 39 will all connect to the water and sewer system if adopted.

RESOLUTION NO. 34 of 2011

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING WADE PATTERSON CONTRACTOR, INC., LOCATED AT 9455 MILBANK DR., TO CONNECT TO THE WATER & SEWER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened, that Wade Patterson Contractor, Inc. be authorized to connect the structure, located at 9455 Milbank Dr. to the water & sewer system of the City of Shreveport.

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. 35 of 2011

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING WADE PATTERSON CONTRACTOR, INC., LOCATED AT 9464 MILBANK DR., TO CONNECT TO THE WATER & SEWER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened, that Wade Patterson Contractor, Inc. be authorized to connect the structure, located at 9464 Milbank Dr. to the water & sewer system of the City of Shreveport.

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. 36 of 2011

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING WADE PATTERSON CONTRACTOR, INC., LOCATED AT 9468 MILBANK DR., TO CONNECT TO THE WATER & SEWER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened, that Wade Patterson Contractor, Inc. be authorized to connect the structure, located at 9468 Milbank Dr. to the water & sewer system of the City of Shreveport.

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. 37 of 2011

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING WADE PATTERSON CONTRACTOR, INC., LOCATED AT 9476 MILBANK DR., TO CONNECT TO THE WATER & SEWER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened, that Wade Patterson Contractor, Inc. be authorized to connect the structure, located at 9476 Milbank Dr. to the water & sewer system of the City of Shreveport.

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. 38 of 2011

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING WADE PATTERSON CONTRACTOR, INC., LOCATED AT 9476 MILBANK DR., TO CONNECT TO THE WATER & SEWER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened, that Wade Patterson Contractor, Inc. be authorized to connect the structure, located at 9476 Milbank Dr. to the water & sewer system of the City of Shreveport.

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

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

RESOLUTION NO. 39 of 2011

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CLASSIC DESIGNED HOMES, INC., LOCATED AT 9518 MILBANK DR., TO CONNECT TO THE WATER & SEWER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened, that Classic Designed Homes, Inc. be authorized to connect the structure, located at 9518 Milbank Dr. 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 Corbin, seconded by Councilman Webb to adopt Resolution No(s) 34, 35, 36, 37, 38 and 39 of 2011. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, and Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Absent: Councilman Shyne. 1.

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. 25 OF 2011

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH SCI-PORT DISCOVERY CENTER AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, Sci-Port Discovery Center (“Center”) is a city-owned facility managed and operated by Sci-Port Discovery Center (“Sci-Port”), a Louisiana non-profit corporation, pursuant to a written agreement with the City of Shreveport (“City”);

WHEREAS, under the terms of the agreement, Sci-Port is to provide and maintain all utilities or other services necessary or desirable for its operation, at its expense; and

WHEREAS, City and Sci-Port desire to amend the agreement to state that the City shall be responsible for payment of utility costs for gas, electric and water service provided to the Center.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened that the Mayor is authorized to execute, for and on behalf of the City of Shreveport, an amendment to the agreement with Sci-Port to provide that the City of Shreveport shall be responsible for payment of utility costs for gas, electric and water service provided to the Center retroactive to January 1, 2011.

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 Everson, seconded by Councilman O. Jenkins to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, and Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Absent: Councilman Shyne. 1.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 26 OF 2011

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A DONATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND SHREVEPORT DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, HEREINAFTER CALLED "OWNER" AND ACTING HEREIN THROUGH DONNIE JUNEAU, MANAGER, FOR THE PRIVATE WATER AND SEWER MAIN EXTENSIONS AND RELATED FACILITIES TO SERVE BIENVILLE PATH UNIT 3 IN TWELVE OAKS SUBDIVISION AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened, that Cedric B. Glover, Mayor, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the City of Shreveport a Donation Agreement with Shreveport Development Corporation, represented by Donnie Juneau, Manager, substantially in accordance with the terms and conditions contained in the draft of said agreement which was filed for public inspection with the original draft of the resolution in the office of the City Council on February 22, 2011.

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 all ordinances or resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Corbin, seconded by Councilman McCulloch to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, and Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Absent: Councilman Shyne. 1.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 27 OF 2011

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A DONATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND SHREVEPORT DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, HEREINAFTER CALLED "OWNER" AND ACTING HEREIN THROUGH DONNIE JUNEAU, MANAGER, FOR THE PRIVATE WATER AND SEWER MAIN EXTENSIONS AND RELATED FACILITIES TO SERVE BIENVILLE PATH UNIT 4 IN TWELVE OAKS SUBDIVISION AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened, that Cedric B. Glover, Mayor, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the City of Shreveport a Donation Agreement with Shreveport Development Corporation, represented by Donnie Juneau, Manager, substantially in accordance with the terms and conditions contained in the draft of said agreement which was filed for public inspection with the original draft of the resolution in the office of the City Council on February 22, 2011.

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 all ordinances or resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Corbin, seconded by Councilman McCulloch to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, and Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Absent: Councilman Shyne. 1.

RESOLUTION NO. 40 OF 2011

A RESOLUTION REJECTING BIDS RECEIVED FOR IFB #11-001 FOR RENOVATIONS/RESTORATION FOR ART SPACE AT THE WEST EDGE-PHASE 2 AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, three (3) bids were received as a result of solicitations for Renovations/Restoration for Art Space at the West Edge - Phase II, IFB #11-001; and;

WHEREAS, the City has rejected the bids in accordance with La R.S. 38:2214 B, because the bids received were over budget;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened that the bids received on IFB #11-001 be rejected;

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 declared repealed.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Everson, seconded by Councilman O. Jenkins to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Webb, and Jenkins. 5. Nays: None. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Corbin. 1. Absent: Councilman Shyne. 1.

RESOLUTION NO. 41 OF 2011

A RESOLUTION SUSPENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 10 RELATIVE TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ON APRIL 17, 2011 RELATIVE TO DISPENSING, SALE AND/OR CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AT 4801 LINE AVENUE FOR THE WINE COUNTRY BISTRO'S, WINE AND SWINE EVENT AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

By: Councilman Oliver Jenkins

WHEREAS, The Wine Country Bistro located at 4801 Line Avenue will host a Wine and Swine event on April 17, 2011 between the hours of 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, the establishment desires to dispense, and allow the consumption and sale of alcoholic beverages on the parking lot of the establishment, between the hours of 2:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.; and

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

WHEREAS, any special exception approval granted to the establishment for alcoholic beverage sales, consumption and/or dispensing does not specifically authorize outside sales and/or consumption on the premises; and

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

WHEREAS, Section Chapter 10-103(a)(5) provides that the city council may suspend or revoke any permit if a retailer allows any person to consume any alcoholic beverage on the licensed premises or on any parking lot or open or closed space within or contiguous to the licensed premises without a proper license; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of this resolution would allow the dispensing, sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages on the parking lot of The Wine Country Bistro, 4801 Line Avenue, on April 17, 2011 for the Wine and Swine event.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened Sections 106-130(6), 10-103(a)(5) 10-80(a) and 10-172 are hereby suspended on April 17, 2011 for the Wine and Swine event, between the hours of 2:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m., at The Wine Country Bistro, 4801 Line Avenue.

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 O. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Everson to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Webb, and Jenkins. 5. Nays: None. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Corbin. 1. Absent: Councilman Shyne. 1.

RESOLUTION NO. 42 OF 2011

A RESOLUTION SUSPENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 10 RELATIVE TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ON MARCH 18, 2011 RELATIVE TO DISPENSING, SALE AND/OR CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AT 320 TEXAS STREET FOR THE IBERIABANK CUSTOMER APPRECIATION DAY AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BY: Councilman Jeff Everson

WHEREAS, Iberiabank located at 320 Texas Street will host a Customer Appreciation Day on March 18, 2011 between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, Iberiabank desires to dispense and allow the sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages at 320 Texas Street during the event; and

WHEREAS, Section 10-80(a) makes it unlawful for any person to dispense alcoholic beverages except within those sections of the city wherein such sale is permitted by the applicable zoning ordinance, Section 10-190(a) prohibits consumption of alcoholic beverages on the parking lot of a business or on other property of a business where said property is open to the public, Section 106-130(6) provides that unless otherwise excepted, all uses shall be operated entirely within a completely enclosed structure, and Section 10-81 provides that Section 10-41 (requiring a retail dealer's permit) shall not apply to a bona fide nonprofit event meeting the requirements of this section, only when it is held within the confines of an enclosed building; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of this resolution would allow the dispensing, sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages on the parking lot of Iberiabank, 320 Texas Street, on March 18, 2011 for a Customer Appreciation Day.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened that the suspension of Sections 10-80(a), 10-81, 10-190(a) and 106-130(6) on March 18, 2011 for a Customer Appreciation Day, between the hours of 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at Iberiabank located at 320 Texas Street.

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 Everson, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to adopt.

Councilman Webb: Is that after the bank closes?

Councilman Everson: It's an all day thing I think.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Webb, and Jenkins. 5. Nays: None. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Corbin. 1. Absent: Councilman Shyne. 1.

RESOLUTION NO. 43 OF 2011

A RESOLUTION TO ALLOW THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES TO USE THE GOVERNMENTAL CHAMBER ON MAY 12, 2011 AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the Shreveport City Council and the Caddo Parish Commission jointly adopted by resolution the rule that the Government Plaza Chamber's use shall be limited to meetings by the Shreveport City Council, the Caddo Parish Commission, the Metropolitan Planning Commission, the Shreveport Metropolitan Zoning Board of Appeals, Louisiana House of Representatives and the Louisiana State Senate; and

WHEREAS, the legislation also established a Government Plaza Chamber Standing Committee to oversee the operation of the Chamber and adjoining conference rooms and to make recommendations to the Shreveport City Council and the Caddo Parish Commission relative to the use and operation of the chamber and conference rooms; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources has requested to use the Governmental Chamber on May 12, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. for a Public Hearing; and

WHEREAS, the Caddo Parish Commission has no objection to this use.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal and regular session convened, to allow the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources has requested to use the Governmental Chamber on May 12, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. for a public hearing, for a one time use.

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

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman S. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman McCulloch to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Webb, and Jenkins. 5. Nays: None. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Corbin. 1. Absent: Councilman Shyne. 1.

RESOLUTION NO. 44 OF 2011

A RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 10 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATIVE TO THE CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AT MARDI GRAS PARADES ON

FEBRUARY 26, 2011 AND MARCH 5, 2011 AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, Section 10-190 of the Code of Ordinances generally provides that it shall be unlawful to consume alcoholic beverages of high or low alcoholic content within the city limits in or on certain property including but not limited to a public street or sidewalk; and

WHEREAS, Section 10-192 of the Code of Ordinances generally provides that it shall be unlawful to possess, sell or consume alcoholic beverages of any kind in a public park owned by the city, except as specifically authorized by the ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Krewe of Centaur and the Krewe of Gemini Mardi Gras parades were held in the city on February 26, 2011 and March 5, 2011 respectively; and

WHEREAS, the parades and other related events provide entertainment and tourism opportunities for citizens of and visitors to the City of Shreveport as well as provide a direct economic impact to the city; and

WHEREAS, this resolution would ratify the suspension of Section 10-190 and Section 10-192 of the Code of Ordinances relative to the consumption of alcoholic beverages for both parades.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened that the suspension of Section 10-190 and Section 10-192 of the Code or Ordinances on February 26, 2011 in connection with the Krewe of Centaur parade and on March 5, 2011 in connection with the Krewe of Gemini parade is hereby ratified under the following conditions:

1. Except as provided in sub-section 3 of this resolution, Section 10-190 and Section 10-192 of the Code of Ordinances are suspended to the limited extent necessary to permit the consumption and possession of alcoholic beverages on the public right of way and in city parks when said right of way or park is adjacent to the route of a Mardi Gras parade for which the City of Shreveport has approved the closing of the street, and on private property adjacent to the parade route or adjacent to a public right of way which is adjacent to the parade route, but only with the permission of the property owner.
2. This resolution shall specifically apply to the Krewe of Centaur and Krewe of Gemini parades held in the City of Shreveport on February 26, 2011 and March 5, 2011 respectively.
3. This resolution shall not apply to the designated non-alcoholic beverage family area along Clyde Fant Parkway between the railroad bridge (just north of the Frisbee Golf Course) and Stoner Avenue, it being expressly declared by the Shreveport City Council that the provisions of Section 10-190 and Section 10-192 are not suspended for those areas.

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.

Councilman Webb: What happens if this fails?

Mr. Thompson: (Inaudible)

Councilman O. Jenkins: I'll make the motion.

Councilman S. Jenkins: I'll second

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman O. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, and Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Absent: Councilman Shyne. 1.

RESOLUTION NO. 45 OF 2010

A RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT STATE REPRESENTATIVE PATRICK WILLIAMS "WALKING THE WALK", A 226 MILE WALK FROM SHREVEPORT TO THE STATE CAPITOL IN BATON ROUGE ON APRIL 9TH, 2011, TO RAISE AWARENESS AND MONIES TO COMBAT CHILDHOOD OBESITY AND PROVIDE AUTISM RESOURCES; TO ENCOURAGE FIRST LADY MICHELLE OBAMA TO VISIT SHREVEPORT AND PARTICIPATE IN THE EVENT, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BY: COUNCILMAN SAM JENKINS

WHEREAS, on April 9, 2011, Louisiana State Representative Patrick Williams, who represents House District 4 in Shreveport, will begin his fourth annual "Walking the Walk Event", a 226-mile walk from Shreveport to the state capitol in Baton Rouge; and

WHEREAS, the proceeds from the walk benefit the Odyssey Foundation, a nonprofit organization committed to reducing childhood obesity and other childhood illnesses which may affect the healthy growth and development of children. The Foundation also provides resources to families of children with autism spectrum disorders; and

WHEREAS, according to the Autism and Developmental Disabilities Monitoring Network, funded by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), autism affects an estimated 1 in 110 children in the United States. In the State of Louisiana, more than 2,000 individuals has been diagnosed with Autism or some other Autism Spectrum Disorders (*Louisiana Office for Citizens with Developmental Disorders*); and

WHEREAS, the CDC also recognizes childhood obesity as a serious health concern. Obese children and teens have been found to have risk factors for cardiovascular disease, Type 2 diabetes and other health risks; and

WHEREAS, the Shreveport City Council is aware of First Lady Michele Obama's "Let's Move" campaign, a comprehensive initiative, launched by the First Lady, dedicated to solving the challenge of childhood obesity within a generation; and the Council is aware of State Representative Williams invitation to the First Lady to visit Shreveport to participate in the "Walking the Walk Event".

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened, that it supports State Representative Patrick Williams "Walking the Walk Event", a 226 mile walk from Shreveport to the state capitol in Baton Rouge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council supports Representative Williams invitation to First Lady Michelle Obama, and encourages the First Lady to visit Shreveport on April 9, 2011.

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 the 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 McCulloch, seconded by Councilman O. Jenkins to adopt.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Thank you Mr. Chairman, I want to take this opportunity to commend State Representative Patrick Williams on this Walking the Walk campaign that he's involved in. He's been doing it for a significant period of time, I think it brings a lot of potential to some issues that affect a lot of families. And that deals with child obesity and autism. And this year, he's extending the special invitation to First Lady Michelle Obama, who also shares this passion to participate in the event. Those of you who would like to support State Representative Patrick Williams' effort, I want to encourage you to please contact his office, and I believe he was trying to get a letter writing campaign to the First Lady, and you could participate in that manner. Of course, that would bring some good recognition to our city, if she should accept that and be willing to come this way. And so I appreciate your support of this particular resolution.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, and Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Absent: Councilman Shyne. 1.

RESOLUTION NO. 46 OF 2011

A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT A NEW MASTER PLAN FOR THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, “Great Expectations: Shreveport-Caddo 2030 Master Plan” contains:

- 1) the shared vision and principals developed through a public planning process by the Citizens of Shreveport and Caddo Parish;
- 2) their goals and suggested policies for decision makers; and
- 3) strategies and actions to achieve the goals; and

WHEREAS, “Great Expectations: Shreveport-Caddo 2030 Master Plan”, was approved by the Metropolitan Planning Commission on December 1, 2010 and recommended to the City Council in accordance with La. R.S. 33:140.10 and 140.12; and

WHEREAS, 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 green systems and sustainability, historic preservation, arts, culture, neighborhoods, housing, economic development, transportation and mobility, public infrastructure, downtown Shreveport, revitalization, smart growth, and future land use; and

WHEREAS, Shreveport-Caddo 2030 Master Plan contemplates a number of strategies to insure its implementation; including a Citizen Advisory group to act as advocates for the implementation of the plan, and MPC staff dedicated to implementation, to include a procedure to inform legislative and administrative decision makers as to whether their proposed action is or is not consistent with the plan.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport that:

1. “Great Expectations: Shreveport-Caddo 2030 Master Plan,” attached hereto and made a part hereof is adopted as an active guide for the City Council, the Mayor and his administration, and citizens to use in making decisions on matters contained therein, including green systems and sustainability, historic preservation, arts, culture, neighborhoods, housing, economic development, transportation and mobility, public infrastructure, downtown Shreveport, revitalization, smart growth, and future land use.
2. “Great Expectations: Shreveport-Caddo 2030 Master Plan” supersedes all previously adopted Master Plans, except as provided in paragraph 3.
3. “Great Expectations: Shreveport-Caddo 2030 Master Plan” does not supersede:
 - a) the zoning ordinance contained in Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances,
 - b) the subdivision ordinance contained in Chapter 82 of the Code of Ordinances,

- c) the zoning maps adopted as part of the previous master plan,
- d) any ordinances re-zoning property, or
- e) any other Metropolitan Planning Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals, or City Council land use decisions.

However, the “Great Expectations: Shreveport-Caddo 2030 Master Plan” shall be considered to be a guide for future amendments to said ordinances and maps and for future land use decisions.

4. The Clerk of Council shall provide a certified copy of this resolution and the attached “Great Expectations: Shreveport-Caddo 2030 Master Plan” to the Caddo Parish Commission, the Caddo Parish School Board, the Board of Commissioners of the Caddo Levee District, and the Clerk of Court /Recorder of Caddo Parish, who shall record such resolution and plan in the conveyance records of Caddo Parish, as provided by La. R.S. 33:140.12. The Clerk of Council shall also retain a copy of the resolution and Master Plan in the permanent records of the City Council.

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 Everson, seconded by Councilman Webb to adopt.

Councilman Everson: And just as a point of discussion, would like to just make sure that everybody knows that I had a chance to talk to a few of the Councilmen before hand, but we did speak with four of the six members of the Intergovernmental Committee that handles the Master Plan for the Caddo Commission, all of the four that we spoke with were in support of us going ahead with this resolution today, and they said that they look forward to working with us in the future on figuring out some of the issues of implementation, so that will be the committee that we’re operating on there as we look to implement a master plan. And they were very, very excited about it. And also talked with the Parish Attorney who verified that it was legally in line with what they worked out.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Can I add something to that Mr. Chairman. A lot of money and effort went into the Master Plan and certainly want to commend all those persons who were involved in it. I take this opportunity to let our citizens know that the Master Plan is advisory natured, it’s a guide, I think that it would do a lot of good as we formulate for ordinances, and other plans for the future growth of our city. I’m supporting this today, and I’m certainly hoping and encouraging our colleagues that are on the other governmental bodies such as the Commission to take a real good look at it, so that we will all be on the same page moving forward, with some of these

recommendations. I believe that it did get good input from the community. I think it's representative of all the community, and for that reason, I'm supporting and voting in favor for its adoption today. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Thank you. Any further discussion?

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, and Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Absent: Councilman Shyne. 1.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, before you all proceed any further, I just wanted to take a moment to say thank you to you all and to Dr. Rozeman and to Dave Aubrey as the Co-chair of the Community Advisory Group to all the members of the CAG and to all the citizens across the City of Shreveport and throughout Caddo Parish who have put forth their time, effort and energy to be able to get us to this point. I think as most folks are aware, it's been since the mid 1950s since the City of Shreveport last undertook a master planning effort. I think the one thing that all of us would agree is on two things. 1) That process was substantially different than this one in that I've been told that a good bit of it took place on the 3rd Floor of the Shreveport Club, with about half dozen individuals involved. Most of 'em looked like you Mr. Chairman.

Councilman O. Jenkins: (Inaudible).

Councilman Everson: Are you saying all of us (inaudible) style?

Mayor Glover: I think they were handsome middle-aged young guys who were - - -

Councilman O. Jenkins: That's it. Family man, (inaudible) a young family man is what you were thinking when you said that.

Mayor Glover: This process is one that has been vastly different in that it has been substantially inclusive of every level, aspect and strategy of the Shreveport/Caddo Parish community. And while that's not always as efficient maybe as the previous process, it is certainly one that hopefully will deliver us just as great of a benefit for those Shreveporters of the future as the one 50+ years ago here. When you think about right now driving along Clyde Fant Parkway, or you think about tooling around 3132, or I220, or when you think about driving along Bert Kouns Industrial Way or when you recollect that you still have despite the fact that they are in need of substantial repair, that you have quality north/south roads in Shreveport like Hearne Avenue, Jewella. The Hearne Avenue extension goes all the way into N. Market. All of those are things that came about as a result of that previous master plan vision from over half century ago. It gives us right now here in Shreveport an infrastructure system in terms of transportation, that is certainly the envy of Louisiana and other midsized cities all across the country. What you all have done in this master planning effort, I think is a bit more comprehensive a half century ago. And as Vice-Chairman Jenkins stated, it's not a detailed specific blue print, but it's a general vision in terms of how we see Shreveport and Caddo Parish moving forward. And it needs to be understood by all that this needs to be a living document, that it is not something that has been done, bound and is ready to be put up on a shelf to be referred to on occasion, but should be something that is a part of how we go

about governing ourselves on a day-to-day basis here going forward. And we certainly look forward to continuing to see this process go forward. We are thankful to those of you who've been a part of this effort are committed to staying involved, connected and engaged, and we certainly hope that as I stated earlier that this effort will end up reaping for Shreveporters and Caddoians I guess would be the term for - - - Caddoites maybe, of the future of the kind of great benefit that the effort that Mayor Jim Gardner, and those other great Shreveport leaders engaged in a half century ago. So, thank you all Council Members, thank you all citizens, and we look forward hopefully to a mutual expression of support coming from our friends from the Caddo Parish Commission.

Introduction of Resolutions (*Not to be adopted prior to March 22, 2011*)

The Clerk read the following:

1. **Resolution No. 47 of 2011**: Authorizing the use of certain equipment by Loyola College Prep, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (B/Everson)
2. **Resolution No. 48 of 2011**: Authorizing the execution of an agreement with the United States Specialty Sports Association, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
3. **Resolution No. 49 of 2011**: Authorizing an amendment to the contract for Special Legal Counsel with Cook, Yancey, King and Galloway, APLC and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
4. **Resolution No. 50 of 2011**: Authorizing the execution of a contract for Parking System Management with the Downtown Development authority of the City of Shreveport and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Corbin, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to introduce Resolution No(s). 47, 48, 49 and 50 of 2010 to lay over until the next regular meeting.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Quick question for you Mr. Sibley, or Terri, I'm not sure which. The change in the Cook Yancey, was that just a difference in what the actual agreement said and what we had printed on the previous, or was there a misunderstanding in that?

Mr. Sibley: I'll defer to Ms. Scott, but I believe that it was a difference in the fee structure. The 165 versus 175, and that's really the only change in it, and Terri you can speak in a little more detail to it.

Ms. Scott: Mr. Chairman, their normal rate is \$185 an hour for governmental entities. The legislation and they gave us a discount on that rate, which means that the rate would have been \$175, the legislation that you approved set the rate at \$165 as opposed to \$175, and this would correct that.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay, thank you. I just wanted to make sure they weren't nickel and diming us.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Well you know you have to pay those lawyers.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Yeah, well they're overpaid, so are fighter pilots that are under paid just so we're clear.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, and Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Absent: Councilman Shyne. 1.

Introduction of Ordinances (*Not to be adopted prior to March 22, 2011*)

The Clerk read the following:

1. **Ordinance No. 27 of 2011**: An ordinance declaring the City's intention to acquire full ownership of a certain adjudicated property located at 802 Cotton Street. (B/Everson)
2. **Ordinance No. 28 of 2011**: An ordinance repealing Chapter 2, Article IV, Division 11 of the Code of Ordinances relative to the creation and establishment of the Department of Operational Services; To enact Chapter 2, Article IV, Division 7 relative to the creation and establishment of the Department of Water and Sewerage; and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
3. **Ordinance No. 29 of 2011**: An ordinance amending Chapter 2, Article IV of the City of Shreveport Code of Ordinances to enact Division 8 relative to the creation and establishment of the Department of Public Works, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
4. **Ordinance No. 30 of 2011**: An ordinance amending Chapter 2, Article IV of the City of Shreveport Code of Ordinances to enact Division 8A relative to the creation and establishment of the Department of Engineering and Environmental Services, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
5. **Ordinance No. 31 of 2011**: An ordinance amending the 2011 General Fund Budget, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
6. **Ordinance No. 32 of 2011**: An ordinance amending the 2011 Water and Sewerage Enterprise Fund Budget, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Everson, seconded by Councilman O. Jenkins to introduce Ordinance No(s). 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, and 32 of 2010 to lay over until the next regular meeting.

Councilman S. Jenkins: I'm going to support the introduction of these. I'm still studying over the charts that have been sent down, and I'm trying to recall if we ever really have a discussion to talk about the difference between what we're doing now and what advantages and what disadvantages

may be involved in what we are planning to do by breaking it back down? Did we ever go into any kind of detailed discussion on that?

Mr. Sibley: No, we actually haven't Mr. Jenkins, and if you recall when we spoke, I guess on yesterday, that's when we provided the written materials with the anticipation that you guys would look over that and then develop whatever additional information you wanted, or what questions you have, or whether or not you all in fact wanted us to set up a separate briefing so that we could know more in a back and forth kind of dialogue, talking about. So we're open to whatever mechanism the Council chooses, and what additional information and how we (inaudible) that information. But there's been nothing so far except the written materials that you got.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Okay, I guess I'm trying to catch up on all that written material. I'm going to look through it, cause I'm hoping at some point that we take a good look at it. What are we doing now, and if we change it, what does the significance of those changes are going to be including what it cost to do what we're doing now. What will it cost to do if we change it according to this (inaudible) that we have here okay?

Councilman O. Jenkins: And Vice-Chair, if you'd like to plan on doing it till Monday before or after our work session on the Monday, whatever that next, we could set that up.

Councilman S. Jenkins: We may want to do that.

Mr. Sibley: And Mr. Chairman, if I may, one of the things we recognize when we start talking about fundamentally changing. I didn't know that when Ms. Brown was up, she said that when the department was graded, I guess in '01 or '02, they spent, I thought she said a million dollars, but whatever it was, we recognize that it's a major move so, there's no sense of urgency in terms of the two week lag, we simply wanted to get it on the agenda and start the discussion so if we need to postpone that to allow for you guys to get all the information and have our guys come and talk to you, we will. There's nothing magical about the need to vote it in two weeks in other words, so, whatever time the Council needs to get that information and discussion, we're open to that.

Councilman S. Jenkins: I think it would be good to have that kind of analysis done for us. I know I would feel a lot more comfortable with it, to have that kind of analysis done where we'll know exactly what these changes are going to bring later on down the road.

Mr. Sibley: And we do, and if you look at the written material, you'll see that we tried to kinda summarize it and (inaudible) a lot of that for you. We have a lot of background information that when we get a chance to look at the details of the budgets, the details of the positions, but a lot of it is summarized in the written information that you all have in the charts and stuff (inaudible).

Councilman S. Jenkins: Will you be prepared, I mean can you be prepared that Monday?

Councilman O. Jenkins: To do just another meeting, whether we're upstairs or back here?

Mr. Sibley: It all depends on how much time you all have, and when you're ready to do it, but we are prepared to go forward with it.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Well lets propose that then and if for some reason,

Councilman S. Jenkins: If it don't work, we can change.

Mr. Sibley: (Inaudible) work session Monday?

Councilman O. Jenkins: After the work session on Monday.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Mr. Sibley, for clarification, did I understand from you yesterday, in listening to the young lady, it seems like her understanding is that based on the - - - well, I wouldn't call it a floor plan, but the format that was presented, I understood from you that we wouldn't be seeking employment outside of the City of Shreveport, right? We're going to be - -

Mr. Sibley: Normally, we always when we're talking filling positions at the director level, or any level like that, we can open it up because the mayor (inaudible) to us is to always go out and get the best person. You know we looked for it locally, and there are a lot of internal guys who have applied. Put their names in the ring, but we try to open that net as wide as possible, because it's just critical - - - these are very technical type positions, and it's critical that we get the best person that we can, because that's the whole purpose behind doing it, but no ma'am, it's an open process.

Councilwoman McCulloch: So we won't be just looking at - - - I thought I understood from you yesterday that we wouldn't be changing positions, or we won't be changing departments.

Mr. Sibley: Well the focus of it, and one of the things that's in your notes is the work that was put in, was put in with the desire of not eliminating anybody who is currently employed. Everyone has the opportunity to either apply for one of the new positions, or the position that they're in is simply getting moved around on paper so one of the driving forces behind the analysis was we don't want a situation where we eliminate a lot of people in terms of jobs. Now, we've looked at it from an efficiency point of view, and what they've done is create a situation where we can come up with a more efficient structure, and not have to put anyone out of a job. But that was the focus of it in trying to see if we could accomplish both those things.,

Councilman S. Jenkins: See those are the kinds of things that I want to see and know and have an appreciation for.

Mr. Sibley: Exactly. One of the things the Chairman asked for yesterday was a chart that shows the vacancies and again we thought we had that in there, but if we need to supplement that and there rare a couple of things we're tweaking in terms of the Administration, and the structure that we're going to get you some updated charts on the organization. But again, once we get it look at it, you know get your questions, and we'll supplement that with whatever other information y'all need.

Councilman Webb: Thank you Mr. Chairman. On Item 27 on the adjudicated property, 802 Cotton
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Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, Mr. Webb, if you don't mind.

Councilman Webb: Yeah, go ahead.

Mayor Glover: Before - - - if we - - - I wanted to make a comment on this before we left, if you don't mind?

Councilman Webb: Yeah, go ahead.

Mayor Glover: What I also want the Council to understand is and coming from the Administration's perspective, is that and this is a part of a lot of anecdotal conversation that's gone on I guess since the announcement of Mike Strong's decision to retire and move forward. And that is in the perception of a lot of us who have been around over the last couple of decades. The position that Mike held was one that in many respects, was one that was personality driven. And that is you only had just a very few individuals who had enough experience, knowledge, exposure, and background to all the various systems that the head of Operational Services was responsible for, to be able to actually step in and manage that position. And part of the concern is, is that as we begin to look at transitioning, do we want to put the City of Shreveport in a position to where we have so much responsibility concentrated under just one particular individual, and recognizing that if we loose that individual at the wrong time, or at the wrong point, we could end up having a great void in terms of the leadership that's necessary to run the departments of the City of Shreveport, and then, 2) Frankly from a cost standpoint, Mike was quite a bargain. We paid Mike Strong less than what we paid the Police Chief. Less than what we paid the Fire Chief, and in fact I know Jim is one of our best negotiators, we actually paid Mike less than what we paid Jim Holt, and I'm glad that our friends at the Inquisitor didn't run their salary stories before Mike decided to move along, because if he had a chance to look at maybe what some of these other bodies and groups around our region are paying, he may have come in and put us across the barrel at some point much earlier than that, but Mike loved the job, did an outstanding job at it. But the decision I think we made as an administration that we wanted to bring to you all as a council was that outstanding service, outstanding individual, someone who had the kind of background of having spent enough time in each and every one of those different areas. From solid waste to streets and drainage to water and sewer and engineering and what have you, so that by the time he got to that 25+ year point in his career, then yes, he was the one who could sit and be in a position to have enough of the historical knowledge, institutional knowledge of what's happened within those various departments as well as the actual experience and skill sets to be able to deal with the issues and challenges that we've got right now. Our concern was that if you try and find that individual right now, 1) Cost a whole lot more than what we were paying Mike, and then 2) If that individual decides to move on to another opportunity, then again we're still trying to find that one superstar. Kinda like from a coaching standpoint, having your head coach, your general manager, and your head of personnel all in one person. If he leaves you, you know, you've got quite a gap that's there. Obviously we know Mike left a substantial void. His decision here is to say that the long term interest of the City of Shreveport would be best served by - - -instead of going to for as their operational services

model to take us back to where the City of Shreveport operated for decades prior to the creation of that department. And that's essentially what we're doing if we're going back to the future I guess in many respects.

Councilman Webb: On items to be introduced, No. 27 at 802 Cotton Street that we're wanting to take full ownership of, what building is that and what are our intentions with the building?

Mr. Sibley: That's the (inaudible) temple if I'm pronouncing it correctly, (inaudible) Zion.

Councilman Webb: Oh, that's that temple?

Mr. Sibley: Yes sir.

Councilman Webb: Oh, okay.

Mr. Sibley: And it's purely to secure it, Mr. Webb, to keep it from deteriorating further because we all considerate it a Shreveport treasure, and we want to do all we can to maintain it so that it can be turned over to commerce if somebody can pick it up and do something positive with it.

Councilman Webb: I couldn't think of where 802 was, I was thinking of the old Good Year store, basically across the street. Okay.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, and Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Absent: Councilman Shyne. 1.

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

The Clerk read the following:

1. **Ordinance No. 5 of 2011**: An ordinance amending certain sections of Chapter 102 of the Code of Ordinances relative to vehicles for hire, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
(B/Everson) (*Postponed February 22, 2011 until March 8, 2011*)

Mr. Thompson: We have several amendments, but my assumption is that from Ms. Scott and Mr. Everson is that only one amendment is to be considered, and that is the one that we received about 4:24 p.m. today by email. Is that correct? So we have one amendment and that amendment if you'd like me to read the explanation, it deletes the definition of "shuttle service" contained in the original ordinance and adds a new definition for "interactive transportation service; adds a new Section 102-87(7) relative to ownership of vehicles; and adds specific operating requirements for such service.

Councilman Everson: Art, does that also clarify the language of equipped to carry no less than 9, no more than 11?

Mr. Thompson: Yes. But Mr. Chairman if anybody feels a motion coming on, it would be to adopt the amendment.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Most of us are probably trying to locate the actual written - - -

Mr. Thompson: We don't have that.

Councilman Everson: Is this what we're looking at on - - -

Councilman S. Jenkins: No. 5?

Councilman Everson: Yeah, but it's not what I'm looking at.

Mr. Thompson: No, you don't have it, it was just done at 4:24, it's this document that I asked you if you wanted me to make copies of to pass out.

Councilman Everson: Gotcha. But it came on our email. Okay.

Councilman O. Jenkins: But it did come on our email?

Mr. Thompson: I don't know whether it came to everybody, Ms. Scott, you want to come up?

Councilman O. Jenkins: This we're going to have to postpone, because I'm not sure (inaudible)

Councilman Webb: Mr. Chairman, (inaudible), I would like to make a motion to postpone.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay, I will second that motion.

Having passed first reading on January 25, 2011 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Webb, seconded by Councilman O. Jenkins to postpone until the next regular meeting

Councilman O. Jenkins: I'd like to know exactly what I'm voting on.

Councilman Webb: I'd like to speak on as well. I still have a lot of reservations about - - - you know I've listened to both sides of the argument somewhat, I didn't attend all the public safety meetings, but I have heard enough that you know I have some questions - - - was this company operating already?

Councilman Everson: Guy says that they initially started something, and then when they were contacted, or there was some sort of a - - - I believe there's representatives from the company here if they can answer that. They've not been in violation of the ordinance according to Guy.

Mr. Randall Ache` (554Dunmoreland) And we actually contacted Guy and (inaudible) the regulations and Guy said y'all need to wait for the City Ordinance to be passed, and at that time,

there was no other service. During that time, we were actually (inaudible) shuttle, not charging, but personally taking people out for free of charge. So, it was not running, it was more (inaudible) being used as an advertising campaign at that time. And Guy basically just told us to wait for the City Ordinance to pass, and since we spoke to Guy, all operations have been stopped.

Councilman Webb: That was the only question I had, the other comments I wanted to make was that I really feel and I know the rates are not in this ordinance, and I know that you made a statement that it has to approved by the Council and this is something that we would do in a separate action, and I was wondering why we can't - - - would it be inappropriate to include it in the ordinance? And that would be something that I think needs to be set, which hasn't been set. And in all fairness to the little man as I want to call 'em, that have been doing this for a long time, and I know when I ran for office, I ran to represent the little man as well, and I don't feel like even they've had time to absorb all this new info that's coming out and so I just feel that we would be better off if we would postpone this for two weeks, and also get these other changes that need to be made in there before we even think about voting on this. That's my own personal opinion, but I'll yield back to the Chairman.

Councilman S. Jenkins: I agree with Councilman Webb. I believe it's something that needs to be looked at a little more so that we can all get a full understanding of what's taking place. And there's a concept, I'm still - - - I still have trouble seeing how this actually competes with taxi cap service. And I say that because when it comes to business competition, I think things need to be fair, I really do and I want to make sure that whatever we have here is also fair to the taxi cab industry. But I see this somewhat as kind of a different clientele that this is going to be involved with. I mean - - - I don't own the vehicle, if I had to move out of necessity, I'm going to call a cab. If something's wrong with my car, I'm going to probably call a cab. If I had an occasion, birthday party, wedding, or something like that, I would probably call a service like this. A different type of clientele and I guess that's the part of it that's driving me to want to support this ordinance and to allow a new and emerging business to come into the area. Now let me say this, any kind of business such as this that's created by an ordinance can also be dissolved by an ordinance, if it's not abiding by the rules and regulations that have been put out there. But I'm going to keep an open mind about it, I just don't see how it is impairing the taxi cab industry, because of the difference in the clientele that may be involved. But I think in all fairness, we need to make sure we've got something here that places the same kinds of restraints, restrictions, whatever the case may be on the folks who are operating their taxi cab service. That's just my comments and my thoughts on it at this stage. And I didn't mean to cut you off sir.

Mr. Ache: Oh, I'm sorry sir.

Councilman O. Jenkins: But when something is in debate, the seven people up here have got to talk about it first okay?

Councilman Everson: And I'd like to echo your sentiments in that you know that's why we had the meeting with Guy and the enforcement department, was one of the primary concerns. Just like we talked about earlier, it's not necessarily just these guys wanting to open a business, but a lot of illegal shuttle services have been operating in this city and getting away with it for a while. So, you

know one of the points is that we make sure we are not opening a floodgate to more of that activity. Would it be appropriate - - - I don't know if we should we? I guess nobody has had a chance to really read through it, but I was wondering if we should add an amendment and then postpone? Or if we should just wait?

Councilman Webb: The motion is on the floor to postpone.

Councilman Everson: Okay.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Any further discussion at this point?

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, and Jenkins. 5. Nays: None. Abstained: Councilman Everson. 1. Absent: Councilman Shyne. 1.

2. Ordinance No. 18 of 0211: An ordinance amending the 2011 Budget for the General Fund, and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (D/Corbin) (*Postponed February 22, 2011 until March 8, 2011*)

Mr. Thompson: You'll recall that originally this amendment was placed on the agenda to budget \$1,950,000 of the garbage fee for the garbage fee collection and then there was an amendment to budget \$162,000 because most of the fee was not going to be collected during the year, only about one month's worth, but it was postponed at the last meeting because you didn't feel that there was enough information to say what that amount really was going to be. We checked just before this meeting, and \$152,183 has been booked, not \$162 (thousand), but \$152 (thousand), however we would recommend that we would postpone it again so that we can try to get a better figure and then maybe at the next meeting come back with closer to 100%, whatever that happens to be.

Having passed first reading on February 8, 2011 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Corin, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to postpone until the next regular meeting. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, and Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Absent: Councilman Shyne. 1.

3. Ordinance No. 23 of 2011: An ordinance stating the City of Shreveport's endorsement of Mandina Properties, LLC to participate in the benefits of the Louisiana Restoration Tax Abatement Program, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (B/Everson) (*Postponed February 22, 2011 until March 8, 2011*)

Having passed first reading on February 8, 2011 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Everson, seconded by Councilman O. Jenkins to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, and Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Absent: Councilman Shyne. 1.

4. **Ordinance No. 24 of 2011**: An ordinance amending section 66-26 of the Code of Ordinances relative to the Employees' Retirement System, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Mr. Thompson: We were notified earlier by the CAO that the Administration was going to ask that this piece of legislation be postponed.

Mr. Sibley: That's correct Mr. Chairman.

Having passed first reading on February 22, 2011 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 S. Jenkins to postpone until the next regular meeting. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, and Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Absent: Councilman Shyne. 1.

5. **Ordinance No. 25 of 2011**: An ordinance creating and establishing the intersection of Potomac Drive and Sugarleaf Trail as a stop intersection and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (D/Corbin)

Having passed first reading on February 22, 2011 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Corbin, seconded by Councilman McCulloch to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, and Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Absent: Councilman Shyne. 1.

6. **Ordinance No. 26 of 2011**: ZONING – C-12-11: An ordinance amending Chapter 106 Of The Code Of Ordinances, The City Of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning of property located on the SE corner of Gary and Pierre, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, be and the same is hereby changed **FROM R-3, URBAN, MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT, TO B-3, COMMERCIAL BUSINESS DISTRICT**, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (A/McCulloch)

Having passed first reading on February 22, 2011 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman McCulloch, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, and Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Absent: Councilman Shyne. 1.

The adopted ordinances and amendments follow:

RESOLUTION NO. 23 of 2011

RESOLUTION STATING THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT'S ENDORSEMENT OF MANDINA PROPERTIES, LLC TO PARTICIPATE IN THE BENEFITS OF THE

LOUISIANA RESTORATION TAX ABATEMENT PROGRAM AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

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

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

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City Council to foster the continued growth and development (and redevelopment) of the City to the continued prosperity and welfare of the City; and

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

WHEREAS, this project is a commercial property;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular, and legal session convened that the City Council hereby approves the MANDINA PROPERTIES, LLC application 2010-1018 for participation in the Louisiana Restoration Tax Abatement Program.

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

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

ORDINANCE NO. 25 OF 2011

AN ORDINANCE TO CREATE AND ESTABLISH THE INTERSECTION OF POTOMAC DRIVE AND SUGARLEAF TRAIL AS A STOP INTERSECTION AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in

legal and regular session convened to create and establish the intersection of Potomac Drive and Sugarleaf Trail as a stop intersection. Potomac Drive shall stop at Sugarleaf Trail.

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

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

ORDINANCE NO. 26 OF 2011

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 106 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT ZONING ORDINANCE, BY PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE SE CORNER OF GARY AND PIERRE, SHREVEPORT, CADDO PARISH, LOUISIANA, FROM R-3, URBAN, MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT, TO B-3, COMMERCIAL BUSINESS DISTRICT AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

SECTION I: BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, in due, legal and regular session convened, that the zoning classification of property located on the SE corner of Gary and Pierre, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, and legally described as Lots 58, 59, & 60, Gary Subdivision, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA, be and the same is hereby changed **from R-3 Urban, Multi-Family Residence District to B-3, Community Business District.**

SECTION II: THAT the rezoning of the property described herein is subject to compliance with the following stipulation:

1. Development of the property of the property shall be in substantial accord with the site plan submitted with any significant changes or additions requiring further review and approval by the Planning Commission.

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

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

Tabled legislation.

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Chairman, those are all of the ordinances and resolutions on the agenda to be adopted, we're now under Section 10, Tabled Legislation, and I'm not aware of any matter that anybody wants to withdraw from the table.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I don't believe there is, please proceed.

1. **Ordinance No. 178 of 2010**: An ordinance amending the 2011 Budget for the General Fund, and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (*Tabled January 25, 2011*)

2. **Ordinance No. 179 of 2010**: An ordinance amending the 2011 Budget for the Metropolitan Planning commission's Special Revenue Fund, and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (E/Webb) (*Tabled January 25, 2011*)

3. **Ordinance No. 185 of 2010**: An ordinance granting to the Southwestern Electric Power Company the right, privilege, and franchise to acquire, construct, erect, maintain, repair, reconstruct, and operate a system of electric power lines, wires, transformers, communication cables, and other related and necessary or desirable appurtenances in, under, over, across, through, and along any and all of the present and future streets, avenues, alleys, thoroughfares, roads, highways, sidewalks bridges, and public properties of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana for the purpose of transmitting and distributing electric power to the city and its inhabitants and any other person or persons, firms, and corporations for a term of twenty-five years, regulating the use of streets by the company and repair and restoration of the streets disturbed by construction; Providing for compensation to be paid to the City; Providing that this franchise shall not be exclusive; Providing the company's obligations to furnish efficient service; Providing for indemnity by the company to the city; Providing for conditional forfeiture in event of default by the company; Making miscellaneous provisions relative to this grant of franchise; Providing for acceptance by company; Providing a severability clause; Providing an effective date, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (*Tabled February 22, 2011 until March 8, 2011*)

Appeals

Property Standards Appeals

HBO0700145: 426 Woodrow, Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) Ms. Carolyn Miller, 424 Woodrow, Shreveport, LA 71105 (F/Shyne) (*Postponed November 22, 2010 until May 23, 2011*)

PSD0900006: 2006 Looney Street, Shreveport, LA (A/McCulloch) Ms. Niakia Cook-Jones, 6777 Raspberry Lane, Apartment 1421, Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) (*Postponed November 22, 2010 until May 23, 2011*)

PSD0800400: 5318 Mansfield Road, Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) Mr. Darien Kirkendoll, P.O. Box 8703, Bossier City, LA. (*Postponed February 18, 2011 until August 22, 2011*)

PSD0900275: 140 Pennsylvania Avenue, Shreveport, LA (C/Jenkins) Mr. & Mrs. Robert A. Powell, 819 ½ Boulevard Street, Shreveport, LA 71104 (B/Everson) (*Postponed January 24, 2011 until March 21, 2011*)

HBO1000030: 153 Merrick Street, Shreveport, LA (B/Everson) Mr. Benjamin A. Cormier, P.O. Box 44021, Shreveport, LA 71134 (*Postponed February 7, 2011 until March 7, 2011*)

Motion by Councilman Everson, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to postpone until April 11, 2011. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, and Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Absent: Councilman Shyne. 1.

PSD1000086: 2837 Logan Street, Shreveport, LA (A/McCulloch) Ms. Carolyn Ivory Wilson, 3646 Del Rio Street, Shreveport, LA 71109 (G/Jenkins) (*Postponed January 11, 2011 until March 7, 2011*).

Motion by Councilman S. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman McCulloch to postpone until May 9, 2011. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, and Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Absent: Councilman Shyne. 1.

CAB1000828: 3135 Idledays Dr., Shreveport, LA 71107 (A/Lester), Mr. Leroy Carey, 3135 Idledays Drive, Shreveport, LA 71107 (A/McCulloch) (*Postponed January 24, 2011 until July 25, 2011*)

PSD1000061: 9025 Hilton Dr, Shreveport, LA (E/Webb) Mr. Jim Bruce, 9045 Hilton Drive, Shreveport, LA 71118 (E/Webb) (*Postponed February 7, 2011 until April 11, 2011*)

PSD1000128: 2900 West Maple Street, Shreveport, LA (G/Jenkins) Mr. William Herbert Edelen, III, PO Box 8888, Shreveport, LA 71148 (*Postponed January 24, 2011 until March 21, 2011*)

HBO1000057: 518 W. 74th Street, Shreveport, LA 71106 (F/Shyne) Mr. Lewis Stringer, 518 W. 74th Street, Shreveport, LA 71106 (F/Shyne) (*Postponed January 24, 2011 until June 27, 2011*)

PSD1000089: 446 Wichita, Shreveport, LA (B/Everson) Mr. Jake W. Davis, c/o Columbia Café, 3030 Creswell Avenue, Shreveport, LA 71104 (B/Everson) (*Postponed February 7, 2011 until March 7, 2011*)

Motion by Councilman Everson, seconded by Councilman McCulloch to postpone until April 11, 2011. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, and Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Absent: Councilman Shyne. 1.

PSD1000169 4017 Crosby Street, Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) Ms. De'Borah Vance-Mozell, 2, Summer Cottage LN., Franklin Park, NJ 08823. (*Postponed February 18, 2011 until June 27, 2011*)

B. Alcoholic Beverage Ordinance Appeals

Mr. Tam Hoang, c/o *Quick Pack Grocery*, 1971 David Raines Road, Shreveport, LA 71107 (A/McCulloch) *Quick Pack Grocery*, 1971 David Raines Road, Shreveport, LA 71107 (A/McCulloch)

Motion by Councilman McCulloch, seconded by Councilman O. Jenkins to postpone until May 9, 2011. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, and Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Absent: Councilman Shyne. 1.

Mr. Mike Holland, c/o *Cajun Liquor*, 246 E. 70th Street, Shreveport, LA 71106 (D/Corbin) *Cajun Liquor*, 246 E. 70th Street, Shreveport, LA 71106 (D/Corbin)

Motion by Councilman O. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman McCulloch to overturn the decision of the Shreveport Police Department and approve the application to renew the alcohol beverage permit. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, and Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Absent: Councilman Shyne. 1.

Metropolitan Planning Commission Appeals and Zoning Board of Appeals

Other Appeals

Reports from officers, boards, and committees

Councilman O. Jenkins: Are there any reports from Officers, Boards, or Committees?

Councilman S. Jenkins: Mr. Chairman, I want to announce that we are scheduling an Audit and Finance Committee meeting for March 22nd, at 1:30 here at Government Plaza. Upon the notice of course will go out in a timely fashion, but that'll be an Audit and Finance Committee meeting, March 22nd, that's the day of our regular Council Meeting, but just prior to that council meeting at 1:30, that's when we'll have the meeting. Thank you sir.

Clerk's report

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay, Mr. Thompson, is there a Clerk's report?

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Shyne is not here, so there is no Clerk's report.

The Committee "rises and reports" (reconvenes the regular council meeting).

Adjournment: There being no further matters to come before the council, the meeting adjourned at approximately 6:30 p.m.

***Clerk's Note: Because Resolution No. 23 of 2011 was introduced and adopted in the wrong section of the agenda, and a Resolution numbered 23 of 2011 was adopted February 22, 2011, this resolution is now numbered 23A of 2011.

//s// Oliver Jenkins, Chairman

//s// Arthur G. Thompson, Clerk of Council