

**Council Proceedings of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana**  
**March 25, 2014**

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana was called to order by Chairman Joe Shyne at 3:07 p.m., Tuesday, March 25, 2014, in the Government Chambers in Government Plaza (505 Travis Street).

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

On Roll Call, the following members were Present: Councilmen Rose Wilson-McCulloch (Arrived at 3:10 p.m.), Jeff Everson, Michael Corbin, Oliver Jenkins, Ron Webb, Joe Shyne, and Sam Jenkins. 7. Absent: None.

**Motion by Councilman Everson, seconded by Councilman Corbin to approve the minutes of the Administrative Conference, Monday (March 10, 2014) and Council Meeting, Tuesday, (March 11, 2014). Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 6. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: Councilwoman McCulloch. 1. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

**Awards, Recognition of Distinguished Guests, and Communications of the Mayor which are required by law.**

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

Councilman Shyne: If it's alright with the Council, Dr. Joyner, we will ask you to come up and give us a presentation. We're going to put it in your hands.

Mr. Gary Joyner: I'll be happy to sir. Glad to be back amongst you. It's been a long time. To my knowledge, we'll have to ask Ms. Scott about it, but the reapportionment plans showed either have just gone done or has gone down to Baton Rouge. The feds are out of the picture at the moment because of a law case called Shelby County, AL versus Homer. And it's been one of the things that's been holding us up. The other thing of course has been the annexations that we've talked about. The two things together would have caused a delay. But I want to speak to both. First of all, I'm sure you all remember that in the 2000 Census, the Census Bureau showed us dipping well below 200,000 at 199,311 people. We knew that was wrong. Didn't know why it was wrong, but we had deep suspicions. And I was asked to examine why and look at all the annexations, compare the geography that the census bureau has to work, we believe to be correct. And they during the process found 31 annexations that were not recorded by the Census Bureau. The new (inaudible) are raw land and no population, no issues. Most of that is in Mr. Corbin's district because that's where the growth is. So after a lot of wrangling with the Department of Justice and the Bureau of Census, we've got them to admit. We've sent packet after packet after packet to them, explaining to them why they were wrong. They made the adjustments, they agreed with us. I was astounded. So the new adjusted figure is 201,867 people which is not bad. We were above 200,000, we need to be above 200,000, we deserve to be above 200,000. So that's an increase from what they showed, their incorrect figure to what they gave us for 2012. They always

lag about 18 months behind. So we had that increase of 2,556 people. And that's correct. Okay, that's part of it. In being able to prove that those annexations were correct, I really want to compliment the Engineering Department, and the Attorney's staff. Because you can't do it by yourself. It's got to be a team effort. It's such a complex issue, based on what I saw that for quite a while it looked like it wasn't going to work. For example, they de-annexed some stuff for us by omission. Our oldest one was from 1948, and it's the duck pond. Nobody lives in the duck pond except for some ducks, turtles. No voters that I found, but there were a tremendous number of them including in substantial older subdivisions that had to be corrected and Justice did it. When Census did it with Justice's approval. When the Department of Justice backed out of the reapportionment process, the redistricting process, they created a giant vacuum. We had to ask the Secretary of State what their intention was. The Secretary of State didn't answer because basically they weren't answering anybody. They had to ask for an Attorneys General opinion. It came back, took 'em a while to do that. The Attorneys General opinion came back and said you earned a Chief of Election regulatory body, however, you do not do discrimination. So then the question begs at that point, do you follow federal standards that are now void, but will come back, or you just submit something which has been tried in other states and they're being attacked. And I always am very, very conservative with this. I say we've got - - - I - - - my decision is we have to go with what the feds allowed and approved, and so our plan - - - I'm not going to say it's completely bullet proof, but it's about as close to bullet proof as you can get. We met last week again internally with Mr. Thompson, and with Ms. Scott and with Robert Westerman, and Jennifer Zumbada Handley, and we worked out the final details of what we could find to send it. I gave 'em with an hour, I gave 'em a nice big DVD of data about a gig and a half of data, and I believe they've sent it down. If not, it should be quick, but I believe it's already been sent. So once it's sent, my next thing to do is to contact their Chief of Elections, State's Chief of Election, let their staff know, plus their - - - she's not a cartographer, but she's close to it that handles all the political geography, and that's it. So the election should be fine. I've talked to Mr. Roberson, and they are working on the Council boundaries right now, making sure that all of the voters on the right side of which line and that kind of thing. So I think that we're in good shape. Any questions?

Councilman Shyne: That's what I was about to say Dr. Joyner. We might not generally do this, but we will today. I'm going to first ask any of the Council Members if they have any questions, and then I'm going to see if we have any interested citizens in the audience that have a question.

Councilman Sam Jenkins: Thank you Mr. Chairman. Just a couple of things, I want to be clear on. The new population 201,867, am I to understand that's only annexed areas that will be in Southeast Shreveport?

Mr. Joyner: No, that's the entire population of the city.

Councilman Sam Jenkins: No, I'm saying the new population, did it come in, in just one area?

Mr. Joyner: No, actually no. Because of they were pretty equal opportunity in not showing things. There were some in G, some in C, D by far had the most without a doubt. I'm going to call it the Ellerbe Road corridor, but it's also Norris Ferry, and it's Overton Brooks, that whole complex. The city has been very aggressive in annexing properties down there which become very upscale housing, but when they're brought in, raw land almost entirely.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Does the new population change any of the percentages that we had in the last plan?

Mr. Joyner: It does not, not measurably. I'm going to say less than maybe 2/10ths of a percent across the way which is statistically insignificant. It does bode for something and it seems like every time we come up at the beginning of a project, we talk about this. It's something that we need to think about in the future, because that's where the growth is. And so Mr. Corbin's

district is going to become smaller, more further south, and it's going to be congested from a demographic standpoint. And of course I can't tell you what to do, but I would make a recommendation that if as you consider annexations henceforth particularly down in that southeast corridor, that you try to create with of course the landowner's approval, you've got to have that, sort of an exit strategy. You've got to be able to connect dots that right now are only connected by rights of way. You need to think about connecting future properties that are more open to give you an opportunity to grow and grow in an much more measured fashion. The next place that I would probably think about doing that in G of course because of the shape, and then E. E's - - - you're showing growth. And you're showing growth in again in a non-measured way, but at least your exterior boundary does not have the same problems as D and G. But if you're looking at annexations, just try to think like you're playing chess. Go five moves ahead, or at least three.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Okay, and my last question. The existing district, not the ones that exist today, but under the plan that we submitted.

Mr. Joyner: Plan 12?

Councilman S. Jenkins: Did those district lines change any, or are they still the same?

Mr. Joyner: No, with the exceptions of adding in the annexations, which we'd already put in. If you remember seeing the earlier maps that I'd sent to Engineering, they're coded yellow. They're already in the districts. They've just since been coded to the colors of your district. So consequently now I can supply you all with nice big maps that show you what it really looks like. But yes, they're fine.

Councilman Everson: I just wanted Terri to clarify and I think you answered this in your last question, but just wanted to clarify. You know when we discuss this, obviously there was sensitivity to the racial makeup of District B, and I just want to make sure and get it confirmed that that wasn't changed.

Mr. Joyner: Not altered by a square inch. Absolutely not, it's only exterior.

Councilman Corbin: Thank you Dr. Joyner and certainly we all appreciate the many hours that you've put into this and working with us to get this process moving forward. Just for my clarification, I think is for the Council as well, because we all thought that this was already done, and you've explained the process of now we're close. Are you submitting the documents, the staff submitting the documents?

Mr. Joyner: Staff.

Councilman Corbin: And can we get confirmation if those documents have been submitted?

Mr. Joyner: It would be in Ms. Scott's office.

Councilman Shyne: Ms. Scott, you want to come up please? We always say please and thank you down here.

Ms. Scott: Mr. Corbin, Chairman and Council Members, the information was Federal Expressed to the Secretary of State on today. I spoke with Ms. Reed in the Secretary of State's office to inform her that the information was on its way and the information is to be delivered by tomorrow morning directly to her attention. By the way, we have copies of the letter that accompanies the information that will be emailed to all of you. The attachments however, we will provide a copy of the packet of attachments to Mr. Thompson in the Council Office. It's a rather large set of documents, and so we'll provide one master copy for the Council Office, as well as the Administration.

Councilman Shyne: Thank you Ms. Scott. Looks like you got your hair cut did you? And it's cute.

Ms. Scott: A tad bit Mr. Shyne.

Councilman Shyne: Dale, that goes to show you I'm very observant. Don't let anything get by.

Mr. Sibley: Yes you are Mr. Shyne

Mr. Thompson: Could I ask a question for clarification? Alright, did the Plan 12 adopted by the Council in 2013 include the disputed annexations?

Mr. Joyner: Yes the geography included where they were, but we had to prove that they were really there.

Mr. Thompson: Were they?

Mr. Joyner: In other words, in - - - I don't want to make it into a primer of how you do your business, but I guess I will just briefly. When an annexation comes before this body, you have the proposal and you have a map. And on the map, it has a Tag Number is for Engineering, right? But when you vote on it, when it becomes an ordinance, it then has an Ordinance, beginning with the year and then the number for that year. So 14 of 2014, something like that. Your staff is very efficient at sending out to the registrar of voters, for example what the Tag Numbers are, but what we need to do is make sure that they get the Ordinance Numbers. Vital. They cannot walk (inaudible) over until they have those ordinance numbers. When I'm looking at things for you, I can't do anything. I can map the Tag Number easily. I do it. And that's how I got that set of yellow what ifs. Let say that something stalls and you for some reason table something or its controversial for some reason, Tag Number still exist, Ordinance Number does not. I cannot add it in until I know. And it goes all the way through the system that way. So, it would be nice if we could streamline some things and make sure that when it goes out, everybody gets the ordinance number, the ordinance and the map. That would be as good as it gets.

Mr. Thompson: Let me try and ask another way. Did the boundaries adopted by the Council in 2013, which is Plan 12 include the territory that the disputed annexations are located in?

Mr. Joyner: With the exception of what happened in 2013 and early 2014, all of which were raw land. So from the voters standpoint, from a population standpoint, you're absolutely fine. From a territorial standpoint, we corrected it.

Councilman Shyne: Okay, Dr. Joyner, I believe we - - - I know we have Joe Wills that - - -

Councilwoman McCulloch: I have a question Councilman Shyne.

Councilman Shyne: Okay, before we go to the public, okay.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Okay, how soon once this is - - - I know Attorney Scott says it's been mailed to Secretary of State right? So how soon can we expect to hear back from the Secretary of State and exactly what could we expect? What type of response can we expect?

Mr. Joyner: I wish I had my (inaudible) hat on, but I'll tell you from my standpoint, from what I've seen, there are accepting very quickly, and they immediately began to work. Then it's up to Registrar of Voters office here to be able to walk the voters over, so that everybody knows where they are. And I've been working them on that constantly to make sure that everything is fine. I can't give you a date, but I'm going to say fast. And I'll call Joanne Reed as well.

Ms. McCulloch: But you don't know exactly what timeframe, two weeks, three weeks, four weeks?

Mr. Joyner: No way to tell. When I contacted them last fall about this very thing, they told me very quickly that they would not even look at it until the Spring. And I said okay. So, they're having to deal with every jurisdiction in the state, and they're having to deal with digital voters lists. When I say they have to walk voters over, they literally have to look down every block of every street on an edge and see if a house is in or out of a district or in or out of the City. Most of that has been done and is being done. And their office and the Registrar of Voters office, and in my office dealing with both of 'em. So, I'm gonna say fast. And if I told you a date, I'd have to answering for the Secretary of State's office.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Well normally in the past, what has been the response back from the Secretary of State's office?

Mr. Joyner: Very, very quickly, very quickly, because they didn't have - - - they abrogated everything to the federal government. Now, they can't. They have to do what they've been doing, and that's the extent of what they're doing. So actually that actually ends up being pretty good - - - really good for the city.

Councilman Webb: So DOJ is the one we got to be mostly - - -

Mr. Joyner: Not anymore. That lawsuit, Shelby County, AL (inaudible).

Councilman Webb: Oh, okay.

Mr. Joyner: If you think of a stack of dominoes? They kicked it. They kicked it so hard, they didn't just fall, they exploded. We could sit down and talk about what happened, but basically when you're talking about redistricting and reapportionment, you hear three numbers. II, IV, and V. Section II is former discrimination and they can come back to you at the end of time and say, did you do this? And you have to prove you didn't. When did you stop doing this? As if you certainly did it. And it's very vicious and it's very useful and it's been working in the south since really 1954 with Brown v. Topeka Board of Education. Section IV is the one that was toppled. Section IV decides - - - it gives the formula to tell the Department of Justice who they have jurisdiction over. And basically it's any place that has a complex racial or ethnic make-up, and there are places in this country that you wouldn't think would be under their purview, but are. All over the south, everybody that was on the losing side in the Civil War, everybody that was a border state, parts of New York City, parts of Chicago, parts of L.A., parts of San Francisco for example, there they are very complex voter compositions. Well if they don't have a formula, they can't enforce it, so Section 4 was blown away. Section V is what we submit under. Section V says you have to prove to us that basically your past sins are okay. Past sins are voting discrimination, all the bad stuff during the Civil Rights movement, and we as a city, we as a parish, and frankly we as a state, have been among the leaders of doing this thing right. So, Section IV is gone, Section V is untenable, I did De Ridder. I did reapportionment for the City of De Ridder, and that was my test case to see how the feds would work. When it was done, I sent them a package, just like we sent them in Baton Rouge, and within three days, I got a letter from the Department of Justice saying thank you very much. This is almost word for word. Thank you very much for sending this application for pre-clearance. We are not in the pre-clearance business anymore. We will hold it for you, we will keep it for you, if we ever come back to having authority, we will examine it at that time. And that's why I'm doing it to the federal standards, not the state standards which are loose.

Councilman Shyne: But would you also say that Shreveport/Caddo Parish is probably in a good or pretty good position, because we really hadn't had any major changes in our districts?

Mr. Joyner: That's true. We're very stable. For our size, we are remarkably stable. And stable means having a population that's within say plus or minus 4 or 5%. The racial mix being about the same. What we don't, (in contrast), what we don't have and that we will never have is the ability, nor does any place, the ability to say that District B is always going to remain the percentage of District B, that D will be the same, that A will be the same and on down the line. We have people that move around inside the city, and they are moving around at a relatively rapid pace. We're also losing population, but we're replacing it. We're losing it to North DeSoto, we're losing it to North Bossier. But the fact that we've grown shows that we are replacing that population faster than the birth rate, faster than people die. And that means we're healthy. We're like walking a very long walking race. We're not sprinting. Bossier is sprinting. And that may hurt them later.

Councilman Shyne: Do we have any more questions or concerns from the Council? If not, let me reach out into the audience. I believe Joe, Dr. Joyner don't go to your seat. Right, there you go. Now is there anybody else that's here besides Joe Wills, that has some questions about redistricting? Get ready. Come to the side there and when Joe gets through, then we'll take you

sir.

*Mr. Joe Wills: (1619 Easy Street)* Thank you. To the Mayor, Chairman Shyne, Councilwoman Rose, thank you for giving me this opportunity. I'd like to thank Mr. Joyner for doing such a wonderful job explaining that, and I'm hoping that the people in Shreveport will get educated on (inaudible). Redistricting. We're not concerned, and I was asked the question yesterday about why are you fighting so hard to get a Black in District B? That's not the point. The point of it is you only get your representative according to your population. So, the more you got, they more representatives you can get. See we got to understand that. Now, the next City Council, I don't care what color he might be, all I want them to be is to be fair. We're not asking what color he's going to be, just be fair. Be fair to every citizen in the City of Shreveport, that's all. But that's the problem with this stuff about the White and Black, that's what makes up how many representatives you can have. So that's why it's so important that we keep our eye on how many we got so we can get our fair share. In answer of the City of Shreveport, I think it's a good city to be moving forward if we were going together. District B is a district, and can't work together. And Mr. Sibley, to make it, all of us got to work together. We can't ask the question, am I my brother's keeper. We're going to have to say I am my brother's keeper for Shreveport to move forward. And for Shreveport to move forward, it's going to take all of us. So I think with this new Council coming up, forget about the White and Black, that solve that problem. That's the reason we fight for the Blacks just to get our right people to represent us. That's all. It's not to be no militant, not to be say we got Black Power. It's just saying we're getting our right percentage of people to represent us. But other than that, all we're asking for in the near future and the new Council to come forward for the City of Shreveport Mr. Mayor, is just be fair. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Councilman Shyne: Joe, thank you for coming down and let me say this and I guess it's kinda telling both our age Joe, but me and you both at the age where we don't mind folks knowing how old we are. I just don't want Oliver Jenkins to know how old I am. But Joe is just not only concerned about this now and Mrs. Wells. When was it Joe maybe 10-12 years ago, we had a nice little discussion down here on the redistricting, and even before that going back 20 years, I would call Don Hobdy's name, but he don't want nobody to know his age. Don is still a teenager with just a little gray hair. But Joe, again, we appreciate it, you've always been interested, you've always been a citizen and community activist, looked out for the people in the community and been concerned. And this is what we need. So Joe I appreciate you coming down and continue to come down. And I see you got your son there with you, and I want you to be just like your daddy here. Thank you very much.

*Mr. John Miles: (1332 Madison Ave)* Today, I really didn't come to talk about redistricting, but since I was in here, and I was hearing about the redistricting, I was wondering you all said the population as far as y'all redistricting is going to be low? So the revenue gone be low. You know you say you got more land than people. So I was wondering how would that - - - you all gone have to use our money that's in the inner city to uphold their infrastructure over there. If y'all want to annex 'em into the city. You know with the sewer and water lines in the city, you know utilities and at the same time, in the Black community, you know we got mattresses still on the side of the road, trash everywhere, all the schools are in despair. You know our community is desolate. And that's prevalent throughout the United States when it comes to the Black communities. And I was just - - - I mean our schools, you know they're closing them down. You know you all don't emphasize family, you know Black family structure unit. You know the Black man marrying the Black woman, you know? Have structure. All our kids without their father, and we're not doing anything about that. And you know we've got to have a strong family in order to move forward. All our kids grow up and go to school, get kicked out of school, then they go straight to CCC. Then they still at CCC, lot of 'em got drug problems. Y'all don't address that.

Y'all let 'em put 'em in and then let 'em back out on the street to do the same thing over and over again. And you know that's not a solution. Y'all act like y'all a part of the problem. Any fool can see that. The (inaudible) rate, y'all know the people are on drugs, you know they don't have no education. I don't hear nobody talk about intervening. When the kids act up in school, you need to go to their houses and see what's the problem.

Councilman Shyne: John, let me stop you one minute. I got a sign from Mr. Sibley over there, trying to let me know that you're kinda moving off the point. John, John, don't lean on the mic please. Alright, I'm going to ask you to take your seat at this particular time, because this is about redistricting. This is not a moral issue. You're getting a little bit off the - - let me finish now, let me finish. I didn't say anything while you were talking. I'm not going to let you stand up there and out talk me. I got a couple of guys back there that's going to remove you. It's not going to be no back and forth now. If you don't, I'm going to ask the Chief to take you to your seat. I live in a Black community and it's not as bad as you say it is. I've been in some others, and if you want to discuss that, why don't you wait until you get to Public Comments, and we'll give you a chance to come back up here and discuss that. At this particular time, I'm going to ask you to take your seat. Now is there anybody else who has any questions or concerns about redistricting. This is what we're dealing with at this time. We're not dealing with the school situations, we're not dealing with the moral situation here in Shreveport of anything else. We're only dealing with redistricting at this particular time. If not, Dr. Joyner, if you have any closing remarks, we'd appreciate it if you'll come up.

Mr. Joyner: Very brief. I want to thank y'all for letting me work with on you on this. This is a really good project. It's something that needs to be done, and it's something that we can monitor and make this great city move forward. I appreciate you.

Councilman Shyne: And Dr. Joyner, we appreciate you. You have worked with us for a long, long time, and you've always been done an excellent job.

Mr. Joyner: I was 4 years old when I started.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I want to know who is the backup plan for 2020?

Mr. Joyner: Well, I'll still be here.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Mr. Chairman, I do want to recognize Mr. Wills' better half, Ms. Shirley Wills, former member of the Caddo Parish Police Jury. Outstanding family, the Wills family. I was raised out in Stoner Hill and they're a model family and role models for some many young men and young women in the area. And I did not want her to get away without recognizing her presence here today.

Councilman Shyne: And Joe, look like y'all did a pretty good job on that fellow. Yeah, I think he turned out to be a pretty good fellow. Alright. Mr. Mayor, did you have closing remarks you wanted to say about redistricting?

Mayor Glover: Thank you Mr. Shyne. Yes, I want to just 1) Commend the Council and Mr. Joyner and the Council Staff for getting this process completed and assuring everyone that the election will go forth this fall without any problems or any hitches. I also want to express appreciation for Dr. Joyner working with us. As you all know we are in the process of doing the reapportionment work, and also retained him to do the additional work that he has done that helps us to be able to document the actual population of the City of Shreveport. We know the official number came out in 2010. It has us as he referenced slightly below 200,000. We knew that that number was at least a little bit off, and he has managed to be able to help confirm that. The one thing that it does Mr. Chairman, and members of the Council, is confirm that spite the predictions, the fears, the concerns of many, the population of Shreveport is stable. And has he mentioned, we are still moving forward. While we may be walking. He mentioned our neighbors across the river may be skipping a little bit. The one thing I want to make sure all of us are aware of whether we are in Shreveport, or we are in Bossier or we are in Bossier Parish, as Louisianians, our state is not

growing. The State of Louisiana's population Mr. Chairman has been about 4 ½ million for the last 40 years. That's 4 ½ million at a time when Texas, and Georgia and Florida have grown exponentially. And so the one thing I want to always caution us especially when we talk about inside the state, those of us who may take a little bit of pride that this section has grown a little bit, and this part is growing a little bit, as a whole, as Louisianians, we're not growing. And I remind folks that if you look at us in comparison to our neighbors to the west, there are twice as many people in the city of Houston than there are in the entirety of the State of Louisiana. You know there's 3 million more people in Dallas and Fort Worth than there are in the entirety of the State of Louisiana. There are 2 million more people in San Antonio than there are in the entirety of the State of Louisiana. So I take solace in the fact that our population is stable, that we're not shrinking, that folks are not fleeing in mass as many predicted that they would, we still need to make sure that we commit ourselves every day to positioning Shreveport and the rest of the state to be able to hold on to the people that we have and to make it more intriguing and more desirable to the folks that we're trying to attract. Hopefully that at some point, by the time we get to 2020 or 2030, and Mr. Shyne, I have no doubt that you and Dr. Joyner and others will still be around then. I certainly intend to be so, by the time we get to 2020 and 2030 that we can join that community of sunbelt states that have seen some significant bounces in population. I'll wrap up with this. In that same timeframe, Mississippi grew by 17%. Even Arkansas by 23%. Our growth here in Louisiana has been under 7% and that's even accounting for the shifts involving Katrina. So, I want to make sure we don't get on our high horses and think that we're doing great in Shreveport, by the same token, the folks in Bossier and DeSoto and places that surround Baton Rouge and New Orleans shouldn't think that because you're shifting folks around there either that we're doing so great. We've got problems that exist across this entire state, across our entire region, and we got to make sure that we work together not just to shift our numbers around but to grow the entire community.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor, thank you. Mr. Thompson, will you make sure you get a tape of that and send it to Bobby Jindal please?

Mayor Glover: I've told it to him directly Mr. Shyne. Every time I see him.

Councilman Shyne: Right. I want Art to send him a copy of that so he'll have it on his table at night when he goes to bed and he can take a look at it. Okay, Awards and recognition, Mr. Mayor, we're back in your hands.

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

Mayor Glover: Thank you Mr. Shyne. At this point and time, I want to welcome up a group of outstanding young ladies who have been doing some wonderful work in the City of Shreveport. And I'm going to go down and join them at the podium if you don't mind. Since I didn't have the great pleasure of being able to be in their presence this past Saturday, but I have in years past, and I wanted to be able to see if their schedules would allow for them to join us today. They are here, and so at this point, we're going to go down and bring them up.

Councilman Shyne: Okay, Mr. Mayor, if you kinda feel a little overloaded, the Chairman of the Council would be glad to come down and share some of that with you.

Mayor Glover: Well now Mr. Shyne I'm starting to get worried a little bit, you've already complimented my City Attorney, now I don't want you competing with me with these lovely ladies.

Councilman Shyne: Aww Mr. Mayor, you're a much younger man than I am.

Mayor Glover: I get a little territorial kinda like you sometime, but come on down.

Councilman Shyne: No, I'm going to ask Jeff to come down.

Councilman Everson: I will say while you may not have been able to make it the other day, Bonnie did a great job of representing the city, I of course was there as well. But I want to compliment Bonnie on the job she did.

Mayor Glover: Absolutely. And in all seriousness Mrs. Shyne, I think it would be appropriate for the Council Chair and for the Council representative for District B to come on down and join us. And Bonnie since you represented me so well, come on up as well. As I mentioned to you all yesterday, I was given the great privilege of going over and being the honorary coach for the Black and Gold Game with Grambling State University, trying to make sure that we get that program re-energized and re-directed. So, I did accept that invitation. But I knew that this was something that has served the City of Shreveport so well. These women have lead an effort that has brought energy and vitality and enthusiasm back to a section of our central core. And in listening to the talk of Dr. Joyner about the fact that we've got population growth in North Bossier, population growth in Southeast Shreveport, one of the things that this administration desires to do and is a part of what has been our master plan, focuses of how it is that we manage to be able to bring growth, development and repopulation to the city's core. And what these women have been doing over the last several years, along with efforts like Shreveport Common and all those things that we talked about in Shreveport/Caddo 2030 are exactly the kinds of things that make the core of Shreveport a place where those folks that are there right now, can choose to stay, makes it a place that's more attractive to people that we're trying to get to come to live there and to do business. And so, I'm pleased to have with us today several board members of the ASEANA Festival. As I mentioned on yesterday, the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual ASEANA Spring Festival was successfully held and this signature event for our community just continues to grow not only in attendance but in stature as well. Today, we are delighted to be joined by several of the board members. A young lady whose husband I got a chance to know before I met her, a veteran of the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development. In fact, I'll tell you a secret. Folks in North Highlands, Roseneath for years as Council Member and a state legislator to get them a turn signal at North Market, he finally felt sorry for 'em and helped me get one. But that's an aside. But his lovely wife is Lumen Tindell, and she is the president of the ASEANA Festival and Foundation. And I'm delighted that she is here with us today, and I'm going to have to ask for some help with this name. Lumen Tindell is the Vice-President, she's not able to be with us today, and Dr. Mary Grace, and I'll let her give the last name, because I always chop it up pretty well as well, but Dr. Mary Grace is the secretary of the board and Judy Keifer is the treasurer. She is here with us today as well. There were several who were not able to be here with us today, Ms. Isabelle (De Joya Vea) who is one of the artists involved in this effort and Sophy Rama who is a landscaper, she was not able to be here. But I want to commend the board members for all of the volunteers as well as Bonnie and Shelly and all the folks from the city who partner with these wonderful folks as well as their corporate sponsors and all the volunteers who helped to coordinate and present this festival in the Spring of every year. It's clear that they are destined to continue this legacy presenting Asian Culture to foster better understanding and unity in our great City. And for thank, I say thank you, thank you, thank you. Not only do they do it now in the Spring, I believe we have now a second date in October during the fall. And so Mr. Chairman, members of the Council, in recognition for all of their great work, I am pleased and honored to present to them, this Mayor's Award of Excellence for their efforts and their contribution to making the City of Shreveport The Next Great City of The South. So Lumen, we will start with you, and ladies please address the Council and the City of Shreveport.

*Ms. Lumen Tindell:* Thank you so much Mayor Glover. I hardly know what to say, this is such a surprise to us, and very grateful for all your help to our foundation. Because our purpose is really to beautify that one little corner of the city in which we live. And with the assistance of the Neighborhood Investment Project and the DDA, as well as the Shreveport Public Assembly and Recreation, also with special help from our Councilman Jeff Everson, we were able to achieve the

things that we plan to do to continue beautifying our city. And we hope that with our efforts the ASEANA Foundation would be able to establish a nice Asian garden that will be enjoyed by everybody, not only by our residents in Shreveport and Bossier, but as well as cities surrounding us. Thank you so much for this great award, very much.

*Dr. Mary Grace Lumen Tindell:* Can I ask everyone to look at the person beside you, and the theme of the 7<sup>th</sup> ASEANA Spring Festival which is Chinese Festival, Year of the Horse. Can you look at the person beside you and say wǒ'ainǐ. It means I love you and that is what we wanted the Spring Festival to be. It's an occasion for each one to be really caring for everyone. And you talk about the census, you want population growth, wǒ'ainǐ.

*Ms. Judy Keifer:* I am addressing all of you and it's an honorable dias. I am a woman of few words. I am more action, and I represent all of us and the volunteers that make all this happen. Thank you for the award.

Mayor Glover: The 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday in October Mr. Chairman and members of the Council, will be the fall rendition of the ASEANA Festival.

Councilman Shyne: We'll be there.

Mayor Glover: Now with that, Dale, I'm going to ask you to hand me my folder over there. And Mr. Chairman, thank you ladies, thank you Keith. Mr. Chairman, you all have heard me talk about the annual double chocolate thunder double thunder funk dunk I would do at the Annual Dr. M.L.K. Jr., Basketball festival. I had to miss 2013 due to the unfortunate injuries to my quadriceps, but I had the opportunity to be able to while the gymnasium was quiet and semi-lit, was all alone, it took me several tries, but I did manage to be able to once again achieve that fete. I could not manage to be able to although I tried. I tried to do a selfie and a dunk at the same time Mr. Chairman, but it did not quite work out, so I do not have pictorial proof of my successful efforts.

Councilman Shyne: Well Mr. Mayor, before you finish. Oliver, I don't have to pay you. Oliver and I had a side bet on whether you would be able to do it or not. So - - -

Mayor Glover: Well I'm here to - - - I don't know which side of the bet either one of you are on, but whoever had the side of it not being successful, I want you to know you, you need to pay up. I was attempting to shadow the backboard at the same time.

Councilman O. Jenkins: (Inaudible)mine for next week when I'm in there, I'll try to get him one.

Mayor Glover: Well we'll see if we can document it and then at that point, I've got to go ahead and engage Councilman Oliver Jenkins in that game of H O R S E, he and I have been talking about for some time as well. But I want you to know that things are returning back to normal, both with regard to my annual dunking and the MLK Basketball Tournament Mr. Shyne and Council Members has not missed a beat. In fact, SPAR hosted its 26<sup>th</sup> annual Dr. Martin Luther King Basketball Tournament on February 7-9<sup>th</sup>. This city-wide tournament united men and women of all ages, social and ethnic backgrounds demonstrating a true spirit of competition and humanity. This annual community sporting event honors the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and is held in conjunction with Black History Month celebrations throughout the City of Shreveport. This year Mr. Chairman, members of the Council, 102 teams from six southern states competed in 12 Shreveport gyms for bragging rights as the best Amateur basketball league team in this region. Team divisions included youth, girls and boys, adult men recreation, wheelchair as well as pro-am divisions. At this time, I would like to take this opportunity to recognize all the sponsors for their financial contributions and for their in-kind support for this year's tournament. We're going to start Mr. Chairman and members of the Council with Jennifer Kirby, Academy Sports and Outdoors as this year's title sponsor. We have a representative here, Juan Fortiz. Thank you sir. Please tell Jennifer and all of your co-workers, we thank you for your support of the MLK Annual Basketball Tournament.

Mr. Juan Fortiz: Thank you, we appreciate being a part of Shreveport.

Mayor Glover: Thank you much. Alright, let's give 'em a round of applause.

Councilman Shyne: Does he have anybody down here with him Mr. Mayor?

Mayor Glover: Do you have any other colleagues from Academy?

Mr. Fortiz: No, I'm sorry, they're all working.

Mayor Glover: I understand. Mr. Chairman, these days with my workout schedule, they have to work overtime just to keep the stocks filled with atomic balm and athletic tape. I go through quite a bit of that these days. So I'm sure he's going to get it back down here, because I'll be making a trip after today's Council Meeting to get into my evening work out. It's kind of a stretch and the smell can be a little interesting, but it's good for the economy. Secondly, Mr. Chairman and members of the Council, we want to bring up Tarsha Johnson with Cumulus Broadcasting. They served as this year's presenting sponsors. Is a representative of Tarsha or Cumulus here today? If not, we want to thank them for their continued support. Our good friends up on the 8<sup>th</sup> floor, Mr. Henri Wesley, Caddo Parish Parks and Recreation. Mr. Rainwater should be here to accept on Henri's behalf. Appreciate the teamwork and the cooperation. Next Mr. Chairman and members we have Mr. Derwin Harris, always got to have somebody to help out with the food Mr. Chairman and Derwin with 20/20 Seafood insured that we had great food. Appreciate it, and that 20/20 Seafood is in two locations if I'm not mistaken. Greenwood Road and now Jewella. Across from the old South Park Mall.

Councilman Shyne: In the best area of town.

Mayor Glover: And you can call your order in. Trust me, I know by first-hand notice. And now Eric Monroe, the Caddo Parish Teacher Federal Credit Union. He's not able to be with us today, but we will make sure that we get them their presentation. So we thank Mr. Monroe and the folks at the Caddo Parish Teachers Federal Credit Union. John Easom with Fast Tax could not be here with us as well, but appreciate their sponsorship and support. Sharon Eaves, Coca Cola Bottling Company, Coke the real thing. Ms. Eaves is here with us. Thank you for helping support. Thank you much. Alright, and the Coca Cola Bottling that used to be Southern Avenue is now is Shreve Industrial Park, yet again, something to be proud of. Robert Shaver of Shaver's Catering. We had competing catfish this time. No one is here from Shaver's but we appreciate their continued sponsorship and support. John Stephens with Sign It. We appreciate their sponsorship and support, he could not be here. Anthony Grant, Brookshire's, overseer Anthony Grant, right? Wesley, are you standing in for Anthony Grant? Wesley Caston, Assistant Store Manager at Brookshire's on Kings Hwy. Absolutely, good store, good people. Thank you all so much for your work and your support. Thank you much. Absolutely, give our best to overseer Grant. And Stephanie Miller with RPM Pizza also I guess the franchisee Domino's Pizza. They could not be here with us today, but we thank Stephanie Miller and Dominos Pizza for their sponsorship. Also Wanda Harris, is Wanda Harris here? Regional Managers of Pizza Hut. Thank you much. Appreciate you. Thank you sir. Now when you bring three people Mr. Chairman, I'm trying to be conscious of the Council's time.

Councilman Shyne: That's alright, bring 'em on up.

Mayor Glover: And a shirt embroidered with the Pizza Hut Hat and Team Shreveport, this lovely lady's got to say something to us.

Councilman Shyne: That's alright, let her say something.

*Ms. Wanda Harris: (Pizza Hut) We look forward to doing business with the Great City of Shreveport, Pizza Hut.*

Mayor Glover: I've got to see if they've got one of those shirts in 4X Tall. I like that.

Councilman Shyne: Look out, look out Mayor.

Mayor Glover: And Jeremy Moore with Tyson Foods. Come on up all of Tyson. And since you all are doubly represented and in uniform, please address the Council.

*Mr. Jeremy Moore: (Tyson Foods)* We'd just like to thank Mr. Mayor and the City of Shreveport. We've been working with Theresa Jacobs, I don't know if she's here, but we in past years through Grambling Football, and just our kids and stuff. And she found out that we work for Tyson, and she wanted some chicken. So we were able to help her in her events. We thank you for allowing us to help and we look forward to it in the future.

Councilman Shyne: I think Ms. Jacobs is back there, she might want to stand and take a bow.

Mayor Glover: And Kevin Turner with Krispy Kreme. Not here? Well we thank him for it.

Councilman Shyne: Doughnut man.

Mayor Glover: No, no. In the City of Shreveport, we don't call 'em doughnuts Mr. Shyne.

Councilman Shyne: Well what do we call 'em?

Mayor Glover: They are "Power Rings". It's all a state of mind, that's how you reshipe the carbohydrates around so that they end up doing the least amount of damage. They're "Power Rings" Mr. Webb. And then lastly, but certainly not least, we want to thank Debra Green with the Shreveport-Bossier Mavericks. You want to come up and please address the Council.

*Ms. Miann Ferison:* Hello Council. I'm over advertising and promotions for the Shreveport-Bossier Mavericks. We'd just like to thank everyone for their continued support and ask that you continue to support us as we get ready for the ABA Finals, April 10-15<sup>th</sup> at the Hirsch Coliseum. Everyday we've had events and different things for the community, so we ask that you continue to support our team. Going into next season, we still are the No. 1 team in the country. And I ask that you continue to support us throughout next season.

Mayor Glover: And Ms. Green if you don't mind, we'd like to invite you to come back to the first meeting in April, which I believe will be April 8, which will be a couple of days before the actual start of the ABA Finalist and be the special guest of the Council and the Administration, because we'd love to be able to share that information a couple days prior to the game and hope that we'll be able to help drive some additional energy and attendance to come out to a wonderful, wonderful event. So with that Mr. Chairman, and members of the Council, this wraps up the awards and presentations portion of communications. We have some more? Alright. Yes we do. Mr. Chairman and members of the Council, we're about to shift into the official portion of the Mayoral communications. Also at this time, I would like to recognize Shreveport's own 15 and under Dr. MLK Jr. Tournament Championship team and coaching staff, the Xpress Sports. The Express Sports 15U team not only won this year's tournament, this is also the fifth year in a row the Express Sports have won the MLK Tournament team championship in their respective division. We want to bring up at this time, Tyler Anderson. Tyler is the only one here with this particular group of 15 and under, so you will get this official medal, and we give you this official Basketball hide folder. Now while we're recognizing Tyler Anderson, we want to make sure we call the names and put into the records his other teammates, there are 11 others. Larry Moton, Jr., Tahji Davis, Michael Moton, James Ivory III, Xavien Beasley, Jacoby Thomas, Colyn Givens, Letraveon Jones, Labrandon Bryant, Marlin Anderson, Head Coach, LaWarren Brown, Assistant Coach. Mr. Anderson, would you offer a few words to this Council on behalf of these coaches and all those team members.

*Mr. Anderson:* Well, I'd just like to say that it was an honor for us to play in this tournament, and represent the City of Shreveport.

Mayor Glover: You're a student at Evangel in what grade?

Mr. Anderson: 9<sup>th</sup> Grade.

Mayor Glover: Thank you much. And lastly Mr. Chairman, members of the Council. I want to make an introduction of Xpress Organization. As you know, SPAR could not have youth sport programs such as the MLK Tournament without our dedicated volunteer coaches. The Xpress

Sports Organization and coaching staff I am about to introduce, spend a significant amount of their personal time serving as youth volunteer coaches and mentors to hundreds of Shreveport youth on an annual basis. Their dedication and commitment in giving back to our youth are invaluable to the City of Shreveport. Therefore, I would like to take this time to recognize the Xpress Sports organization and their coaching staff for their volunteer efforts. We're going to start with Lonnie Bryant, Organization Head, Lonnie are you here with us? Alright but we do have an award for Mr. Bryant that we will present to him. Marlin Anderson, Coach Anderson are you here? Thank you much Coach, appreciate it. Would you say a word to the Council?

Coach Anderson: On behalf of Xpress Sports, which is a nonprofit organization that's been around over 20 years and what we believe in is empowering young men to go out and do something different in the world to help others. We do it through sports, we do it through academics, but most of all we do it through the help of the parents. We just want to thank you guys for acknowledging the hard work that we put into this.

Mayor Glover: LaWarren Brown, Coach, Patrick Payne, Coach. Come on down. He obviously teaches the people inside the paint. Thank you so much, and a homeboy. Absolutely appreciate you.

Coach Payne, Again I thank you and again like Coach Marlin said, it's an honor to be a part of this and the big picture of mentoring these kids and pushing them forward in sports as well as life period. So we want to give them the bigger picture and understanding that it's bigger than basketball, but if you can use the basketball as a tool to move forward in life, then use it.

Mayor Glover: He might jump higher than me, Mr. Shyne, but I'll still box him out.

Councilman Shyne: I see that, or he'll wind up on the floor.

Mayor Glover: Coach Clement Wilson, is he here with us? Mr. Wilson appreciate you.

*Mr. Wilson:* I'm not the speaker like them, but we do this for the love of the kids, helping the young men better themselves and to work hard and like he said, to use basketball not only on the court, but also in life. Thank you.

Mayor Glover: Alright, so we don't have Ko Johnson and Carlos Brown is not here with us, but we do have awards for them and we will make sure that they get presented to them, and we're going to at this point and time turn this over to your home folks and the Assistant Director of Parks and Recreation, Patrick Wesley for some additional comments.

Councilman Shyne: Patrick, I see you have some more of your staff with you, why don't you invited 'em all up with you. And Shelly, you all have done such an excellent job. Why don't you let them all come up,

Patrick Wesley: Staff, y'all come on up, interns, we got interns here also.

Mayor Glover: All these "G"s on these shirts Mr. Shyne.

Councilman Shyne: Aw yeah. Sam is just about to fall out his chair up here. Sam Jenkins is just about to fall out of his chair. Patrick, why don't you let 'em tell us who they are:

Jerod Jones, Superintendent, Mary Murphy, Adult Coordinator, EuMarcus Hicks, Youth Coordinator, Murtharee Lawrence, Administrative Asst., Natasha Rider, Office Specialist, Sarah Metoyer, Recreation Specialist. Shanice Millican, Nakeya Morrison, Ieshea Patterson, Nathaniel Smith and Keiarra Tolbert.

Councilman Shyne: Shelly you got a great, where is Shelly? Come on up here so we can see you.

Ms. Ragle: Well, I do want to say this. This is what happens when you put really good people around you, then you get out of the way. They produce magnificent programs and I want to say this, at SPAR, I tell you this all the time. I think I told Dale again yesterday, you can ask any of these guys to do anything and they'll do it at any hour, of any day and they do it with a great

attitude. And so I'm just always overwhelmed by all the things they do and this event is one of those that we're really proud of and like I said, it's what a great group of people that work together can produce in working with the community and all the sponsors that are here today, we couldn't do it without 'em. So we just want to say thank you, and I'm gone let Patrick wrap us up here.

Mr. Patrick Wesley: Council and Mayor, I want to personally thank Shelly for giving us the professional freedom to bring these types of programs to the City of Shreveport. Again, in this business, you're only as good as the people who work around you, and these are the people who are in the trenches on a day-to-day basis getting it done, and we appreciate their hard work and dedication. And sponsors again, thank you on behalf of the city, thank you, thank you, thank you, we could not do these types of programs without your support. So we look forward to a long time partnership and to make this a bigger and better event. Thank you all and may God bless you.

Ms. Ragle: I just wanted to say just one other thing, to the interns, where is she? You're doing a great job. I will tell you she spoke in front of us for the first time at SPAR Council about a week ago. And she got up here and spoke again, so every day is one more step as you've learned and heard internship program about getting up and speaking in front of people and having that confidence. So, Theresa we're proud of this program and we're proud that we get to have this relationship with Grambling to bring these students to our program. And they're learning all kinds of things and public speaking is one of those things. She's going to be speaking like the Mayor before the end of her internship.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman as I mentioned a second ago, this will wrap up the Awards and Presentations portion of Mayoral Communications. At this time, I'd like to transition briefly into Communications regarding official city business.

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

Mayor Glover: As you all know in my capacity as Mayor, I am one of the individuals who serves on the Executive Committee of the North Louisiana Council of Governments. We meet on a monthly basis and we met on this last Friday. And I often times am inclined to want to do this more often, although I don't want to take up too much of the Council's business especially on a meeting day. But I thought it was important to do this in an official meeting during these communications because Kent Rogers who is the Executive Director of NLCOG provided us with an update on the broad range of things, one of which specifically has to do with the current status of the review of the process to attempt to extend LA 3132. As you all may be aware, that process has completed its Zero Stage, phase in terms of how that process goes forward. The next step is to do what's called a Phase I which begins to take some general corridors in attempts to try and refine it down to a specific route. It was (Inaudible) Horn if I'm not mistaken that was responsible for doing the Stage 0, the executive committee of NLCOG selected BKI to do the Phase I. I believe we have been attempting to advance that effort since some 2012. Also a part of Kent's review and update to the executive committee on last Friday was to provide us a status on the amount of money that's been expended. Public tax dollars in dealing with many of the legal issues that have come up around this issue, and ultimately left us with an unfortunate understanding that this process is at a standstill, by saying standstill, it's also still costing both NLCOG as well as the City of Shreveport as well as the other governmental entities involved with it a considerable amount of money. And despite the stated intentions of those folks who have expressed a desire who want to see us finish 3132, it is apparent to me at least at this point, that that process is not moving forward based upon the fact that we have been involved and entwined in numerous levels of lawsuits that is actually preventing us from being able to go forward. I think it's also significant to point out, and I think Kent will give you specific detail that we have prevailed to this point at every level of this

judicial process but we still find ourselves entangled and enmeshed. And so with that Kent, I'm going to ask you to come up and provide the Council as well as the citizens of the City of Shreveport an update on the status of LA 3132.

*Mr. Kent Rogers: (NLCOG)* Thank you Mayor, thank you Council. I think Cedric's on my Logo shirt so I got to speak. The Mayor asked yesterday if I could come and give kind of a brief update on the status of the project. Kind of where we were and somewhat where the project lies in conjunction with our NPO update. As y'all may recall, that in September of 2012, Stage 0 which is the DOTD's first step in a project of this scale. (Inaudible) step in that process was completed in September of 2012. While that process was ongoing, we had advertised and put out an RP4 selection of a consultant to perform this Stage I, which is the first step in the formal NEPA FederFederal Highways process of developing a project. Though that, we selected a consultant named Burk Kleinpeter, Inc., BKI as everyone traditionally refers to them. The Stage 0 document was basically a - - - Stage 0 basically looks at a project, some potential alternatives, looks to see if there's any showstoppers for a project, looks to see if there's any environmental issues, big major things that say, 'No, don't even move forward with this project', and then get some general ideas of where it could or could not go, and some cost range along with that. And the result of the Stage 0 is yes the project is feasible, No, there weren't any major showstoppers, move forward into the Stage I process or whatever the formal (inaudible) process. Again, we had selected the firm of BKI to perform that work. Immediately upon DOTD issuing I guess they would call it - - - issuing a letter of acceptance of the Stage 0 document. The coalition and Willis Knighton filed suit against - - - not only against that document, but several other issues along the way. That first suit was filed in the local District Court, primarily with some access to Mr. Larkin's property, what was quickly enjoined with several other suits, they were all combined into one. At the same time, they also filed a suit at the federal court level against the project moving forward. That initial federal suit, Judge Walters dismissed the case based on prematurity. They filed a second petition which is in the federal court which now sits on Judge Hicks' desk. We haven't heard any word, yes, nay, what not on that project. Within the district court, Judge Emmanuel has dismissed all efforts against COG and the NLCOG organization based on the prematurity. Meeting the really the timeframe of which someone can file a suit of this nature is at the end of the environmental document, at the end of the environmental process saying that no, you did not follow the regulations, no you did not follow the rules. You didn't do what you were supposed to do. We hadn't even been able to begin that process yet. The interesting thing along with the suits were that BKI even though, we have not been able to sign the contract with them, were brought into that litigation. My response to them was always you now you don't have a contract yet, how can they bring you into this process? But so be it, it's been done. As of this past week, just recently the 2<sup>nd</sup> Circuit Court ruled the DOTD and FederFederal Highways had filed for in part of this process saying that because DOTD is part of the suit and because FederFederal Highways is part of the suit, state statute says that wherever those agencies are primarily domiciled is where that case should be heard. So henceforth on all efforts will be heard in Baton Rouge, all the appeals and everything else will be held in Baton Rouge. Judge Emmanuel had several things still sitting on his desk when he retired. We don't know where those - - - whether they will still be heard here or whether they'll eventually be transferred to Baton Rouge and (inaudible) held in Baton Rouge. And we have not as of yet begun that Stage I process because of all the litigation and concern. The Mayor asked a while back for us to give him an update in terms of the funding spent. To date COG alone has spent as of December 31 of 2013, we spent over \$182,000 on legal fees alone for this project. Since that time, we've had some additional funds spent on it. My accountant gave us an estimate yesterday where we're over \$200,000 just in our legal fees along. I know that all the other entities had several other similar fees and bills that occurred with that. The real interesting part is through this process, we've been having conversations with BKI about getting them to sign

the contract. The problem is they've alluded to roughly a third to a half of their profit margin has already been eaten up with legal fees and knowing that those will continue on, basically their profit margin is gone before they even begin. And they're concerned about that and concerned about signing a contract and they're going to lose money on it. The other concern that they have is just of how they could be held liable for things that initially were brought into the suit before they even have a signed contract onto it. We're hoping that they will eventually find means to go ahead and sign the contract so we can get moving with this process. It should be once that occurs, I believe the contract states that they have an 18-month timeline to complete the project. A good chunk of that timeline though is of course the review process the Federal Highways and DOTD have at the end of the project before they'll issue a what they call a ROD, a Regular Decision or FONSI, a Finding of No Significant Impact. There's like about a three-month comment period just within the internal agencies for that. So a lot of that timeframe gets eaten up on that. So, do y'all have any questions, I'm happy to answer them.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I certainly do, but not necessarily 3132 specifically but some of the - - - that got brought into the whole discussion is that I 69 future. And I'm somewhat saddened to see that there is a new route being considered or at least in our neighboring state, one that does not include the Shreveport/Bossier area as part of the future. Where are we in that?

Mr. Rogers: Well actually, that's not necessarily a new route. The main line corridor for I 69 still remains Indianapolis, Memphis, Shreveport/Bossier, Houston and on out. Along with I 69, there were in that original corridor designation, there were about five spurs in various different places. One of those spurs being U.S. 59 from basically the Tenaha area up to I 30. Texas of course does things in Texas' own fashion, and they've been upgrading U.S. 59 to interstate standards as quickly as they possibly can. I believe the intent there is to grab ahold of some of that commercial traffic as quickly as they possibly can. In terms of the local area, there are three segments of I 69 within the State of Louisiana, the first one coming in from the north that goes from El Dorado to the Haughton area. We have a record of decision on that. DOTD is in the process of doing some of the right of way mapping, so we can go out and start - - - not necessarily securing that right of way, but doing some corridor preservation work to keep that corridor from developing. The urban section which is from Haughton area to Stonewall that passes through the Port and connects this project. We are hopefully we will have the record of decision signed on that this summer. The documents were on Federal Highways and DOTD's desks when EPA sent a new letter that we all got chuckles out of when we saw that they were asking us to describe how we were going to treat childhood obesity along with the development of the roadway. We immediately forwarded that to our federal delegation and said you all need to do something about this. So that's been handled, but DOTD and Federal Highways now have that 90 day review period. So hopefully that'll be taken care of and we'll have a record of decision on that. As soon as that's done, we can begin again the right of way mapping and the acquisition of properties along that corridor. We do have some earmarked monies available for that. There is I want to say probably about 60% of the earmarked monies if not more. Have some terminology in there, an earmark from Senator Landrieu that dealt with the Red River crossing, the first piece that we would do would be the bridge across Red River. The section from Stonewall to roughly the Tenaha area in Texas, kind of a similar situation with the northern section where the State of Louisiana was the lead even though part of it was in Arkansas. Texas is supposed to be taking the lead on that section in terms of the environmental work. Cause of some of the delays and things that have gone on, we've been encouraging Mayor Walker from Bossier is the Chair for the International I 69 Coalition, we'd have been working with our state and DOTD try and urge them to go ahead and take the lead on that environmental, to go on and get it moving so that we don't get left out for a few years, while they go ahead and develop 59 before we can construct parts of 69.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Well I just want to say that in my mind that is probably the most significant economic development arm for this region if we could ever get that done. And I'm a little saddened or disappointed that we as a region have not been able to kinda unify with one voice our support for that particular piece of road work. Because I do believe if the City of Shreveport and our region have three interstates, a port, and a rail spur, that we are in very unique position in the United States. Particularly with the amount of available land and infrastructure, that we could become for our logistics hub. So I don't know how we change the dialogue to focus on that, but to me I think that's where the dialogue needs to be when we talk about the big numbers that any of these road projects, whether it's inner city, I 49 or whether it's 3132, I mean all of those to me are somewhat a zero sum game and they probably not going to get all of them, and the one that I think is the most meaningful for us would be in I 69, but I'm not sure that opinion is shared.

Mr. Rogers: Well I think from our standpoint, you know as described in Baton Rouge and elsewhere you know for the last 20 years when everybody (inaudible) asked around this area what was the number one project, that was a real easy answer. Because everybody from garbage collectors on up to governors and U.S. Senators and what not ran on the platform of we're getting I 49 North done. We're well underway with that project from 220 to Arkansas borders is fully funded. Should be open within a couple of years. You're right the discussion of which one and we had started this discussion at the NPO level of these roughly six or seven, we considered mega projects, which one should we all put pins on and stand behind and push as hard as we can to get done. I can tell you that Mayor Walker would love to see, unfortunately he's not the Mayor from the other side or is as they often say, Cedric's brother from another mother on the other side of the river, he'd be more than happy to see that. It's a big project. But again, unfortunately there's not the deep pockets that used to be, and the adage that earmarks are bad, has played a real hard part on these bigger broader projects like this. All earmarks aren't bad. Because these bigger, broader projects like this, they're hard to get done without something like that in place.

Councilman Corbin: Kent, I may be asking you to kinda look into a crystal ball with this, but the current situation with 3132, if the contractor whose been awarded the contract, continues to have legal expenses or just decides this is not profitable for us anymore, how do we move that Stage forward. I mean does it go back through NLCOG and the various committees to find a new contract or we start the process over, or at that time, have we depleted funds that were allotted for that portion of the project to the point that we have to find additional funds?

Mr. Rogers: No, the funds for this study are still allocated. Those have not been touched by the legal fees, and those funds cannot be used for legal fees. Which kinda caused a not being able to be used for legal fees, we had to go out and search and talk to DOTD and Federal Highways to find some additional funds for our normal legal fees in a typical fiscal year are (inaudible) thirty grand. This is way beyond that normal means. I've already started that conversation with DOTD and Federal Highways. A couple of different options. 1) we could step back to the No. 2 firm and see if we can negotiate with them. If that's not an option, we can re-advertise or we can ask DOTD to re-advertise. The interesting part of that is in just little side conversations with most of the firms out there when you ask them you know, 'would you be interested if this doesn't work out?' They just kinda laugh and say, I'm not going anywhere near it.

Mr. Thompson: In discussing I 69, a portion of it, you said you were not ready to go out and purchase a right of way, but you could have corridor preservation work. What does that mean and what stage of a project does that begin.

Mr. Rogers: The corridor preservation, what we're working with right now, because the portion that we have a record of decision on is in Bossier and Bossier, Webster, Claiborne and I'm not sure of all those different corridors, but up to the Arkansas line, what we're doing is DOTD is mapping out the exact parcels of property that we would need and then we'll work 'em with the

parishes and what not to put in some setbacks and that type of stuff. If development comes into that area to hold that corridor available, can't develop within a certain distance of that corridor and what not. We can't do - - - the problems that we have in the inner loop is a perfect example of that. We can't do any of that until that environmental type document is done.

Mr. Thompson: But that's after Phase I?

Mr. Rogers: That's after Phase I. After Federal Highways and DOTD issue an environmental document whether that - - - basically two levels at that scale. One is called a ROD which is a Record of Decision and the other is a FONSI, which is a finding of no significant impact.

Mr. Thompson: Once you do that corridor preservation, is there a length of time where you can hold it in limbo sort of before you actually (inaudible)?

Mr. Rogers: The EPA says that if you do not, if you don't take certain actions, they don't define what certain actions are. If you don't make certain actions or take certain actions along the corridor, then an environmental document has been issued within three years, they have the ability to say you have to review that document. Now that could be as simple as nothing's changed, keep going, you're good. Or they could just say, no, you've got to start all over again. But that's EPA's (inaudible). Nobody else gets a say on that.

Councilman Shyne: Alright we appreciate you coming down. And if there will be any more questions or if we need to get in contact with the Mayor.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, Council? Before we wrap up in this area and Ken thank you and just stand there in case there's any additional need to comment. I thought it would be appropriate, and Terri, please come up at that point and time. Kent just mentioned \$200,000?

Mr. Roger: Yeah, we are roughly at a little over \$200,000 right now in terms of our legal expenses.

Mayor Glover: And Terri what's that number for the City of Shreveport?

Ms. Scott: I'm not aware Mayor, but I will say, unlike NLCOG. The City has three attorneys representing our interest in this matter. You have two?

Mr. Rogers: Two.

Ms. Scott: And there are more attorneys in this matter than you can shake a stick at. I don't know the number off the top of my head in terms of what the city has spent for legal expenses, but it's getting up there. And in all probability, that number is going to continue to increase.

Mayor Glover: Now Mr. Chairman and members of the Council, I can remember as were trying to resolve the dog park situation, there were cameras rolling and reporter's pads scribbling at the \$20 and \$25,000 figure that we eventually get in that regard, and we're here right now talking about what sounds like something in the near vicinity of half-million dollars in taxpayer money that has been expended with this effort that will not I think have its three-year anniversary at the beginning of next month. And for those who expressed their desire and their intent was to finish 3132. What you have just heard is that that process is now essentially in absolute, complete, suspended animation. And the very basic stuff that is necessary to even get to a point that Arthur just referenced about corridor preservation whether you're talking about I 69 of 3132 or anything else, for those things to happen, you've got to get from Phase 0 to Phase I to be able to do that. And what we're talking about are public dollars. Taxpayer dollars. Dollars that could be spent on other things. And what's interesting is that, the folks on the other side of this are using tax exempt dollars to pay the attorneys who are involved in advancing their efforts. Dollars that are exempt from coming to support and advance and assist the efforts of helping us to fix streets, fill pot holes, pay police and pay firefighters, and we're still not yet able to be able to get any closer to answering any questions about what it is that we should do about 3132. I know that probably doesn't make nearly as good a lead Mr. Smith as some of the other stuff that has managed to lead over the years

regarding this matter, but it is something that I think that this council and our citizens need to be aware of because it is highly unfortunate, and it is not an effective or efficient use of our taxpayer dollars. And I'll end with this Mr. Chairman and members of the Council. I asked the Police Department to provide me with some statistical data that I think will give a little bit of insight. One of the reasons as to why there was such a great sense of urgency expressed to me and this council, this city and our citizens about why it is that we needed to advance this issue. Was it because of all the carnage that would take place on Flournoy Lucas, but once that five-lane road was finished, and that there would not be at that point an extension of 3132. Well, I want to give you numbers. I think it was about 2012 when we managed to complete, the state finished construction and fully opened without any barrels or anything else on Flournoy Lucas. I'm going to compare that to the parallel stretch of Bert Kouns. In 2012, along the stretch of Flournoy Lucas from Youree Drive to Ellerbe Road, there were 54 crashes, accidents, both of major and minor. In the same corresponding length 2012, along Bert Kouns Industrial, there were 327 major and minor crashes. In 2013 along Flournoy Lucas, there were 59 major or minor crashes. In 2013 along the same corresponding stretch of Bert Kouns, there were 359. In 2014 year-to-date, for Bert Kouns up until yesterday, along Bert Kouns we have 59 major and minor crashes along the stretch of Bert Kouns that mirrors that Flournoy Lucas stretch we're talking about, and year-to-date, for that same stretch of Flournoy Lucas, we have 22 major or minor accidents. Now I'm not great at math, but I think that's probably a 5-1 or 6-1 ratio in terms of accidents and what have you. The bottom line of it is I think this is an issue that we simply need to try and get resolved and hopefully allow to go forward so that we can ultimately determine if and when and how we should finish 3132, or I think is both Ken and Councilman Oliver Jenkins have pointed out, determine whether or not there are actually projects that are of greater importance and of higher impact and benefit to our region. So with that Ken thank you for sharing this information with the Council. More importantly thank you for sharing it with our citizens and hopefully, we will be able to help get that information out there and make more and more people aware of it. Thank you Mr. Chairman, thank you members of the Council.

Councilman Shyne: Thank you Mr. Mayor. Mike and I kinda had a point that we wanted to bring to the Council and to the Mayor at this particular point, and we've used so much time, so we're going to take Mr. Mayor, maybe three or four minutes and actually, we're not asking for discussion on this at this time, right Mike? We just want to bring it to your attention. Mike and I met with a - - matter of fact with three people the other day, of course I won't mention any names right now, but you know who they are, in relation to what you and I talked about being formed in Cedar Grove? You know the two guys that I had told you that I had met with.

Mayor Glover: Now you know I'm up above the table, transparent, nothing to hid. So I mean I would encourage you to call names Mr. Shyne. (Inaudible) doing the people's business, let's put it on the record.

Councilman Shyne: But now and let me make this clear. This is not below the table, but at this particular point, I would rather not call their names in public. But I'll come over in a few minutes and tell you.

Mayor Glover: I know who they are, and I'll probably call 'em in response to what you're about to tell me.

Councilman Shyne: Right. Well now since you know who they are, you can call their names in response and I want to make clear, this is nothing below the table. I don't know where that came from. Sometimes I might deal in a little something below the table, but not when it comes to the public. If it's me and Mike, I might deal in a little something below the table, but not when it comes to the public. The point I want to bring to you, it was in the Shreveport Times Sunday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, it says the Shreveport area economy sky is not falling. And you know this is something that we don't want to get into, but the gentleman that we met with, neither one of them

live in Cedar Grove. But there were concerned about forming a TIF for Cedar Grove. I thought it was a bad idea, and of course you and I had talked about it, and of course kinda of what I got from you, was kind of a bad idea, and they kinda think it's the same as what we did for the Mall. I'm not the brightest bird on the block, but to me it seems like you're dealing with two different pieces of fruit. The TIF at the Mall, and those two guys forming a TIF with their organization out in Cedar Grove, which the people at the Mall had a multi-million dollar investment. Their start is they don't have anything invested. And Mike will tell you their - - - and you don't have anything to do with this, but I just want the other Councilmen to know their approach to Mike and basically, I was not invited to the meeting by them, but I was invited by Mike. It kinda got off hand. I mean if you want people to work with you, I've always was told by my grandmother you can get more done with honey than you can with vinegar. I guess I kinda used that approach and I've been successful with it. I've never tried to use vinegar to get somebody to work with me, cause if you use vinegar to try to get me to work with you, you ain't going nowhere. But if you use a little honey, you might be able to bait me in. So, I'm saying that to say this. If you get a chance to talk to your friend, tell 'em the sky is not falling in Shreveport. And that we're not overlooking Cedar Grove. I think we work pretty hard for each district. I think you've been pretty fair handed since you've been down here in my perception. And maybe other folks might perceive it to be another way. And about kids leaving Shreveport because we're not forming these financial TIFs, I've got two boys or young men I should say. Well I can call 'em boys, cause basically they're mine. One stayed here in Shreveport and finished from LSU and working here in Shreveport, I got another one who went to LSU and told me he wanted to go to the University of Houston. So, being a grown man Mr. Mayor, you know you can't (inaudible) your kids, cause I think you got a brother over in Dallas. You're the Mayor of the city here, but you've got a brother over in Dallas. And I know you know that that's his prerogative. My young man and I think I see a young man who went to school with both of 'em, if he wanted to go to Houston, Shelly, I didn't want him to go to Texas, I wanted him to stay here in Shreveport, but he wanted to go to Houston. He's down there working, going to school, I say, well when you coming back home? He say well daddy, I'm coming back to visit you, but I like Houston. They got a lot of opportunities down here. So, but now that was not to say that he didn't like Shreveport and the sky is falling here. You know the way I look at Shreveport, Shreveport is not a bad city. We may not have what they have in Dallas or Houston or even in New York. But the sky is not falling. And I'm saying all that to say this, and I'm going to give Mike an opportunity to say something. We just can form a TIF in every district. I don't think it's a good idea. So, if these gentlemen come and talk with you, I tried to give them an opportunity to come before the Council. And I called it a scheme, to pitch their scheme, and if they would come to you, Mr. Mayor, I would hope that you would invite them to come down and talk to the Council and see if you can explain to them that what they're talking about is not the same as what we did at the - - - at St. Vincent Mall. Their point was this idea was pushed by Jeff, because I think it's in Jeff's district and by you as the Mayor. So, if they come and talk to you, because I've met with them two or three times, and seems like they're just adamant about forming a TIF in Cedar Grove. And neither one of 'em live in Cedar Grove, neither one of them have a business in Cedar Grove. So I just wanted to bring this to the attention of the Council and to you today, so in case this keeps going, we'll have some idea. Mayor, thank you and I'm not going to ask you at this particular time for your comments or whatever on this, because we've spent over an hour and a half, we've spent right at two hours already. But I didn't want this to go any longer, in case somebody contacts you during the week. And this is why I'm bring it to the Council now, because I didn't want to do nothing under the table. Thank you Mr. Mayor. I'm sorry, ah - - -

Councilman Corbin: For the sake of time Mr. Shyne, I'm good with your comments.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Shyne, you put me in a very strange box. You've asked me not use names and you don't want me to respond.

Councilman Shyne: Right and that's what I'm saying. And sometimes - - -

Mayor Glover: Call you Chairman Putin.

Councilman Shyne: That's right, that's what I'm saying. And sometime we're put in - - -

Mayor Glover: And I'll be Crimea

Councilman Shyne: That's right, And sometimes we're put in strange boxes. I mean that's the part of being on this Jericho road. From birth to death, we're put in strange boses. I just wanted to bring this to your attention, and I didn't want to do it - - -

Mayor Glover: I promise to be brief Mr. Shyne.

Councilman Shyne: Will you promise?

Mayor Glover: I promise.

Councilman Shyne: Okay, if you promise to be brief, I'll yield.

Mayor Glover: I promise to be very brief. The gentleman that you refer to - - -

Councilman Shyne: I'm sorry, and we even had a school board member there.

Mayor Glover: Okay. I don't know exactly where their official domiciles are and what have you.

Councilman Shyne: Well I do, but it's not in Cedar Grove.

Mayor Glover: But I do know there are individuals that are greatly grounded within the Cedar Grove area. I know that one actually is the head of an entity that has I think probably one of the largest parcels of real estate within the Cedar Grove area as well, and that there is a large congregation of folks, I think that number is into the thousands. So I don't know if that's actually a relevant point either. But what I do know is while I think there are some problems and some concerns and some issues with the idea and the concept that the gentlemen have advanced, I do think it speaks unfortunately to the frustration Mr. Shyne cause I agree with you. Shreveport I think is going in a very positive direction and despite the fact that folks are trying to convince us that we have the fast shrinking this and all of this, and the sky is falling and what have you. And there are folks who have agendas, political and otherwise for advancing those stalks that we are moving in a very positive direction, but I think people are also out in our neighborhoods, outside of this building, outside of this body are frustrated. You know they've seen us spend a lot of time going back and forth about dog park, they see us right now not able to move forward with projects that the citizens have voted on that would invest dollars and put people to work. In every area of this city, they see us not yet being able to come together to be able to address the additional infrastructure needs like streets. Many don't have an appreciation for what this council has done.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor, I don't want to cut you off, but could you kinda do it in two more minutes. And if you need some more time, we'll come back at the end of this and finish discussing this.

Mayor Glover: I promise to wrap it up in two minutes. And so what I think you see is a frustration, in fact Mr. Shyne, that that frustration is very similar to what I sense in places like down in East Baton Rouge Parish. Where I don't agree necessarily with the folks who want to break off from East Baton Rouge Parish and form their new city and become St. George and separate themselves, but those are folks who are engaged and involved at the grassroots level, trying to address issues and problems that are affecting and impacting them on the street, in the neighborhood, on the blocks where they live, and they don't see or believe that those who've been elected or appointed to address and work with them to address their concerns are engaged and responding and working with them. And so I think when we fail to do that, then what you see are the kinds of responses that you see coming out of the folks in St. George and Baton Rouge, and what you see coming from these gentleman in Cedar Grove. So I don't find fault in what they're doing, I find fault in the fact that from my perspective, I don't think that were sufficiently engaged

in being sensitive to the concerns that people have not just in Cedar Grove, but in MLK, Queensborough, and in Southern Hills. In South Highlands, and all across this city, because they don't see us focusing on the issues that are impacting them at those levels and places where they live.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor, I'm going to say this and then we're going to move on. Those folks who might be frustrated, I don't see them coming down here sitting in this Chamber. And just because you're frustrated, you're not going to put me in an position to make bad decisions. With that, we're going to move on. If you live in this world, you're going to be frustrated. I mean that's just as simple as it is, and it's no quick solution to any of the problems that these people are having and they're going to continue to have these problems when you and I both are working somewhere else. So I appreciate it and we're going to move back into the regular agenda.

## **Reports**

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

Councilman Shyne: Any questions for Ms. Farnell? Is Ms. Farnell here?

Mr. Sibley: Yes sir.

Mayor Glover: She's here Mr. Shyne.

Councilman Shyne: Ms. Farnell, I'm sorry. I took my glasses off. Mr. Sibley thank you here? Can't see that far back at my age. Ms. Farnell? Any, any- -? Ms. Farnell, I'm sorry you had to come up, but thank you. That's part of the job, isn't it Mr. Sibley. Okay. Mr. Sibley, let's move to you.

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

Mr. Sibley: Yes sir, we'll have an updated Revenue Collection Plan during the first meeting in April, and I believe the same for Surety Bond Forfeitures Report from Ms. Scott Mr. Chairman.

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

Councilman Shyne: Ms. Scott, we'll be looking for you next meeting.

**Public Hearing:** None.

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

**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.

*The Clerk read the following:*

1. **Resolution No. 63 of 2014:** A Resolution temporarily suspending certain provisions of Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances relative to zoning in the Downtown Development District and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
2. **Resolution No. 64 of 2014:** A Resolution suspending certain provisions of Chapter 10 relative to alcoholic beverages on April 13, 2014 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.

Councilman Shyne: Okay, lets add this to the agenda, and Ms. Sanders, I have not forgotten you, you'll be next. Let me open this up to the public. Is there anyone here that would like to speak in opposition to adding these two pieces of legislation to the agenda? If not, is there anyone here that would like to speak in favor of adding this legislation to the agenda. If not, the floor is not open.

**Motion by Councilman Everson, seconded by Councilman O. Jenkins to add Resolution No(s) 63 and 64 of 2014 to the agenda. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

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

Councilman Shyne: Ms. Sanders? Is Ms. Sanders here? Please come forward. I didn't see you back there, and I didn't know whether you were in at this time.

Ms. Sanders: Good afternoon, thank you for not forgetting me. I'm here to talk about positive direction actually. At our last Mater Plan Committee meeting, the committee received a presentation from local stake holders, specifically the LSU AG system on a food systems master plan. It's about job creation, economic development, and attracting new residents and permitting healthy lifestyle healthy eating. The Master Plan Committee will continue to review that because they did receive a request for consideration to forward that on to the MPC, City Council and Parish Commission for consideration for adoption. And my last item to report to you is that the unified development code consultants were in town at the end of last month. They presented their findings based on their research and recommended how to proceed with the writing of the unified development code. The next step is to bring that final report to five geographic areas within our planning area so that the public has the time to review that information, give feedback and then they will go back to Chicago and start writing our codes. You will get advance notice on all of these public meetings, city website, parish website, unified development code website, facebook, a variety of different means.

Councilman Shyne: Anyone have any questions for Ms. Sanders?

Councilman Everson: Make a brief comment that I would make as I think that I want to compliment the job that you did on working with the consultants. I think they came back with some great initial findings, but they did a relook of a couple of areas, and Dara spotted those quite quickly and worked with them to make sure those were addressed. Between that and the committee's review, I think we identified a few other areas we wanted them to spend a little bit more time focusing on. But in large part, this initial work was wonderful, and I have great expectations that we will be pleased with when the UDC folks come back with.

Ms. Sanders: Thank you, the project is looking good.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Dara, at what point you know based on the findings review, at what point? You know we met with the Council of Neighborhoods, and we did have the discussion that at some point they would become involved or informed of the findings. At what point or do you know exactly when the Council of Neighborhoods will be informed as to those findings and reviews?

Ms. Sanders: Specifically, I would like to bring that final technical review and a purchase report, the findings that I just discussed. I would like to bring that to them, to their groups specifically outside of those five geographical areas so that they have the opportunity to give feedback. Just thinking off the top of my head, it may be beneficial to present it to them up front

so that they can increase participation in those five geographic areas.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Well I knew that was the plan, I was just wondering if you had an idea as to when that would be presented to the council.

Ms. Sanders: I need to find out what their status is currently. They were working on the membership form and really trying to get the nuts and bolts put together and getting everything going, but I need to touch base with them and find out what their status is.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Yeah, because you know we actually told them that we would inform them at some point as to what the findings and the reviews were. So let me know when you plan to present that to the council.

Ms. Sanders: I will, absolutely.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor, CAO, you all have any comments?

Mayor Glover: Want to express appreciation to Grace Peterson and all the folks at the LSU AG center for their engagement and involvement with this effort. They're doing great work. In fact, I know that Councilman Everson was there, not sure if you had a chance to get by on I think March 16<sup>th</sup>.

Councilman Everson: Surprisingly cold.

Mayor Glover: Surprisingly cold, rainy, damp March 16<sup>th</sup>. But nonetheless they were there out in the Highland areas. It was Greens for Greens?

Ms. Sanders: Greens on the Red, we're the greens capitol.

Mayor Glover: They had Mr. Shyne, I know being the old country boy that you are, they had greens in practically every form that you could imagine. Collards, Mustards, Kale, and I even had the opportunity to see for the very first time green gumbo, from Angie White of the North Louisiana Economic Partnership. So it was quite a green event, on the eve before St. Patrick's Day.

Councilman Shyne: That's just too much, Dale we've to make the next one.

Mr. Sibley: Green gumbo huh? I'm not too sure about that.

Councilman Everson: Pretty darn good. I didn't know if it - - - had all different kinds of greens in the gumbo.

Mayor Glover: All delicious.

Councilman Shyne: Thank you very much, and let 'em discuss this gumbo after the council meeting.

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

Confirmation and Appointments: None.

### **Consent Agenda Legislation**

#### **To Introduce Routine Ordinances and Resolutions**

**Resolutions:** None.

**Ordinances:** None.

#### **To Adopt Ordinances and Resolutions**

**Resolutions:**

*The Clerk read the following:*

### **RESOLUTION NO. 51 of 2014**

#### **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CASTELLANO REAL ESTATE L.L.C. AT 9343 ELLERBE ROAD TO CONNECT TO THE WATER & SEWER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

WHEREAS, Castellano Real Estate, L.L.C. 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 Castellano Real Estate, L.L.C. be authorized to connect the structure, located at 9343 Ellerbe Road to the water & sewer system of the City of Shreveport.

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

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

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

**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. 41 OF 2014**

**A RESOLUTION TO ALLOCATE FUNDS TO A SPECIFIC NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION FROM FUNDS BUDGETED IN “OTHER CHARGES” IN THE RIVERFRONT DEVELOPMENT SPECIAL REVENUE FUND AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

BY: Councilman Jeff Everson

**WHEREAS**, special appropriations are made each year by the City of Shreveport and then allocated to certain not-for-profit organizations which serve an overriding public purpose; and **WHEREAS**, funds have been budgeted in “Other Charges” in the Riverfront Development Special Revenue Fund for projects and programs of the not-for-profit organizations; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council’s Riverfront/B4 Committee has been exploring ways to insure that these special appropriated funds are put to the highest and best use; and

**WHEREAS**, to assist the Riverfront/B4 Committee and the Council to make the best decisions possible, the Riverfront/B4 Committee appointed a Civic Appropriation Review Committee to rate the applications, composed of a person from the following organizations and offices: the Community Foundation of North Louisiana; the United Way of Northwest Louisiana, The Louisiana Association of Nonprofit Organizations, the Mayor’s Office, and the Council’s Staff; and

**WHEREAS**, the Civic Appropriation Review Committee’s report to the Riverfront B/4 Committee read in part as follows:

The Committee was guided in its work by the ordinance that governs the Riverfront Development Fund, Shreveport Ordinance 98, 1996 (Code of Ordinances, Sec. 26-201 et seq.), which provides in part: “The purpose of this fund shall be to dedicate these monies to the advancement of riverfront and downtown development and other economic development funds.” Although each application had merit, the Application Review Committee believes that only the following comply with the ordinance; and

**WHEREAS**, this resolution authorizes the payment of funds to specific organizations with applications found by the Civic Appropriations Review Committee to comply with Ordinance 98 of 1996.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened that in addition to previously allocated funds, funds budgeted in the Other Charges character level of the Riverfront Development Special Revenue Fund for the Civic Appropriation sub-object shall be allocated as follows:

<b>Organizations</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Cohabitat	\$30,160
VOA Dress For Success	\$3,016
Providence House	\$37,700
Robinson Film Center	\$26,390
SCI-PORT	\$30,160

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

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 43 OF 2014**

#### **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE USE OF CERTAIN EQUIPMENT BY THE DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE-BARKSDALE AIR FORCE BASE AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

WHEREAS, the City desires to participate in programs which directly benefit the citizens of the City by participating in wholesome activities which serve to benefit the entire community; and WHEREAS, the Department of the Air Force- Barksdale Air Force Base, desires to provide one of the largest free family events in the region be hosting and supporting The 2014 Barksdale "Defenders of Liberty" Air Show; and

WHEREAS, the Department of the Air Force- Barksdale Air Force Base has requested the use of certain city owned bicycle barricades during the event; and

WHEREAS, The 2014 Barksdale "Defenders of Liberty" Air Show sponsored by the Department of the Air Force-Barksdale Air Force Base serves as a benefit to the community by providing a free family activity and to offer the opportunity for the public to see Barksdale Air Force Base, as well as, other national and international aerobatic performers free of charge which serves a public benefit and serves a public purpose.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened that the use of bicycle barricades by the Department of the Air Force Barksdale Air Force Base on April 26-27, 2014 during The 2014 Barksdale "Defenders of Liberty" Air Show is hereby approved.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the use of the equipment by the Department of the Air Force Barksdale Air Force Base is conditioned upon the execution of an indemnity and hold harmless agreement by the Department of Air Force Barksdale Air Force Base in favor of the City of Shreveport in a form acceptable to the Office of the City Attorney.

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

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

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

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 44 OF 2014**

#### **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE USE OF CERTAIN EQUIPMENT BY SHREVEPORT GREEN FOR THE GREAT AMERICAN CLEAN UP AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

WHEREAS, the City desires to participate in programs which directly benefit the citizens of the City, particularly those programs and events that provide environmental awareness education and other benefits to the public and that serve to benefit the health of the entire community; and

WHEREAS, Shreveport Green, will sponsor the annual "Great American Clean Up" at Fairgrounds Field parking lot on April 12, 2014 and has requested the use of city-owned equipment for the event; and

WHEREAS, the event serves to spread information on environmental awareness to all persons; and

WHEREAS, the benefit created from the event is an increased awareness of a clean environment, which is a benefit to the public and serves a public purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened that the use of city-owned equipment by Shreveport Green on April 12, 2014 for the "Great American Clean Up" is hereby authorized subject to execution of an indemnity and hold harmless agreement by Shreveport Green in favor of the City of Shreveport in a form acceptable to the Office of the City Attorney.

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

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

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

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 45 OF 2014**

#### **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE USE OF CERTAIN EQUIPMENT BY THE MARCH OF DIMES FOR THE MARCH FOR BABIES AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

WHEREAS, the City desires to participate in programs which directly benefit the citizens of the City, particularly those programs and events that provide health awareness education and other benefits to the public and that serve to benefit the health of the entire community; and  
WHEREAS, the March of Dimes, will sponsor the "March for Babies" in Shreveport, Louisiana at Messmer Stadium on April 26, 2014 and has requested the use of city-owned staging and equipment for the event; and  
WHEREAS, the event serves to spread information about premature birth to all persons; and  
WHEREAS, proceeds from the event are used for awareness campaigns and research to prevent premature births, which is a benefit to the public and serves a public purpose.  
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened that the use of city-owned staging and equipment by the March of Dimes on April 26, 2014 for the "March for Babies" is hereby authorized subject to execution of an indemnity and hold harmless agreement by the March of Dimes in favor of the City of Shreveport in a form acceptable to the Office of the City Attorney.  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provision or item of this resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions items or applications of this resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or application, and to this end, the provisions of this resolution are hereby declared severable.  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

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

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 46 OF 2014**

#### **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE USE OF CERTAIN EQUIPMENT BY THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY FOR THE SHREVEPORT RELAY FOR LIFE AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

WHEREAS, the City desires to participate in programs which directly benefit the citizens of the City, particularly those programs and events that provide health awareness education and other benefits to the public and that serve to benefit the health of the entire community; and  
WHEREAS, the American Cancer Society, will sponsor the annual "Relay for Life" at Loyola's Messmer Stadium on May 2, 2014 through May 3, 2014 and has requested the use of city-owned equipment for the event; and  
WHEREAS, the event serves to spread information on cancer awareness to all persons; and  
WHEREAS, proceeds from the event are used for cancer research and to assist cancer patients, which is a benefit to the public and serves a public purpose.  
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened that the use of city-owned equipment by the American Cancer Society on May 2, 2014 through May 3, 2014 for the "Relay for Life" is hereby authorized subject to execution of an indemnity and hold harmless agreement by the American Cancer Society in favor of the City of Shreveport in a form acceptable to the Office of the City Attorney.  
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provision or item of this resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions items or applications of this resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or application, and to this end, the provisions of this resolution are hereby declared severable.

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

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

6. **Resolution No. 52 of 2014**: Amending the Pay Plan for general classified employees to provide a one-time lump sum pay increase and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (E/Webb)

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

#### **RESOLUTION NO 53 OF 2014**

#### **A RESOLUTION REJECTING BIDS RECEIVED FOR IFB#14-010 AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

WHEREAS, two (2) bids were received as a result of solicitations for, IFB #14-010; and;  
WHEREAS, the City has rejected these bids in accordance with La R.S. 38:2214 B, because of; all bids received being 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 #14-010 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, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

#### **RESOLUTION NUMBER 54 OF 2014**

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

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

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

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

**WHEREAS**, the City of Shreveport has an adjudicated tax interest in the properties described in Attachment “A-4” for the non-payment of City property taxes; and

**WHEREAS**, the purchasing agent has inquired of all City departments regarding the properties described in Attachment “A-4” and has not received any indication that they are needed for city purposes.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened that the properties described in Attachment “A-4” are hereby declared surplus.

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

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

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

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

#### **RESOLUTION NUMBER 55 OF 2014**

#### **A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE CITY’S INTEREST IN CERTAIN ADJUDICATED PROPERTIES AS SURPLUS AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

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

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

**WHEREAS**, the City of Shreveport has an Adjudicated tax interest in the properties described in Attachment “A-3” for non-payment of City Property taxes; and

**WHEREAS**, the purchasing agent has inquired of all city departments regarding the properties described in Attachment “A-3” and has not received any indication that it is needed for City purposes.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened that the properties described in Attachment “A-3” are hereby declared surplus.

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

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that if any provision or item of this resolution or the application thereof is 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 S. Jenkins to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 56 OF 2014**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO DEDICATE EDWARDS STREET AT CROCKETT STREET IN HONOR OF THE LATE ANGELO ROPPOLO AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

BY: COUNCILMAN JEFF EVERSON

**WHEREAS**, Councilman Jeff Everson has requested that Edwards Street at Crockett Street be dedicated in honor of the late Angelo Roppolo; and

**WHEREAS**, Angelo Roppolo was born in New Orleans, Louisiana on June 29, 1920, and moved to Shreveport when he was a small child; and

**WHEREAS**, Angelo Roppolo was actively involved in national, state and local politics for more than seventy (70) years; and

**WHEREAS**, Angelo Roppolo's passion for politics was fueled by a desire to improve the human condition in general, to help individuals in particular, and to promote fairness and equality regardless of race or gender; and

**WHEREAS**, Angelo Roppolo, because of his political philosophy, used his considerable skills and influence in 1978, to help elect Paul Lynch as Caddo Parish's first black Judge to the District Court, in a Parish-wide election; and

**WHEREAS**, Angelo Roppolo was an advisor and confidant to Governors, members of Congress, Sheriffs, District Attorneys, City Council Members and to persons elected to nearly every public office in Northwest Louisiana; and

**WHEREAS**, Angelo Roppolo was inducted into the Louisiana Political Hall of Fame on February 2, 2013, which was a fitting tribute for his seventy (70) years of influence in making this country's core promise of self-government, a reality for all citizens.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened, that the Mayor on behalf of the City is authorized to dedicate Edwards Street at Crockett Street in honor of Angelo Roppolo.

**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 of this resolution are hereby declared severable.

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

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 57 OF 2014**

**A RESOLUTION SUSPENDING THE EFFECTS OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 10 RELATIVE TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND CHAPTER 106 RELATIVE TO ZONING FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 641 EAST KINGS**

**HIGHWAY FOR A CINCO DE MAYO CELEBRATION ON MONDAY, MAY 5, 2014 AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO**

By: Councilman Jeff Everson

WHEREAS, Tacomania Cantina located at 641 East Kings Highway intends to celebrate Cinco DeMayo on Monday, May 5, 2014; and

WHEREAS, Tacomania Cantina desires to dispense, and allow the consumption and sale of alcoholic beverages on the parking lot of the premises during the celebration, between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 11:00 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, 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 licenses premises without a proper license; and

WHEREAS, activities planned by Tacomania Cantina in celebration of this event will provide an opportunity for both the citizens of Shreveport and visitors to the City to partake in the celebration of Cinco De Mayo; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of this resolution would allow the dispensing, sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages on the parking lot of Tacomania Cantina located at 641 East Kings Highway on Monday, May 5, 2014 between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m.; for the celebration of Cinco De Mayo.

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), 10-80(a) and 10-103(a)(5) are hereby suspended on Monday, May 5, 2014 between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. for the celebration of Cinco De Mayo at Tacomania Cantina located at 641 East Kings Highway.

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 58 OF 2014**

**A RESOLUTION SUSPENDING THE EFFECTS OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 10 RELATIVE TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND CHAPTER 106 RELATIVE TO ZONING FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 6614 YOUREE DRIVE FOR A CINCO DE MAYO CELEBRATION ON MONDAY, MAY 5, 2014 AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

By: Councilman Oliver Jenkins

WHEREAS, El Potrillo Restaurant located at 6614 Youree Drive intends to celebrate Cinco De Mayo on Monday, May 5, 2014; and

WHEREAS, El Potrillo Restaurant desires to dispense, and allow the consumption and sale of alcoholic beverages on the parking lot of the premises during the celebration, between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 11:00 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, 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 licenses premises without a proper license; and

WHEREAS, activities planned by El Potrillo Restaurant in celebration of this event will provide an opportunity for both the citizens of Shreveport and visitors to the City to partake in the celebration of Cinco De Mayo; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of this resolution would allow the dispensing, sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages on the parking lot of El Potrillo Restaurant located at 6614 Youree Drive on Monday, May 5, 2014 between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m.; for the celebration of Cinco De Mayo.

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), 10-80(a) and 10-103(a)(5) are hereby suspended on Monday, May 5, 2014 between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. for the celebration of Cinco De Mayo at El Potrillo Restaurant located at 6614 Youree Drive.

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

Councilman O. Jenkins: Mr. Chairman, one thing. I think it's Portillo and not Potrillo. I think it's misspelled throughout the document. So that may need to be corrected.

Councilman Shyne: Councilman, I'll make sure that the Clerk corrects that.

Ms. Glass: Mr. Chairman, I think as a legal matter, because there's also an address, I think it should just be looked at basically as typographical error. I think it's okay legally, and for the Police Department to see that the law has been suspended, unless you want us to go back and correct it.

Councilman O. Jenkins. No, I just was bringing it y'all's attention in case something needed to be done about it.

Councilman Shyne: I just want to make sure that all of my colleagues are always satisfied. I serve at the pleasure of the council.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, to ensure Councilman Oliver Jenkins, and all of the council, I will direct the Chief to have his guys to take their magic marker and to cross through that 'R'.

Councilman O. Jenkins: They just got to move it, they got to move it to the other side of the 'T'.

Mayor Glover: Okay.

Councilman Everson: I thought you may be offering to go hang out there on their celebration and make sure they (inaudible).

Mayor Glover: So is it the 'R' after the 'T' that needs to go?

Councilman O. Jenkins: It needs to go before.

Mayor Glover: Por tillo? Need to transpose them.

Councilman O. Jenkins: That's right.

Mayor Glover: With the little loop.

Councilman Shyne: I think Oliver spent a few years over there when he was on his tour of duty training some of the Spanish officers.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Portuguese. Country right next door. But yes, 3 ½ years, you are correct Councilman Shyne.

Councilman Shyne: That's right. See I've been checking up on 'em Mr. Mayor. You know when they come in now, we do a little historical background

Mayor Glover: You have a little dossier Mr. Shyne.

Councilman Shyne: Alright Mr. Thompson, I'm sorry.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 59 OF 2014**

#### **A RESOLUTION SUSPENDING THE EFFECT OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 10 AND CHAPTER 106 OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATIVE TO "FREE FRIDAYS" AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

BY: Councilman Jeff Everson

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport, has created and produced "Free Fridays" a weekly series in the Red River Entertainment District as a means to showcase the District and drive traffic to the tenants; and

WHEREAS, the date of the events in 2014 occur every Friday evening from 5:00pm until 8:00pm; and

WHEREAS, participants may engage in a number of activities while at "Free Fridays" including but not limited to outside dining and consumption of alcoholic beverages at area cafés and other venues and locations, public street(s) or sidewalk(s) within the Red River Entertainment District, or while moving from location to location in the Red River Entertainment District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened that provisions of Chapter 10 and Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances relative to prohibitions on outside dining and the consumption, dispensing, possession, or sale of alcoholic beverages on a public street or sidewalk within the Red River Entertainment District, or the consumption or possession of alcoholic beverages while a person is moving from location to location in the Red River Entertainment District are hereby suspended on every Friday evening from 5:00-8:00pm in 2014; in connection with "Free Fridays" and related events and activities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all other provisions of Chapter 10 and Chapter 106 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 Corbin to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 60 OF 2014**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO DEDICATE THE 1000 AND 1100 BLOCKS OF DASHIEL STREET IN HONOR OF THE 60<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF KSLA NEWS 12 AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

**BY: COUNCILMAN JEFF EVERSON**

**WHEREAS**, Councilman Jeff Everson has requested that the 1000 and 1100 blocks of Dashiell Street be dedicated in honor of the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of KSLA News 12 (KSLA); and

**WHEREAS**, KSLA was the first television station to sign on in Shreveport on January 1, 1954; and

**WHEREAS**, KSLA was the first station in the Ark-La-Tex to have its own live radar, and to broadcast in color and HD (high definition); and

**WHEREAS**, KSLA has operated in the public interest for more than 60 years and its audience spans over 26 parishes and counties in Louisiana, Texas, Arkansas and Oklahoma; and

**WHEREAS**, KSLA supports numerous non-profit and charitable organizations through its partnership and on-air coverage including:

- Community Renewal International House of Hope
- Annual “Coats for Kids” drive with Goodwill and Porter’s Cleaners
- Annual “Fan Drive” with the Caddo Council on Aging
- Baron’s Ball benefit for the American Cancer Society
- Holiday Food Drive for the Food Bank
- Shreveport Regional Arts Council; and

**WHEREAS**, KSLA with over 90 employees is the most watched television station in the Shreveport viewing area and its newscasts are the number one source for news and emergency weather information; and

**WHEREAS**, KSLA is more than what you see on television. it’s online through ksla.com with an average of 1.7 million page views and on mobile and through social media with 5.6 million page views; and

**WHEREAS**, KSLA “Coverage You Can Count On”, “We Track Storms”, and the airing of Editorials is their way of keeping viewers safe and informed on what is going in the community; and

**WHEREAS**, KSLA has won its share of awards over the years including Louisiana Television Station of the Year and an Edward R. Murrow Regional Award; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened, that the Mayor on behalf of the City is authorized to dedicate the 1000 and 1100 blocks of Dashiell Street in honor of KSLA 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

**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 of this

resolution are hereby declared severable.

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

Councilman Shyne: Before we go any further, I want to ask the officer back there to tell the handsome gentleman with his cap on - - - there you go. If he needs to have it on, he needs to step outside. Thank you my brother.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Shyne, and we don't yet have a do-rag rule, but also wanted to point out that in relation to the gentleman whose on the row behind him, that we have Mr. Jane Smith here, the General Manager of KSLA, who I'm sure is pleased with the vote taken with regard to Resolution 60.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Smith, did you want to stand and come forward and say a word or two. We're so happy to have you down here.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Make sure those other networks get him on there.

Mr. Smith: Mr. Chairman, we're very proud to have served the citizens of Shreveport and the Ark-La-Tex for the past 60 years. And I do thank you for recognizing this milestone for our television station and our employees, and we're ready for the next 60 years. Thank you very much. Mr. Everson, thank you for your help.

Councilman Everson: Absolutely, thank you.

Mayor Glover: You're most welcome. And Mr. Shyne? Councilman Everson and Mr. Smith, please let us know at what point and time would be convenient for us to be able to have our folks from Public Works to come out and schedule that installation. We want to make sure we do it in time, or to you all's liking.

Councilman Shyne: Not only the folks from public works, but we might have some Council Members that might want to come out. We want to do it up right. Okay, thank you very much.

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Chairman, there were two items that were added that can be considered at this time. Would you like for me to read them?

Councilman Shyne: Sure.

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 63 of 2014**

#### **A RESOLUTION TEMPORARILY SUSPENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 106 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATIVE TO ZONING IN THE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

By: Councilman Everson

Whereas, the Downtown Shreveport Development Corporation and Citizen's National Bank have proposed a Pop Up Program to show that Downtown is 'Open for Business' by providing select entrepreneurs with an opportunity to have commercial space rent-free in which to show the viability of their business or commercial endeavor; and

Whereas, the program would encourage creative talent in both the small business and artist communities by activating empty storefronts in the Downtown Development Districts with retail and art installations; and

Whereas, vacant storefronts will be identified and vetted by the DSDC and Downtown Development Authority and will be offered to both current and aspiring businesses through a Request for Proposals process. Those chosen will be given first floor storefront space rent-free for

a period of time of up to one month that will allow them to test the viability of their business plan; and

Whereas, the Pop Up Program will benefit the city and its citizens by matching business owners and entrepreneurs with downtown property owners, creating a strong marketing opportunity for the business, the property and downtown, engage the downtown community with new pedestrian opportunities, and encourage more new businesses; and

Whereas, because the properties involved in the program will only be used temporarily for up to one month, it is not cost effective to require building upgrades, inspections, and a certificate of occupancy prior to such temporary use.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened that:

Section 1. Subject to the conditions contained in Section 2 of this resolution, Sections 106-17 and 106-19 of the Code of Ordinances relative to certificates of occupancy are temporarily suspended for buildings in the Downtown Development District occupied as part of the Pop Up Program sponsored by the DSDC as described above, when the building is occupied for 30 days or less.

This suspension shall expire on December 31, 2014.

Section 2. This resolution shall not become effective until: a) the Downtown Shreveport Development Corporation or the Downtown Development Authority has executed an agreement in a form approved by the City Attorney holding the City of Shreveport, its officers and employees harmless from any claims or damages arising out of this resolution, the waiver of ordinances contained herein, or in any way relating to the Pop Up Program and b) the Downtown Shreveport Development Corporation or the Downtown Development Authority has obtained insurance in a form approved by the Risk Manager naming the City of Shreveport and its officers and employees as additional insureds, covering all claims under the hold harmless agreement and all activities and building uses under the Pop Up Program.

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

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 64 OF 2014**

**A RESOLUTION SUSPENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 10 RELATIVE TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ON APRIL 13, 2014 RELATIVE TO DISPENSING, SALE AND/OR CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AT 4801 LINE VENUE 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 23, 2014 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 13, 2014 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 13, 2014 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 Corbin to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

**Introduction of Resolutions (Not to be adopted prior to April 8, 2014)**

*The Clerk read the following:*

1. **Resolution No. 61 of 2014**: A resolution authorizing the use of certain equipment by the North Shreveport Business Association, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
2. **Resolution No. 62 of 2014**: A resolution authorizing the use of certain equipment by Sportspectrum Race Management, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

**Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Corbin, seconded by Councilman McCulloch to introduce Resolution No(s). 61 and 62 of 2014 to lay over until the next regular meeting. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the**

**Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

**Introduction of Ordinances (Not to be adopted prior to April 8, 2014)**

*The Clerk read the following:*

1. **Ordinance No. 28 of 2014:** An ordinance amending and reenacting Articles IX and X of Chapter 42 of the Code of Ordinances relative to Peddlers, Solicitors, Itinerant Vendors, and Charitable Solicitations, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (G/S. Jenkins)
2. **Ordinance No. 29 of 2014:** An ordinance amending the 2014 Capital Improvements Budget, and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (*Existing utility projects and close 4 projects*)
3. **Ordinance No. 30 of 2014:** An ordinance closing and abandoning a portion of the 10 foot-running south of Pierremont Road between Henderson and Willard Avenues in the wide alleyway Southside Park Annex located in Section 24 (T17N-R14W), Caddo Parish, Louisiana, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (C/O. Jenkins)
4. **Ordinance No. 31 of 2014:** An ordinance declaring the city's intention to acquire full ownership of certain adjudicated properties for the Hope Connection Project, and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (B/Everson)
5. **Ordinance No. 32 of 2014:** An ordinance amending Section 50-188 of the Code of Ordinances, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
6. **Ordinance No. 33 of 2014: ZONING C-11-14:** An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, The City Of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning property located within Kingwood Business Center, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA, from B-2-A, Business Park District to B-2-A-E, Business Park/Extended Use District limited to "A Cosmetology School" only and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (E/Webb)
7. **Ordinance No. 34 of 2014: ZONING APPEAL- C-9-14:** An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, The City Of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning property located on the east side of North Market, 250 feet north of Poleman Road, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA, from B-1, Buffer Business District to R-1D, Urban, One-Family Residence District AND to DENY the request for B-1, Buffer Business District to B-3, Community Business District zoning, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (A/McCulloch)

**Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman S. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman McCulloch to introduce Ordinance No(s). 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, and 34 of 2014 to lay over until the next regular meeting. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

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

*The Clerk read the following:*

1. **Ordinance No. 10 of 2014**: An ordinance amending Chapter 74 of the Code of Ordinances relative to Solid Waste, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (*Postponed March 11, 2014*)

**Having passed first reading on March 11, 2014 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman S. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman McCulloch to postpone until the next regular meeting. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

2. **Ordinance No. 23 of 2014**: An ordinance declaring the City's interest in certain vacant lots as surplus, and our intention to donate certain vacant lots acquired by community for development to Community Support Programs, Inc. (B/Everson) (*Postponed March 11, 2014*)

**Having passed first reading on March 11, 2014 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 S. Jenkins to adopt.**

Councilman Everson: Before we vote, I was going to ask, I know that we did ask the staff to provide some additional information, and they did do that, but I wanted to make sure that if anybody had any additional questions?

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Thompson, if anybody has any, you can give it to 'em.

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

3. **Ordinance No. 25 of 2014**: An ordinance amending the 2014 Airport Enterprise Fund Budget and to otherwise provide with respect thereto

**Having passed first reading on March 11, 2014 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman S. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Everson to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

4. **Ordinance No. 26 of 2014**: An ordinance amending the 2014 Capital Improvements Budget and otherwise provide with respect thereto

**Having passed first reading on March 11, 2014 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

5. **Ordinance No. 27 of 2014**: An ordinance closing and abandoning the 70 foot wide 475 foot long portion of road right-of-way south of Flournoy Lucas Road and west of Ellerbe Road in the YMCA Subdivision located in Section 8 (T16N-R14W), Caddo Parish,

Louisiana, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.(D/Corbin)

**Having passed first reading on March 11, 2014 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 O. Jenkins to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

*The adopted ordinances and amendments follow:*

**ORDINANCE NO. 23 OF 2014**

**AN ORDINANCE DECLARING THE CITY'S INTEREST IN CERTAIN VACANT LOTS AS SURPLUS, AND OUR INTENTION TO DONATE CERTAIN VACANT LOTS ACQUIRED BY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FOR THE CHOICE NIEGHBORHOODS INITIATIVE, TO COMMUNITY SUPPORT PROGRAMS, INC.; AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO**

**BY: Jeff Everson**

**WHEREAS**, the City has been designated by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") as a Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG") Entitlement City, and the regulations promulgated thereunder which are contained in 24 CFR Part 570, and;

**WHEREAS**, the City of Shreveport, through the Department of Community Development, has acquired title to certain property identified as:

**Lots 42, 43, & 44, W.R. CARTER SUBDIVISION OF TAL 1, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana; (GEO No. 181437002006200), together with any improvements thereon;**

**WHEREAS**, the said properties were acquired by the City with the intent, and subject to the condition that they ultimately be developed or conveyed to qualified individuals or organizations for authorized uses in accordance with deed restrictions imposed by HUD and a Memorandum of Understanding between the City and HUD relative to City's acquisition of said property from HUD; and

**WHEREAS**, Community Support Programs, Inc., satisfies the national objective of the CDBG Program as it relates to benefitting low and moderate income persons for housing where at least 51% of the residents are low to moderate income persons as contained in 24 CFR 570.208, and;

**WHEREAS**, the donation must be used to meet the national objectives in 570.208 until five years after execution of this agreement, or for such longer period of time as determined to be appropriate by the City;

**WHEREAS**, the said property is not needed by the City for a public purpose and should therefore be declared to be surplus property; and

**WHEREAS**, LSA-R.S. 33:4712 requires that notice of this ordinance be published at least three (3) times within fifteen (15) days, one week apart.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened, that that:

**Lots 42, 43, & 44, W.R.CARTER SUBDIVISIONS OF TAL 1, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana (GEO No. 181437002006200), together with any improvements thereon;**

are hereby declared to be surplus property and not needed by the City of Shreveport for public purpose.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** that the City of Shreveport is hereby authorized to donate:

**Lots 42, 43, & 44, W.R.CARTER SUBDIVISIONS OF TAL 1, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana (GEO No. 181437002006200), together with any improvements thereon;**

To Community Support Programs, Inc. in "as is" condition and without warranty of title or recourse whatsoever against the City of Shreveport, in accordance with state law, city ordinances and subject to deed restrictions imposed by the HUD and Community Development.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** that the Mayor of the City of Shreveport is authorized to execute and deliver, for and on behalf of the City of Shreveport, any and all document relative to the donation of

the property to Community Support Programs, Inc., after review and approval of such document(s) by the Office of the City Attorney, and to do any and all things necessary and incidental to carry out the authorization expressed in this ordinance relative to donation of the said property.

**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.

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 25 OF 2014**

#### **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2014 AIRPORT ENTERPRISE FUND BUDGET AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council finds it necessary to amend the 2014 Airport Enterprise Fund Budget to appropriate additional funds in order to transfer funds among expenditure categories and for other purposes.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in legal session convened, that Ordinance No. 127 of 2013, the 2014 Airport Enterprise Fund Budget, be amended and re-enacted as follows:

#### **Section 2 (Appropriations) - Decrease Operating Reserve by \$50,000 and Increase Improvements & Equipment by \$50,000.**

Adjust totals and subtotals accordingly.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** that the remainder of Ordinance No. 127 of 2013, as amended, shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

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

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

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 26 OF 2014**

#### **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2014 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BUDGET AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

BY: COUNCILMAN S. JENKINS

**WHEREAS**, the City Council finds it necessary to amend the 2014 Capital Improvements Budget to shift project funding and for other purposes.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in legal session convened, that Ordinance No. 127 of 2013, the 2014 Capital Improvements Budget, be amended and re-enacted as follows:

#### **In Program H (Airport Improvements):**

Establish a new project entitled **Runway 14-32 Rehabilitation** at Shreveport Downtown Airport with an appropriation of \$79,843.00. The funding source is \$71,858.70 (90%) from the Federal Aviation Administration and \$7,984.30 (10%) from the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development Aviation Division. The scope of the project will be sealcoat the existing pavement.

Establish a new project entitled **Rehabilitation of Taxiways G, H, P, and R - Phase I (Design)** at Shreveport Downtown Airport with an appropriation of \$202,161.00. The funding source is \$181,944.90 (90%) from the Federal Aviation Administration and \$20,216.10 (10%) from the

Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development Aviation Division. The scope of the project will replace the failing pavement with new asphalt.

Establish a new project entitled Security Fencing at Shreveport Downtown Airport with an appropriation of \$43,359.00. The funding source is 100% from the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development.

Adjust totals and subtotals accordingly.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** that the remainder of Ordinance No. 127 of 2013, as amended, shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

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

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

#### **ORDINANCE NO. 27 OF 2014**

**AN ORDINANCE CLOSING AND ABANDONING THE 70 FOOT WIDE 475 FOOT LONG PORTION OF ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY SOUTH OF FLOURNOY LUCAS ROAD AND WEST OF ELLERBE ROAD IN THE YMCA SUBDIVISION LOCATED IN SECTION 8 (T16N-R14W), CADDO PARISH, LOUISIANA, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

**WHEREAS**, on February 22, 1924, the Flournoy Lucas right-of-way was dedicated to the public and filed and recorded in Book 192, Page 659, of the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana; and

**WHEREAS**, lying south of Flournoy Lucas Road and west of Ellerbe Road, a 70 foot wide, 475 foot long right-of-way was dedicated to the public; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Shreveport has received a request from all of the adjacent property owners to close and abandon this street; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Shreveport shall retain a permanent utility servitude over the closed and abandoned area; and

**WHEREAS**, the Metropolitan Planning Commission approved this closure and abandonment at their meeting on February 5, 2014; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed closure and abandonment meets the requirements and approval of the City Engineer's Office;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED**, by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, regular and legal session convened, that the 70 foot wide, 475 foot long road right-of-way south of Flournoy Lucas Road and west of Ellerbe Road of the YMCA Subdivision, as shown and indicated on the plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, is officially closed and abandoned.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that the City of Shreveport shall retain a permanent utility servitude over the entire area of the closure and abandonment.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that a certified copy of this ordinance shall be filed and recorded in the official records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana.

**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 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.

## **Tabled Legislation.**

1. **Ordinance No. 170 of 2012:** Amending and reenacting portions of Chapter 90 of the Code of Ordinances relative to Residential Parking Permit Zones, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (*Tabled December 11, 2012*)
2. **Ordinance No. 89 of 2011** Amending and reenacting Chapter 74 of the Code of Ordinances relative to Solid Waste Collections, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (G/S. Jenkins) (*Tabled August 13, 2013*)
3. **Ordinance No. 90 of 2013:** Amending and reenacting Section 102-47 of the Code of Ordinances relative to insurance required for Vehicles for Hire and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (F/Shyne) (*Tabled August 27, 2013*)
4. **Ordinance No. 12 of 2014:** Changing the name of Steeple Chase Plaza Drive to Gregory Kirby Plaza Drive, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (G/S. Jenkins)
5. **Ordinance No. 19 of 2014:** Amending the 2014 Water and Sewerage Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
6. **Ordinance No. 20 of 2014:** Amending the 2014 Community Development Special Revenue Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
7. **Ordinance No. 21 of 2014:** Amending the 2014 Airport Enterprise Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
8. **Ordinance No. 22 of 2014:** Amending the 2014 Golf Enterprise Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
9. **Ordinance No. 24 of 2014:** Amending the 2014 General Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

## **Appeals**

### **Property Standards Appeals**

PSD1000086 2837 Logan Street, Shreveport, LA (G/S. Jenkins) Ms. Carolyn Ivory Wilson, 3646 Del Rio Street, Shreveport, LA 71109 (G/Jenkins) (*Postponed December 20, 2013 until March 24, 2014*)

PSD1000141 728 Austin Pl, Shreveport, LA (B/Everson) Ms. Deborah Bryant, 9640 Tammy, Shreveport, LA 71106 (Caddo Parish) (*Postponed February 24, 2014 until August 25, 2014*)

PSD1300218 360 E. 68<sup>th</sup> Street, Shreveport, LA (C/O. Jenkins) Mr. Daniel Southern, 368 E. 68<sup>th</sup> Street, Shreveport, LA 71106 (C/O. Jenkins) (*Postponed February 24, 2014 until March 24, 2014*)

PSD1300137 1447 Hollywood Avenue, Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) Ms. Mary Dickens, 6004 Fox Ridge, Shreveport, LA 71129 (G/S. Jenkins) (*Postponed February 24, 2014 until April 14, 2014*)

PSD1300258 4547 Lyba Street, Shreveport, LA 71109 (G/S. Jenkins) Mr. Bobby Herd, P.O. Box 38312, Shreveport, LA (*Postponed January 27, 2014 until March 24, 2014*)

PSD1300239 2514 Murray Street, Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) Ms. Emmie Roland 4763 Lyba Street, Shreveport, LA 71109 (G/S. Jenkins) (*Postponed January 27, 2014 until April 21, 2014*)

PSD1300213 2701 Martin Luther King Drive, Shreveport, LA (A/McCulloch) Ms. Sherri Smith, 5992 Canada Court, Bossier City, LA 71117 (*Postponed March 10, 2014 until June 9, 2014*)

PSD1300253 3640 Del Rio Street, Shreveport, LA (G/S. Jenkins) Mr. Terry Williams, 900 Whispering Lake Drive, Shreveport, LA 71107 (*Postponed March 10, 2014 until June 9, 2014*)

PSG1300703 3640 Del Rio Street, Shreveport, LA (G/S. Jenkins) Mr. Terry Williams, 900 Whispering Lake Drive, Shreveport, LA 71107 (*Postponed March 10, 2014 until June 9, 2014*)

### **Alcoholic Beverage Ordinance Appeals**

Denial of application of Edwin Jacob for alcohol permit for Circle K #8176, 327 Kings R. Hwy, Shreveport, LA (C/O. Jenkins) (*Postponed February 24, 2014 until March 24, 2014*)

Denial of application of Bryan Yeager for alcohol permit for Circle K #8186, 2700 Lakeshore Drive, Shreveport, LA 71109 (G/S. Jenkins)

Denial of application of Chad Fangue for alcohol permit for Kokopellis, 400 Commerce Street, Shreveport, LA (B/Everson)

### **Metropolitan Planning Commission Appeals and Zoning Board of Appeals**

#### **Other Appeals**

#### **Taxi Appeal:**

Denial of Taxi Driver License Permit - Mr. LaBroderick Graham, 1860 Christopher Glen St., Shreveport, LA 71107 (A/McCulloch) (*Postponed March 11, 2014 until March 24, 2014*)

**SOB Appeal:** None.

#### **Reports from officers, boards, and committees**

Councilman S. Jenkins: Mr. Chairman, the Solid Waste Committee did meet on yesterday. Had the pleasure of having Mr. Harris, our Public Works Director and Mr. Fred Williams, our Superintendent of Solid Waste met with us, and we did get an opportunity to go over a number of questions that the Committee wanted some further information regarding the proposed amendments. I think the meeting went quite well and was quite productive. A decision has been made to have another meeting and maybe look at a number of areas in the proposals that I believe we're going to get some consistency on. I just believe we are, and then we will look at any areas that may have to do with the bulk program or the funding of a bulk program at a later time. I just want to remind committee members and council members and those who are interested that the Solid Waste Committee will meet again on April 7<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 in the usual place here in the Council Conference Room. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Councilman Shyne: Sam, I appreciate the long hours that you put into crafting that piece of legislation with the help that you had.

Councilman S. Jenkins: It's something about me and trash, I don't know we - - -

Councilman Shyne: Don't get along?

Councilman S. Jenkins: It's going to be at 2:00, April 7<sup>th</sup>.

Councilman Shyne: Okay, Councilman Jenkins (O.), I'm going to ask you and when you get through, would you give the floor to Mr. Thompson?

Councilman O. Jenkins: Absolutely, because I would hate to upstage him at this point. This is almost a prelude to what stands to be a quite informative Clerk's Report. So, we did have Public Safety Committee meeting today. We talked initially about temporary permits for national chains, temporary alcohol permits, because of some procedural problems that people residing outside the State of Louisiana have in terms of being able to submit the documents and the thumb prints, and the rest of the documentation required both by the State and for the City. And for national chains that have a long history of doing this in other parts of the country, maybe offer them an opportunity to have a temporary permit so that they can open their businesses in the manner they're adjusted to. And then wait for a process that normally takes 4-6 weeks for a local business, can take upwards of 6 months for out of state businesses. So, that's an item that's being discussed. We'll probably see the final draft at that piece of legislation by our next meeting, ideally, if not, it'll be the meeting after that. Something that we're working with the Police Department naturally, and the City Attorney's office. Item No. 2 was fireworks. Wanted to know if there were any public safety issues associated with the potential idea of reducing the days and hours of legal fireworks being expended here in the City of Shreveport. I certainly have some feelings on that, and I've received a lot of comments from residents in my district about at a minimum of shortening the amount of days that people can use fireworks in the City of Shreveport. And then last item was a piece of legislation that we on the agenda offered by Sam Jenkins, regarding both commercial and volunteer solicitations on the sides of roads, what have you. Something that has been in discussion for some time now. And put together some good legislation, and we're revising that, both at Safety Council, and our Safety Committee, and then ultimately back here. So that's the summary.

Councilman Shyne: Now who are you supposed to be turning it over to?

Councilman O. Jenkins: I turn it over to Mr. Thompson.

## **Clerk's Report**

Mr. Thompson: As I notified the Council and received permission, I will be doing some training next week from 8:30 until 7:00 at night for Economic Training. It's from Monday through Thursday, and then about half a day on Friday. Had I known it was going to be so intense, I don't know that I would have signed up for it. I think Jeff is going to be there too, and I didn't know that we were going to have to read a 100 page textbook before we even started. But it is very interesting.

Councilman Everson: Thankfully, it's pretty big print, but it's an intense schedule.

Mr. Thompson: I look forward to that, so I will be checking in my email making sure that we're taking care of everything.

Councilman Shyne: Now Art, the reason why I did this, Dale you know some things I do discuss under the table, but Dale and I discussed - - - he thought maybe we let you get off too easy on your reports, so Dale thank you.

Councilman O. Jenkins: And I wanted to say one last thing. I made since he asked for any comments, I said as a reference, I expect a very thorough Clerk's Report after attending the class. That was a prerequisite in my mind of him having a week's vacation.

Mr. Thompson: I take exception to that.

Councilman Shyne: Now Dale didn't have anything to do with that. Now that was Oliver all by himself.

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

**Adjournment:** There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at approximately 6:41p.m.

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*//s// Joe Shyne, Chairman*

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