

Council Proceedings of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana
March 9, 2021

The City Council meeting of the City Council of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana was called to order by Chairman Flurry at 3:00 p. m. Tuesday, March 9, 2021 in the Government Chamber in Government Plaza (505 Travis Street).

Invocation was given by Councilman Green.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Nickelson.

The roll was called. Present: Councilwomen Tabatha Taylor, LeVette Fuller, Councilmen John Nickelson, Grayson Boucher, James Flurry, James Green and Jerry Bowman. 7. Absent: 0.

Motion by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilwoman Taylor, to approve the minutes of the Administrative Conference and the Council Meeting, Tuesday, January 26, 2021, February 9 and 23, 2021 and the Friday, February 19, 2021 Special Meeting. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwomen Taylor and Fuller, Councilmen Nickelson, Boucher, Flurry and Green. 6. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Bowman. 1. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

**AWARDS AND RECOGNITION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS, COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR RELATIVE TO CITY BUSINESS, AND REQUIRED REPORTS
AWARDS AND RECOGNITION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS BY CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS, NOT TO EXCEED FIFTEEN MINUTES
AWARDS AND RECOGNITION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS BY THE MAYOR, NOT TO EXCEED FIFTEEN MINUTES
COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR RELATIVE TO CITY BUSINESS OTHER THAN AWARDS AND RECOGNITION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS**

REPORTS:

Property Standards Report (resolution 7 of 2003)

Revenue Collection Plan & Implementation Report (resolution 114 of 2009)

Surety Bond Forfeitures Report (resolution 238 of 2010)

Master Plan Committee Report (resolution 132 of 2012)

Budget to Actual Financial Report (resolution 183 of 2017)

PUBLIC HEARING: NONE

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS (*IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 1.11 OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE*) (*PUBLIC COMMENTS ON MATTERS WHICH ARE ON THE AGENDA*)

John Settle: Congratulated Sportran Director of Maintenance, Mersefaine Brooks and made general comments as it relates to Environmental Court, COVID-19 vaccination and Resolution No. 26 of 2021.

Christopher Coe: Made general comments about the traffic light poles at Kings Highway and Line Avenue.

Ken Kreff: Spoke in support of Resolution No. 23 of 2021 and Ordinance No. 34 of 2021.

Marvin Muhammed: Spoke in support of Resolution No. 24 of 2021 and Ordinance No. 34 of 2021.

Jake Fluckers: Made general comments about police reform.

Elbert Brown: Made general comments about building the City of Shreveport.

Sammy Mears: Made general comments about disturbance at Oak Meadow Apartments.

CONFIRMATION AND APPOINTMENTS:

Shreveport Memorial Library Board - Josephine Wade

Motion by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilwoman Taylor, to approve the executive appointments of Josephine Wade to the Shreveport Memorial Library Board. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwomen Taylor and Fuller, Councilmen Nickelson, Boucher, Flurry, Green and Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

CONSENT AGENDA LEGISLATION

TO INTRODUCE ROUTINE ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTIONS: NONE

ORDINANCES: NONE

TO ADOPT ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTIONS: NONE

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. 11 of 2021: A resolution encouraging the City to utilize zero-based budgeting in preparation of the 2022 budget, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (C/Nickelson)

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Nickelson, seconded by Councilwoman Fuller, to withdraw. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwomen Taylor

and Fuller, Councilmen Nickelson, Boucher, Flurry Green and Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

RESOLUTION NO 23 OF 2021

A RESOLUTION TO DEDICATE THE 800 BLOCK OF PINE TREE DRIVE IN HONOR OF DONALD R. RUSLEY FOR HIS COMMITMENT AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO HIS COMMUNITY AND THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

BY: COUNCILMAN JERRY BOWMAN, JR.

WHEREAS, Donald R. Rusley, an activist, businessman, and owner of Don's Hobby Shop, where he mastered his craft of barbering, was a leading figure in the community who always put God first; and

WHEREAS, Donald R. Rusley gave haircuts to underserved boys and men in the community and provided barber apprenticeships to young aspiring men that wanted to become a barber; and WHEREAS, Donald R. Rusley would visit local nursing homes to volunteer his time wherever needed and provided mentorship to citizens to combat poverty in the Cedar Grove and adjoining neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, Donald R. Rusley spear-headed a partnership with Shreveport Green to address blight and litter. He started a neighborhood cleanup program, "Yard of the Month", in the area where he lived, which landed him a heartfelt recognition from his neighbors and a well-deserved "Good Neighbor" award from the City of Shreveport; and

WHEREAS, Donald R. Rusley purchased many of the abandoned homes in his neighborhood and remodeled them to give citizens a self-pride in the homes in which they lived; and

WHEREAS, Donald R. Rusley spent many years with the love of his life, Betty. He would affectionately say his greatest milestone was becoming a father and a grandfather, and teaching them the value of good work ethics as well as building relationships.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened, that the Mayor on behalf of the City is authorized to dedicate the 800 block of Pine Tree Drive in honor of Donald R. Rusley.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in accordance with Resolution No. 156 of 2019, the dedication marker should be approximately 9 inches tall and 42 inches wide and should be placed on an existing standard or street sign if the placement is authorized by Traffic Engineering.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall be executed in duplicate originals with one original presented to Donald R. Rusley's family and the other resolution filed in perpetuity in the office of the Clerk of Council for the City of Shreveport.

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilman Flurry, to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwomen Taylor and Fuller, Councilmen Nickelson, Boucher, Flurry Green and Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

RESOLUTION NO 24 OF 2021

A RESOLUTION CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF MS. EMERLYON ADA ALEX SCOTT JACKSON MOSBY AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO DEDICATE THE

1900 BLOCK OF NORTHSIDE STREET IN HER HONOR, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO

BY: COUNCILWOMAN TABATHA TAYLOR

WHEREAS, Emerlyon Ada Alex Scott Jackson Mosby was born on May 14, 1928. Her early education started at the Canaan Land School and in 1945, she graduated from Central Colored High School in Shreveport, LA; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Mosby attended Grambling College and graduated in 1949. She began her teaching career at Mt. Pleasant School and transferred to Northside Elementary School in 1955 during its opening year; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Mosby taught in the Caddo Parish School District for 30 years from October 1, 1949 until her retirement on May 3, 1979; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Mosby continued teaching and mentoring children by establishing a day care center in the Cooper Road area; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Mosby dedicated many years to the Cooper Road community through community service and by establishing voter registration drives and registering more voters in the Shreveport area than any other citizen during the 1970's subsequently winning the bet she made with another citizen from South Louisiana, who later appeared in Shreveport to honor her accomplishment; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Mosby was very instrumental in securing signatures for the annexation of the Cooper Road area into the City of Shreveport thereby, increasing the city's size by more than 20,000 individuals and adding greatly to its ability to secure more funding for the city.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened, that the City of Shreveport joins the Mosby family in celebrating the life Ms. Emerlyon Ada Alex Scott Jackson Mosby and authorizes the Mayor to dedicate the 1900 block of Northside Street in her honor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in accordance with Resolution No. 156 of 2019, the dedication marker should be approximately 9 inches tall and 42 inches wide and should be placed on an existing standard or street sign if the placement is authorized by the Traffic Engineering.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall be executed in duplicate originals with one original presented to Ms. Emerlyon Ada Alex Scott Jackson Mosby and the other resolution filed in perpetuity in the office of the Clerk of Council for the City of Shreveport.

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilman Bowman, to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwomen Taylor and Fuller, Councilmen Nickelson, Boucher, Flurry Green and Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

RESOLUTION NO 25 OF 2021

A RESOLUTION CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF MS. GENEVA MOORE AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO DEDICATE THE 1800 BLOCK OF MURPHY STREET IN HER HONOR, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO

BY: COUNCILWOMAN TABATHA TAYLOR

WHEREAS, Geneva Moore was born in Newellton, Louisiana in Tensas Parish on August 15, 1915, to the late Ezekiel Moore, Sr., and the late Henrietta Needham Moore and has been a resident of this community since 1930; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Moore graduated and received her high school diploma from Central Colored High School in Shreveport, Louisiana. She received her Bachelor of Science degree from Southern University in Baton Rouge, Louisiana; and her master's degree from Howard University in Washington, D.C.; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Moore received her religious education from Mt. Canaan Baptist Church and Lakeside Baptist Church under the leadership of the late Reverend Amos Terrell; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Moore worked as a teacher in the Caddo Parish School District for thirty-one (31) years, retiring from teaching in May 1972; and

WHEREAS, during Ms. Moore's long and productive lifetime, she has demonstrated, in countless ways, her dedication to the welfare of others and has earned the respect and affection of people from all walks of life and all ages. She has been active in civic, national and local organizations, including the 13th District Missionary Baptist Association, National Baptist State Convention, National Council of Negro Women, National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa, Beta Alpha Chapter 100 Women, National Association of University Women, Allendale YWCA, and numerous others; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Moore has lived during the most eventful century of this world's history; and in her quiet way has been a force for good and a stabilizing influence on those around, including visiting and ministering to the sick and elderly in nursing homes and hospitals and tutoring young people during these turbulent years.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened, that the City of Shreveport joins the Moore family in celebrating the life of Ms. Geneva Moore and authorizes the Mayor to dedicate the 1800 block of Murphy Street in her honor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in accordance with Resolution No. 156 of 2019, the dedication marker should be approximately 9 inches tall and 42 inches wide and should be placed on an existing standard or street sign if the placement is authorized by the Traffic Engineering.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall be executed in duplicate originals with one original presented to Ms. Geneva Moore and the other resolution filed in perpetuity in the office of the Clerk of Council for the City of Shreveport.

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilwoman Taylor, to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwomen Taylor and Fuller, Councilmen Nickelson, Boucher, Flurry Green and Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

RESOLUTION NO 26 OF 2021

**A RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE AND THANK DR. G. E. GHALI, CHANCELLOR OF LSU HEALTH SHREVEPORT FOR HIS LEADERSHIP, COMMITMENT AND CONTRIBUTIONS, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO
BY: COUNCILMAN JAMES E. GREEN**

WHEREAS, LSU Health Shreveport, the only academic health science center in north and central Louisiana, has made tremendous contributions at the local, state, national and international level in addressing the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, under the decisive and forward-thinking leadership of Chancellor G. E. Ghali, DD, MD, FACS, FRCS (Ed), LSU Health Shreveport became a recognized leader in COVID-19 testing, treatment, vaccine delivery and sequencing; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ghali supported the creation of the Emerging Viral Threat Lab early in the pandemic allowing all areas of the north Louisiana community to have access to prompt, highly reliable, safe and consistent COVID-19 testing; and

WHEREAS, the Emerging Viral Threat Lab provided one of every four COVID-19 tests in north Louisiana and processed over 250,000 test samples and has been recognized by the LSU Board of Supervisors and the Louisiana Board of Regents as a Center of Excellence for Emerging Viral Threats and will be expanding to a new facility destined to further cement LSU Health Shreveport as a national leader in the testing, treatment and sequencing of current and future viral threats; and

WHEREAS, with the support of Dr. Ghali, the LSU Health Strike Testing Team, provided strategic testing to first responders, medically underserved citizens and our most vulnerable populations in assisted living and nursing home facilities; and

WHEREAS, the LSUHS Strike Testing Team and Emerging Viral Threat Lab personnel, have been recognized for their efforts resulting in one of the lowest COVID-19 positivity rates in the nation and in the nine parishes in Region 7 (45 congregate living facilities) with a four-month average of 2% and a current positivity rate of less than a quarter of a percent; and

WHEREAS, due to the personal efforts of Dr. Ghali, LSU Health Shreveport administered the first convalescent plasma therapy in Louisiana and was among the first in the nation early in the pandemic, saving numerous lives; and

WHEREAS, through the support of Dr. Ghali and the expertise of LSU Health Shreveport faculty, both clinical and research, local citizens have access to numerous cutting-edge therapeutics through clinical trials. These trials include convalescent plasma and inhaled nitric oxide, where again, LSU Health Shreveport was the first in Louisiana to offer and second in the United States; and

WHEREAS, LSU Health Shreveport contributed directly to the international vaccine response through licensing of a LSU Health Shreveport technology, S-ARCA and B-ARCA, to BioNTech, the German biotech company partnered with Pfizer. This revolutionary vaccine is the first mRNA vaccine in worldwide history to prevent an infectious disease; and

WHEREAS, LSU Health Shreveport serves as the only clinical trial site north of Baton Rouge for the Pfizer vaccine trial, which met every single benchmark of the trial; and

WHEREAS, with the unwavering support of Dr. Ghali, LSU Health Shreveport pivoted their successful COVID-19 Strike Testing Team to the COVID-19 Strike Vaccine Team creating the first mass vaccination site in Louisiana allowing eligible citizens to receive the vaccine in record time; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ghali recognized that many in our City do not have access to a computer or smart phone prohibiting their ability to pre-register to receive the vaccine so he opened vaccination sites to all eligible citizens without requiring pre-registration; and

WHEREAS, the success of the LSU Health Shreveport mass vaccine clinic was recognized by other medical facilities in the City resulting in their donation of vaccine allowing for continued availability of the vaccine; and

WHEREAS, the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) recognized the successful community vaccine clinic led by LSU Health Shreveport inviting Dr. Ghali to be one of four speakers to educate others throughout the United States on how collaboration within a city can result in the efficient distribution of the vaccine; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Ghali, unlike many other academic medical center leaders in the United States, wisely financially supported sequencing of the COVID-19 virus resulting in LSU Health Shreveport becoming the leading contributor in Louisiana and among the leaders in the south in sequencing of SARS-CoV-2. This sequencing led to the discovery of a new COVID-19 variant which is currently under peer review to determine whether or not it is a more contagious strain of the virus.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened that the Shreveport City Council joins the LSU Health Shreveport community in recognizing Dr. G.E. Ghali, Chancellor of LSU Health Shreveport for his extraordinary leadership which has favorably positioned our community in the fight against COVID-19.

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 Green, seconded by Councilwoman Fuller, to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwomen Taylor and Fuller, Councilmen Nickelson, Boucher, Flurry Green and Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

RESOLUTION NO 27 OF 2021

A RESOLUTION COMMENDING SARAH AND PRESTON LOWDER, OWNERS OF LOWDER BAKING COMPANY, FOR THEIR COMMITMENT TO IMPROVING THEIR COMMUNITY AND FOR BEING CIVIC LEADERS IN THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BY COUNCILMEMBER: JOHN NICKELSON

WHEREAS, Sarah and Preston Lowder, owners of Lowder Baking Company, are committed civic leaders and conscientious business owners in the City of Shreveport; and

WHEREAS, their business, located at 4019 Fern Avenue, Shreveport, LA 71105, has served as a catalyst for redevelopment and employs dedicated, community-oriented employees; and

WHEREAS, Sarah and Preston Lowder reached out to the City desiring to complete a community project by improving the Bayou Pierre Bridge at the intersection of Monrovia and Ockley; and

WHEREAS in partnership with the City, the Lowders and their hard-working, community-oriented employees have totally transformed the Bayou Pierre Bridge by scraping, wire brushing, and painting the entire bridge span; and

WHEREAS, when other members of the community saw the work progressing, they joined in on the project, which created camaraderie and community pride amongst members of the neighborhood; and

WHEREAS, this spirited project and the Lowders' example of civic leadership led to other members of the community donating their time, talents, and treasures to improving the Bayou Pierre Bridge; and

WHEREAS, these community partners have power washed, installed Christmas lighting, and decorated for Mardi Gras on the Bayou Pierre Bridge; and

WHEREAS, the Lowders, Lowder Baking Company, and their employees, have improved the landscape of the City and serve as an example to all members of the community.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular, and legal session convened that the efforts and community stewardship that Sarah and Preston Lowder have shown in their willingness to improve the Bayou Pierre Bridge are recognized and commended.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Shreveport and the City Council of the City of Shreveport express their thanks and gratitude for the Lowders' leadership and for their responsiveness to the needs of the City.

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Nickelson, seconded by Councilman Boucher, to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwomen Taylor and Fuller, Councilmen Nickelson, Boucher, Flurry Green and Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS (*NOT TO BE ADOPTED PRIOR TO (March 23, 2021)*) (Motion and second is sufficient to introduce resolutions)

The Clerk read the following:

1. **Resolution No. 28 of 2021**: A resolution approving inferno manufacturing, located at 115 Ricou Street, Shreveport, LA. 71107, for participation in the Industrial Tax Exemption Program (ITEP), and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
2. **Resolution No. 29 of 2021**: A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with Precision Cartographics for redistricting/reapportionment consultant services and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
3. **Resolution No. 30 of 2021**: A resolution adopting the System Survey and Compliance Questionnaire required by the Legislative Auditor's Office of the State of Louisiana and to otherwise provide with respect thereto

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Boucher, seconded by Councilwoman Fuller, to introduce Resolution No. 28, 29 and 30 of 2021 to lay over until the next regular meeting.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES (*NOT TO BE ADOPTED PRIOR TO (March 23, 2021)*) (Motion and second is sufficient to introduce ordinances)

The Clerk read the following:

1. **Ordinance No. 27 of 2021**: An ordinance amending the 2021 Capital Improvements Budget and otherwise providing with respect thereto (SporTran)
2. **Ordinance No. 32 of 2021**: An ordinance amending the 2021 General Fund Budget, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

3. **Ordinance No. 33 of 2021**: An ordinance amending the 2021 General Fund Budget and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
4. **Ordinance No. 34 of 2021**: An ordinance to implement a reduced municipal penalty for misdemeanor possession of marijuana, tetrahydrocannabinol, or chemical derivatives thereof and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Nickelson, seconded by Councilwoman Fuller, to introduce Ordinance No. 27, 32, 33 and 34 of 2021 to lay over until the next regular meeting.

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING AND FINAL PASSAGE (*NUMBERS ARE ASSIGNED ORDINANCE NUMBERS*)

The Clerk read the following:

1. **Ordinance No. 2 of 2021**: An ordinance amending the 2021 General Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto

Having passed first reading on January 12, 2021, was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilman Flurry, to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwomen Taylor and Fuller, Councilmen Nickelson, Boucher, Flurry, Green and Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

2. **Ordinance No. 17 of 2021**: An ordinance to amend various articles and sections in the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, Unified Development Code and to otherwise provide with respect thereto

Having passed first reading on January 26, 2021, was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilwoman Fuller, to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwomen Taylor and Fuller, Councilmen Nickelson, Boucher, Flurry, Green and Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

3. **Ordinance No. 28 of 2021**: An ordinance authorizing the Mayor, to sell, to Caddo Parish Communications District Number One, a Political Subdivision of the State, surplus City-owned immovable property (i.e. real property) and all improvements thereon located at 2890 Southland Park Drive, Shreveport, Louisiana, 71118, commonly referred to as the former Fire Station 17, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto

Having passed first reading on February 9, 2021, was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilman Boucher, to postpone. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwomen Taylor and Fuller, Councilmen Nickelson, Boucher, Flurry, Green and Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

4. **Ordinance No. 31 of 2021**: An ordinance amending the 2021 Capital Projects Fund Budget and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Having passed first reading on February 23, 2021, was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilman Bowman, to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwomen Taylor and Fuller, Councilmen Nickelson, Boucher, Flurry, Green and Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

Ordinances that were adopted, except ordinances that will be published in the Shreveport Code Ordinances, including the Shreveport Unified Development Code, are as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 2 OF 2021

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2021 GENERAL FUND BUDGET, APPROPRIATING THE FUNDS AUTHORIZED THEREIN, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it necessary to amend the 2021 General Fund Budget NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in legal session convened, that Ordinance 138 of 2020, the 2021 General Fund Budget, is hereby amended as follows:

In Section 1. (Estimated Receipts)

Increase 2021 Miscellaneous by \$29,000.00

In Section 2. (Appropriations)

Fire

Increase 2021 Materials and Supplies by \$20,000.00

Increase 2021 Improvements and Equipment by \$4,000.00

Police

Increase Crime Challenge Account -Materials and Supplies by \$5,000.00

Adjust totals and subtotals accordingly.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the remainder of Ordinance No. 138 of 2020 as amended, shall remain unchanged and in full force and affect.

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. 31 OF 2021

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2021 CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND BUDGET AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it necessary to amend the 2021 Capital Projects Fund 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. 136 of 2020, the 2021 Capital Projects Fund Budget, be amended and re-enacted as follows:

In Program H (Airport Improvements):

Increase the appropriation for Airfield Drainage Rehab-Design 4 Quadrants (H20003) by \$1,900,000.00. Funding source is the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development.

Increase the appropriation for Mitigation – Rwy 32-DTN (H15002) by \$600,000.00. Funding source is the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development.

Increase the appropriation for Runway 5/23 Extension/Shift-DTN (H17007) by \$485,000.00. Funding source is 90% by the Federal Aviation Administration and 10% by the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development.

Increase the appropriation for Security Fencing Upgrade-DTN (H17008) by \$180,000.00. Funding source is the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development.

Increase the appropriation for Runway 14/32 Rehabilitation-DTN (H18001) by \$1,400,000.00. Funding source is 90% from the Federal Aviation Administration and 10% from the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development.

Increase the appropriation for Terminal Apron Improvements (H19002) by \$120,000.00. Funding source is the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development.

Establish a project entitled Erosion Control Study-DTN appropriating 300,000.00. Funding source is the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development.

Adjust totals and subtotals accordingly.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the remainder of Ordinance No. 136 of 2020, 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.

TABLED LEGISLATION

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS:

1. **ORDINANCE NO. 104 OF 2020:** An ordinance amending Chapter 78, Article II, Division 3 of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, Code of Ordinances relative to poles and wires and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (C/Nickelson)

APPEALS

PROPERTY STANDARDS APPEALS: NONE

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE ORDINANCE APPEALS: NONE

METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION AND ZBA APPEALS: NONE

OTHER APPEALS

SOB APPEALS: NONE

TAXI APPEALS: NONE

REPORTS FROM OFFICERS, BOARDS, AND COMMITTEES

CLERK'S REPORT:

ADDITIONAL COMMUNICATIONS:

ADDITIONAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

ADDITIONAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS

EXECUTIVE SESSION: The Clerk read a request from the city attorney to go into Executive Session pursuant to LSA-R.S. 42:16 and R.S. 42:17(A) (2) to receive information relative to the following matters: Larkin Development at Railsback LLC vs. City Of Shreveport Docket No. 599,394-C 1st Judicial District Court, Caddo Parish, Louisiana and Charlie Caldwell Jr, et al vs.

City of Shreveport Docket No. 621,853-B 1st Judicial District Court, Caddo Parish, Louisiana

Motion by Councilman Bowman, seconded by Councilman Boucher, to go into executive session. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwomen Taylor and Fuller, Councilmen Nickelson, Boucher, Flurry and Bowman. 6. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Green. 1. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

The Council went into executive session at 4:50 p.m. The Executive Session ended at 5:45 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the council, the city council meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

James Flurry, Chairman

Danielle A. Farr-Ewing, Clerk of Council