

Council Proceedings of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana
June 25, 2019

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana was called to order by Chairman Bowman at 3:03 p.m., Tuesday, June 25, 2019, in the Government Chambers in Government Plaza (505 Travis Street).

Invocation was given by Councilman Flurry.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Boucher.

The roll was called. Present: Councilmen Willie Bradford, John Nickelson, Grayson Boucher, James Flurry, James Green and Jerry Bowman. 7.

Motion by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilman Boucher, to approve the minutes of the Administrative Conference, Monday, June 10, 2019 and the Council Meeting, Tuesday, June 11, 2019. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Bradford, Fuller, Nickelson, Boucher, Flurry, Green and Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

**AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS,
COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR RELATIVE TO CITY BUSINESS, AND
REQUIRED REPORTS**

**AWARDS AND RECOGNITION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS BY CITY COUNCIL
MEMBERS, NOT TO EXCEED FIFTEEN MINUTES**

Councilman Green invited Sam Gilliam with Southern University to the podium. Mr. Gilliam provided the council with an update of upcoming ideas/projects for Southern University Shreveport, including the move to bring a law school to Shreveport.

Councilman Green recognized Malik Wilson.

Councilman Nickelson invited Patricia Dyas and Chief Wolverton to the podium.

Motion by Councilman Bradford, seconded by Councilman Nickelson, to suspend the rules to consider Resolution No. 71 of 2019. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Bradford, Fuller, Nickelson, Boucher, Flurry, Green and Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

The Clerk read the following:

RESOLUTION NO. 71 2019

A RESOLUTION TO THANK CHIEF PATRICIA DYAS FOR 37 YEARS AND NINE MONTHS OF SERVICE TO THE CITIZENS OF SHREVEPORT AS A MEMBER OF THE SHREVEPORT FIRE DEPARTMENT, FOR HER LEADERSHIP IN THE DEPARTMENT AND FOR BEING A ROLE MODEL FOR YOUNG PEOPLE, ESPECIALLY WOMEN AND AFRICAN AMERICANS, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

By: Councilman John Nickelson

WHEREAS, Chief Patricia Dyas is retiring from the Shreveport Fire Department, after thirty seven years and nine months of service; and

WHEREAS, before joining the Fire Department, Chief Dyas prepared for service and leadership in her chosen profession in the following ways:

1) She graduated from C.E. Byrd High School in 1971, and Southern University, Baton Rouge, with honors in 1976; and

2) She served her country as a member of the United States Marine Corps, before being honorably discharged in 1980; and

WHEREAS, after returning to Shreveport, Chief Dyas joined the Shreveport Fire Department, and after graduating from the Fire Academy, served on the fire line for 5 years; and

WHEREAS, on November 1, 1986, Chief Dyas became a Fire Inspector with the rank of Captain, making her the first female firefighter to achieve the rank of Captain in Fire Prevention; and in 1988, Ebony Magazine recognized Captain Dyas and other women from around the nation for breaking through glass ceilings in the Fire Service; and

WHEREAS, on October 1, 1999, Chief Dyas became the first female Assistant Chief of Fire Prevention, and on August 2, 2011, she became the Chief of Fire Prevention, making her the first female to head up the Fire Prevention Division, and the first black female to head up a Division of the Shreveport Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, Chief Dyas continued to pursue formal educational opportunities and training throughout her career. She earned degrees and certificates from several institutions including a Master's Degree from Central Michigan University; and

WHEREAS, Chief Dyas is a native of Shreveport who spent her formative years in the Stoner Hill Community. She has been and continues to be a role model for young people in the inner city and throughout the greater Shreveport Community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, regular and legal session convened that the Shreveport City Council thanks Chief Patricia Dyas for thirty seven years and nine months of service to the citizens of Shreveport as a member of the Shreveport Fire Department, for the leadership and change she brought to the department, and for the example she set for others.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Shreveport City Council congratulates Chief Patricia Dyas for her many accomplishments and promotions during her service as a member of the Shreveport Fire Department.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Shreveport City Council wishes Chief Patricia Dyas a happy, fulfilling and well deserved retirement.

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

Chief Patricia Dyas thanked the council for the recognition and said she thoroughly enjoyed working for the City of Shreveport serving citizens, but retirement was GREAT.

Chief Wolverton thanked the council for the resolution to recognize Chief Dyas and on behalf of all the men and women with the Shreveport Fire Department thanked her for her service.

Councilmember Green and Mayor Perkins thanked Chief Dyas for her service and wished her a happy retirement.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS BY THE MAYOR, NOT TO EXCEED FIFTEEN MINUTES

Mayor Perkins recognized the Intergovernmental Affairs Officer, Roderick Scott from Governor John Bell Edwards's office.

COMMUNICATIONS OF THE MAYOR RELATIVE TO CITY BUSINESS OTHER THAN AWARDS AND RECOGNITION OF DISTINGUISHED GUESTS

Mayor Perkins made the following comments and announcements:

- Invited city council members, local, state and federal law enforcement officers to join him for a meeting on Wednesday, June 26, 2019 at 8:00 a.m. to discuss additional efforts to combat illegal firearm and the illegal possession of firearms to curb the senseless acts of violence in the community.
- Gave an update about the general obligation bonds subcommittee meetings being held to consider all areas eligible for the capital improvement projects in the city.

REPORTS:

Property Standards Report (res. 7 of 2003)

Revenue Collection Plan & Implementation Report (res. 114 of 2009)

Surety Bond Forfeitures Report (res. 238 of 2010)

Alan Clarke, Director of MPC: gave a Master Plan Committee report.

The Budget to Actual Financial Report required by Resolution No. 183 of 2017, was received.

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)

Versa Clark: Spoke about moratorium of payday loan centers.

MarvKevea Campbell: Spoke in support of Ordinance No. 76 of 2019.

Omari Ho-Sang: Spoke in support of Resolution No. 80 of 2019.

Ron Lepow: Spoke about Ordinance No. 80 of 2019. He is opposed to the removal of the provision concerning the physical separation of liquor in retail stores.

Ora Hart: Thanked the council on behalf of the Cedar Grove & Eden Garden Community Association for everyone who supported and showed up for the Renaissance Festival.

Sammy Mears: Spoke about following the rules when attending a city council meeting.

John Settle: Spoke generally about the public being unaware of items discussed at committee

meetings when items are added to the agenda at the meeting.
Joshua Lyon: Spoke about unfair laws such as public drunkenness because they are used selectively by the police when they want to harass the citizens.
Lauren Anderson: Asked questions about city redesign, Ordinance No. 77 of 2019 and who is responsible for training Shreveport Police Department in constitutional law.
Cedric Murphy: Asked the council to look at removing Section 90-462 walking on or along roadways because it is used selectively. This is particularly true in certain low income neighborhoods where sidewalks are not accessible. The law is used to stop, detain and interrogate individuals when there is no other reason to do so.
Candace Amidon: Spoke generally about Ordinance No. 80 of 2019.
Ken Krefft: Spoke about citizens bond issue review committee and wished Thelma James a Happy 100th Birthday.

**CONFIRMATION AND APPOINTMENTS:
CONSENT AGENDA LEGISLATION
TO INTRODUCE ROUTINE ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS
RESOLUTIONS: NONE
ORDINANCES: NONE
TO ADOPT ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS
RESOLUTIONS:**

The Clerk read the following:

RESOLUTION NO. 75 OF 2019

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING MONTROSE INVESTMENTS, LLC,
REPRESENTED BY MR. JOSEPH FERTITTA, AT 300 E. FLOURNOY LUCAS ROAD
TO MAKE A CONNECTION TO THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT'S WATER AND/OR
SEWER SYSTEM AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Shreveport City Code Chapter 94, any person or business entity wishing to connect to the City of Shreveport's water and/or sewer system shall make a formal request/application to do so; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the requirements of Shreveport City Code Section 94-7, as a condition precedent to the initial connection onto the City water or sewer line, or both, the application for the water or sewer connection must be accompanied by a written request for annexation to the city, and approved by the city council; and

WHEREAS, the City is in receipt of both a request to connect to the City of Shreveport's water and/or sewer system and a petition for annexation (both attached hereto); and

WHEREAS, annexation proceedings will be in accordance with City of Shreveport Code Chapter 2, Article V, et seq.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council, acting as the governing authority of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana (the "City"), in due, legal and regular session convened, that:

1. Montrose Investments, LLC, represented by Mr. Joseph Fertitta, has agreed to secure all permits and inspections required by the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, Comprehensive Building Code and Department of Engineering.

2. Montrose Investments, LLC, represented by Mr. Joseph Fertitta, is hereby authorized to connect the structure located at 300 E. Flournoy Lucas Road to the City of Shreveport's water and/or sewer system.

3. In accordance with Shreveport City Code Section 94-5, the property owner of premises served by water services shall be responsible for the house line to the premises. The property owner of premises served by sewer services shall be responsible for the lateral line from the premises to the sewer main.

4. In accordance with Shreveport City Code Section 94-7, if the annexation request is withdrawn, the facility shall be disconnected from City water or sewerage service.

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 affect 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.

THUS DONE AND RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Boucher, seconded by Councilman Bradford, to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Bradford, Fuller, Nickelson, Boucher, Flurry, Green and Bowman. 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. 73 OF 2019

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF THE 2019-2023 CONSOLIDATED STRATEGY PLAN AND THE 2019 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN TO THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT (HUD) AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, pursuant to regulation of the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), the City of Shreveport is required to submit a Consolidated Strategy Plan and an Annual Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Consolidated Strategy Plan serves as the consolidation of the planning and application aspects of the Community Planning and Development formula grant programs, Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), and Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG); and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due regular and legal session convened, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to submit the 2019-2023 Consolidated Strategy Plan and the 2019 Annual Action Plan to HUD substantially in accordance with the attached draft which is filed for public inspection with the original of this resolution in the Office of the Clerk of Council on June 3, 2019.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute and submit any and all documents necessary for the submission of 2019-2023 Consolidate Strategy Plan and the

2019 Annual Action Plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if any problem 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 ordinances or resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

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

RESOLUTION NUMBER 74 OF 2019

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN ACCEPTANCE OF ACT OF DONATION BETWEEN THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND SHREVEPORT DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, HEREINAFTER CALLED “OWNER” AND ACTING HEREIN THROUGH ANTHONY J. JANCA, FOR THE WATER AND SANITARY SEWER MAINS AND RELATED FACILITIES TO SERVE MARIGNY WOODS UNIT 2 IN TWELVE OAKS AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, Shreveport Development Corporation, hereinafter called “OWNER” and acting herein through Anthony J. Janca, desires to donate to the City of Shreveport the water and sanitary sewer mains and related facilities to serve Marigny Woods Unit 2 in Twelve Oaks.

WHEREAS, these water and sanitary sewer facilities have been installed under the inspection of personnel from the Office of the City Engineer, reviewed by the Shreveport Fire Department and determined to meet city codes and specifications; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened, that Adrian Perkins, Mayor, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the City of Shreveport an Acceptance of Act of Donation with Shreveport Development Corporation represented by Anthony J. Janca, substantially in accordance with the terms and conditions contained in the draft of said agreement which was filed for public inspection with the original draft of the resolution in the office of the City Council on June 5, 2019.

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

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

THUS DONE AND RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana.

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

RESOLUTION NO 76 OF 2019

A RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE SHREVEPORT CITY MARSHAL CHARLIE CALDWELL, JR. FOR ESTABLISHING THE SHREVEPORT CITY MARSHAL OFFICE LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING CENTER AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BY: COUNCILMAN JERRY BOWMAN, JR.

WHEREAS, Charlie Caldwell, Jr. is a life-long resident of Shreveport. He graduated from Huntington High School and the Shreveport Job Corp Center. He also earned a Bachelor of Business Administration from Wiley College and received a Master's degree in Criminal Justice from Bethel University; and

WHEREAS, Charlie Caldwell started his law enforcement career with the Caddo Parish Sheriff's Office in 1988; and

WHEREAS, in 1991, Charlie Caldwell became a Juvenile Officer at the Caddo Parish Juvenile Justice Complex; and

WHEREAS, Charlie Caldwell has spent the past 27 years with the Shreveport Marshal's Office, where he rose through the ranks from Deputy to Chief Deputy and in 2008, he was elected Shreveport City Marshal; and

WHEREAS, City Marshal Charlie Caldwell has added many improvements and efficiencies to the Shreveport City Marshal's Office; and

WHEREAS, City Marshal Charlie Caldwell also recognized the need for a law enforcement training center and through his vision and the cooperation of others the building located at 1412 Peabody Street was acquired in May 2018 for that purpose; and

WHEREAS, through City Marshal Charlie Caldwell's hard work, the hard work of staff and the Caddo Parish Sheriff's Office Offender Reentry Carpentry Program, the building has been renovated, and the grand opening for the Law Enforcement Training Center was held on June 14, 2019.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened that the City Council recognizes, thanks and congratulates City Marshall Charlie Caldwell, Jr. for his foresight and ingenuity in establishing the Shreveport City Marshal Office Law Enforcement Training Center.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 77 OF 2019

A RESOLUTION TO DEDICATE THE 1400 BLOCK OF KENNETH AVENUE AT DUNLAP STREET IN HONOR OF REVEREND RICHARD HARDY, JR. FOR HIS COMMITMENT AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE LAKESIDE/ALLENDALE

COMMUNITY AND THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

BY: COUNCILMAN WILLIE BRADFORD

WHEREAS, Reverend Richard Hardy, Jr., a minister, visionary pastor, teacher, civic leader, counselor, mentor, spiritual leader and a legend in the Lakeside/Allendale Community, continuously served people daily through his pastoral journey; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Richard Hardy, Jr. served as Pastor of St. Mary Baptist Church for over 47 years and was committed to making a positive difference to his congregation and to citizens throughout the City of Shreveport; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Richard Hardy, Jr. was born August 17, 1933 in Shreveport, Louisiana. He was married to Mrs. Mary Ross Hardy; together they had three sons, Reverend Doctor Michael Hardy, Maurice Hardy, and Carlton Hardy, Sr.; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Richard Hardy, Jr. was a 1951 graduate of Booker T. Washington High School. He graduated from Grambling State University in 1964, and he was an honored veteran of the United States Air Force; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Richard Hardy, Jr.'s many civic and spiritual accomplishments included the following:

- First African American to be appointed to a major post in Shreveport City Government. He was appointed Administrative Assistant to Mayor L. Calhoun Allen in 1970.
- Program Coordinator- Shreveport Manpower Area Planning Council
- District Scout Executive-Norwela Council, Boy Scouts of America
- President-Baptist Ministers Fellowship
- Served as Moderator of the Independent 13th District of Churches; and

WHEREAS, Reverend Richard Hardy, Jr., served as "Spiritual Father" to many. Sure of his Eternal Home, he departed this life on December 20, 2016.

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 recognizes the many contributions of Reverend Hardy, Jr. to the citizens of Shreveport, and dedicates the 1400 Block of Kenneth Avenue (at Dunlap Street) in his honor.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall be executed in duplicate originals with one original presented to the family of Reverend Richard Hardy, Jr. and the other 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 Bradford, seconded by Councilman Green, to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Bradford, Fuller, Nickelson, Boucher, Flurry, Green and Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

RESOLUTION NO. 78 OF 2019

A RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN CITY PROPERTY TO BE SURPLUS PROPERTY; AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport built Fire Station #8 in 1927 and it has been use as a Fire Station for over 92 years and whereas the 2011 bond proposition called for the replacement of Fire Station #8; and

WHEREAS, Fire Station #8 located at 3406 Velva is rendered unusable as a fire station due to the condition, size, and amenities available to serve the community; and

WHEREAS, the City intends to vacate and terminate its fire operations at Fire Station #8 located at 3406 Velva Avenue; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened that the property and improvements located at 3406 Velva Drive known as Fire Station #8 are hereby declared to be surplus property and not needed by the City of Shreveport for public purpose.

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; and

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

RESOLUTION NO. 79 OF 2019

A RESOLUTION OBJECTING TO THE ACCEPTANCE OF OUTSIDE EXPLOSIVE AND INDUSTRIAL WASTE FOR DISPOSAL AT CAMP MINDEN, AT THIS TIME, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BY: COUNCILWOMAN LEVETTE FULLER

WHEREAS, thousands of citizens in North Louisiana, including many Shreveport residents, came together in 2015 to stop the open burn of 15 million pounds of M6 propellant at Camp Minden; and

WHEREAS, in 2015 the City of Shreveport passed a resolution (Resolution No. 16 of 2015) asking the EPA to ensure the safe disposal of the M6 propellant and to involve the community and local officials in the process; and

WHEREAS, several residents of Shreveport as well as an official representative of the city of Shreveport served on the Camp Minden Dialogue Committee that reviewed alternative technologies to open burning; and

WHEREAS, the Camp Minden Dialogue Committee, which included citizens, scientists, local officials, and representatives from the EPA, the Louisiana Military Department, and the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality issued a report, which included a statement that any technology brought in to dispose of the M6 propellant must be removed from Camp Minden, and that we would not become a permanent explosive hazardous waste disposal center; and

WHEREAS, in 2017 thousands of citizens mobilized again to prevent the burn chamber from remaining at Camp Minden and to prevent explosive hazardous waste from being imported into the state for disposal; and

WHEREAS, in 2017 the City of Shreveport passed a second resolution (Resolution No. 52 of 2017) opposing the continued use of the burn chamber after the disposal of the original 15 million pounds of explosive hazardous materials; and

WHEREAS, in 2017 the Governor's office issued a statement that the M6 propellant was

disposed of; that the burn chamber would not be used again at Camp Minden, and the burn chamber would be removed from the site; and

WHEREAS, in 2017 the Louisiana Military Department issued a RFP asking for proposals to remove the Burn Chamber and all related equipment from the state of Louisiana; and

WHEREAS, in the spring of 2019, General Curtis of the Louisiana Military Department testified to the House Appropriations Committee that the Burn Chamber had been sold and that the buyer was considering siting it in Northwest Louisiana, excluding Bossier and Webster parishes; and WHEREAS, the risks and concerns about importing and burning explosive hazardous wastes have not changed.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Shreveport City Council in due, regular and legal session convened, that because of the risk to the citizens of the Greater Shreveport Community and their property, the Shreveport City Council opposes the siting of the burn chamber in Northwest Louisiana and the importation of explosive hazardous waste into our community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall be sent to the Governor of the State of Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provisions or item of this resolution 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 resolution are hereby declared severable.

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

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

Resolution No. 80 of 2019: An resolution amending Sections 1.1 and 1.3 of the City Council Rules of Procedure relative to the time of City Council meetings, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (C/Nickelson)

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Nickelson, seconded by Councilman Bradford, to withdraw Resolution No. 80 of 2019 from agenda. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Bradford, Nickelson, Boucher, Flurry, Green and Bowman. 6. Nays: Councilwoman Fuller. 1. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

**INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS (*NOT TO BE ADOPTED PRIOR TO July 9, 2019*)
(Motion and second is sufficient to introduce resolutions)**

The Clerk read the following:

- 1. Resolution No. 81 of 2019**: An resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the City of Shreveport and participating high schools through their governing bodies relative to the Battle on the Border 2019 High School Football

Showcase and the use of City personnel, property and equipment and to otherwise provide with respect thereto

2. **Resolution No. 82 of 2019:** An resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Caddo Parish Sheriff's Office to jointly purchase, own, and maintain the Public Safety Logging Recorder System and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Bradford, seconded by Councilman Nickelson, to introduce Resolution No (s). 81 and 82 of 2019 to lay over until the next regular meeting.

**INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES (NOT TO BE ADOPTED PRIOR TO July 9, 2019)
(Motion and second is sufficient to introduce ordinances)**

The Clerk read the following:

1. **Ordinance No. 75 of 2019:** An ordinance amending the 2019 Capital Improvements Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto (Fire Station)
2. **Ordinance No. 76 of 2019:** An ordinance amending the 2019 budget for the General Fund and otherwise providing with respect thereto (B/Fuller)
3. **Ordinance No. 77 of 2019:** An ordinance to amend Section 10-186 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Shreveport and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (C/Nickelson)
4. **Ordinance No. 78 of 2019:** An ordinance to add Section 26-220 Affidavit attesting that City contract was not secured through employment or payment of solicitor to Chapter 26 Finance, Article VI Contracts, Division 1 Generally of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, Code of Ordinances relative to requirement of an affidavit for City contracts and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (C/Nickelson)
5. **Ordinance No. 79 of 2019:** An ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute a Lease Agreement with United States Department of the Interior/Fish and Wildlife Services to manage, operate and use of C. Bickham Dickson Park to provide services to the public and to otherwise provide with respect thereto
6. **Ordinance No. 80 of 2019:** An ordinance to amend Section 10-84 of Chapter 10 of the Code of Ordinances relative to Physical Separation of Sales of High Alcohol Content Liquor for Consumption off the Premises, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (D/Boucher)
7. **Ordinance No. 81 of 2019:** An ordinance to amend various articles and sections in the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, Unified Development Code and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
8. **Ordinance No. 82 of 2019:** ZONING: C-24-19: An Ordinance to amend the official zoning map of the City of Shreveport Unified Development Code, by rezoning property located on the southwest corner of East Seventieth Street and East Bert Kouns Industrial Loop, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA., from R-1-7, Single-Family Residential District to C-2, Corridor Commercial District, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (D/Boucher)

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Bradford, seconded by Councilman

Green, to introduce Ordinance No(s). 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81 and 82 of 2019 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. 58 of 2019:** An ordinance rescinding ordinances 33 of 2009, 54 of 2011, and 136 of 2013: and removing vehicular flow restrictions on Baker Street, Fannin Street, and North Street in section 37 (T18N-R14W), and to otherwise provide with respect thereto: (B/Fuller) (*Public Hearing required prior to adoption*)

Having passed first reading on May 14, 2019, was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilwoman Fuller, seconded by Councilman Nickelson, to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Bradford, Fuller, Nickelson, Boucher, Flurry and Green. 6. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Bowman. 1. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

2. **Ordinance No. 72 of 2019:** An ordinance amending the 2019 Capital improvements budget and otherwise providing with respect thereto (*Utility Projects*)

Having passed first reading on June 11, 2019, 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 Bradford, to adopt. Motion failed by the following vote: Nays: Councilmen Fuller, Nickelson and Flurry. 3. Ayes: Councilmen Bradford, Boucher and Green. 3. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Bowman. 1. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

3. **Ordinance No. 73 of 2019:** An ordinance amending the 2019 Capital Improvements Budget and otherwise providing with respect thereto

Having passed first reading on June 11, 2019, was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Nickelson, seconded by Councilman Green, to postpone. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Bradford, Fuller, Nickelson, Boucher, Flurry, Green and Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

4. **Ordinance No. 74 of 2019:** An ordinance amending the 2019 budget funding contractual services provided to Sportran by Metro Management Associates, Inc. and otherwise providing with respect thereto

Having passed first reading on June 11, 2019, was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Nickelson, seconded by Councilman Green, to postpone. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Bradford, Fuller, Nickelson, Boucher, Flurry, Green and Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

Ordinances that were adopted, except any ordinances amending the Shreveport City Code including the Shreveport Unified Development Code, are as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 58 OF 2019

AN ORDINANCE RESCINDING ORDINANCES 33 OF 2009, 54 OF 2011, AND 136 OF 2013; AND REMOVING VEHICULAR FLOW RESTRICTIONS ON BAKER STREET, FANNIN STREET, AND NORTH STREET IN SECTION 37 (T18N-R14W), AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, on January 12, 2010, the City Council approved Ordinance 33 of 2009, which closed and restricted vehicular access to Fannin Street, from Baker Street to Douglas Street. This ordinance became effective on January 28, 2010; and

WHEREAS, on June 14, 2011, the City Council approved Ordinance 54 of 2011, which amended and replaced Ordinance 33 of 2009 and restricted vehicular access to Fannin Street, from Douglas Street to Christian Street. This ordinance became effective on June 28, 2011; and

WHEREAS, on November 12, 2013, the City Council approved Ordinance 136 of 2013, which closed and abandoned Fannin Street, from Baker Street to Douglas Street. This ordinance became effective on November 27, 2013; and

WHEREAS, vehicular traffic on Baker Street and North Street is currently restricted as one-way from Fannin Street to Caddo Street; and

WHEREAS, prior to Ordinances 33 of 2009 and 54 of 2011, vehicular traffic on Fannin Street was restricted as one-way from Christian Street to Baker Street; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport has received a request from the Department of Community Development to remove the vehicular restrictions on the streets adjacent to their Bayou Grande project to facilitate construction and to re-open Fannin Street, between Baker Street and Douglas Street; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport owns all of the adjacent property to be affected by the rescinding of these ordinances and the removal of these restrictions; and

WHEREAS, the re-opening of Fannin Street and the removal of these vehicular restrictions meets the approval of the City Engineer's Office; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, regular and legal session convened, that Ordinance 33 of 2009, Ordinance 54 of 2011, and Ordinance 136 of 2013 are hereby rescinded.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the one-way vehicular flow restrictions on Baker and North Streets, from Fannin Street to Caddo Street, AND on Fannin Street, from Christian Street to Douglas Street, are hereby rescinded.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 26 OF 2019: To revise Article IV, Division 3A of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, Code of Ordinances, relative to the duties and responsibilities of the Deputy Chief of Police, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (*Tabled on April 23, 2019*)

ORDINANCE NO. 67 OF 2019: An ordinance to revise Chapter 2, Article VIII, Division 2, Section 2-421 of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, Code of Ordinances, relative to on-site certification visits for Fair Share program participants, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (*Tabled on June 11, 2019*)

APPEALS

PROPERTY STANDARDS APPEALS

**** *THE PROPERTY STANDARD APPEALS ARE HEARD AT THE ADMINISTRATIVE CONFERENCE, AND THE DECISIONS ARE MADE IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE CONFERENCE SUMMARY MINUTES.*

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE ORDINANCE APPEALS: NONE

METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION APPEALS:

OTHER APPEALS

SOB APPEALS: NONE.

TAXI APPEALS: NONE.

REPORTS FROM OFFICERS, BOARDS, AND COMMITTEES

CLERK'S REPORT:

ADDITIONAL COMMUNICATIONS:

Marvin Muhammed: Spoke generally about Resolution No. 80 of 2019 and public comments.

ADDITIONAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR:

ADDITIONAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Councilman Nickelson: Mr. Chairman, as I have discussed with several members of the council and with the Chief Administrative Officer, last week the external auditor of the city, advised us to expect an extensive number of deficiencies on the forthcoming audit for the city. I will say for the benefit of the public, in light of discussion that we have had today, that this audit, it's for the previous calendar year. This audit does not relate to the current administration. So, with that caveat, I want to advise the public that the external auditor has identified what I consider to be inexplicable failures on behalf of the previous administration to conduct the business of the city efficiently and effectively. For example, I was advised that last year the City of Shreveport incurred more than three hundred thousand dollars in penalties for failing to timely file quarterly payroll tax returns with the internal revenue service. Rather than request a reduction or waiver of the penalties as is common, the city simply paid it, at least so far as I know, this is an admission which there can be no explanation. The external auditor also advised me that one of the city's banks, where fifteen million dollars were on deposit, were not complying with the state law that requires cash deposits to be collateralized with a pledge of securities. This is the way that the city is protected against the possibility of a bank failure, however small that possibility maybe. The city, at least in 2018, did not have internal controls in place to insure that this state law was followed. So, as a consequence we had exposure for this unsecured cash that we otherwise would not have had. Finally, the external auditor indicated that the city did not properly reconcile its operating and payroll accounts on an ongoing basis. The City of

Shreveport can not do the business of the citizens if its financial house isn't in order. The external auditor's report will be issued this summer and I'm confident that the current administration will do everything in its power to correct the deficiencies that report identifies. The public has a right to know how the city has fallen short in the past year and I encourage members of the media and members of the public to carefully review the external auditors report once it is available. Thank you.

CAO, Sherricka Fields Jones: Yes sir, I just wanted to follow up and let the council members know that I spent five hours Friday, meeting with the city controller after that I spent another two hours meeting with the external auditor. So, these matters that you have mentioned as well as the others that are in the findings are a concern for us as well. We did receive some recommendations from the auditors. I've talked with the finance director as well, and we're going to be putting things in place to remedy and some of them we have corrected already, of course as you all know the audit is going to be available online, it's a public document but going forward we will be addressing these issues and taking those steps to remedy the findings that are published.

Councilman Flurry: Members of the audience and those of you who are watching by social media, I want to speak as Chairman of the audit committee. I also was privy to the information that Councilman Nickelson has given and I want the public to know, I have reached out to, soon after I learned that, the administration, the Mayor and his staff and they are moving rapidly to make these corrections. I have confidence today that I can speak to my constituents and to the citizens of Shreveport that all that is possible is being done. It is being done because the Mayor has been made aware, and he is reaching out and moving personnel around. He has taken swift action to remedy these problems that have come forward. And so, I want you as citizens of Shreveport to be assured that we as council members and legislators, teaming and working in partnership with the administration, that we are going to correct these problems and move forward with confidence that we will have good data and we will be well secured in our financial data. So, I just wanted to point that out, it does sound bad and it does sound discouraging, but action are already been made by the administration and I see that we will see good results in the next few days coming forward. Thank you.

15. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The clerk notified the council of 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:

City of Shreveport
vs
CenturyTel Solutions, LLC et al
Suit No: 591,661;
First Judicial District Court
Caddo Parish, Louisiana

Motion by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilman Boucher to go into executive session. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Bradford, Fuller, Nickelson, Boucher, Flurry, Green and Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

The Council went into executive session at 5:18 p.m. The Executive Session ended at 5:58 p.m.

16. ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the council, the meeting adjourned at approximately 6:00 p.m.

Jerry Bowman, Jr., Chairman

Arthur G. Thompson, Clerk of Council