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The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana was called to order by Chairman Walford at 3:01p.m., Tuesday, June 26, 2007, in the Government Chambers in Government Plaza (505 Travis Street).

Invocation was given by Councilman Pastor Timothy Jones.
The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Wooley.

Councilman Walford: Before we move on, Councilman Lester is out of the Chamber, but I ask you to keep him and his family in your thoughts and prayers, he lost his mother-in-law today, so with that Madam Clerk would you call the roll please Ma'am.

On Roll Call, the following members were Present: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne, and Bowman. 7. Absent: None.

Motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman Wooley to approve the minutes of the Administrative Conference, Monday June 11, 2007 and Council Meeting, Tuesday, June 12, 2007. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Long, Wooley, Shyne, Webb and Bowman. 7. Nays: None.

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

Councilman Walford: Mayor Glover is not in the Chamber yet. If I may, I would like to ask Mr. Dark to recognize the Shreveport Fire Department.

Mr. Dark: Mr. Chairman, the Fire Department came to us and asked us to facilitate a moment of remembrance in honor of the nine Charleston firefighters who were killed last week in the line of duty, and this would be a good time to call on Chief Cochran to do that. None of us like to think about that as a possibility, and Charleston is a smaller place than we are I think. So, losing that many folks is terrible, so we want to join the rest of the country in mourning them.

Councilman Walford: Thank you. Chief, welcome.

Chief Cochran: Thank you Mr. Chairman, Members of the Council. Would everyone please stand? June 18, 2007 started out as an ordinary day in the City of Charleston, South Carolina. About 6:30 p.m. that afternoon, everything would change, and that a sofa super store and warehouse erupted in a fire, and the building was sprinklered, and one of the employees was still trapped inside. Consequently, the Charleston, South Carolina Fire Department responded as firefighters always do when disaster strikes in our communities. And nine Charleston Firefighters paid the ultimate sacrifice, and gave their lives in the line of duty fighting that fire and rescuing the entrapped employees. In the fire service, we have a saying, 'All give some, and some give all', and the Charleston nine firefighters gave all. Line of duty deaths are local across the United States of America, and that's simply to say that when firefighters die in the line of duty, every community feels a personal loss. And the fire service family feels that loss even

more so. So, it is with deep gratitude that we express to the Councilmen and to Mayor Glover for allowing us the opportunity to honor the fallen firefighters of Charleston, South Carolina with this brief memorial service. We're going to turn it over to our chaplain Durell Tuberville.

Chaplain Tuberville: Over the last 200 years, our methods have changed, but our goals have remained the same as they have always been, and that is to save lives and to protect property, and sometimes have the ultimate call. In the past, as firefighters begin their tour of duty, it was the bell that signaled the beginning of the shift or the beginning of the call. Throughout the day and the night, each alarm was sounded by a bell, which summoned the brave souls to fight fires and place their lives in jeopardy for the good of their fellow citizens and their fellow man. When the fire was out, and the alarm had come to an end, it was the bell that signaled all of the completion of that call. When a firefighter dies in the line of duty, paying the supreme sacrifice, in the mournful toll of the bell, it solemnly announces to his comrades his passing. Today, we utilize this tradition which reflects honor and respect to those who have given so much and who have served well. To symbolize the devotion that these brave souls have for their duty, a special signal of three rings represent the end of our comrades duties, and that they will be returning to quarters. And so, to those who have selflessly given of their lives for the good of their fellow man, their task completed, their duties well done, to honor their comrades, today the last bell signals their going home. Capt. William Hutchinson, 48; Capt. Mike Benke, 49; Fire Capt. Louis Mulkey, 34; Engineer Mark Kelsey, 40; Engineer Bradford Baity, 37; Asst Engineer Michael French, 27; Firefighter James Earl Drayton, 56; Firefighter Brandon Thompson, 27; and Firefighter Melven Champaign, 46. Please join us in a moment of silence with the conclusion of the reading of the firefighters prayer. When I am called to duty God, wherever flames may raise, give me strength to save a live, whatever be it's age. Help me to embrace the little child before it is too late, or to save an older person from the horror of their faith. Enable me to be alert to hear the weakest shout, to quickly and efficiently put the fire out. I want to fill my calling to give the best in me, to guard my every neighbor and protect their property. And if according to your will, death is to be my fate, please place your protecting hand upon my children and my mate. Amen.

Chief Cochran: On behalf of the American Fire Service, we thank you Mayor Glover and Shreveport City Council, and we also want to express our gratitude for you, to you for giving us all that we need to minimize the possibility of injuries and death to Shreveport firefighters in giving us all the resources we need to protect the lives and property of the citizens of Shreveport. That concludes our memorial service and we turn it back over to our Chairman.

Councilman Walford: Thank you Chief, and believe me we certainly appreciate a Class I Fire Department. Welcome Mr. Mayor, and we are at Communications of the Mayor, and your distinguished guests.

Mayor Glover: Thank you Mr. Chairman, we have here the 13 individuals who are participating in the Mayor's Internship Program this summer. I'm not sure if Chloe Haygood or Gwen happen to be - - - Chloe? Step forward please and give us our direction.

Ms. Haygood: Mr. Chairman, members of the Council, our honorable Mayor. I would just like to introduce the 13 individuals that were selected from the vast array of applications for this inaugural class of MSIP, (the Mayor's Summer Internship Program). These are amazing students and they represent a vast array of universities. Tulane, Southern University, Wiley College, Centenary, Howard University - - - these are amazing students, and we just want to recognize them and have them stand before you. So students when I call your name, please stand. Bethany Hejtmanek, Bethany attends Oral Roberts University, and she was placed with Community Development. Thank you Bethany. Carlestone Mullen, Carlestone attends Howard

University and she was placed with DOS and Public Works, and she's working a literary campaign. Thank you. Marcus Thompson, he attends Purdue University and he was placed with IT. Thank you Marcus. Alexis Barrett. Alexis has completed her studies at LSUS and she is now pursuing the work for her MBA. She was placed with SPAR. Thank you Alexis. Jeremy Babers attends Centenary College, and he was placed with Fair Share and Economic Development. Thank you Jeremy. Stephen Lioy. Stephen also attends Centenary and he was placed with the City Attorney's office. Thank you. Allison Escude, in her absence was placed with SPAR as well, and she attends Centenary as well. Corwin Stephens please stand. Thank you Corwin. Corwin was placed with Finance, and he attends Howard University. Austin Walker was placed with Community Development and he attends Tulane University in New Orleans. Thank you Austin. Angela Martin attends University of Louisiana Monroe, and she was placed with SPAR. Thank you Angela. Cory Goodwin also attends Centenary College and she was placed with Public Works. Thank you Cory. Jason McCraney. Jason was placed with SPD, and he attends Southern University. And last but not least, Jamecia Murray. Ms. Murray was placed with the Fire Department and she's working on their PR campaign. These are the 13 students, please stand. Please join me in a round of applause. Thank you very much.

Mayor Glover: Thank you Chloe. Members of the Council and Mr. Chairman, I just want to let you all know how much I appreciate the support that the Council has shows for this inaugural class of the Mayor's Summer Internship Program. Several of you came up earlier today for the reception that we had for them this afternoon. You see standing before you a substantial part of Shreveport's future. I told these young folks when they started this initiative as I shared with you on the Council. It's important that we here in Shreveport value our own and give them the opportunity to be able to have the experiences and develop the skill sets that they need in order to become the future leaders. And so, I am thoroughly convinced that amongst the 13 that you see before you, will be future members of this Council, future Mayor, future Business Leaders, future Teachers, future Pastors, future Entrepreneurs. The future of this great city. So thank you all for the support, and we look forward to having them be a part of the Mayor's Summer Internship Alumni effort that we will carry on from this point forward. So thank you very much.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor, I was looking for the young man or the young lady from Grambling State University. I guess they didn't make it this year huh?

Mayor Glover: Well, we have a spot that surely we will have for a Grambling Tiger on next year.

Councilman Shyne: Thank you Mr. Mayor.

Mayor Glover: Thank you Mr. Chairman. At this point, we have an additional presentation to make from the Mayor's office. The Mayor's Award of Excellence that Ms. Campbell will assist us with at this point.

Councilman Shyne: I thought she had gotten married over the weekend.

Mayor Glover: I was stuck on your comments from yesterday Mr. Shyne.

Ms. Campbell: Good afternoon to you Members of the Council. To Mr. Walford, president, and our first lady Ms. Bowman. Thanks. On behalf of the honorable Mayor Cedric B. Glover, we would like to do something special for a person that we see in this Administration as one of the pillars of our community. A person that really doesn't need much of an introduction because we've known him for so many years. We've known him for 28 plus years at the LSU Ag Center, the Director of that program. We know of his 35 plus years at the Barnwell Center. In fact, Dr. Joe White opened the Barnwell Center here in Shreveport. He tells us that he's now approaching his 74th birthday, and he kinda wants to take a little time to himself. In his letter of

resignation to the Barnwell Center, he says there comes a time however when someone needs to step up to the plate and carry on the good work for which the Barnwell is and has been known. As I'm approaching my 74th year of age, I feel the need for additional time to pursue other interests and other obligations. I wish all of you the best as you seek to make the Barnwell Center a better and more appealing place for residents and visitors alike. And I'm confident that future visitors both local and otherwise will find this facility to be a place where they can come to enjoy a great cultural Shreveport experience, and to be the plant world for the art world. And it's signed by Dr. Joe White. Dr. White if you would join us. Mayor, if you would join us as well to make the presentation.

Mayor Glover: Thank you Gwen. Dr. White on behalf of the citizens of Shreveport, and members of this City Council, and the members of my administration, it's my great honor to present to you this Mayor's Award of Excellence, for all the great contributions that you've made not only to the Barnwell, but to the horticultural community throughout Louisiana, thank you so much. Appreciate you, and I know you will certainly enjoy retirement. Would you like to share a word with the Council and the audience?

Mr. White: Well thank you very, very much for this honor and may I say that while I was working that I enjoyed 95% of it. The other 5% was the time I spent writing reports that were required. But it was really a privilege to work for the citizens of Shreveport, and probably more satisfaction occurred when through the information I supplied and the help I gave, I saw their levels of success and their effort to do their gardening for vegetables, improvement in their landscapes and other endeavors that they had. So again, I want to thank you Mayor Glover and the Council Members for giving me this honor and I am truly grateful for it. Thank you.

Councilman Long: Dr. White, don't run off just yet. Over here, I'm up here. Dr. White, Michael Long here. I want to thank you on behalf of my wife Dorothy who took the very first Master Gardener's class from you and has gone on to build a very nice personal business from that. And I agree through your effort, Shreveport has become a much better place, because there's a lot of folks who truly have taken an interest in their houses and their yards look beautiful. And you've been a very important part of making that happen. And I personally want to thank you for that. And I'll thank you on her behalf as well. Cause as a source of income to our household, which I assure you from an entrepreneurial standpoint it's a wonderful thing. Because it's small business growth is what it's all about, and again, thank you for that. And I wish you luck in your retirement.

Mr. White: Thank you, I appreciate that very much.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, I have one last item under Mayor's communication, and I feel compelled to do this because one of the interesting things that you get to do as Mayor is you get lots of invitations to go and visit and tour, and we're in the process of trying to do as much of that as we can. And often times, during the course of these tours and visits and what have you, I get a chance to ask questions, and every now and then I make a request. Well, one of the visits that I made was out south of town to a new facility that's been started up by one of Shreveport's most renowned and most accomplished entrepreneurs, Mr. David Myatt. He and his folks out at True South Oil have some up with a truly innovative product that the lack there of up until this point probably accounts for why it is that someone else who mows my grass as opposed to yours truly. Back in the days when lawn mowers and other lawn care equipment came with 4 cycle engines when you could just simply pour straight gasoline in them and know that they would run effectively, I was in pretty sure footage. But since I'm approaching 40+ years of age right now, I'm not well acquainted with the 2 cycle generation, and so most of my equipment would run for a while and it would quickly begin to not run so well. And the reason for that is I could never

get that combination of oil to gasoline that you need in order to be able to power, provide the fuel for the 2 cycle engine, and one of the things that I discovered in touring the True South facility is that they had come up with a formulation that for the first time, will be a product on the market that does away with the need to buy your gas in those little bitty bottles that you're supposed to add to the gasoline in order for the 2 cycle engines to be able to run. And that product is being manufactured right here in Shreveport. We know that have a great deal of manufacturing that's going on here from the wind turbine out at the Beaird Industry to the Hummer III's out at General Motors, and so many other products that are manufactured here, both those things that are for long term use, and even those things that are consumed. But I requested that not only would we want to let it be known that this was being made in Shreveport, but since I believe it's going to be so popular, that I wanted people around the world to know that when they went to their Lowes' or their Home Depot, or their Ace Hardware and purchase this 50 fuel of premixed gas and oil, I wanted them to know that it was made in Shreveport. And so the folks there were kind enough to make sure that on their packaging that they added packaged by True South Oil in Shreveport, LA. And I have here in my hands one of the cans that came off the first run of products that was manufactured there, and it's signed by each of the employees who were on shift at that particular time. So, on behalf of the City of Shreveport, I want to say thank you to David Myatt and the folks at True South Oil for adding yet something else that can bring some distinction and benefit to the City of Shreveport. So, thank you David, thanks to all the folks out at True South, and as you all see this on the shelves around Shreveport, Bossier and the rest of the country, know it's yet something else great that comes from the city of Shreveport. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Councilman Walford: As I move to ask Council Members if they have any distinguished guests, I have one that I'd like to recognize. He hasn't got - - - oh no, he's looking at me. Former Councilman and my friend Roy Cary. When Mr. Cary was on the Council, I used to talk to him at times, and he would tell me that's a great idea, but it's political suicide. Does any Council Member have any distinguished guests?

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman, Mr. Cary was also my colleague along with the Mayor over here. We had some enjoyable days back in that time didn't we Roy? And I have another friend that's in the house who is a radio personality, and most of you all don't know his real name, but I guess everybody in radio land call him what? "Cat Daddy". Cat Daddy, it's good to see you down and come down more often and of course I see another one of my friends back there, Rev. Mays whose down quite often. Reverend, we're always glad to have you down to give us a blessing. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Councilman Lester: Mr. Chairman, I'm not going to get in trouble by calling names, however, there are a number of ministers and members of our local clergy that are here. Many from District A, many from Cedar Grove, and I'd just like to thank them for coming down and observing this meeting, and thank them for their leadership, and many of the things that they do, community based efforts. So, I don't want to get in trouble calling names, but if you could ask them to just stand and wave to everybody, we'd appreciate it.

Councilman Walford: Could I ask all the members of the Clergy visiting with us if you please stand?

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, if I might add, in addition to the outstanding members of our local clergy, I'm going to follow Councilman Lester's lead and not call any names, but I think it's also worthwhile to know that we have several members of our audience who are a part of the Civil Rights Community in this city's history. Individuals who helped to lay forth the path that I have trod, and many others. And so like I say, I'm not going to get in trouble by calling

anybody's name, but we have some folks in here who certainly put forth yeoman's work in helping to make Shreveport a better city and certainly making it possible for young men like myself to have the privilege and honor to be able to serve this city. And so I thank them for being here as well.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor, I think you could get in a little trouble, because I think you're kinda big enough to take care of yourself.

Councilman Walford: You know how Mr. Shyne always spots a student or someone in the audience, and has to talk about years ago, when he taught them. Mr. Mayor, your interns make me feel a little bit old. Austin's back there smiling, but there he is going to Tulane, interning for you and I remember when he was born. With that we move to Property Standards Report.

Reports: Property Standards Report

Councilman Webb: Good afternoon Jim. I got a phone call this afternoon from a gentleman that lives in Quail Creek on Pines Road, and the apartment complex which is directly across the street from it. When they evict people from their apartments, they're taking all the furniture and everything. And they're placing it across the street in the island on the side of the road. You know on the island part going down into the subdivision. What can we do to get them to stop doing that.

Mr. Holt: Well what we need to do is get the City Marshall to quit allowing them to put it on the side of the road.

Councilman Webb: That's where the City Marshall told them to put it.

Mr. Holt: Either Mike's folks get stuck with it or, you know we - - - I just saw them this morning, we're going to try a care of premise violation for them dumping on the side of the road and halfway into the yard. So, we're going to cite them under the care of premise ordinance, but in my opinion, something needs to be done so that the City Marshall does not allow that to happen.

Councilman Webb: That's what I was told from a gentleman that management told them that the City Marshal's office instructed them to do that. You must know something about it Chief.

Chief Van Zant: Yeah. Just to let you know, CLO Jimmy Thomas is on the way or is out there now talking to the management of the Apartment complex and to see who to contact to clean the mess up and everything.

Councilman Webb: Yeah, people out there go through it and just scatter it everywhere.

Chief Van Zant: Right, I just wanted to let you know that he is out there to take care of that.

Councilman Shyne: Jim, this is to you and to the Mayor. I've gotten a lot of calls about the good work that was done over the weekend over in Werner Park. And a lot of the folks in Hollywood Heights and some of the other areas Mr. Mayor, want to know when are we going to get started with them, because they've been driving through there, and they like it. And Jim, this is what we need to do. We need to go into these areas with enough manpower Mr. Mayor, where we can make a difference, where people can see. You know you go in, you cut two lots and you've got 30 that need to be cut. It's just like you haven't been in there. But if you go in there, and if you have the manpower, you clean up, you do what needs to be done, then people can see what we're doing. So, I told them we're just starting, this is just the beginning, and as soon as the

rain kinda let up a little bit, we will be really getting back at it, and getting these neighborhoods that we can rebuild. That we can take back.

Mr. Holt: As I mentioned, that as probably the most productive six hours I've seen in a long time. We hauled 25 dump trucks loads out of Werner Park, got a lot of tree limbs cut citations issued for inoperable vehicles, and I still have to meet with each of you and see exactly where your priorities are. Councilman Lester in particular has about 50% of all the adjudicated properties in the city. And of course, we can't tackle all of those at once, but if we can get them in manageable groups like that in any particular area that's giving you a problem, we can make a big impact, and we do plan on doing this more often.

Councilman Shyne: Just one other comment Mr. Chairman. Mr. Mayor, this is to you and to Tom over there who has that solemn look on his face, that business look all the time. Roy, you know you and I have seen it down through the years haven't we. Tom, I appreciate that. You know we have a lot of adjudicated properties, and I think I mentioned maybe two or three work sessions ago to let somebody Mr. Mayor, from your office get with the Parish, and see what kind of agreement that we can come up with because I think Jim is running into some people, I'm running into some people that would be glad to take some of this adjudicated property, keep it clean, maybe have a garden on it, maybe have little activities for some of the kids in the neighborhood. What this would do, this would keep us from having to spend so much money, keeping these properties clean. So, if it's not on the front burner, I would appreciate it if you all would put it on the front burner. And Ms. Bowman, I'm at that age now, where I can't remember everything, but I think you remember the guy's name from the Parish.

Councilwoman Bowman: He was in the back. Jimmy Whittington.

Councilman Shyne: Is he gone? I guess he must have thought I was going to mention his name, so he left out. But Mr. Mayor, if you and Tom could have somebody to contact him and to sit down and lets see what we can come up with so we can get this adjudicated property back in the hands of people, and I also talked to a couple of ministers who told me that their churches in my area, that their churches would take some of this adjudicated property and keep it clean. So, it's a lot of ways that my daddy used to say, cause my daddy was an old man when I was born, and Calvin, that's why I got all this gray hair. He used to always say that it's three or four different ways by which you can skin a cat. So, lets see if we can't get at this cat and take some of these properties off the rolls so we won't have to go in and just spend dollar after dollar after dollar. And I appreciate the effort that the Administration is (inaudible).

Mayor Glover: We'll do Mr. Mayor.

Councilwoman Bowman: Jim, I wanted to thank you for assisting my constituent earlier, and I would appreciate it if you all would notify the employees that when citizens complain, do not let the other people know who made the call. If you want to do anything or they want to say that the report was called in by somebody, and it's in District G, tell 'em I called it in. I don't want my citizens to be afraid.

Mr. Holt: I've already talked to them.

Mayor Glover: Jim, I just want to, before you take your seat, I want to join Councilman Shyne and other members of the Council as well as the folks around Werner Park in passing along my commendations to you and the men and women within the department who were out on Saturday. An outstanding job. Most folks know that when I leave the office here driving out of the garage, I drive down Marshall heading towards the interstate yesterday, while I'm often times waved at and flagged down and what have you, there was a lady who was sitting at the corner of Texas and Marshall who works for the Parish in the courthouse, who literally bolted down the street and ran in front of my truck before I got to the red light, to tell me how pleased she was and

her neighbors at the quality of the work that you all did there this past Saturday. And that they believe that they're going to have a legion of volunteers who will be out there to do the follow up work, because that's one of the points Mr. Shyne and members of the Council I think we need to note in terms of how it is that Jim and Tom, and this Administration has envisioned this effort. This is something that involves not just the city coming out, and doing some things that we've never done, but also challenging our neighborhoods, our citizens to step forward and do some things that they've never done. Because that's going to be followed up, this effort last Saturday will be followed up this coming Saturday if weather permits with a follow up clean up effort by the citizens of the Werner Park Neighborhood Association with the support of the folks at Calumet. So, we've gone in and cleaned up those are the city's responsibility, and the neighbors in that area are going to go through and clean up those areas that are their responsibility. So, outstanding work and we look forward to more bigger and better things.

Councilman Shyne: And Shreveport Green Mr. Mayor.

Mayor Glover: And Shreveport Green.

Mr. Holt: That's what I wanted to mention. They'll be out there handing out leaflets telling people what they should do to keep their property up. But I was supervising. The work came from the employees at DOS, at Property Standards, and the CLO from the Police Department. They're the ones out there making it happen.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, Jim - - - somebody that Tom Dark had a sling blade.

Mr. Holt: Tom was out there.

Councilman Shyne: Wait a minute. I can't - - - Roy, can you believe that? Tom Dark with a sling blade?

Mr. Dark: That would be dangerous Mr. Shyne.

Mayor Glover: Maybe somebody said he looks like (inaudible).

Public Hearing: Proposed Annexations

The Chairman read the following:

1. **Ordinance No. 104 of 2007**: ANNEXATION – Tag No. 05-10: An ordinance enlarging the limits and boundaries of the City of Shreveport – A 35.02 acre tract of land located in section 12 (T16N-R14W), Caddo Parish, Louisiana, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (D/Wooley)

Councilman Walford: I'll start the public hearing is now open. Is there a presentation from the Administration?

Mr. Dark: Only briefly Mr. Chairman. We wanted to remind everyone that this is the subdivision known as Cottage Ridge that is located more or less at Flournoy Lucas Road and I-49. And unlike some of the annexations we do, this one was actually done after people started moving in, so it does represent a majority of the property owners and residents of the area.

Councilman Walford: Okay. Do we have anyone here to speak in favor of the Annexation? Does anyone wish to speak in opposition to the Annexation? Okay. then this public hearing on that annexation is closed.

The Chairman read the following:

2. **Ordinance No. 105 of 2007**: ANNEXATION – Tag No. 06-06: An ordinance enlarging the limits and boundaries of the City of Shreveport – a 22.61 acre tract of land located in

Section 21 (T16N-R13W), Caddo Parish, Louisiana, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (D/Wooley)

Councilman Walford: The public hearing is now open. Mr. Dark, the Administration?

Mr. Dark: Mr. Chairman, this is a 31 lot subdivision that's an expansion to the existing Longlake subdivision. It will be attached to Mr. Wooley's district.

Councilman Walford: Okay. With that, do we have anyone here to speak in favor of the Annexation?

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman, I thought I saw Dr. Artis Cash come in. I don't know whether he's raising his hand up to speak, or he was just scratching his head. Okay. Thank you Dr. Cash.

Councilman Walford: Okay, does anyone wish to speak in opposition to the Annexation? If not then this public hearing is now closed.

Confirmations and/or Appointments, Adding Legislation to the Agenda, and Public Comments.

Confirmations and/or Appointments:

Chief of Police

Mr. Henry L. Whitehorn, Sr.

Motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman Long and Lester simultaneously to confirm the executive appointment of Mr. Henry L. Whitehorn to Police Chief, City of Shreveport.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman, I'd like to commend the Mayor for picking someone who I feel like, has an impeccable record. Someone who has the experience. Someone who I truly feel like will be able to help us alleviate some of the safety problems that we have in this city, and will be a contributing member to the Administration, in making this the next great city of the south. The only other comment that I would like to say Mr. Mayor, after we vote to confirm or reject, I would appreciate it if you would have him come forward and say a word or two. If he doesn't have anything to say, at least give us a smile.

Councilman Walford: Okay, before I call on anyone else's comments, I jump the gun a little bit on Mr. Thompson. It is confirmation of the Chief of Police, but we didn't name him, so it is Col Henry L. Whitehorn, Sr., that more for the benefit of the TV audience of you here. And with that I will go to Ms. Bowman.

Councilwoman Bowman: Thank you. I do have one brief comment, and that is mainly to the female officers of the Shreveport Police Department. And because of my concern for you, I want you to know that I did have the opportunity to speak with Col Whitehorn, in reference to your concerns. And one thing I would like for you to know is that he has certainly assured me that he will act on your behalf as far as promotions are concerned. I'm going to trust him to do what he said he would do. And with that, I will vote to confirm Col Whitehorn. Thank you.

Councilman Lester: Thank you Mr. Chairman. Just wanted to make a brief statement to Col Whitehorn. You know I think he has probably the most difficult job of any of us. Obviously with the new Mayor and the new Administration, he's going to have to walk a very fine line. But I want to say this. Contrary to what may be popular belief, there is no such thing as Black crime. There is no such thing as White crime, there is crime. It cuts across every ethnic background, every socioeconomic background, and his main responsibility as I appreciate it is to

work to restore the sense of community that we have in the City of Shreveport. I'm very enthusiastic that Col Whitehorn will maintain and in many ways increase the level of professionalism with our police department, and that's something I think is very important. I think his extensive experience and his credentials are above reproach and above question. He is over qualified for this job. I'm embarrassed that he would even consider taking the job to be honest with you. I'm embarrassed that people have even raised the question as to whether he can do his job. I would just say to hopefully our next Chief of Police, and to the Mayor we need one Police Department that polices as aggressively in Cedar Grove, and Mooretown, and the Cooper Road, as they do in Cherokee Park and Highland, and Broadmoor, that we cut no corner. And I want to thank Col Whitehorn for accepting this tremendous challenge. I think he's more than prepared to do it, and I'm excited about what I think our philosophy is going to be. Hard but fair. And I don't think that's something that we've always had in this police department. And I'm just excited that I can be a part of casting a vote and being alive at a time when I can see a police chief that looks like me, given the history of the relationship of the police department and a great deal of this community. When you think about the whole September 1964 incident, where my pastor Harry Blake, and the D'Artois of the world, I'm sure wherever he is, he's kicking all the dirt off his grave, and I'm sure that's a good thing. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Councilman Wooley: Thank you Mr. Chairman. Today, I'm going to be casting a 'NO' vote for the confirmation of Col Whitehorn, and I do want to explain this to everyone. This is based on what I believe are qualified individuals within our own local police department. I stand on that principle today that there are many qualified men and women who applied for that position to be the next Chief of Police for the City of Shreveport. I have read Col Whitehorn's resume, and it is very impressive. I've heard greater views about Col Whitehorn. I've had the opportunity to meet Col Whitehorn privately, and I find him to be a fine gentleman. I think he would serve, and if he is confirmed, will serve this city well. But I do stand on principle that when you have men and women who have served this community, this particular community day in and day out for years upon years, and who are well respected, not only in the Police Department, but also in the public sector. I believe those are the people, or that is the person, whether it be man or woman should be the next Chief of Police of our city. A perfect example of that is Capt Wayne Smith. Here is a gentleman who has served I believe this city for 28 years. He has the respect from everyone, Black, White, Red, Yellow, young, old, from one side of town to the other side of town. That was the one name I heard more than any other name, when it came to who you think the next chief could be or should be. So that is an example of an officer who has served this community well. He has poured his blood, sweat and tears into this city, day in and day out. And granted, Col Whitehorn has served without question, with integrity, and with honesty throughout the State of Louisiana. He even served this community for a few years, not a number of years. And I am thankful and very grateful for anyone who would take the time to serve our city. But I look at the ideal that if someone has been here, and has been here for a long period of time, any given amount of time, definitely in the case of Capt Wayne Smith, and others that were candidates for the Shreveport Police Chief, they served this city, they were loyal to this city, they served with the (inaudible) Col Whitehorn or anyone for going on and doing what they felt was best for them to do for their life (inaudible) responsibilities to the citizens of Shreveport, and so I'm looking or I would like to have seen someone who has stayed right here in Shreveport, and who has served this community once again, years upon years, and shown their loyalty so this is not, and let me make this quite clear. This is not a 'NO' vote to Col Whitehorn, this is a 'YES' vote to the men and women of the Shreveport Police Department. Thank you.

Councilman Long: I wanted to also after some of the comments that Councilman Lester made about Col Whitehorn, that if he is picked today, one of the things that he told me that he would do is that he would engage the citizens of this city to step up and do their part to help fight crime, because lets face it, the police are an important component of that, the Chief of Police is an important component of that, but the citizens without a doubt are the most important component of that, and what we need and what I hope will happen with his appointment, and I will support him, and give him my vote, is that we can instill a level of confidence and leadership for the police department that will in turn give faith and confidence to the citizens, so they can step up, speak their minds, let people know, let the police know when things are happening, and feel empowered to try to help stop the crime that goes on in their neighborhoods. So, that is my wish for Col Whitehorn. He has expressed to me in my meeting with him that he would do that, and that's one of the main reasons I feel comfortable with him today. So, I just hope that all the citizens out there, please step up and do your part, because we're getting ready to do ours. Thank you.

Councilman Webb: Thank you Mr. Chairman. Yes I too will be confirming Mr. Whitehorn today. When I first heard who the selection was, I had some mixed emotions about it. I somewhat wanted to see us also have someone come up from the inside, but I don't really have a problem after talking with Col Whitehorn. I believe he is going to be a great chief, and I like some of the things that he told he during my interview with him, and the changes that he's going to make with the department. I won't elaborate on what they are, but I think they are great ideas. I know he had a coat and tie on today. I interviewed him, and I asked him if he was going to be coat and tie chief, sitting behind the desk delegating, or if he was going to be in uniform, out in the field leading by example. And that's what he said he would be doing, which I think will be necessary for us to have an effective chief. I do know it's going to be a lot of challenges, but I think he's going to be well received by the community, and I'm looking forward to seeing what takes place, and the changes that we'll see. And I know the last time we had an appointment from out of town, out of state chief, things didn't go the way expected, but this is a different era, and a different circumstances, and even the applicant himself is much more qualified in my opinion, so I will be confirming his vote. Thanks.

Councilman Walford: I want to take just a minute and make a comment or two. I too will be voting to confirm Col Whitehorn. I made that clear actually on the night that you made the announcement Mr. Mayor, and I met with Col Whitehorn that evening, although somewhat briefly. Mr. Mayor, I want to commend you for the process that you went through, and I know there was criticism about the time involved, but I compliment you, because I believe the process was thorough, and complete, and I support you 100% in your choice. I think it's a good one, I think we have great things to look forward to. Certainly I don't need to elaborate on Col Whitehorn's qualifications. But I will have to tell you that in my meeting last week with Col Whitehorn, I left really favorably impressed. And I will also tell you that I have had nothing but positive calls urging me to support him. So, he certainly has my vote, and unless there are other comments from the Council, we have the motion by Mr. Shyne, with two seconds. So all in favor vote yes please.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Long, Webb, Shyne and Bowman. 6. Nays: Councilman Wooley. 1.

Councilman Walford: That's six for and one against. And if there's no objection from the Council, and I believe Col Whitehorn is hear, I'd like to ask him to step forward for just a

minute. Col, I welcome you. I'm going to tell you now publicly on the record again, we don't have that \$400,000,000 budget you had to work with, we're going to have to cut you a little.

Chief Whitehorn: Mr. Mayor, Mr. Chairman and Members of the Council and to all these fine citizens that are represented here today, it's both a privilege and a pleasure for me to be here and have this opportunity to serve the City of Shreveport in such a way that I feel is one of the most meaningful ways that a person could serve, and that is being the Chief of Police and that of a law enforcement officer. I want to thank first of all my wife, Waverlyn come up. So y'all can see her. I want to thank her for her love and support as we all know without the right woman in our life, the things that us men try to do, without that special help mate, just doesn't work.

Councilman Shyne: Could you pause and let us say Amen on that. Can I get an Amen on that? I know we got a bunch of preachers in the house.

Chief Whitehorn: So, I'd just like to take this time and thank her for her love and support. I want to thank the Mayor for having the confidence in me to select me for this very important position in his Administration. I want to thank in advance the men and women of the Shreveport Police Department because Mr. Wooley, I too believe that we have some great folks in that department. And many of them are qualified to be Chief of Police, I agree with that. I got a lot that I guess I could say, but I just want to thank everybody that's here in support, and I assure you that you will not be disappointed with this appointment. I will do everything within my power to help Mayor Glover make this the next great city of the south.

Councilman Wooley: Chief Whitehorn? We just confirmed him so we can call him Chief Whitehorn now. Chief Whitehorn sir, I just want to say congratulations and I look forward to working with you. Thank you.

Councilman Shyne: You know Mr. Chairman, Chief - - - I was just about to say it kinda sound like he was talking to an Indian Chief when he said Chief Whitehorn.

Shreve Memorial Library Board

Ms. Ascension Smith

Motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman Bowman to confirm the executive appointment of Ms. Ascension Smith to the Shreve Memorial Library Board. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne and Bowman. 7. Nays: None.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman, I'm sorry - - - did I hear the Mayor say that at one time, this was his principal?

Mayor Glover: Absolutely Mr. Shyne, and I'm sitting here with my fingers crossed hoping that you all will affirm this appointment, so I won't end up being called into the principal's office.

Councilman Shyne: That's what I was about to say, because it seems like a few years ago, I could see you walking with your head down because you had been called into her office.

Assistant Superintendent of Solid Waste

Mr. Wardell Bowie

Motion by Councilman Bowman, seconded by Councilman Lester to confirm the executive appointment of Mr. Wardell Bowie to the position of Assistant Superintendent of Solid Waste.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman, I haven't seen - - - I'm so used to seeing Mr. Bowie Mr. Mayor, is he here?

Councilman Walford: He was here yesterday.

Mayor Glover: He was here yesterday Mr. Shyne.

Councilman Walford: He's working today.

Councilman Shyne: I do hope that you let him come down from time to time.

Mayor Glover: Well we will certainly have him come by whenever the Council would like, just to make sure that those of you who are very familiar with him will maintain your level of comfort.

Councilman Shyne: Thank you Mr. Mayor.

Mayor Glover: We'll let him and Jim share their usual space behind the post.

Councilman Walford: You'll notice Jim moved over.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne and Bowman. 7. Nays: None.

Adding Legislation to the Agenda

The Clerk read the following:

1. **Resolution No. 111 of 2007**: 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 St. Vincent Mall for the Annual Firecracker Run on July 4, 2007 and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
2. **Ordinance No. 117 of 2007**: An Ordinance amending the 2007 General Fund Budget and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

Motion by Councilman Lester, seconded by Councilman Bowman to add Resolution No. 111 of 2007, and Ordinance No. 117 of 2007 to the agenda. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne and Bowman. 7. Nays: None.

Mr. Thompson: I also have the appointment for Mr. Danyne Malone, but this requires that you suspend the rules if you want to add it to the agenda, and it will not be voted on this time, but next time, I believe that's what the Mayor wanted to do on these.

Motion by Councilman Bowman, seconded by Councilman Shyne to add the executive appointment of Mr. Malone's confirmation to the agenda. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne and Bowman. 7. Nays: None.

Public Comments (Agenda Items to be Adopted)

Ms. Barbara Norton: (3821 Marlowe) Let me first thank God for my presence here today. To the Mayor, to the Chairman, to our first lady and to all of you who are members of this Council. I certainly stand here today. I am just so happy. Words cannot express how I feel just to say thank you to Mayor Cedric Glover for all of his efforts and his works that he's done here in

our city, and for the choice that he has made today. I stand here today to say that you made the best for the City of Shreveport. I also stand here today to say thank you to Chief Whitehorn. I stand here to say that he is a man that I grew to love every time we had an opportunity to do something in the community, and I called upon him for our citizens and for our children, he always says yes, I will be there, I am on my way. He even came in several times from Baton Rouge, he came to be a part of many things that we were doing here in our city. I heard someone say that he needs to make sure that he's working with the community. He's already working with the community, and I just say to him, I know without a doubt that you will be the greatest chief in this country. Again, thank you.

Mr. Kirk Armitage: (2307 Douglas, Bossier City, LA) Today, by the zoning of SC-18-07, I was here two weeks ago, and there was some opposition that didn't sign in that I was understanding that this questions from the Council that I had left because there was no opposition at the time.

Councilman Walford: Mr. Webb?

Councilman Webb: That's a zoning case.

Councilman Walford: I have two speakers in opposition. If the Council doesn't object, could we let Mr. Armitage sit down, get the opposition a minute. If there are questions be addressed like that, since that was a problem two weeks ago.

Councilman Shyne: That's a brilliant idea Mr. Chairman.

Councilman Lester: Are we going to vote on that?

Councilman Walford: Today?

Councilman Lester: Yeah.

Councilman Walford: It was postponed two weeks ago. So, if there's no objection, if you'll just take a seat up front or something, I will call the two folks in opposition. And that would be Mr. Ray Gillespie.

Mr. Ray Gillespie: (6473 Buncombe Road) I oppose the trailer park that they are planning to put in. One reason is their sewerage system. We do not have city sewerage out there, and they're going to have whatever kind they put in, I don't know what they're going to put in, but I don't think it's going to be a very healthy environment for that. And the property value will be brought down, and crime will probably come in, and that's the reason I'm opposing that.

Ms. Delores Gillespie: (6473 Buncombe Road) I oppose because it's right next to our property. It's so close and everything, plus it's going to bring in crime, bring the property values down, plus the thing about it when you sell to one person, and they decide to move, then you just get anybody. And the sewerage will be a problem, because it's going to probably smell and everything with that new trailers in there. But it's right up against our property. Also, there is coming out of even our driveway, you've got to back around and turn around to come out because it's so dangerous there. It doesn't look like a curve, but when you're coming out you'll see. And there's a lot of traffic on that road and all. So, I oppose.

Councilman Walford: Mr. Armitage, you're welcomed to come back to the microphone sir, apparently there were no specific questions, unless Mr. Webb - - -

Councilman Webb: Mr. Gillespie mentioned the sewerage system. Would you explain what type of sewerage system you intend to put in?

Mr. Armitage: All your - - - has to be a state approved. There's different kinds. There's (inaudible), there's Aerobic systems where they use sprinklers. It's a customers choice on whether or not they use a flow drain system or a sprinkler type system, whether or not the ground permits, but each one has to be state inspected up for a year, and then it's the customers responsibility also to keep 'em up to city code thereafter. We've I guess in the subdivisions that

we've put 'em in, I've not heard that. This the first and we've not ruled out yet if it's going to be right now, we're toying with the idea. We know we have city water on the side of it, we've not ruled out we're not going to put in the city sewerage as well. The biggest problem we're having right now is we're having KCS railroad right there, and we would have to come under it. So we've got to look at what the cost would be involved to get the city sewerage there, and into the subdivision. So, we're not 100% that it's going to be septic systems anyway.

Councilman Webb: When will y'all make that determination?

Mr. Armitage: Once we get everything lined out as far as the approval. We've pretty much - - -we went to a - - - you know we started out with a 29 lot subdivision, and we went ahead and increased the size of the lots to 25,000 square feet because that was one of the concerns of the residents when we met with them to have larger tracts where there wouldn't be as many people, so we went back and we made 'em 25,000 square feet so that that would also help with if we do go with the septic systems. With the Gillespies, I don't know if you've looked at the actual dimensions of the property, but we've even agreed to build a fence on the side of the Gillespies to protect that area, since that was a concern of theirs, at our cost which is going to run from \$15-20,000 when you think about from the front of Buncombe Road all the back of the 20 acres. And this was the first concern that I've heard from anyone that we had met with when we met with the area residents and that was the septic.

Councilman Webb: So, if you started off with 29 lots, and you've increased the square footage, what are you looking at now?

Mr. Armitage: 27 lots, and the thing - - - I don't know how familiar with the subdivision, but it's - - - they're not parks. This is private property owned by an individual. They are buying that lot. There's 27 lots for sale, no different than it would be if it were 27 lots and a site built subdivision. They go in and their mortgages are exactly the same, you don't - - - there is no way to lease out that particular one, unless you're economically - - - your finances will withstand that. You sell that piece of property just like you do the mobile home and the land become one. It's done in a mortgage just like any other type mortgage. No difference whatsoever.

Councilman Shyne: Charles, could you come forward. I know you've heard a lot of clapping and Amening today, but - - -

Councilman Walford: Mr. Shyne if we could, lets save debate and Mr. Kirkland until we're actually hearing that item. Basically what we're supposed to hear right now is public comments from Mr. Armitage.

Councilman Shyne: Well - - -

Councilman Walford: We're not debating the item right now.

Councilman Shyne: I would hope that this would not be a debate back and forth between me and Mr. Armitage, I just wanted to ask - - -

Councilman Walford: What I'm saying is we will be considering that item on the agenda.

Councilman Shyne: I mean I'm - - - Mr. Chairman, I'm fine with that. I enjoy working with you, and you know I'm a fellow who doesn't like to have any friction, so whatever you say.

Councilman Walford: We'll have Mr. Kirkland and debate on the item. If I can go to Mr. Long. Is it a question for Mr. Armitage?

Councilman Long: Yeah, I do have a question for him. Have y'all proposed any subdivision covenants to try to - - -?

Mr. Armitage: We actually, when we met with the residents that were concerned, we actually - - - we used some generic ones, but we gave them the opportunity that once everything was approved, they could actually be a part of that, the ones in that surrounding area. If there

were particular things that they wanted to put in the covenants, we were open to that, since the area was their neighborhood. They even - - - the meeting we had with them, they mentioned a homeowners association, which we were all for. With a homeowner association, you have - - - there's responsibility there too. And we let them know that as well. There is responsibility on each one of the members, and as far as the covenants and things, covenants are only as good as the homeowners association, the people within them. You can have covenants and if you don't have something to enforce them, they're not any good, and that's what we explained to them.

Councilman Long: Well my comment is that I would urge you that at sometime, certain covenants like not having trash in the yard, or cars or things of this nature can be legally enforced, not necessarily by homeowners association, but by an individual, if they're legally put into the subdivision as part of the covenant. There's ways to do that, that don't necessarily require a homeowners association. But I would strongly urge y'all to take a look at that and incorporate that into your planning.

Mr. Armitage: Yes sir, we have, and the good thing with ours is some subdivisions open up things to every dealer, this one will only be open to ours. It'll be no other homes that will be sold outside of our dealership.

**CONSENT AGENDA LEGISLATION
TO INTRODUCE RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES**

RESOLUTIONS: None.

ORDINANCES: None.

TO ADOPT RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES:

RESOLUTIONS: None.

ORDINANCES: None.

REGULAR AGENDA LEGISLATION

**RESOLUTIONS ON SECOND READING AND FINAL PASSAGE OR WHICH
REQUIRE ONLY ONE READING**

The Clerk read the following:

RESOLUTION NO. 89 OF 2007

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A SUBORDINATION
AGREEMENT WITH SHREVEPORT RENEWAL LIMITED PARTNERSHIP
RELATIVE TO THE UNITED JEWELERS/LEE HARDWARE PROJECT AND TO
OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

BY:

WHEREAS, in 1996, the City of Shreveport awarded Section 108 loan funds to Historic Restoration, Inc., (predecessor of Shreveport Renewal Limited Partnership) for renovation of the former Lee Hardware and United Jewelers buildings into low income artist housing and market rate apartment units; and

WHEREAS, renovation of the buildings has provided much needed affordable housing to citizens of city as well as significantly enhanced the appearance of the downtown area; and

WHEREAS, the loan was secured by a mortgage on the property in favor of the City of Shreveport; and

WHEREAS, Shreveport Renewal has obtained approval for a new loan from Capmark Finance Inc., ("Capmark"); and

WHEREAS, Capmark requests that the City subordinate it mortgage in favor of the new mortgage resulting from the new loan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened that Cedric B. Glover, Mayor, is hereby authorized to execute a subordination agreement with Shreveport Renewal Limited Partnership, substantially in accordance with the draft thereof which was filed with the original copy of this resolution for public inspection in the Office of the Clerk of Council on May 22, 2007.

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 Lester, seconded by Councilman Bowman to postpone.

Councilman Wooley: Can I ask why for the postponement?

Councilman Lester: I have some concerns about this subordination agreement. I did have an opportunity to have some dialogue with at least two folks from HRI on early last week. I think on Friday, the folks from Community Development provided some information to our offices. I was out of town, didn't get a chance to review it, came back Monday, and of course I'm leaving in a minute, so that's an issue. Some of the things that I talked to the folks with HRI about relative to how that's going to affect the City's position on several things, and a couple of things, an idea of a compromise that they floated up to me, I want to have an opportunity to talk with Ms. Scott about, and I haven't had that opportunity. So, it's not a scenario where I'm purposely dragging my feet, because I don't do that. My uneasiness with this whole scenario predates this particular council. This is something that I have been talking about for quite some time, and before I want to move forward on it, I want to make sure that you know we exercise our due diligence, and on top of that, this same company is involved with the hotel, and I think maybe two meetings ago, I made a direct request of them relative to getting some information about Fair Share, and I still haven't gotten that yet. And I just don't think it's fair for them to ask me to vote to do something that's clearly going to give a benefit to them in a contract that in my mind does not benefit the City. When they can't at least get together their Fair Share report as it relates to the hotel. So, I know we've got two different things going on, but like I told Mr. Boettner, those are my concerns, and to the extent that I've had scenarios where people have come before us and looked me straight in the eye, and been less than truthful, I think what is it the Russian proverb, 'trust, but verify'. So, that's where I am on that.

Councilwoman Bowman: Even when this does come up for final passage, I just think it's a bad thing for the city to continuously shed out money to a company that is basically telling us that they are not making anything. They're not making a profit. I didn't like it when the representative came before us, and he basically said that and then he wanted to provide information that they are not making money, but they've been running this business and receiving payments or whatever for a period of time, but yet, they cannot pay the City, or the City is the one who is going to end up paying more money, I'm not going with it.

Councilman Shyne: I call for the vote Mr. Chairman.

Councilman Walford: I'm going to make a quick comment. I've had I guess four conversations now with HRI, I've gotten the information. I think we have a responsibility to look to protect the City's position, and this is in this case to bring Fair Share into it, is a totally

separate issue, it has nothing to do with this. My concern is if we put them in a position of defaulting on the first mortgage, we're going to wind up just like we are with the entertainment district. We're going to totally lose our interest. So, I'm opposed to postponement. I think we need to go ahead with this. I think we protect the City's position by maintaining the second mortgage position that we have. We subordinated to begin with by taking a second mortgage, we slightly improve our position by going ahead now. So

Councilwoman Bowman: This motion is to postpone?

Councilman Lester: Right.

Councilman Walford: And I'm saying to postpone, weakens our position the longer we take.

Councilman Lester: Mr. Chairman, I just wanted to add just so the record is complete, with all due respect to the fine folks at HRI, we've taken about \$2,000,000 from our Section 108 plan, that rather than to fulfill other obligations in Community Development Block Grant areas, we've paid that loan off. As I appreciate it, the only person that's going to benefit from the refinancing is HRI. And as I appreciate it, August we make the last payment. So, if they default, I guess I would ask the City Attorney if we deal with a Sheriff sale, then hey - - - let's foreclose and maybe we can be the purveyor of an apartment complex that we could turn over for artists housing, and house some of the movie industry folks, but the fact that HRI is going to lose another \$10 or 15,000, I just think it's interesting that the City has managed to pay their \$2,000,000 debt over the 10 year period, and they pay nothing. They want us to hurry up. The concept of loss, excuse the pun, is lost on me in that scenario.

Councilman Shyne: I call for the vote.

Motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman Lester to call for the question and end debate.

Councilman Wooley: Mr. Chairman, I want to ask this question.

Councilman Walford: Mr. Shyne has actually made a motion for - - - I have a motion from Mr. Shyne and a second from Mr. Lester to end debate and that's non-debatable, so - - -.

Motion to call for the question and end debate approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Long, Wooley, Shyne and Bowman. 6. Nays: Councilman Webb. 1.

Motion to postpone failed by the following vote: Nays: Councilmen Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, and Shyne 5. Ayes: Councilmen Lester, and Bowman. 2.

Motion by Councilman Long, seconded by Councilman Wooley to adopt Resolution No. 89 of 2007.

Councilman Lester: Just to refresh the Council's memory on the last meeting, my Council colleague, several of them had issues relative to information on the next item that we're going to vote for. They asked because they had not been given the information in a timely fashion to postpone those issues so that they can have their questions answered and get the information properly. This Councilman said to the extent that I believe you have a legitimate issue, I don't have a problem postponing because at a minimum, we owe each other at least the courtesy that if a person has a legitimate question or concern relative to an issue, that we should

postpone, and I did that for several of the Council Members. In fact, even on something that was an issue that I brought to the Council, my colleagues said that they requested additional information, they wanted to in fact speak to the City Attorney relative to those issues, I said fine. I will postpone because I think you have legitimate concerns. I have several legitimate concerns as it relates to their agreement for subordination, as it relates to the City's position. Now, I can understand that the people from HRI are very, very good lobbyists, and I can understand that they are very concerned about getting their deal done, but I think it smacks of hypocrisy for meeting 1) a Councilman asks for information with a legitimate issue, and we postpone simply based on the request. And I'm asking the same thing. I mean, had I been here Friday, and had I gotten that information, I probably would have been in a better position to deal with it, but you know where I was Friday, and you know where I'm going as soon we finish with No. 2. And those issues are not mutually exclusive. I don't think HRI is losing that much by postponing, but if this Council takes the position that it's more important to HRI to refinance their deal and save \$20,000 when they have not paid the City a single dime in ten years. If it's more important to deal with that, than to deal with a colleague's legitimate request for time, when you have done the same thing, and I have honored those requests, then so be it. I just want that to be said. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Motion adopt Resolution No. 89 of 2007 approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Walford, Long, Webb, and Shyne 4. Nays: Councilmen Lester, Wooley, and Bowman. 3.

RESOLUTION NO. 92 OF 2007

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE PAY PLAN FOR MUNICIPAL POLICE CIVIL SERVICE PERSONNEL TO PROVIDE CERTAIN INCENTIVE PAY AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the prevention and detection of crime is of paramount importance to the citizens of the City of Shreveport; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport has determined that there are significant benefits to the community in having police officers living within the city limits and in having marked police cars parked at those residences; and

WHEREAS, the benefit of having police officers living in neighborhoods is even greater in Community Development Block Grant targeted neighborhoods, because those neighborhoods are often at greater risk of blight and crime; and

WHEREAS, the benefits to the city in having police officers reside within the city limits far outweigh the costs of providing incentive pay to encourage officers to live within the city and particularly in CDBG neighborhoods.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in legal session convened, that the salary schedule attached hereto as Attachment "A" be and is hereby approved, effective January 1, 2008.

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 Lester, seconded by Councilman Shyne to adopt.

Councilman Lester: I was prepared to vote for this the last time, because I think it's a legitimate issue. One of my colleagues was not prepared to vote for this the last time, he said he needed the information. I postponed it, so I would defer to my colleague whether or not his information puts him in a position to vote on this issue today, given the fact that apparently we now have a sliding scale when someone asks for the time for postponement to move forward on issues.

Councilman Wooley: Thank you Mr. Chairman. Councilman Lester as you've noted on the screen, I did oppose that last resolution in your respect and to honor to you so that you get information in a timely manner. Because you were honoring me at the same time at the last Council Meeting, so I wanted to be fair, and do it for as well, so I think it is noteworthy. On this issue, I just want to reiterate my opposition to this plan. And I think it's important that we make clear here that the issue is not the take home car. The issue is the tax incentive. It is well documented that having take home vehicles is a very cost effective way to have cars and support a police department. It saves money on the maintenance, versus the gas that it may or may not spend more of or the perception thereof for a police car, but definitely is a cost saver for any police department to have a take home car policy. But that is not the issue. The issue is the tax incentive for individuals who are homeowners, live in the city limits and have a marked car, which I believe Mr. Mayor has defined as cars with stars and bars and actually have police on it with lights on top. I have a few problems with this. No. 1, I actually went back and researched the studies that Mr. Mayor had provided to us, and I went back and looked at that, and the commonality between the studies was the fact that the take home car policy is effective. And I have no argument with that. I think that is a good thing for the simple reason, or for one reason that it is a cost saver for the police department. It was still debated though even those same cited studies were not how effective they were, because as the researchers studies, they said if anything it made those people who live in those neighborhoods feel good to know a police officer was near, but yet there was no statistics to show that crime actually went down in those same areas. So, I do want to note that. Even here in Shreveport, I've talked to police officers who've had their laptops stolen out of their cars, who've had their steering column for lack of a better word jacked up. I think a local journalist noted that a woman was mugged in her driveway with a deputy sheriff living on one side, and SPD on the other. And that was an actual incident that occurred in Shreveport. So, you know whether it deters it or not, I'm not sure. But I do think it's a great policy to put in place because it is a cost saver for the police department. No. 2, it's a morale booster for police officers, and No. 3, it is an incentive in itself and that says to me where the incentive should lie is let that officer take that vehicle home, but not give him or her that tax incentive. It's almost like a double dip. And then what you're going to do is, and I have a little visual aid, just three simple cups. You have three different people that can be affected by this. Actually more than three. But we're going to say that within the boundaries of the city limits, cause we know there are officers that live outside the city limits, who by the way do have take home vehicles that are unmarked and someone explained to me that when this policy came in place, that only marked cars could be inside city limits, so we got smart and started ordering more unmarked cars. I guess that needs to be researched. But regardless of that, you have three folks. You have the officer that has a take home vehicle, a homeowner that lives inside city limits. Then you have the officer that has a home, but has an unmarked car and lives inside the city limits. Then you have the person who has a marked car, but rents, but lives inside city

limits. So, according to this tax incentive, you must be a homeowner, you must have a marked vehicle, you must live inside the city limits. Well, they guy here who has the home, the marked car and inside the city limits, he or she will get that tax incentive. So he or she is right there. This person right here is an officer inside city limits with a marked car, but rents. Now people rent for all kinds of reasons. Maybe that's where they are right now, financial situations, maybe they have no interest in buying, for whatever reason, but they're renters so they're over here, because they're not going to get that money. Then you have this person over here who is an officer, who lives inside city limits who has an unmarked car. Well they, in the unmarked car, by definition of their job, they could be detective, they could be undercover, they could be SWAT, so they too will not be able to participate in that tax incentive. Now you isolated these officers who've chosen to live inside the city limits of Shreveport, which that seems to be the goal for the incentive, to be inside the city, but yet they can't have it because they rent, and this person here, he can't have it because of his job description. So now, you have but a few of the 500+ officers or right at 500 that we have in SPD, only a small margin will be right here, and you've excluded these folks, but you have the commonality between all of them is that they're inside the city. And the commonality between all of them is they have a reasonable act of duty to respond to any emergency. That means if John Doe knows this guy right here is an undercover cop because anybody lives in the neighborhood knows that's an unmarked car, because it's in a public place and those kinds of things, and they just know, everybody knows, even a criminal knows it's an unmarked car. But I've been told there are criminals that are real smart that drive by the police department checking out all the unmarked cars, so when they come in the neighborhood, they can keep track of them, alright? So, but this guy right here is still having to respond to emergency. Someone knocks on the door. Why? Because he or she is a sworn police officer. They have a reasonable act to respond to that. They're not going to tell somebody no. So, we want them to all respond as police officers, and even if we have some outside city limits that will respond as well, and we all know that. But if we're going to focus on the city limits, you're now excluding these people. They've got to do the same job as this person right over here. And I think it's an unfair initiative. The car itself is a major incentive. I'd love to have a take home car, so my gas guzzling truck could stay at the house a little bit. You see? But (inaudible) when I did that. So, now you've excluded a large number of folks and there won't be a morale booster, because they're saying I live inside the city limits, I serve the community, I'm there when people knock on the door, but I can't get that break just because either I don't have a marked car, or because I'm renting at the moment. Okay? And then I noticed we targeted the CDBG neighborhoods, and I have one in my district that I'm very concerned about which I stated that quite clearly last council meeting. But then we're hoping that either people will either move into city limits, stay in the city limits, move into CDBG neighborhoods, stay in CDBG neighborhoods, but there's not guarantee that even if someone takes that initiative, that they will stay in a CDBG neighborhood, or stay inside city limits. You say well, that's their choice. Yes, that's their choice, but all I'm saying is you need to make it fair for all the officers in SPD, because all of them are doing their job, responding when they need to respond, and acting as a reasonable service to the City of Shreveport. And a couple of other things. Just little side notes really. When someone has a take home car and he parks it in his garage, they don't know there's a police officer there, there's no visual deterrent, because it's in the garage. He keeps it clean, he keeps it from the weather, something of that nature. I think I might have one more here. Just wanted to bring out as a side note. No actually I believe that's it, and so I just wanted to reiterate that. You know, if you're going to make an initiative for police officers, to make it across the board initiative. Don't exclude folks because of the

situation that they probably cannot help or you know, we shouldn't dictate to them if they can or cannot help it. I know someone brought the idea that there are officers that live in apartment complexes. You say well they get breaks sometimes, sometimes they don't get breaks, but we as a city don't make policy decisions because someone else has made a policy decision on their end. So, I just want a fair initiative. The car itself is an initiative, and there is no guarantee that we're going to get the results that we're looking for. Thank you.

Councilwoman Bowman: I am going to support this, because I do have the CDBG area, and the majority of my area is that. I would be foolish to sit here and go against it when I know that I need whatever I can get for the citizens that I represent who are afraid. Because crime is so rampant within the district that I represent. Because of that I understand the concept that Councilman Wooley is speaking about. However, I have to represent the citizens and I want to give them whatever is necessary and however I can go about doing that. Whatever means it takes to protect them and to make them feel safe. That's my - - - one of my ultimate goals as the Council Representative of District G. So, I will be supporting this because it is something that the citizens I represent will need. Just the presence of a police car being there. If that makes them safe, that's what I go with. I will certainly urge other Council Members to do that. If you don't have high crime areas in your district today, like I said before, it's in my house today, it'll be in yours tomorrow. Thank you.

Councilman Webb: I agree with a lot of the comments that Councilman Wooley made and I don't want to vote 'NO' on this and not allow the policeman to have the take home cars, so I would like to make a substitute motion that we allow the take home cars, but without the incentive pay.

Mayor Glover: We already do.

Councilman Webb: They already do.

Mayor Glover: We already have a take home policy, Mr. Chairman?

Councilman Walford: Mr. Mayor, I was going to go there, but I'm going to let you have it.

Councilman Webb: I'll just withdraw my motion then if (inaudible).

Councilman Walford: Mr. Mayor why don't you go ahead and clarify or your staff, however you'd like to - - -

Mayor Glover: Thank you Mr. Chairman, Members of the Council. Councilman Webb, I regret that you may be depending on some arguments that and this may set a new standard, as I know bricks and sticks and straw, we talked about last week. I guess we're now building them out of Styrofoam at this point. So, you may be relying on some incorrect information. But we do currently have a take home program that was initiated by the previous Council, Mr. Walford and Mr. Lester, and the previous Administration. It's one that right now, the policy is that if you area police car and you live within the city limits of Shreveport, whether you rent, buy or whatever the case may be, if you live in Shreveport, then you are provided with at take home vehicle. That's why we currently have some 175 members of the police department who currently have take home vehicles right now in the city, and we certainly intend to do nothing to diminish that. This is an effort to try and grow that program. In fact, one of the things that I'm glad at least is acknowledged by Councilman Wooley is the fact that it is a proven fact that take home car programs are good in general. And if we had an unlimited amount of money down here, I would probably stand before you as Mayor and propose that we provide a take home care vehicle for everyone that lives within a reasonable proximity to Shreveport, because despite the fact that you have a substantial up front capital expense in terms of all the cars you have to buy, you save money in the long term because of the reduced maintenance, and the extended

replacement types and what have you. But that's a number that if you think this \$117,000 that we're talking about is a big number, then the number to provide all 500+ police officers take home cars, no matter where they live, gets us well into the millions. And that's not anything that we're looking to propose at least at this particular time. This more than anything else as I have said, with the Council and with the City, is that this is an effort that's a public safety initiative. There are those who have said that as a Sheriff deputy who lives on one side of me, and a police officer who lives on the other, but yet and still the old lady on my street got mugged. And my response to them has been well, obviously that's an unfortunate situation, but how many crimes might have been prevented. How many other muggings might there have been had that Sheriff or that Police Officer not been on the street. And so, Councilman Webb, we already have a take home car program. This is an effort to try and provide an additional incentive to maintain those that are here and hopefully bring others into the city, and to do it at a number that is extremely, extremely reasonable I think, with the potential benefits that we can generate from it. We're trying to create hopefully Shreveport as the kind of place that our officers will have a choice, as we want to have. Here's another reason that you might want to consider coming to the City of Shreveport. That's all we're looking to do here. If that's something that's a bad thing or a wrong thing, then make me the bad guy today.

Councilman Long: Thank you Mr. Mayor. I'm going to support this. Councilman Wooley does bring up some good points and I would urge you guys, the Administration to continue to seek ways, especially now that we have a new Police Chief to come up with some other incentives and some other programs that will benefit the force as a whole. Hopefully at some level or different groups, you know whatever. Just help these guys, because obviously we can't pay them enough of what they are truly worth. And we need to try to devise creative ways to make their economic existence viable here in the city. So, I can appreciate what you're trying to accomplish here, I appreciate again, Councilman Wooley's comments, they're well taken. I think we need to do more. So, I urge you guys to continue to look at that in the future.

Councilman Walford: I'm going to make a brief comment here. I certainly am supporting it Mr. Mayor. I think it's a excellent program. I can't tell you how good it feels when I drive around down Highland near (inaudible) and that area and see a police car there. And Mr. Long's district, I know on Ockley. I think it's a great deterrent, if it just deters one crime. I think the cost is very small to the potential benefit that we will get. I certainly understand that there are concerns and after some conversations that you and I have had, I urge us to make sure our police force understands other incentives that are out there from HUD and others, but I have neighborhoods that about Ms. Bowman's and Mr. Shyne's which (inaudible), so with that I'm certainly voting yes.

Councilman Shyne: I support it. I haven't said very much, because when I was growing up and it start thundering and lightening, my mother always made me sit down and be quiet. And I know your mother did the same thing. That's why I haven't said anything.

Councilman Wooley: Just want to say for the record since it was on the record the last Council Meeting that I did ask for the information from the Administration. The Administration did provide numbers for me, I do appreciate that. And just for the benefit of those watching, I just wanted to read this. The state property taxes for 2007 are 46.64 mils meaning that a house of \$125,600 would generate \$585.80 in city property taxes and obviously using a 200 home yield, because I believe the project is - - - I think the goal is 200. I think the documentation for Mr. Van Zant was 175, but he shot 200, yielded a first year cost of \$117,100.60. In saying that, I know comments made is it's not a lot of money, that's all it's going to cost us, and I do respect those comments, but this is on the principle that just because something may only cost X amount

of dollars, for me I want the most bang for my buck. I would think that the city and the citizens of this city would be better served if we spent \$117,160, excuse me, in hiring new police officers adding more people to the force. Possibly going back to the direct patrolling unit that I spoke to Captain Wayne Smith about that it was very efficient in the past, he believed it needed some fine tuning to make it more effective. So, I think we can invest this \$117,00 in another program that will actually target the areas that we see crime going at a more concentrated rate, and just deal with crime in general. And so in the program like you said, I just want to reiterate, the maintenance is there, and it's documented that take home cars is good for the maintenance value that you save. There is no documentation to prove that it is a deterrent to crime, make people feel good, but at the end of the day, I want to make sure I'm really safe, and not just feeling like I'm safe. And so that is my concern that. But I do appreciate the time to speak on this, and like I said, I think the money could be spent well somewhere else to deal with the issue of Shreveport, the No. 1 issue which is safety for us. Thank you.

Councilman Lester: Just want to hit a few things. 1) I appreciate Mr. Wooley's concern relative to morale and fairness. One of the issues that I have struggled with on this Council is not just the disparate treatment between the police department, but the disparate treatment we have between the police department, the fire department and our city workers. I mean if you want to start getting into inequities, there is a program that we fund in terms of educational reimbursement for police and fire that we don't do for the rest of our rank and file employees. If you want to talk about things that are unfair. When you deal with the issue in terms of unmarked cars, I think that that is one argument, but I think if you delve a little deeper into that argument, you would see that most of the people that have unmarked cars, have a higher salary range than the people that have the patrol cars. So, if you're wanting to do an apples to apples correlation, I think you would have to say that they have been conferred a benefit in as much as they have had a higher rank. They get better pay, they have more seniority, they have better hours, they have their choice of assignments, whereas many of the people that are in patrols and are the front line folks don't have those advantages. So, when you talk about the person who has an unmarked car versus a person who has a marked car, I think you have to look at that. Rentership is certainly a choice, but again, like I said, when you look at the income and the rank of the people with marked cars versus unmarked cars, I think there's a definite difference, and I would suggest that the difference would be much greater than the \$585 that this program would provide. At the end of the day, we can say what do we want to do? How do we want to spend our money? We spend our money on the things that are important to us. To me, \$117,000 to bring several additional police cars to Community Development Block Grant areas and to other areas of the city is well worth the cost. I do, from my perspective, do the cost benefit analysis, and I think that it's money well spent. I mean, we spend hundreds of thousands of dollars on movie theatres, art organizations and any number of things. But when it comes down to spending \$117,000 to confer a benefit, and a program to bring more police to areas that definitely need them and increase our presence without adding the additional cost of adding people to the patrol force, I think that's a novel idea. And this Administration should be commended for thinking outside of the box as opposed to punish or getting down to a nitpicking scenario. Again, my concern would be rather than for us to sit down and try to poke holes in this program, lets find ways to help it be successful. And lets find ways to help this Administration succeed in its overall goal making this the next great city of the south, and helping to protect our citizens. Of course the other side of this argument is if the Mayor's Administration and this Administration's program is so poor, what is yours? Thank you.

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Chairman, I want the record to be clear that the pay plan that you're voting on is the substitute pay plan.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Long, Shyne and Bowman. 5. Nays: Councilmen Wooley, and Webb. 2.

Councilman Lester: Mr. Chairman, at this time, I would like to move to suspend the rules of procedures to consider item 109.

Councilman Shyne: I'll second that.

Motion by Councilman Lester, seconded by Councilman Shyne to suspend the rules of procedure to consider Ordinance No. 109 of 2007.

Mr. Thompson: Is that an ordinance or a resolution?

Councilman Lester: That's under D, Ordinances on Second Reading and Final Passage.

Mr. Lester read the following:

Ordinance No. 109 of 2007: Declaring certain city-owned property to be surplus property; Authorizing the donation of the property to Shreveport/Bossier Community Renewal, Inc., and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Councilman Walford: I was going to read it, but thank you.

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Chairman, I believe our notes, but we'll check it, but I believe that we need to postpone due to advertising requirements?

Ms. Johnson: Yes.

Mr. Dark: Yes.

Councilman Lester: Oh, this is a three reader?

Ms. Johnson: Yes.

Councilman Lester: Okay.

Councilman Walford: Do you want to just drop your motion?

Councilman Lester: I'll withdraw my motion.

Councilman Walford: We have to postpone anyway.

RESOLUTION NO. 97 OF 2007

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT AND/OR COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND THE VILLAGE OF BELCHER, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, Article VII, Section 14(c) of the Constitution of the State of Louisiana provides that "for a public purpose, the state and its political subdivisions...may engage in cooperative endeavors with each other, with the United States or its agencies, or with any public or private association, corporation, or individual"; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature by Act 12 of the First Extraordinary Session of 2005 enacted Part IV-B of Chapter 8 of Title 40 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes providing for the mandatory adoption by Parishes and Municipalities of certain building codes; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Belcher desires to cooperate with the City of Shreveport in the implementation of these certain building codes as hereinafter provided; and

WHEREAS, the public purpose is described as the implementation of certain building codes required to be in compliance with Act 12; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport agrees to provide the services necessary to be in compliance with Act 12 through inspections of all Village buildings and issuance of building permits and the Village of Belcher agrees to require all persons issued said permits to pay directly to the City of Shreveport its required fees for such inspections.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal, and regular session convened, that Cedric B. Glover, Mayor, be and is hereby authorized to execute an Intergovernmental Agreement and/or Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the City of Shreveport and the Village of Belcher, substantially in accordance with the draft thereof filed in the Office of the Clerk of Council on May 30, 2007 and attached hereto as Exhibit A.

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

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

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman Bowman to adopt.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor, I would hope that at your earliest convenience that you would - - -

Councilman Walford: Mr. Shyne, could I interrupt you just a minute? And this is totally out of order. Mr. Lester is going to have to leave us because of a death in the family. And I think I can speak for the entire Council asking you to please convey to your family that they are certainly in our thoughts and prayers.

Councilman Lester: I will do just that. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Councilman Walford: I'm sorry Mr. Shyne.

Councilman Shyne: That's okay, and we will be praying. Mr. Mayor at your earliest convenience, I would hope that you would give the members of the council a little history about that fine city. You gave some of us yesterday, and it was really a good history lesson. Believe it or not, it took the Bradford family back to the early and middle 1800s. And you know I was a little surprised, I knew the Bradford family went back, but I didn't realize it went back that far. And I thought it was quite enjoyable, and I think it was kind of eye opening for my friend over here you know, cause I don't know whether he really thought you could trace your family back that far.

Mayor Glover: Thank you Mr. Shyne and Members of the Council. It suffices to say that when it comes to both sides of my family, both the Glover and the Bradford side, and the Glover side comes from Alabama and Memphis, Tennessee via the Air Force, which is how my father got here. But my mother was born and reared in Belcher, Louisiana, and lets just say the Bradford roots run long and deep and thoroughly throughout northern Caddo Parish.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne and Bowman. 6. Nays: None. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Lester. 1.

RESOLUTION NO. 98 OF 2007

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND PROVIDING FOR THE WAIVER OF PERMIT FEES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF RED RIVER TERMINALS, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, Red River Terminals is being constructed as economic development of the Caddo/Bossier Port; and

WHEREAS, the benefit to the City of Shreveport by the construction of Red River Terminals far exceeds any revenue which would be generated by any permit, inspection and other related fees; and

WHEREAS, Eric England, Executive Port Director of the Caddo/Bossier Port Commission, has requested that the City of Shreveport waive any permit, inspection and other related fees associated with the construction of Red River Terminals; and

WHEREAS, Mr. H. M. Strong, Director of Operational Services, has no objection to this request.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal, and regular session convened, that the waiver of permit, inspection and other related fees for the construction of Red River Terminals is hereby authorized.

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

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

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Webb, seconded by Councilman Shyne to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne and Bowman. 6. Nays: None. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Lester. 1.

RESOLUTION NO. 99 OF 2007

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT WITH SOUTHERN BLACK SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION, INC., AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

By:

WHEREAS, the Southern Black Softball Association, Inc., a duly organized non-profit organization (hereinafter referred to as "SBSA") will host the 2007 SBSA Black World Softball Tournament at Cargill and Southern Hills softball facilities; and

WHEREAS, the event will provides an opportunity for citizens of the City of Shreveport and surrounding areas to enjoy a quality championship softball tournament; and

WHEREAS, the three (3) day event is expected to attract fans and participants from Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi, Texas and generally the southern region; and

WHEREAS, the proceeds of the tournament have enabled the organization to promote softball throughout the southern region; and

WHEREAS, persons residing in and around Shreveport and the southern region are the primary beneficiaries of the efforts made by this organization; and

WHEREAS, the programs and efforts of this organization provide a benefit to the public and serve a public purpose; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport will serve as a major co-sponsor of the 2007 SBSA World Black Softball Tournament.

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 authorized to execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Southern Black Softball Association, Inc., substantially in accordance with the draft thereof which was filed for public inspection in the Office of the Clerk of Council on June 12, 2007.

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 resolution or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman Bowman to adopt.

Councilman Walford: Mr. Shyne, I never did get a call about playing.

Councilman Shyne: I was hoping that Ms. Bowman and I might be able to throw out the first ball.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne and Bowman. 6. Nays: None. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Lester. 1.

RESOLUTION NO. 101 OF 2007

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR'S SIGNATURE ON AN EXTENSION OF OIL AND GAS LEASE BETWEEN SKLARCO, LLC AND THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO
BY:

WHEREAS, in 2004, the City of Shreveport authorized the lease of certain City-owned property for oil and gas exploration, namely a portion of the Bagley Road Landfill, to Alternate Fuel Systems of Louisiana, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, this lease was executed on August 13, 2004, with the initial primary term of said lease due to expire on August 13, 2007; and

WHEREAS, on November 30, 2006, after having obtained the prior written consent of the City of Shreveport, Alternate Fuel Systems of Louisiana, Inc. assigned all of its rights, duties, and obligations under said lease to Sklarco, LLC by an Assignment of Oil and Gas Lease dated November 30, 2006; and

WHEREAS, Sklarco, LLC will be unable to complete its oil and gas activities by August 13, 2007; and

WHEREAS, Sklarco, LLC has requested an additional six months in order to complete said activities; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport has no objection to this request.

WHEREAS, NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal and regular session convened, that Cedric B. Glover, Mayor, be and is

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 Shyne, seconded by Councilman Bowman to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne and Bowman. 6. Nays: None. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Lester. 1.

RESOLUTION NO. 103 OF 2007

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING DEDICATION FOR A PORTION OF 70TH STREET AT THE SOUTHWEST AND SOUTHEAST CORNERS OF BUNCOMBE AND 70TH STREET AND THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF 70TH STREET AND FRONTAGE ROAD IN SHREVEPORT COMMUNITY CHURCH SUBDIVISION AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal, and regular session convened, that the dedication for 70th Street in Section 30, (T17N-R14W), Caddo Parish, Louisiana, and as shown on the plats attached hereto and made a part hereof, be and the same is hereby accepted as dedicated to the public for public use in the City of Shreveport.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the original plat reflecting the dedication for 70th Street be recorded in the official records of the District Court for Caddo Parish, Louisiana.

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

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

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Webb, seconded by Councilman Shyne to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne and Bowman. 6. Nays: None. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Lester. 1.

RESOLUTION NO. 111 OF 2007

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 ST. VINCENT MALL FOR THE ANNUAL FIRECRACKER RUN ON JULY 4, 2007 AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

By: Councilman Walford

WHEREAS, Sport Spectrum located at St. Vincent Mall intends to host the annual Firecracker Run July 4, 2007; and

WHEREAS, the establishment desires to dispense, and allow the consumption of alcoholic beverages on the grassy knoll on the Fairfield side of St. Vincent Mall, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. - 12:00 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) of the Code of Ordinances 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 10-103(a)(5) of the Code of Ordinances 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, activities planned by Sport Spectrum in conjunction with the Firecracker Run is open to the public as spectators or participants; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of this Resolution would allow the dispensing, and consumption of alcoholic beverages on the grassy knoll on the Fairfield side of St. Vincent Mall, on July 4, 2007, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. for activities associated with the Firecracker Run.

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) and 10-80(a) of the Code of Ordinances are hereby suspended on July 4, 2007 from 7:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. for activities associated with the Firecracker Run sponsored by Sport Spectrum, on the grassy knoll on the Fairfield side of St. Vincent Mall.

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 Walford, seconded by Councilman Long to adopt.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman, I voted 'NO', I generally vote 'NO' against strong drinks, alcohol, and so I just wanted you to know it's nothing personal.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, and Bowman. 5. Nays: Councilman Shyne. 1. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Lester. 1.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS *(Not to be adopted prior to July 10, 2007)*

1. **Resolution No. 104 of 2007**: A resolution authorizing the Mayor's execution of Amendment No. 3 to the Cooperative Agreement between the City of Shreveport, and the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources for the implementation of Clean Cities Program, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
2. **Resolution No. 105 of 2007**: A resolution indicating the intention of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana, to become a participating political subdivision in the Louisiana Local Government Environmental Facilities and Community Development Authority (The "Authority"); Approving the appointment of a director to represent the City of Shreveport on the Board of Directors of the Authority; and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
3. **Resolution No. 106 of 2007**: A resolution authorizing the Mayor's signature on a voluntary unitization agreement between the City of Shreveport and Sklarco, LLC and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
4. **Resolution No. 107 of 2007**: A resolution authorizing the waiver of building permit fees and the donation of building materials and supplies to 12 to 14 qualified homeowners in the City of Shreveport, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
5. **Resolution No. 108 of 2007**: Authorizing the Mayor's signature on a consent to assignment and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
6. **Resolution No. 109 of 2007**: A resolution authorizing donation of surplus Shreveport Police Equipment to the town of Hosston, Louisiana, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
7. **Resolution No. 110 of 2007**: A resolution authorizing donation of surplus Shreveport Police Equipment to the Village of Dixie Inn, Louisiana, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Wooley, seconded by Councilman Long to introduce Resolution No(s). 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, and 110 of 2007 to lay over until July 10, 2007 meeting. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne and Bowman. 6. Nays: None. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Lester. 1.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES *(Not to be adopted prior to July 10, 2007)*

1. **Ordinance No. 110 of 2007**: An ordinance amending the 2007 Capital Improvements Budget and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
2. **Ordinance No. 111 of 2007**: An ordinance showing closure and abandonment of the 10 foot-wide utility easements located in the Sparks Subdivision Unit No. 1 of Section 16 SE (T18N-R14W), Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (A/Lester)

3. **Ordinance No. 112 of 2007**: An ordinance creating a stop intersection within the City limits of the City of Shreveport, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (D/Wooley)
4. **Ordinance No. 113 of 2007**: ZONING – C-38-07: An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, the City of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning property located on the NW side of Mansfield Road, 250 feet north of Burson Drive, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, from B-1, Buffer Business District to B-3, Community Business District with MPC approval, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (E/Webb)
5. **Ordinance No. 114 of 2007**: ZONING – C-52-07: An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, the City of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning property located on the NW corner of Phelps and Martin Luther King Drive at its intersection with Russell Road, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, from B-2, Neighborhood Business District and R-1H, Urban, One-Family Residence District, to B-3 Community Business District, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (A/Lester)
6. **Ordinance No. 115 of 2007**: ZONING – C-53-07: Ann ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, the City of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning property located the north side of Grimmatt Drive, 175 feet north of Thomas Drive, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, from B-3, Community Business District, to I-1, Light Industry District and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (A/Lester)
7. **Ordinance No. 116 of 2007**: ZONING – C-54-07: An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, the City of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning property located on the south side of Dee Street, 300 feet west of Shreveport-Barksdale Highway, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, from B-2, Neighborhood Business District to B-3 Community Business District, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (C/Long)
8. **Ordinance No. 117 of 2007**: An Ordinance amending the 2007 General Fund Budget and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman Wooley to introduce Ordinance No(s). 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, and 117 of 2007 to lay over until July 10, 2007 meeting. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne and Bowman. 6. Nays: None. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Lester. 1.

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING AND FINAL PASSAGE *(Numbers are assigned Ordinance Numbers)*

1. **Ordinance No. 122 of 2006**: An ordinance amending portions of Chapter 90 of the Code of Ordinances relative to traffic and vehicles and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (A/Lester) *(Postponed June 12, 2007)*

Having passed first reading on August 22, 2006 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Walford, seconded by Councilman Shyne to postpone. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne and Bowman. 6. Nays: None. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Lester. 1.

2. **Ordinance No. 102 of 2007**: An ordinance repealing Ordinance No. 179 of 1973 which created a yield intersection at the intersection of Creswell Avenue and Oak Hill Drive, and to create and establish the intersection of Creswell Avenue and Oak Hill Drive as a Three-Way Stop Intersection, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (C/Long)

Having passed first reading on June 12, 2007 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Long, seconded by Councilman Shyne to adopt.

Councilman Long: Please vote on this. We need to make that a safer intersection.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne and Bowman. 6. Nays: None. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Lester. 1.

3. **Ordinance No. 103 of 2007**: An ordinance amending and replacing Section 90-198, maximum limits on specific streets, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

Having passed first reading on June 12, 2007 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 Long to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne and Bowman. 6. Nays: None. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Lester. 1.

4. **Ordinance No. 104 of 2007**: ANNEXATION – Tag No. 05-10: An ordinance enlarging the limits and boundaries of the City of Shreveport – A 35.02 acre tract of land located in section 12 (T16N-R14W), Caddo Parish, Louisiana, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (D/Wooley)

Having passed first reading on June 12, 2007 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Wooley, seconded by Councilman Bowman to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne and Bowman. 6. Nays: None. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Lester. 1.

5. **Ordinance No. 105 of 2007**: ANNEXATION – Tag No. 06-06: An ordinance enlarging the limits and boundaries of the City of Shreveport – a 22.61 acre tract of land located in Section 21 (T16N-R13W), Caddo Parish, Louisiana, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (D/Wooley)

Having passed first reading on June 12, 2007 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman

Wooley, seconded by Councilman Bowman to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne and Bowman. 6. Nays: None. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Lester. 1.

6. **Ordinance No. 106 of 2007**: An ordinance showing closure and abandonment of the 5 foot wide utility servitude located at the rear of Lot 11, Hidden Trace Unit No. 5 of the S/E Section 28 (T16N-R13W), Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana and to otherwise provide respect thereto. (D/Wooley)

Having passed first reading on June 12, 2007 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Wooley, seconded by Councilman Long to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne and Bowman. 6. Nays: None. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Lester. 1.

7. **Ordinance No. 107 of 2007**: An ordinance showing closure and abandonment of the dedicated 50 foot wide Laice Street running between Cross Lake and Dilg League Drive located in Section 4(T17N-R14W), Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (G/Bowman)

Having passed first reading on June 12, 2007 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Bowman, seconded by Councilman Shyne to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne and Bowman. 6. Nays: None. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Lester. 1.

8. **Ordinance No. 108 of 2007**: An ordinance amending and reenacting Chapter 66 of the Code of Ordinances relative to personnel by adding Article IV relative to donations of sick leave and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Having passed first reading on June 12, 2007 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Webb, seconded by Councilman Bowman to adopt.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, just a question. Councilman Webb, do we have a projected cost for this?

Councilman Webb: No, I don't have a projected cost for it. I just think that it's a shame that we don't have - - - that it was taken away from the people, that they have extended sick leave, and somebody wants to donate some time, that they be allowed to do so.

Mayor Glover: I actually agree with you Mr. Webb, I just wanted to ask that question, and let you know that sometimes good things can get bogged down by unnecessary weight. I appreciate you.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne and Bowman. 5. Nays: Councilman Walford. 1. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Lester. 1.

9. **Ordinance No. 109 of 2007:** An ordinance declaring certain city-owned property to be surplus property; Authorizing the donation of the property to Shreveport/Bossier Community Renewal, Inc., and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (A/Lester) (*Not to be adopted prior to July 10, 2007*)

Having passed first reading on June 12, 2007 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 Long to postpone. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne and Bowman. 6. Nays: None. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Lester. 1.

The adopted ordinances and amendments follow:

ORDINANCE NO. 102 OF 2007

AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL ORDINANCE NO. 179 OF 1973 WHICH CREATED A YIELD INTERSECTION AT THE INTERSECTION OF CRESWELL AVENUE AND OAK HILL DRIVE AND TO CREATE AND ESTABLISH THE INTERSECTION OF CRESWELL AVENUE AND OAK HILL DRIVE AS A THREE-WAY STOP INTERSECTION AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BY:

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in legal and regular session convened that Ordinance No. 179 of 1973 which created a yield intersection at the intersection of Creswell Avenue and Oak Hill Drive is hereby repealed and to create and establish the intersection of Creswell Avenue and Oak Hill Drive as a three-way stop intersection requiring that all traffic and vehicles approaching this intersection shall come to a full stop before entering the intersection.

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

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

ORDINANCE NO. 103 OF 2007

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND REPLACING SECTION 90-198, MAXIMUM LIMITS ON SPECIFIC STREETS, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BY:

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened that Section 90-198 of the Code of Ordinances for the City of Shreveport pertaining to Traffic and Vehicles, Maximum Limits on Specific Streets, is hereby amended and replaced to read as follows:

Sec. 90-198. Maximum limits on Specific Streets.

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Speed

Limit

Street Extent (mph)

East Kings Highway Alexander Avenue to Ardmore Street 35
Ardmore Street to 70th Street 40

Kings Highway From Velva Street to Linwood Avenue 35
From Linwood Avenue to William Avenue 30
From William Avenue to Alexander Avenue 35

Linwood Avenue From Kings Highway to Woodrow Avenue 35
From Woodrow Avenue to City Limits 40

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 Ordinance No. 65 of 1973 and Ordinance No. 125 of 1985 pertaining to the speed limit on Linwood Avenue, and Ordinance No. 31 of 1977 pertaining to speed limits on streets, and all other ordinances or resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

ORDINANCE NO. 104 OF 2007

AN ORDINANCE TO ENLARGE THE LIMITS AND BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT – A 35.2-ACRE TRACT OF LAND LOCATED IN SECTION 12(T16N-R14W), CADDO PARISH, LOUISIANA, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

TAG NO. 05-10

BY: COUNCILMAN

WHEREAS, Section 172 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 provides for annexation by petition; and

WHEREAS, petitions signed by more than the required percentage in number of registered voters and in number of resident property owners and by more than the required percentage in property value of resident owners of the area described below have been filed with the City Council to annex and bring within the corporate limits of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, the following described property, to wit:

Begin at the point of intersection of the south right-of-way line of the 60-foot wide Flournoy Lucas Road, as dedicated in 1925 in Book 150, Page 317, of the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, with the east right-of-way line of the 60-foot wide Stevens Road, as dedicated in 1921 in Book 457, Page 468, of the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, in the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of Section 12, (T16N-R14W); run thence South along the said east line of Stevens Road a distance of 467.20 feet to the south line of the 5.1-acre tract owned by the City of Shreveport, (City’s Linwood Elevated Tank site) and to the north line of the Stevens Road Subdivision, as per map filed and recorded in Book 4050, Page 56, of the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana; run thence S 89° 27’ 27” E along the south line of the City’s tract and the north line of the said subdivision a distance of 682.20 feet to the west right-of-way line of I-49; run thence South along the said west right-of-way line of I-49 a distance of 819.63 feet to the south line of the Northwest Quarter of the Southeast Quarter of said Section 12; run thence S 89° 44’ 15” E along the said south line of the Northwest Quarter of the

Southeast Quarter a distance of 360.02 feet across I-49 to the east right-of-way line thereof; run thence North along the said east line of I-49 a distance of 1102.81 feet; run thence S 88° 55' 18" E a distance of 263.59 feet along the I-49 right-of-way to an intersection with a north extension of the west line of a 37.699-acre tract of land described in Book 3776, Page 613, of the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana; run thence South along said north extension of the west line of said 37.699-acre tract a distance of 60.0 feet to the Northwest corner of Lot 1 of the Cottage Ridge, Unit 1, Phase 1 Subdivision, as per map filed and recorded in Book 5000, Pages 203 thru 205, of the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana; run thence S 00° 54' 30" W along the west line of said subdivision a distance of 673.92 feet to the Southwest corner of Lot 13 of said subdivision; run thence S 89° 05' 30" E along the south line of said Lot 13 a distance of 112.00 feet to a point on the west right-of-way line of Cottage Ridge Drive; run thence S 00° 54' 30" W along the said west right-of-way line a distance of 37.08 feet; run thence S 89° 05' 30" E a distance of 160.00 feet to the Southeast corner of Lot 50 of said subdivision; run thence S 00° 54' 30" W a distance of 133.76 feet to a point on the center line of a 50-foot wide Texas Gas Pipeline; run thence S 61° 11' 58" W along said center line a distance of 44.89 feet; run thence N 89° 05' 30" W a distance of 71.01 feet; run thence S 00° 54' 30" W a distance of 43.34 feet to a point of curvature; run thence Southeast, or to the left, around said curve a distance of 31.42 feet (Said curve having a radius of 20 feet) to a point of tangency; run thence S 89° 05' 30" E along the south line of Lot 1000 of said subdivision a distance of 240.00 feet to the Southeasterly corner of said Lot 1000; run thence N 00° 54' 30" E along the east line of said Lot 1000 a distance of 161.00 feet; run thence S 89° 05' 30" E a distance of 110.00 feet; run thence N 00° 54' 30" E a distance of 72.94 feet to a point on the said center line of the Texas Gas Pipeline; run thence N 61° 11' 58" E along said pipeline center line a distance of 189.09 feet to the southeast corner of Lot 27 of the said Cottage Ridge, Unit 1, Phase 1 Subdivision; run thence N 00° 49' 16" E along the east line of said subdivision a distance of 323.76 feet to a point on the south line of the Temple Baptist Church property and the existing City limits line as established by Annexation Ordinance No. 193 of 1994; run thence N 88° 59' 47" W along said south line and City limits line a distance of 26.86 feet; run thence N 00° 51' 27" E along the west line of the Temple Baptist Church property a distance of 207.08 feet to the northeast corner of Lot 21 of said subdivision; run thence N 88° 48' 07" W along the north line of said Lot 21 and the south line of the Temple Baptist Church property and the existing City limits a distance of 100.00 feet to the northwest corner of said Lot 21 and the southwest corner of the Temple Baptist Church property; run thence N 00° 44' 33" E along the existing City limits a distance of 249.83 feet to the south right-of-way line of Flournoy Lucas Road; run thence S 88° 48' 07" E along the said south right-of-way line and the existing City limits a distance of 100.00 feet; run thence North 60.00 feet across Flournoy Lucas Road to the north right-of-way line thereof; run thence Westerly along the said north right-of-way line of Flournoy Lucas Road and the existing City limits line of Ordinance No. 33 of 1986 to the intersection with a north extension of the east line of the Stevens Road dedication; run thence South across Flournoy Lucas Road a distance of 60.00 feet, more or less, to the Point of Beginning. The said legal description contains an enclosed area of 35.32 acres, more or less, as shown on the attached plat.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal, and regular session convened, that the limits and boundaries of the City of Shreveport are hereby changed to include within the limits and boundaries of said City the above-described property.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the annexed area contained herein be and is hereby assigned to Council District "D".

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Clerk of Council be and is hereby authorized to file, within ten (10) days of the final passage of this ordinance, with the Clerk of the District Court for Caddo Parish a description of the entire boundary of the municipality as changed by this ordinance.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Clerk of Council be and is hereby authorized to record a certified copy of this ordinance in the official records of the District Court for 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 of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items, or applications and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 105 OF 2007

AN ORDINANCE TO ENLARGE THE LIMITS AND BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT – A 22.61-ACRE TRACT OF LAND LOCATED IN SECTION 21(T16N-R13W), CADDO PARISH, LOUISIANA, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

TAG NO. 06-06

BY: COUNCILMAN

WHEREAS, Section 172 of Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 provides for annexation by petition; and

WHEREAS, petitions signed by more than the required percentage in number of registered voters and in number of resident property owners and by more than the required percentage in property value of resident owners of the area described below have been filed with the City Council to annex and bring within the corporate limits of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, the following described property, to wit:

A tract of land located in Section 21, Township 16 North, Range 13 West, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, which has been re-subdivided into Long Lake Estates, Unit No. 17 Subdivision, as per map filed and recorded in Book 4050, Pages 211 & 212, of the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, and more fully described as follows: Beginning at the Northeast corner of Lot 241 of the Long Lake Estates, Unit No. 14 Subdivision, as per map filed and recorded in Book 3500, Pages 257 thru 261, of the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, (Said point being on the existing City limits line) run thence S 89° 48' 44" W a distance of 306.65 feet to the Northwest corner of said Lot 241; run thence S 00° 08' 06" W a distance of 25.00 feet; run thence S 89° 48' 44" W a distance of 148.00 feet; run thence S 86° 34' 21" W a distance of 79.56 feet; run thence S 64° 56' 25" W a distance of 79.55 feet; run thence N 26° 18' 56" W a distance of 250.00 feet; run thence S 63° 41' 04" W a distance of 18.42 feet; run thence N 26° 18' 56" W a distance of 254.62 feet; run thence N 63° 41' 04" E a distance of 79.79 feet; run thence N 26° 23' 20" W a distance of 596.99 feet; run thence N 20° 10' 25" E a distance of 125.07 feet to the Northwest corner of Lot 286 of the said Long Lake Estates, Unit No. 17 Subdivision and a point on the southwest right-of-way line of Osprey Drive; run thence N 69° 49' 35" W along said right-of-way line a distance of 117.96 feet; run thence N 20° 10' 25" E a distance of 50.00 feet across said Osprey Drive to a point on the northeast right-of-way line thereof; run thence S 69° 49' 35" E along said northeast right-of-way line a distance of 28.40 feet to the southwest corner of Lot 287 of said subdivision; run thence 20° 10' 25" E a distance of

225.00 feet to the northwest corner of said Lot 287; run thence S 69° 49' 35" E a distance of 409.90 feet to the northeast corner of Lot 290 of said subdivision and a point on the west right-of-way line of Stone Creek Drive; run thence N 00° 02' 55" W along said west right-of-way line a distance of 44.59 feet; run thence N 89° 57' 05" E a distance of 50.00 feet across said Stone Creek Drive to a point on the east right-of-way line thereof; run thence S 00° 02' 55" E along said east right-of-way line a distance of 63.00 feet to the northwest corner of Lot 291 of said subdivision; run thence S 69° 49' 35" E along the northeast line of said Lot 291 a distance of 266.42 feet to the northeast corner thereof; run thence S 00° 02' 55" E a distance of 580.16 feet to the northwest corner of Lot 299 of said Long Lake Estates, Unit No. 17 Subdivision; run thence N 89° 48' 44" E a distance of 346.08 feet to the northeast corner of Lot 300 of said subdivision; run thence S 43° 37' 39" E a distance of 209.38 feet to the easterly most corner of Lot 301 of said subdivision; run thence S 00° 29' 58" E a distance of 24.11 feet; run thence S 06° 23' 05" E a distance of 112.43 feet; run thence S 49° 37' 47" E a distance of 84.11 feet; run thence S 22° 28' 38" E a distance of 98.19 feet to the southeast corner of Lot 303 of said subdivision; run thence S 78° 53' 26" W a distance of 313.18 feet to a point on the westerly right-of-way line of Falmoth Drive; run thence southeasterly along said westerly right-of-way line a distance of 32.38 feet to the Point of Beginning. The said legal description contains an enclosed area of 22.61 acres, more or less, as shown on the attached plat.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal, and regular session convened, that the limits and boundaries of the City of Shreveport are hereby changed to include within the limits and boundaries of said City the above-described property.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the annexed area contained herein be and is hereby assigned to Council District "D".

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Clerk of Council be and is hereby authorized to file, within ten (10) days of the final passage of this ordinance, with the Clerk of the District Court for Caddo Parish a description of the entire boundary of the municipality as changed by this ordinance.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the Clerk of Council be and is hereby authorized to record a certified copy of this ordinance in the official records of the District Court for 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 of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items, or applications and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 106 OF 2007

AN ORDINANCE SHOWING CLOSURE AND ABANDONMENT OF THE 5 FOOT-WIDE UTILITY SERVITUDE LOCATED IN THE REAR OF LOT 11, HIDDEN TRACE UNIT NO. 6 AND ADJACENT TO LOT 6, HIDDEN TRACE UNIT NO. 5 OF THE S/E SECTION 28 (T16N- -R13W), SHREVEPORT, CADDO PARISH, LOUISIANA AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, today the Property Management Section of the Department of Operational Services has received a request to close and abandon the above 5 foot-wide utility servitude.

WHEREAS, Water and Sewerage Engineering has reviewed this request and has no objections to this closure and abandonment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened, that the dedicated 5 foot-wide utility servitude located in the rear of lot 11, Hidden Trace, Unit No. 6 and adjacent to lot 6, Hidden Trace of the S/E Section 28 (16N-R13W), City of Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana and as shown and as indicated on the plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, is hereby closed and abandoned. Utility, water and drainage servitude is hereby retained.

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

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

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

ORDINANCE NO. 107 OF 2007

AN ORDINANCE SHOWING CLOSURE AND ABANDONMENT OF THE DEDICATED 50 FOOT-WIDE LAICE STREET RUNNING BETWEEN CROSS LAKE AND DILG LEAGUE DR. LOCATED IN SECTION 4 (T17N- -R14W), SHREVEPORT, CADDO PARISH, LOUISIANA AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, today the Property Management Section of the Department of Operational Services has received a request to close and abandon the above 50 foot-wide dedication.

WHEREAS, Water and Sewerage Engineering has reviewed this request and has no objections to this closure and abandonment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened, that the dedicated 50 foot-wide Laice Street running between Cross Lake and Dilg League Dr. located in Section 4 (17N-R14W), City of Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana and as shown and as indicated on the plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, is hereby closed and abandoned. Utility, water and drainage servitude is hereby retained.

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

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

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

ORDINANCE NO. 108 OF 2007

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND REENACT CHAPTER 66 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATIVE TO PERSONNEL BY ADDING ARTICLE IV RELATIVE TO DONATIONS OF SICK LEAVE AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal and regular session convened that Article IV of Chapter 66 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Shreveport is hereby enacted to read as follows:

Article IV. Sick Leave Donations

Sec. 66-150. Applicability.

This Article applies to general classified employees who are full-time, general classified employees who are part-time working more than twenty (20) hours per workweek, and full-time non-classified employees. It does not apply to elected officials, or Fire or Police Civil Service employees.

Sec. 66-151. Requirements.

(a) Employees meeting the following eligibility requirements may apply for a sick leave account:

1) The employee or a member of his or her immediate family has a serious medical condition that poses a threat to life and/or requires inpatient, hospice or residential health care. Eligibility for sick leave for the employee or attendance to an immediate family member shall be determined in accordance with the Personnel Rules.

2) The employee has exhausted all accrued paid vacation and sick leave.

(b) The employee must complete an application and a release of medical information. The employee must also forward a physician's statement, which states the nature of the condition and the expected duration. Application for this account must be approved by the employee's Department Head, the Personnel Director, and the Chief Administrative Officer. Upon approval, the account shall be established.

(c) Upon establishment of the account, any employee as described in Section 66-150, who has accrued more than 160 hours of annual or sick leave may donate any hours above their 160 hour combined balance to the sick leave account. The minimum donation is one hour. An employee may not receive more hours than are necessary to facilitate his or her return to work. Any excess hours donated cease to exist for all parties.

(d) Employees wishing to donate should complete a form authorizing their leave donation and submit it to the Personnel Department for approval and processing. The donated annual leave or sick leave hours shall be deducted from the donor's accrued annual leave or sick leave balance, respectively. The Personnel Department shall inform donors that hours donated are not tax deductible, and that salary generated from donated hours is taxed in the same manner as the employee's regular earnings.

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

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Chairman, I'm not aware of any unfinished business to be removed and voted on at this time.

1. **Resolution No. 100 of 2006:** Authorizing the release of mortgages and cancellation of promissory notes executed by Shreveport Publishing Corporation (now Snap Property, LLC) in favor of the City of Shreveport in connection with the neighborhood

improvement leveraging project and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (*Introduced June 13, 2006 – Tabled - November 28, 2006*)

2. **Ordinance No. 131 of 2006**: Amending certain sections of Chapter 38 of the City of Shreveport Code of Ordinances relative to housing and property standards and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (*Introduced August 22, 2006 – Tabled November 28, 2006*)
3. **Ordinance No. 204 of 2006**: An ordinance amending the 2006 Budget for the Riverfront Development Special Revenue fund and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (Disparity Study) (A/Lester) (*Introduced November 14, 2006 – Tabled December 12, 2006*)
4. **Ordinance No. 205 of 2006**: An ordinance amending the 2006 Capital Improvements Budget and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (*Introduced November 14, 2006 – Tabled December 12, 2006*)
5. **Ordinance No. 13 of 2007**: ZONING APPEAL – C-101-06: Amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, the City of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, the City of Shreveport by rezoning property located on the south side of Bert Kouns Industrial Loop 1500 feet east of Ellerbe Road, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, from R-A, Residence Agriculture, to B-2 Neighborhood Business District, with PBG (Planned Building Group) approval, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (D/Wooley) (*Remanded to MPC February 13, 2007*)
6. **Resolution No. 184 of 2006**: A resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into, or request the Authority to enter into, one or more Swap Agreements, all in connection with certain outstanding bonds of the City or the Authority and providing for other matters in connection therewith. (*Tabled February 27, 2007*)
7. **PROPERTY STANDARDS APPEAL - HBO070006**: - 1901 Perrin St., Shreveport, LA (A/Lester) Rev. Wilbert L. Malone, 7819 Gideon Street, Shreveport, La 71106 (D/Wooley) (*Postponed April 9, 2007 until October 8, 2007*)
8. **Ordinance No. 73 of 2007**: ZONING APPEAL C-33-07: Amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, the City of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance by rezoning property located on the southeast corner of West 84th Street and St. Vincent Avenue, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, from I-2, Heavy Industrial District, to R-2, Suburban, Multi-Family Residence District, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (D/Wooley) (*Remanded TO MPC April 24, 2007*)
9. **Resolution No. 51 of 2007**: A resolution supporting the Employee Free Choice Act, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (*Tabled May 8, 2007*)

NEW BUSINESS:

ABO APPEALS:

1. Mr. William Edmiston, 8601 Millicent Way, #186, Shreveport, LA (D/Wooley) *Noble Savage Tavern/Stray Cat*, 417 Texas Street, Shreveport, LA (B/Walford) (Postponed June 12, 2007) **DECISION RENDERED JUNE 25, 2007.**
2. Ms. Meaghan E. Oney, 705 May Street, Marshall, TX 75670 *Phoenix Underground*, 600 Market Street, Shreveport, LA (B/Walford) **DECISION RENDERED JUNE 25, 2007.**
3. Ms. Connie Ward, 227 Calvin Liner, Minden, LA 71055, *Hustler Club*, 202 Commerce Street, Shreveport, LA (B/Walford) **DECISION RENDERED JUNE 25, 2007.**

SEXUALLY ORIENTED BUSINESS EMPLOYEE APPEAL:

Ms. Connie Ward, 227 Calvin Liner, Minden, LA 71055, *Hustler Club*, 202 Commerce Street, Shreveport, LA (B/Walford) **DECISION RENDERED JUNE 25, 2007.**

PROPERTY STANDARDS APPEAL:

PSD0600245: Ms. Kathy Clark, 1755 Irving Place, Shreveport LA (B/Walford) *1755 Irving Place, Shreveport, LA* (B/Walford) **DECISION RENDERED JUNE 25, 2007.**

MPC APPROVAL:

The Clerk read the following:

1. ZONING – SC-18-07: Property located on the NE corner of Buncombe Road and its intersection with Flournoy-Lucas Road. (Subdivision Request – No Ordinance required) (E/Webb) (Postponed June 12, 2007)

Motion by Councilman Webb, seconded by Councilman Long to uphold the decision of the Metropolitan Planning Commission.

Councilman Shyne: Charles I think you kinda did this on purpose, because he knew the weather was getting bad, and I always yield to what my mother taught me. I don't ever stray. But you know the new sewerage system, I guess I'm not smart enough Mr. Davis to know how this new technology works. Is it anyway Charles, that something could be tied in to make sure that if they do start having problems with this new technology? Because everything new don't necessarily work well all the time, because I think we got a cable television company now that's new, that doesn't work well. Right Mike? So - - - I mean is there any way that we could tie a safety - - - and I know this is in Mr. Webb's district, but I've talked to some of the people that live in Mr. Webb's district, is there any way we can tie a safety knot in there where if it starts having any problem, if they start having some odor problems or whatever with the sewerage system, then they would have to tie on with the city?

Mr. Kirkland: Mr. Shyne, I'm not aware of any type of conditions that could do that. But typically what would happen is if there are problems, the individuals that are complaining, would first probably call us, they would call the Board of Health is the one that would typically have jurisdiction over the private systems. We have a very close working relationship with them because of a lot of problems that do occur with private systems. And some of them are old. Of course the new ones are all better and superior, but maintenance is required on almost all of

them. But I would have to honestly tell you, I don't know of anything that we could that would make them tie to the city unless you condition the approval upon that being done now.

Councilman Shyne: I saw Mike Strong look. He always want to get into conversations that you and I have, so Mike did you want to come up and say something, and I'll leave that up to Mr. Webb, if he wanted to stipulate that in there.

Mr. Strong: Well you know you sometimes have a way of remembering things that have passed. Councilman, we just recently passed an ordinance that you passed that if anybody has water service, and they are having problems with a sanitary sewer, that water can be disconnected (inaudible) so that is a way of forcing people to get on to it. Then if there is a situation that they can't correct the matter or something of that sort, then they can get on the sewer. But there is a way to do that.

Councilman Shyne: You know I wanted to go along with his development, but I also know how people feel that's going to be living next door, and I know how problems can pop up because the Mayor and I kinda grew up in neighborhoods where any problems could pop up at any time if you didn't have any guidelines in place and most of them were good neighbors. So, Ron, I'm going to leave it up to you, if you're satisfied with this.

Councilman Webb: I think we have things in place that will protect what we were talking about so.

Councilman Shyne: Let's go with it.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne and Bowman. 6. Nays: None. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Lester. 1.

REPORTS FROM OFFICERS, BOARDS, AND COMMITTEES:

Councilwoman Bowman: Just want to remind everyone of the Public Safety Committee meeting that will be the 27th at 12:00 noon, and it will be held at the 911 Center.

Councilman Walford: Can I add that it's hosted by the Shreveport Fire Department?

Councilwoman Bowman: Sure you can do that.

Councilman Walford: I don't see the Fire Chief out there, but it doesn't make any difference. Any other reports from Committees? Nothing from Audit and Finance, y'all will give a report the next time?

Councilman Long: Yeah, we'll go ahead and finish our meeting, so we'll get with it the next time.

CLERK'S REPORT:

Mr. Thompson: I do have something. I'd like to remind the Council that there is a Battlefield Training Mission Hearing tonight in Bossier City at the Holiday Inn from 6-8. You will recall that the Council did a resolution, and we sent a letter, but in case anybody wants to go, we have a copy of the resolution here, and a letter, if anybody wants to go and actually appear at that meeting. And you also have on your agenda, two zoning appeals that can be decided next month.

Letter: ZONING: BAC-42-07: 5311 South Lakeshore Drive, Kathleen and Klint Brazzell, property located on the north side of S. Lakeshore Drive, 400 feet NW of Maurice. (A/Lester) Minutes

Letter: ZONING: C-47-07: Property located on the south side of Alkay Drive 770' west of Mansfield Road. (E/Webb) (MPC Approval in a B-3 District, No Ordinance Required) Staff Report Support documents

THE COMMITTEE RISES AND REPORTS: (Reconvenes Regular Council Meeting)
ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at approximately 5:46 p.m.

//s// R. M. Walford, Chairman

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