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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 Joe Shyne at 3:04 p.m., Tuesday, July 22, 2008, in the Government Chambers in Government Plaza (505 Travis Street).

Invocation was given by Deacon Homer Mattox.

Councilman Shyne: Just one minute, let me include the City Council persons in that prayer also. Lord we want you to put your arms around us. And I know Brother Homer didn't mean any harm. Mayor, I think he thought that God's arms would be full if he got them around you. You know God got big arms, so we want God to put his arms around all of us.

Deacon Mattox: Well Brother Shyne, God you knew you need him.

Councilman Shyne: That's why I wanted God to put his arms around all of us, because I need him.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Wooley.

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

Motion by Councilman Walford, seconded by Councilman Wooley to approve the minutes of the Administrative Conference, Monday, July 7, 2008 and Council Meeting, Tuesday, July 8, 2008. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne, and Bowman. 7. Nays: None.

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

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor, I would like to impose upon you just one minute. And I know that you understand. We have a young man here who is serving our country at the - - -

Mayor Glover: Mr. Shyne, before you do that, would you allow me?

Councilman Shyne: Yes.

Mayor Glover: I know exactly where you're going, but I think before we make that recognition Mr. Shyne, I'd like to ask that the Council and all who are gather here today, would please stand and observe a moment of silence in honor and in somber recognition of the personnel from Barksdale Air Force Base that we lost on yesterday. To also, as you do observe this moment of silence, ask that you do offer as you are inclined to offer a word of prayer for those individuals and for their families, and for all of us. Thank you Mr. Shyne.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor, would you stay right there?

Mayor Glover: Certainly.

Councilman Shyne: I would like to bring up Mr. Perkins, Mr. Adrian D. Perkins and his family. And Mr. Perkins, I'm sorry, I didn't get a chance to call the Mayor. Maybe the Mayor can send up and get one of his honorary - - - Mr. Mayor, you think you might be able to send somebody up? I forgot to call you so you could give him, what is it? Honorary ah - - -

Mayor Glover: Absolutely. I think if I don't see Rick, that may be what he's already taken off to do. If not Chloe is going to do just the same, but I'll let you finish with the introductions Mr. Shyne before I offer any comments and recognition of this fine young man.

Councilman Shyne: Okay, we have Mr. Adrian Perkins and his wonderful handsome dad, and his beautiful mother, and Mr. Perkins, I guess you saw your wife smiling from ear to ear. So that means that she knows that you are extremely handsome. Mr. Adrian Perkins is in school at the United States Military Academy. West Point. Adrian, I want you to know that we are extremely proud of you, and it's not very often that we have somebody who graces us with their presence who either has attended the Military Academy or who is attending the Military Academy at this particular point. I'm going to give the Mayor and opportunity to congratulate you and to say some words on behalf of the City of Shreveport. And Mr. Mayor, when you get through then, I'd like for us to give Adrian an opportunity to maybe kinda tell us a few things that he's about. Now let me say this. I have a bio on him. And for all of you Captain Shreve, all of you Gators, Mayor I thought he might have been an Indian from Fair Park, or might have been from Green Oaks. He looks so handsome, I didn't know that, and he looks so intelligent until I didn't know that he had gone to Captain Shreve and Youree Drive Middle School, and Arthur Circle Elementary School. And I have a long bio here on him. But I'm going to let him tell a few things after the Mayor gives you some congratulations. Mr. Mayor.

Mayor Glover: Thank you Mr. Shyne. I just simply assumed that the young man had obviously attended either Southfield, Green Oaks, or was a Magnet graduate.

Councilman Shyne: Now you see, we differ on that. Now he looks like he might have been a Fair Park graduate.

Mayor Glover: I understand how you might be under that impression Mr. Shyne. It's always a pleasure and a privilege to be able to welcome one of our own who is serving our country, especially doing so through one of our Military Academies. I know that we have another Shreveporter, who at least I believe up there with you. A young lady that should be a class or two ahead of you, if I'm not mistaken, that we had the privilege of honoring last year. In fact I remember she and her other female classmates were recognized in Ebony Magazine if I'm not mistaken. So we're very proud to always be able to recognize those from this area who seek to serve our country, but especially those who seek to do so through admission to one of the service academies without question, being accepted and having the opportunity to matriculate there means that you are without question amongst the best of the best. And so we are proud to have you here today, we're proud to recognize you, and certainly proud to have your family with you as well. So please step to the mic and share with us a few words that you might have from upper state New York.

Mr. Adrian Perkins: I'd like to thank the City Council for just giving me this opportunity and recognition. As Joe Shyne just pointed out, I am graduate of Captain Shreve High School. Graduated in 2003, attended the United States Military Academy from 2004 – 2008. I just graduated May 31st. I'm (inaudible) Field Artillery, I'm going out to Oklahoma in a few weeks to start my Officer Basic Course in the Field Artillery Branch. While at the academy a few things that I did, it's kind of hard to do this because it kinda feels like you're boasting, but a few things that I enjoyed while I was at the academy, was I was elected my Class President when I was a Freshman at the Military Academy, and serve as Class President for the Class of 2008 from Freshman year all the way to Senior year. I have the honor of being the track team captain as well while at the Military Academy, and I had three school records in track. So, my days are pretty busy at the academy. I did all that I could and it's definitely a place that teaches you where your limits are, and I took advantage of every opportunity there. To excel. I'll never forget Shreveport, this is my home, so you don't have to thank me for coming back, I'll always come back and again thank you. And I'd like to thank my parents for everything they did and support for me to be where I am today. Thank you.

Councilman Shyne: Adrian, before you take your seat, I want to give any of the Council Members an opportunity - - -

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, before we do that, we want to give an opportunity to either one of the parents or both to share a word with us as well.

Councilman Shyne: Okay, and mom, I want you to sum it up. After we get through, I'll let you sum it up.

Mr. Perkins: Well we just want to thank you and the Council and the City of Shreveport for recognizing our son. We are so proud of him, the achievements that he accomplished there. I'd like to add real quick that he was the first Black Elected Class President.

Councilman Shyne: Beautiful. Let's give him another hand on that.

Mr. Perkins: After he finishes his Officer Training, next October, he'll be going to defend our freedom in Iraq. So we solicit all of your prayers. Thank you.

Councilman Shyne: Okay, Mom why don't you come up and kinda close it.

Ms. Perkins: Well I'd just like to say thank you for his honor and I'm really proud of my son and everything he's accomplished while he was at West Point. It was a hard choice for me to agree for him to go so far from home, but it was the right choice for him.

Councilman Shyne: Cause you know how you mammas be crying and going on. That's why we wanted you to come up. And now I want to open it up to any of the Council Members to say congratulations.

Councilman Long: Yeah, I just wanted to congratulate you, my dad's Class of '48. So, I know West Point is all about. And you know it will prepare you for a great future, so life has been good to you. Be good back to it and great things will happen. Congratulations.

Councilman Shyne: His dad was Class of 48 at West Point, and my dad was Class of 38, Grambling. Anybody else want to say congratulations?

Councilwoman Bowman: I do wish you the very best and I'm proud of our accomplishments, as well. I can see the beam in your mom's face. And that makes me proud too. So do the best that you can, and keep up the good work.

Councilman Wooley: I just wanted to say thank you for first of all serving our country. And really to be an outstanding example to other young men and women in our community. It's really very important. Thank you.

Councilman Walford: Let them say what they want to about where they thought you went to high school and all that. The main thing is you are now going to wear the right color uniform. And that comes from a Col (Ret) father of a first sergeant. So, we like Army Green.

Councilman Shyne: And I forgot to say I believe the Mayor's daddy was a graduate of Grambling, what 48?

Mayor Glover: No, '57.

Councilman Shyne: '57. I missed it so you're in good company. Thank you again, and any prayers mom that we will send up for him when he's in Iran or Iraq or whatever you might go to serve, we just want to let you know that we are extremely proud of you and I think the Mayor is going to give you something that you can't buy.

Mayor Glover: On behalf of the Mayor's office and all the City of Shreveport, it is my great privilege to bestow upon you this pin which officially designates you as an honorary Deputy Mayor of the City of Shreveport. So, congratulations to you, great health, serve well, as we know you will, and as I heard them say, "HUA!"

Councilman Shyne: Mayor, we're going to turn it over to you.

Mayor Glover: Thank you Chairman Shyne. Had I known that we were going to be graced with that young man's presence, I would have had Chief of Staff Dale Sibley here to help to welcome him as well - - -

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor, I'm sorry, not cutting you off. But I believe you got some friends back there. The friends that came with him, would you all raise your hand? Alright. Thank you all for coming down. Hear? Okay.

Mayor Glover: We would have included Chief of Staff Dale Sibley in this recognition ceremony because Dale as some of you know is a former Army Captain, Infantry officer as well, Regular Army, 101st Airborne. So young man and Mr. Sibley might have had a few stories to share about the journey that they have both taken. And that this young man is just starting to take. At this point Mr. Chairman and Members of the Council, I want to call up Shell Ragle from Parks and Recreation. She has a group here on the front row that we're going to recognize that I just found out about today as well. Another young man who has Green and Gold roots is here today as the leader of this group. They don't happen to be Green Oaks green and gold, but - - -

Councilman Shyne: Oh, that's what I thought you were talking about, Green Oaks.

Mayor Glover: Probably the same Green and Gold the young man, the LT who was just here with us. So, at this point we'll turn things over to Shelly Ragle.

Councilman Shyne: You know Shelly might be a Captain Shreve graduate.

Ms. Ragle-Stone: No, I can't take claim to that. Thank you Mayor.

Mayor Glover: Unless they have a Captain Shreve in West Texas, I don't think.

Ms. Ragle-Stone: That's right, they don't. Council we're so excited to be here today. Last week, last time we met were really fortunate to see a current Olympian, or talk about a current Olympian. Today, I want to introduce you to a former Olympian who is in charge of our future Olympians. Today Lamark Carter is going to come and

introduce you to 15 young men and women who'll be leaving first thing in the morning to go to Omaha, Nebraska to represent the City of Shreveport at the Junior Olympics.

Councilman Shyne: Let's give them a big hand.

Ms. Ragle-Stone: I want to tell you a little bit about their Coach. Lamark Carter, I wanted to tell you Mr. Chairman, that he is a Captain Shreve graduate, a graduate of Northwestern. He is a three time U.S. Outdoor Champion; a 2000 U.S. Indoor Champion; a 2000 Olympian, and a 1999 World Indoor Silver Medalist, and a 1999 Pan Am Silver Medalist in the Triple Jump. We are really fortunate at SPAR to have an Olympian leading our young people. Showing them what you can do with hard work and determination. And we're just so proud of them, Lamark took our team from five qualifiers last year to 15 this year going to the Jr. Olympics. And I'm going to let him introduce you to his team. But I wanted to tell you that one of the things that happened. A couple of weeks ago, we got a call from a Coach and they were at the Regional Meet, that said he had never seen a group of kids better behaved, more well prepared, stretching, do all the fundamentals of track before. So, we're really proud of him, and we're really proud of the young students. Lamark?

Mr. Lamark Carter: To the City Council, City of Shreveport, I'd like to introduce my team that will represent Shreveport in the Jr. Olympics in Omaha, Nebraska as of Friday, Saturday and Sunday of this weekend. First up we have Code Griffin, he will represent the 4 X 100 Meter Relay. We've got Kenje Newby also representing Shreveport in the High Jump. Jamarian Smith also in the 4 X 100 Meter Relay team. JaMichael Henry, he will run the 100 and Long Jump. Jacoyah Samuels, she's a member of the female 4 X 100 Meter Relay Team. Tiarra James, also a member of the 4 X 100 Meter Relay Team. (Inaudible) Bell, High Jumper. Kyon Canna, member of the 4 X 100 Meter Relay Team. Ryan York, member of the 4 X 100 Meter Relay Team. Julian Charles. Julian has gone all year, 5 meets straight without losing a 100 Meters or a High Jump competition. Robert York, Albert Gladney, another fraternity of Captain Shreve High School, 1500 Meter. And Naterrria Davis, Member of the 4 X 100 Meter Relay Team. I would like to say this is a good group of young kids. I'd like to say that these are our future Olympians, we start at this age, and we kinda work our way up. And this is a great group of kids, they learn fast and I keep telling them at practice, you do it at practice, it's going to pay off in the end. And this is our group. We started off with 56 kids. It kinda breaks down each meet, and this is what we're left with. 15 kids that will represent Shreveport.

Councilman Shyne: Coach, do you have any of the parents here?

Coach Carter: Yes I do have parents here.

Councilman Shyne: Would you have them come up and maybe stand behind the kids for a minute.

Coach Carter: And I'd like to say with out the parents support, I mean it's hard to deal with. We train the kids from 6-16, and without the parents support, this wouldn't happen. Because without the parents helping, going on trips, chaperoning, driving, with gas prices this high, I mean it's a blessing that they volunteer. And I'd just like to say thank you to the parents.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Carter, before you all take your seats, I just want to say to the parents that are here, this is what being a parent is all about. It's people like you all

that's going to make Shreveport the Next Great City of the South. If the Chief is here, I don't mean any harm when I say this, but it's people like you all that's going to cut out on this crime. It's not the Police Department, but it's what you all do by showing love, and support to young people. These young people are the future of Shreveport. These young people will decide on whether our neighborhoods will be safe or not. And I know the Mayor will probably make some statements in relation to that, but we are - - - I know being a parent. I've got two boys, and you have to keep running, and running, and running and being involved, but it pays off. It's tough being a parent. But it pays off. And again, as a City Council Member, I just want to say that my heart goes out to you all. Continue to do what you're doing, and if it's anything that we can do to help you and to assist you, we will be more than happy. Mr. Mayor, I'm going to turn it back over to you, and I know you know there are people like this, that's going to cut down on the crime rate.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman and Members of the Council, I'm honored to be here amongst this group of outstanding individuals. I know that they're going to leave early in the morning, and win, lose or draw, the one thing that we know that they're going to do is their level best. And so upon the completion of you all's season, I want to invite you all back here again, so that we can also give to you each individually a Mayor's Award of Excellence, and allow us to hear just what stories you have to tell from the next meet that you all are going to. Also honored to be here in the company of another Olympian, a young man I read about over the years, who has represented Shreveport and Northwest Louisiana extremely well all over the country and all over the world. So, Mr. Carter, thank you for everything you've done, and thank you for all that you're doing, and we appreciate all the great work that you and the folks at SPAR, and as you have mentioned Mr. Chairman, all of these wonderful parents and grandparents are doing to help to support these young people. So great luck to you guys on tomorrow. And as we said, the only thing we ask is that you do your level best and everything else will work out for itself. Thank you.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor, before they go to their seats, I'd like to give each one of the Council Members an opportunity to say congratulations.

Mayor Glover: Absolutely.

Councilman Lester: Thank you Mr. Chairman. To the parents, you know y'all are doing an outstanding job and clearly you have some very beautiful and talented children. Congratulations for taking the time and sacrifice to invest in your children. As one of the things that the Chairman said, and I agree wholeheartedly, you know as a community, we spend a lot of money in a lot of different ways. We spent some money on the educational system, and more often than not, we find the time and the resources to spend a lot of money in incarcerating people. But when you have programs like this, that give our children an opportunity to do what God has given them and prosper and show their talents, that's something that we as a Council fully support. And I thank Shelly and her team for leading it, and certainly to Mr. Carter, who I've known for many, many years. Mr. Chairman, he is from Cedar Grove. Just let that be known.

Councilman Shyne: And I was going to say Mooretown.

Councilman Lester: No sir. No sir. No sir.

Councilman Shyne: Then, I'll give in.

Councilman Lester: That's okay, and that's a lot of Cedar Grove that's represented, that's here. I didn't want to - - - you know sometimes, we have to run undercover because we get a little boastful, but there's a lot of Cedar Grove faces out there that I see, and some second generation and third generation, literally professional athletes over here. So, no they've done an outstanding job, and Lamark as the Mayor has said, has represented the neighborhood, but not only that, he's represented himself and his family in an outstanding way for a number of years, even going back to high school, and what have you. And it just shows that there are a lot of good things that are happening in Shreveport and a lot of positive things, and we just congratulate you guys for your efforts and continue to do well, and continue to prosper. And I can't say enough about Lamark. You know many times, you get an opportunity to go other places, and I know that he could have gone anywhere to do what he does. I mean, he has an Olympic resume that is very distinguished, and he could have been at Santa Monica Track Club, or some of those other places making a lot of money, but he's chosen to come back home and invest in the area that has invested in him, and that is something that speaks to his character and his parent's character. So, just thank you for everything that you do, and as the Mayor said, just do your best, and everything will be alright. Thank you very much.

Councilman Wooley: I just wanted to say to all the young people that you guys are great. That you should be very proud of yourselves, parents you should be very proud. I was a former participant in Jr. Olympics in 1987 for the 3000 Meter Run. And so I got to represent Shreveport on the national level. It's a high honor to represent your city, your community and you young people should be very proud of yourself. So thank you.

Councilman Shyne: Anybody else? If not, Lamark, you're doing a fantastic job. God has given you a lot, so God expects a lot from you. So continue to give, and give, and give, and the more you give, the bigger you get. And I guess if you were watching the ESPY Awards last night and the night before, you saw Tommie Smith and Carlos. Mr. Mayor, I forgot his first name.

Councilman Lester: John.

Councilman Shyne: What is it? Yeah, John Carlos, that's exactly right. So, continue to give, and give, and give, and God will always bless you. Again, thank you, and lets give them a big hand and we're going to send you off to where? OMAHA! Calvin, I screamed, and I bet the people started turning their TV sets down.

Councilman Lester: They jumped back off the TV.

Deacon Mattox: Mr. Chairman, this is the second time that my grandson - - - last year, he represented Shreveport in Hersey, PA. And I feel honored, and I'm so happy. But I also feel old, because I know I've known Brother Lester I guess before he was born. I've known B.B., my wife taught her. Yes, your name is B.B., my wife taught her English in Bossier City. I am a native of Bossier City. I spent 32 years in the U.S. Air Force. And I'm saddened today, because some of my troops died. But that's it. When you wear the uniform, something may happen. But once again, I'm thankful to be an American. I'm thankful for what the City Council has done for us. And this young man here, the Mayor and my son graduated from Magnet High School. They're close friends (inaudible) Centenary College, and he's working for State Farm in San Antonio, TX. God Bless all of you.

Mayor Glover: Thank you Mr. Mattox.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor, before you say that, I see why he asked God to put his arms around you, and he left some of us devils out.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Mattox always did know a devil when he saw one.

Councilman Shyne: Now, there you go.

Mayor Glover: Well thank you for those kind words Mr. Mattox, and in addition to that, we want to thank you for your service to our country. The good news Mr. Chairman and Members of the Council, simply continues here today. We have yet another group of outstanding young Shreveporters to honor here. And at this point, I want to welcome up the Shreveport Americans who are the 8 year old Machine Pitch All Stars, the Shreveport Dixie Youth League. They are the 2008 District Champions and they are also the 2008 Louisiana State Champions. They won 15 games and lost just one in District and State play. And on this Friday, they will travel to Texarkana to represent Shreveport and Louisiana at the National Tournament. The Dixie Youth League World AA World Series. The competition will be stiff, but we know that these young folks will continue to do their best, and know that they are all winners, no matter what. These outstanding young men are here today with their coaches, and I'm going to ask them to come up and join me. Coach Doug DuBois, Coach Hoy Hill, Coach David Derrick, Coach Daniel Robinson, and proud grandparent Robert McMullen who is on video camera, and who was worried as to whether or not I had the list of the names of all the individual players, and I assured him on the elevator coming down, that yes I did. And so at this point, I want to call the players up. First of all, Josh Crank. Come on up Josh. Followed by Brayden Davis, followed by Kaleb Dean, followed by Will Derrick, Reid DuBois, Jackson Harris, Christian Hill, Drew Jordan, Alex McJunkins, Christopher Noble, Christopher Robinson, Reid Sikes, and Anthony Stallcup. These young men and Coaches represent the 2008 District Dixie Youth League Baseball Champions and the Louisiana State Champions for 8 year olds. Let's give them all a round of applause.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor, I was going to tell you to tell their parents to come up, but they're already here.

Mayor Glover: Do we have any parents still left in the audience? We have a couple, would you please stand? Now would you like to come around and take a picture from Council dais, please, you're more than welcome to do so. Alright. And at this point, I'm going to hand, we have an individual Certificate of Excellence from the Mayor's office for each one of you starting with Josh, where are you Josh? There you go, you were first up. That's right. Brayden, Kaleb, Will, Reid, Coaches son?

Master Reid Dubois: Yes.

Mayor Glover: Alright. Jackson Harris. Christian Hill, Drew Jordan, Alex McJunkins, Christopher Noble, Christopher Robinson, Reid Sikes, Anthony Stallcup, and then our Coaches. Coach Doug DuBois, and Coach Hill, and Coach Derrick, and Coach Robinson. Now we want to kinda draw in here a little bit guys, hold those certificates up so your parents can take some pictures. Coaches, come on. Alright, hold 'em down a little bit so we can see (inaudible), down a little bit. Under your chin, under your chin. There you go. Alright, lets' tighten up a little bit. Make a little less wide of a shot. Come on down guys, come on down. Alright now, Coach you want to come on up.

Coach Robinson: As the Mayor said, these kids over two weekends, played 16 ballgames, won 15 of them. There were three different days they had three ballgames in

one day, and it was 90+ degrees outside, so these kids have really come together. We're very proud of them, we're very proud of this honor Mr. Mayor, and on behalf of our team, we understand you enjoy mementos, so all the kids have signed this baseball, and on behalf of Shreveport Dixie League Baseball. So, please add it to your trophy case.

Mayor Glover: Absolutely. Thank you Coach, thank you guys for the ball. You are right, I do have, I think this is my 3rd ball from one of the local Shreveport Baseball Teams. I thank you guys for giving me this honor. Know that this will sit in a place of honor in the Mayor's office as long as I am Mayor. So thanks to you all, and great luck to you as you travel tomorrow. Where are you going?

The Shreveport Americans: TEXARKANA!

Mayor Glover: To Texarkana. And what are you going to do?

The Shreveport Americans: PLAY BALL!

Mayor Glover: Alright. You going to do your best?

The Shreveport Americans: YES SIR!

Mayor Glover: Thank you all so much, and God bless you. Mr. Chairman, Members of the Council, the great news continues.

Councilman Lester: Mr. Mayor, before we continue, I've been asked by a parent so that I won't get in trouble, to say "Go C.E. Byrd". Mr. Chairman, I just got my age card pulled when one of the Robinson children that plays baseball said wait a minute, I know you. I went to High School with your mom. Starting to get there, so time is flying.

Mayor Glover: Kinda like wine Mr. Lester, just gets better with time.

Councilman Lester: I'm going to take your word for it Mr. Mayor.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, members of the Council.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor, just one minute. It might be like wine, but take it from me, you do have some aches, and some stiffness now. I don't know what the Mayor is talking about. You just wait.

Mayor Glover: Thank you Mr. Chairman and Members of the Council. Next I'd like to call up the members of the LSU Baseball team who are here with us. I'm sorry LSU Basketball Team. I've got baseball on my mind.

Coach McDowell: We can help you with that.

Mayor Glover: Come on up to the front row.

Councilman Shyne: Alright. We've got this round ball in the house. You know they walk like basketball players. Did y'all see that Swagger? Alright.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman and Members of the Council, while I still feel rather large, this is one of the few times, I don't feel so tall. I am honored to welcome to today's Council Meeting, the members of the LSUS Pilots Men's Basketball Team, LSU Shreveport, where Dr. Vincent Marsala is the Chancellor and Chad McDowell is the Head Basketball Coach and Assistant AD (Athletic Director), if I'm not mistaken. Absolutely. Coach McDowell, a young man is much sought after in the coaching world, but who is chose to stay right at LSU Shreveport, for which we are very thankful, very pleased. We've invited the Pilots to be here today to recognize the team for yet another successful season. This past year was a record breaking one for the Pilots, and it included some 31 victories in the GCAC Regular Season Championship they won as well and for the 3rd consecutive year, they brought home literally on their home court the GCAC Tournament Title. The are Louisiana's winningest basketball program, both in terms of total wins and

winning percentage over the past five years. The winningest program in Louisiana over the past five years. That says a great deal about Coach McDowell and the young men, and all the folks involved in this program. They are outstanding, each and every one of them. They are without question great ambassadors for the University as well as for the City, and their families, and their respective communities. They are role models for other young men across the city and across the state, and they work hard everyday. Both on the court and in the classroom. This team has a drive and a spirit that is just simply unmatched. Their leader happens to be a young man on the court by the name of Josh Porter. Josh Porter is a Sheveporter and has compiled a stellar career at LSU Shreveport. Josh will soon be leaving to join a Pro-A Division II League in Germany, as he pursues basketball as a career. Porter finished his senior season averaging 22 points which places him second all time on the LSUS single season scoring list. Porter established himself as one of the best players in college basketball in 2007 and 2008 for earning the GCAC Player of the Year Award and several All-American honors. Porter is also the first LSUS Men's Basketball Player to sign a professional contract. He is to report to Germany on the 11th of August. And Josh also was honored this year during the NCAA Final Four as the NCAA's Player of the Year. The specifics of the award I will let him share with you, but I know he was there in Houston, where a lot of us wished that we could have been. Enjoying those final four games, but also being honored with just what was without question an outstanding career. I was also very honored and privileged to have an opportunity to catch the last two games of this season here in Shreveport and was just absolutely flabbergasted at the quality of basketball that these young men play and the type of effort that they put forth on the court, and the kind of character that they display and sportsmanship that they display throughout the night's game. And I want you all to know that there is a great secret in Shreveport, that we've got to go out and let the rest of the city know about. And it takes place out there inside the gymnasium during basketball season on the campus of LSU Shreveport. And I was there the night that they won the Championship, and also as the young man who just gave me my baseball here that will go into a place of honor in the Mayor's office. I mentioned, I also want you all to know that these young men were gracious enough to share with me a piece of the net that they cut down the night of their championship victory out there at LSU Shreveport and that also sits in a place of honor in the Mayor's office as well. And so at this point, I want to call up Josh McDowell, I mean Coach McDowell rather. I've just put you all together, didn't I. But before I do that, I want to present each of these young men with a Mayoral Award of Excellence. I want to start with No. 33, Josh Berry – Justin Berry, I'm stuck on Josh. Five players are not here? Well we're going to give everyone whose not here to you. Alright. And our next one is going to go to Travis Cash; Chris Gatlin; Gabe Hall. We might not have been able to contain all of you all had you been here. To Kevin Huey;

Councilman Shyne: They're probably in class.

Mayor Glover: Clark Jackson; J'Quincy Jones; Jay Lincoln; Paul Marlow, Canada; Jamon Morris, all the way from Chicago. Jamon Morris. Now that was the one I could identify with, that was the big man in the middle Mr. Shyne. Who comes to LSU Shreveport from Chicago. We're proud to have him. Josh Porter.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor, this is Josh's mother, and she's going with him all the way to Germany, to make sure he does alright.

Mayor Glover: God bless her. I think that may be news to Josh. I heard him mention that he had a 1 bedroom. Jared Stevenson; Chris Wafer; Cody Walker; Sam Williams, Head Coach, Chad McDowell. Assistant Coach Derrick Greene; Assistant Coach Ryan Edwards; Assistant Coach, Kyle Blankenship. At this point, I'd like to invite first Josh and then Coach McDowell to come up and share a few words with the Council please. Josh, tell us about your NCAA honor that you received this year, and tell us about what's (inaudible).

Mr. Josh Porter: Alright. First off, I want to say hello to the Council and the City of Shreveport. You know and I think they did a bad mistake about giving me the microphone, because I get carried away a little bit.

Mr. Dark: Well you're in the right room, you're in the right place.

Mr. Porter: So, I'll make it short.

Councilman Walford: Don't worry, we're used to that.

Mr. Porter: You know this past year has been unbelievable for me. You know as everyone knows I fractured my neck, broken in three places, my C5. And I was given a - - the statistics are 99.9% of the people with the same injury are either paralyzed or they are deceased. And so all these accomplishments that I've had and you know the 2008, Most Courageous Award that was given to me, it's all in honor of the Man upstairs. You know Grandma explained it best, I'm an 'old head'. So, you know I'm old school, and I think about things a lot and I'm thankful for all the older people that are in the world that give you wisdom and encourage you and lead you in the right way. And I couldn't have made it without my family behind me. All the way down from left to right. You know that was my family that was there with me when I had the injury, when I came back, they had smiles for me and hugs, and they teased me a little bit. They called me 'Alien' and 'Shakespeare', because I kinda go off on my friends and just talk about anything that comes to my mind. But I love these guys and I definitely couldn't have made it without them or without the prayers and definitely without mom and father there with me taking care of me, bathing me when I couldn't even bathe myself. And it really makes me thankful and the sky is the limit for us. Everyone behind me, they're just going to have to deal with it, they're stuck with me for life. And I'm stuck with them. So, I thank you guys for giving us this award Mayor. I thank you so much for just thinking about us, because it really makes you smile when someone thinks about you. And to know that you're on their mind. And thank you.

Coach McDowell: Thank you to each one of you for serving our city and what you do. Appreciate you having us out. Humbled as I watched each one of those people that came up earlier to be recognized. I think his name was Adrian that was at West Point. I had a brother that went to the Air Force Academy, and I know the challenges that he faces, and for him to do it in four years and be serving our country. I don't want to minimize our efforts on the basketball floor, but we often try to remind these guys that those are our true heroes and that doesn't minimize their role as far as being a role model to use and doing good things. But that was impressive, that young man and then we have an Olympian up here, and then I was very thankful though that we went ahead and got that younger team out of here, I saw one of the coaches was the Jump Out Boys. I had a couple of players back there shaking. I'm only kidding. I have a good time with these guys and so I'm just having fun. But we're honored to be here today, we're very proud of their efforts and

what they stand for both on and off the floor. We were very honored to have you Mayor at our games and I'm looking forward to having you at several more in the upcoming years. We brought this to you today. This is a signed basketball, each one of the players, even the ones that weren't in attendance. This ball comes from Kansas City, Missouri at the National Tournament that we've been to several times. And this is the 2007-2008 that we would like to present to you. And I would like to present to you on behalf of Louisiana State University in Shreveport, and our Chancellor Marsala, Vice Chancellor that's here with us, Mike Farrow, my Athletic Director, Doug Robinson. And I have to mention who is a program and one of my No. 1 fans, my brother-in-law, George Arnold who passed with cancer about a month ago. I wanted to mention him today on a special day for our team and our program. But we just thank everyone of you and Mayor, from the bottom of our hearts, we appreciate you honoring and giving us this award. Thank you Mayor.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor, I'm going to be watching you to see if you're somewhere practicing with that ball.

Mayor Glover: No, this one won't touch the court Mr. Shyne. Not at all. Coach, Josh, all of you guys, we are absolutely honored to have you all here with us today. As I said earlier, you all have done so much for yourselves, so much for the University, and so much for the City. And Josh as you mentioned, anyone who has heard your story, your testimony can't help but to be touched and inspired and motivated. Before we turn it over to the Council and the Chairman for any comments that they may have, I know we have your mother who is up here taking pictures, is your father here? One of Shreveport's former Police Officers. Great to have him. Any other family members?

Mrs. Porter: His niece is back there, Kayla.

Mayor Glover: Your grand-daughter? Stand up grand-daughter, great to have you here as well. God bless you, great to have you all.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman, just before we - - - I'd like for one of my old ex-coworkers, and I guess you can tell, he and I go back because we kinda look the same. He's gray and getting bald, and I'm gray and getting bald. Doug, you want to come up and - - -

Coach Robinson: I just want to say one thing. Our coach never brags on himself, but he was 31 and 3. But that didn't count three other exhibition games. Played a little school across town, Centenary. Beat them. Beat McNeese and beat Northwestern. So, it was really 34 and 3.

Coach McDowell: I was going to mention those, but somebody on the Council mentioned they were Centenary grad and I didn't want (inaudible).

Councilman Shyne: I'm glad you didn't because we might have a couple of Centenary people here. Doug, it's just so good seeing you and - - -

Coach Robinson: And know I'm still living?

Councilman Shyne: That's right. And Coach, we want to let you all know and guys we want to let you all know that we are extremely proud of you all. Josh, you are a miracle. Don't ever forget that. God got you here for a special reason, and gentlemen, that goes for all of you all. We are extremely proud of you all and if you all have any problems with the Jump Out Boys, just call the Mayor, hear? He'll take care of it for you.

Councilman Walford: Well, I just wanted to say congratulations and that ball is very nice. And a couple of y'all know what I'm talking about. You didn't want to give him the basketball you had for the Firecracker 5K Run? They had a basketball about that big that they were dribbling along as they ran. Right? Who was in the run, come on. Somebody was.

Coach McDowell: We all ran in the Firecracker 5K Run.

Councilman Walford: Well they had a rather sizeable basketball Mr. Mayor. But you guys did great.

Councilman Wooley: Yes, I just wanted to say congratulations to you guys, really appreciate your testimony you shared. It's really a miracle. And thank you coach for all you've done for our city, and you guys are a fine example to our young people once again, young adults. Thank you.

Councilman Lester: You know they do an outstanding job, more than just that, being obviously as the coach has said, good accomplished basketball players, they're good students, and they're good people, and they're good role models. And that's always good to see for the demographic that more often than not, are the trouble makers, these young men are showing that they can go to school and then participate in athletics, learn team work, learn camaraderie and more importantly hit the books and do what they need to be good citizens. So I'm very proud of you. Continue to do well, and Josh, I mean we all know there is a God somewhere, and if we don't, we know now. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Councilman Shyne: Okay now and Doug, I'm going to call Phil, and tell him you're doing alright, hear?

Coach Robinson: Yeah, tell him I'm still living.

Mayor Glover: Thank you Mr. Chairman. Thank you Coach. Appreciate you all. At this point Mr. Chairman and Members of the Council, I want to ask Chief Crawford and Chief Whitehorn to both join me up here. We want to recognize two outstanding members of the Shreveport Public Safety family. We want to ask them to go ahead and join us as well. Shreveport Police Detective Roy Menefee, and Shreveport Fire Captain Richard Watkins. We'll start here to my left, and recognize and share with you some details about why we have these two gentlemen up here along with their respective Chiefs. Shreveport Fire Chief Richard Watkins was amongst the ranks of the Shreveport Fire Department, and served as a Fire Captain and has earned the prestigious honor of receiving both the State and the National Award from the 40 and 8 Club Hero of the Year Award. I say State and National. Only one other firefighter from Shreveport has ever won at the National level. Captain Watkins' quick, unselfish and skilled heroic actions in an incident that occurred in March of last year went far beyond the call of duty. Chief Brian Crawford will be able to in just a few minutes, to share with you the details of what happened on that particular day. After Chief Crawford shares his comments about Cpt Watkins, Chief Whitehorn is going to tell you a little bit about the young man who is here to my right, Shreveport Police Detective Roy Menefee. Det. Menefee emerged from the ranks of law enforcement all across the state and was selected as the State of Louisiana's 40 and 8 Club Law Officer of the Year. While that is an outstanding honor, in September, Detective Menefee will travel to Orlando Florida to receive the National 40 and 8 Law Officer of the Year Award. To the best of our knowledge, this is a first. Detective

Menefee is the first officer from Shreveport to receive the National Award. The 40 and 8 is a prestigious independent and by invitation honor that is bestowed by a prestigious group of United States Veterans. The 40 and 8 Club was founded in 1920. They are American Military Veterans who were transferred into battle on French trains with boxcars stenciled with a 40/8 to denote it's capacity to hold either 40 men or 8 horses. Today, the 40 and 8 is a symbol of deeper service, sacrifice and bravery. After Chief Crawford shares with you about Cpt Watkins, Chief Whitehorn will tell you about the heroic act that earned Det. Menefee as the State and National honor that he's been bestowed with. Mr. Chairman and Members of the Council, we often times talk about having a fine police department and a fine fire department, but here is without question an excellent example of exactly what we mean when we say that. State winner and national winners, both from the same city in the same year. At this point, Chief Crawford, please come up and tell us about Cpt Watkins.

Chief Crawford: Gladly. Thank you Mr. Mayor, Mr. Chairman, Members of the Council, it's my privilege and honor to tell you about the events that happened last year involving Cpt Richard Watkins and his unselfish act. (Inaudible) assigned to one of our ambulances, and as he made a transport delivery to one of our local hospitals, while inside doing paperwork, there was a psychiatric patient who was being guarded by one of the hospital security guards. As the security guard turns his head, the psychiatric patient jumped on the security guard, knocking him almost unconscious to the ground. Cpt Watkins, at the time a driver, saw the altercation and what had happened, noticed that the security guard's firearm was exposed and immediately and unselfishly without thinking about his own personal safety rendered assistance and jumped on the psychiatric patient in an attempt to keep him away from the sidearm and pull him away from the security guard to avoid any further harm. He was able to subdue him long enough to where other members, including one of our other members Eric Keel, were able to assist him with other hospital personnel, and finally subdue the patient to where no further action was necessary. The great thing about this is, no harm came to anyone. Obviously the patient had a disorder, he wasn't affected as far as being hurt. Richard in the best tradition of the Shreveport Fire Department, on or off duty, whether fighting a fire or having to step up in a heroic leadership role, we have 600 men and women just like him. I am proud to present him to you today. Cpt Watkins.

Cpt Watkins: Good afternoon and thank you. I received this award approximately 2 weeks ago now, the State level award and in September we will be going to Florida to receive our National award. I have been very lucky in the fact that I feel the term hero is a little bit too strong. This was given to us by a group of individuals who served our country as American Soldiers. The veterans were very proud of them, and I feel like they were more deserving of the term hero. I can say one thing, the actions that took place on that day, I feel like 100% of the people that I work with would have done the same thing that I did. I come from a great tradition of Firefighters. I love this job. This is the best job in the city. I feel like this award is shared by all. Thank you again for having us here today.

Chief Whitehorn: Mr. Mayor, Chairman, and Members of the Council, if you will indulge me just a moment, I'd like to ask another individual to come forward and join us. Tommy Hancock is the Chief Deputy United States Marshall for the Western District of

Louisiana, and he is the guy who actually runs the Marshall Service here for us. And Cpl Menefee is a part of the fugitive task force which is run by the Marshalls and we really work closely together to make sure that we apprehend all those felons, those wanted felons. Not only in Louisiana, but in other parts of the country, and Det. Menefee is a part of that team. Tommy Hancock and I also served together with the Louisiana State Police for a number of years. So we're just glad to have this distinguished individual in the audience with us this evening. As many of you know when I was appointed Chief of Police, I identified five major priorities to address crime in Shreveport. And one of those priorities was addressing domestic violence crimes. SPD has a domestic violence unit and it's staffed by a Sgt and two Cpl officers. Det. Roy Menefee is assigned to that unit. Det. Menefee has been employed with the Shreveport Police Department since April of 1998. And here is what we consider and what we call "a go getter". And he has proven his ability to locate and apprehend violent offenders. And protect victims from abuse that often times if repeated with incidents getting more and more violent. Det. Menefee has had many shining moments throughout his career. But in one particular case, a business professional had been stalked by someone she had dated briefly. It turned out that this suspect had a 30 year history of stalking women, and he had a protective order in several states besides Louisiana. Det. Menefee was eventually able to arrest this individual, but even after his arrest, he continued to stalk this victim, leaving gifts and threatening to kill her. He was re-arrested, and later convicted. 2007 was a busy year for Det. Menefee. He personally arrested 85 people and assisted with dozens of others. Just recently, a man he arrested in 2007 was convicted and sentenced to 10 years at hard labor for attacking his wife as well as raping and kidnapping her. Because of many of those incidents that this individual perpetrated on his wife, many of them occurred in other cities. Det. Menefee was able to work with the Louisiana Attorney's office and get felony charges on all incidents. Det. Menefee is a dedicated investigator who works to protect those who have been battered and abused by the ones they love. You know it is often times a difficult job, but he does it and he does it well. And he is certainly deserving of the Local Law Enforcement of the Year Award. And he is also, as the Mayor mentioned, been chosen as the National Law Enforcement Officer of the Year by the 40 and 8, and receive that award in September. And it is my understanding that he is the first Shreveport Police Officer to ever receive the national award. Please join me in congratulating Det. Roy Menefee.

Det. Menefee: I want to thank the Members of the Council today for letting us come here and be recognized for these awards. Appreciate Cpt Watkins being here, and the award he received for helping a fellow officer. It's a humbling experience to be able to get an award for doing something that you enjoy doing. And as Cpt Watkins said, he has the best job in the world being a fireman, and I have the best job in the world being a police officer. I've been doing this about 24 years now, serving the citizens of the community here, and if anything else I enjoy it more today than I did when I first started, because I know more about it, and able to do a lot better job at it. But I appreciate the opportunity to come and be here today and appreciate the recognition that we've been given. And thank you very much.

Chief Whitehorn: If it's okay, we'd like for Chief Deputy Hancock to make a few comments.

Councilman Shyne: That's fine. If he's a friend of yours Chief, he's a friend of mine.

Chief Deputy Hancock: Mayor Glover, Members of the Council, Chief Whitehorn, thank you Chief for just inviting me up here. If I knew I was going to take the podium, I would have worn a suit today. We've been at the range doing some qualifications ourselves. I'm very humbled to stand before the members of this Council and the Mayor and the Chief of Police. And to stand among the heroes, I'm so proud of them. And these guys have excelled at their jobs, they remember one thing, they're still public servants, and those public servants are the ones that excel so much. I thank you all. One other comment, Mayor, I was one of the original members of Operation THOR in the Cedar Grove Neighborhood when I was a State Trooper with my friend, Chief Whitehorn. And Cooper Road, and Cedar Grove, no it was Cooper Road. That was a few years back. And you were actually a Councilman at that time.

Mayor Glover: No I wasn't.

Chief Deputy Hancock: Were you not?

Mayor Glover: Not yet.

Chief Deputy Hancock: Well I do remember this one thing.

Councilman Shyne: He was a barefooted kid running around on the Cooper Road, helping you all out.

Chief Deputy Hancock: Well I tell you what I do remember about that. I do remember that the Mayor and his community up there treated us so great. And they fed us at their church nightly. And we performed a service for them and they returned the favor. Thank you again Fireman and Police Officer.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor, before they take their seats, you're going to give them an award? We just want to thank them.

Mayor Glover: Absolutely. We want to present both of these young men since they already received the local honor, the state honor, they're on their way to receive the National honor, we just wanted to add to their collection of awards, the Mayor's award of excellence. This one is for you Cpt Watkins. Det. Menefee, and I also want to say, I believe, Chief

Chief Whitehorn: (Inaudible) the awards that they received, so I'll just hold those up for you.

Mayor Glover: That works. And I'm so glad that I saw and still Channel 12 here, I saw Channel 3, I'm not sure if they're still here. I'm so glad that the media and I know that Adam is here on the front row, I'm so glad that the media is here today, to be able to cover this particular event. This recognition because we know occasionally we discover an individual or two within the ranks, whether it's the Police Department or the Fire Department that hadn't lived up to the highest expectations that we all have for them, and I know that I for one to always step forward and make very clear that the missteps or misdeeds of one are certainly not reflective of the whole. But today, I am very proud to stand here today and tell you and the Council and all the citizens of this city that I believe that these individuals do in fact happen to represent an embody all that is good, all that is wholesome, all that is wonderful about both the Shreveport Fire Department as well as the Shreveport Police Department. And they are without question examples of the kind of outstanding men and women that we have populating both of those departments, and I'm

glad to see that they are willing to come down here today and be recognized not only for their individual honor, but as they all have mentioned collectively on behalf of all of the men and women that they work with, who go everyday and render outstanding service that they render to the people of the City of Shreveport. So I thank you all for coming down today. Chief, I thank you for joining us in this recognition as well. And congratulations men and hope that you all have a wonderful time as you go to Orlando to soak up a little sun. And I saw a young lady here, I'm not sure if she was someone's daughter taking pictures. I want to recognize any family that you all have here.

Det. Menefee: My father, my sister and my niece are here, and my brother.

Mayor Glover: Glad to have you all. Thank you. Thank you so much.

Councilman Shyne: And Mr. Mayor, before they go, we just want to let you know that we appreciate you all being excellent public servants for the city of Shreveport. And just one thing I disagree with you on, cause I saw Tom Dark over there shaking his head when you all said that you all had the best job in the City of Shreveport. He said, "Uh umm, he's got the best job in the City of Shreveport, he's got the best job in the City of Shreveport."

Mr. Dark: No actually, they do Mr. Shyne.

Councilman Shyne: But we just want to let you all know that we appreciate what you all do on a daily basis.

Mayor Glover: And before I take my seat Mr. Chairman and Members of the Council, I want to stop and take a moment to say thank you to all of the citizens of Shreveport who went out this past Saturday and voted to re-authorize the five millages that were on the ballot. We all know that we told our various districts and constituents that it did not represent an increase, which it does not, but you always worry. Especially in this kind of environment where the economy unfortunately is not doing so well, and people are challenged in so many ways, whether or not people would understand it and get the message. While the turnout was not very high, the numbers were without question, I believe a very positive affirmation of the leadership that is being collectively provided down here at Government Plaza. So, that was not a proposition on the ballot of the five that received less than 76% of the support of those who casts their ballots, and there was one that even got 80% of support from the men and women of the City of Shreveport. So, I want to thank them, I want to thank each and every one of them, I want to thank all the various employees of the city who went out and encouraged their friends and family and neighbors. Didn't tell them necessarily how to vote, but just encouraged them to actually go out and vote. So, thank you all for everything that happened in that regard. And the last thing I want to mention to you before I take my seat is we all know that Friday before last, or Saturday morning before last, we had some events that took place in the City of Shreveport that have placed us - - - focus of the national media involving some of our local film production community, and some of the local establishments of downtown Shreveport. And that is something that has been commented on in various places, and in various venues, and I know that many of you may have received questions about what happened and what's going on, and I want to stand here before you today, and to let you all know that at this particular point and time, that while there were seven arrests that occurred involving the incident at the Stray Cat, each one of those arrest was for a misdemeanor offense. I believe we had six arrests for interfering, one arrest for entering

and remaining, public intoxication and resisting arrest. As of this point, there has not been any defense that has enrolled as counsel for these seven individuals. So at this point all of the video and audio that is available within the Shreveport Police Department is still a part of the official investigative record that is being compiled. As soon as someone enrolls as counsel for any or all of these individuals, they will have the right to do the discovery process, to be able to have access to that particular footage. That will be the means and the method for the meantime in terms of how that particular video footage might end up being released to the public for some form of viewing. I want you all to know that again as is the case with an active investigation, it is nothing that is subject at this particular point and time to the public records law. Because it is a part of an open and active investigation. However, I want to share with you that I did have the opportunity along with the Chief as well as the City Attorney to review each of the various video and audio perspectives that were recorded during that incident. Probably some six or seven hours worth of total video and audio. But when you include both the mics on the officers, the mics inside of the various police cars, and the various camera angles from the dashboard cams. And without question, I'm here to tell you that it is my belief that each and every member of the Shreveport Police Department involved in that incident as well as the Fire Personnel who came in to render first aid, conducted themselves in a manner that is without question beyond reproach and exhibited the kind of professionalism that each of you and I would expect them to as representatives of the City of Shreveport. So, for those who have attempted to try and characterize it otherwise, the only thing I can say at this point is shame on you. And at some point as this process moves forward, wall will ultimately be revealed, and hopefully we'll come to a fair and equitable resolution for all involved. So, thank you Mr. Chairman. If you have any questions in that regard, then certainly Chief Whitehorn and City Attorney Terri Scott are prepared to answer those, and certainly I will answer any questions that you all may have as well. So, thank you very much.

Councilman Shyne: I would now ask any of the Council Members if they have any distinguished guests that they would like to introduce. If not, Property Standards. Mr. Holt.

Reports: Property Standards Report

Councilman Shyne: Jim, you see I didn't forget you today. I think Monty has been rushing me from time to time.

Mr. Holt: Thank you Mr. Chairman. I'll take any requests y'all have.

Councilman Shyne: Okay, any - - -

Councilman Lester: Thank you, I just want to give Jim accolades as well as Mike Strong's guys in Public Works. Before we had Council Meeting today, we had a situation where one of our constituents on Murphy Street had what I guess could be considered a little street architecture, or I don't know what's the period, I'm not up on my Art Councilman Long. I don't think it's an impressionist period, but he had a sculpture, we'll say. And it was blocking the right of way, and had been there for quite some time. And I called Jim and his folks and he got with Public Works and they got that taken care of much

to the satisfaction of the constituents over there. So, I just wanted to publicly thank Jim and the folks at Public Works for helping us to deal with an eyesore along Murphy Street. Hopefully, we won't have that problem again, obviously we know how to take care of it. But I wanted to publicly thank you and everybody for helping us. Because the constituents in that area had been quite frustrated with the process and we got it taken care of, and we just wanted to say thank you.

Councilman Shyne: Jim, I was looking, A Mr. Avery, Mr. William Avery was supposed to be coming down. I think the told me he had called. Whatever his situation is, would you check it out? I told him sometimes it takes a little time.

Mr. Holt: I do recall that name. I know we've got something active with him.

Councilman Shyne: Right, I think it's a lot behind Hollywood Heights. You know it's a commercial area behind Hollywood Heights, that kinda connects with the interstate.

Mr. Holt: I know exactly what you're talking about now. That's active. I've got his phone number, I'll call him tomorrow.

Councilman Shyne: Right, I told him that it would be taken care of. You know sometimes you just don't do it over night. It takes a little time to get it going And again Jim I appreciate the situation that you and I talked about. And I did spread the word. So I hope I don't have to go back and eat it.

Mr. Holt: I do too.

Councilman Shyne: Cause you know Art, when I have to eat my words, it gives me a stomach ache and I have to share it with somebody.

Public Hearing: None

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

Confirmations and/or Appointments:

Adding Legislation to the Agenda

The Clerk read the following:

1. **Resolution No. 185 of 2008:** A Resolution to authorize the City Attorney to place Baird Industries, Inc. in default, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto
2. **Resolution No. 186 of 2008:** A Resolution requesting the local legislative delegation to seek the prompt and appropriate amendments to and clarification of Act No. 472 of the 2008 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature to clarify and resolve issues pertaining to members of boards and commissions and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
3. **Resolution No. 187 of 2008:** Providing for canvassing the returns and declaring the results of the special election held in the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana, on Saturday, July 19, 2008, relative to authorizing the continuation of the levy of special Ad Valorem Taxes and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

4. **Resolution No. 188 of 2008**: A Resolution nominating a person for consideration by the Mayor for appointment to the Downtown Development Authority and otherwise providing with respect thereto
5. **Resolution No. 189 of 2008**: A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to request the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources, Office of the State Mineral Board, to lease certain mineral interests owned by the City of Shreveport and to execute all documents relative to same; to ratify and approve the submission of the request and the application to the State Mineral Board; and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
6. **Ordinance No. 86 of 2008**: Levying a tax of twenty-seven and eighty-two one hundredths (27 and 82/100ths) mills per dollar on all property subject to Ad Valorem Taxation within the City of Shreveport for the year 2008 for the purpose of paying principal and interest on the outstanding general obligation bonds of the City of Shreveport and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
7. **Ordinance No. 87 of 2008**: Levying a tax of eight and thirty-four one hundredths (8 and 34/100ths) mills per dollar on all property subject to Ad Valorem Taxation within the Bounds of Downtown Development District of the City of Shreveport as defined by Act 554 of 1978, as amended for the purposed as set forth herein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
8. **Ordinance No. 88 of 2008**: Levying various taxes totaling eighteen and twenty-five hundredths (18 and 25/100ths) mills per dollar on all property subject to Ad Valorem Taxation within the City of Shreveport for the year 2008 in the amounts and for the purposes described herein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
9. **Ordinance No. 89 of 2008**: Making certain findings with respect to the issuance by the Louisiana Local Government Environmental Facilities and Community Development Authority on behalf of the City of Shreveport of its revenue refunding bonds (City of Shreveport/Independence Stadium Project), Series 2008 to refund certain existing indebtedness of the city which was used to finance the costs of renovating Independence Stadium, to pay fees arising from the termination of the existing SWAP Agreement related to the refunded variable rate transactions and to pay the costs of issuance of the bonds, approving the forms of and authorizing the distribution, execution and delivery of the preliminary and final official statements; approving the form of the trust indenture and authorizing the execution of delivery of the loan agreement, and other documents, certificates or contracts required in connection therewith; and authorizing the Mayor and the Clerk of the City to do all things necessary to effectuate this ordinance.

Motion by Councilman Walford, seconded by Councilman Long to add Resolution No(s). 185, 186, 187, 188, and 189; and Ordinance No(s). 86, 87, 88, and 89 of 2008 to the agenda. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Long, Wooley, Shyne, and Bowman. 6. Nays: None. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Webb. 1.

Councilman Walford: Bless you.

Councilman Shyne: Was that a blessing for everybody?

Councilman Walford: No, that was for the sneezers.

Councilman Lester: But everybody feels blessed so.

Councilman Shyne: But I feel a little itchy when I'm left out of Blessings and Prayers. I don't know whether Mr. Mayor if it's because I might need it, or whether I feel guilty about something or what. But I do.

Mr. Dark: Or both.

Councilman Shyne: But Chief, I do feel a little itchy when I'm left out of prayers. God knows what I'm talking about.

Public Comments (*Agenda Items to be Adopted*)

Mr. Tom Arceneaux: (400 Texas, Suite 1400) I'm here on a site plan, the appeal of a site plan denial by the Metropolitan Planning Commission. It's on Jefferson Paige Road, 6310 Jefferson Paige Road. I've given each of you a packet that has the information. One thing I want to, or two things I really want to make clear. 1) is the property at first was located, we didn't move the property, but the first plat of the property prepared by the Metropolitan Planning Commission staff had indicated it was next to residential property and it is not. It is next to and surrounding by commercial property. Therefore a fence is not required, because there is no separation from residential property, there is only commercial property. So we would like to have that approved as submitted without the fence because the code does not require the fence under these circumstances. The second is there was some confusion I think at the public hearing about the developers. There are apparently some stores of the same brand that were developed by other people and have not been maintained as well. I've included some pictures in the packet to show you this is a different developer not associated with those folks. I don't really think that's before you, but it certainly is a concern for the people in the neighborhood. And I wanted to make sure particularly for Ms. Bowman that she understood that this is a developer who takes care of his property and you can expect that it will be taken care of. I'll be happy to answer any questions. I am glad that it's Captain Shreve Day. I am a member of the Captain Shreve Class of 1969. So, I'm delighted for us. Most of those folks were there certainly after I was.

Councilwoman Bowman: Mr. Arceneaux, normally when I see him, I say friend or foe. Today, I will be requesting and I want to know if there is going to be a problem with the fence. Mainly because I mean especially with the - - - I know the woods are there, or whatever, but there is a neighborhood that is not far from there, and I requested this from most businesses when they're in close proximity to a residential area. I didn't have any

opposition from the citizens, but yet I would - - - they can do that? I don't have a problem with it then.

Mr. Arceneaux: The developers are here, and they've indicated that that would be alright with them.

Councilwoman Bowman: We'll add that. Thank you.

Councilman Lester: Real quick, and Councilwoman Bowman read my mind. Because the developer is on the other side of the street from my district, and I had some people call about the fence issue, and I've had scenarios where people develop those stores and they do their level best to keep things policed, but a lot of times the dumpsters fly open through no fault of their own and they get trash all over the place. So I think a fence is most definitely in order and I'm glad to know that your clients are amenable to that.

Councilman Webb: Mr. Arceneaux, looking here at the map, Circle K is on the corner, and then the proposed site is next door to it, and then you've got a vacant lot and then you have a - - - I assume it's a commercial building of some type. What is that?

Mr. Arceneaux: Cell phone tower.

Councilman Webb: No I mean, it's a big structure.

Mr. Arceneaux: This is a site map that several years old. It's possible that that's not there. This is just a Google map, just to show you general vicinity. That building may or may not be there. I know that the woods that are shown on the site are no longer there. The site's been cleared. I really don't know the answer to your question.

Councilwoman Bowman: If it is, it is that Temple.

Councilman Lester: You're right.

Councilman Webb: Cause you have a commercial building between right now that's already (inaudible) before you get to the residential subdivision. I was just curious about that. I'm going to ride out there and look at it. I haven't done that yet.

Councilman Shyne: Tom, we appreciate it, and you are a friend, not a foe this time. Thank you.

Mr. Geoff Westmoreland: (333 Texas) My client is Sportsman's Lakefront RV Park. We are here again on the zoning approval I spoke about last time, it is Ordinance 70. Moving the property from a B-1 to B-1E. We have met with Ms. Bowman I believe we are in a position to possibly defer again today. I just wanted to be here if anybody had any questions or if there are any issues that arose, and we'll plan if all goes according to plan, we'll plan to address this at the August 12th meeting.

Councilwoman Bowman: Just for the record, several people did not receive notification, and I wanted to be fair about it and allow them the opportunity to receive notification and attend the next meeting. So I appreciate it. Thank you.

Mr. Tim McMurray: (817 Cardinal) I'm here representing (inaudible) Italian Ice Factory, a new business on Youree Drive, 5710 Youree. It's a new business here in town. And we're zoned for the business now, and we've been before the Metropolitan Planning Commission. Mr. Kirkland was instrumental and I appreciate all his help and guidance. And what we basically wanted to do was utilize the drive thru that's already there. It was used for years illegally, and we just want to be legal. We want to be good neighbors and good business people and we want to do things right. I'm basically here to answer any

questions anyone has about the business or about the Italian ice. I welcome any questions from everybody.

Councilman Shyne: Before I refer to Councilman Long, what's the difference between Italian Ice or Chinese Ice, or Mexican Ice?

Mr. McMurray: That's a great question. I get that all the time. Basically what Italian ice is a (inaudible) purees and water made together, and it's made fresh everyday. It's called Italian ice because it originated up in New York and Philly area, sometimes called water ice, and this would be the first one within 4-500 miles of this area. It's going to be the first of many. We're going to franchise this.

Councilman Shyne: I don't want to sound ignorant, but I mean, do you use it just like you do let say - - - Shreveport ice?

Mr. McMurray: Yeah. Actually it's a dessert. It's made similar to - - - like an Icee or Slurpee or a snow cone or something of that nature. The preparation and the finished product is a much more refined fresher than what we have in this area. So the actual finished product is in a cup and you eat it with a spoon or you can drink it through a straw when it starts to melt down a little bit.

Councilman Shyne: Usually before I vote on something like this, I usually like to come by and taste it but I guess I missed out on this one. Charles you understand how it is. I like to taste it to make sure that you've got a good product.

Councilman Long: Joe, it's kinda like an Italian snow cone. You're going to like it.

Councilman Shyne: Okay, but usually I like to - - -.

Mr. McMurray: And it's fat free and cholesterol free.

Councilman Long: And much better for you, and I heard your support to approve the variance.

Councilman Shyne: Well okay, you've got my support on that. I just didn't want you to be selling anything that was fattening. You know I've been seeing in the paper about what is that Louisiana is ranked what? 8th or 9th?

Councilman Wooley: It's in the top 5. It is the fattest state, Louisiana.

Councilman Shyne: Really?

Mr. McMurray: Well we'll switch over some of those eating habits to ours, and we'll thin everybody out.

Councilman Shyne: Okay, so I'll come by cause.

Mayor Glover: Thank God for Mississippi, I guess.

Councilman Shyne: Yeah. I think the Mayor and Ron are saying that Mississippi is ranking No. 1. We're going to let them have that. Any more questions? If not. We appreciate it. In case the other people are getting a little itchy, we do have some other forms, but they are at the end. So, in case you filled one out, I don't want you to think that I'm overlooking you, because that happened once. Mr. Mayor a gentleman got up and walked out and he saw me out in my yard, and he stopped his car Chief, I thought I was going to have to call you. And he wanted to know why I overlooked him during the Public Comments, and I had to explain to him that he was not at the beginning. If he had just waited a little while. And I think that was the day when Michael Long talked so long until most of the people got tired and left. So Mike I'm going to blame part of that on you. Let's move into our Consent Agenda.

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

RESOLUTIONS: None.

ORDINANCES: None.

TO ADOPT RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

RESOLUTIONS:

The Clerk read the following:

RESOLUTION NO. 183 of 2008

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING TED RAY SCURLOCK, LOCATED AT 304 CYPRESS CREEK COURT, TO CONNECT TO THE WATER & SEWER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

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

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened, that Ted Ray Scurlock be authorized to connect the structure, located at 304 Cypress Creek Ct. to the water & sewer system of the City of Shreveport.

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

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

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Wooley, seconded by Councilman Long to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Long, Wooley, Webb, and Shyne. 4. Nays: Councilwoman Bowman. 1. Out of the Chamber: Councilmen Lester and Walford. 2.

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. 179 OF 2008

A RESOLUTION AMENDING SECTIONS 1.5, 1.8 AND 1.11 OF THE CITY COUNCIL RULES OF PROCEDURE RELATIVE TO AGENDAS, THE ORDER

OF BUSINESS AND APPEARANCES BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, Act 131 of 2008 provides any matter which is not included in the agenda for which twenty-four hours notice has been given in accordance with La. R.S. 42:7, may be taken up by a public body only upon a unanimous vote of the members present at the meeting; and

WHEREAS, said act also requires that prior to any vote on the motion to take up a matter not on the agenda, there shall be an opportunity for public comment on the motion.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened that Sections 1.5, 1.8(a)(7) and 1.11(c) and (e) of the City Council Rules of Procedure are hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

1.5 *Agenda.* All matters to be submitted to a regular council meeting shall be submitted to the clerk of council not later than 12:00 noon on the Wednesday preceding the regular meeting. No item shall be added to the agenda after that time, except as time permits, in the discretion of the Clerk of Council. In any event, no item shall be added to the agenda after the agenda has been distributed by facsimile, by electronic means or by any other method to Council members or the public without a unanimous vote of the members present at the regular council meeting. The clerk shall arrange a list of such matters according to the order of business and furnish each council member, the mayor, the chief administrative officer, and the city attorney, a copy of the agenda prior to the meeting and as far in advance as time for preparation will permit. The agenda for special meetings shall consist of the matters contained in the notice of that meeting.

1.8 *Order of business.*

(a) At administrative conferences and regular meetings of the council the following order of business shall be followed:

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(7) Adding legislation to the agenda (regular meeting only) and public comments on motions to add items to the agenda.

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1.11 *Appearances before the council.*

(c) Any person desiring to address the council at a public hearing, administrative conference or regular meeting shall so inform the chairman or the clerk of council in writing before the fixed time for the meeting. The request shall contain the person's name, address, and the specific subject(s) to be discussed. However, when there is a motion to add an item to the agenda, the Chairman shall announce the item or items to be added, and shall give an opportunity for public comment at that time. Any person who wishes to comment at that time who has not previously filled out a request to speak shall do so after speaking.

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(e) The requests of persons desiring to be heard at any administrative conference, or a regular meeting concerning any matter that can be finally passed by the council at the regular meeting will be considered under "public comments," item 8 on the agenda. The requests of persons desiring to be heard at any regular meeting concerning a motion to add an item to the agenda will be considered under "Adding legislation to the agenda (regular meeting only) and public comments on motions to add items to the agenda", item 7 on the

agenda. The requests of persons desiring to be heard at any administrative conference, or a regular meeting concerning any other matter will be considered under "public comments," item 20 on the agenda.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall become effective on August 15, 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 Walford, seconded by Councilmen Bowman and Webb 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. 180 OF 2008

BY:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A PERMANENT RIGHT OF WAY AND EASEMENT DOCUMENT WITH SOUTHWESTERN ELECTRIC POWER COMPANY, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, Section 4.17 of the Charter of the City of Shreveport contemplates the adoption of a resolution prior to the Mayor's execution of any contract and/or agreement in which the City of Shreveport is a party and/or has an interest, and

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport has received a request to grant a permanent Right of Way and Easement on the North Pierre Lift Station property to Southwestern Electric Power Company (SWEPCO) to provide electrical service to the Bienville Path, Unit 1 Subdivision as shown on the attached plat; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the City Engineer has no objection to the granting of the attached Right of Way and Easement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, regular and legal session convened, that it hereby authorizes the Mayor, Cedric B. Glover, to execute the attached permanent Right of Way and Easement with Southwestern Electric Power Company.

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 Walford, seconded by Councilman Wooley 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. 181 OF 2008

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND PROVIDING FOR THE WAIVER OF PERMIT FEES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE CADDO PARISH MOSQUITO CONTROL PARKING BUILDING, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, the Parish of Caddo is constructing a new Caddo Parish Mosquito Control Parking Building at 1500 Monty Street to park mosquito control trucks that spray the City of Shreveport and Parish of Caddo properties; and

WHEREAS, the Parish of Caddo has requested that the City of Shreveport waive any permit fees for the construction of said building; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport, 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 the Caddo Parish Mosquito Control Parking Building at 1500 Monty Street 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 Wooley, seconded by Councilman Bowman to adopt.

Councilman Webb: I'm surprised that the Parish is requesting for this waiver. Did they give any specific reasons (inaudible)?

Mr. Dark: They wanted to save \$500.

Councilman Webb: Okay.

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

The Clerk read the following:

4. **Resolution No. 185 of 2008**: A Resolution to authorize the City Attorney to place Beaird Industries, Inc. in default, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Lester, seconded by Councilman Walford to postpone.

Councilman Lester: Thank you Mr. Chairman. At Work Session, we had a pretty detailed discussion about what I believe this Council's frustration with the situation at Beaird Industries, particularly with the principles out there Mr. Eakin who has been cavalierly playing games with the lives of about 3 or 400 families and workers out there. And what the Mayor indicated was that they believe that they're either going to have some resolution or a drop dead date of I believe of the end of this month. And so, based upon that representation, I would ask that we postpone this particular item at this time and if at the close of this month we find it necessary to come back and revisit it, I think that would be clear. But I think Mr. Eakin needs to know what this Council's disposition relative to the cavalier attitude toward operation of that facility and keeping these people out of work. They've been promised to go back to work since June and they're still out. And he's going hither and there advertising this facility to any and all, and it's just like he's playing yo-yo and that's something that disgust me to the highest. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Councilman Walford: Mr. Lester, I want to commend you on this piece of legislation, but at this point I do want to commend you on your decision to postpone. Quite frankly from what I heard from the Administration yesterday, by the time we meet again, this may not be necessary. I do appreciate the information that we were given yesterday from the Administration. I sense that you share our displeasure on this. So thank you Mr. Chairman.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, I just want to go ahead and make sure that this is on the record as well since I know we discussed this on yesterday, but I want to go ahead and reiterate for our purposes today as you all mentioned and have expressed, we're all frustrated with the state of this situation right now, and I think Councilman Lester probably put it as well as I could put it and that is I don't in my estimation, believe that Mr. Eakin at this particular point and time has the sense of urgency that I think is appropriate, based upon where this situation stands. And I'm as I said to you all on yesterday am reluctant as the Chief Executive to this city to possibly put this city or our economic efforts collectively in a posture of appearing as if we are not displaying the proper degree of patience and forbearance when it comes to this kind of set of circumstances, but the other side of the situation is if you do not give some very specific and very direct parameters to what up until this particular point and time has been an open ended situation, then that generosity can end up ultimately being abused. And I think that it has been. There are several hundred individuals who were working, who are not now working. Those folks have been assured that efforts were underway to put them back to work as quickly as possible. It is my considered judgement right now that the end of this month is enough time to be given to try and allow this situation with this particular group to resolve itself. And that's exactly what they've been given, and we hope that they will manage to be able to put themselves in a situation to be able to work it out. As I said to you all on yesterday, we still stand with the state working collectively with them in the Department of Economic Development, the Governor's office as well to try and work out this particular problem and challenge with the folks who represent the latest and current manifestation of Beairdco. But there has got to be come reasonable limit. I think that we

are approaching it. And that drop dead date for me as Mayor will be at the end of this month. We will either have something at the beginning of August, on the first day of August that we can talk about, that is specific, that is definite, and that has a very confirmable timeframe in terms of how this situation moves forward. And if not, then we will as I said to you all on yesterday, look to explore all of the other available scenarios that we have potentially available to us in terms of trying to put this particular facility back into commerce, back into use, and to put the men and women who worked there, back to work, and hopefully be in a posture to be able to do even more in terms of both employment and it's economic impact on Shreveport and Northwest Louisiana. So, I thank you all for helping to stress to those who are involved and connected to this situation to let them know just how frustrated we all collectively are. And as I said, by the beginning of August, we're either going to be fishing because by then we will certainly have stopped cutting bait. So thank you Mr. Chairman and thank you Members of Council.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 186 OF 2008

**A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE LOCAL LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION TO SEEK THE PROMPT AND APPROPRIATE AMENDMENTS TO AND CLARIFICATION OF ACT NO. 472 OF THE 2008 REGULAR SESSION OF THE LOUISIANA LEGISLATURE TO CLARIFY AND RESOLVE ISSUES PERTAINING TO MEMBERS OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO
BY: COUNCILWOMAN BOWMAN**

WHEREAS, Act No. 472 of the 2008 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature implemented new financial disclosure requirements on members of certain boards and commissions; and

WHEREAS, due to the short period of time afforded by the new law to determine its effect and the nature and scope of the financial reporting requirements, and to thereby allow various members of certain boards and commissions to evaluate the effect of such law on such members, many individuals determined that it was necessary to resign from such boards and commissions on or before June 30, 2008; and

WHEREAS, boards and commissions provide a valuable service to the citizens of Shreveport and are comprised of unpaid volunteers who are willing to donate their time and energy for the betterment of the community; and

WHEREAS, while the need for transparency and ethical conduct is a very important and necessary element of governmental service by volunteers, the manner in which the provisions of Act No. 472 of the 2008 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature were imposed and the short time period within which members of boards and commissions were allowed to evaluate the impact of such legislation on their continued service, resulted in the resignation by a significant number of such volunteers; and

WHEREAS, the Shreveport City Council believes that it would be appropriate and in the public interest to give consideration to amendments to and clarification of Act No. 472 of

the Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature in order to facilitate the continued service of volunteers on boards and commissions.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal and regular session convened, that the legislative delegation for the legislative districts which include any portion of Shreveport, Louisiana, is requested to seek to amend, or clarify Act No. 472 of the 2008 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature in order to facilitate the continued service of volunteers on boards and commissions.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of Shreveport City Council is instructed to provide a copy of this resolution to all legislators within the legislative districts which include any portion of Shreveport, Louisiana, to transmit our request that such legislators take all necessary steps, including the introduction of appropriate legislation, to seek to amend and clarify, in appropriate manner, Act No. 472 of the 2008 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature in order to facilitate the continued service of volunteers on boards and commissions.

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 Bowman, seconded by Councilman Walford to adopt.

Councilman Walford: Can I have 30 minutes to say what I think about this particular piece of legislation Mr. Chairman?

Councilman Shyne: No, no, no, no, no. We'll do it when we get to Miscellaneous Matters. And I might adjourn before we - - - we might have to discuss that out in the hallway.

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

RESOLUTION NO. 187 OF 2008

A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CANVASSING THE RETURNS AND DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THE SPECIAL ELECTION HELD IN THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT, STATE OF LOUISIANA, ON SATURDAY, JULY 19, 2008 RELATIVE TO AUTHORIZING THE CONTINUATION OF THE LEVY OF SPECIAL AD VALOREM TAXES AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana (the "Governing Authority"), acting as the governing authority of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana (the "City"), that:

SECTION 1. Canvass. This Governing Authority does now proceed in open and public session to examine the official tabulation of votes cast at the special election held in the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana, (the "City"), on SATURDAY, JULY 19, 2008 relative to authorizing the levy of special ad valorem taxes therein, and said Governing Authority does further proceed to examine and canvass the returns and declare the results of the special election.

SECTION 2. Proces Verbal. A Proces Verbal of the canvass of the returns of said election shall be made and a certified copy thereof shall be forwarded to the Secretary of State, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, who shall record the same in his office; another certified copy thereof shall be forwarded to the Clerks of Court and Ex-Officio Recorder of Mortgages in and for the Parishes of Caddo and Bossier who shall record the same in the Mortgage Records of said Parishes; and another copy thereof shall be retained in the archives of this Governing Authority.

SECTION 3. Promulgation of Election Result. The results of said election shall be promulgated by publication in the manner provided by law.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Wooley, seconded by Councilman Walford to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne, and Bowman. 7. Nays: None.

Councilman Shyne: I've been using the word 'please'. That doesn't influence any of you all does it?

Councilman Walford: You're so polite, we like it.

Councilman Shyne: I don't want to be guilty of trying to influence anybody to vote for something. So I'm just a very pleasant person.

Councilman Wooley: We appreciate your very ethical conduct.

RESOLUTION NO. 188 OF 2008

A RESOLUTION NOMINATING A PERSON FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE MAYOR FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO BY: COUNCILMAN WALFORD

WHEREAS, La. R. S. 33:2740.38 provides (prior to the August 15, 2008 effective date of Act 474 of 2008) that the members of the Downtown Development Authority shall be appointed by the mayor of the city of Shreveport, subject to confirmation by the city council, and two of the members shall be chosen from a list of five nominees submitted to the Mayor by the Shreveport City Council members; and

WHEREAS, La. R. S. 33:2740.38 provides that vacancies will be filled using the same procedure, with nominations originating from the same group that appointed the outgoing member; and

WHEREAS, one of the two DDA board members who was appointed from nominations by the Shreveport City Council has resigned, and that vacancy needs to be filled.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened that the City Council hereby submits the following nominee to the Mayor for the vacant City Council nominated position:

Karen Courtman

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 Walford, seconded by Councilman Long to suspend the rules for the purpose of voting on this resolution and the confirmation of Ms. Courtman. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne, and Bowman. 7. Nays: None.

Motion by Councilman Walford, seconded by Councilman Long to confirm Ms. Courtman with the concurrence of the Administration.

Councilman Walford: Ms. Courtman is in Florida. We had a lengthy conversation last night. She is thrilled to death at the prospect of serving, which in itself has been a challenge. Because as you know over the last two previous meetings, both the Mayor and I have commented about the need for nominations. DDA is at a standstill. They had four resignations on their seven member board. So they can't get a quorum, they can't conduct business. And Mr. Mayor with your concurrence, I think Ms. Courtman would make an excellent member. I think while some may not recognize her by name, most of us knew here when she was with SRAC. She's been very active downtown with the Robinson Film Center, and I realize this is unusual, but the circumstance is unusual. And with that I will defer to the Administration.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor, I'm hoping that she understands the new legislation that was enacted by our state legislators in order to clean up this state. It seems like the state has been so corrupt or whatever, until we had all this new legislation that was passed. Does she understand the new legislation?

Councilman Walford: To my understanding she does, and to quote "she would be thrilled to serve."

Councilman Shyne: Okay.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, Members of the Council, I recognize this is a deviation from the usual pattern by which we do appointments. Usually there is a request that you all introduce at one meeting, allow it to lay over and vote at the next. But as Councilman Walford mentioned, this is an unusual set of circumstances. Our current situation is largely created exactly by what you all just dealt with in the second resolution concerning Act 42 of the last regular session of the legislature. We have found ourselves, and this is a term I heard used by my runoff opponent in the Mayoral race back in '06 called the law of unintended consequences. A term and a concept that I'd never heard put quite that way. That the best of intentions sometimes ends up resulting in just some disastrous outcome, and so as well intentioned as the legislature and the governor may

have been in their efforts to address some of the ethical lapses that have historically marked Louisiana, what they have done is effectively put so many of our boards, the Ethics Board itself which is left now with one out of what was 11 members, in a posture to where they cannot function. And as Councilman Walford must mentioned, we have a seven member board that now has three members, they don't have a quorum. And if you all don't take this particular action today, then there won't be a July meeting of the DDA because they won't be able to legally convene and conduct business. So for those extraordinary circumstances and because we have someone whose interest and character and ability and reputation has been highly recommended, I am asking you all today to take this unusual step of affirming this appointment on a single meeting's notice and to do so with the absence of that individual as well as without having the customary resume that goes along with it. But because of where we are and the circumstances that we're in, I think the need is great enough to justify asking you all to do just as Councilman Walford has requested.

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Chairman, just for the record, I take the Mayor's remarks to mean that he affirmatively appoint Ms. Karen Courtman to the DDA?

Mayor Glover: Yes, this is an appointment of the Administration of Karen Courtman to the Downtown Development Authority of the City of Shreveport.

Mr. Thompson: And by voting, the City Council will confirm that appointment?

Mayor Glover: And by voting affirmatively, they will confirm her appointment to the DDA. And she will fill Mr. Thompson, one of the two vacant City Council positions I believe? Is that correct?

Mr. Thompson: I think that may be one Mr. Mayor.

Mayor Glover: One. I'm sorry. That's right you all used to recommend seven names. It was increased by two.

Councilman Walford: Should we vote on the resolution first that nominates the person and then on the Mayor's confirmation?

Ms. Glass: I would think so.

Councilman Walford: So Mr. Chairman I would like to re-word my first motion to support Resolution No. 4 that was added nominating Ms. Courtman, and then I'll give you a motion to confirm it.

Motion by Councilman Walford, seconded by Councilman Long to adopt Resolution No. 188 of 2008.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, for the sake of clarification, and Terri I'll let you and Rick compare notes, but Rick just informed me that there are four vacant positions right now, two of which are Council Appointees, so there will be another individual selected from a list of names that you all will provide to the Administration. The other vacancy comes from the individual who would be appointed from a list provided by the three legislators whose districts encompass and overlap the Downtown area and the 4th will come from a list of at least three names that will be submitted by Downtown Shreveport Unlimited.

Councilman Walford: Right. So 2-Council, 1-Legislative, 1-DSU. This will be one of the two vacant City Council positions.

Councilman Shyne: Does that mean that our senators will get a chance to nominate somebody?

Mayor Glover: Correct. Well, one senator, two representatives. No, two senators, one representatives.

Councilman Shyne: Is one of those senators Sen. Jackson?

Mayor Glover: Senate District 39, Senate District 37 and House District 4.

Councilman Shyne: I'm satisfied then.

Mayor Glover: We tend not to deal in personalities Mr. Chairman.

Councilman Shyne: Well I know, but when you've got quality personalities, you have a tendency to be overjoyed. So take that an act of me being overjoyed.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, I'd be loathed if I didn't say that all of our legislative delegation was comprised of quality, reputable, fine individuals. Each and every one, the four senators that represent North Louisiana as well as the nine fine housemen. I love and appreciate each and every one of them.

Councilman Shyne: Well I don't want to get into all of them but I know one is a very quality individual. And I told Monty I only talk about those things that I really know and can vouch for.

Mayor Glover: I know of a former one that you were rather fond of Mr. Chairman.

Councilman Shyne: Well we won't go into that, please vote.

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

Councilman Walford: And Now Mr. Chairman, I would like to make a motion to confirm Ms. Karen Courtman.

Motion by Councilman Walford, seconded by Councilman Long to confirm the executive appointment of Ms. Karen Courtman. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne, and Bowman. 7. Nays: None.

Councilman Walford: Mr. Chairman, If I could just take a minute, I'd like to thank the Council because we do find ourselves with a wonderful new Director and a DDA that was at a standstill. So, I appreciate the vote.

Councilman Shyne: Monty, I accept that because it's very seldom you take the time to thank your colleagues who cooperate with you.

Councilman Walford: Well I truly appreciate it, and I think I could probably speak for the Administration for their appreciation.

Councilman Shyne: You need to thank us more for being cooperative with you. Okay, thank you. Thank you Monty.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, I would also mention to you that we're going to ask that you all make yourselves available in the interim between now and the next Council Meeting. I along with DDA Director, Don Shay would like to have some time to be able to share with you some developments regarding the downtown area that we want to talk to you about in detail. We'll be in contact.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Thompson, lets move.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS: *(Not to be adopted prior to August 12, 2008)*

The Clerk read the following:

1. **Resolution No. 184 of 2008:** A resolution authorizing the donation of Shreveport Police Department property, and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (Brodie)
2. **Resolution No. 189 of 2008:** A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to request the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources, Office of the State Mineral Board, to lease certain mineral interests owned by the City of Shreveport and to execute all documents relative to same; to ratify and approve the submission of the request and the application to the State Mineral Board; and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Long, seconded by Councilman Walford to introduce Resolution No(s). 184 and 189 of 2008 to lay over until August 12, 2008 meeting. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne, and Bowman. 7. Nays: None.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES: *(Not to be adopted prior to August 12, 2008)*

The Clerk read the following:

1. **Ordinance No. 82 of 2008:** An ordinance creating and establishing a No-Parking Anytime Zone on either side of Kennie Road between Linwood Avenue, and the entrance to Carver Memorial Cemetery, and otherwise provide with respect thereto. (D/Wooley)
2. **Ordinance No. 83 of 2008:** ZONING: C-35-08 An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, the City of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning property located on the north side of Hilry Huckaby, 1800' south of North Lakeshore, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, from B-3-E , Community Business/Extended District, to B-3-E, Community Business/Extended Use District **Limited to "an office, equipment storage yard, with the addition of stockpile materials (wood chips/recyclable wood products" only**, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (A/Lester)
3. **Ordinance No. 84 of 2008:** ZONING: C-47-08 Ann ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, the City of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning property located on the west side of Irving Place, 100' south of Topeka Street, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, from B-1, Buffer Business District, to R-1B, Suburban One-Family Residence District, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (B/Walford)

4. **Ordinance No. 85 of 2008**: ZONING: C-49-08 An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, the City of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning property located on the west side of Youree Drive, at its intersection with Carrolton, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, from SPI-3 (B-1) Commercial Corridor Overlay (Buffer Business) District, to SPI-3-E (B-1), Commercial Corridor Overlay (Buffer Business)/Extended Use District **Limited to “Retail Sales” only**, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (C/Long)
5. **Ordinance No. 86 of 2008**: Levying a tax of twenty-seven and eighty-two one hundredths (27 and 82/100ths) mills per dollar on all property subject to Ad Valorem Taxation within the City of Shreveport for the year 2008 for the purpose of paying principal and interest on the outstanding general obligation bonds of the City of Shreveport and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
6. **Ordinance No. 87 of 2008**: Levying a tax of eight and thirty-four one hundredths (8 and 34/100ths) mills per dollar on all property subject to Ad Valorem Taxation within the Bounds of Downtown Development District of the City of Shreveport as defined by Act 554 of 1978, as amended for the purposes as set forth herein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
7. **Ordinance No. 88 of 2008**: Levying various taxes totaling eighteen and twenty-five hundredths (18 and 25/100ths) mills per dollar on all property subject to Ad Valorem Taxation within the City of Shreveport for the year 2008 in the amounts and for the purposes described herein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
8. **Ordinance No. 89 of 2008**: Making certain findings with respect to the issuance by the Louisiana Local Government Environmental Facilities and Community Development Authority on behalf of the City of Shreveport of its revenue refunding bonds (City of Shreveport/Independence Stadium Project), Series 2008 to refund certain existing indebtedness of the city which was used to finance the costs of renovating Independence Stadium, to pay fees arising from the termination of the existing SWAP Agreement related to the refunded variable rate transactions and to pay the costs of issuance of the bonds, approving the forms of and authorizing the distribution, execution and delivery of the preliminary and final official statements; approving the form of the trust indenture and authorizing the execution of delivery of the loan agreement, and other documents, certificates or contracts required in connection therewith; and authorizing the Mayor and the Clerk of the City to do all things necessary to effectuate this ordinance.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Walford, seconded by Councilman Long to introduce Ordinance No(s). 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, and 89 of 2008 to lay over until August 12, 2008 meeting. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes:

Councilmen Lester, Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne, and Bowman. 7. Nays: None.

ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING AND FINAL PASSAGE *(Numbers are assigned Ordinance Number) The Clerk read the following:*

1. **Ordinance No. 47 of 2008**: An ordinance amending and reenacting Section 10-190 of the Code of Ordinances relative to drinking in public and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (A/Lester) *(Postponed July 8, 2008)*

Having passed first reading on May 13, 2008 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Lester, seconded by Councilman Walford to postpone. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne, and Bowman. 7. Nays: None.

2. **Ordinance No. 69 of 2008**: An ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute an act of donation of City-Owned property to Urban Housing of America, Inc., Louisiana, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. *(Postponed July 8, 2008)*

Having passed first reading on June 24, 2008 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Lester, seconded by Councilman Walford to postpone. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne, and Bowman. 7. Nays: None.

3. **Ordinance No. 79 of 2008**: An ordinance declaring certain adjudicated properties to be surplus and to authorize the Mayor of the City of Shreveport to sell the City of Shreveport's tax interest in certain surplus adjudicated properties, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (A/Lester/B/Walford/F/Shyne/G/Bowman)

Having passed first reading on July 8, 2008 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Lester, seconded by Councilman Bowman to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Walford, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne, and Bowman. 7. Nays: None..

4. **Ordinance No. 80 of 2008**: An ordinance declaring certain adjudicated properties to be surplus and to authorize the Mayor of the City of Shreveport to donate the City of Shreveport's tax interest in certain surplus adjudicated properties and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (A/Lester/F/Shyne)

Having passed first reading on July 8, 2008 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Lester, seconded by Councilman Bowman to adopt.

Councilman Walford: :Mr. Chairman, I do notice that some of the property owners on here, Mr. Lester these are some good friends of yours that you refer to occasionally when you and I are discussing - - - what's that word or two words? Slum Lord. Yes.

Councilman Shyne: If these people are friends and relatives, then you want to recuse yourself?

Councilman Walford: Neither one of us got a Christmas Card from them.

Councilman Shyne: Oh, okay. Well would you please vote at this time.

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

Councilman Lester: Mr. Chairman, I want to say to the Council I appreciate this. Most of these were a part of a construction project that we're doing in one of the local non profits. And they're going to be taking some housing that was dilapidated and abandoned and actually build some quality housing for home ownership in the MLK area, Image Changers. They've already built several houses along Russell Road and they're doing an outstanding job and this is going to help them in that process. I wanted to tell the Council thank you for your support.

Councilman Shyne: Look like it's some in District F. I hope they building them at an affordable price. I've seen a couple that have been built. I don't think that they've been sold yet. It seems like they've been there for a good little while. So I don't know whether this is going to fall on deaf ears or not, but - - -

Councilman Walford: I don't know, I kinda winced when you got them to tell what the construction cost last meeting.

Councilman Shyne: You know you can build what you call affordable houses, but Charles if the price is at \$100,000, it's not very many of us today who can afford that in some of these areas. Mr. Davis, I'd like to see you when the Council Meeting is over with.

5. **Ordinance No. 70 of 2008:** ZONING APPEAL: C-17-08 An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, the City of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning property located on the north side of South Lakeshore Drive 285 feet west of Shorewood and 350 feet north of South Lakeshore, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana from B-1, Buffer Business District to B-1-E, Buffer Business District Extended Use limited to retail spaces for 7 RVs and Boat Trailers as an accessory use to Barron's Landing only, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (G/Bowman) (*Postponed July 8, 2008*)

Having passed first reading on June 24, 2008 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 Wooley to postpone. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne, and Bowman. 6. Nays: None. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Walford. 1.

6. **Ordinance No. 71 of 2008**: ZONING: C-26-08 An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, the City of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning property located on the NE side of Dee Street, 910 feet east of Shreveport-Barksdale Hwy, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana from B-2-E, Neighborhood Business/Extended Use District to B-3 Community Business District, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (C/Long) (*Postponed July 8, 2008*)

Having passed first reading on June 24, 2008 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 Wooley to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne, and Bowman. 6. Nays: None. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Walford. 1

7. **Ordinance No. 74 of 2008**: ZONING: C-38-08 An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, the City of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning on the NE corner of Shreveport –Barksdale Hwy and Knight Street, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana from R-1D, Urban One-Family Residence District to B-2, Neighborhood Business District and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (C/Long) (*Postponed July 8, 2008*)

Having passed first reading on June 24, 2008 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 Wooley to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Long, Wooley, Webb, Shyne, and Bowman. 6. Nays: None. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Walford. 1.

8. **Ordinance No. 75 of 2008**: ZONING: C-39-08 Ann ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, the City of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning property located on the SE corner of Dalton and Hudgens Street, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana from B-2A Business Park District to B-2A-E, Business Park/Extended Use District **limited to “an adult dance studio”** only, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (D/Wooley) (*Postponed July 8, 2008*)

Having passed first reading on June 24, 2008 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 Councilmen Webb and Long to adopt.

Councilman Shyne: I guess he says Adult Dance Studio and these gentlemen know what you're talking about.

Councilman Webb: Well, we're not talking about pole dancing.

Councilman Wooley: Adult Dance Lessons Mr. Chairman.

Councilman Shyne: You know at first, was it a movie came out Mr. Mayor, didn't they call it dirty dancing or something? You know I wasn't allowed being the son of a

minister, I was not allowed to look at or take part in anything like that. So, I'm still trying to put it together.

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

9. **Ordinance No. 81 of 2008**: ZONING: C-48-08 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 Youree Drive and Fontaine Street, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, from B-1-E, Buffer Business/Extended District, to B-1-E, Buffer Business/Extended Use District Limited to "a health food store, nutrition/juice bar with a drive-thru" only, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (C/Long)

Having passed first reading on July 8, 2008 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 Wooley to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Lester, Long, Wooley, Walford, Webb, Shyne, and Bowman. 7. Nays: None.

Councilman Shyne: Councilman Wooley, I'd like to get with you sometimes, and go and look at this new Adult Dance Studio. I want to know what it is.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, the Administration was hoping that you all were going to consider the 'no poles allowed' amendment to that one, but I assume you all decided to forego it?

Councilman Shyne: Well Mr. Mayor, I'm speechless on this. I mean. Okay, this legislation passes with a 7-0 vote. I'm speechless Mr. Mayor.

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Chairman, sometimes you need a pole just to stand up straight.

Councilman Lester: Motion to adjourn.

The adopted ordinances and amendments follow:

ORDINANCE NO. 71 OF 2008

BY:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 106 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT ZONING ORDINANCE, BY REZONING PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE NE SIDE OF DEE STREET, 910 FEET EAST OF SHREVEPORT-BARKSDALE HWY, SHREVEPORT, CADDO PARISH, LOUISIANA, FROM B-2-E, NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS/ EXTENDED USE DISTRICT TO B-3, COMMUNITY BUSINESS DISTRICT AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO
SECTION I: BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, in due, legal and regular session convened, that the zoning classification

of property located on the NE side of Dee Street, 910 feet east of Shreveport-Barksdale Hwy, legally described as a 2.24 acre parcel and an undivided ½ interest in a 0.10 acre parcel, all in Lot 2, Shreve City Unit #4, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, be and the same is hereby changed from B-2-E, Neighborhood Business/Extended Use District to B-3, Community Business District.

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

1. Development of the property shall be in substantial accord with a revised site plan showing landscaping. This plan shall be submitted to and approved by the Planning Director. Any significant changes or additions shall require further review and approval by the Planning Commission. No permits shall be issued until the revised site plan and/or replatting of lots has been approved by the MPC Director or the Planning Commission.
2. A recorded subdivision of this lot shall be required prior to the issuance of any permits.

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

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

ORDINANCE NO. 74 OF 2008

BY:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 106 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT ZONING ORDINANCE, BY REZONING PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE NE CORNER OF SHREVEPORT BARKSDALE HIGHWAY AND KNIGHT STREET FROM R-1D, URBAN, ONE-FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO B-2 NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS DISTRICT AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

SECTION I: BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, in due, legal and regular session convened, that the zoning classification of Lots 458, 459, 460, and the SW 42.01 feet of Lot 457, Anderson Island Subdivision Unit #6, property located on the NE corner of Shreveport-Barksdale Highway and Knight Street, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, be and the same is hereby changed from R-1D, Urban, One-family Residence District, to B-2, Neighborhood Business District.

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

1. Development of the property shall be in substantial accord with the site plan submitted with any significant changes or additions requiring further review and approval by the Planning Commission.
2. The landscape schedule shall be approved by the Zoning Administrator prior to the issuance of any permits.

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

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

ORDINANCE NO. 75 OF 2008

BY:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 106 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT ZONING ORDINANCE, BY REZONING PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE SE CORNER OF DALTON AND HUDGENS STREET, SHREVEPORT, CADDO PARISH, LOUISIANA, FROM B-2A, BUSINESS PARK DISTRICT, TO B-2A-E, BUSINESS PARK/EXTENDED USE DISTRICT LIMITED TO “AN ADULT DANCE STUDIO” ONLY, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

SECTION I: BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, in due, legal and regular session convened, that the zoning classification of Lot 1, Forbing Annex Home Sites Unit #6, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA, property located on the SE corner of Dalton and Hudgens Street, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, legally described below, be and the same is hereby changed from B-2A, Business Park District, to B-2A-E, Business Park/Extended Use District limited to “an adult dance studio” only.

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

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

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

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

ORDINANCE NO. 79 OF 2008

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING CERTAIN ADJUDICATED PROPERTIES TO BE SURPLUS AND TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT TO SELL THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT’S TAX INTEREST IN CERTAIN SURPLUS ADJUDICATED PROPERTIES, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport has a tax interest in the herein below described properties which have been adjudicated for the non-payment of City property taxes; and **WHEREAS**, the herein below described properties are not needed for public purposes and should be declared surplus properties; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport has received offers to purchase its tax interest in the herein below described properties as indicated below.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened that the following described properties are hereby declared surplus:

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the City Council of the City of Shreveport does hereby authorize the sale of its tax interest in the herein below described properties for an amount not less than the offer as indicated below:

Property No. 1: Legal Description -Lot 8 Block 1, Home Gardens Subdivision, a subdivision of the City of Shreveport, as per plat recorded in Book 450, Page 101 of the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, together with all buildings and improvements located thereon and having a municipal address of 416 Argyle Street, Shreveport, LA 71106 , (Geo #171426-037-000800)

AMOUNT OFFERED: \$1,700.00 APPRAISED VALUE: \$11,000.00 DISTRICT F

Property No. 2: Legal Description - Lot 5, Block 15, Home Gardens Subdivision, a subdivision of the City of Shreveport, as per plat recorded in Book 450, Page 101 of the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, together with all buildings and improvements located thereon and having a municipal address of 717 Argyle Street, Shreveport, LA 71106, (Geo #171426-051-000500)

AMOUNT OFFERED: \$2,300.00 APPRAISED VALUE: \$15,000.00 DISTRICT F

Property No. 3: Legal Description - Lot 16, Block 12, West End Subdivision, a subdivision of the City of Shreveport, as per plat recorded in Book 17, Page 446 of the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, together with all buildings and improvements located thereon and having a municipal address of 1412 Arlington Avenue, Shreveport, LA 71103, (Geo #171402-050-001600)

AMOUNT OFFERED: \$600.00 APPRAISED VALUE: \$3,700.00 DISTRICT A

Property No. 4: Legal Description - Lots 204 and 205, Bellview Subdivision, a subdivision of the City of Shreveport, as per plat recorded in Book 50, Page 677 of the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, together with all buildings and improvements located thereon and having a municipal address of 2230 Carleton Street, Shreveport, LA 71103, (Geo #171411-029-020400)

AMOUNT OFFERED: \$2,500.00 APPRAISED VALUE: \$3,000.00 DISTRICT B

Property No. 5: Legal Description - Lot 22, Block 3, Lonoke Subdivision, a subdivision of the City of Shreveport, as per plat recorded in Book 150, Page 16 of the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, together with all buildings and improvements located thereon and having a municipal address of 3118 Devaughn Street, Shreveport, LA 71108, (Geo #171415-021-002200)

AMOUNT OFFERED: \$1,050.00 APPRAISED VALUE: \$6,700.00 DISTRICT F

Property No. 6: Legal Description - Lot 194, Bowman Lane Subdivision, a subdivision of the City of Shreveport, as per plat recorded in the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, together with all buildings and improvements located thereon and having a

municipal address of 312 East Dalzell Street, Shreveport, LA 71104, (Geo #171305-057-019400)

AMOUNT OFFERED: \$999.00 APPRAISED VALUE: \$2,000.00 DISTRICT B

Property No. 7: Legal Description - Lot 95, the West 5 Feet of Lot 94 & the East 30 Feet of Lot 96, Bryn Mawr Hill Subdivision, a subdivision of the City of Shreveport, as per plat recorded in Book 150, Page 231 of the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, together with all buildings and improvements located thereon and having a municipal address of 3423 Jackson Street, Shreveport, LA 71109, (Geo #171410-087-0124-00)

AMOUNT OFFERED: \$1,400.00 APPRAISED VALUE: \$9,000.00 DISTRICT G

Property No. 8: Legal Description - Lot 47, Vernon Annex, a subdivision of the City of Shreveport, as per plat recorded in Book 50, Page 56 of the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, together with all buildings and improvements located thereon and having a municipal address of 1854 Lyons Street, Shreveport, LA 71108, (Geo #171414-082-004700)

AMOUNT OFFERED: \$400.00 APPRAISED VALUE: \$2,600.00 DISTRICT B

Property No. 9: Legal Description - Lot 8 and SWLY 15 Feet of Lot 7, Parkhurst Addition, a subdivision of the City of Shreveport, as per plat recorded in Book 150, Page 220 of the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, together with all buildings and improvements located thereon and having a municipal address of 4527 Rightway Avenue, Shreveport, LA 71108, (Geo #171415-039-003000)

AMOUNT OFFERED: \$1,300.00 APPRAISED VALUE: \$8,500.00 DISTRICT F

Property No. 10: Legal Description - Lot 155, Caddo Heights Subdivision, a subdivision of the City of Shreveport, as per plat recorded in the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, together with all buildings and improvements located thereon and having a municipal address of 1406 State Street, Shreveport, LA 71108, (Geo #171413-106-0155-00)

AMOUNT OFFERED: \$450.00 APPRAISED VALUE: \$2,500.00 DISTRICT B

Property No. 11: Legal Description - Lot 252, Gold Coin Subdivision, a subdivision of the City of Shreveport, as per plat recorded in Plat Book 250, Page 216 of the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, together with all buildings and improvements located thereon and having a municipal address of 602 West 67th Street, Shreveport, LA 71108, (Geo #171423-013-0252-00)

AMOUNT OFFERED: \$200.00 APPRAISED VALUE: \$500.00 DISTRICT F

Property No. 12: Legal Description - Lots 474 & 475, Cedar Grove Addition, a subdivision of the City of Shreveport, as per plat recorded in Book 50, Page 389 of the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, together with all buildings and improvements located thereon and having a municipal address of 354 West 80th Street, Shreveport, LA 71106, (Geo #171425-059-050000)

AMOUNT OFFERED: \$2,000.00 APPRAISED VALUE: \$12,000.00 DISTRICT F

Property No. 13: Legal Description - Lots 20 and 21, Block 9, Lonoke Subdivision, a subdivision of the City of Shreveport, as per plat recorded in Book 150, Page 16 of the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, together with all buildings and improvements located thereon and having a municipal address of 3124 Woodford Street, Shreveport, LA 71108, (Geo #171415-027-004000)

AMOUNT OFFERED: \$1,100.00 APPRAISED VALUE: \$6,700.00 DISTRICT F
Property No. 14: Legal Description - Lot B, Steffek Park, a subdivision of the City of Shreveport, as per plat recorded in Book 1200, Page 161 of the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, together with all buildings and improvements located thereon and having a municipal address of 1755 Aline Avenue, Shreveport, LA 71107, (Geo #181421-024-0002-00)

AMOUNT OFFERED: \$500.00 APPRAISED VALUE: \$1,900.00 DISTRICT A
Property No. 15: Legal Description - Lot 31, TAL 9, a subdivision of the City of Shreveport, as per plat recorded in Book "O", Page 538 of the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, together with all buildings and improvements located thereon and having a municipal address of 815 Caddo Street, Shreveport, LA 71109, (Geo #181437-004-0031-00)

AMOUNT OFFERED: \$2,400.00 APPRAISED VALUE: \$2,400.00 DISTRICT B
Property No. 16: Legal Description - South half of Lot 37, College Addition Subdivision, a subdivision of the City of Shreveport, as per plat recorded in Book 650, Page 179 of the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, together with all buildings and improvements located thereon and having a municipal address of 3802 Crosby Street, Shreveport, LA 71109,
(Geo #171421-017-0050-00)

AMOUNT OFFERED: \$500.00 APPRAISED VALUE: \$500.00 DISTRICT F
Property No. 17: Legal Description - Lots 27 and 28, of a Re- Subdivision of TAL 2, a subdivision of the City of Shreveport, as per plat recorded in Book "O", Page 538 of the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, together with all buildings and improvements located thereon and having a municipal address of 215 Douglas Street, Shreveport, LA 71101,
(Geo #181437-004-0027-00)

AMOUNT OFFERED: \$2,400.00 APPRAISED VALUE: \$2,400.00 DISTRICT B
Property No. 18: Legal Description - Lot 10, Block 6, Mayfair Subdivision , a subdivision of the City of Shreveport, as per plat recorded in Book 50, Page 579 of the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, together with all buildings and improvements located thereon and having a municipal address of 1839 Logan Street, Shreveport, LA 71106,
(Geo #181435-082-0010-00)

AMOUNT OFFERED: \$500.00 APPRAISED VALUE: \$3,300.00 DISTRICT A
Property No. 19: Legal Description - Lot 30, Cora Snowden Subdivision , a subdivision of the City of Shreveport, as per plat recorded in Book 650, Page 567 of the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, together with all buildings and improvements located thereon and having a municipal address of 6329 Snowden Drive, Shreveport, LA 71109
(Geo #171421-021-0030-00)

AMOUNT OFFERED: \$100.00 APPRAISED VALUE: \$500.00 DISTRICT F
BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the Mayor of the City of Shreveport shall be authorized to do any and all things and to sign any and all documents, including Acts of Cash Sale, in a form acceptable to the City Attorney necessary to effectuate the purposes set forth herein.

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

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

ORDINANCE NO. 80 OF 2008

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING CERTAIN ADJUDICATED PROPERTIES TO BE SURPLUS AND TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT TO DONATE THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT'S TAX INTEREST IN CERTAIN SURPLUS ADJUDICATED PROPERTIES, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport has a tax interest in the herein below described properties which have been adjudicated for the non-payment of City property taxes; and

WHEREAS, the herein below described properties are not needed for public purposes and should be declared surplus properties; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport has received a request to donate its tax interest in the herein below described properties as indicated below.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened, that the following described properties are hereby declared surplus:

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the City Council of the City of Shreveport does hereby authorize the donation of its tax interest in the herein below described properties.

Property No. 1: Legal Description - Lot 94, E-Z Living Subdivision, a subdivision in the City of Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, as per plat thereof recorded in Book 650, Page 433 of the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, together with all buildings and improvements located thereon.

(GEO#181418-001-0094-00) Municipal Address - 3344 Marjorie Street

AMOUNT OFFERED: NONE APPRAISED VALUE: \$2,600.00

DISTRICT A

Property No. 2: Legal Description - Lot 165, E-Z Living Subdivision, a subdivision in the City of Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, as per plat thereof recorded in Book 650, Page 433 of the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, together with all buildings and improvements located thereon.

(GEO#181418-001-0165-00) Municipal Address - 3373 Marjorie Street

AMOUNT OFFERED: NONE APPRAISED VALUE: \$2,600.00

DISTRICT A

Property No. 3: Legal Description - Lot 78, E-Z Living Subdivision, a subdivision in the City of Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, as per plat thereof recorded in Book

650, Page 433 of the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, together with all buildings and improvements located thereon.

(GEO#181418-001-0078-00) Municipal Address - 20721 None

AMOUNT OFFERED: NONE APPRAISED VALUE: \$2,600.00

DISTRICT A

Property No. 4: Legal Description - Lot 89, E-Z Living Subdivision, a subdivision in the City of Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, as per plat thereof recorded in Book 650, Page 433 of the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, together with all buildings and improvements located thereon.

(GEO#181418-001-0089-00) Municipal Address - 20727 None

AMOUNT OFFERED: NONE APPRAISED VALUE: \$2,600.00 DISTRICT A

Property No. 5: Legal Description - Lot 90, E-Z Living Subdivision, a subdivision in the City of Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, as per plat thereof recorded in Book 650, Page 433 of the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, together with all buildings and improvements located thereon.

(GEO#181418-001-0090-00) Municipal Address - 20728 None

AMOUNT OFFERED: NONE APPRAISED VALUE: \$2,600.00 DISTRICT A

Property No. 6 Legal Description - Lot 80, E-Z Living Subdivision, a subdivision in the City of Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, as per plat thereof recorded in Book 650, Page 433 of the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, together with all buildings and improvements located thereon.

(GEO#181418-001-0080-00) Municipal Address - 3357 Sidney Street

AMOUNT OFFERED: NONE APPRAISED VALUE: \$2,600.00 DISTRICT A

Property No. 7 Legal Description - Lot 82, E-Z Living Subdivision, a subdivision in the City of Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, as per plat thereof recorded in Book 650, Page 433 of the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, together with all buildings and improvements located thereon.

(GEO#181418-001-0082-00) Municipal Address - 3367 Sidney Street

AMOUNT OFFERED: NONE APPRAISED VALUE: \$2,600.00 DISTRICT A

Property No. 8: Legal Description - Lots 286 and 287, Gold Coin Subdivision, a subdivision in the City of Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, as per plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 250, Page 216 of the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, together with all buildings and improvements located thereon.

(GEO#171423-013-0358-00) Municipal Address - 625 West 67th St.

AMOUNT OFFERED: NONE APPRAISED VALUE: \$1,352.00 DISTRICT F

Property No. 9: Legal Description - Lots 266 and 267, Gold Coin Subdivision, a subdivision in the City of Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, as per plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 250, Page 216 of the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, together with all buildings and improvements located thereon.

(GEO#171423-013-0374-00) Municipal Address - 630 West 67th St.

AMOUNT OFFERED: NONE APPRAISED VALUE: \$3,500.00 DISTRICT F

Property No. 10: Legal Description - Lots 328 and 329, Gold Coin Subdivision, a subdivision in the City of Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, as per plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 250, Page 216 of the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, together with all buildings and improvements located thereon.

(GEO#171423-013-0328-00) Municipal Address - 637 West 68th St.

AMOUNT OFFERED: NONE APPRAISED VALUE: \$1,430.00 DISTRICT F

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that the Mayor of the City of Shreveport shall be authorized to do any and all things and to sign any and all documents, including an Act of Donation, in a form acceptable to the City Attorney necessary to effectuate the purposes set forth herein.

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

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

ORDINANCE NO. 81 OF 2008

BY:

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 YOUREE DRIVE AND FONTAINE STREET, SHREVEPORT, CADDO PARISH, LOUISIANA, FROM B-1-E, BUFFER BUSINESS/EXTENDED DISTRICT, TO B-1-E, BUFFER BUSINESS/EXTENDED USE DISTRICT LIMITED TO “A HEALTH FOOD STORE, NUTRITION/JUICE BAR WITH A DRIVE-THRU” ONLY, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

SECTION I: BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, in due, legal and regular session convened, that the zoning classification of property located on the NW corner of Youree Drive and Fontaine Street, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, legally described as Lot 28, replat of Blocks A, B, E, & F, Bellmead Subdivision, T17, R13, Sect. 20, be and the same is hereby changed **from B-1-E, Buffer Business/Extended Use District, to B-1-E, Buffer Business/Extended Use District limited to “ a health food store, nutrition/juice bar with a drive-thru” only.**

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

- 1. Development of the property shall be in substantial accord with the site plan submitted with any significant changes or additions requiring further review and approval by the Planning Commission.**
- 2. Hours of operation are limited to 7 AM – 9 PM Monday – Thursday, and 7 AM – 10 PM Friday – Sunday.**

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

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **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*)
2. **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*)
3. **Resolution No. 51 of 2007**: A resolution supporting the Employee Free Choice Act, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (*Tabled May 8, 2007*)
4. **Ordinance No. 122 of 2006**: Amending portions of Chapter 90 of the Code of Ordinances relative to traffic and vehicles and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (A/Lester) (*Tabled September 11, 2007*)
5. **Ordinance No. 32 of 2008**: An ordinance to amend and reenact portions of Division 3 of Article V of Chapter 26 of the Code of Ordinances relative to Retained Risk and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (*Tabled April 22, 2008*)
6. **Ordinance No. 24 of 2008**: Amending Chapter 42 of the City of Shreveport Code of Ordinances to add Article XI relative to operation of a rendering plant or transfer center within the City of Shreveport and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (*Tabled May 13, 2008*)
7. **Ordinance No. 40 of 2008**: Amending and reenacting Section 26-211 of the Code of Ordinances relative to City Contracts, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (B/Walford) (*Tabled May 27, 2008*)
8. **Ordinance No. 58 of 2008**: ZONING - C-25-08: Amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, the City of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning property located on the west side of N. Market, 3,322 feet north of Martin Luther King Drive, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, from R-1D, Urban, One-Family Residence District to B-1, Buffer Business District and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (A/Lester) (*Tabled July 8, 2008*)
9. **PROPERTY STANDARDS APPEALS:**
HBO0700145 – 426 Woodrow, Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) Mr. Adrian Gerard Gallion, 124 Carroll Street, Shreveport, LA 71105 (C/Long) (*Postponed February 25, 2008 until August 25, 2008*)

HBO0700081 – 1062 Dalzell Street, Shreveport, LA (B/Walford) Mr. Stanley W. Burke, III, 8848 Youree Drive, Shreveport, LA 71115 (D/Wooley) (*Postponed June 23, 2008 until July 21, 2008*)

HBO0700137 – 1919 Walnut Street, Shreveport, LA (A/Lester); Ms. Ethel J. Reed, 4745 McDaniel Drive, Shreveport, LA 71109 (F/Shyne) (***Postponed February 25, 2008 until August 25, 2008***)

PSD0700065 - 2513 Dupont Street, Shreveport, LA (B/Walford); Mr. David Bates, 2509 Dupont Street, Shreveport, La 71103 (B/Walford) (*Postponed July 7, 2008 until September 22, 2008*)

PSD0700243 - 129 Stoner Ave, Shreveport, LA (B/Walford); Mr. Raul Perez, Jr. 226 Cattail Trail, Benton, LA 71006)(*Postponed May 12, 2008 until August 11, 2008*)

PSD0700170 – 610 Terrell Drive (D/Wooley); Mr. Bobby Player, 3110 Logan Street, Shreveport, LA 71103 (G/Bowman) (*Postponed June 23, 2008 until August 11, 2008*)

PSD0700347 – 4129 Theo Street/4709 Norton (F/Shyne): Mr. Johnny Myles, 1041 Sheridan Street, Shreveport, La 71104 (B/Walford) (*Postponed May 12, 2008 until November 10, 2008*)

PSD0700058: 557 Eakin Street, Shreveport, LA (B/Walford) Mr. Daniel Markulus, 853 Robinson Place, Shreveport, LA (B/Walford) (*Postponed June 23, 2008 until September 22, 2008*)

PSD0700214: 2732 Logan Street. Shreveport, LA (G/Bowman) Willie Robinson, 6915 Quilen Rd, Shreveport, LA (E/Webb) (*Postponed July 7, 2008 until September 22, 2008*)

PSD0700431: 2827 Summer Grove, Shreveport, LA (E/Webb) Rickey Herren, 1683 Kuehler Ave, New Braunfels, TX 78130 (*Postponed June 9, 2008 until September 8, 2008*)

PSD0700131: 1530 Arlington Good Samaritan Funeral Home, Inc., Shreveport, La (A/Lester) Mr. Winnifred Jackson, 2200 Laurel St, Shreveport, La (A/Lester) (*Tabled June 9, 2008*)

NEW BUSINESS

ABO APPEAL

Mr. Tory Anderson, 813 River Road, Shreveport, LA 71108 (B/Walford) *Ernest's Orleans Restaurant*, 1601 Spring Street, Shreveport, LA 71101 (B/Walford) **DECISION RENDERED July 21, 2008**

MPC APPROVAL

The Clerk read the following:

C-42-08: 6310 Jefferson Paige Road, *JEFFERSON PAIGE 2008 L.L.C.*, North side of Jefferson Paige Road, 300 feet west of Pines Road. (**Site Plan Approval, No Ordinance Required**) (G/Bowman)

Councilman Shyne: Ms. Bowman, what is your pleasure?

Councilwoman Bowman: Mr. Chairman, so moved with the stipulation, the fence.

Councilman Shyne: I'll second that.

Councilwoman Bowman: As listed by the MPC.

Councilman Shyne: You've heard the motion by Councilwoman Bowman, and you've heard the second by the Chair. Questions?

Councilman Walford: I think from my board experience, what you need to do is make a motion to overturn the decision of the MPC. Julie, help me? I see Charles signaling me out there. It was denied by the MPC, it needs to be overturned with the stips.

Motion by Councilman Bowman, seconded by Councilman Shyne to overturn the decision of the Metropolitan Planning Commission and approve the site plan with the following stipulation:

Development of the property shall be in substantial accord with a revised site plan showing a 6' to 8' solid wood screening fence along the west property line adjacent to residentially zoned property. This plan shall be submitted to and approved by the Planning Director. Any significant changes or additions shall require further review and approval by the Planning Commission.

Councilman Walford: Charles is still signaling out there. You probably better get him up here. Charles, we don't understand all your hand signals, I'm sorry.

Mr. Kirkland: I was trying to keep my mouth shut. Ms. Bowman, the main thing with your motion would be to, they need a site plan that would be approved and the Board, because they denied it, they didn't really finish the site plan as far as the final landscaping and other turning movements of trucks and that sort of thing. So as long as your motion perhaps delegated to the staff, the MPC staff, to work out the final site plan?

Councilwoman Bowman: Yes sir.

Mr. Kirkland: Okay, thank you.

Councilman Shyne: So you need a yes vote?

Mr. Kirkland: If you want to overturn.

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.

PROPERTY STANDARDS APPEAL

PSD0800139: 1837 Looney, Shreveport, LA (A/Lester) Mr. Cleon R. Turney, 101 Silver Oak Drive, Round Rock, TX 79664) **DECISION RENDERED July 21, 2008**

**REPORTS FROM OFFICERS, BOARDS, AND COMMITTEES
CLERK'S REPORT**

THE COMMITTEE RISES AND REPORTS: (Reconvenes Regular Council Meeting)

Councilwoman Bowman: It's almost 7:00. First to the citizens of District G, to the citizens of the City of Shreveport. I am so disappointed sitting here. Indeed I am. All things decent and in order. 7:00, we've been here going through the agenda, and there are only two Council Members sitting here. Something is wrong with this picture. I mean this is ridiculous. I want it on record that I said it and I'm sure that we are not, but someway or another, I want you to know that this is an absolute shame. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Councilman Shyne: Ms. Bowman, I agree with you. If you run for office, and you don't have time to serve, or if you don't have the patience to hear people's problems, I agree with you. You know. And we only meet four times a month. Now if you can't put some time. If it irks you, go take your smoke, but come back. Come back. I mean this is what government is all about. This is what 'Am I my brother's keeper all about.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, I wanted to officially respond to the comments that were made earlier by Councilman Wooley regarding the interest in a pay raise for the Shreveport Police Officers. I want it to be clearly understood that increasing pay for the Shreveport Police Department is without question one of the highest priorities for this Administration. We fully recognize the fact that one of the elements that go into trying to recruit and retain good police officers is being able to not just have competitive pay, but in my estimation for a city like Shreveport, the largest community in Northwest Louisiana, the capitol of the Ark-La-Tex as some refer to, that we need to be in a position to ensure that our pay helps to set the standard. And we acknowledge the loss of some officers. Now we know that some of those have been affectively recruited away by some other agencies. Others have just simply decided to retire and to go on to some other endeavors, and frankly there are a few of them who just simply were not, in my opinion ready to step up and meet the new level of expectations put forth by this new Chief, and by this Council, and certainly by this Administration. And we wish them well. But now with regard to the direction that Councilman Wooley mentioned, and suggested, we certainly welcome whatever ideas and proposals he may have and any of the rest of you may have. But based upon some of the initial comments that he made regarding where he believes the source of funding may be available to provide the type and level of pay raise he suggested. I want to offer you just a little bit of insight. Without question, he is correct when he says that the contributions for the Policeman Retirement System has gone down from roughly 13 ½ % to about 9, as he suggested. And also because of the fact that we are funded for 541? Did I lose it Tom? I believe we are funded for 541 police officers, we are

also obviously below that number and so within the context of this current year's personnel budget for the police department, our funded manpower number is 541 Chief?

Chief Whitehorn: 541.

Mayor Glover: 541. And where are we exactly?

Chief Whitehorn: We're 39 personnel short.

Mayor Glover: That's 502?

Chief Whitehorn: Yes sir.

Mayor Glover: So we're at 502. So between the dollars saved, between the retirement contribution and the fact that we are some 39 officers below what we're funded for, within the personnel budget this year for the police officers is a significant amount of money. Now the question becomes do we use a raise or issue a raise using the fact that we have that money available in this year's budget? And then not have it available in the following year's budget? That's the crucial question. And so if that's one of the angles that Council is seeking to pursue, know that it's also one that the Administration is evaluating, has evaluated and there's no need for us to wait till the next three weeks before the next Council Meeting to be able to discuss with you all exactly what the implications are of attempting to try and give a raise based upon what it is available dollars within this year's budget, with no source of having those dollars in subsequent years. When you factor in the increase and fuel expense this year, budgets that are being busted by 50 and 60 and 75% greater numbers for fuel within Police, within Operational Services, within SPORTRAN, within Public Waste, all of those have fuel numbers that have gone up substantially because of the excess fuel cost. So if we want to talk about a raise based upon where we are right now with this year's budget, I think we ought to examine that and see just how wise and prudent that will be. What we need to ensure is that what we can give based upon what's in the budget for '08 is going to be available for '09 and in years to come. Now, in addition to that, the objective of this Administration is not just to give a significant pay raise. Councilman Wooley has talked about \$40,000. We'd love to see the Council join with us in trying to meet that number. I think I heard him mention \$37,000 today, that only puts us about \$2,000 ahead of where the Bossier Sheriff Department is right now. But even that would be a good number. But not only is the objective to increase the overall level of compensation for our Police Officers, we also need to be in a position to be able to increase the overall number of Police Officers as well. At 541, we are still even if we were fully manned, fully staffed, we are still as the chief has projected, some 99 officers short of what his manpower study has indicated that we need to police effectively a city the size of Shreveport. And when you factor in the comparison of Shreveport in relation to other cities of comparable population and comparable size, we are far below. Baton Rouge, Chief if I'm not mistaken has some 600+ Police Officers?

Chief Whitehorn: 650 almost.

Mayor Glover: Well more than a hundred plus than what we are currently funded for right now. And so in thinking about our numbers with regard to our police situation, it is not just simply coming up with dollars to increase the pay for what we currently have on the street right now which is 502, or having a pay increase for what we're funded for at 541, it's having a pay increase as well as the additional dollars that are going to be needed to actually add to the overall personnel that we need in order to position ourselves to most effectively police the City of Shreveport. So, we await any presentation that the

Councilmen are going to make at the next Council Meeting. But since we have three weeks between now and the next Council Meeting, based upon what was discussed and revealed during his comments, we more than welcome the opportunity as I said to talk to you all about it between now and then. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Councilman Shyne: I would hope and Chief, I'm going to direct this to you, but I know the Mayor is your boss and I wouldn't dare try to speak for Councilman Wooley, but I would hope that and maybe it'll happen, if you and Councilman Wooley could sit down, maybe with your finance people and take a look and maybe you explain to him kinda on a one on one, and I hate to use this analogy. Sometimes, I might would have a football player or a student that I would have to sit them down one on one to kinda let them know where we're trying to go and how we're trying to get there, and show them what my plans are and I might want to listen to theirs, and sometimes, I would give them that much respect. Because first of all they're a student in my class or either they're a player on my team, and then I would try to show him where you've got a good plan, but lets look at what I've got here, and at least give me an opportunity to do what I'm doing because I'm a professional. You know you are and Chief, I keep on saying this. But I want you to understand that you are a professional in what you do, and I appreciate that. I don't know if you and Councilman Wooley have had a chance to do it one on one, or whether you do it in your office, or whether you do it in the Council's office, or whether you all do it at lunch, or whether you do it at church. And I'm saying this, and I don't even know if he'd be willing to meet. But if it was me, I would. So, I don't know what the situation is, but Mr. Mayor I appreciate what you said, but I would hope when these other Council Members come back to Council, and especially when Councilman Wooley is here, if that same information could be given again.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, I assume you didn't understand me.

Councilman Shyne: Look, I understood you, but I just want to re-emphasize that Councilman Wooley is the creator of the legislation. Councilwoman Bowman, do you have any more comments?

Mayor Glover: Mr. Shyne, there is no legislation, and there is no individual Council Member who is any more empowered to address this or any other issue than any other Council Member. The invitation that we made is to Councilman Wooley, and to you and to Councilwoman Bowman and the other Council Members as well. And so, we are prepared to do exactly what it is that you just suggested, but with any and all who want to discuss it.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor, I understand that. Now I've been down here longer than you, just because you're sitting over there. What we're doing, I taught this in school for over 30 years. So I understand that we only have one vote, but there's psychology and there's diplomacy, and there's a right way and a wrong way to handle anything and everything. So, I'm just suggesting that if you don't want to take my suggestion, I ain't got no problem with that. I mean, you don't have to explain to me that I got one vote and he's got one vote and they got one vote, cause I tell you all the time, I serve at the pleasure of the Council. I've got one vote. But I might be able to convince somebody else, if I'm making any sense to you. I know I don't have but one vote, but I just might be able, and I've been down here long enough where I kinda have the skills to convince somebody else from time to time. Joyce might be able to convince somebody

from time to time. And Mr. Mayor, since we've gone so long, you and I can follow this up.

Mayor Glover: I stand by the statement Mr. Shyne. The invitation is extended to the entirety of the Council. We welcome the opportunity.

Councilman Shyne: I stand by my statement. I'm glad you stand by mine, I'm calling this meeting adjourned.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:19 p.m.

//s// Joe Shyne, Chairman

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