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PRESS RELEASE

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## **City offices closed again Wednesday due to hard-freeze warning**

The City of Shreveport will close offices again on Wednesday due to the hard freeze warning issued by the National Weather Service. Only emergency staff will report for duty.

Mayor Ollie Tyler made the decision this afternoon following updated reports from the National Weather Service that show snow and ice will accumulate on bridges and overpasses. The closure will not affect public safety operations, as Fire and Police personnel will continue to be on duty as emergencies arise. Public Works crews are prepared to sand icy bridges and roads.

The 24-hour dispatch number (673-7600) for the Water Department will be manned. Residents are urged to cover exposed pipes and allow slow drips on faucets to help keep pipes from freezing. Field Operations crews also will be on call for emergencies.

SporTran will suspend services again on Wednesday and reevaluate road conditions to determine when to resume services. However, all SporTran maintenance personnel should report to work Wednesday. Trash collection will not occur on Wednesday. Once weather permits, pick up will begin with Monday's collection and crews will work to return back to the regular schedule.

The Shreveport Regional Airport and Downtown Airport will both remain open. However, flights may be cancelled. Passengers should contact specific airlines for details on flights.

To report hazardous conditions please call the Shreveport Police Department immediately at 318-673-BLUE (2583) or, in the event of an emergency, 911.

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