

Council Proceedings of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana
January 25, 2022

The City Council meeting of the City Council of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana was called to order by Chairman Green at 3:00 p. m. Tuesday, January 25, 2022, in the Government Chamber in Government Plaza (505 Travis Street).

Invocation was given by Councilman Nickelson.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Boucher.

The roll was called. Present: Councilmen John Nickelson, Grayson Boucher, Alan Jackson, James Green and Jerry Bowman (arrived at 3:05 p.m.). 5. Absent: Councilwomen Tabatha Taylor and LeVette Fuller. 2.

Motion by Councilman Boucher, seconded by Councilman Nickelson, to approve the minutes of the Administrative Conference, Monday, January 10, 2022 and the Council meeting, Tuesday, January 11, 2022. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Nickelson, Boucher, Jackson and Green. 4. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilwomen Taylor and Fuller and Councilman Bowman. 3. Abstentions: 0.

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

REPORTS:

Property Standards Report (resolution 7 of 2003)

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

Master Plan Committee Report (resolution 132 of 2012)

Budget to Actual Financial Report (resolution 183 of 2017)

PUBLIC HEARING: NONE.

ADDING ITEMS TO THE AGENDA, PUBLIC COMMENTS, CONFIRMATIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

ADDING LEGISLATION TO THE AGENDA (REGULAR MEETING ONLY) AND

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON MOTIONS TO ADD ITEMS TO THE AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENTS (IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 1.11 OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE) (ADMINISTRATIVE CONFERENCE ON ANY MATTER OF PUBLIC CONCERN REGARDLESS OF WHETHER THE ITEM IS ON THE AGENDA)

(REGULAR MEETING ON MATTERS WHICH ARE ON THE AGENDA)

Sammy Mears spoke in support of Resolution No. 5 of 2022.

Marvin Muhammad spoke in opposition to Ordinance No. 72 of 2021.

CONFIRMATION AND APPOINTMENTS: Chief Financial Officer - Kasey Brown
Metropolitan Planning Commission – Chris Elbersen, Historical Preservation Commission -
Jazmin Jernigan, Assistant City Attorney serving as Executive Counsel to the Mayor - Shanerika
Flemings

Motion by Councilman Bowman, seconded by Councilman Boucher, to postpone the executive appointments of Kasey Brown as Chief Financial Officer, Chris Elbersen to the Metropolitan Planning Commission, Jazmin Jernigan to the Historical Preservation Commission, Shanerika Flemings as Assistant City Attorney serving as Executive Counsel to the Mayor. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Nickelson, Boucher, Jackson, Green and Bowman. 5. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilwomen Taylor and Fuller. 2. Abstentions: 0.

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

RESOLUTIONS: NONE

ORDINANCES: NONE

TO ADOPT ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTIONS: NONE

ORDINANCES: NONE

REGULAR AGENDA LEGISLATION

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

The Clerk read the following:

Resolution No. 132 of 2021: A resolution authorizing the mayor to execute an Option to Ground Lease between the City of Shreveport and Shreveport HP Allendale, LLC and otherwise providing with respect thereto

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilman Bowman, to postpone. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Nickelson, Boucher, Jackson, Green and Bowman. 5. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilwomen Taylor and Fuller. 2. Abstentions: 0.

Resolution No. 165 of 2021: A resolution approving a restoration tax abatement renewal application for Venyu Solutions, LLC, 601 Milam Street, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Nickelson, seconded by Councilman Boucher, to postpone. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Nickelson, Boucher, Jackson, Green and Bowman. 5. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilwomen Taylor and Fuller. 2. Abstentions: 0.

RESOLUTION NO. 2 OF 2022

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EMPLOYMENT OF SPECIAL LEGAL COUNSEL TO REPRESENT THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport ("City") is involved in matters related to real estate and economic development; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to retain Michael Busada, Attorney at Law, to provide legal advice, counsel and representation in connection with matters related to real estate and economic development at an hourly rate of \$150.00, plus expenses; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the City Attorney recommends the employment of such special legal counsel to advise, counsel and represent the City in these matters pursuant to Section 8.03 of the City Charter.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, regular and legal session convened that the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to execute, for and on behalf of the City of Shreveport, a retainer agreement with Michael Busada, Attorney at Law, to advise, counsel and represent the City of Shreveport in connection with real estate and/or economic development matters, substantially in accordance with the terms and conditions of the draft thereof which was filed for public inspection, together with the original copy of this resolution in the office of the Clerk of Council on January 11, 2022.

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 application 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 to be 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 Nickelson, seconded by Councilman Bowman, to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Nickelson, Boucher, Jackson, Green and Bowman. 5. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilwomen Taylor and Fuller. 2. Abstentions: 0.

RESOLUTION NO. 3 OF 2022

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND THE BATON ROUGE FIRE DEPARTMENT, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, La R.S. 38:2212.l(f) authorizes both the City of Shreveport and the Baton Rouge Fire Department into a cooperative purchasing agreement pursuant to the Louisiana Procurement Code La R.S. 39:1701, et seq; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport and the Baton Rouge Fire Department desire to enter into a cooperative purchasing agreement under the terms of a contract the City of Shreveport entered into under the terms of RFP No. 19-817.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal, and regular session convened that Adrian Perkins, Mayor, be and is hereby authorized to execute an agreement between the City of Shreveport and the Baton Rouge Police Department, substantially in accordance with the draft thereof filed in the Office of the Clerk of Council on January 11, 2022 and attached hereto as Exhibit A.

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

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

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Boucher, seconded by Councilman Bowman, to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Nickelson, Boucher, Jackson, Green and Bowman. 5. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilwomen Taylor and Fuller. 2. Abstentions: 0.

RESOLUTION NO. 5 OF 2022

A RESOLUTION HONORING JAMES FLURRY FOR NEARLY 20 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE AS A PUBLIC SERVANT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO

BY: COUNCILMAN JERRY BOWMAN JR.

WHEREAS, James Flurry, a lifelong resident of Shreveport for over 50 years, served as City of Shreveport Councilman for District E until he resigned on November 15, 2021; and

WHEREAS, James Flurry was first elected to the City Council in 2014 and reelected to office by the citizens of District E in 2018. His sense of fairness and commitment to community radiate from him while volunteering for the Clerk of Court's office with his beloved wife, Pat; and

WHEREAS, James Flurry served with integrity, dedication, and commitment—traits which in every instance impelled him to seek to do the “right thing” in the service of the people of District E, the City of Shreveport and Caddo Parish. He judiciously guarded the taxpayer assets placed in his trust, cared deeply about public safety and worked to build relationships that crossed traditional boundaries; and

WHEREAS, his departure from the City Council, in addition to being a personal milestone for him which will allow him to enjoy time with family and friends, is also an excellent opportunity to honor and thank him for his leadership which included an unprecedented run as Chairman of the City Council, a courageous and public battle with cancer, and an accessible and relatable personality noted for his realistic but hopeful outlook and caring personality; and

WHEREAS, after nearly 8 years of distinguished service as the District E City of Shreveport Councilman and retiring from his nearly 20 years in elected public service, including 12 years as a Justice of the Peace in Caddo Parish, Flurry said, “It’s been a pleasure to serve the people of District E and Shreveport,” and “I look forward to my retirement, and I just want to say thank you from the bottom of my heart.”

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened, that the Shreveport City Council honors James Flurry for nearly 20 years of dedicated service as a public servant and wish him and his wife Patricia Gross Flurry, and their children, Dr. Angie Flurry Sherman and James Flurry Jr., many continued years of health, contentment and prosperity.

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

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Bowman, seconded by Councilman Boucher, to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Nickelson, Boucher, Jackson, Green and Bowman. 5. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilwomen Taylor and Fuller. 2. Abstentions: 0.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS (*NOT TO BE ADOPTED PRIOR TO (February 8, 2022 (Motion and second is sufficient to introduce resolutions)*)

The Clerk read the following:

1. **Resolution No. 6 of 2022:** A resolution amending the pay schedule for the municipal police civil service personnel and municipal fire civil service personnel and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
2. **Resolution No. 7 of 2022:** A resolution accepting the public dedication of the west side of the Chestnut Park Lane and Provenance Place intersection rights-of-way in Provenance Subdivision and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
3. **Resolution No. 8 of 2022:** A resolution accepting the public dedication of Pecan Square Avenue, Fairwoods Drive and Woodberry Avenue rights-of-way and 30-foot-wide drainage servitude in Provenance Subdivision Phase IV – Unit A and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
4. **Resolution No. 9 of 2022:** A resolution authorizing a request to be made to the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources, Louisiana State Mineral and Energy Board, to seek public bids for an oil, gas and mineral lease involving the property located in Districts F and G and described herein and to execute the lease for certain mineral interests owned by the City of Shreveport; and to authorize the mayor to execute any and all documents related to the intent of this Resolution; and to otherwise provide with respect thereto
5. **Resolution No. 10 of 2022:** A resolution authorizing the Shreveport Airport Authority, to discard of surplus property Passenger Boarding Bridges IFB #22-066, and otherwise provide with respect thereto.
6. **Resolution No. 11 of 2022:** A resolution to amend Resolution No. 139 of 2021 which was adopted to execute an Agreement between the City of Shreveport and Carr, Riggs & Ingram, LLC for the purpose of an external audit of the City for fiscal year January 1, 2021, through December 31, 2021, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto
7. **Resolution No. 12 of 2022:** A Resolution whereby the Mayor is making a recommendation to the city council for its approval regarding the amount and type of various insurance premiums and to authorize the mayor to execute a payment to the agent of record for the purpose of binding insurance and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Bowman, seconded by Councilman Nickelson, to introduce Resolution No(s). 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 of 2022 to lay over until the next regular meeting.

Madam Clerk: Mr. Chair, the administration has requested that Ordinance No. 3 and Ordinance No. 4 not be introduced today. If there's no objection, I won't read that into the record and it won't be introduced.

Councilman Green: Yes ma'am.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES (*NOT TO BE ADOPTED PRIOR TO February 8, 2022*(Motion and second is sufficient to introduce resolutions)

1. **Ordinance No. 1 of 2022**: An ordinance amending the 2022 budget for the General Fund and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (C/Nickelson, D/Boucher)
2. **Ordinance No. 2 of 2022**: An ordinance amending the 2022 General Fund Budget and to otherwise provide with respect thereto
3. **Ordinance No. 5 of 2022**: An ordinance amending the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, 2022 Streets Special Revenue Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized herein and to otherwise provide with respect thereto
4. **Ordinance No. 6 of 2022**: An ordinance amending the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, 2022 Capital Projects Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized herein and to otherwise provide with respect thereto
5. **Ordinance No. 7 of 2022**: An ordinance amending the 2022 Community Development Special Revenue Fund Budget and to otherwise provide with respect thereto
6. **Ordinance No. 8 of 2022**: An ordinance declaring the City's interest in declaring certain land as surplus, and our intention to donate certain land to Volunteers of America of North Louisiana and to otherwise provide with respect thereto **(Not to be adopted prior to February 22, 2022)**
7. **Ordinance No. 9 of 2022**: An ordinance to amend and repeal sections in Chapter 70 Planning and Development of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, Code of Ordinances relative to Shreveport Metropolitan Planning Commission of Caddo Parish and to otherwise provide with respect thereto
8. **Ordinance No. 10 of 2022**: An ordinance to amend various articles and sections in the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, Unified Development Code, related to fence requirements and restrictions, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto
9. **Ordinance No. 11 of 2022: Zoning Case No. 21-184-C**: An ordinance to amend the official zoning map of the City of Shreveport Unified Development Code, by rezoning property located enter west of Linwood Ave & approx. 83' south of W. 83rd St., Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA., from R-1-7, Single-Family Residential District to C-2, Corridor Commercial District, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto
10. **Ordinance No. 12 of 2022: Zoning Case No. 21-199-C**: An ordinance to amend the official zoning map of the City of Shreveport Unified Development Code, by rezoning property located on the south side of Bert Kouns Industrial Loop Expy, approx. 520' east of Linwood Ave., Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA., from C-3, General Commercial District To C-4, Heavy Commercial District, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Boucher, seconded by Councilman Nickelson, to introduce Ordinance No(s). 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 of 2022 to lay over until the next regular meeting.

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

The Clerk read the following:

1. **Ordinance No. 72 of 2021**: An ordinance amending Section 10-69 of Chapter 10, Article IV, Division 2 of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, Code of Ordinances with respect to the Fee and Term for alcoholic beverage handling employee cards, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Having passed first reading on May 11, 2021, was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilman Nickelson, to postpone. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Nickelson, Boucher, Jackson, Green and Bowman. 5. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilwomen Taylor and Fuller. 2. Abstentions: 0.

2. **Ordinance No. 191 of 2021**: An ordinance declaring the City's Interest in certain land as surplus, and our intention to donate certain land acquired by the Department of Community Development to Volunteers of America of North Louisiana and to otherwise provide with respect thereto

Having passed first reading on November 9, 2021, was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Bowman, seconded by Councilman Nickelson, to withdraw. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Nickelson, Boucher, Jackson, Green and Bowman. 5. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilwomen Taylor and Fuller. 2. Abstentions: 0.

3. **Ordinance No. 195 of 2021**: An ordinance to amend Chapter 58, Article IV, Division 1 and Chapter 78, Article VIII, Division 1 of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, Code of Ordinances relative to litter and dumping, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (A/Taylor, F/Green)

Having passed first reading on November 9, 2021, was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilman Boucher, to postpone. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Nickelson, Boucher, Jackson, Green and Bowman. 5. Nays:0. Out of the Chamber:0. Absent: Councilwomen Taylor and Fuller.2. Abstentions: 0.

4. **Ordinance No. 204 of 2021: Zoning Case No. 21-158-C**: An ordinance to amend the official zoning map of the City of Shreveport Unified Development Code, by rezoning property located on the southeast corner of Legardy St. & Hawkins St., Shreveport, Caddo Parish, L.A., from R-1-5, Single-Family Residential District To R-A, Rural-Agricultural District, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (A/Taylor)

Having passed first reading on November 19, 2021, was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilman Jackson, to postpone. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Nickelson, Boucher, Jackson, Green and Bowman. 5. Nays:0. Out of the Chamber:0. Absent: Councilwomen Taylor and Fuller.2. Abstentions: 0.

5. **Ordinance No. 227 of 2021: Zoning Case No. 21-185-C:** An ordinance to amend the official zoning map of the City of Shreveport Unified Development Code, by rezoning property located on the northeast corner of David Raines Rd. and Willis St., Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA., from R-1-5, Single-Family Residential District to C-1, Neighborhood Commercial District, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (A/Taylor)

Having passed first reading on December 28, 2021, was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilman Bowman, to postpone. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Nickelson, Boucher, Jackson, Green and Bowman. 5. Nays:0. Out of the Chamber:0. Absent: Councilwomen Taylor and Fuller.2. Abstentions: 0.

TABLED LEGISLATION

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION NO. 124 OF 2021: A resolution to establish an Intergovernmental committee, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (D/Boucher) (Tabled on November 9, 2021)

RESOLUTION NO. 166 OF 2021: A resolution in support of and establishing a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District, a proposed public improvement district, wholly within the city limits of the City of Shreveport, and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (F/Green) (Tabled on January 11, 2022)

ORDINANCE NO. 85 OF 2021: An ordinance to amend certain portions of chapter 22 of the City of Shreveport Code of Ordinances relative to demolition delay in the Downtown Development District and otherwise providing with respect thereto (B/Fuller) (Tabled June 22, 2021)

ORDINANCE NO. 94 OF 2021: An ordinance to repeal Section 50-212 (a)(10) and to amend Section 50-212 (b) of Article V of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Shreveport relative to the Smokefree Air Act and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (E/Flurry) (Tabled July 13, 2021)

ORDINANCE NO. 149 OF 2021: An ordinance amending Section 10-69 of Chapter 10, Article IV, Division 2 of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, Code of Ordinances with respect to the Fee and Term for alcoholic beverage handling employee cards, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (Tabled on December 14, 2021)

APPEALS

PROPERTY STANDARDS APPEALS: NONE

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE ORDINANCE APPEALS:

ABO APPEAL – Ms. Amanda Smith, 1717 Stephens Ave, Shreveport, LA 71101 (B/Fuller) (postponed until March 21, 2022, at the council's discretion, this item can be brought up for a vote prior to this date)

METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION AND ZBA APPEALS: NONE

OTHER APPEALS

SOB APPEALS: NONE

TAXI APPEALS: NONE

REPORTS FROM OFFICERS, BOARDS, AND COMMITTEES

CLERK'S REPORT:

ADDITIONAL COMMUNICATIONS:

ADDITIONAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

ADDITIONAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS

EXECUTIVE SESSION: NONE

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the council, the city council meeting adjourned at 4:09 p.m.

James Green, Chairman

Danielle Farr-Ewing, Clerk of Council