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Shreveport City Council Responds to Delay in Bidding Process for North Market Police Substation

Shreveport, LA – While the City Council acknowledges the Mayor’s decision to pause the bidding process for the North Market Police Substation, we must express our concern that this action comes only after repeated requests from the Council. This issue was flagged well in advance, and while the Council supports the need for careful review and resolution of the terms surrounding the land donation, we regret that these concerns were not addressed sooner, thus avoiding unnecessary delays.

The North Market Police Substation project is funded by a voter-approved bond issue, and it is critical that the administration acts with due diligence in managing taxpayer-funded initiatives. We believe the community expects efficiency, transparency, and respect for their investment in public safety. This pause, while necessary, highlights a communication gap between the City administration and the Council that we hope to see improved moving forward.

We acknowledge the importance of resolving all outstanding issues before engaging bidders, but it is important to note that the Council’s input and concerns should have been addressed from the beginning. As representatives of the public, we are committed to ensuring that the City’s resources are managed responsibly and that critical projects, such as this substation, proceed without unnecessary setbacks.

In light of this, we call for increased collaboration and earlier engagement between the administration and the City Council in all future projects of similar scope to avoid avoidable delays and ensure the best outcomes for the people of Shreveport. We remain focused on moving this project forward efficiently, in the best interest of our citizens and their safety.

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