Council Proceedings of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana January 14, 2014

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana was called to order by Chairman Joe Shyne at 3:06 p.m., Tuesday, January 14, 2014, in the Government Chambers in Government Plaza (505 Travis Street).

Invocation was given by Bishop Ricky Moore. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Corbin.

On Roll Call, the following members were Present: Councilmen Rose Wilson-McCulloch, Jeff Everson, Michael Corbin, Oliver Jenkins, Ron Webb, Joe Shyne, and Sam Jenkins. 7. Absent: None.

Motion by Councilman <u>Corbin</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>O. Jenkins</u> to approve the minutes of the Administrative Conference, and Council Meeting, Friday, December 20, 2013. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: None.

Awards, Recognition of Distinguished Guests, Communications of the Mayor relative to city business, and Required Reports

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor, we're at your juncture, if you have any distinguished guest or communications of the mayor, which is required by law.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, we would like to combine and do all of our communications at this time, but recognizing that there are some individuals here that the Council have on board, that you might want to go first, we will certainly be willing to yield in that some of our presentation is coming from staff as opposed to citizens.

Councilman Shyne: Well, Mr. Mayor, we would love that. I would appreciate that. If you would just hold up. I'd like to call, I want to say our new superintendent, but he's really not new. He's a local boy, and let's give him a big hand. I mean it's so good to have somebody local. Now Mr. Mayor, usually you know the history of everybody. But this gentleman right here, I knew him before he was born. His dad and uncle and I played football together. Now I'm not going to tell you when because I might be telling my age. I've been trying to tell Councilman Oliver Jenkins that this is really not gray hair, this is a frosty I have. So I don't want to tell my age, but - - -

Councilman O. Jenkins: You haven't told me where I can get one of those of my own. I've been waiting for the - - -

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Councilman Shyne: Well, Mike tell him, he's got to wait a few years, and then we'll tell him where he can go get his. But Dr. Goree, it's such a pleasure to have you back at home. This is home and it shows that when you can grow your own vegetables and I just want to say that I appreciate you being one of the young people who went forth and got yourself academically

prepared to do what you're doing. You know a lot of us can talk a lot of talk, but we don't have the academic credentials in order to do what needs to be done. And I hate to say this at this point, and it might not be right Bishop for me to say this, but I wish his daddy was still living in order to see him. You had a fine daddy. And, I see why you're smart. The apple doesn't fall very far from the tree. Your daddy and your whole family, all of the Gorees that I've ever known have been very studious, and very academic minded people. And this is what we have to have. I mean, I encourage youngsters every day, whether they're Black, White or Asian, to go to school and get yourself prepared. Now I know public safety is important, water and sewerage is important, but what you all deal with, with the school system, human resources. That's education, the underlying fiber of our society. This is why America is so great. This is why democratic countries are so strong. Not because of the great armies, but because of the education. And Bishop, you see what you done started me doing? Trying to preach up here. I don't have any business doing that. Thank you.

Mr. Theodis Goree: (Superintendent, Caddo Parish Schools) Mr. Chairman, other members of the Council, Mr. Mayor and other members of the staff of the city, thank you for this opportunity. As you know, I've said it over and over again, it is both an honor and a privilege for me to have the opportunity to lead this school district that I so greatly believe in. This is the school district where it truly all began for me. I was blessed to have great parents, both being career educators in Caddo Parish Schools, so all of my education, all of my financial backing, everything that I am is in large part to what I received here in Caddo Parish, and it is my honor to come back and to have an opportunity to reinvest, pay it forward for the children that are in this school district. You know you talked a little bit about you know we are the backbone of what we do (inaudible) and our children as we all know, but agree are our most precious resource. And I do think that if you look at it from an economic development standpoint of our city, until we have good schools that are producing well prepared, college ready, career ready graduates, we will not be all that we can be as a community. I too have two children that I'd like to see grow up and be able to live in this community, so it is a vested interest that I have in doing the very best job that I can every day to be successful with Caddo Parish Schools. You know as I come in, (inaudible) with Caddo Parish Schools about six months ago, you would be flooded with negative information about our school district and just the general ways that we were making decisions, and it is certainly not going to change that, because as I work through the district, there are countless wonderful things going on, that are going unsaid. So another one of my roles is to make sure that we are talking about and supporting the good things of this district. So, I do consider myself to be a spokesman. I'm a cheerleader for Caddo Parish Schools and I look forward to creating many opportunities to cheer about. Our kids are worth it. Looking forward to a working relationship with this body. I made it very clear that I feel the triangular relationship with that of the school, that of the family and that of the community is imperative for us to be the very best school district that we can be, so a big part of that is going to rely on all of our shoulders, not just the schools, but everyone's shoulders. And I do appreciate you and applaud you in advance for taking that charge and taking that responsibility. I received positive feedback from here to there. I've yet to receive any feedback from anyone that didn't appear to believe in what we have done here in Caddo Parish. We are a good school district, we're a good city, we're not a city where schools of choice is the only option. We want public schools to be the first choice. Again, thank you for the invitation and the school district is here to partner with you in any way we can that's going to benefit children. Thank you.

Councilman Shyne: Just before you go, you see I would hope because this Mayor and this Council's got about 10 more minutes in office, but any administration, when we go out and try to recruit industry into the City of Shreveport, I would hope that we would be able to say that we

have one of the best school districts in the country. If you come and locate in our city, in our area, you will not only find a prepared workforce, but your children and the children of your employees will have an opportunity to get one of the finest educations in the world. Not only in America, but in the world. So, I would hope that you would come back and visit us. I would hope that some of the Council Members and the Mayor, I can't speak for the mayor, but I would hope that whoever the mayor is now and in the future, that they would come and spend some time with you at the Caddo Parish School System. Because we have to work together as a team. We have to - - - if we do this as a team, and I believe Mike has a friend who always says, "We're better together", Bishop Brandon. So, with the Caddo Parish School Board, The City of Shreveport and the Caddo Parish Commission, Mike, all three working together, we can move this area forward like we ought to move it, and we would have the best school system in the world. Thank you for coming down, and we're going to be looking for you to come back.

Mr. Goree: Thank you for the invitation.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor, I believe, and because we want to always recognize our elected officials. Mike, (Commissioner) cause Mike doesn't mind me calling him Mike, I knew him when he was a boy growing up. But do we have any other elected officials in the house. If not, Mr. Mayor at this particular time, we would - - -

Councilman S. Jenkins: Excuse me Mr. Chairman, I did have someone I wanted to recognize for a council presentation.

Councilman Shyne: As (inaudible) I was going to let the Mayor - - -

Mayor Glover: We'll yield Mr. Chairman.

Councilman Shyne: And I was going to come back to the Council. You'll yield?

Mayor Glover: Yes sir. Councilman Shyne: Okay.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Thank you Mr. Chairman, I want to ask Bishop Ricky Moore to please come forward. I want to recognize him. As he comes forward, I believe that he'll extend an invitation to Council Members as well as the Mayor and those in earshot of a program that he has planned this coming Sunday, and also want to give him accolades. He's one of the few men that I know that has a school named for him in Africa. I want you to share a little bit about that experience also.

Councilman Shyne: Bishop, I hope is in the neighborhood I grew up in in Africa.

Bishop Ricky Moore: I want to begin by saying good evening to you all. Respect to you Mr. Mayor, who I've known for many years. As little boys we went to Baton Rouge together with 4-H. And then lived right around the corner from Mr. Joe Shyne, my mother right on the other street. And we used to pop wheelies on bicycles, Charlie Caldwell and myself in front of your home, respect to all of you. I won't be long. This coming Sunday evening at 4:00, we're having the Martin Luther King, Jr. celebration award service. And we're going to be honoring some individuals in our city who have made a difference. Among them would be Sis., Mrs. Mamie Love Wallace, who marched with the late great Martin Luther King, and Judge Emanuel. We're going to have a special presentation for the late great Sis. Joyce Bowman, who mentored so many. So many times when you do - - - somebody said when you do bad, nobody remembers, and when you do good, nobody forgets. And so many times, we talk about how bad people are, but we don't look at the good things that they're doing. So this is a personal invitation for the entire City Council. I think you're doing a great job, you're doing the best you can. And personally on the behalf of Sunrise Baptist Church, we've built our Life Center, when we were trying to go through the tape, and trying to get it done, we thank you for standing with us. As a result, we have been able to minister to the Queensborough Community. We have programs, GED, after school tutorial, Tae Kwon Do, we have a feeding ministry, feeding over 100 people Monday through Friday.

We're doing great things that we're working with gang activities, trying to get young people to come out of the gangs and off the corners. That building would not have been possible if it had not been for you all. So personally, I wanted to thank you for believing in Sunrise, and I close by saying this. To address what you've said, the Lord has blessed me. I've been ministering since I was a little bitty boy, licensed at 15, ordained at 18, and in June of last year, I was consecrated as Regional Bishop. I'm over seven states, 215 churches, and last month, I was elected the presiding prelate of West Africa, Nairobi, Liberia West Africa that encompasses 22 churches and six schools, and they have named one after me. So I want y'all to pray my strength and I shall do the same for you. My close is this. One day, we've all got to die, and when you take your last breath, before your heart goes into cardiac arrest, it ought to be something that you ought to want to be able to say, you ought to want to look up and say, "God, to you be the glory", and to the people that you serve, you want to be able to say, "The benefits and the blessings belong to you", and then you ought to want to be able to say to yourself, "The privilege has been mine". And so, I ask you all to continue to serve with integrity, because one day when breath leaves your body, they're going to bury your eyes, but not your vision. They're going to bury your heart, but not your soul, and they're going to bury your hands, but not your works, and they're going to bury your feet, but not your footsteps, and they're going to bury your body, but not your integrity. Continue to serve with honor and integrity.

Councilman Shyne: And Bishop, before you leave, make sure you invite the Superintendent Sunday. Give him a special invitation and a handshake. Yes.

Councilman S. Jenkins: And I had a couple of more items Mr. Chairman. I want to take this opportunity to congratulate my brothers of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity as we celebrate our centennial. There are very few things Mr. CAO that I'm a part of besides the church Mr. Mayor, that's over 100 years old. So, I want to congratulate my brothers of Phi Beta Sigma, 100 years of scholarship, 100 years of brotherhood, and 100 years of service. And I also see that there are present here some representatives from SPORTRAN. I'm not quite sure why they're here today, but I'd like to take this opportunity to express my personal appreciation to them for following up on a request that I made last year which was to extend the Pines Road route out to Teleperformance, the call center. We know that Teleperformance has tried to expand operations here. They have a (inaudible) goal of trying to hire some 700 people at different positions out there. All of our citizens did not have the luxury of their own car, their own transportation. So this bus route that now extends itself out to that location, we want our citizens to know that I simply want to express my appreciation to the representatives of SPORTRAN for following up on that recommendation. With that, thank you Mr. Chairman.

Councilman Everson: Thank you Councilman Shyne. I just wanted to briefly announce that the Riverfront Committee, and we'll do this at the end of the meeting as well, but the Riverfront Committee is planning a meeting for Friday at 1:30 p.m. Just wanted for people to be able to check their calendars, make sure about their availability, and during this meeting, we will - - you know there's a new process for the civic appropriations this year. And so, we will be reviewing that process to let everybody know what's happening, what will be happening, what dates to be looking for and what to anticipate in the process going forward. So an agenda and a formal notice will go out tomorrow.

Councilman Shyne: Ok, any other Council Member have any comments or announcements that they would like to make? If not Mr. Mayor, we're back with you.

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Mayor Glover: Thank you Mr. Chairman, members of the Council, want to first of all start by joining the Council in extending a warm welcome to Dr. Goree. Wonderful to have you here, look forward to continuing to work with you. One thing that you did not mention Mr. Shyne and I think is certainly worthy of note was that Dr. Goree was in attendance at his first Intergovernmental meeting on last week, joining members of this council, and this administration along with our friends in local government in Caddo Parish Commission, as well as members and staff of the Caddo Parish School Board. And certainly welcome him to that group and that gathering, and look forward to continuing to work with him and all of us as we figure out how it is that we best position the Caddo Parish School System to be able to provide the kind of high class, world class education that's needed in order to be able to make Shreveport and Caddo Parish a community of choice. A place where people choose to live, and know that they can affectively see their children, not just receive an education, but a world class education. So, Dr. Goree, good to have you. Your job is not easy, but certainly pray that you will be up to the task, and we will be looking to support you and assist you in any way that we can. Also want to extend as usual an expression of welcome to all of those who are here. Anybody who takes time from busy schedules to come and be a part of these proceedings in person or by electronic means, we know that, that is time that could otherwise be spent doing something else. But we think people being involved and engaged and a part of the local government process is something that is fundamental and very important to democracy. So thank you all for being here, for your commitment of time. Members of Council, want to also remind you all and make you aware that this coming Monday is the annual MLK Day here not only in Shreveport, but throughout the country. And as has been our tradition over these past seven years, we will follow the lead and the dictum of Coretta Scott King, the late widow of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., in asking that the day be a day on and not a day off. That it just simply not be a point of point of vacation, where we break out the barbeque pits and the beer coolers, and sit around and lounge and relax, but we use it as an opportunity to be able to learn about and recommit ourselves to the work and the vision of Dr. King. To that end, we have once again partnered with both the folks at Centenary College, as well as the Ministers Fellowship for a full day of activity Mr. Chairman and members of the Council. Those efforts will kickoff at 8:00 a.m. at the Kilpatrick Auditorium over at Centenary College, where I and others who are from Centenary and from throughout the community will be there to kick off the day's events. We will then break down along with the students from Centenary as well as other volunteers from city staff and from other groups across the city for a wide range of service projects. The three that we will focus on from the Mayor's office will be the Old Galilee Church, volunteers there will be assisting with the beautification of this historic location in an effort to keep it blight free. It's continuation of our efforts dating back to 2012 and '13. Will also be assigned volunteers to work with the staff and faculty at Creswell Elementary School as well as the Atkins Elementary School as well. And we should be staffing those locations by 9:00 on Monday. We will also in the middle of the day stop and host a senior citizens luncheon for participants in the Caddo Council on Aging Nutrition location up in the MLK neighborhood, who would otherwise miss a meal on that day. And then we will wrap up the day Mr. Chairman and members of the Council with the Annual city-wide Martin Luther King, Jr. observance that will be held at the Galilee Baptist Church at 1500 Pierre Avenue, and the speaker for this year will be the Rev. Dr. H. Beecher Hicks, the Sr. Pastor of the Metropolitan Baptist Church in Washington, D. C. We certainly encourage all of you who can to make time from what I know are busy schedules to come and be a part. Mr. Chairman and members of the Council, a couple of weeks ago, we convened the members of the 2010 Mayor's Air Service Task Force along with other interested parties to come and hear from airport staff as well as consultants to get an update on the various recommendations that were made in that report some three years ago. And I asked Bryant Francis and staff of the airport to pull together a

condensed version of that presentation so council could be aware of what some of the recommendations were, 1), and 2) Some of the actual changes in terms of how we do business at the airport that have taken place since that time as well as the outline what some of the accomplishments are, what some of our ongoing challenges are as well, and what we see as some great opportunities going forward. So with that, I'm going to ask Bryant Francis and Bill Cooksey to come forward and address you as they will.

Mr. Bryant Francis: (Director of Airports, Shreveport Airport Authority): Good afternoon, pleasure to be here today and as Mayor Glover said on December 19th, we convened a meeting of the Air Service Task Force to in essence provide an update on what changes have taken place since the final study was released in Fall of 2010. There were five areas of interest that, that group which consisted of over 20 local citizens, business leaders and elected officials, I felt were of great enough importance to have the airport take a closer look at areas where we could perhaps have more efficient have some cost savings and overall be in a stronger financial position. So, what we'd like to do here today is first of all to show you what those five areas happen to be. The first was to implement costs savings at the airport. Second was to expand the airport's marketing program. The third is to form a strong group to support air service. The fourth is to attract a low cost carrier, and the fifth is to target incremental gains with existing carriers and other legacy carriers. So we will provide a refined version of that information that was presented on December 19th. We hope you'll find it useful and beneficial. We will have Bill, our Deputy Directory of Airports for the Airport Authority to speak to you on numbers 1, 2, and 3. And then I will come up and speak to you on numbers 4 and 5.

Mr. Bill Cooksey: (Deputy Director of Airports, Shreveport Airport Authority) Good afternoon Council Members and Mayor, and the Mayor's staff. As Mr. Francis indicated, we took a good hard look at the five recommendations of the 2010 Air Service Task Force the Mayor put together and the staff worked very closely with the task force as well as other consultants for a period of approximately eight months. We will touch base 1) Cutting the Airport Rescue and Firefighting expenses at Shreveport Regional Airport by eliminating trucks and crews as the task force recommended. Outsourcing maintenance work in order to reduce expenses, that were then passed onto the airlines serving Shreveport Regional Airport. Changing the parking plan and increase revenue to the airport, in that's a major revenue source. And reducing airport operating expenses which also help the air carriers serving the airport. We start specifically with the Airport Rescue and Firefighting changes that were recommended by the task force. The recommendations were to reduce fire service to the FAA's recommended levels for an air carrier airport of our size. The study actually recommended taking two of the three fully staffed and dedicated trucks at the airport by reducing that to one manned service truck. We took a good hard look at that in terms of the impact at the airport especially considering the number of diverted flights we received from DFW with wide body type aircraft with up to 200+ passengers on those. Our recommendation was to take one of the three trucks out of service with the firefighters moving to other stations around town, through attrition at the other stations. The beginning of January 1, 2012, one of the three trucks was not staffed and we also looked to increase our coverage at the same time. Through a Louisiana Department of Transportation Aviation Division grant, 100% grant for \$900,000, we obtained our new Charlie II truck which you see up on the screen and purchased it with LADOT funding which actually increased our overall capacity and firefighter ability with two newer model trucks. The result was the annual savings through retiring one of the three trucks, and the crew cost was approximately \$453-500,000 per year depending on salaries as well as maintenance expenses of the truck we retired. And that's half-million dollars approximately that was saved to the airlines serving Shreveport. The next thing we took a good hard look at was utility management changes. Managing the two concourses, and a terminal facility that was built in 1999

that also connected two concourses built in early 1970s. We also looked at the airfield riding situation, with a recommendation of actually closing one terminal, and review of shutting down some of the runway lighting. The actions taken and the results were after airline and TSA input specifically such as Delta Airlines wanting to maintain two loading gates, we kept both concourses open. However, we looked at other options. For example, we went into a contract with Centerpoint Energy to save our gas bill, to cut approximately 18% of \$20+ thousand per year buying natural gas directly from the Centerpoint pipeline. We've also secured grants of approximately \$1.1 (million) in the Louisiana Department of Aviation to install new airfield lighting, LED based lighting, which will have long term significant impacts on our annual electric bill which is typically \$5-600,000. We also took a good look at how do we like the runways, and we tried a few different methods. One of the methods we tried was shutting down the secondary runway at night, on its lighting. Because that runway is used 15% of the time. We did that with also the option, the tower control staff being able to bring those lights back up as needed. That was not a real strong success given the towers view of the general aviation aircraft that land at that runway. They felt like keeping that runway lit needed the (inaudible). So what we did, we stepped back and we adjusted the lighting to a lower level to satisfy both the tower and the safety of the pilot's landing on our cross (inaudible) runway. We've also began implementing a new program that we're working closely with the FAA, and that is solar panels at Shreveport Regional. We've seen airports at Chattanooga go to solar form of technology, and put those investments into savings for the energy cost at the airport. We're in the very beginning stages of that program, but we feel like we've taken some very good steps on our utility management. Another thing we looked at very heavily given all the changes that were occurring in 2010 was our parking. And the challenge was to change airport parking plan to find additional revenue. We met with a very good consultant, young gentleman 95 who is just now retiring, and he recommend we make a few basic changes. We made a few changes and starting with depositing money directly into the Airport Authority's accounts daily, instead of being paid once a month, as we had the previous operator. We began receiving our deposits daily through our management agreement with Standard Parking. We receive those deposits daily, we audit those deposits daily as well as we reconcile each month to make sure the revenue coming in matches our parking sales. And then we took a look at how do we actually increase more revenue. We made three simple changes. No. 1 was to increase, we discontinued the weekly parking rates. Previously after four days, you receive a second half of the week, the last three days for free. Very few airports in the United States were offering that feature. We discontinued that. We also increased the daily lot rental by \$.50 per hour, per day. And we made those changes effective June 1, 2012. The results were very positive to the airport's revenues of approximately, if you compared 2011 to 2013 revenue, equals about \$638,000. So our net income this year for 2013 will actually come in after expenses of close to \$1.8 (million). We also took a look at how to make sure you're maximizing airport parking revenue, and we did that simply by maintaining our lots better. We drive around the airport, you see a lot of signs that say, do not park here, employee only, and we can ticket or tow you. So the result is there were far fewer people parking in these lots and cheating the airport out of revenue who were doing that previously. We also began a more aggressive ticketing policy with those funds going back directly into Airport's miscellaneous revenue fund, and that should create \$10-15,000 a year in additional revenue. Looking ahead, we do have some very old parking systems at the airport. And that is a major investment is the Airport Authority, or the operator will have to make once we go out for request for proposal to select a new operator on our parking lots. The test results recommend some personnel cost changes. Primarily by outsourcing a lot of airfield work. We tried that with a baby step. We tried to do a hay baling contract on some of our airport property. We bid that out twice. The first time was unsuccessful, no responsive bidders. The second time we entered into a

contract, and we gave it a try. Unfortunately, as you can see by those hay bales off Greenwood Road, the hay was cut, but then was not picked up. So after much work with the contract, we finally had to rescind the contract and maintain this property through airport staff. And as part of that, our short term experiment to reduce number of our heavy tractor driver operators from 3-2, we decided to go back and go back to three full time drivers to make sure our airfields stay in full compliance with the FAA. The task force also took a good hard look at some of the things the airport could do better including concession program, which we honestly felt like was very embarrassing at the time. We were able to basically take JDDA Concession Group of Houston and place them in default. They weren't performing in their contract. Once we were able to place them in default on their contract, we negotiated with Tailwind Concession Group, that specializes in small airports. We became their sixth small airport opening with almost a half-million dollar investment and the results have been very positive. And that income received in the restaurant and retail revenue has increased month after month, and the complaints have gone from many, many per day to primarily compliments. So we're very happy with the investment that Tailwind has made Shreveport Regional. We also took a look at how do we not spend money that others can pay for. And primarily, we found if we reached out to our friends of LADOT Aviation, they would come and help us. And they did very quickly and with huge results. We also restructured our grants program by bringing in a new project manager, Mr. Robert Osborne who is an engineer with AT&T, and he joined our new finance team that includes Ms. Sherricka Fields who was with us for a little while. With our new team, we began requesting 100% grant funding for capital projects and the result is almost \$7,000,000 in new capital money through LADOT Aviation for 2014 – 2017, and we're very happy to see a lot construction starting to begin on the field at Shreveport Regional and at Downtown Airport. We also began requesting \$100,000 per year from the DOT through Aviation Maintenance Program for air carrier airports. So we're not maxing out our reimbursement from that fund, and that's \$100,000 per year that is no longer passed on to the airlines serving the airport. Another recommendation of the task force was to expand the airport's marketing program. We did that. Previously the airport's marketing program was fairly small. Primarily one person, myself at that time, and it was - - - we had a budget that was honestly hard to spend. Because when you tried to negotiate with advertisers, you didn't have a lot of money to work with. We increased the airport's marketing and advertising fund to \$125,000, which was \$25,000 for each of the carriers serving the airport. \$25,000 for airport branding as well as promotional budget currently of \$10,000 and we increased administrative travel budget to make the sales calls to airlines which we had not previously been able to do, to sell Shreveport and the region to those carriers. That compares as you see to the 2010 fund which is a mere \$20,000 in advertising, \$10,000 in promotions and travel budget of \$2900. Mark Crawford was hired and has done a phenomenal job of representing the airport in our community. If you've seen the airport all around town, that's a good testament of Mark's work. We've had billboards throughout the community and into the region. A very strong emphasis on social media through Twitter, Facebook, and all those other accounts I'm still learning about. Through the Times, the Forum, City Life, SB Magazine, radio commercials, TV commercials and some of the billboards like the one you see here, and some of the more nontraditional advertising efforts such as partnering with Allegiant Airlines on their nationwide bus tour to promote their incredible service out of Shreveport Regional. We also got a little out of the box when we started partnering with the events in the community where a lot of people show up, and would see the airport's images, and the airline's serve this community. Some of those examples are Mugbug Madness, the fireworks show that was sponsored through the airport marketing fund, Strand Theatre, Shreveport Symphony Orchestra, State Fair of Louisiana. The Children's Petting Zoo, some of the most heavily attended events at the fair that was in partnership with American Airlines through the

sponsorship we had at the airport. And regional speaking engagements. One thing we have found is the staff has gone out to the region whether it's Natchitoches or Tyler, TX. We have a good message and they've been very responsive to our message. So we've been hitting the road as well to let people in the region know about the services we provide out of Shreveport. The final recommendation I want to talk about was one we felt like we needed to have a real good tool in our tool box when working with the airlines, and that was to form a strong community group that could support the airport and step in and negotiate with the airlines in the ways we can't. And the result is the Ark-La-Tex Regional Air Service Alliance, and we call it RASA, and their purpose was very simple. Federal Aviation rules require airports cannot basically subsidize air carrier service, or provide certain financial incentives to the airlines. A 501 group or community group can. So as Mr. Bryant Francis and myself step in and negotiate with the airlines and ask are there any additional financial incentives besides standard advertising or landing fee abatement that we can offer, we simply open the door and point them in the direction of RASA. We've already had success through that group. That group has now grown to include representatives from multiple parishes, with the group continuing to seek more regional representation including East Texas which is 30% of our market. Tim Wilhite has put that group together and chairs it currently. And if you remember they were very instrumental recently in the startup of our Denver service which has been a phenomenal success for Shreveport Regional and the area. The 501 is waiting its final approval from the IRS for RASA and we look forward to having that so that component so that tool can become used more increasingly and otherwise for (inaudible) next few years. The next part of the study Mr. Francis can discuss, which is (inaudible) the airlines service Shreveport Regional. Thank you.

Mr. Bryant Francis: Thanks Bill. So just taking us through the last two areas which are to attract low cost carrier and to target incremental gains with our existing carriers and other legacy carriers. Just want to walk you through some of what I call the rules to remember as it pertains to air service development. With airport and airline relationships, you really need to know your markets and what I mean by that is what card service you have in place, the carriers, the frequency, the markets that are served, the aircraft types that serve the market or some of the aircraft types that may be a good fit for the market in the future. Slightly larger planes than what we see today. And so also be aware of the existing performance of your service before you go and ask for more. Because you can lose your credibility in an instant if you go in and you talk about wanting more when what's already there is not performing very strongly for the carrier. Watching industry trends, keeping abreast of industry changes, also understanding the route networks of the airline so that again, when you go in there asking for something, you're asking for something that makes some logical sense to the airlines. Maintaining communications with the airlines both at the local as well as the headquarters level, and follow-up, be patient, yet persistent, because they have a lot going on. It's not just your airport that's asking for things. Just about every airport out there that has commercial services, some that don't, but are certainly banging on their doors. To give you an idea of some of the events that we attended in 2013, Allegiant Air which serves two markets from Shreveport. They have their own conference that only airports they currently serve can attend. We did attend that conference last year in Phoenix. Also Michael Boyd who is the head of the Boyd Group International, he has a conference in aviation forecast conference annually which has many airlines in attendance, primarily in the audience, so that offers a lot of great impromptu or informal talk time. We did attend that in Baltimore back in November, and the Jumpstart Air Service Development Program which is - - - that's it. It's kind of a speed-dating thing, its 20 minutes that you get as an airport to meet with an airline. These are the airlines that we met with in Atlanta back in June. Keep in mind on three of the carriers on that screen currently serve Shreveport. United, American and Allegiant. So people expressed Silver, Jet Blue, Seaport and Southwest are

five other carriers that expressed some interest in speaking with Shreveport. And so those are the eight carriers that we did meet with in June. And as a whole for 2013, the airlines that we met with are four carriers. We met with Allegiant on three different occasions, American twice, United three times and Delta twice. So this is just to demonstrate that we do have a lot that's happening behind the scenes. It's not always something that's being recorded to the public, but a lot is happening at any given time. This is an interesting slide, and you might not be able to see it that well, but in essence, the left column is the year of airline deregulation, 1978. Those 20 carriers that are listed there and those 20 carriers have been involved in mergers and acquisitions in some way, shape or form since then. If you look at the 1990 column, a few of those names dropped off the list because they merged with other carriers. Kinda fast forward to 2000, several more names fell off that list. Again, through mergers and acquisitions. And one new name appeared in Airtran Airways. Today, there are four major US airlines. Delta, United, Southwest and American. So you can see in a period of 30 years how much change has really occurred in the industry, and there are just not as many carriers to go out there and to market yourselves to in terms of attracting additional service. This slide shows on the left pie, in 2013, those four carriers would control 84% of all seats available in the U.S. market. In 2014, just nine years ago, those same four carriers controlled just 57.1% of the capacity. So again, it shows you kind of what is happening in terms of the airline industry today through consolidation. This map shows - - - we just had a study conducted which is called a leakage study. It looks at what traffic we are retaining which is in our backyard if you will, local travelers. And, what percentage of travelers are going elsewhere and what airports are they flying out of. So what it showed us that we are retaining just 46% of our current outbound market. So, 54% of the market is going elsewhere, and most of those travelers are driving to fly out of primarily Dallas/FT. Worth and to a lesser extent, Love Field. And as we know, Dallas is home to two of those four carriers and has quite a bit of service, and quite a bit of service than a metro area of over 7,000,000 people. So there's a lot of service available there. A lot more competition. And so we believe those are the primary reasons why those travelers do choose other airports on occasion when they need to travel by air. Taking a look at our current route map, we have service to six markets with those four carriers. We did recently lose service to Memphis that was due to Delta's dehubing of Memphis from their network. We have Delta service to Atlanta today. We have American flying to Dallas/Ft. Worth. United Airlines going to both Houston and Denver and lastly Allegiant Air flying to Las Vegas, and to Orlando Sanford. This is just a map to show a chart to show that our capacity is roughly flat. Year over year, this is for February 2014, versus February 2013. We'll have just over 1,000 seats per day outbound on 20 or so departures a day on average, and really we're up a little bit, 2%, and that is largely due to Delta Airlines which is putting a bit more capacity into the market in February '14 than they had in place in February '13. We're always talking about fares, just decided to throw this slide in and just show you that for a 12-month period, ending June of 2013, Shreveport was the 13th highest in terms of average domestic airfare of airports in the lower 48 states with at least 100,000 outbound passengers. So this is not a compilation of all the airports, but it's somewhat more specific. So we come in at No. 13 at \$263 average for our domestic fare. That is an average of all domestic tickets sold for travel to and from Shreveport. So, while that is something that many of us are not really happy about, what I do want to point out is that it does not mean that we don't have reasonable fares available out of Shreveport. I have many examples of my own that I could state as well as members of our Board and members of our community who have stressed to me some great deals that they have found. So I really want to ask that when anyone is looking to travel by air, always check Shreveport first, especially if you've chosen other airports in the past and perhaps have chosen to fly out of other facilities. We'd appreciate you to give us a try. Talk to you a little bit about - - - though this is another slide about fares, then basically what it shows is that we're in the

blue, and it shows that over the last couple of years, our average fare has come down somewhat. While the average fare at other airports has been rising pretty significantly. And that probably is going to continue because primarily the cost of travel continues to go up. Fuel continues to be at a pretty high level and airlines are increasing fares across the board. But for us, at least we've come down a few dollars on average and that's certainly a good news story to tell. We believe that there are several markets that we have in our sights that we could service to over the next, I would say 2-5 years. And those are depicted on this map. Phoenix, US Airways which is now merged with American and American and US Airways now control 25% of all capacity in the U.S. They certainly could be looking at Phoenix, as a gateway for Shreveport in the future. Also Allegiant flies to a secondary airport in the Phoenix area, they already serve Shreveport. They may very well look to Phoenix as well for an expansion of service from here. Minneapolis/St. Paul is served by Delta Airlines, very major hub for them, previously operated by Northwest Airlines, acquired through the merger. Chicago service both United and American operate hubs at O'Hare and we've been in discussions with both of those carriers about service to Chicago, and we hope to have some positive news about that sometimes this year. Detroit, we've seen that service in the past with Northwest, now again a Delta hub through the merger, and that certainly is an option for additional or new service actually resuming service in the future. Washington, D.C., United operates a hub at Dulles, US Airways has a hub at Reagan National which will again become an American hub once those two carriers American and US Airways are fully merged. Charlotte, is also a US Airways hub, and that is again a hub that has grown very significantly over the years and that we believe we may see service to with American Airlines in the next couple of years. Also Allegiant Air has a significant base of operations in both the St. Petersburg Clearwater in Florida as well as Punta Guardia which is in Ft. Meyers area. Florida we think is in the sights of Allegiant in the next couple of years for expansion opportunities for Shreveport. With St. Petersburg likely coming first. And lastly, I believe it was 2001, the last time we had service to New Orleans, there is a possibility that that service could return on a carrier called Silver Airways provided they can establish a bit more of a base of operations in New Orleans, we would be I would think the only market in the state that that service would work for. So those are what we see as our market opportunities for expansion of service. And we also could see increased aircraft sizes to our existing cities operated by Delta, United and American. We'll be seeing slightly larger planes with Allegiant in 177 seat airbus 320s coming later this year to both Orlando Sanford and to Las Vegas. Talking quickly about Southwest Airlines. A lot of interest in Southwest as they are the perennial low cost leader. They have recently merged with Airtran Airways, and are slowly, but surely working the Airtran operation into their own. A lot has changed with Southwest since that merger. They have dropped quite a few markets, the most recent of which are Jackson, MS, our neighbor to the east, Branson, MO and Key West, FL Jackson was one of Southwest's markets, and I'm gonna talk a little bit more about that. But since Southwest acquired Airtran service has ended to 15 airports in addition to these three that are highlighted at the top of the slide. This is a different way to look at those markets. It shows them by population. So you get an idea, Shreveport is in yellow, and seven of those markets are larger than Shreveport. And so if they could not support service under Southwest's business model, it doesn't really make it a very likely scenario that we will see Southwest going forward. This is a slide that demonstrates that while Southwest has overall been growing their system, they have slowly but surely decreasing their presence in Jackson over the last seven years. That's Jackson shown in green. They're down at least 58% of the capacity they operated in Jackson in 2004 by 2013. Whereas for their overall system, they've grown 20%. So that again pretty telling. Fares couldn't keep - - - this shows that they've been increasing fares pretty steadily across the network to the tune of 59% more since 2004. So while they're in that low cost category, honestly they're not really that much of a low cost carrier

anymore. As they've grown, their costs have grown as well, but it shows that they were 11 points below that in terms of their ability to grow the fare in Jackson, another reason why that service is ending. A few other low cost carriers that operate in the U.S. today that serve cities all over the map. This Jet Blue, they serve 47 airports in the continental U.S. Heavily concentrated along the eastern seaboard from New England all the way down to Florida, and them mostly along the west coast. Very little in the middle of the country. In those markets they do serve in the middle of the country are Dallas, Austin, Houston and New Orleans, very large metropolitan areas or New Orleans, a very popular leisure market. Virgin America which is a smaller carrier serving 16 airports across the country. Again, a very heavy concentration on east and west. So they go transcontinental and they go up and down the coasts. Their only markets in the middle of the country are Dallas and Chicago. So you can kind of see what their direction is going for. Spirit Airlines serves 28 airports in the continental U.S. They do serve a couple of small markets, but most of that is the pickup service that Southwest has elected to discontinue after the merger with Airtran. We did have Vision Airlines here for a few months back in 2011. So that was certainly a victory for the airport in recruiting that service. And what this shows is that Shreveport is in the blue, their overall network provision is in the green. So we actually were outpacing their system in terms of load factor, at 76% in May of 2011 to a network of 66%. 83% in June to a network load factor of 66%, and so on through the end of that service in August of 2011. So, it did have relative success, and if there is another carrier that establishes that type of service to the Destin/Ft. Lawton Beach area, perhaps, Shreveport would be a good candidate for that carrier to serve in the future. In summary, as Bill pointed out, we've made quite a few changes that were recommended by the task force in 2010 to improve our operational efficiency and reduce key expenses. We've increased our marketing program and really changed dramatically to great effect. The air service environment has changed quite a bit since 2010 as we've discussed in the last few minutes. Low cost carrier service aside from what we have with Allegiant Air and the opportunity for them to grow that service is highly unlikely with the other carriers that I just mentioned for pretty specific reasons. They're primarily serving very large cities, typically on the east and west coasts, and not so much in the middle portion of the country. We believe several opportunities exist for expanded service with existing carriers. The potential for the resumption of New Orleans service as I mentioned which we have not seen since 2001, so that will be a welcome return. Increased capacity and nonstop market enhances competition, and though that we believe we can continue to see a slow, but steady decline in airfares. Of course that's barring economic conditions and we do continue to work with our airlines on bringing larger aircraft into the market which we expect to see some of from Delta later this year. So stay tuned for that as well as the potential for United to increase either frequency or aircraft size with their successful service to Denver. And that's all I have. I want to thank you for your time and your interest and we'll take any questions you may have at this time. Thanks again.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Francis, I'll start off with I think I have one. I appreciate I guess the policy change and receiving the parking fees. Mr. Mayor, you know that was a problem for us, and I would hope that we would not make the same mistake that - - - I don't want to say that the other administration made, cause I don't want to point no fingers at anybody, but I would hope that we would put policies in place where we would not be getting back in that situation again. I already know how we got there, but I would hope that you all would stay on top of that and make sure that we don't get back into that situation again. That cost us a good little piece of money, and we can't afford to continue to take those kinds of hits. Appreciate you.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Just one comment if I may Mr. Shyne? Councilman Shyne: Yes sir.

Councilman O. Jenkins: It's interesting on what a perspective roots for us, really doesn't have anything to do with our economy here at all. It just is totally a function of where, or at least it appears where, airline hubs are, not a function of where we necessarily travel or have a lot of business interest.

Mr. Francis: Because you use the hubs to get to where you need to go.

Councilman O. Jenkins: But the reality is, though it'd be nice to have more hubs, you're not necessarily going to get to destinations, unless you happen to be going to those specific hubs for those that we hear a lot about, like the movie industry and that being a limiting factor, but you're not going to get to L.A. any faster than if you go through your existing hubs that we use already. And that's at least, that's a theory that we hear a lot about, and I was interested to see that that (inaudible) certainly dispels that theory on your presentation.

Mr. Francis: Yeah, most service today is going to operate through hubs, especially for markets our size. Now the good news is that Chicago for instance, the Washington, D. C. market, those are markets that do have a significant amount of local traffic. So those two could perform very well, because airlines generally want to see a good mix of local and connect traffic to maximize revenues, so that's why we believe Chicago could work. Also it's been operated in the past as you know, as recently as 2009. So we think that service will do well, and it certainly could open up connections to markets that you can't get to right now with a single connection, much as Denver has done for us. Boise, where I came from was one of those cities. You could not get between Boise and Shreveport with a single change of plane, now you can with United over Denver. So really, the hubs is what we have to use to our advantage. The more hub service we have, I think the better overall air service accessibility we have, both domestically and internationally.

Councilman O. Jenkins: The other part that I thought was worthy of note is what I would say comparable airlines are neighboring Alexandria, Lake Charles, what have you, our size, Ft. Smith, that type. They're very close in price to our (inaudible). You know we're less than 5% difference obviously, we're going to have trouble competing with the DFW in terms of price. That was interesting, so thanks for that.

Mr. Francis: Certainly, my pleasure. Any other questions?

Councilman Shyne: Alright, any other questions? If not, Mr. Francis, we want to thank you, Mr. Mayor, we appreciate you making him available to us to bring us this kind of information.

Mr. Francis: And we do have copies of that final report from the air service task force that we want to provide to you as well in case you haven't seen that. So thank you for our time.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, members of the Council, want to in particular stress the - - and Bill make a point of being able to point out to Mr. Shyne, some of the changes in operational procedures that address his concerns about the parking situation, but also want to make a point that members of the importance of us working with the airport staff, the Authority in particular, the Air Service Alliance. That nonprofit entity will be I think a crucial factor in us being able to retain the current levels of service we have and certainly being in a position to be able to go out and effectively leverage any growth of service that we think is appropriate. As Bryant mentioned, the scenario of being able to pursue a low cost carrier for Shreveport, I think unfortunately came to an end with the acquisition of Airtran by Southwest. That was actually a group that we had some initial discussions with back during my first term as Mayor. We'd hope that we might be able to come up with some agreement there. Unfortunately, the good folks at Southwest decided to neutralize that by acquiring them. So that no longer represents an effective scenario for us. What you do have before you, we believe represents the best path for trying to elevate and improve and enhance the quality and preserve frankly, the service that we have, and we look forward to

working here in the next several weeks to talk about some ways in which we might be able to work with some other levels of government to be able to further strengthen and put us in a position to have some needed resources to carry this effort forward. Also think its relevant to know at this point before we wrap up communications with yet another brief transportation issues before us, and that is this past Friday, at Fertita's Delicatessen, one of my favorite places on Fairfield, adjacent to what I think is the best location in Shreveport for a dog park, there was an excellent presentation that was put on by one Ernie Roberson, whose day job Mr. Webb, we all know is our Registrar of Voters, but he is also an avid historian. And the 14th of January of 2014, right at about 6:00 p.m. represented the 60th anniversary of the plane crash out in Southeast Shreveport, where we lost a considerable portion of our civic and business leadership for the City of Shreveport. One of the folks on that plane that was lost that I did not realize in all the time that I've spent studying and listening to various accounts of what transpired, one of the individuals who was traveling with that group who was closely connected and associated with Shreveport leadership at that time, and apparently had a great affinity Mr. Jenkins, for Shreveport was one Thomas Braniff. At that time, the President of Braniff Airlines. And if you would go back through the presentation that was just done by Bryant and Bill, you'll notice that Braniff was one of those 20 major airline players in the U.S. market in 1978. They've since been acquired and consolidated what have you, but in 1954, there was considerable talk about the possibility of the Shreveport area becoming a hub for Braniff Airlines. And God knows had that happen, how we may have altered the course of the evolution of the City of Shreveport. But thought that was a relevant note to add to the airline presentation that we just saw. At this point, I'm going to ask Mr. Chairman and members of the Council that Dinero Washington from the SPORTRAN operation come forward. Mr. Sam Jenkins gave you I guess kinda of a brief insight into what Mr. Washington is going to speak of. Since I've been Mayor there have been a lot of requests that have been made. Even the company before they were Teleperformance, for the need to expand and extend our SPORTRAN service out to what is obviously now a major employer, an employer that 5-6 years ago employed as many as 1,000 people, but now as we speak is positioning itself to employ over 2,000. And we have had in that intervening time, everybody from Governor Jindal, to Stephen Moret with the Louisiana Department of Economic Development, myself, and others who have been putting our heads together to try and figure out how it is that we effectively end up being able to extend service. With one time hope that there might have been some incentive dollars that could have come from Baton Rouge that would have helped to make that happen. Those dollars unfortunately never showed up, but the jobs continued to come. But Gene Eddy along with Mr. Dinero Washington and other members of their leadership team continue to stay committed and engaged and finally made it happen. And so I want Dinero to share with you the details on that service, but also I think it's important to note there was at one point in the latter portion of last year that we had gotten reports that our neighbors across the river who are looking at drastic and draconian reductions in bus services for the City of Bossier City. And they certainly at that point and time had that in mind and it appeared to be their intention. I want to credit Dinero and Gene and their team for engaging in what were obviously some very productive and truthful discussions that resulted in - - - I wouldn't even call it a reduction in service, I would say it's an adjustment and an expansion in service. And so I want him to brief you all and the public on that as well, and then lastly we're going to also look to have further discussions with Dinero and Gene and his team over at SPORTRAN about our need to review the contractual status of the City and SPORTRAN as well as the City, SPORTRAN, and Bossier City, so that these arrangements can end up not on a monthto-month basis as they could potentially be right now, but that ends up being a longer term degree of stability for Dinero and their charges over at SPORTRAN. So with that Dinero, please.

Mr. Dinero Washington: (SPORTRAN) Thank you Mr. Mayor and Council. What we have done, effectively January 2nd, last year we started looking into our route studies. Basically started with the City of Bossier. Bossier approached us around May or June of last year, and they wanted to know how effective their service was. My push was I don't think we need to do it just at the City of Bossier, but we need to look at our entire system. So one of the things we did was we did a route study through our planning commission which is NLCOG. And they came back and they reported numbers to us that showed that during certain period of times in the Bossier routes had very low ridership. Speaking of low ridership, we had 10 people on one of the routes that rode in a two week period. Which averaged two people per day per trip, which is not very effective for the overall cost for the route. One of the things we did was we presented the study back to Bossier. Bossier came back to us with their recommendation. We went back to Bossier with SPORTRAN's recommendation so we wouldn't lose as much service as they were recommending that we cut it originally. So what we came up with was between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., we're now reducing service in Bossier to one bus. What we did, we created a new Bossier metro route. The Bossier metro route is Route 17. This bus will service basically the entire area of Bossier besides Barksdale Air Force Base, between the hours of 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. So there is still service in the area, it just comes with longer headway time for our passengers. That was the biggest cut. The other major cut was East Bossier Route on Saturdays on Bossier had very low ridership numbers also. With that being said, there was no way to route an additional bus to cover that area on Saturday, so they made the recommendation to cut it. On December 4th, we received a call from Bossier City with their final recommendations and that was the plan that their administration and their council put forward to us that they wanted to cut. So as of January 2nd, those changes did go into effect. On the Shreveport side, we looked at the Pines Road route. That was one of the big issues that had been out and about I guess for the last year and a half. How could we get the Pines Road bus in order to get the Teleperformance. What we did was, we looked at a merger of our routes. We connected a Fairgrounds bus and the Queensborough bus with the Shreveport Regional Airport with the Pines Road bus. Now the Pines Road bus does not come into the terminal but twice a day now. The passengers have to do a double transfer off the Pines Road bus on to either Queensborough or Fairgrounds to connect with the terminal. We took the additional mileage from there and extended the route to Teleperformance, which came with no additional cost to the city. It did create additional routes that our passengers can now ride without even transporting into the terminal. The passengers actually have additionally five routes now that they can service by being able to use that connection where you could transfer off the Pines Road bus onto one of our Bossier metro routes, onto the Southern Hills route, the Queensborough route, we've also experienced where people on the Queensborough route is not taking Queensborough to the Fairgrounds bus to the Jewella area in order to be serviced without even going to the terminal. So one of the things that we're looking at, the overall point of our system, we want to reduce headways for our passengers. We wanted to teach them about connection points. So on January 27 th, one of the positive things we're looking at doing is we want to look for and teach our riders to use transfer points throughout the community to reduce their headways. And one of the most positive things I think we're going to bring out of that is, we're going to in late Spring, late Spring, somewhere in there hopefully, we're having to enroll our new ABO system which will be a passenger cell phone device, where they're able to check and see where will their next bus be. So when we roll that system out, we want to basically brief the passengers on that and the coming changes of that affecting their travel sometime early Spring, maybe late Spring. Are there any questions I can help you with at this point?

Councilman Webb: I have one Mr. Chairman. Are there any plans to go to BPCC in the future.

Mr. Washington: We currently go to BPCC now.

Councilman Webb: You do? I didn't think we went out there.

Mr. Washington: We currently do go to BPCC now, and that is the end of the route. That is the end of the Bossier City route, is BPCC. The bus turns around during the daytime now. But we do have limited service to BPCC because of the new circulator bus.

Councilman Webb: When did we start that?

Mr. Washington: We've been going there for quite a while now. Several years ago.

Councilman Webb: I didn't even know we were going because I had people telling me they'd asked for a bus to BPCC, so I didn't know y'all were going there.

Mr. Washington: Yes sir, we are.

Councilman Webb: Well I'll have to tell him to contact y'all and get the bus schedule then.

Mr. Washington: They're more than welcome to contact us or go to our website. All our route schedules are listed on our website.

Mayor Glover: And what are the hours of service for BPCC?

Mr. Washington: The hours of service for BPCC is from about 5:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. at night. I did bring a brief presentation for each one of you all to read, so you'll have your own copy of where our route changes were and the routes and I gave you also provide you with a copy of the study that was done by NLCOG.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Sammy, you took note of that because you asked me about some bus route changes in Bossier. I think he probably answered your questions. Okay.

Councilman Shyne: And tell Sammy sometimes if he needs an extra ride, I think Jeff will provide you with an extra ride.

Councilman Everson: Absolutely, and I know Malcolm has been a great help as well in getting you home when we run late here.

Councilman Shyne: Okay, Mr. Mayor is that it?

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, that will conclude mayoral communications.

Councilman Shyne: We appreciate it. We were hoping that you would mention the passing of Mayor Dement.

Communications of the Mayor relative to city business other than awards and recognition of distinguished guests.

Mayor Glover: In fact Mr. Chairman, I - - -

Councilman Shyne: I wouldn't let anybody else mention that on yesterday.

Mayor Glover: No, no, no. In fact I would ask that you in your capacity Mr. Chairman have us stop and pause for a moment of silence for Mayor Dement. His services will be on tomorrow, and I look forward to having a chance to be able to be there for the visitation hour. Mayor Dement was in many respects, very similar to Mayor Jim Gardner, in that they were both very generous along with Mayor Hussey as well, with their time, with their insight, with regard to being mayor and giving you background and history and context in terms of Shreveport/Bossier and Northwest Louisiana. There was no nicer, more humble, more supportive individual that I've ever had a chance to be able to deal with at a political level, and I know that he was greatly saddened in 2011 to lose his lovely wife of 60+ years and for him to pass on just days before his (inaudible) birthday, I know is something for us all to take time to take note of.

Councilman Shyne: Could I ask the audience to please stand just for a minute. I see we have one of our distinguished attorneys with us Ron, good to see you. Let us bow our heads in silent prayer for one minute in honor of a long time serving mayor across the river. Amen. Okay, let's move forward.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, before you go forward, I'm going to ask to make sure that both SPD and The Shreveport Fire Department have reached out just in case, there's any sort of honor guard or anything else that would be appropriate for the City of Shreveport to be a part of on tomorrow, as well as (inaudible) to make sure that we are effectively integrated into that effort.

Reports

Property Standards Report (Res. 7 of 2003)

Councilman Shyne: Okay, Mr. Farnell? Let's give any councilmember an opportunity that might have some questions? Alright Sam Jenkins:

Councilman S. Jenkins: Alright, thank you Mr. Chairman. Ms. Farnell, there is a lot that sits on Carrie Ave, it's directly across the street from Lakeside Garden Apartments. They are located at 2440 Carrie Ave. And I'd like for your department Mr. CAO, to look into the ownership of that lot. It's presenting quite a few problems for the residents who live at Lakeside Garden Apartments. It's constantly overgrown. There appears to be some maybe some illegal dumping that's going on in that area. And that's been a few concerns raised by some of the female residents of people using that overgrown area to hide and to harass. So we don't want something that's beginning to look a situation to become an actual situation. So Carrie Avenue, directly across the street from 2440 Carrie Avenue, which is the Lakeside Garden Apartments. Thank you Ma'am. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Councilman Shyne: Okay, just like to pause one second and recognize one of our state representatives who just eased in here. Look like I heard some shoe prints coming in, so good to have you Patrick and come back at any time, we'll be coming down to Baton Rouge soon, and I'm going to be riding down with Dale, to lobby you all for some extra funds. Good to see you Patrick. Okay, any other councilmember have anything at all?

Councilwoman McCulloch: Councilman Shyne, you mentioned an attorney was visiting with us today?

Councilman Webb: Yeah, Ron Miciotto .

Councilwoman McCulloch: Miciotto? Where is he?

Councilman Webb: Right over there.

Councilman Shyne: Oh, okay. If he's got business, we're going to wait on the business then. Okay, Mr. Sibley?

Revenue Collection Plan & Implementation Report (Res. No.114 of 2009)

Mr. Sibley: Mr. Chairman in the interest of time, the revenue report, I sent it to you guys electronically, but I will note a couple of things in terms of sales tax collections. The December report showed that collections were up over 6% or right at 6%. We think that bodes very well, especially since those numbers represent sales in November before the Christmas holidays, and that shows a trend from August on to 3.3, 3.5, 3.5, 3.7 and 6.0 for the past five months. We think that bodes very well. If the Council would recall, we started the year with a budget budgeted at \$117,000,000, when we did our review about midyear, we adjusted that downward in light of the economy to \$113,000,000. We've already collected \$114 (million). So we think that bodes well, and that's going to reflect in our fund balance once we finish all the 13 month accounting that will reflect in our 2014 fund balance, so we think that bodes very well for us. I will note, I haven't gotten the breakdown by business class yet, but auto sales appear to be a bit down, so that means it was actually picked up in all the other sectors of the city, so the economy in terms of local spending seems to be on an up tic. If you look at your other revenue slide, again, this is one that if you notice, this is one that we initially budgeted in terms of anticipated revenue and we adjusted that budget upward in light of the EMS reimbursables that we have. Even with that you'll note

that we are \$2.7 (million) over what we budgeted in terms of other revenues. Now there are two areas on this slide that you need to correct. I didn't want to send you out a completely new one, but the bottom line numbers are the same, but if you look at the occupational license tag, the difference between what was budgeted and what was collected, there's a bit of a correction there in that column and also in EMS billing, it notes that \$394,000 difference, actually there's a \$1.9 (million) difference. But the bottom line numbers are the same we think these numbers bode well. Hopefully, our economy will continue to reflect that and our citizens will continue to stimulate the economy and keep things going. If there are any questions, we'd be happy to answer.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Just one. Of course, I'm looking for that transfer back into the Streets Special Revenue Fund whatever that balance is (inaudible) solidifies.

Mr. Sibley: We figure we'd talk about that at the (inaudible).

Councilman O. Jenkins: You know I think that's good news.

Councilman Shyne: You know I'd like to second that and I'm not just kidding. We need to do that as soon as possible.

Mr. Sibley: Well Mr. Chairman, also we've had (inaudible) you know yesterday, we talked a little bit about solid waste. And as the Council knows as soon as you have an opportunity to talk about the structure that we're proposing with that legislation, that will also have an impact on revenue and on the fund balance, so there are some things that we think bode very well in terms of our fund balance going forward and of course we're going to continue to hold spending down. Because our goal is to get that fund balance at the end of '14 where it reflects well on the city and provides the rainy day fund that we need.

Councilman Shyne: Okay, Ms. Scott, this is the first regular meeting of the month, do you have anything you'd like to say?

Ms. Scott: Mr. Chairman and members of the Council, the Bond Forfeiture Report was sent to everyone by electronic mail on yesterday. I'll be happy to answer any questions anyone may have in regard to that report.

Councilman Shyne: Anybody have any questions for Ms. Scott? And Mr. Sibley, I would have to say that you and Ms. Scott are extremely competent with what you all do.

Mr. Sibley and Ms. Scott: Thank you.

Surety Bond Forfeitures Report (*Res 238 of 2010*) Master Plan Committee Report (*Res. No. 132 of 2012*)

Councilman Shyne: Now, I said that loud so that people in the audience can standing back there can hear, if I'm communicating with you Dale. Alright is Ms. Sanders here?

Mr. Sibley: No sir, she's not.

Councilman Shyne: Okay, Ms. Sanders will come in on our second meeting, alright?

Councilwoman McCulloch: You can bring up Ms. Brown.

Councilman Shyne: Not right now, let me run this. Not right now, not right now. Mr. Thompson, do we have any legislation to be added at this point?

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.

The Clerk read the following:

1. **Resolution No. 18 of 2014**: A resolution suspending the effects of certain provisions of Chapter 10 relative to alcoholic beverages and Chapter 106 relative to zoning for property located at 1303 Shreveport Barksdale Highway for a celebration of Mardi Gras on February 22, 2014 and March 1, 2014 and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Mr. Thompson: This can be added to the agenda and voted on today if the Council so chooses.

Councilman Shyne: Okay, if you all hear Mr. Thompson, he has a very, very soft voice. I don't know whether y'all could hear him or not, but do we have any objections to adding the legislation that Mr. Thompson read to the agenda? If not, do we have anybody would speak in favor of adding this legislation? If not Mr. Vice-Chairman, I'll accept a motion from you in order to add this piece of legislation.

Motion by Councilman <u>Everson</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>O. Jenkins</u> to add Resolution No. 18 of 2014 to the agenda. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

Public Comments (In accordance with Section 1.11 of the Rules of Procedures)

Councilman Shyne: Now we're getting to Public Comments. Ms. Brown at this point, we'll ask you to come forward. And we kinda want to do this in some kind of order Ms. Brown, cause if we just keep breaking and just letting you know people come at different points, because they want to, and I would hope Mr. Thompson, I would hope that, and I know you do, would kinda follow Ms. Brown very closely with this, because we want you working with Ms. Brown on her concerns, and Ms. Brown, you might want to later on, just sit down and have a meeting with Mr. Thompson, and he generally gives us the direction that we need to go when we are investigating any situation. I won't say, Mr. Sibley, I won't say any problems, I'll just say any situations. And Mr. Sibley, I would hope that you would listen very closely, because we have to have the cooperation of the administration, and of your office in order to - - - and I hope Ms. Brown understands that.

Ms. Sibley: She does. We are very, very familiar with the situation.

Ms. Nettie Brown: (9301 Kildare Park Road) We're familiar with each other - - - I mean, not like that, but we do understand one another.

Councilman Shyne: Well, maybe y'all should. Y'all might need to sit down sometime and have a Coke Cola together. Okay Ms. Brown. And Ms. Brown, try to keep this from running on, we'll give you three minutes.

Ms. Brown: It's going to be short.

Councilman Shyne: Yeah, we'll give you three minutes.

Ms. Brown: Okay, I'm Nettie Brown and I am the elected employee representative for the Classified Service of the City of Shreveport. The classified service is the service other than Fire and Police for those who don't know. And for you politician types, I've been re-elected since 1991, so not to wag my head or anything, I must do a good job. So you might want to listen. I might be wrong, but I think I'm pretty good. No, I'm trying to relax. I came to this Council meeting, the last council meeting and submitted a letter. I submitted in fact two documents. One that stated that there were some problems with overlapping. Let me back up. We had a recertification plan. We also had a pay plan for certification for water and sewer. Well, this is a great idea, we've been pushing for this for 10-15 years. So finally, we got it. But in the form that we have it in, what's happening is we are overlapping positions of responsibility and causing problems, especially in my area where all of my people make sure that your water is safe to drink. In other words, they have to have degrees in microbiology, chemistry, or some closely related field. So now, what I'm having with this new plan is entry level people who just all they have to have, not all they have to have, they have to have a degree only, are overlapping. They're going to end up on the same level

with people who have to have experience and a degree. And then I've got another level where it's already happened where the person who has to have experience in using very highly technical equipment in training the other people are going to be on the same level with the people right there. So there's a problem there. And I read a lot of books, and that's called employee abuse. I'm not going to abuse my employees because I know how hard they work. I mean, we have been short staffed, and we still make sure that your water is safe to drink. All you have to do is while I'm talking, you just remember West Virginia, okay? How long they were out of water. And keep in mind that we do have a lake, we've got a bridge that goes across the lake. And even though it's pretty secure, but you never know. You've got trucks that go across the lake with chemicals. And we have the capacity, we have the potential to monitor that ourselves. And I know I only have three minutes, but I haven't gotten started on my letter yet. This is just pre-talking. We have the capacity to do that for you and your constituents. So now, I'm going to stop, first I want to thank God for allowing me not to go to church on Sunday and watch television. So I watched Nelson Mandela's life twice. And if he can stay in prison for 27 years for what he believed in, I can come up here every council meeting and talk with you until I get you to understand where I'm coming from. And also I want to thank Dr. Pat Day at First Methodist Church, because he talked about persistence, which is never, never, ever give up.

Councilman Shyne: Hold it, hold it. Just one minute before we so move. Ms. Brown, let me state this again, we can do this for 15 minutes. But hold it, let me say this. I don't mind us to keep hearing you, and you can come at every meeting. But we're going to have a time and a point for you to come at every meeting. I'm not going to suspend the rules every meeting. And I want to make this clear to my council counterparts for you to come. Now when we get to Public Comments, I'll be glad to let you come up and talk 30 minutes. Public Comments that's not pertaining to what we're talking about, what's on the agenda today. I'll be glad to let you come and talk 30 minutes. But if we do this for you, then I'm going to have to do this for somebody else, and the meeting is going to get out of hand. But at the end of the meeting, what we will do Mr. Sibley, I'm going to ask a couple of the Council Members with Mr. Thompson, to work with the HR Committee. That's what we have them there for. We don't want to supersede them, if you understand what I'm saying, to look into this problem. And I want you to know I admire Ms. Brown because she's committed to doing what she does. But there is a certain order that we need to run our City Council meetings, if you understand what I'm saying. And I hope Ms. Brown understands that. It's a certain order that we have to do. But now after this, I will Councilman Jenkins, and Councilman Everson, if they will get with Mr. Thompson, and we will look at it. Because Mr. Thompson and I have talked about this Ms. Brown and we need to include Human Relations Department and Committee Mr. Sibley along - - -I would hope that it would be you, and not you sending somebody from your office, in order to deal with the problem that Ms. Brown is talking about. Because I don't want us to get in Mr. Mayor, to doing something that the administration needs to be involved in, if you understand what I'm saying. So that's why I would hope that we would do this in the right way. Now Ms. Brown, we're going to give you three more minutes. If you need more than that, then you can wait. And when we come to Public Hearing, with people who are talking.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Mr. Chairman, just one thing. And just want to remind you, we have sent a formal request about a week ago and I'm not sure the HR Board could give us feedback. Because I recognize that you've got a very specific point here. But we don't get enough of the specifics when you give it to us in this form. So, it's very difficult for us to absorb it. So it's not that we're not paying attention to you. You sent us something, we've have responded with a formal request, which I'm assuming they're getting to. They probably haven't had a meeting over the Christmas holidays, which is no surprise. So, we're going to move forward with this, we appreciate your interest, and we are trying to do our part. But we can't really react to your position here on the podium. Just want to make sure that's clear.

Ms. Brown: I understand. That's all I wanted to do, and I'm going to hurry up and do it real fast. That's all I want is three minutes.

Councilman Shyne: I love you, but that's going to be it unless you want to wait till the end. Ms. Brown: I know, I know. Okay, first of all, we did have a Human Resource meeting. So I brought a tape of that meeting. So when you get my letter saying what happened in that meeting, then you will be able to decipher it for yourself. Let me hurry. I'm Nettie Laurice Brown, Human Resource Board Meeting. I'm still requesting that the Council does an investigation under Section 4.29, Code of Ordinances

for 1) the recent recertification pay reclassification for the Water and Sewer Department, and the development of an ordinance related to human resource boards' organization and composition. At the last Council Meeting, I submitted a letter regarding the inequities and related concerns generated by the certification pay reclassification plan in the Water and Sewer Department. My request for the Council investigation under the referenced articles, 4.29. A letter outlining my sincere concerns along with a copy of an email from a very well respected official of a division of Water and Sewer Department was attached. And this particular email talked about bullying and un-positive changes that were in the Water and Sewer Department. As a result of the letter sent to the Human Resource Board, the Council sent them a letter asking them to look at it, to check it out, and to come back and see what they can do about it. I'm paraphrasing right now, because I only have three minutes. This is a copy again of that board meeting. Now, it was radically stated that there would - - - I mean there was no vote, no discussion, it was just stated that there will be no further litigation of a decision that has been made by the board. Now that doesn't sound like they relooked at it. It was suggested that the respected employee who authored the email may not have liked somebody. When you review this tape, you can find out who they might not have liked. There is truly no ill will for me against the board members, in fact I love them. But, they are decent citizens, and they've giving service to us as employees in the classified system. But the system is broken and all I'm asking you to do is look into it. I do not want to go into particulars at this time, since I only have three minutes, but I wrote that anyway, that have cause this shift from what is fair and equitable to cater to what pleases certain people. I implore you to 1) Launch an investigation in accordance with Code 4.29, items regarding the Human Resource Department, and the Department of Water and Sewer as well as other departments in this city in the classified service that have been ignored and marginalized under this regime. 2) I want you to design and put into place a fair ordinance for the classified employees of the City of Shreveport. 3)I want you to in some way, by whatever you do, re-write the appropriate document to include more employee participation in the board process by having at least two persons elected from the classified service, decreasing the number of persons from the administration to one person and by using just like the Civil Service Board - - -

Councilman Shyne: Ms. Brown, I hate to cut you off. If you need some more time, you can wait and come up when we get to Public Comments about things that are not on the agenda today. We love you, please come back. And Mr. Sibley when we draft that ordinance, we want to make sure that Ms. Brown is in there helping us draft that ordinance so that she'll be satisfied.

Mr. Sibley: And Mr. Chairman, if I may, just for the record and in response to Mr. Jenkins' comment which is correct. It is my understanding the HR Board has received the letter. They are in the process of drafting a formal response to the Council in accordance with that request that the Clerk deliver. So we expect that they're going to provide that response and the Council will get an opportunity to speak with them and look at exactly what happened.

Councilman Shyne: Thank you very much. And I think that letter was signed by me. Now sometimes, I do - - - Jeff might sign some of the letters for me, but I think for that particular letter, I signed myself Mr. Chairman. Okay, let's move into Public Comments. Jeff you want to help me with these public comments here?

Mr. John Miles: (1313 Madison) But what I come here today as a citizen in the community. And I ride around a lot in different communities, Lakeside, Allendale, Queensborough, Mooretown, Cedar Grove, and adjacent to that, in the Hollywood area, Ingleside. All those areas. You know I go over all of 'em and I see a lot of trash right on the curbside, where the city say they own it. In the front of people houses. And it's terrible. You know our little kids, Black kids got to go to school every morning and they see the sidewalks full of mud. They have to walk in the streets cause the tree branches over the sidewalks, you know. You've got trash. I've got pictures of that, and it's a terrible site for our kids to have to walk on, they have to walk in the streets. Maybe get hit by cars. And the officers say they have to walk on the sidewalk, but it's so many obstacles in the way of pedestrians walking. So they have to walk in the street. And looks like we've been neglecting the Black neighborhoods. Because I know in the White neighborhoods, everything is clean in Broadmoor and Ellerbe Road and everything. We pay taxes too. And our area looks like a dump. You know we've got this dog park, we're going to have city employees or the criminals, you know people who have been incarcerated come pick the feces up from the dogs and the dogs

are living better than we are. Because we've got trash and rats running out of all that debris, it's all over this Black community. You know it's not - - - I done called all you City Councilmen that represent the Black community. It's all in y'all communities. All of those communities, I said, they're in your communities. That's why I didn't come and talk to you all about this, because I know y'all - - - it's right in y'all community. So why should I talk to y'all and y'all already see it. So I say, well I'll come here so the citizens of Shreveport will know what I'm talking about. So, If our school system is any representation of how you all keep our communities, I see why we're low in the Black communities as far as education. And here goes my pictures. And as far as education is concern, y'all was talking about education and the superintendent and all, but what we all need to do is do everything we can to educate our kids, even when we have to send tutors to the house to teach the parents as well. And we need to make - - - we need to have some publication and notification and advertisement for education and the value of education in the family.

Councilman Shyne: John, not cutting you off, but Mr. Sibley

Mr. Miles: And when we have to send tutors to the homes of the kids if they're having problems in schools, we need to find out what the problem is, and we need to go to their houses and make sure that they're doing their homework, because our kids need to know calculus, algebra, trigonometry, and all that by the time they get out of high school.

Councilman Shyne: John, I'm going to have to cut you off at this point. Because what you're talking about is really not on our agenda. Hold it, hold it now. You're exactly right, and not only the City Councilmen up here that represent the Black community, but the Mayor also represents the Black community.

Mr. Miles: Right, and here go the pictures right here.

Councilman Webb: Get those pictures.

Councilman Shyne: John, John pass it around. And if you want to say some more now, wait til the end of the meeting. Okay, do we have a Mark Medicus here? John, hold it, hold it. Now John, we can't let you take the meeting over. Now you're exactly right. If you're not through and you've got some more you want to say, wait til the end of the meeting and then we'll call on you again.

Mr. Miles: Okay, I do want to say some more.

Councilman Shyne: Okay, wait till the end of the meeting and then we'll call on you then. But you're going to have to take your seat right now.

Mr. Miles: Okay, I just want to make sure all of 'em see it.

Councilman Shyne: They're going to see it.

Mr. Miles: Did you see it?

Councilman Shyne: John, if you don't I'm going to have to call the officers up and I don't want to have to do that. Now go take your seat, please. We'll pass 'em around and we'll get 'em back to you. And Mr. Mayor, he's exactly right. I pass some trash today and rats were running out the trash across the street. John, we'll call on you to come back again.

Mr. Mark Medicus: (10455 Linwood) I wanted to make a consideration for you to look into the state's law under LA Code 14:89 and take a look at that and make sure there's not conflict in the rules that are being established that are being established that has been voted on, and looked to be rescinded. And see if that might have some consideration there. Also I want you to know, sort of like putting a frog into a bucket of water, putting it on the fire and turn it up just a little bit. And we've sort of done that under this, because I'm going to go back to a law that took place in California just a little while back. And it went under SB 777, took a half-century of social engineering for 'em to get there, but in essence, they've sort of outlawed the word of God in California. And you won't believe it will happen here, but it's a step, and we're taking a dangerous step. I first ask that you as an institution ordained by God consider the still small voice that God, Jehovah, the God who spake all of the world into existence as in the old testament changed and looked at some things that had to do with two cities. And all those that Abraham asked us as men, I'm asking you God, if I can find 50 righteous people. Couldn't do it. 40 righteous people. Couldn't do it. 20 righteous people. Couldn't do it. 10 righteous people and I'm looking at 10 righteous people right here to consider from old testament and new testament considerations to change and rescind and approach this just sort of like I say, it's a camel's nose in the tent. And there's more to come. And I want you to take a look at that a little bit. Our goal is to speak with the truth and love. We do not hate Muslims, Hindus, Buddhists,

Catholics, Mormons, Jehovah's Witness, rather we simply believe that these groups are making some serious theological biblical errors. We do not hate homosexuals, adulterers, pornographers, transsexuals or fornicators, rather we simply believe that those who commit such acts are making immoral and ungodly decisions. Telling someone that he or she is wrong is not hateful. In reality, refusing to tell someone the truth is what is truly hateful. Declaring the speaking of truth presented respectfully to be hate speech is in fact the ultimate demonstration of hate. Honestly, I want you to take a look at something to keep in mind. Our goal through the churches is simply the salvation of people who need Christ to turn from their sin and look to Christ in all things. And with that, I'll take my time.

Rev. John Henson: (9221 Catalpa Dr) Thank you, I'm sorry it took me a while to get up here. My legs had gone to sleep, but I'm standing on them. I'm pastor of Highlands Baptist Church here in Shreveport. And I want to thank you for allowing me to speak today. And I got my days mixed up so I am under dressed, under shaved and over committed, but I wanted to be sure to be here today to say thank you for voting to pass the fairness ordinance back I believe December 10th. If you recall I didn't get any claps the last time, because you had to cut 'em off, so I think that's a good thing. But I do want to thank you for doing that, because you are protecting the citizens of Shreveport especially those in a minority group. Especially those who are most vulnerable to discrimination. And I want to be sure to urge you to not repeal the ordinance, the fairness ordinance. First of all I would say because of what is right there on the seal, Union, Justice, Confidence. And just the emphasis on justice, this fairness ordinance provides justice, and it provides protection for all citizens. And as Dr. Martin Luther King said, injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere. And this provides justice for all citizens. I'm proud to be among the number of Christians who can agree that there are various interpretations of scripture, there are various kinds of Christians. We have various types of churches all within one city block, pretty much on any street here in Shreveport. And we do see things differently. But we do understand that Jesus has called us as followers of Christ to love our neighbors. In fact Jesus said the two most important things you can do; Love God, Love your neighbor. And he didn't qualify who those neighbors would be, he said love everyone. And as we think about those who are protected under this ordinance, we recognize that these are our friends, these are our people we know. There are people in our family systems. They are our doctors, they are our coworkers, they are citizens here in Shreveport, and how could we not protect them as they seek housing, and as they seek to stay in their jobs. We need to make sure that they are protected. And so again, I want to thank you for your vote to overwhelmingly pass the fairness ordinance. Please keep in place for the benefit of all citizens here in Shreveport. Thank you.

Councilman Shyne: John, just before you go to your seat - - - we don't generally allow any clapping, but since you all were doing it for John, I didn't say anything. And another thing John, I appreciate you saying that you're supposed to love your neighbors, and you don't go around asking your neighbor what sexual preference they are or what color they are, or what job they work on, but to love your neighbor, and I am my brother's keeper. And I don't go and ask my brother what he's doing in his bedroom, and I don't ask my brother what job he works on, I try to be my brother's keeper. And if my brother is doing anything that might not be according to the Bible, that's between he and his God, not between me and the brother, because you know we all fall short. So I appreciate you coming down. I don't generally do this, but you struck my heart, and Council Members, I hope you all won't mind it, John, thank you. Appreciate it. Next is Ms. Critcher. I see you got your husband with you, you want to bring him up with you to give you that moral support? You want to come up with your wife? Okay then. Because I think last time, you outranked him.

Ms. Adrienne Critcher: (817 Ontario) That's right I did. Mayor Glover, Chairman Shyne and City Council Members, thank you for letting us come back today. Just a few weeks ago, you all voted overwhelmingly 6-1 for fair treatment of everyone in Shreveport based on sexual orientation and gender identity in the work place, housing and public accommodations. To quote the Shreveport Times, do we really want to be known as the city that relegalized discrimination. They added for once we have other municipalities in our state and others across the nation looking at what we have done and (inaudible) to us, this time, not because of what we're doing is wrong, or silly or outrageous, and asking why can't we do what they have done? It's a nice feeling, and it means it was the right decision. Now, we have handouts that most of you have seen, and I'm not going to go over all of those. I've got this here and we can pass

those out at appropriate times if necessary, but we have handouts about the need for this ordinance, and in particular Black LGBT citizens especially are vulnerable to workplace discriminations because they are at the intersection of racism and homophobia so many times. And so that's something especially in Shreveport we want to be mindful of. There's a November 2013 poll that shows the principles in this ordinance are overwhelmingly supported by Louisianans across the state, regardless of religion, region, political party or race. This is good for business, the Chamber of Commerce supports this, the African-American Chamber supports this and I believe you all heard from the Chamber who could not be here again today, but asked you not to rescind this ordinance. We would be joining over 188 cities across the country, cities like Dallas, Ft. Worth, Austin, New Orleans, Atlanta, cities that we compete with for our young people. You know young people, highly skilled, high talent workers in particular use openness to LGBT people as a signifier, as a marker of how open the city is to new ideas, to innovation to thinking outside the box. They don't want to move to a city that discriminates against their friends and the family members. I want to remind everybody that when the late Nelson Mandela became the first president of post-apartheid S. Africa back in 1966, he ushered in the nations new constitution that included nondiscrimination protections based on sexual orientation. Our nation as a whole has a lagged behind Mandela's example in that regard, but in 2013, on the very day of his memorial service, Shreveport decided to say no to discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity. The need for this was proved by the immediate attempt to undo this progress. So let's let all those who are watching Shreveport today know that we've confirmed our commitment as a city that welcomes everyone who works hard and wants to build a good life here. Thank you.

Ms. Odessa Sykes: (2700 E. Washington) Good evening everyone. I'm the North Louisiana Field Director for the Forum for Equality. I'm a native of Shreveport, LA. My father, the late Rev. Moses Williams and my mother, Sammie Mae Thomas Williams, they raised all six of their children to love everyone unconditionally. I moved back here to Shreveport 13 years ago along with my five children and my husband at that time. When I was out of town December 10th when I received the great news that the be fair Shreveport ordinance passed unanimously. I felt extremely overjoyed. I was happy, I was proud to be a part of history in the making. Just the thought of knowing my children and grandchildren, by the way, I do have three beautiful grandchildren, are residing in a city that accepts everyone equally. A progressive city growing in a positive manner for the betterment of human kind. Then I got the news about the repeal. I felt saddened, I felt disappointed and I felt ashamed. Discrimination of any kind should be nonexistent in this day and time. As a mother, it would truly break my heart if one of my children would have to move away because of discrimination. I'm here to say, let's be fair Shreveport and let's continue the ordinance. Thank you.

Ms. Linda Scott: (446 Woodrow St) Good evening. To Mayor Glover, members of the City Council, I speak at this time as an individual. This is my second time attending the meeting to speak on this ordinance. And I urge you to please support it again and pass this ordinance. The vote then was 6-1 on December 10th, we were here and we're here again. The ordinance has been supported as the previous speaker said by members of the Greater Shreveport Chamber of Commerce, African-American Chamber, the Times editorial board supports it and many other groups support it. The ordinance provides protection from discrimination in the workplace, in housing as well as public accommodations based on sexual orientation and gender identity of people. For all people living here and working in the City of Shreveport need to feel safe. They need to feel protected and research as provided by several groups that this is a wellsupported and documented ordinance to accept for our city. So today I ask you, will you vote to re-legalize discrimination in the city? I urge you today City Council, stand firm, support the fairness ordinance for the City of Shreveport. Don't drive us away. I was born in the City of Los Angeles. Please don't send people away. I have grandchildren who have read about this. They said they do not want to come back here. So please, please - - - and they have traveled around the world. My son was military, 21 years. Finished from Woodlawn and his child said, Grandmother we don't want to come back there. So support, stand firm, hold your ground. We elected you to represent us and please do that for us.

Mr. Lampton Enochs: (415 Spring Lake Drive) City Council Members, my message today is simple. Discrimination and tolerance and intolerance never work. Time and history have proven that there is simply no justification for discrimination, that such practices are detrimental to everyone. If this city is

going to move forward economically, equitably, successfully, we must insure that all of our citizens enjoy the same protections and quality of life. I grew up not in Shreveport, but in a small town called Macomb, MS, and my hometown for many years was known for the actions of a group of individuals who used fear, personal animosity and even religion to justify perpetuating discrimination. My town became notorious in its reputation's synonymous with the actions of what was of what was (inaudible) of minority of this population. The arguments this group used to support their cause have proven to be false, wrong and frankly an embarrassment. Sadly, the effects of their actions were felt for many years in my town. One month ago, this Council passed an ordinance that was widely recognized as a positive step forward for our region. I urge the council to remain on the light side of history and keep the fairness ordinance intact. Thank you.

Ms. Charlene Kelley: (935 Linden St) I am here in support of the Shreveport fairness ordinance. I want to encourage the City Council not to repeal this ordinance. I am proud to live in Shreveport and I am proud that the City Council voted to protect all Shreveport residents from discrimination. I don't normally speak publicly about political issues, but it is important to me that Shreveport keep the fairness ordinance. There is a clear need for this law, the LGBT people still face discrimination. The ordinance is well thought out, similar to legislation that many cities and states have, and it includes protection for religious organizations. I want to thank the City Council for your courage for passing this ordinance and I hope that you will vote to keep it today. And by the way, I am Francis Kelley's mother.

Mr. John Denison: (*Monroe, LA*) Good afternoon Mr. Chairman, Mr. Mayor and members of the Council. I was born in Shreveport, raised down the road in Longstreet, but I lived most of my life in Monroe, where I am a retired anchor at KNOE TV. Voluntarily, I Chair, Forum for Equality.

Councilman Shyne: I knew that voice sounded familiar.

Mr. Denison: Yes sir. You may have heard it a few times. I chair Forum for Equality, Louisiana's LGBT rights organization. But I'm going to stand here today and give you the word. And I'm honored to give the word for someone who can't be here. And that is Colonel Terrel Preston, USAF Ret, (9818 Pageant Lane, Shreveport) who stands in opposition to repeal the fairness ordinance. Because as he puts it, on 10 December, the Council showed great courage, careful thought and forward thinking in voting overwhelmingly for the Shreveport fairness ordinance. COL Preston says, "I personally felt safer and more welcome the moment I saw the landslide vote. Today, however Councilman Webb threatens to repeal that inclusive measure and thereby legalize discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity. I encourage you to stand your ground, and reject his repeal attempt with the same vigor that you supported the fairness ordinance last month. On public display in the rotunda of our national archives are this great nations two most sacred documents, the Declaration of Independence, which announced we hold these truths to be self-evident that all men are created equal, and the U.S. Constitution, which guarantees equal protection under the law for all citizens. Your courageous vote on December 10th was completely in concert with these founding and groundbreaking tenants and reflects the sentiments of vast majority of Louisianans who want to see all residents of our state treated fairly and with respect. In the words of Rev. John Shelby Spong, no prejudice is ever debated that isn't already dying. Indeed prejudice in the name of religion was wrong 50 years ago on our southern streets, and it is still wrong today. I urge you to kill this repeal attempt and keep Shreveport's dignity in the eyes of the world." Thank you.

Ms. Pamela Raintree: (1901 Centenary, Apt C22) Thank you Council Members. Mr. Mayor, ladies and gentlemen in the gallery, I'm Pamela Raintree I live at 1901 Centenary in Highland. It's a fairly nice place, but if I wanted to move, could I expect anyone else to rent to me? I haven't always had that guarantee and have been denied housing before. I've been denied jobs too. People just don't like people like me. I think I scare them, make them question how well they fit conventional concepts about what it means to be a man or a woman. Whatever the reason, it has been perfectly legal to discriminate against me because I'm transsexual. Well, the last time I was in these chambers, six of you recognized that there is something inherently wrong, something un-American about legally supporting the denial of fundamental necessities of life and passed an ordinance prohibiting discrimination against gays, lesbians, bisexuals and trans genders. Even with the exceptions for religious based discrimination, I was really proud of y'all for taking that

stand. It made me feel that Shreveport was joining the America I served in the U.S. Army to defend. You know the land of life, liberty and justice for all. One member of this body opposed this ordinance, claiming the Bible prohibits socializing with homosexuals. More precisely he said, the Bible tells us that we shouldn't. We're all back in these chambers today because you've agreed to reconsider the decision you made just last month. Before you take that vote, I want to set the record straight about what the Bible says. Leviticus, 20:13 states If a man also lie with mankind, as he lieth with a woman, they shall surely put him to death. I brought the first stone Mr. Webb in case that your Bible talk isn't just a smoke screen for personal prejudices. But if it is, I hope you'll vote for a fair Shreveport. Thank you.

Councilman Shyne: Thank you. I'm sorry now, we clapped for John, but we can't do this. What you can do is smile instead of clapping, smile. And then we'll - - - okay, where is Ms. Deborah Allen? Okay, get ready Ms. Deborah. Okay.

Ms. Sherry Lester Kircus: (2609 Parham Dr) Mayor Glover, Chairman Shyne, and members of the Council, thank you all for letting me be here once again. It's getting to be a habit. I was here December 10th, wearing my "P-FLAG Mama Hat" (Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays) to applaud you and we did applaud didn't we? To applaud you as you made history by voting 6-1 for a fairness ordinance for Shreveport. I was here again on the 20th of December to remind all of us that if we are going to run government according to the Bible, then it is well to remember that the Bible tells us, judge not and love your neighbor. I'm here today to thank you for standing fast in your efforts to see that our community follows those injunctions. We know that when we avoid judging and behave with love toward one another, the world is a better place, our city is a better place. Thank you so very much for all that you've done to make it better and for all that you will continue to do. I have every confidence in you. Thank you very much.

Ms. Deborah Allen: (4220 Reily Lane) I'm the North Louisiana representative of the ACLU of Louisiana. Mr. Mayor, esteemed Council Members, thank you for allowing me to address you once again in favor of the fairness ordinance. If the fairness act is repealed, it will be perfectly legal to fire, refuse to hire or refuse to promote someone because an employer thinks they are gay or transgendered. There are numerous documented incidents of individuals being fired for this reason regardless of job performance. Once fired, these individuals are left with no legal resource. It will also be legal to deny gay and transgendered people rental housing or refuse to serve them in stores restaurants and other public accommodations. Our residents should be treated fairly and equally. More than 188 cities across America have already passed similar nondiscriminatory laws and ordinances and implemented them successfully. Each city simply did not experience the terrible things the opponents of this ordinance claimed would happen. It would be a travesty for Shreveport to go down as the only known city to pass a fairness ordinance, just to repeal it weeks later. Shreveport is on the way to be what Mayor Glover calls "The Next Great City of the South". And one of the reasons is because of this ordinance. Shreveport will be attracting young diverse people, many of whom left because of the stigma and discrimination, who would feel it was safe to return home. In my closing, I would like to remind the council of statistics that were presented to you in the recent past. A recent statewide poll conducted by the LSU Public Policy Research Lab, found that 89.3% of the people in the state back the city's current workplace protections and 93.7% back current housing protections. Both which are a direct result of the fairness ordinance this council passed last month. We at the ACLU of Louisiana support this ordinance and we hope to celebrate a more diverse city with you by not repealing it. Thank you.

Mr. Mark Miller: (2017 Highland) I came actually I took today off because after hearing Mr. Webb's comments, I took the day off actually to come and speak to him. Mr. Webb, I don't know if you remember me, but I taught the computer classes for SPAR under Camille Webb. And

I was your teacher.

Councilman Webb: I absolutely remember you.

Mr. Miller: Well, you said that you wouldn't associate with homosexuals, and I was your teacher for 12 weeks.

Councilman Webb: I said, I worked with 'em, but I don't associate with 'em.

Mr. Miller: Well, the thing was you voted for homosexuals not to have protections in the workplace, and I'm a homosexual Mr. Webb. Under those situations, I would have had no protection. Mr. Webb, I have been fired not once, but twice because I'm a homosexual. What mattered those 12 weeks I taught your class, was my knowledge, skills and abilities. Not the fact that I was a homosexual.

Councilman Webb: And you did an excellent job.

Mr. Miller: That's the point Mr. Webb. You make a mockery of your religious beliefs by sitting there and saying that my homosexuality should be considered unemployment. Not the performance of my job. Twice, I have been fired solely because I am a homosexual. Not the fact that I have two master degrees, years of experience over management nonprofits. Not the fact that I speak five languages other than English, solely because an employer could put that I'm homosexual. Gay people need this protection Mr. Webb. I'm proud to be a Shreveporter. Your religious bigotry does not deserve any place in the law. I ask the council to consider this. To keep this fairness ordinance in place and see what this man proposes. Thank you.

Mr. Kevin Thuyrlkill: (1039 Sheridan Ave) Thank you Mayor Glover, members of the City Council for the freedom which we've heard a lot about freedom while discussing this ordinance that's before you. Freedom to stand and give our points of view, both pro and con. I do a lot of reading, most of it's in the metaphysical realm which kinda of lends to the thought process of thinking our thoughts become reality. What is prayer, but our own thoughts and desires communicated to God. In the book that I just finished reading, it spoke to me and the message elevated my hopes and my dreams for Shreveport, our nation and our world. Part of it read, "Dream of a world in which freedom becomes the highest expression of life and God in which no one who claims to love another seeks to restrict another. Dream of a world in which equal opportunity is granted to all. Dream of a world in which judgment is never again visited by one upon another. Dream of a world in which differences do not produce divisions. Dream of a world in which suffering is never again ignored." Pretty strong stuff. Now Shreveport can remain one of the lies that carried this dream toward reality for everyone. Look in the news. It's already happening. People are seeking out, people are getting out, and people are coming out in support of this very dream. One great leader of our time, began what became a famous address to this nation with the words, "I have a dream". In this vein of light, the light of a transformed world, I urge you, leaders of Shreveport to allow that light to continue to shine and the dream to unfold by denying the repeal of the ordinance before you. Thank you.

Ms. Mary Richard: (3801 Creswell Ave) Mayor Glover, Chairman Shyne, and members of the City Council. Thank you for passing the fairness ordinance last month. Shreveport took a step forward with this ordinance. We will attract educated, talented people to our area who will keep us moving forward. More importantly, we're shaping a caring forward moving community that will form our young people to be caring individuals. Discrimination is wrong. This ordinance is one important strike in the death of discrimination in our community. I'm confident that you'll uphold the ordinance and with it, that you'll affirm the value of every human being in his or her right to share equally in the good things that our city offers. Thank you.

Mr. Sean Edwards: (276 Prospect) I want to thank y'all again for letting me speak a little about my experience with being a female to male trans man in the workplace when you first considered the fairness ordinance. It's not every day that I get to come out to a City Council

meeting. I was nervous. Maybe more so for the public speaking than actually coming out. So I apologize again for my nervousness and thank you again for listening. I don't talk much about my identity and transition very often, it's only a part of who I am. I go to work, I have lunch with my coworkers, I hang out with my friends and I go about my day. I have been able to do that and work as who I am because of the policy that prohibited discrimination against LGBT people in this city employment and I thank you for doing that. I have been so proud to live and work in Shreveport since you approved the fairness ordinance. Shreveport is a great city and the fairness ordinance makes a clear statement that people in Shreveport believe you should be judged on your work and how you treat others, and not for who you are, or who you love. Thank you.

Mr. Montgomery Mewers: (2911 Centenary Blvd) I noticed the seal behind you all and the overwhelming majority of supporters would suggest the union. The fairness ordinance itself is about justice and many of us here have confidence that you all will do the right thing. I think that most folks want equal rights for all, and special privileges for none. Prohibitions against discrimination based on tends like gender, race, sex and sexual orientation protect everyone. Of course given how discrimination plays out in our society, straight White men don't often need this protection. So the point is, that everyone is to be treated equally under the law. We are a diverse city with citizens of many different religions and some of no religion at all. However, if we look just at the Christian community for a moment, we see that on this issue, Parishioners, people of the Cloth, and entire denominations differ. Pious Christians of goodwill and deep faith disagree, and that's okay. There is no consensus Christian view and no one can legitimately claim to speak for it. This law provides for exceptions to its reasonable regulations of business activity. Someone rents out a few apartments on their property or owns a small business or runs a religiously affiliated organization, charity or school, this measure does not apply to them. It is supported by the vast majority of folks, almost 90 and 95% as well as both the Greater Shreveport Chamber of Commerce and the Shreveport/Bossier African-American Chamber of Commerce. It's been said that employers won't be able to fire gay employees. This is simply not true. Just like women and people of color are fired for poor performance, gay folks will still be fired too. What has changed is that all employees are now protected from being fired simply because of their gender identity or sexual orientation. Some have argued that this would open the flood gates to lawsuits. The evidence shows that this claim is false. And that these protections in other cities have not caused such a result in our city, our experience with similar protections based on other statuses in these same types of protections in municipal government have also not produced such a litigious outcome. In closing what we're talking about isn't cutting edge, it's keeping up with the other cities in the region who have also enacted similar measures. I respectfully request and urge each council member to cast a vote to keep Shreveport fair. Thank you.

Ms. Kelly Weeks: (121 Atkins Ave) I am a Professor of Business at Centenary College of Louisiana, and my primary research is on diversity in the workplace. I just wanted to commend you again as everyone else has on passing the fairness ordinance recently. As you all recognize, it's simply good for business. As Adrianne pointed out, the Greater Shreveport Chamber of Commerce and the African-American Chamber of Commerce endorsed it so strongly because they know the innovative and talented employees today care about fairness, and they'll want to work in a city that takes a stand in favor of fairness. Unfortunately, and obviously, prejudice still exist in our society and in our city. This ordinance will allow the LGBT community to feel safe in the knowledge that they are protected against discrimination by people who think we shouldn't socialize with them, or work with them. Because of who they are. They can be confident that they will be hired, fired or compensated based on their performance and qualifications, and not by unfair discrimination. So, again I thank you for valuing fairness and for taking a stand for our city and I ask you to please not vote to re-legalize discrimination by repealing the ordinance today.

Dr. Bradley McPherson: (153 Wilkinson) For 32 years, I've taught Biology, so I wanted to come to this from the point of view of science rather than the point of view of emotion, feelings, religion which generates in my opinion, positions that I find very untenable. When we look at who we are, one might say, let's pass an ordinance that prohibits men with gray mustaches from speaking.

Councilman Shyne: That's you and me, isn't it?

Dr. McPherson: That's us. I have a gray mustache. As we look at ideas such as this, we see very quickly the ridiculousness of them. When we look at the diversity that we see as we look around this room, how many twins do you see in the room? And I say none. Diversity is a good thing. Biology is based on diversity. The history of life depends on diversity, and so when we look at individuals and we see that diversity, we need to embrace it, as you all did in your previous vote. I would ask that you embrace it again. Thank you very much.

Councilman Shyne: Doctor, thank you. We are now at the end and I would like to suggest to my colleagues that we would suspend the rules and bring 164 up and we can vote and you all can enjoy yourself.

Councilman Corbin: So moved.

Mr. Miles: Mr. Chairman, you said I could speak.

Councilman Shyne: Not at the end of this, you can - - - we have a place for you to come just before we get to the end of our council meeting. I don't know whether you understand what I'm saying. The people who just got through speaking, spoke on some legislation we have before us. Your speech will not be on legislation that's before us. It would be on legislation that Mr. Sibley might bring before us later on, if he sees fit. Okay, it's been motioned by Councilman Corbin and seconded by Councilman Sam Jenkins.

Councilman Webb: What was the motion?

Councilman Shyne: The motion was to suspend the rules and to bring up 164. But before we vote on it, we're going to give Councilman Webb an opportunity to speak on this.

Councilman Webb: Well may I say this Mr. Chair?

Councilman Shyne: Okay.

Councilman Webb: I would like to at this time remove this from the agenda and there'll be no vote.

Councilman Shyne: Okay. I tell you what, let me suspend the rules and then we'll give you an opportunity to remove it. Are you all following what we're doing? Okay, I'm going to suspend the rules to bring 164 up before the Council. When I suspend the rules to bring it up, Councilman Webb is going to make a motion to remove this from the agenda. Are you all following me now? Okay.

Motion by Councilman <u>Corbin</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>S. Jenkins</u> to suspend the rules to bring Ordinance No. 164 of 2013 up before the Council. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

4. **Ordinance No. 164 of 2013**: An ordinance repealing Ordinance Number 149 of 2013, and Chapter 39 of the Code of Ordinances titled Human Relations which said Ordinance enacted, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (E/Webb)

Councilman Shyne: We have a 7-0 vote to suspend the rules. Councilman Webb, I will --

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Councilman Webb: I would like to move that we remove this from the agenda.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Second Councilman Shyne: Can I get a second. Councilwoman McCulloch: I said second.

Having passed first reading on <u>December 20, 2013</u> was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman <u>Webb</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>McCulloch</u> to remove Ordinance No. 164 of 2013 from the agenda.

Councilman Shyne: Okay, it has been moved and seconded that we would remove 164 which is designed to repeal Ordinance No. 149 that we voted on before.

Councilwoman McCulloch: I have a question.

Councilman Shyne: Yes.

Councilwoman McCulloch: So, if we remove it, that means that it could possibly come up again?

Councilman Shyne: I mean it's a possibility for anything to happen, you know. And you all understand that. I think I want to know how soon Arthur Thompson, is this a possibility that this could come up again?

Ms. Glass: Mr. Chairman, there is nothing in the rules that prevents a member from introducing a matter again, and it doesn't matter whether - - - it's different from Zoning. It doesn't matter whether it was removed from the agenda or defeated. In either case, the current rules allow it to be brought back up again.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Okay, I'm going to withdraw my second.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Well I'll second his motion.

Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Webb, seconded by Councilman O. Jenkins to remove Ordinance No. 164 of 2013 from the agenda.

Ms. Glass: Just as a matter of clarification, the Clerk pointed out, and he's correct that if someone puts a matter on the agenda at a later date, it's always up to the council, the full council whether to actually introduce it or not.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Oh, okay.

Councilman Shyne: We still have the authority to introduce anything that we want to, or not introduce it, if you understand what I'm saying.

Councilwoman McCulloch: I'm clear.

Councilman Shyne: It can be on the agenda, and we still vote not to introduce it.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Mr. Chairman, and just for clarity, when we vote to remove this, the original ordinance that we passed as the law for Shreveport, just so people understand - - -

Councilman Shyne: You all understand that right? If we remove this, then you know the law that we passed stays in affect. Because you all are very intelligent people. Because most of you all have matriculated through the school system here in Caddo Parish and we have one of the best, so I know you're bright. All in favor vote yes> Opposers no to remove this piece of legislation from council.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

Councilman Shyne: Now we're going to pause for two minutes, those of you who would like to leave, you can. Those of you who would like to stay around and get a good lesson in government or civics, you may stay.

Councilman O. Jenkins: you may even add patience.

Councilman Shyne: Okay, Mr. Clerk you know how it is when you get pass 35. We are at Confirmation of appointments, and we have none. Now Mr. Thompson, we're under Consent agenda.

Confirmation and Appointments: None.

Consent Agenda Legislation

To Introduce Routine Ordinances and Resolutions

Resolutions: None. **Ordinances**: None.

To Adopt Ordinances and Resolutions

Resolutions:

Mr. Thompson: There are several resolutions here concerning the 300 block and I guess the 400 block, all of them in the 300 block of Maggie Lane to connect to the water and sewer system of the City of Shreveport.

Councilman Corbin: Mr. Chairman, if we could, I'd like to make the motion that we adopt Resolutions 1through 8 in one motion.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Second.

The Clerk read the following:

RESOLUTION NO. 1 Of 2014

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING C. BICKHAM DICKSON, III AND BEVERLY DORRIS DICKSON LOCATED AT 300 MAGGIE LANE TO CONNECT TO THE WATER & SEWER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, C. Bickham Dickson, III and Beverly Dorris Dickson have 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 C. Bickham Dickson, III and Beverly Dorris Dickson be authorized to connect the structure, located at 300 Maggie Lane 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.

RESOLUTION NO. 2 Of 2014

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING WALTER O. HUNTER JR. AND SUZANNE LESTER HUNTER LOCATED AT 308 MAGGIE LANE TO CONNECT TO THE WATER & SEWER

SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, Walter O. Hunter Jr. and Suzanne Lester Hunter have 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 Walter O. Hunter Jr. and Suzanne Lester Hunter be authorized to connect the structure, located at 308 Maggie Lane 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.

RESOLUTION NO. 3 Of 2014

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ESTHER ANN MAYFIELD HOLLOWAY LOCATED AT 319 MAGGIE LANE TO CONNECT TO THE WATER & SEWER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, Esther Ann Mayfield Holloway 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 Esther Ann Mayfield Holloway be authorized to connect the structure, located at 319 Maggie Lane 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.

RESOLUTION NO. 4 Of 2014

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING JOHN JOSEPH HORAN AND SUZANNE KEATING HORAN LOCATED AT 323 MAGGIE LANE TO CONNECT TO THE WATER & SEWER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, John Joseph Horan and Suzanne Keating Horan have 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 John Joseph Horan and Suzanne Keating Horan be authorized to connect the structure, located at 323 Maggie Lane 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.

RESOLUTION NO. 5 Of 2014

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DANIEL PAUL CONDON LOCATED AT 324 MAGGIE LANE TO CONNECT TO THE WATER & SEWER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, Daniel Paul Condon 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 Daniel Paul Condon be authorized to connect the structure, located at 324 Maggie Lane 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.

RESOLUTION NO. 6 Of 2014

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING WILLIAM MCKENZIE HANCOCK AND SARAH CARLISLE HANCOCK LOCATED AT 327 MAGGIE LANE TO CONNECT TO THE WATER & SEWER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, William Mckenzie Hancock and Sarah Carlisle Hancock have 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 William Mckenzie Hancock and Sarah Carlisle Hancock be authorized to connect the structure, located at 327 Maggie Lane 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.

RESOLUTION NO. 7 Of 2014

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DANIEL PAUL CONDON LOCATED AT 332 MAGGIE LANE TO CONNECT TO THE WATER & SEWER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, Daniel Paul Condon 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 Daniel Paul Condon be authorized to connect the structure, located at 332 Maggie Lane 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.

RESOLUTION NO. 8 Of 2014

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING KAREN ALLEN STEVENS LOCATED AT 333 MAGGIE LANE TO CONNECT TO THE WATER & SEWER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, Karen Allen Stevens 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 Karen Allen Stevens be authorized to connect the structure, located at 333 Maggie Lane 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.

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Chairman, I need to find Bea. Councilman O. Jenkins: We've got seven 'Yes'.

Councilman Shyne: That's right.

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Chairman, if we could take a hand vote on that.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman <u>Corbin</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>S. Jenkins</u> to adopt Resolution No(s). 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 of 2014. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 6. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Everson. 1. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

Councilman Shyne: Dale, you were a math major in school, so we'll ask you to vote.

Mr. Sibley: I'll certify six and one out of the Chamber.

Mayor Glover: For clarity, what's the agenda item Mr. Chairman?

Councilman Shyne: 1 through 8, Consent Agenda.

Councilman O. Jenkins: It has to do with the Water and Sewer on that particular street.

Councilman Shyne: In Mike's district. Okay, let's move Mr. Thompson.

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Chairman, there was also one item that was taken up at this time.

The Clerk read the following:

RESOLUTION NO. 18 OF 2014

A RESOLUTION SUSPENDING THE EFFECTS OF CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 10 RELATIVE TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND CHAPTER 106 RELATIVE TO ZONING FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1303 SHREVEPORT BARKSDALE HIGHWAY FOR A CELEBRATION OF MARDI GRAS ON FEBRUARY 22, 2014 AND MARCH 1, 2014 AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

By: Councilman Oliver Jenkins

WHEREAS, The Office Food and Spirits located at 1303 Shreveport Barksdale Highway intends to celebrate Mardi Gras on February 22, 2014 and March 1, 2014; and

WHEREAS, The Office Food and Spirits desires to dispense, and allow the consumption and sale of alcoholic beverages on the parking lot of the premises during the celebration, between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, Section 106-130(6) provides that unless otherwise excepted, all uses shall be operated entirely within a completely enclosed structure; and

WHEREAS, Section 10-80(a) makes it unlawful for any person to sell, barter, exchange or otherwise dispose of alcoholic beverages except within those sections of the city wherein such sale is permitted by the applicable zoning ordinance; and

WHEREAS, Section Chapter 10-103(a)(5) provides that the City Council may suspend or revoke any permit if a retailer allows any person to consume any alcoholic beverage on the licensed premises or on any parking lot or open or closed space within or contiguous to the licenses premises without a proper license; and

WHEREAS, activities planned by The Office Food and Spirits in celebration of this event will provide an opportunity for both the citizens of Shreveport and visitors to the City to partake in the celebration of Mardi Gras; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of this resolution would allow the dispensing, sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages on the parking lot of The Office Food and Spirits located at 1303 Shreveport Barksdale Highway on February 22, 2014 and March 1, 2014 between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m.; for the celebration of Mardi Gras.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened Sections 106-130(6), 10-80(a) and 10-103(a)(5) are hereby suspended on February 22, 2014 and March 1, 2014 between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. for the celebration of Mardi Gras at The Office Food and Spirits located at 1303 Shreveport Barksdale Highway.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all other applicable provisions of the City of Shreveport Code of Ordinances shall remain in full force and effect.

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

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

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman O. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Absent: 0.

Ordinances: None.

Regular Agenda Legislation

Resolutions on Second Reading and Final Passage or Which Will Require Only One Reading *The Clerk read the following:*

AMENDMENT NUMBER 1 TO RESOLUTION 206 OF 2013

Substitute the attached copy of the resolution for the copy of the resolution previously introduced.

Explanation of Amendment: Amended resolution adds information pertaining to

maximum water use as well as map of service area and connection location.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman <u>O. Jenkins</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>Corbin</u> to adopt Amendment No. 1 to Resolution No. 206 of 2013. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

RESOLUTION NO. 206 OF 2013

A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND DENNY DRIVE WATER SYSTEM (DBA EAGEL WATER, INC.) FOR EMERGENCY CONNECTION OF WATER SUPPLY SERVICE AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport is authorized to contract with private firms to furnish water; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport has a supply of water available for delivery to Denny Drive Water System (DBA Eagle Water, Inc.) and is willing to sell and deliver such water for transmission and distribution for emergency purposes; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport finds it to be the public interest to enter into such an agreement.

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 an agreement with Denny Drive Water System (DBA Eagle Water, Inc.) for emergency connection of water supply service.

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 provision, items or application of this resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provision, items or applications, and, to this end, the provisions of this resolution are hereby declare severable.

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

Motion by Councilman O. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Corbin to adopt Resolution No. 206 of 2013 as amended. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

RESOLUTION NO. 220 OF 2013

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT WITH THE RED RIVER WATERWAY DISTRICT AND THE SHREVEPORT DOG PARK ALLIANCE RELATIVE TO THE CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF A DOG PARK ON LAND ADJACENT TO THE RED RIVER IN SHREVEPORT; AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BY: COUNCILMAN EVERSON

Whereas, the Red River Waterway District has agreed to provide up to Two Hundred Eighty Thousand One Hundred Thirty Dollars (\$280,130.00) to construct a dog park at a location adjacent to the Red River near Stoner Avenue, north of the boat launch and south of the skate park; and Whereas, the Shreveport Dog Park Alliance has agreed to provide up to \$28,013 for planning, design and other purposes for the dog park; and

Whereas, if the city enters into an agreement for a dog park located at the Stoner Avenue area site, Resolution No. 133 of 2012 should be repealed because the dog park would not be built at Marie and Charles Hamel Memorial Park.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal, and regular session convened, that Cedric B. Glover, Mayor, is hereby authorized to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Red River Waterway District and the Shreveport Dog Park Alliance relative to the acceptance of funds for the design, planning, construction and related purposes for a dog park on land owned by the City of Shreveport adjacent to the Red River near Stoner Avenue, substantially in accordance with the terms and conditions of the agreement filed in the Office of the Clerk of Council on January 14, 2014.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in accordance with Section 62-67(b) of the Code of Ordinances, the City Council hereby approves the location of a dog park at the Stoner area site described above.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Resolution No. 133 of 2012 is repealed, said repeal to be effective immediately upon the signing of the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement authorized herein by all of the parties.

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 <u>Everson</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>McCulloch</u> to adopt.

Councilman Shyne: And Mr. Mayor, you comfortable with this? You see I kinda hesitated before I got into this, it's not that I didn't remember Jeff's name, because I did, or Rose's name, but I just wanted to kinda hesitate. You comfortable with it?

Mayor Glover: Thank you for giving me an opportunity to comment Mr. Chairman. No doubt, I think it's important and appropriate for the administration to offer some perspective of obviously we believe that the Council is going to pass Resolution 220, and we will accept and live with that. I think it's also very important for me to - - -

Councilman Shyne: I'm sorry. We might want to tell - - - is it anymore news media so they can make sure that they get this, because this dog park has been going on for two or three years, and I don't want them to miss any of it.

Councilman O. Jenkins: You had black hair when it started I think.

Mayor Glover: The good news Mr. Chairman is that they're outside, hopefully covering and dialoguing about something that is infinitely more important than the dog park. I think it should be clear and unequivocal that I am not against dog parks in general. I am adamantly against the way in which this particular dog park project has developed and is being advanced. It is bad, it is wrong - - -

Councilman Shyne: You all better come on.

Mayor Glover: It is not in the best interest of the City of Shreveport. The fact that we are about to find ourselves in a situation that will result in over \$280,000 of taxpayer funding going towards the construction of a dog park, when dog park facilities or off leash facilities could be facilitated in existing park facilities, in partnership with the private sector for taxpayer sums that are considerably less than this amount is something that I still adamantly believe that we as an

administration have effectively established. But beyond that, this council is head strong with regard to wanting to have a state of the art, 300+ thousand dollar dog park. And in the interest of moving the city forward, and allowing us to focus on hopefully more important issues and matters, we're going to allow it to go forward. But I want to stress that this is only going forward after we have effectively helped to get it to a point where both the dog park as well as this council now acknowledges at least by what's manifested within both this resolution as well as the cooperative endeavor agreement attached to it, that we should not have been doing, or attempting to do, that which was initially put forward. And that was only stopped, and that was only derailed by the fact that as Mayor, I refuse to sign and cooperate with both the dog park as well as this City Council. Council has us on a path that would have not only encouraged the expending of \$280,00 of taxpayer dollars, but based upon the projected expense of constructing a dog park at Hamels and with the language that existed within the previous cooperative endeavor agreement, that would have obligated us to provide any expenses associated with constructing that park, you would have constructed not a \$280,000 dog park, but a more than \$700,000+ dog park, requiring over \$100,000 per year in operational and maintenance expense. No one from this Council with few exceptions acknowledge, accepted, or in any way talked to try and address those issues and those concerns. What resulted was ligation from the Dog Park Association folks against me. Asking that I do, what this council now acknowledges by this resolution and cooperative endeavor agreement, acknowledge should not have ever been considered or done. As bad as it still is, it does contain some very specific provisions. And I want to stop at this point and thank Councilman Jeff Everson, Councilwoman Rose McCulloch and legal staff in Julie Glass and Terri Scott for helping to craft this compromise language which ultimately still provides at least some protection for the citizens of the City of Shreveport. And based upon recent conversations with Mr. Everson, I understand that this language has been accepted and embraced obviously by the administration as well as the council, but also just as importantly since they are parties to this particular agreement, the Dog Park Association folks as well as the Waterway Commission. And this is language that is 180 degrees different than what was authorized by the resolution that the Council passed in 2012. And I want to read some of this Mr. Shyne just to have on the record. It says here under the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement Development agreement under Subsection C, Section 1 under Subsection C. It says "The parties to this Agreement acknowledge, understand and agree that Shreveport shall have no obligation to contribute funds to or for the Project, whether for construction, design, planning, engineering or otherwise, in excess of the amounts provided for such services by the Waterway Commission and the Shreveport Dog Park Association." It goes on to say in 2) "The SDPA acknowledges, understands and agrees that Shreveport shall not be obligated to proceed with the Project if the total cost of construction of the Project is projected to exceed the amount provided by the Waterway Commission, in which case, Shreveport shall not be liable to the SDPA for reimbursement or repayment of any funds or contributions received by City from the SDPA for payment of costs for the design, planning, engineering and construction of the Dog Park." It goes on in Sub C to say "Shreveport may in its sole discretion include provisions in its contract with the design professional that set a "not to exceed" budget for the construction, and require the design professional to inform the city if the project cannot be designed as desired for that budget. Shreveport may also include in said contract provisions that in the event the bids come in over budget, the alternatives are, at the city's option" to do several things that are all end up being in line with appropriate operating procedures. The last thing that's relevant is that "Shreveport shall be solely responsible for the operation and maintenance of the Project but may share the responsibility for same with other parties pursuant to a separate written agreement between Shreveport and the contracting party". All of these Mr. Chairman and members of the council and to the public, are provisions that were not in the original cooperative endeavor agreement. They were all provisions that were essentially diametrically in the other direction that would open us up for considerable additional expense, liability and responsibility as well as an obligation to refund monies back (inaudible) certain circumstances. Again, I'm thankful that as

drawn out, is convoluted and is unnecessary and is out of order in terms of what should be our appropriate priorities that this particular situation is. I'm hoping that it will now place it behind us, and we can go on to focus on the people of the City of Shreveport as opposed to (inaudible) dogs. I think lastly, those for consideration for some folks out there who still have considerable concern, and who've asked me not to do what it is that I'm standing here today or sitting here today saying, and that is in part based upon the - - - what the operation and maintenance expenses would be. As I mentioned the for the Hamels location, that number was well over \$100,000. Still for this location Mr. Chairman and members of the council and to the public, it's projected that the operational and maintenance expenses will still be over \$60,000 per year. That's \$60,000 that will have to be found, once this project is constructed and operational, for 2014, for 2015 and for all years that will operate going forward. For those of you who expressed positions of being fiscal conservatives and wanting to make prudent use of the city's resources, for us here to collectively make a decision that we're going to obligate the City of Shreveport for more than \$60,000 per year to operate and maintain a dog park Mr. Webb, again as I said is reprehensible. But in the interest of hopefully larger issues and greater concerns for the City of Shreveport, let's accept this as a workable compromise, move forward and set it behind us.

Councilman Shyne: Jeff, before we move on this piece of legislation, I would like to ask the council and Mr. Mayor, I appreciate your position, but when you get into using adjectives and adverbs, such as councilmembers being headstrong, I truly feel like that those are not professional adverbs and adjectives that should be directed toward people that you work with. You know that's something that you tell - - - I wouldn't even tell my son at home, that he's headstrong or headlong. You know, Mr. Mayor, you just don't do that. I would hope that Council Members would not do that. If you have a position, state your position. If you want to hold to your position, hold to your position. That does not make you be headlong or headstrong, because I disagree with you on some things, or I might disagree with Mike on some things, you know it's not for me to say that he might not have the best interest of the citizens at heart and the City of Shreveport, because that's subjective. That's how you feel about it, and I don't think we need to - - - you know we've had this before. You know we get to this before the City Council, and coming out the Mayor's office, and it's really not productive. I don't change you because I because I might talk down to you. I get that as talking down to me when you make those kinds of statements. I'm an educated man, and you know you don't have to use those kinds of adjectives and adverbs when you talk to me. Now it might make you feel big in order to do that, but we're professional people. We're not out on the Cooper Road, we're not over there on Hollywood and Mooretown. So you know I would hope that, and I'm asking my Council Members to do the same thing. I would hope that we would not get to that level, where we would have to use those kinds of adjectives and adverbs, I appreciate your position. I appreciate you standing fair. That's what government is all about. That's what democracy is all about. We don't come down here to agree with you on everything because you're the mayor. And just because that's your opinion, it doesn't necessarily say that's the best for the city. My position doesn't necessarily say well, you know I'm not concerned about the constituents that I represent. I've got a record to show. I represented my constituents extremely well. Evidently because I've probably served in government longer than anybody down here. So, Mr. Mayor, I would hope that we could have the kind of working relationship where we could disagree with you, you could disagree with us, and we move on. Still love you. I don't have to say anything derogatory about you. I don't want to have to necessarily make the citizens think that your position is not what's best for the City of Shreveport. That's your position, you're entitled to it. This is a democracy, and I wish you could have been in one of my civics classes or one of my government classes. Ron, I think we would both have a better understanding of how government is supposed to go. This government is not supposed to work because this is what the mayor said, and he knows what's best. We all know what's best. We think we do. That's your opinion, and you're entitled to it. Jeff is entitled to his opinion. It doesn't make him headlong or headstrong, or whatever the word was because he wants to stick to his position. So I would hope that we would all remember this as City Council Members and be as professional. Because we have young people watching us. Matter of fact, I've got two boys that be watching us, and I don't want them to see me you know - - - acting in an unprofessional manner. I don't want them to see you acting in an unprofessional manner. You might not think it is, but those kinds of adjectives and adverbs, we don't need those. Now lets move on with the legislation. Jeff, do we have any comments from you.

Councilman Everson: Well I would like to thank the legal staff, the Mayor, Administration, all those who served on the Dog Park Committee. We came together, we were assigned a task by our outgoing Chairman Corbin at the end of the last Council to come together and come up with some sort of a compromise. I do think that one was developed at one of those meetings was a useful tool, because I think it's moved us forward to something that proves to be a good compromise, that appears to be a way forward for this. I hope that everyone's questions have been answered. We have shared copies of the cooperative endeavor agreement earlier today and yesterday. And I don't think there's been any substantial changes since then, so unless there's any additional questions, I think I'd be ready to call for the vote.

Councilman Shyne: Jeff I appreciate that.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, I'd like to respond at some point. I'll wait till the end of the meeting if I have to, but would like to be able to contest.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor, we're going to ask you to wait till the end of the meeting. You had about 15 minutes in the beginning. And I noticed you have a - - - you know everything you want to respond to and you want to come on at first and take 15 minutes and then you want to respond to it in 15 minutes and if somebody else say something and you want to respond to that. But I think we have some rules, and Mr. Thompson, I want you to - - -

Councilwoman McCulloch: Chairperson, I'd like to make a - - -

Councilman Shyne: Hold on just one minute. Hold on. Give us a copy of those rules on how long and how often we're supposed to speak. Alright, I'm coming to Councilwoman McCulloch and then I'm going to ask anybody else if they have any comments they want to make on that.

Councilwoman McCulloch: I would just like to take this opportunity to thank Mayor Glover. In spite of all that has gone on as far as litigations have gone and meeting with the Dog Park Alliance. The different attorneys. I would just like to thank you personally Mayor Glover of the City of Shreveport for your support of the dog park.

Councilman Shyne: Okay, any other Council Member would like to make any comments, if not, Jeff, your motion?

Councilman Everson: So moved, and I believe we already have a second from Councilwoman McCulloch, or?

Councilwoman McCulloch: That's correct.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

Councilman Shyne: I am so happy so we can put this dog park to rest. It's been going on for two years. Like Oliver said, when we started - - - Ron, when we started talking about this, I had black hair. So you see what has happened.

Councilman Webb: Almost bald headed.

Councilman Shyne: That's right, I'm almost bald head now. Okay Mr. Thompson?

RESOLUTION NO. 9 of 2014

A RESOLUTION URGING AND REQUESTING THE MAYOR TO TAKE APPLICATIONS FOR A FINANCIAL ADVISOR AND RELATED FINANCIAL SERVICES AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO

By: Councilman Oliver Jenkins

Whereas, the City Council has concluded an investigation of the financial advisor with whom the city entered into an agreement in 2007; and

Whereas, the City Council has determined that the best interests of the city would be served by searching for a new financial advisor.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened that it hereby urges and requests Cedric B. Glover, Mayor, to take applications for the services of a financial advisor for the City of Shreveport. The Council further urges the Mayor to consider the use of a Request for Proposals process to advertise the availability of the position in order to obtain the best range of applicants.

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 <u>O. Jenkins</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>S. Jenkins</u> to adopt.

Councilman Shyne: Before we vote, is there any comments or concerns that we have on this?

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman? I'll yield to Council.

Councilman S. Jenkins: I do believe and I'm supporting this resolution. I mean given what's on the main scape, financially speaking for the city, I just think it would be wise to have a Plan B in place or at least have someone available to begin looking at what needs to be done, and I'm just expressing that as the reason for my support, and what my concern is. I know that there is another issue that's tied up with all of this, but I just don't see allowing some of our most urgent financial matters to go forward without someone with the expertise necessary to at least begin to look at this and see where we are and provide some advice as it relates to those issues, so I just really think we need to make a move in that direction. So, that's the reason for my second and the reason for my support.

Councilman Shyne: Thank you Councilman Jenkins. Mr. Mayor?

Mayor Glover: Thank you Mr. Chairman and members of the council. Obviously I know that the council is going to pass this resolution, so we won't make an effort to try and dissuade you otherwise except to say that we think it's inappropriate. The mere acknowledgement of the fact that you have here a one page, Mr. Sam Jenkins resolution that has two 'Whereases' to it. In fact the 'Now therefores and the 'Be it further resolveds' are longer than the 'Whereases'. And the 'Whereas' usually serve as the substance of the resolution that creates the basis upon why it should be considered, and passed. What you also apparently have here is an acknowledgement of the fact that the council by its previous current actions have overstepped into areas and boundaries that are the problems of the administration. This resolution along with the council action by you Mr. Sam Jenkins, Oliver Jenkins and the rest of the council are tantamount to me as the Mayor of the City of Shreveport saying to the Council that you should have someone else other than Arthur Thompson, as your Clerk of Council. That you should have someone else other than Bea Johnson as your Deputy Clerk of Council, or that you should have someone else besides Leanis Graham as the External Auditor, or that you all should have someone else to perform - - - some other firm to perform the external audit functions of the City of Shreveport. For me in my capacity as Mayor to interject myself into those aspects of the legislative and council functions and hierarchy would be absolutely inappropriate. That is what this council is seeking to do. The voters of the City of Shreveport in 1977 by a rather substantial vote, voted to establish a strong Mayor/Council form of government. Now it is readily apparent Mr. Shyne that maybe you and the Dog Park and the Tea Party and other folks (inaudible). The unfortunate reality is that, that's not going to happen as

long as I am the sworn holder of this position. You look here at the substance of what's included within this particular resolution. The first 'Whereas'. "Whereas, the City Council has concluded an investigation of the financial advisor with whom the city entered into an agreement in 2007; and

Whereas, the City Council has determined that the best interests of the city would be served by searching for a new financial advisor." You attempt to try and establish nothing more substantive than that because frankly, the investigation that was done was no more substantive than that. In fact the findings of the investigation have all been affectively refuted. Despite the expenditure of over \$100,000 in public expense. The one last provision that is attempted to be held onto as a basis, as a justification, as a case for the position and actions inappropriate as they may be of this city council, came from the very staff, Leanis Graham and her charges in external audit that this council discounted and disrespected in terms of the conclusions that they provided. And so now after an internal audit, after and external investigation, you now again find yourselves attempting to interject yourself into areas and duties and responsibilities that even this very resolution acknowledges happens to be a problem of the administration. No one has disputed the effective work that has been done by Mr. Grigsby and his team. Along with Dale, along with Charles and along with Sherricka, who happen to be the one set of consonants in this situation over the last seven years. They've served the city well, they've served the city in exemplary fashion, and they've positioned us to be able to continue to be able to have the fiscal condition of the City of Shreveport to be strong. Now there are some of you all who have friends and supporters who don't like Mr. Grigsby. That's too bad.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor, you know - - -

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman?

Councilman Shyne: Hold it, hold it, no.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman?

Councilman Shyne: I'm going to stop you before you start being subjective about who like who, cause you don't know. I mean - - - now we might be smart, but you can't read minds, and I don't want you to start. Now the other points that you made were alright. But let's don't get into this name calling so to speak and making all these subjective statements that you cannot prove. That's just like one of the Council Members making some subjective statements about you. If they start that, I'm going to stop them. So continue to make sound, accurate, factual but let's don't get into where we're going to subject who likes who. Because we don't know.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman? As a state, we've just gone through a recent round about whether or not individuals have the right to express themselves as they choose to do so. My 1st Amendment rights are to express myself in a way and a manner in which I feel to be appropriate. I've not said anything that is offensive to you or to any other members of this council, or to anybody who is here in public or whose watching us. I reserve the right to express my way in a way and a manner in which I (inaudible).

Councilman Shyne: It is offensive to me. That's why I'm bringing this out. The offensive statement that you just made about you and - - - about me and the Dog Park and the Tea Party people, let's don't - - - let's get away from making derogatory and offensive statements about the Tea Party. About the dog party. I mean these are taxpaying citizens.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, are you denying me right to express myself in the way in which I feel is appropriate based upon the trust that has been given to me twice by more than majority of the citizens of Shreveport?

Councilman Shyne: As long as it's not offensive.

Mayor Glover: Are you telling me that in order for me to be able to effectively express myself, that I've got to meet a standard that has been established by Joe Shyne in terms of what is true, fair and appropriate? Is that what you're telling me?

Councilman Shyne: Not by Joe Shyne, but you should meet a standard.

Mayor Glover: No one else has interrupted me Mr. Shyne.

Councilman Shyne: Well, we don't have a bunch of other Chairmen up here. I'm the Chairman. And Mr. Mayor, this has gone on during your entire administration. And we have talked about this. We've talked about this. So I would hope that you would keep on expressing yourself, but let's don't be offensive. You know we never had this from another mayor. Now I've served with almost every mayor that has been elected by those same people. Mr. Mayor, you don't have to be offensive.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Shyne, I can - - -

Councilman Shyne: You continue to express yourself.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Shyne, I could point out the same things that individuals could say that we've never had from another Chairman or from another Council Member, or things that you've done that no other Council Member has ever done.

Councilman Shyne: Please do it, please do it.

Mayor Glover: But that's not --- Councilman Shyne: If you feel

Mayor Glover: But that's not, that's not, but that's not the point that I'm trying to make.

Councilman Shyne: If you feel justified in doing it Mr. Mayor, get at it! Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, that's not the point I'm seeking to make.

Councilman Shyne: Please express yourself.

Mayor Glover: I'm expressing my thoughts about Resolution No. 9.

Councilman Shyne: Now I'm going to call for a vote if you keep this up.

Mayor Glover: I'm trying to express my thoughts about Resolution No. 9.

Councilman Shyne: I'm going to call for a vote now. You've had 10 minutes to express yourself on that.

Mayor Glover: Now Mr. Shyne, are we going to continue to have situations where I interrupt you or you interrupt me as we're trying to conduct the business (inaudible)

Councilman Shyne: I'm going to call for a vote Mr. Mayor, now if you want to - - - if you think I'm kidding, you keep on sitting there doing that.

Mayor Glover: Well now Mr. Shyne, my outburst on this council and during these proceedings are in no way in line with the history of 20+ years of outbursts and insults that you've offered to folks. So I'm here trying to comport myself in a responsible and respectful manner.

Councilman Shyne: I'm going to call for a vote.

Mayor Glover: You're the one whose choosing to interrupt me Mr. Shyne. Now I'm asking you to respect - - -

Councilman Shyne: I call for a vote on this.

Mayor Glover: (Inaudible) to be able to comment on these matters.

Councilman Shyne: Councilman Jenkins I want to commend both of you all for putting this legislation together. Because we have to move on. It's very important that we get a financial advisor.

Mayor Glover: We have a financial advisor Mr. Shyne.

Councilman Shyne: And the piece of legislation that you all have put together, the financial advisor that we've had, we've asked for an investigation on him. There have been some questions that have come back, and it seems like the council might not be satisfied with him. I'm going to - - - we have a motion by Councilman O. Jenkins, we have a second by Councilman Sam

Jenkins. I'm going to call for the vote. All in favor of this piece of legislation, vote yes. Opposes, vote no.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 6. Nays: Councilwoman McCulloch. 1. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Actually I wanted to speak Chairperson, but I wasn't allowed that, so- - - I really wanted - - - I had a question, but you called for the vote.

Councilman Shyne: I sure did. Alright Mr. Thompson, let's move on.

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

Councilman Shyne: Okay. I'm waiting on you to speak

Mayor Glover: Mr. Shyne, I need some direction from you or from Council staff under what conditions and circumstances will I and members of my administration be allowed to address the Council. I perfectly understand and recognize and respect that at the top of the agenda, it doesn't say 'Mayor's Meeting', it says 'Council Meeting'.

Councilman Shyne: That's exactly right.

Mayor Glover: I acknowledge and respect that. But at the same time, I also by charter have the duty and the responsibility to comment and offer perspective and insight and opinion on those various things that are on this agenda. And Mr. Shyne, if you're going to take it upon yourself to choose when and where to interrupt, to prevent, and to stop me from being able to do that.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor?

Mayor Glover: I need to know under what circumstances.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor? Mayor Glover: That will take place

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor, Mr. Mayor, we all have a time limit. We all have a time limit. Mr. Thompson, do you have that, at your fingertips how long and how many times we have to speak on a piece of legislation?

Councilman O. Jenkins: 15 minutes, I think it's 15 minutes, if my recollection is - - -

Ms. Glass: I think it's 10 minutes. Councilman Shyne: It's 10 minutes?

Ms. Glass: I'm looking for it.

Councilman Shyne: We're going to get that to you Mr. Mayor, because I don't want you -

Mayor Glover: And Mr. Shyne, I don't think I've exceeded either of those time limits or the timeframes that you chose to interrupt.

Councilman Shyne: But you don't think you did, but you did.

Mayor Glover: But now who was keeping time Mr. Shyne? Was it you?

Councilman Shyne: Bea, from now on, when the Mayor gets ready to speak, put the clock up there here? Since that's what we need.

Ms. Glass: Mr. Chairman, it's in Section 4.5, it reads 10 minutes.

Councilman Shyne: Okay Mr. Mayor, did you hear that? Tell him - - - said it again, so it won't come from my mouth like I might be - - -

Ms. Glass: There's two different sections. There's one for Council Members which says that "Without the permission of the Council, no member can make a speech (speak) longer than 10 minutes." (b) says "the Mayor and the Chief Administrative Officer shall have the right to attend any meeting of the City Council and to express their views on any pertinent matter. During debate

on any motion, the Mayor and the Chief Administrative Officer shall have the right to speak after all Council members wishing to speak have spoken once. If any Council members speak a second time, the Mayor and the Chief Administrative Officer shall have the right to speak after all Council members wishing to speak a second time have spoken twice. Without the permission of the Council, the Mayor and the Chief Administrative Officer shall not make a speech (speak) longer than 10 minutes."

Councilman Shyne: Did you get that Mr. Mayor?

Councilwoman McCulloch: So that means that he can speak right now.

Mayor Glover: It says - - -

Councilman Shyne: Hold it, hold it, hold it now. Let's clear this up Councilwoman McCulloch.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Shyne, I'm going to allow you engage in this spectacle all by yourself.

Councilman Shyne: Well that's fine. Well, be quiet then.

Mayor Glover: So you engage in this all by yourself.

Councilman Shyne: Well be quiet then. Let's move on with the - - -

Mayor Glover: What Julie just read is very clear.

Councilman Shyne: Okay.

Mayor Glover: It specifically says that we have the ability to be able to speak in the comment, doesn't set a time frame.

Councilman Shyne: And you're using up your 10 minutes now. And this is

Mayor Glover: But now, but that (inaudible) Councilman Shyne: And this is the 3rd time.

Mayor Glover: So, I'm going to let you engage in this by yourself Mr. Shyne.

Councilman Shyne: Well, be quiet then Mr. Mayor, if you're going to let me engage in it by myself. Be quiet. Mr. Thompson? Move on please.

RESOLUTIOIN NO. 10 OF 2014

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN ACT OF RELEASE OF A 10 FOOT WIDE SERVITUDE LOCATED BETWEEN LOTS 1 & 2 OF SOUTHERN TRACE PHASE IV, SECTION XX-A AND LOCATED IN SECTION 32 (T16N-R13W), AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, on December 21, 2006, Southern Trace, Phase IV, Section XX-A was filed and recorded in Book 5050, Page 107 in the Conveyance Records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana, and WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport received a request from John Bowman of John R. Bowman & Associates, Inc., who represents the current owners, to release the aforementioned utility servitude to allow for the re-subdivision of two lots, to permit the development of a one lot subdivision, and WHEREAS, the Office of the City Engineer has approved the provisions of this re-subdivision and has no objections to the release of the utility servitude, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal, and regular session convened, that the **MAYOR**, Cedric B. Glover, is hereby authorized and empowered to represent the City of Shreveport in the execution of an Act of Release of a 10-foot utility servitude located between lots 1 & 2 of Southern Trace Phase IV, Section XX-A, as shown on the attached plat and made a part hereto.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Property Management Section of the Office of the City Engineer is hereby authorized to record a certified copy of this resolution and the Act of Release in the official records for Caddo Parish, Louisiana.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provision or item of this resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items, or applications of

this 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 ordinances or resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman <u>Corbin</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>O.</u>
<u>Jenkins</u> to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, O.
Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 6. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber:
Councilman Everson. 1. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

RESOLUTION NO. 11 OF 2014

A RESOLUTION REJECTING QUOTES RECEIVED FOR IFB #13-063 FOR THE PURCHASE OF THREE (3) NEW CNG CUTAWAY VEHICLES AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, two (2) bids were received as a result of solicitations for the Purchase of Three(3) New CNG Cutaway Vehicles, IFB #13-063; and;

WHEREAS, the City has rejected these bids in accordance with La R.S. 39:1599 B, because of clarification of submission requirements, changes to product specifications and estimate;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened that the bids received on IFB #13-063 be rejected;

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 <u>O. Jenkins</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>S. Jenkins</u> to adopt.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Though it does bother me to vote against anything CNG by nature, I think this is appropriate.

Mayor Glover: You all did get information as to why we are asking for that rejection? Time that Mr. Shyne?

Councilman Shyne: Dale, would you get that to Councilman Oliver Jenkins? We don't want to do anything that would hurt his feelings? We are a kind and considerate group up here and we try to be very professional.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 6. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Everson. 1. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 12 OF 2014

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE CITY'S INTEREST IN CERTAIN ADJUDICATED PROPERTY AS SURPLUS AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, there are numerous parcels of property which have been adjudicated to the City of Shreveport and Caddo Parish for non-payment of ad valorem taxes; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport has entered into an intergovernmental agreement with Caddo Parish under which Caddo Parish will undertake to sell said properties as authorized in R.S. 47:2201-2211, and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 26-300 of the Code of Ordinances, the city's interests in said properties can be sold after the City Council declares them to be surplus; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport has an adjudicated tax interest in the properties described in Attachment "A-1" for the non-payment of City property taxes; and

WHEREAS, the purchasing agent has inquired of all City departments regarding the properties described in Attachment "A-1" and has not received any indication that they are needed for city purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened that the properties described in Attachment "A-1" are hereby declared surplus.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that pursuant to Section 26-301 of the Code of Ordinances, this declaration that these properties are surplus satisfies the requirement of Section 26-301(1)(d), therefore the MAYOR, Cedric B. Glover, is authorized by said Section 26-301 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 RESOLVED that if any provision or item of this resolution or the application thereof be held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items, or applications, and to this end the provisions of this resolution are hereby declared severable.

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

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman <u>Webb</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>Shyne</u> to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 6. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Everson. 1. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

RESOLUTION NO. 13 OF 2014

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE USE OF CERTAIN EQUIPMENT BY LOYOLA COLLEGE PREP AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the City desires to participate in programs which, directly benefit the school students and visitors of the City by participating in wholesome activities which serve to benefit the educational community; and

WHEREAS, Loyola College Prep desires to provide an educational benefit to its students by hosting the All-Student Homecoming for the students; and

WHEREAS, Loyola College Prep has requested the use of certain city owned staging and equipment during the event; and

WHEREAS, the program sponsored by Loyola College Prep provides an education opportunity to benefit the school and its students which serves a public benefit and serves a public purpose.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened that the use of city owned staging and equipment by Loyola College Prep on January 29, 2014 during the All-Student Homecoming is hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the use of the equipment by Loyola College Prep is conditioned upon the execution of an indemnity and hold harmless agreement by Loyola College Prep in favor of the City of Shreveport in a form acceptable to the Office of the City Attorney.

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

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

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman <u>Corbin</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>O.</u>
<u>Jenkins</u> to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, O.
Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 6. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber:
Councilman Everson. 1. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

RESOLUTION NO. 14 OF 2014

A RESOLUTION SUSPENDING THE EFFECTS OF CERTAIN SECTIONS OF CHAPTER 10 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATIVE TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AT MARDI GRAS PARADES AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, parades and other events and activities centered around Mardi Gras serve to boost tourism and the city's economy as well as provide an entertainment opportunity for citizens and visitors to the City of Shreveport; and

WHEREAS, certain sections of Chapter 10 of the Code of Ordinances make it unlawful to consume or possess alcoholic beverages of high or low alcoholic content on certain public or private property within the city limits; and

WHEREAS, this resolution would suspend the effects of certain sections of Chapter 10 of the Code of Ordinances to permit consumption and possession of alcoholic beverages on February 22, 2014 during the Krewe of Centaur parade and on March 1, 2014 during the Krewe of Gemini parade, subject to certain conditions.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal and regular session convened that, except as otherwise provided herein, Section 10-190 and Section 10-192 of the Code of Ordinances are suspended from 7:00am to 11:59pm on February 22, 2014 for the Krewe of Centaur parade and from 7:00am to 11:59pm on March 1, 2014 for the Krewe of Gemini parade to permit the consumption and possession of alcoholic beverages on a public street or sidewalk located along the designated parade route, in city parks when the public street or sidewalk is adjacent to the designated parade route when the City of Shreveport has approved the closing of the street, and on private property adjacent to the designated parade route or adjacent to a street or sidewalk located along the designated parade route with the consent of property owner.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the provisions of this resolution shall not extend to the area located on Clyde Fant Parkway from the I-20 overpass to Shreveport-Barksdale Highway, also known as the Family Area, and in all respects, the provisions Section 10-190, Section 10-192, and all other provisions of Chapter 10 of the Code of Ordinances shall remain in full force and effect in this area.

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 affect 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 <u>O. Jenkins</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>Corbin</u> to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 6. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Everson. 1. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

RESOLUTION NO. 17 OF 2014

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND RESOLUTION NO. 219 OF 2013 WHICH SUSPENDED CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 10 RELATIVE TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ON March 2, 2014 RELATIVE TO DISPENSING, SALE AND/OR CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AT 4041 FERN AVENUE FOR MARILYNN'S PLACE, MARDI GRAS CELEBRATION AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BY: COUNCILMAN Oliver Jenkins

WHEREAS, Marilynn's Place located at 4041 Fern Avenue will host a Mardi Gras Celebration on March 2, 2014 between the hours of 12:00 noon and 12:00 midnight; and

WHEREAS, the establishment desires to dispense, and allow the consumption and sale of alcoholic beverages on the parking lot of the establishment, between the hours of 12:00 noon and 12:00 midnight; and

WHEREAS, Section 106-130(6) provides that unless otherwise excepted, all uses shall be operated entirely within a completely enclosed structure; and

WHEREAS, any special exception approval granted to the establishment for alcoholic beverage sales, consumption and/or dispensing does not specifically authorize outside sales and/or consumption on the premises; and

WHEREAS, Section 10-80(a) makes it unlawful for any person to sell, barter, exchange or otherwise dispose of alcoholic beverages except within those sections of the city wherein such sale is permitted by the applicable zoning ordinance; and

WHEREAS, Section Chapter 10-103(a)(5) provides that the City Council may suspend or revoke any permit if a retailer allows any person to consume any alcoholic beverage on the licensed premises or on any parking lot or open or closed space within or contiguous to the licensed premises without a proper license; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of this resolution would allow the dispensing, sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages on the parking lot of Marilynn's Place, 4041 Fern Avenue, on March 2, 2014 for a Mardi Gras Celebration.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened Sections 106-130(6), 10-103(a)(5) 10-80(a) and 10-172 are hereby suspended on March 2, 2014 for a Mardi Gras Celebration, between the hours of 12:00 noon and 12:00 midnight, at Marilynn's Place, 4041 Fern Avenue.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all other applicable provisions of the City of Shreveport Code of Ordinances shall remain in full force and effect.

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

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

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman <u>O. Jenkins</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>Corbin</u> to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 6. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Everson. 1. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Mr. Chair, I'd like to make a motion to suspend the rules to take up Zoning ordinance. We've got a large (inaudible) of folks who have been here for a long time, and they probably want to get on with a - - -

Councilman Shyne: Okay, can I get a second on that?

Councilman Webb: Second.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Clerk, we'll be able to take up both?

Mr. Thompson: It's up to the Council Mr. Shyne. Councilman O. Jenkins: Certainly, I'll put 'em both up

Motion by Councilman <u>O. Jenkins</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>Webb</u> to suspend the rules to consider Zoning Appeals BAC-145-13 and 153-13.

Councilman Shyne: And Oliver, I want to make sure that we deal with things up here legally, hear? Not that you might not agree with me, I'm not saying we want to do everything that's agreeable with me and with you, we just want to make sure that we do everything legally.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I certainly support that policy.

Councilman Shyne: Okay, cause we might disagree with one another.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

Mayor Glover: Give us a tour on the illegal.

Metropolitan Planning Commission Appeals and Zoning Board of Appeals

Councilman Shyne: I'm sorry, what was that?

Mayor Glover: I said, and give us a tour on the illegal.

Councilman Shyne: We'll do that. Ain't no problem. We can give you a tour on that, and we can give you a tour on higher education too! Alright, Mr. Thompson.

The Clerk read the following:

BAC-145-13: Montessori School for Shreveport located on the SE corner of E. Washington and C. E. Galloway Boulevard (B/Everson)

Mr. Ron Miciotto: (628 Stoner) On behalf of the appellant in these matters, and Don Weiner (333 Texas Street, Suite 2250) on behalf of the Montessori School.

Mr. Miciotto: We've reached an agreement in this matter and we're going to ask the Council to ratify our agreement by resolution, so there will be findings on all the parties in this

matter. I'll try to state what I believe the agreement to be, and then we'll ask the Council to ratify that agreement by resolution. Our agreement is as follows: 120 days from January 15, 2014, B.I. will surrender their certificate of occupancy at that location on E. Washington, and I believe it's 605 E. Washington. We will then within the next day or two - - -

Councilman Shyne: Ron, don't want to stop you. Mr. Clerk are you taking notes? Bea, are you getting this?

Ms. Johnson: Yes sir.

Councilman Shyne: Okay. Thank you.

Mr. Miciotto: We will immediately file with the Metropolitan Planning Commission. We have found another location we think more suitable to this endeavor and we'll go through the process, and because it is a detention center/correctional facility as defined by the ZBA, which we disagree with, however that would make it fall within a B-3 or I-1 or I-2 Zone and that's what we're going to be doing. We fully intend this to be binding on us. There will be no further need for Council involvement and/or court involvement at this time. At the end of the 120 days, we will withdraw our appeal, and this is our resolution. I have two members from B.I. here present today, and they're willing to stand up and ratify this agreement as an agreement between B.I. and the Montessori School.

Mr. Weiner: And let me also comment. In the 120 days from tomorrow, they will leave the premises, they will give up their CO and leave the premises, and they agreed that they would be stopped from appealing the revocation of the CO.

Mr. Miciotto: That's correct. That's our agreement.

Councilman Shyne: And I appreciate you all being able to reach an agreement without being derogatory toward one another or facetious. Cause grown people don't be, you know - - - grown people who are intelligent don't be facetious toward one another. Bea, did you get that?

Ms. Johnson: Yes sir.

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Chairman, do you want to postpone this and then have the council act on that resolution at its next meeting, or I'm not sure how this is supposed to work.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I guess at some level, we have to postpone the appeal right?

Mr. Thompson: That's what I mean.

Councilman Shyne: Because the resolution has to be in writing.

Councilman Everson: And so it would sound like the most logical way to do it would be to postpone until the next meeting, have that resolution in writing.

Mr. Thompson: Would that be agreeable?

Messrs. Miciotto and Weiner: That's agreeable.

Mr. Weiner: And independent of Council action, we have an oral agreement that y'all witnessed.

Mr. Thompson: And will you submit something to us, to the Clerk's office, or do you want us to do it based on what we've - - -

Mr. Miciotto: Let Mr. Weiner and I draw it up if you don't mind. I'll give him the first shot to draw it up, and then we'll present it to the Clerk of Council.

Councilman Everson: So, in that regard, I think the appropriate action today would be to postpone until the next meeting. And that being said, I'd like to make that motion.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Second.

Councilman Shyne: Before we do, I believe it was two people maybe that was down and wanted to speak, and I wouldn't want them to come down and - - - cause I

Mr. Weiner: I think we're fine. I know the neighborhood and homeowners association have agreed (inaudible) left.

Councilman Shyne: I don't want to be accused of not letting people speak, you know, cause people will accuse you anyway, but I don't want to be accused of not letting people speak, cause I don't want people to do too much talking. So, can I get a motion to postpone at this time?

Councilwoman McCulloch: You already got it.

Councilman Everson: I made a motion and - - -

Councilman O. Jenkins: I seconded.

Motion by Councilman <u>Everson</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>O. Jenkins</u> to postpone BAC-145-13 to postpone until the next regular meeting.

Councilman Shyne: And I would hope that in the next 5-6 days, you all could have a resolution drawn up and get it to the Clerk over there, and I know you all know he is very competent. Art, that means you'll get a raise.

Mr. Thompson: Thank you Mr. Shyne.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

The Clerk read the following:

BAC-153-13: East side of Centenary Blvd, Shreveport, LA located 200 feet north of Olive Street (B/Everson)

Councilman Shyne: I believe that's in Councilman Everson's district, y'all come forward, and he'll kinda give us a few direction. Now Jeff, if I disagree with you on this, don't talk about me (inaudible)

Councilman Everson: Not a problem at all, in fact this is a case, I don't know if everybody is familiar with it, it went before the ZBA, I don't know if we had somebody from the ZBA or Corporal Collins, we may need to have a statement on it, but I'll let the applicant speak.

Ms. Patrice Marlowe: (5025 Beachwood Hills Drive) I almost forgot my address, I'm pretty tired right now. I purchased this building back in April of 2013. I watched it from its humble beginnings with my sons and I, and envisioning what it would become. Once things materialized in getting everything set for this business was in May of 2013. Went in front of the ZBA in June, which we were denied. But I went there in front of the ZBA for a variance of hours. I did not know that here for the liquor license. I didn't know that I didn't get it until October 1st. This place I envisioned this business - - - I want to not just make it a drinking establishment, I myself, volunteer for Pet Savers, Hospice, Highland Restoration and would also like to do fundraisers in this business. A special place in my heart is the Providence House and especially Pet Savers. I just want to get an opportunity to open the doors. Give me a chance. I don't know what else to say. I've been a manager for over 20 years. And I'm a hard worker, you know get up every morning early, and I'm still up. Sometimes I put in 12-15 hours a day. I'm a hard worker. Just give me a chance to prove myself. That's all I ask. I thank you.

Councilman Shyne: I believe you have somebody with you.

Ms. Marlowe: Yes sir.

Mr. Bobby Mitchell: (2566 Crape Myrtle) This is my hometown, I've lived here for 78 years.

Mayor Glover: 48 years.

Mr. Mitchell: Minus Marine time, 30.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I knew I liked that guy.

Mr. Mitchell: Damn straight. Look, this lady bought this piece of property.

Councilman Shyne: Just a minute Mr. Mitchell.

Mr. Mitchell: Yes sir.

Councilman Shyne: I don't mean to correct you, but the Mayor doesn't have a vote on this, and he'll tell you.

Mr. Mitchell: I'm quite aware of that.

Councilman Shyne: Well, evidently you're not. Because I would appreciate it if you would look at us and talk to us when you're making your statement. And especially this gentleman here, because he's the councilman in your district. Now after the meeting, you and the Mayor can go out and have a Coke or - - - I almost said a highball, but you know I'm a Christian, so I don't believe in that.

Mr. Mitchell: Okay Mr. Chairman.

Councilman Shyne: But please would you - - - when you make your statement, look at us.

Mr. Mitchell: Okay. This lady bought this piece of property from Mr. Cordero, okay? Mr. Cordero owns bars and stuff down in that area. He's also a real estate man, so like Mr. Everson, he has a piece - - - he's into a lot of different businesses. She bought the piece of property, she went down and did all the things she thought she was supposed to do. She got a business license from the City of Shreveport. She got the Department of Health certificates. She got a Certificate of Occupancy. She did everything she was supposed to do except get the liquor license. Now liquor license takes a little while because you have to do the city thing and the you have to do the state thing. Alright now, I had a talk with Mr. Everson before this meeting, and I asked him to step aside on this. Because he has property adjoining this property that's for sale. I don't know personally whether there's a conflict of interest there or not, but I brought it to his attention. Okay, the lady's done everything that she's supposed to do. Okay? It's a B-2 property. All that strip along there is B-2. The Metropolitan Planning Commission upstairs, even though the code says B-2 is a residential area type business organizations can go in there. They have this little deal up there called 'Special Exceptions', okay? So they call her up at the Metropolitan Planning Commission, Permits does. So she goes up there and pay an outrageous amount of money for a special exception. You know? I don't see why they need a special exception except to control business in Shreveport, LA. Now, Highland area is a community that's going downhill. You got some real nice properties in there, but then you've got a bunch of thugs, rift raft property. Code Enforcement really needs to go out there and clean the whole place up. But anyway, the lady is just trying to go into business, set up a restaurant, and sell some liquor in it, like 35 other places that's in that area. Okay, right now if somebody that's working in that area wants to go eat, they either got to go all the way down to Kings Highway and eat at the pie joint, go down to Youree Drive and hit one of those places, okay? Anyway that's all I got to say. Thank you.

Councilman Everson: And if I could ask somebody from the MPC to let the council know sort of the history of what's happened here. And I would like to also just address briefly, I do not own property next to this property, but I do represent a client as a real estate agent for a property that neighbors this. But that client has not contacted me about this property. So would like Julie to give me any assurances. If I do have a conflict of interest, I'm happy to abstain.

Ms. Glass: That would be a state ethics code. (Inaudible) ethics code, and this is off the top of my head, because I did not know this was coming up. But it basically would prohibit you from participating in the transaction or basically voting on a matter in which you have personal financial interest. The Ethics Board is the authority on that. It's just sort of a judgment call on whether the facts of you representing someone who owns property nearby, would they say that that is a

personal financial interest, but it's not completely unrelated. It would be hard to predict what they would say.

Councilman Everson: Sure, well in that regard, in the spirit of doing things in and be the safest for both the city, myself and everyone involved, I may end up abstaining in this vote, but as I understand it, it is appropriate for me to continue on in the conversation.

Ms. Glass: I'm not sure I can answer that in the affirmative either. Because I think that the law - - - and I'm sorry, but you know if I had the language in front of me, if I had known this was coming up, but I believe that the language says participate in a transaction. I don't know that it is really limited to voting.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Who has the next closest district?

Councilman Everson: It is close to "C".

Councilman O. Jenkins: That's me. I mean it's pretty much almost halfway to (inaudible), I mean, but that's okay I think we can all be good stewards for the city and we represent the entire city. I think there is a lot of (inaudible) things that we need to look into that, I guess had I known about this a little bit beforehand, I would have been better prepared, and I do apologize. I didn't even know this was even an issue. But I certainly would propose we would hear from somebody in the MPC/ZBA, oh, there you are. You could probably at least get us started on the discussion if nothing else.

Mr. Stephen Jean: (MPC/ZBA) It's not a case about having a restaurant being allowed to operate in a B-2. This is a case about allowing a restaurant to operate with an on-premise consumption of high alcoholic content. That is the special exception. The case had come in front of the Zoning Board of Appeals, and this property did under a different case. It came in front of in '13. BAC-73-13 for a lounge at this location. Then it came up in this particular case, and it was denied.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay, and why was it denied?

Mr. Jean: It was denied because of the fact that the Board did not believe that it was an appropriate location due to some parking issues. There was some history with incompatibility with neighborhood. It was very close to neighborhood and it operated in a manner in the past that had been problematic. However, primarily, it was the reason it was incompatibility. Didn't think it was appropriate use for a lounge. Some of it was parking issues and things of that nature. It came back as a restaurant. The restaurant does require that to be at least 60% of the food sales, also requires that the restaurant be opened up during the entire time that the restaurant/bar is open. And I can show you on a floor plan because it was one of the issues discussed at length, at the last hearing.

Councilman Corbin: I think we have a copy of that on our agenda.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Is this the site plan?

Mr. Jean: This is actually a floor plan and one of the things I do want to point out, that this floor plan is the exact same floor plan that was submitted for the lounge except for these four tables. And one of the things that was cited by the ZBA, it just appears what you have is not really a full blown restaurant, but maybe more of another situation where it's a lounge. That of course was brought out in discussion, but that was the reason it was posted on the Land Use Report as the reason for denial, and it was appealed to this body. And Corporal Collins did offer some information at the case.

Councilman Shyne: Is he here?

Mr. Jean: He is here.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay, let me ask, and I certainly - - - this may be more of a legal question, you may be able to answer this. Was the current owner - - -? I read those allegations in there, but were they the property owners when that happened, that old incidence?

Mr. Jean: I think Corporal Collins could speak to that.

Councilman Shyne: Let's let - - - Oliver let's - - - come up and give us some information on it Corporal.

Corporal Collins: I did not testify at the first case. That's when I had a leave of absence. I did testify at the second case. And there were some certain points. Actually went out to the site. I checked out their parking in the back, in which I testified that there was not hard surface parking like what was indicated. Actually I almost got stuck in my city truck when I went out there. That's one thing I did testify to. And there was also two other problems noted by our Vice Department. They monitor social sites. And they noticed there was a lot of activity about this site. So they went out there on November 12th. There was no liquor license. No legal liquor license there, and they noted people were consuming alcohol there. At which time, Mr. Evan Marlowe, he was the applicant. He was cited for not having an Alcohol Permit. He was also told at that time he could not sell any alcohol, until he obtained a proper zoning and a proper permit. The Vice unit again was looking at social media and found out that there was a lot of underage people going on there that's being advertised, they were partying there. So they went back on the 21st at which time, they seen several people out in the parking lot, drinking. There was a lot of beer out, there was also a cover charge being charged at \$5. They noted some vodka being inside. Most of the people were underage, even though they couldn't actually catch the people that were underage. They had a table set up outside in the parking lot with beer cans and stuff at the table. They ended up citing or actually arresting the same person, Mr. Evan Marlowe for keeping disorderly place, on top of selling with no alcohol permit. So even before they were zoned or properly zoned or properly licensed, the Police Department already experienced problems and it seemed that most of it was catered towards underage people, people under 21. I don't know with the lounge of course, they couldn't go in there. But once we turn it into a restaurant, anybody can go into a restaurant. In my experience, quite a few years in licensing, the configuration of that location appear to be more like a bar. If you look, there was a large stage area, there was a kitchen, four tables, a very large bar area, then there's a scenario for a pool tables. And in my experience, usually in a true restaurant, you have more tables than you do bar area, stage area and pool tables. And it didn't appear to be what I would consider a configuration for a restaurant.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay, now I noticed that Ms. Marlowe kinda shook her head when the floor plan of the restaurant. So, do you have a different floor plan now?

Ms. Marlowe: Let me see, I might have left it in my other notebook.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Well first of all, I am happy to make a motion to postpone this, both for me to go take a look at the area, just to make sure. Because I do know the area, but I want to make sure that I go by it, and if you have another floor plan that you're preparing, I certainly think that if we postpone it for two weeks, then you would be prepared to present that to us.

Ms. Marlowe: Cause I also have my parking places, that is updated too. And that's fine. I'll even be there if you want to come in to see us.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Well, first of all I'd like to see kinda where we are at this point, and then if when two weeks come by, if we think remanding it is appropriate, we'll do so at that time. So, I'm going to make a motion to postpone for two weeks.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Second.

Motion by Councilman <u>O. Jenkins</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>McCulloch</u> to postpone until the next regular meeting.

Councilman Shyne: And just before we vote. Councilman O. Jenkins: Don't vote Jeff.

Councilman Shyne: Don't vote yet.

Councilman Everson: Abstaining. Still have to log something. Councilman O. Jenkins: I don't want to lose you on the council.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mitchell, I love you, I think you're a fine fellow, but if you come back before the council, let's try to reform from calling people thugs and that kind of stuff. That's just what I just got through talking about. This is a very professional forum, and we don't want to start making personal innuendos like that. We have enough of that already, and you look like to be a very fine Christian gentleman, and we got the gist. But I want you to know that using terminology like that, you don't really influence nobody. I mean you know that, that kind of stuff don't really influence nobody. I'll go with you more if you're nice, than I will if you - - - so please. I try to refrain, and I ask my colleagues to refrain from making those kinds of statements. We love you, this is your forum, you come back anytime you want to and didn't mean any harm by telling you to look at us. I'm telling you that because we are the ones that's going to finally make the decision. If you come up and you talking to me, and you want me to make a decision and you're looking over there, then I'm thinking that you kinda shutting me out. Now when you come with something dealing with the administration, I will tell you, don't look at us, look at the administration. I love you, don't mean no harm and I hope you take that in a love manner. Okay, we're ready to vote.

Councilwoman McCulloch: He called your name.

Councilman Shyne: He can't call my name by sitting there. I have to call him up. Now if it's something you want to say about this case, you welcome to come up. If it's something you want to say about the comments that I made, the meeting will be over in a few minutes, and I'll meet you in the corner, and you can tell whatever you want to about those comments. I heard him Councilwoman McCulloch, but he was out of place, and I don't entertain motions when you're out of place.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

Councilman Shyne: Okay, this case will be postponed for two weeks. Councilman Jenkins will gladly come out. And if he needs a little gas money - - -

Ms. Marlowe: I'll give it to him.

Councilman Shyne: No, I was going to say Councilman Sam Jenkins will give him.

Ms. Marlowe: (Inaudible)

Councilman O. Jenkins: By the way Julie is shaking her head, because obviously there's ethics violation forthcoming. So, let's not go there.

Councilman Shyne: Okay, okay. Mr. Thompson, let's move on.

Introduction of Resolutions (Not to be adopted prior to January 28, 2014)

The Clerk read the following:

- 1. **Resolution No. 15 of 2014**: A resolution authorizing storm drain stenciling activities for water quality protection purposes, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
- 2. **Resolution No. 16 of 2014**: A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a contract agreement between the City of Shreveport and Lakeview Waterworks District for emergency connection of water supply service, and to otherwise provide with respect

thereto. (A/McCulloch)

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman <u>Corbin</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>Everson</u> to introduce Resolution No(s). 15 and 16 of 2014 to lay over until the next regular meeting. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

Introduction of Ordinances (Not to be adopted prior to January 28, 2014)

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Sibley, did the administration say they wanted to remove No. 4?

Mr. Sibley: That's correct.

Mr. Thompson: A motion to remove No. 4 would be in order.

4. **Ordinance No. 4 of 2014**: An ordinance amending sections of Chapter 50-188 of the Code of Ordinances, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Motion by Councilman <u>Corbin</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>O. Jenkins</u> to remove Ordinance No. 4 of 2014 from the agenda. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

The Clerk read the following:

- 1. Ordinance No. 1 of 2014: An ordinance amending the 2014 Capital Improvements Budget, and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (City-wide drainage Project No. 11-D001)
- 2. **Ordinance No. 2 of 2014**: An ordinance amending the 2014 Capital Improvements Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (*Municipal Auditorium improvements/ADA Compliance*)
- 3. Ordinance No. 3 of 2014: An ordinance amending certain sections of Chapter 62 of the Code of Ordinances relative to fees charged by the Department of Public Assembly and Recreation, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman <u>Everson</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>Corbin</u> to introduce Ordinance No(s). 1, 2, and 3 of 2014 to lay over until the next regular meeting. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

Ordinances on Second Reading and Final Passage (Numbers are assigned Ordinance Numbers)

The Clerk read the following:

1. Ordinance No. 161 of 2013: An ordinance amending the 2013 Capital Improvements Budget, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (Noise Compatibility Plan Study Update)

Having passed first reading on <u>December 10, 2013</u> was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman <u>S. Jenkins</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>Corbin</u> to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

2. **Ordinance No. 162 of 2013**: An ordinance amending Section 66-151 if the Code of Ordinances relative to sick leave donations and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Having passed first reading on <u>December 10, 2013</u> was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman <u>Corbin</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>S. Jenkins</u> to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

3. Ordinance No. 163 of 2013: An ordinance declaring the city's intention to acquire full ownership of certain adjudicated properties for the Ledbetter Heights Land Banking Project and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (B/Everson)

Having passed first reading on <u>December 20, 2013</u> was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman <u>Everson</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>S. Jenkins</u> to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

5. Ordinance No. 165 of 2013: ZONING - C-86-13: 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 Kirby Place 200 feet east of Creswell Avenue, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA, be and the same is hereby changed from R-1H, Urban, One Family Residence District to R-1H-E, Urban, One Family Residence/Extended Use District limited to "temporary housing for nine veterans limited to approximately 18 months" only, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (B/Everson)

Having passed first reading on <u>December 20, 2013</u> was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman <u>Everson</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>S. Jenkins</u> to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

The adopted ordinances and amendments follow:

ORDINANCE NO. 161 OF 2013

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2013 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BUDGET AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BY: COUNCILMAN S. JENKINS

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it necessary to amend the 2013 Capital Improvements Budget to shift project funding and for other purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in legal session convened, that Ordinance No. 133 of 2012, the 2013 Capital Improvements Budget, be amended and re-enacted as follows:

In Program H (Airport Improvements):

Establish a new project entitled Part 150 Noise Compatibility Plan Study Update at Shreveport Regional Airport with an appropriation of \$450,000.00 (90%) from the Federal Aviation Administration and \$50,000.00 (10%) from the Louisiana Department of Transportation Aviation Division. The scope of this project is to reassess the noise levels generated by the airport based on current fleet mix and schedules and determine areas of non-compatible land use. The study will also update the current noise contours, generate a land reuse program, and provide for community outreach efforts including a website to accept public comment. Adjust totals and subtotals accordingly.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the remainder of Ordinance No. 133 of 2012, as amended, shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if any provisions 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 to be severable.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 162 OF 2013

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 66-151 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES RELATIVE TO SICK LEAVE DONATIONS AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal and regular session convened that Section 66-151 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Shreveport is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

Sec. 66-151. Requirements.

(c) Upon establishment of the account, any employee as described in section 66-150, who has accrued more than 160 hours of annual or sick leave may donate any hours above their 160-hour combined balance to the sick leave account. The minimum donation is one hour. An employee may not receive more hours than are necessary to facilitate his or her return to work. In any event, no employee may receive more than four hundred eighty (480) hours of donated sick leave per calendar year. Any excess hours donated cease to exist for all parties.

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

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

ORDINANCE NO. 163 OF 2014 AN ORDINANCE DECLARING THE CITY'S INTENTION TO ACQUIRE FULL OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN ADJUDICATED PROPERTIES FOR THE LEDBETTER

HEIGHTS LAND BANKING PROJECT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING 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, said properties being more fully described below along with the names of the last known owners of record of the properties; and

WHEREAS, under La. R. S. 47:2236 et. seq. when property has been adjudicated to a political subdivision, the political subdivision may declare by ordinance that it intends to acquire a full ownership interest in the property; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened, that it does hereby declare its intention to acquire the

following properties in full ownership:

Parcel #	Geographical #	Physical Address	Legal Description	Assessed Owner
P-59A	181437-047-0030-00	404 Mary St	74 ft. on Mary St. by 100 ft. on Travis St., Blk 1, TAL 19, Shreveport	Nicholas Putch
P-63A	181437-047-0013-00	23840 None	Lot 13, Blk 1, TAL 19, Shreveport & ½ adjacent abandoned alley	Phyllis M. Toliver ½ and Linda E. Gauthreaux ½
P-64A	181437-047-0014-00	0 Travis St	Lot 14 & SWly 12 ½ ft of Blk 1, TAL 19, Shreveport & ½ adjacent abandoned alley	Phyllis M. Toliver ½ and Linda E. Gauthreaux ½
P-65A	181437-047-0044-00	951 Travis St	Lot 16 & NEly 27½ ft. of Lot 15, Blk. 1, TAL 19, Shreveport & ½ adjacent abandoned alley	Jake Cullick Real Estate, Inc.
P-78A	181437-009-0013-00	920 Sprague St	SWly 20 ft. of Lot 10, Blk 2 & NEly 15 ft. of Lot 11, Blk 2, TAL 3, Shreveport & ½ adjacent abandoned alley	Belle Exploration, Inc
P-79A	181437-009-0020-00	924 Sprague St	Lot 12 & SWly 25 ft of Lot 11, Blk 2, TAL 3, Shreveport & ½ adjacent abandoned alley	Joe and Mamie Gray McFann
P-86A	181437-047-0023-00	126 Travis St	Wly 9 ft. of Lot 5, Ely 22 ft. of Lot 6, Blk 1, TAL 19, Shreveport & ½ adjacent abandoned alley	James Augustus Moore & Mary Williams Moore c/o Mary Ellison

P-	181437-061-0050-00	23922 None	Lot 48, Schumpert Sub,	Lee Kinnebrew
117A			TAL 23, Shreveport,	
			Less W. 15 ft.	
P-	181437-061-0047-00	1210 Sprague	Lot 47, Schumpert Sub,	Magnolia Grove RTO
118A		St	TAL 23, Sport, Sprague	Tax Sale Properties,
			Street Apartments	LLC
P-	181437-061-0045-00	1212 Sprague	Lots 45 & 46,	Boaz Tax Sale
119A		St	Schumpert Sub, TAL	Properties
			23, Sport, Sprague	
			Street Apartments	

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that in accordance with La. R. S. 47:2236 (B) this ordinance shall be filed with the recorder of mortgages, who shall index the names of the tax debtor and the City of Shreveport as mortgagees.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that in accordance with La. R. S. 47:2236 (C) AND (D), notice shall be given to all persons whose interests the city intends to terminate, and notice shall be published in the

official journal. Both notices shall state that the tax sale parties (defined by La. R. S. 47:2122) shall have sixty days after the date of the notice, if five years have elapsed from the filing of the tax sale certificate, or six months after the date of notice, if five years have not elapsed from the filing of the tax sale certificate, to redeem the property or otherwise challenge the acquisition in a court of competent jurisdiction.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that in accordance with La. R. S. 47:2236 (E), if the properties are not redeemed within said time limits, this ordinance shall become operative and the City of Shreveport shall acquire full ownership of the properties, subject only to such rights as determined by a final judgment rendered in an action filed within the time limits set forth above.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that in accordance with La. R. S. 47:2236 (E), the City shall file a notice in the conveyance records indicating that it has acquired full ownership of the properties in compliance with the statute.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 165 OF 2013

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 KIRBY PLACE 200 FEET EAST OF CRESWELL AVENUE, SHREVEPORT, CADDO PARISH, LA, FROM R-1H, URBAN, ONE FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO R-1H-E, URBAN, ONE FAMILY RESIDENCE/EXTENDED USE DISTRICT LIMITED TO "TEMPORARY HOUSING FOR NINE VETERANS LIMITED TO APPROXIMATELY 18 MONTHS" ONLY AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

SECTION I: BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA, in due, legal and regular session convened, that the zoning classification of Lot 2, Degraffenfried Sub, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA, the Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA, property located on the north side of Kirby Place 200 feet east of Creswell Avenue, be and the same is

hereby changed from R-1H, Urban, One Family Residence District to R-1H-E, Urban, One Family Residence/Extended Use District limited to "temporary housing for nine veterans limited to approximately 18 months" only.

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 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.

Tabled Legislation.

- 1. Ordinance No. 170 of 2012: Amending and reenacting portions of Chapter 90 of the Code of Ordinances relative to Residential Parking Permit Zones, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (*Tabled December 11, 2012*)
- 2. <u>Ordinance No. 89 of 2011</u> Amending and reenacting Chapter 74 of the Code of Ordinances relative to Solid Waste Collections, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (G/S. Jenkins) (*Tabled August 13, 2013*)
- 3. Ordinance No. 90 of 2013: Amending and reenacting Section 102-47 of the Code of Ordinances relative to insurance required for Vehicles for Hire and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (F/Shyne) (Tabled August 27, 2013)
- 4. Ordinance No. 96 of 2013: An ordinance amending and reenact Chapter 14 of the Code of Ordinances by adding Article V relative to fowl and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (F/Shyne) (*Tabled September 10, 2013*)

Motion by Councilman <u>Everson</u>, seconded by Councilman <u>O. Jenkins</u> to. Remove Ordinance No. 96 of 2013 from the agenda.

Councilman Everson: I'll just say just for the record, we did discuss yesterday, but just for the record, I'd like to restate that when the Council tabled this, we sent it to Master Plan Committee for their recommendation. Their recommendation came back that we allow this to be addressed in the Unified Development Code.

Councilman Shyne: Thank you Jeff.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

Appeals Property Standards Appeals

- PSD1000086 2837 Logan Street, Shreveport, LA (G/S. Jenkins) Ms. Carolyn Ivory Wilson, 3646 Del Rio Street, Shreveport, LA 71109 (G/Jenkins) (*Postponed December 20, 2013 until March 24, 2014*)
- PSD1000141 728 Austin Pl, Shreveport, LA (B/Everson) Ms. Deborah Bryant, 9640 Tammy, Shreveport, LA 71106 (Caddo Parish) (*Postponed December 9, 2013 until February 24, 2014*)
- PSD1300151: 3015 Catherine St., Shreveport, LA (A/McCulloch) Mr. Larry Davenport, 2245 Soda Lake Circle, Shreveport, LA 71107 (Postponed November 25, 2013 until January 13, 2014)
- PSD 1300082 5918 Attaway Street, Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) Mr. Jerome Fields, 5954 Attaway Street, Shreveport, LA 71108 (F/Shyne) (Postponed December 20, 2013 until February 10, 2014)
- PSD 1300135 795 W. 70TH Street, Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) Mr. Liaqat Ali, 550 Atkins Avenue, Shreveport, LA 71104 (B/Everson) (Postponed November 11, 2013 until January 13, 2014)
- PSD1300218 360 E. 68th Street, Shreveport, LA (C/O. Jenkins) Mr. Daniel Southern, 368 E. 68th Street, Shreveport, LA 71106 (C/O. Jenkins) (*Postponed November 25, 2013 until February 24, 2014*)
- PSD1300137 1447 Hollywood Avenue, Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) Ms. Mary Dickens, 6004 Fox Ridge, Shreveport, LA 71129 (G/S. Jenkins) (*Postponed November 25, 2013 until January 27, 2014*)
- PSD130017 276 Wall Street, Shreveport, LA (B/Everson) Mr. Jarrod C. Hammonds, 2714 Phelps Road, Shreveport, LA 71107 (A/McCulloch) (*Postponed December 9, 2013 until January 13, 2013*)
- PSG1300472 3649 Darien Street, Shreveport, LA (G/S. Jenkins) Mr. Kevin Belcher, P.O. Box 3313, Shreveport, LA 71133 (Postponed December 9, 2013 until January 13, 2013)

Alcoholic Beverage Ordinance Appeals Other Appeals Taxi Appeal Reports from officers, boards, and committees

Councilman O. Jenkins: I'd like if I may start with a different board that I sit on and then I'll get back to that one. So we have been working hard on the Employee Retirement Board and I think there's going to be some communication with Council. The next meeting is set up and we've got a new actuary, and we've got a new advisor of that, and I think we're going to use some forms to catch you up to speed on some things we're working on. So hopefully, there'll be communication from the Administration in the (inaudible) about setting up meetings to begin some of those discussions. Okay, 2) One of the things we had in our Intergovernmental meeting, in response is discussion about Homeland Security, the local Homeland Security Office, and

obviously those comments were clear. They were mentioning media and there are some further meetings supposedly at the end of this week, and I'm happy for the Mayor to elaborate that at any point. But then as your task for me to involved with that, there is a subsequent meeting, potentially planned with institutes on this side of the river, depending on how that goes with the Bossier (inaudible) and that group. So that was my task.

Councilman Shyne: Thank you and Mr. Mayor and Mr. Sibley, Councilman Oliver Jenkins will be the point person that will be representing the council in making those meetings. And Dale, if he doesn't make 'em, you let me know and Art, we'll dock him, hear? Dock your pay. You see I'm stepping over my bounds Mr. Mayor. Okay, go head on Mr. Mayor.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, to add to what Councilman Oliver Jenkins just offered, the Executive Committee of which yours truly is the current chair, as of January 1, 2014, will meet this Friday at 9:00 a.m. That executive committee is made up of the two mayors, the two representatives from the two parishes as well as the two sheriffs. The four parties that are a part of the 60 year long cooperative endeavor agreement that created first Caddo/Bossier Civil Defense and now the Caddo/Bossier Office of Homeland Security calls for anyone of those four members to be able to provide 90 days' notice to the others of their desire to withdraw. It is my understanding that the Bossier City Council has in fact passed a resolution expressing that sentiment on behalf of the City of Bossier, and so I'm essentially expecting that this Friday's meeting will be a formalization of what has already been expressed. I have a faint hope that maybe over the holidays, that the ghost of disasters past may have visited upon some of our neighbors from across the river and caused them to reconsider. Because this is truly from my perspective not the right course of action that we should be taking when it comes to emergency preparedness and homeland security. A deviation from 60+ years of cooperative regionalism is not something that serves the interest of all our collective citizens and constituency well at all. But as I expressed at that time and I expressed at the Intergovernmental meeting, you cannot stay in a relationship with folks who don't want to be in a relationship with you, and so in the event that this does in fact go forward as Councilman Oliver Jenkins just expressed, we will be tasked with the responsibility of establishing an office of emergency preparedness and homeland security for Caddo Parish and the City of Shreveport. One of the biggest challenges that that will ultimately provide is that you will no longer have a single point of contact for emergency preparedness issues for Caddo and Bossier. Neither will you have the various folks responsible for responding to these types of emergencies all together in the same room, at the same time talking about the common asset issues and challenges that we share between the two communities. Will end up in our respective silos wondering what the others are talking about, but not actually being in a position to know what that is. From my perspective, when you're dealing with whether it's hurricane response, or emergencies that are affecting our citizens, that's not the best posture to be in. But if that's the fate that we're given, then obviously we will to work with all parties involved to make the best of it. With that in mind, as soon as this meeting wraps up on Friday, we're looking to get scheduled an opportunity for myself, obviously the council representative, commission and their staff as well as the sheriff's office to be able to get together and look at what protocol we (inaudible) for Caddo going forward.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Thank you Mr. Chairman. My nickname in high school, 'Sweet Sam'.

Councilman Shyne: Wait a minute. Dale?

Mayor Glover: That would have been something else on the Cooper Road Mr. Jenkins. Thank you Mr. Chairman, another subject that we discussed at the governmental meeting was a presentation that we got from American Traffic Solutions. Basically what that proposal would involve is placing some cameras on the outside of the buses, the exterior of the buses, to catch

violators when the bus is picking up students or dropping them off. Generally where that's going on, the bus displays some stop signs and what happens, cars are supposed to stop. You know, (inaudible) as you would at an intersection. There's going to be further pursuit of it I understand, because it's going to take all three governmental bodies, the city, the parish and the school board to make it work. Now I understand that American Traffic Solutions will be given some invitations to come before each individual governmental body to talk about some kind of legislation where they can begin to maybe negotiate and talk about it. I think the beautiful part about it Mr. Chairman, Mr. Mayor is that this would be an opportunity to add some additional protection for our children at no cost to the taxpayer. Because the operation of the program will come from the money that's collected from violators. And it will also generate some additional revenue for the governmental entities that are participating. So it's a very much a win/win situation. I think we just need to follow up some more. I was going to get with the Clerk to talk about the particulars and I believe somewhere along the lines Mr. Chairman, you indicated that maybe our Public Safety Committee would take a look at it and make some recommendations from that point. But I do want to get with the clerk and maybe put together some legislation to at least get the idea introduced at this particular level and then turn it over the committee and let it go from that standpoint. So

Councilman Shyne: What I would hope that you would do before you put the legislation together, you and Mr. Thompson, you would at least meet with the Chairman of our Public Safety Committee, and let's do it like that. Now you know Oliver, I have been accused of maybe stepping outside of my authority from time to time, but I want to make sure that whenever I'm knowledgeable, that we would do that. So I would hope that Mr. Sam Jenkins would come to you and you all would put the legislation together before you bring it to the main body, that the Public Safety Committee would discuss it because I do want to say that you have some very competent members that serve with you on that Public Safety Committee.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Would one of them be you Mr. Chairman?

Councilman Shyne: Well.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Well, let me just say that our family has already had a great spirit of cooperation and coordination, so you know we're happy to keep it.

Councilman Shyne: Dale, you see that huh?

Mr. Sibley: I see that.

Councilman Shyne: We believe in cooperating on the Council. Okay, any other reports from any Boards or - - - oh, Mr. Mayor, I don't want to put you on the spot, but one other thing that we discussed in the Intergovernmental Committee meeting that I think is very important, and you being a good ole football fan, I coached it for a minute or two. I don't know how successful I was Dale, as a football coach, but we talked about the Independence Bowl, trying to see what we could do. Is Patrick Williams still here? We had Patrick here a few minutes ago. But Mr. Mayor, I'm going to probably ask you and Councilman Corbin if he doesn't mind. We might need to set up a meeting with our state delegation to see if they're on board with trying to help us try to come up with some kind of way create some kind of way where we could get some funds in for the Independence Bowl going and you know Jeff might have to look at it from the standpoint with the administration of maybe working with the Chamber and the business community to see if we could create some ways by which we could come up with some money for the Independence Bowl because like I tell people. You know college football is not about just having fun, it's about making money. And if you think I don't know what I'm talking about, call over to Alabama and speak to Nick Sabin. And he'll tell you coaching college football now is about making money. Cause I know if Dale could make \$7 ½ (million) coaching Alabama, he would leave his position right now and Dale, you do your position extremely well. You're very competent in what you do. Now Mr. Mayor you want to, maybe not a long dissertation, but you just want to mention looking

into that?

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, members of the council, we've had some ongoing discussions with both members of both the legislative delegation as well as supporters of the Independence Bowl about various funding scenarios that they're interested in pursuing. Frankly what I've expressed to them is that I have very little interest I guess in similar fashion to not want to see tax dollars going to dog parks, I have very little interest in seeing tax dollars going to football games and other sporting events. I don't believe it to be a wise and prudent use of our tax dollars. However, just like the dogs have a constituency, I know that football and sports have a constituency as well. I mean if you have a collective goal that you're trying to achieve, you have to sometime figure out how you interconnect yourselves in order to be able to get going to go forward. I believe that when it comes to generating additional revenue for these types of activities and functions, our first priority should be economic development. As long as economic level, we need to focus on the airport and so we have had conversations with not only the legislative delegation, but members of the sports community as well as our neighbors across the river, in working on some scenarios that would result in additional revenues being generated, with a portion of them going towards the Independence Bowl and the other sports related events, but also a significant portion of them going towards or providing dollars so that we can retain and expand and hopefully cheapen the cost of air service for the City of Shreveport. That is something that impacts us 365 days a year. As much as I love the football and I love the Bowls, those are week long activities and have limited financial impact no matter how you spin it, the airport is something that affects in terms of our quality of life. for those of us who live here, and something that affects us in terms of our ability to be able to affectively develop the economic in this region because business is (inaudible) because of the cost and the lack of convenient air service. So we're hoping as I shared to be able to merge some of those issues, join some interest and see how we may be able to do something together. We will definitely keep the council involved and connected in that.

Councilman Shyne: And Mr. Mayor, I appreciate you saying that's your position, but there might be others who have another position, and that's what democracy is all about, and I would hope that if Councilman Corbin doesn't mind that he could work with the administration on working with the state legislative delegation and find out and come up with some kind of way that we can keep the Independence Bowl going. Because to me it is an economic engine. Not only is it an economic engine, but it's a way for us to get positive feedback from our city to the nation because most of the games are televised and the other thing is Councilman Corbin as a city, we have spent a lot of money out at Independence Stadium, and we are losing games, games, games, games, games, and I appreciate what the Mayor is saying, but there are people who want to look at ways by which we can keep the Independence Bowl going. Mayor thank you. Councilman Corbin, would you mind working with that to see, and Jeff, it's a little early, but would you be willing to work with Councilman Corbin and the Mayor, kinda as a point to work with the business community to see what we can do in order to keep this football game. And to me, it's more than a football game. We have the Bayou Classic down in New Orleans. It's not just a football game. It generates millions of dollars that could be used in order for public uses in the form of taxes. We have other bowl games that's just not a football game. It's an opportunity - - - I look at 'em as being an economic engine. So, I would hope Mr. Mayor that we would keep this in mind. Let's move on from here.

Mayor Glover: Appreciate your request Mr. Shyne, we'll keep it in mind.
Councilman Shyne: Thank you Mr. Mayor, thank you, thank you very much. Mr.
Thompson, I believe we're at where we'll resolve ourselves into the Committee of the Whole, can I get a motion?

Councilman Corbin: Don't miss that Clerk's report. Councilman Shyne: Mr. Thompson, you see that?

Mr. Thompson: You were trying to help me out Mr. Shyne.

Councilman Shyne: I'm trying to help you out and you see Mike. Okay Mr. Thompson, you have a Clerk's report?

Mr. Thompson: I don't have one Mr. Chairman.

Councilman Corbin: I just wanted to make sure in case he prepared.

Clerk's Report

The Committee "rises and reports" (reconvenes the regular council meeting) **Adjournment**: There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at approximately 7:50 p.m.

//s// Joe Shyne, Ch	airman	
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