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Council Proceedings of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana
October 8, 2013

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana was called to order by Chairman Michael Corbin at 3:03 p.m., Tuesday, October 8, 2013, in the Government Chambers in Government Plaza (505 Travis Street).

Invocation was given by Councilman S. Jenkins.
The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Everson.

On Roll Call, the following members were Present: Councilmen Jeff Everson, Michael Corbin, Oliver Jenkins (Arrived at 3:33 p.m.), Ron Webb, Joe Shyne, and Sam Jenkins. 6. Absent: Councilman Rose Wilson-McCulloch. 1.

Motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to approve the minutes of the Administrative Conference, Monday, September 23, 2013 and Council Meeting, Tuesday, September 24, 2013. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 4. Nays: None. Absent: Councilmen McCulloch and O. Jenkins. 2. Abstentions: None. Not Voting: Councilman Corbin – Mayor Pro Tem. 1.

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

Awards and recognition of distinguished guests by City Council members, not to exceed fifteen minutes.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman, I would suggest that at our next council meeting, we would have the Director of Public Buildings to come up and give us a prayer.

Councilman Corbin: We could do that.

Councilman Shyne: She finished from a good Christian school. They work on you in the operating room, and then they pray for you in the churches.

Councilman Corbin: We will make a note for the next meeting. At this time, we're moving into Awards, recognition of distinguished guests. I'll kick us off. I have a lengthy list here, but first I'd like to recognize Mr. Lane Calloway with the Historic Preservation Committee and have him come and give us a brief report.

Mr. Lane Calloway: I'm the Chair of the Shreveport Historic Preservation Committee, and per the ordinance, we turned in a report (inaudible) that covers four months, but we wanted to start that process.

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Chairman, I believe that all Council Members received an electronic copy of that report.

Mr. Calloway: Just wanted the Council to know that there will be (inaudible) from June 27th, we have met each month thereafter, and we have done our bylaws, and on October 15th

which is next commission meeting, we're doing the design and review guidelines first draft. Also look at the first draft of the Shreveport Rescue of Historic Places. That will include also the how to list properties, how to designate local historic districts and get that process going. Secondly, we have also asked to meet with Mike Wood on the 14th, the day before and he will also give us a presentation on the 15th about the (inaudible) process. And also we're starting to process on the 15th for the Certified Local Government designation for Shreveport. And so we started off again in June after we got empaneled, and I think the Commissioners and I, we understand the seriousness of the mission, what we're doing and we start, I think a good start. So if you have questions?

Councilman Corbin: Certainly appreciate the work that's been done so far and look forward to the Commission working to educate the Council on what the difference is between historic areas and historic buildings and just things that may be old. Because I think that's something that certainly we need education on as well as the public. We look forward to learning more about that.

Mr. Calloway: We were looking at an education outreach and we have talked to (inaudible) heads already, and would like to sit down with all of you and give you that orientation and so forth. Also we're reaching out to the neighborhoods of the historic districts and we have attended some meetings where we're going to get on their calendars so we can get there and understand what they want to do and how they can help us, and how we can help them. It's a partnership. So we welcome the invitation to come and talk with the Council again one on one, and also in a group and do some education. Although, I think this wise Council knows a lot.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman, I think that's an excellent idea to go into the neighborhoods and I'm finding out that a lot of our high school kids don't really know anything about the history and the historical value of our community. I would hope that down the road, you as the Chairman and maybe a couple of other members from time to time, could get the time to contact Captain Shreve, Byrd, Green Oaks, Fair Park, Booker T., Youree Drive, some of these schools and I know the principals would let you all come in and maybe speak to a class, or maybe a small assembly of students after you get your program up and rolling. Cause I've just been shocked. We have a lot of high school kids who really don't know anything about their city. And we talk about people staying here, and we talk about people being able to appreciate the city, the more you know about your town, about your city, the more you have a tendency to appreciate it. So, I would hope that you would go back and discuss that with your committee and somewhere down the road, you all could put that on your agenda. Especially, the major high schools. I guess I left Southwood and Huntington out, and Sam, I didn't want you to feel bad, by me leaving Huntington out, that's in Sam's district. No, we share that.

Councilman S. Jenkins: We share that.

Councilman Shyne: Yeah, we share that.

Mr. Calloway: An excellent idea, because historic preservation gives us a sense of community. Each building has a human story. For example, you talk about Fair Park High School. Built in 1928, American (inaudible) Revival Architecture, style of architecture, and it was part of a bigger movement in the 1920s that looked at (inaudible) and the American Revival. We looked at some buildings downtown as well as Fair Park to reflect that what was going on nationwide. So, it's part of the story of Shreveport. Indeed.

Councilman Shyne: And you know it's amazing cause I know when Jeff went to Byrd, I mean Jeff carried his A game to school every day, so he was up on the historical aspect of Byrd, but you have a lot of kids at Fair Park, have no idea or no history or knowledge at all about Fair Park, and I would hope that this would be one of you all's objectives and goals, you know to

spread this throughout the community, and it creates a community awareness and it creates an appreciation for our community. So I would hope that you all would do that.

Mr. Calloway: Can do.

Councilman Shyne: Thank you sir.

Councilman Everson: In addition, and I see you've got your outreach and education efforts on there, that's great for your upcoming goals and creation of the advisory council. And I'm particularly happy to see the focus on the local certified government application, and feel free as I'm sure you all know, but feel free to reach out to me if you have any need for assistance in getting that completed. I know that that's something of a process, and if there's steps that we need to take as a city in order to make that a successful process, that's something in the long run will benefit all of us, because they aren't maybe as familiar with this program the Certified Local Government, is a designation that a community gets when their local policies are in line with state and federal policies, and it makes you eligible for a large number of programs, foundation funding, federal government funding, different things that - - - different opportunities that we don't have right now, so it's an important designation to have and it's a great goal, so we'd like to see that on there.

Mr. Calloway: And also many as you know many grants, we applied for many grants to help us educate, help us outreach, help us do things for Historic Preservation in Shreveport. Thank you sir.

Councilman Corbin: A couple other quick things that I have, as I told Councilman Everson a couple of days ago, it was another busy weekend in Shreveport, especially in downtown Shreveport. There were more activities than there was time to do those activities. So, congratulations to everyone involved with the Louisiana Film prize as well as the Red River Revel, on their first successful weekend of this year's run. Also all the folks who participate in Shreveport/Bossier night out against crime. I know a lot of work went into setting up those parties, at about an hour in the rain put a damper on. In my district there were 14 parties on the schedule, and I think we made it to 2 ½ before the rain came in and dispersed everybody. Also want to recognize October 3rd, Pastor Tim Jones and the staff at Atkins School organized a neighborhood meeting in Cedar Grove to address education in Cedar Grove and asked me to attend. It was a good meeting to talk about the future of Atkins School. The only neighborhood school left in Cedar Grove. And plans they had to visit with the school system and try to keep Atkins school open. I'd like to thank Ms. Ragle, and especially her work crews for trimming up the bushes that had grown into the running trail on Clyde Fant. Now myself and other runners can run without having to knock things out of the way, and I appreciate the effort that they put into that as well as Mr. Harris and our street crews that they've done on E. Kings Hwy the past three or four weeks. That is both in Districts C and D. And some major bumps in that road are now nice and smooth. And I certainly appreciate it along with other drivers. And lastly, I should say that through the miracles of modern medicine, both the Chair and Vice-Chair are a year older at this meeting than we were at our last meeting.

Councilman Shyne: Thank you, thank you. And Art is two years older.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Well it's certainly a miracle for Councilman Joe Shyne. It's wonderful to see you a year older.

Councilman Shyne: Oh Sam, thank you.

Councilman S. Jenkins: You can Councilman Webb bring a lot of wisdom to this council. So just want both of you to know how much we appreciate you. We have scheduled two meetings

to update residents of District G on Council action. The first of those meetings will be this Monday, October 14th at 6:00 at Billberry Park and then that Tuesday, October 15th, we will have the same format, meeting at Cockrell Park. And we certainly want to urge our residents to come out and be in attendance at these meetings. The meetings will begin at 6:00 p.m. and we will end those meetings promptly at 7:30 p.m. Because we value your time. We will be discussing a variety of subjects, and we should have as many of the department heads as possible, or some representatives of the various departments at both meetings that we have planned. This will give our residents to have an opportunity to have a face to face meeting and dialogue where they can voice their concerns about the things that are going on in their various neighborhoods and communities. So, we urge you to come out and be a part of the meeting and bring your concerns with you and to give you an opportunity to also maybe get some business cards from some of the department heads or representatives so you can do some follow-up concerning your concerns, and we will be dealing with a variety of subjects. We have extended some invitations to COMCAST and representatives there to come out and talk about their services as well as their community involvement. We've extended an invitation to Shreveport Green to come out and talk about an anti-litter campaign that they will be undertaking here in the City of Shreveport. We also will have the usual comments concerning jobs in the city as well as public safety and property standards, and we have representatives and time to talk about all of those issues, so we want you to come out. I had a meeting on yesterday Mr. Chairman with some of the representatives of the non-profits that administer the Shreveport Water Assistance Program. I know many of our citizens know that you will probably be seeing some increases in water and sewer...that's the reaction I usually get when I go on that subject. But at any rate, we're certainly not leading to discuss or criticize any of that. We're going to be talking more or less about assistance that they can offer to those persons who may be impacted in some kind of way as a result of those increases. So, this will be a meeting where we can talk about a variety of subjects. We want you to come out and please be a part of it. Just as the Chairman stated, also want to commend all those persons who are involved with the street projects now underway in District G. We see work that's being done on Lakeshore as well as Jewella as well as some other areas there in the district. I know that the traffic may be a little inconvenient as a result of it, but just know that this is tax dollars at work in the district for use, and what we're going to be doing. Mr. CAO, I have been working with SWEPCO concerning street lighting there at the intersection of Pines Road and Greenwood Road. I had been told that SWEPCO has made some of the repairs that need to be accomplished to get the lighting back up, but they are indicating to me that maybe the City has some involvement that may need to be there so, I'm not 100% sure about that, but if we could get someone to look into it. I was out there a couple of nights and it's very dark at that intersection. If we could have someone address the lighting in that area, that certainly would be appreciated. That is a concern that has come in. So, once again, I want to thank everyone working on the roads in District G. Long overdue, but we're there and we're getting it done, and we want to certainly invite our residents to come out and be a part of these meetings. These meetings are for you. This is our way of bringing City Hall to the community, and to the neighborhoods. So we would have an opportunity to talk to the people that you have elected as well as those persons who have been appointed or are employed by the city to represent you. Thank you Mr. Chairman.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman, I just wanted to make one statement to Sam. In the next administration now, it would be nice if you instruct Mr. Harris or somebody in his office to check around the city, because I've had people to call me and we have quite a few, you brought it

to my mind, street lights that are out, and inform SWEPCO. So, I'm bringing this to you, so as a citizen in a year or two from now, I don't want to be calling your office Sam.

Councilman S. Jenkins: We will pass that on Councilman Shyne.

Councilman Everson: And as well, I know that - - -

Councilman Shyne: I mean I'm just throwing it out now Mr. Harris, so you might want to kinda do it earlier, so when somebody new gets into office, you can say well hey look, we're doing that already.

Councilman Everson: And in talking to SWEPCO recently, cause in downtown, some of our - - - you know they have that kind of historic looking light fixtures that are a little bit different, and there's a few other neighborhoods in my district that have sort of the old style street lights, and I think sometimes we have a problem stocking those bulbs it appears to maybe be a problem, at least that's what SWEPCO says so, if that is the case, if y'all could let me know what we need to do about either that or if it's just general bulbs, I'm not exactly sure what their response it, but they said that sometimes that they're not getting the message from the constituents directly, which we can take care of by passing it along pretty quickly. But sometimes, they run short of the right type of bulbs. So maybe if we could look into that.

Mr. Sibley: We'll check into it. Stan I know is taking good notes back there and we'll follow up on.

Councilman Shyne: And Mr. Sibley, not only downtown, or in Jeff's district, but I have some lighting out in my area that's a little different than the normal, on the metal poles and I know that would be one of the things that Stan would put on his agenda, you know to have somebody to - - - cause I'm saying this, but maybe I don't have no business saying this. A lot of times, they can't check 'em in the day time. They have to check 'em at night. Cause I've had one or two people to tell me, well you know we checked them the other day. You can't check the street lights in the day time.

Mr. Sibley: And it is helpful just to follow-up if the citizens know that each pole has a number on it, so when they call or when they call down here or whether they call SWEPCO directly, often times giving them that pole number would be very helpful. And if they can read it, the address, we can work from that also.

Councilman Everson: has certainly had success with this, and I have too, if you go on SWEPCO's site, you can report a pole out, and I think we've both seen like 24 hour turn around in a lot of cases.

Councilman Everson: Very quick turnaround if you of use their online reporting tool, but again, the important thing for citizens to keep in mind is getting that pole number. Because if you give them that pole number, they'll get out there real quickly and they will get it taken care of. But you gotta make sure and get that pole number. The other thing if I could, is I had asked the police department to talk to us a little bit. There's been a rash of car thefts in the South Highlands area in the last couple of weeks, and just wanted to see if we could get a little bit of an update on that situation.

Chief Goodin: Just real quick, and I'll start with probably the most (inaudible) point is that in the past 24 hours, we've actually recovered evidence that has led us to the identification of a suspect that we are going to arrest in connection with at least one of those crimes. Now let me be clear, that at this early stage of this inquiry, it wouldn't be prudent to say that he would be responsible for more. Now obviously as the investigation moves forward, that's one of the things that the detectives are going to be doing is looking and seeing if this individual is responsible for

other similar crimes in that geographic area. So, we are hopefully very near to an arrest. They tell me that if they don't have him in custody today, they will seek out a warrant through the Caddo Parish District Attorney's office through District Court, and then he will be entered into NCIC where we can hopefully locate him in very short order. Now as far as what we've been doing as proactive measures, our community response unit, and our community oriented policing bureau, they're working very closely with our detective office, have run several special operations directed specifically at focusing on theft of autos in that area. And certainly we don't want to do or say anything that could potentially compromise the operation or integrity of any of those investigations, but be assured that we are working to be very proactive in addressing those crimes. So, overall and just to kinda give you some context city-wide, vehicle burglaries are down a little bit this year, particularly when you look at District 5 which is a very big district, obviously not just relegated to that South Highlands neighborhood, crimes such as theft and auto are down year to date, were up last month. Now, clearly statistics are important to us, but at the end of the day, I can tell you that they're down, but if your car's been burglarized, it doesn't mean a lot to you. But however, we do look at those numbers to help us identify emerging crime patterns as well as to officially allocate our resources too. So hopefully, we'll have an arrest here in pretty short order and working to make a determination if he is indeed responsible for other crimes.

Councilman Everson: Are y'all feeling like, cause I know a comment that I've heard from some people in the community is that maybe they're posting it and complaining about it to their friends and maybe posting it on facebook, that some people aren't reporting it to the actual police department. Are y'all - - - and I hope that problem has sort of changed. I think the word among the community leaders over there have been trying to get out the word to people to make sure and report every vehicle theft. So I hope that those are sort of trickling down.

Chief Goodin: Yeah, and that's a challenge that we often times face especially in crimes like this, a lot of times we get this - - - we don't know how to call the police, if it's not a 911 call, when you see something suspicious, how do you call the police? And we work very hard trying to empower neighbors to learn about our non-emergency number and a perfect example, I don't know if y'all remember, I think it's probably been two years ago, we had a residential burglary issue that popped up in South Highlands. And ultimately we had detectives, we had community liaison officers, had community response officers, had all these folks out there working on it, and what broke the case so to speak, in that (inaudible) was a concerned citizen seeing something that could be construed on the surface to be very minor that reported it to the police, we got out there talked to these folks and ultimately led to I think cleared 15 residential burglaries. So, the bottom line what we try to get out there to people is you never know what you might prevent by making one call. So hopefully our CLOs are going to be working with those neighbors and especially that neighborhood association, they're very strong and urging them to call our non-emergency number 6733-BLUE, same kind of deal as crime stoppers, we don't need your name, just your information. We don't have caller ID on that line. If you'll just give us the information even if you don't want to get involved. That's going to help us tremendously.

Councilman Everson: And then I guess the other thing, oh yeah, I think that one of the things we might want to make sure the CLOs are sharing with folks as well, is to lock your cars. A lot of these at least in the early phase of this problem, a lot of these cars were unlocked and you know certainly you don't want to - - - it's not as if somebody deserves to ever have their car broken into, they certainly don't deserve it, but it certainly makes it harder for somebody to get into your car.

Chief Goodin: And another thing that when we talk about crime prevention, there are three things that we look at are desire, ability and opportunity. That's what the criminal has to have to commit that criminal act. Has to have the desire, has to have the ability and the opportunity. And the first two are very hard for a citizen and a neighbor to control, but what we can control is our exposure to that opportunity. And certainly locking doors is important, using all the tools that you have available to you to prevent those crimes, however, what's probably more important than even locking your doors, and using those tools is not leaving valuables in your car.

Councilman Shyne: That's the No. 1 thing.

Chief Goodin: It's imperative and the example Mr. Shyne that I use, is you know every day when I go home, I've got a laptop, I've got a tablet, I've got three cell phones, I've got all this gear and you know you've worked all day long, and you're tired, and you're in a hurry, and your wife's calling you to do this or to do that, and it really takes a conscious effort to get all that expensive items out of your car. However, certainly not the (inaudible) is on the criminal, we're not saying people are wrong for being victims, but what we're saying at the end of the day is that there are some small steps that you can take that will ultimately help to reduce your odds of becoming a victim.

Councilman Everson: Absolutely. Well, thank you so much and if you could make sure that the President of the South Highlands Neighborhood Association, Cliff, yeah I think he's looking for a response sometime soon.

Chief Goodin: We'll touch base with him and hopefully once this arrest comes to fruition, and we get a little bit more information, we could share that as soon as we can with the neighborhood association.

Councilman Everson: I sure appreciate it.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Before you go, I'd like to pass (inaudible) if I may, it's a confidential contact that needs to be made. I appreciate it so much.

Councilman Corbin: Any other recognition by Council Members? If not before we move to city business a quick administrative matter, because the Mayor is out of State, and I'm serving as Mayor Pro Tem, so I will not be voting today, and I believe I voted on the minutes, so I will ask the clerk to amend the minutes to correct that vote. Mr. Sibley.

Awards and recognition of distinguished guests by the Mayor, not to exceed fifteen minutes.

Mr. Sibley: A couple of notes as I indicated yesterday, and you just did, the Mayor is out of town. They are wrapping up the intercity visit to Birmingham. As indicated the Mayor, led a delegation of about 50 or so of our local community leaders including representatives of our public universities, the Parish Commission, The Biomed Foundation, research doctors from LSU, the Downtown Development Authority, SRAC, all these folks were involved, and their focus in the visit was on higher education in the medical community as well as Community Development. I understand they are in route back to Shreveport. Should arrive at some point late tonight, so we'll wish them safe travels in returning from that visit. Mr. Chairman, you covered most of the events of last week, but I did want to note one. You know we often when we talk about employees, everything comes back to salary, but we're also challenging our Human Resources Department to do a lot more in the area of training and other morale boosting type activities. Well last week, they had their 4th Women Motivating Women Conference that went off very well. A lot of our female leaders in the city were recognized including department heads and other supervisory personnel, as

well as just some regular employees and organizations, but I wanted to particularly note that the speakers for the occasions were two folks who are here in the Chamber, Ms. Barbara Featherston, Director of Water and Sewer, and the Assistant CAO, Ms. Sherricka Fields, they both did an outstanding job, and I really wish you guys could have been there to hear them, but what we'll try to do going forward is give you guys much more information on these types of activities because employees get a big kick out of seeing you guys come there and really pull for them. They know that you support them, and we'll try and do a better job of making sure y'all know about those type activities so that they can see you out there and see us out there and know that we appreciate what they do. But I wanted to really give the Human Resources Department kudos for pulling off an outstanding conference on that. We also had the Small Business Summit, and a lot of you attended that. Karen Barnes did a lot of work there, wanted to certainly recognize her for that and everyone else. There were not lot of sponsors. The amazing thing when I was down there, a lot of the sponsors and these were huge companies not from this region. Guys from Centerpoint out of Houston who were really appreciative to the city for inviting them in. I thought that was kind of neat, because as I told them we really appreciated them coming. But outstanding unit there, just wanted to note that. Thank you very much Mr. Chairman.

Councilman Corbin: And before we move onto communications relative to city business, I guess as we move to that, I know I have told some people that we may hear from Pratt and Allied and Republic today, would you go ahead and make the announcement about they will be here next meeting.

Mr. Sibley: Yes Mr. Chairman, we did reach out through our public works department, Stan Harris, we did reach out to Pratt and the representatives from Pratt. They indicated that they could not make this meeting, but would be here on the next Council Meeting. So we anticipate they will be here, they'll be prepared to present information and certainly address any issues that the Council would like to bring to them.

Councilman Corbin: And I know in some communication that you and I have been a part of, I would encourage any citizens who are listening today, if your recyclables are not picked up, please call and report it. Because one of the things we found was there are instances where week after week after week somebody's not been picked up, and it's absolutely no record of that ever being reported. And they need to call public works.

Mr. Sibley: They can call the Mayor's office, they can call public works, or they can call directly out to Pratt. So either one of those numbers, we'll all get it to them.

Councilman Corbin: Let's move on to communications relative to city business.

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

Mr. Sibley: Mr. Chairman, I have one and I'm going to ask Shelly just to remind everyone about the David Raines rehab project that is opening soon. So we want to be sure that everyone is aware of what's going on there and the activities that are coming out.

Ms. Ragle-Stone: I believe you all have received an invitation for next Tuesday at 11:00, and we hope you can join us. It's been a long time coming. David Raines has been under renovations. It's actually sort of been out since the day we built it in some form or fashion, and about 18 months ago, we completely closed. Almost two years now actually, and we will be

reopening, and the center looks beautiful, and it's exciting and at 11:00, we'll do a ribbon cutting and have hot dog kick off and have our senior citizens come back for the first time. They've all been going to Billberry, and at 4:00 that afternoon, our after school program and our children from our after school program will get to go back where they're used to being, and so we hope that you can join us at 11:00 as we cut the ribbon and reopen that recreation center.

Councilman Shye: Shelly, I'd like to get Dale, one on one, if we could have that contest. If you could - - -

Ms. Ragle-Stone: Well that basketball court will be new and y'all could break it in.

Councilman Shyne: Right, and then I want Ron sitting on the side, getting ready to come after I - - -

Mr. Sibley: After you dust me off?

Councilman Shyne: Yeah, after I dust Dale off.

Councilman S. Jenkins: (Inaudible) after you pass out.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Well I think you all ought to take on the Jenkins Brothers maybe in a little game.

Councilman Shyne: Well, I mean Mike and I will, now you know.

Mr. Sibley: Get the Mayor to post up.

Councilman Shyne: Mike and I won't be backing down.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Why you picked Mike instead of Ron? You changed partners all of a sudden.

Councilman Shyne: Well naw, I saw Mike kinda leaning up and Ron was leaning back, so

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Mr. Sibley: Mike got that point guard look. Mr. Chairman, we're also prepared when it's appropriate to do the budget overview.

Councilman Corbin: Go ahead and do it now.

Mr. Sibley: Go ahead and do it now? I'd like to call on Assistant CAO Sherricka Fields who in addition to being an excellent speaker, also has done a good job of putting together the administration's budget, and I'll ask that she present it at this time.

Councilman Shyne: And she's an accomplished dancer too. Do you all have the books to pass out? When are y'all going to pass the books out?

Mr. Sibley: We sent them up.

Ms. Fields: We submitted them to Council on October 1st.

Councilman Shyne: Ya'll got 'em up there?

Ms. White: Yes.

Councilman Shyne: And I just haven't picked mine up?

Councilman S. Jenkins: Nobody has them yet.

Ms. Fields: Okay. Alright Mr. Chairman and members of the Council, I want to start this budget overview to talk about some of the budget assumptions that were made going into this process. Overall the 2014 budget is about 2% more than the 2013 budget. And this is mainly due to increases in the debt services fund, the enterprise fund. It includes a transfer to the reserve fund, and the capital budget's increases are mainly due to increases in the airport improvements. And this is just outlining the dollar amounts for each of those funds again. Mainly increases to enterprise funds and the debt service funds, which I will go into those summaries shortly. This chart shows General Fund revenues since 2010 and the numbers do not include prior year fund balances, and they don't include some revenues that came in in 2010 and 2012, that were

certificates of indebtedness for equipment purchases. And just to look at this trend and to see where we are for the 2013 forecast, we are assuming that sales taxes will end about the same as 2012 at \$113,000,000. And then also although we budgeted for the UPO reimbursements to be about \$1,000,000 from, based upon finance the draws that we've received so far. There could be a couple of hundred dollars, excuse me a couple of hundred-thousand dollars more that may come in from those revenues that may improve where we are at the end of this year. And for 2014 budget assumptions, we're assuming very conservative projections taking sales taxes to be about 1% more than where it was in 2012. It also includes a transfer of \$4.56 (million) from the minor arterial capital project. As of right now, \$5.4 (million) has been encumbered for Phase I streets projects. So that would make the total of General Fund revenues as presented to be \$208,000,000. Also included is \$1.5 (million) for transfer from the Streets Special Revenue Fund which is would be maintained as the current budget year. And it includes increases for EMS due to the EMS rate increase and also increases from UPO reimbursements. Due to the elimination of the Bossier City solid waste collection, this is \$1.3 (million) that are not reflected in this 2014 budget. There is also reductions in oil and gas royalties. And there is a 3.5% reduced amount from the Riverfront fund into the General Fund. 2013 budget included spending of \$208,000,000 and the 2014 budget projects a 1% decrease from that, and it includes reserves that are about 3% of the total spending, was included in the budget is a 5% healthcare increase, and 2% increases for our public safety for longevity which totals about a million dollars. It maintains fire and police pension deficit at the 2013 level, and also it has reductions from the overtime and fuel expenses and other expenses related to the Bossier solid waste collection, and overall department appropriation reductions and about \$2,000,000 payable and is not included in the '14 budget that will be paid off in this year. This budget was approached to continue reductions from 2013. Each of the departments were guided and requested to identify their core missions and functions, and to do a detailed cost analysis to find where each department could reduce its appropriations by about 5%. Each of the departments have those cost analysis and they will be able to present those details during the individual budget review sessions to discuss what impact those would have. The General Fund targets were set to restore operating reserves, and also with a commitment to grow them annually into future years without eliminating people or without reducing services. However, what was found is that additional reduction to the budget would pose some risks to either people or to current services or operations. This chart that's outlined in the bottom, it shows that if we take out the transfer from the minor arterial program that is currently factored in, reserves at the current General Fund spending level would be \$1.4 (million) which is about .7% of spending. So this top row identifies reserves as a percent of General Fund spending. So if we look out toward the right, if we go more toward a 2011 level of reserves of \$10,000,000, then that would be 5% of General Fund spending which would require an additional \$8.8 (million) in reductions to the budget, compared to what was presented currently. So, this shows just a picture of what would be required in additional cuts if we wanted to reduce reserves without the assistance of the minor arterial program funds.

Councilman O. Jenkins: One question since you started with 5%, is that 5% that you've got in bullet No. 3 above that \$10,000,000? Or, is it above and beyond that \$10,000,000?

Ms. Fields: The 5% that's in within the bullet points, if the departments had reached that target, then the reserves number would be closer to about \$10,000,000.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay, and so that current 1% for 2014 is the \$2,000,000 number, right?

Ms. Fields: Currently, it would be the .7%. And the .7% is the reserves as a percentage of this expenditures for 2014. So, without the minor arterial transfer, reserves would be at \$1.4 (million).

Councilman O. Jenkins: So that's not really current, that's 2014 projections?

Mr. Sibley: 2014.

Ms. Fields: 2014 projections.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay. Because I was tying into that 2014 1%.

Mr. Sibley: Right. No that would be the end of 2014.

Councilman Everson: That current is referring to spending patterns. So, if there's not a reduction in the departmental spending patterns, that's what the estimate (inaudible).

Mr. Sibley: Well actually,

Councilman O. Jenkins: But that's not what he said.

Councilman Everson: Oh, it's not?

Mr. Sibley: Actually Mr. Everson, what that represents is what we try to do with the budget approaches is focus on operating reserves, because that's been a huge topic of discussion. Based on the 2014 budget that we're submitting, if you don't do the transfer for minor arterial, then we weed that out based on these very conservative revenue projections as well as expenditures, about \$1.4 or 1.5 (million) which represents only a .7% reserve. The rest of that charge is to show that if we wanted to reach a higher level of reserve, the middle line in green is the absolute dollar value, the number below that is how much additional cuts we'd have to have, and minus the minor arterial and in addition to what's already been cut out of the budget.

Councilman Everson: So, that's in addition to the 5% that each department head has already submitted?

Mr. Sibley: And let me correct. The 5% exercise was to identify the cost, cause not every department did 5%. Some had more, some had less when it all nets out. But that was the beginning target for the exercise. That's totally unrelated to the bottom part. Once all the cuts have been placed in and we've submitted the budget, that's when this chart kicks in, and it shows that the 2014 budget as presented, based on all the reductions and cuts that have been done, based on the conservative revenue projections, it would net us out at about \$1.5 (million) at the end of 2014, assuming revenue went the way we've projected it, and expenditures went the way we're projecting it. Now, we think and we believe revenue is already trending better, but obviously for budgetary purposes, we're taking the most conservative approach we can. So, the main thing here was to show the impact if we don't transfer the minor arterial money over there, then we're looking at having to do these additional cuts in order to meet one of those reserve targets.

Councilman O. Jenkins: And, let me just ask this in a little bit different way, taking back from another side. Globally, we're projecting a sales increase of 1% for next year.

Mr. Sibley: A little less than 1%.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay, no over 2013.

Mr. Sibley: Right. 2013 we're projecting, 113, we're projecting 114 for 2014. (Inaudible). Okay, so we got a 1% increase there, right? I know that's only 60 some percent of the total, and then we've got an overall budget expenditure proposal of reducing it by 1% ? So, just in those two in isolation, we have a net gain of 2%, right?

Mr. Sibley: In terms of - - -?

Councilman Everson: In terms of revenues, 5.1% (inaudible) and

Councilman O. Jenkins: Expenditures. So, it's in net 2. Now, and I'm guessing one of the reasons is that, our total figure when we talk revenues, we're only talking sales tax revenues. I recognize that which is only 60% of our total revenues. I also - - - but you would think, looking at this chart that our net gain would be better than .7%.

Mr. Sibley: In terms of reserves? Cause that's the reserve number.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Sure, unless we had a deficit in our reserve for 2013.

Councilman Corbin: And that's the question I wanted to ask is - - -

Councilman O. Jenkins: I mean, I'm just - - - I'm summing that all up, because what that tells me when I see that is we got to have a negative balance to begin with for us to not have a greater than .7 next year.

Mr. Thompson: Well, aren't we also sending over less from Riverfront this year?

Mr. Sibley: Yes.

Councilman O. Jenkins: That's 3%.

Ms. Fields: Yeah, and there's a chart here also that shows the fund balance where we're projecting it to be at the end of 2013, and the .7% that's showing here for current is actually expressing the reserve of \$1.4 (million) as a percentage of total spending. So, the \$1.4 (million) is .7% of the total spending number of \$206,000,000.

Mr. Sibley: For 2014. That's why it's hard to do kinda that direct correlation, because all the numbers have changed. The expenditure numbers changed, the revenue numbers changed, and we take that percentage. That's why it ends up .7, because it's against the 2014 spending level, not the 2013 spending level.

Councilman Shyne: And Mr. Sibley, all of this is a projection.

Mr. Sibley: Yes sir.

Councilman Shyne: And you know this might sound a little silly, but we still don't know what my friends in D.C. are going to do. And whether we realize it or not, that would have a trickle-down effect on what our economy would be here, because I said, my friends, but your friends too, if we continue to have this shut down, I mean this is going to impact our economy, not only all over the United States, but all over the world. We've been kinda fortunate here in Shreveport. You know we don't have a whole lot that will impact, but something like this is going to impact our economy. So all of this is a projection. And the other thing that if you can, we're looking at the reserves - - - I mean, could you kinda look at how this will impact our bonding power? Because I do know that the better our reserve is, the better bonding rates we can get sometimes. And so could you all get us some figures on that?

Ms. Fields: How it would directly affect the bond rating?

Councilman Shyne: Right, right. How our reserves would directly impact our bond rating. Let's say if we're at the 5%, or if we're at the 4%, or if we're at the 3%, or if we're at the 2% of whatever. Sam and I were discussing that earlier. I think when he wanted to trim off a little bit and put in the reserves, in order so that our bonding capacity would be greater. But, at that time, we really didn't have any figures on that. Could you - - - is it any way you could get us some figures back on that?

Mr. Sibley: We could try Mr. Shyne. That's really in the eyes of the raters in terms of how much they penalize you or not, but even in addition to that, just as a best practice for fiscal operations of the city, it's recommended that you have a reserve of a certain amount, just like at home to cover expenditures. So, we're trying to address it from the fiscal condition of the city also. So that our balance sheet looks well. And we look as though we are prepared in the event we have an emergency. So, it impacts the bond rating (inaudible)

Councilman Shyne: I understand right, I understand that. But also I mean also, you know when you talk to people out in the community, where they got these bad streets and these other bad stuff, you start talking about putting in reserves, and all this kind of stuff, they don't really understand what you're talking about. So, and I understand that this comes from the raters, but being in the financial world, I mean it seems like you all ought to be able to get us some information. You know now this is - - - I know you can't get us true information, but you can get us some projected. I mean that's just like the sales taxes. I mean you can't really tell us what it's going to be, I mean all this is projected. So, if we could get some figures - - - I mean you could call up some raters. I mean you know, that's what you all do. If y'all can't do it, I mean, we can ask Art to do it. Because we need to have some figures on what we need to put in reserves. Because when I talk to people and say well you know we got 5% reserve, they said Joe, I'm knocking my front end out of line on your reserve. So, I at least need some figures to say look, we're going to do a bonding and this is where we can save the city, if I'm making any sense to you. Okay.

Councilman Corbin: Let's do this if we can. I don't want to break Ms. Fields momentum up too bad. Let's let her go through her presentation. I'd ask each of us as we have questions to write 'em down, and then we can cut back and do some questions and answers then, if that's alright.

Ms. Fields: Okay, I'll keep going. This is the General Fund everyone's overview now. And it begins 1% less of the 2013 budget. And here's the summary of available funds chart that I just mentioned. And it starts with the actual fund balance as of January 1, 2013. That came from the audit, which was \$6.4 (million) and 2013 estimated revenues of \$203,000,000. And total available for expenditures is \$210 (million) including the revenues plus the fund balance. 2013 estimated expenditures at \$206,000,000, which we have talked about and of course we're working with the departments to maintain budgeted expenditures at 99%, and that leaves us with a fund balance that's estimated for this year at \$4,000,000. And then adding back the 2014 estimated revenues, at \$208 (million), and the estimated expenditures at \$206,000,000. And the \$206 (million) includes the reserve amount where we would end up being with \$6,000,000 in reserves which includes the transfer from minor arterial project. And just a quick summary on each of the General Fund Departments, starting with the Executive Office, generate a 1% decrease from the - - - and all of these are compared to the 2013 budget. And legal has a 3% decrease reducing some training and travel and supplies. Property Standards has a decrease of 10% which includes reductions to contractual services to offset that with the new grass crews to be able to assist with monitoring. And they have no transfers in other funds because those payables were all paid off in 2013. Human Resources' budget is essentially unchanged. Information Technology is reduced by 2% due to a few vacant positions that have been unfunded and then some reductions in materials and supplies. SPAR's budget is increased by 1%. They have fully funded utilities, which totals about \$2.9 (million) of SPAR's budget and some of the decreases that SPAR was able to generate was offset by the increase in healthcare expenditures of 5%. Finance Department decrease of 4%. General Government decreases 1% from 2013 and this fund includes all of the transfers to other funds including MPC, SPORTRAN, Risk, Community Development and Golf. And then also a few of the public agency appropriations. It's increased by \$60,000 to fund for truancy, and also for the Independent Stadium's scoreboard replacement. The Police Department budget has no change from 2013, and the Police Department's budget includes \$49,000,000 in personnel line items and this was also including the 2% longevity increase. In 2014, they will be funding 27

officers that were previously grant funded. There was significant reductions in those payables and other appropriations which was slightly offset by the healthcare increases and longevity increases. For the Fire Department, personnel line items total \$45,000,000 of this budget and is essentially unchanged from 2013. There is a slight increase that's factored in here for transfers that will be needed to match for the UPO participation, and then it's also offset by reductions in those payables and other appropriation reductions. Engineering was overall increased by 8% which is mainly due to funding for vegetation management. And Public Works is decreased by 4% which includes decreases in expenses such as overtime and fuel for Bossier solid waste collections and also those reductions in those payables, and it includes the implementation of a bulk collection program. And the City Council's budget is found decreases 3%. And City Courts' budget is increased by almost 10%, however it's expenditures do not exceed the revenues that are generated within this department. And the City Marshal's budget is for personnel salaries only, and it's unchanged from 2013. The Internal Service Funds, Retained Risk, the 2012 audit had a negative fund balance in Retained Risk and it was reviewed about a couple of months ago on if a transfer would be made into the General Fund, and it was noted to note the negative fund balance, and to take measures to in future years, begin to fully fund claims and decreases severity of claims that come to the fund. The 2014 beginning fund balance is -\$3.6 (million), and the total revenues to the fund from the General Fund transfer and enterprise funds, and other revenues and transfers total \$10,000,000 and then less the liability and claims, the fund balance that's projected for the end of 2014 is -\$3.5 (million). Special Revenue Funds, Riverfront Development's budget for 2013 included a \$1.7 (million) negative fund balance, and this includes decreased gaming revenues of approximately 3%, and there is a transfer to the General Fund that was decreased by 3.5%. Civic Appropriations at \$945,000 and it also includes economic development funds for the Shreveport Economic Development Authority and also NLEP, NMSI totaling \$700,000. This fund also includes transfers to the Convention Center and \$300,000 to Community Development for summer jobs. The overall budget is increased by 6%. And that's mainly due to the increase in fund balance. Downtown Entertainment District's budget increased by 3% mainly due to the increase in operating reserves, and it also includes funds to hire a fulltime program manager for the district. Grants, Police Grants and Environmental Grants are included in this fund, and it also includes recently \$200,000 that was added for Cross Bayou corridor for planning and development. And the Shreveport Redevelopment Agency has a small fund balance at the end of 2012, and estimate reserves for the end of 2014 is \$4,100. The MPC's budget reduced in total by 14%, and this includes the City's operating subsidy of \$1,000,000, and there is an \$87,000 remaining within the subsidy to be able to go toward completing the UDC contract. And then also the Parish will fund it's full share of the UDC contract within 2014. And Community Development's budget is \$9.7 (million) which includes \$887,000 from the General Fund from matching funds from grants. And also includes \$300,000 for summer jobs. Community Development pays back \$380,000 to the General Fund for indirect costs. The Streets Special Revenue Fund, the 2013 year end estimate fund balance is \$2.7 (million) mainly due to the transfer of \$10,000,00 to Capital Projects. And adding in the revenues from the SWEPCO Franchise Fee, and then less \$1.5 (million) transfer for streets maintenance. And then also the appropriation of \$3,000,000 the appropriation of \$3,000,000 for street reconstruction is estimated to have an ending fund balance in 2014 of about \$4.2 (million). Enterprise funds, Golf will resume its operations at Huntington Park which is mainly due to the increase in the budget of 16%. It receives a General Fund subsidy of \$87,000. Airports has an increase in their budget of \$11% mainly due to an increase in its operating reserves

by about \$2.2 (million) compared to 2013. It's total revenues are up 11%. And Water and Sewer has budgeted its rate increases for 2014, and the increase in their budget includes those increases in the operating reserves of about \$6.7 (million) estimated for an end of 2014. And also we'll find an additional 35 positions for the consent decree.

Councilman Shyne: Wait a minute, say that again?

Ms. Fields: Water and Sewer will add about 35 new positions to be able to do work related to the Consent Decree.

Councilman O. Jenkins: But those are - - - I'll wait till the end.

Ms. Fields: Okay, and SPORTRAN's budget revenues of \$3,000,000 and it includes the city subsidy of \$6.1 (million) which is about 6% reduction from 2013. Downtown Parking's budget increased by 15% and its revenues are a total of about \$620,000 and operating reserves estimated at \$655,000. The Convention Center operating subsidy SMG's revenues just slightly better than 2013, and the transfer will be \$1.7 (million) for 2014. The Convention Center Hotel budget is a -\$1.37 (million). The total payments that will go toward debt service including a contribution to the enterprise fund from the hotel of \$352,000, which is significantly less than what was budgeted for 2013. The 2013 contribution was estimated at \$1.6 (million) and what the Convention Center Hotel estimates it will actually contribute is about \$500,000 for 2013. This in addition to the state hotel sales tax rebate funds of about \$900,000. It leaves the hotel enterprise fund with a -\$3.7 (million) estimated operating reserve for 2014. And this is just within the enterprise fund itself. It does not include the reserves of the capital side of the hotel or the hotel management operations. And lastly, Operations budget is the Debt Service Fund which totals \$90,000,000 and the debt service which will come through this fund totals \$28,000,000 for 2014, with a reserve of \$61,000,000 and the increase in the reserve is due mainly to the collection of Ad Valorem taxes that have not been offset by that service. The outlook for 2014 is \$22.05 (million). In the summary of Capital Improvements budget which from 2013 is increased by about 2.8%, and this is mainly due to increases in Airport improvements. The Capital Improvements budget also includes adding projects for a new Fire Station 14 and new Fire Station 17 in lieu of the superstation (inaudible) 14 project. It also includes the reduction in the minor arterial asphalt program of \$4.56 (million). And that concludes the overview of the Operating and the Capital budgets. And this is just what the tentatively schedule going forward within the process and we understand that there will be departmental budget review sessions on the 9th and 16th that departments will be prepared for.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I guess I have a couple, and I'm not trying to get in the weeks, but I'm trying to understand how we get to a few of these numbers, because the nature of my question. So, if you went to the slide that is 'Summary of Available Funds', is where I want to start. When does the \$4.5 (million) transfer occur in this slide? Does it occur in the estimated fund balance, December 31, 2013, or does it occur in - - -

Ms. Fields: As the budgets presented, it occurs in the 2014 estimated revenues as a transfer from the Streets fund. So it's included in the \$208,000,000 number.

Councilman O. Jenkins: And that's where we go from \$203 (million) whatever, and change on your one graph to \$208 (million) here is that - - -

Ms. Fields: The transfer.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay. Next question, can you go to the Public Works slide for a minute? On the Public Works, we've got about \$1.3 (million) less in revenue from the Bossier tax, right? And so we call that a revenue new figure, and then we've got a reduction at 4% of what

would have been a - - - 4% of 37 - - - so, about \$1.3. So, it's pretty much a net even in terms of - -
- you give up that revenue, but the expenses are somewhat a wash. Okay. And then when it says
implementation of bulk collection program, what is that?

Mr. Sibley: That's the non-containerized stuff that we're still picking up. One of the
things that Public Works has done pending you know the final discussion between the Council and
the Mayor in terms of those - - -

Councilman O. Jenkins: I remember those meetings.

Mr. Sibley: Yeah, what they've done is actually found - - - implemented a program to do it
systematically, including some software that will allow people to get appointments and get the
trucks and the trailers that can actually go out and be more responsive to picking those items up.
But it would be all the non-containerized stuff that now we're having to kinda make do and get.

Councilman O. Jenkins: And just so I'm clear, and not that I'm so worried about typos, but
the one bullet is implementation of bulk collection and the next bullet is reduction. Okay. I wasn't
sure if those were somehow related in some total program that I didn't understand where the notes
were.

Councilman Corbin: When we get our budget books, there'll be more of a breakdown of
what that implementation is projected in cost.

Mr. Sibley: Exactly.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay. The Riverfront now? The plus 6%, we have a reduction in
gaming revenues estimated at 3%?

Ms. Fields: The 2013 budget for Riverfront had a negative fund balance of about \$1.7
(million) so the 2014 budget including the revenues from 2013 makes up for the negative fund
balance and increases it to \$930,000. The increase is mainly due to the fund balance amount.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay, can you? Sorry about that, I guess we got a negative fund
balance at the end of 2013, right?

Ms. Fields: At the end of 2012. So the budget for 2013 includes a negative fund balance of
\$1.7 (million).

Councilman O. Jenkins: So, what is our end of 2013 fund balance in Riverfront? Is it in
the negative right now?

Ms. Fields: For the end of 2013 - - -

Councilman O. Jenkins: Projected to be negative.

Ms. Fields: Just very slightly.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I mean, okay. Then though we have reduction in revenues, how
are we getting our reserves higher unless I guess we're transferring the last - - -

Ms. Fields: Correct.

Councilman Everson: The General Fund transfer (inaudible).

Ms. Fields: The reduced transferred to the General Fund, and a slightly reduction to Civic
Appropriations, also a slight reduction to the Convention Center subsidy.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Gotcha. And then I guess it's a little bit of a misnomer that the
budget is greater?

Ms. Fields: Because it does include the fund balance.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Gotcha. Okay.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Could I ask a question? I mean since you're on this, I'm just
trying to be clear. There are no other transfers that are coming out of the Riverfront other than this
- - - there are no other debts or anything being paid out of the Riverfront Development other than

what's being presented here? I thought at one time, there were some notes or something that were being paid out of this.

Ms. Fields: I don't think there is. (Inaudible) debt service for the - - - There was is what Charles is explaining, but there is not any debts coming out it currently.

Councilman Everson: I think that was the 2011. Can't remember what it was, but there was something that - - - I remember Capital (inaudible). So I'm just looking at it but I don't have any questions.

Councilman Shyne: I'm just a little concerned about the Civic Appropriation because those are the funds that generally help a lot of the organizations in the different neighborhoods. I know Mike is probably going to have some organizations coming from his area looking for \$10 or \$15 or \$20,000 grant. And I'll probably have some too Mike. I just hope that and I'm saying this to the Administration and to the Council, I just hope that we would kinda tow the line, and just try to Sam, just kinda make sure that we're fair to all of the organizations across the board. Because Mr. CAO, if we don't, that's where the politics come into play. And we don't want to get our hands too open out there playing politics. So, I'm hoping that and I'm kinda saying this to Jeff too, because I think Jeff Chairs that committee. I kinda hope Jeff that we would look at the Civic Appropriations from strictly kind of an analytical standpoint. Because if we don't, we're going to start getting ourselves in some hot water. Because we used to have quite a bit of money few years back, we had quite a bit of money in Civic Appropriations. And we could take care of a lot of community based organizations. So, I hope Mr. CAO that we don't - - - cause I guess it's more on us than it is a burden on you all. But I would hope and Jeff since you the Chair, and I think I'm on that committee and I think what, Rose? We got to make sure that we tow the line on that because if we don't, we're going to get in a little trouble.

Councilman Everson: You're right Councilman Shyne. It is always a tough decision. It will be particularly a tough decision this year, in that there are even less funds in there. So, one thing to keep in mind you know when we have - - - right now we're looking at this Civic Appropriations budget as \$975,000 and then we're required by State to \$200,000 of that goes to one organization. So we're really looking at a discretionary amount of less than \$750,000. Which this year I believe our request for Civic Appropriations totaled \$1.7 (million). So that's a million dollars' worth of requests that are not getting funded no matter what, and so we need for people to understand that while that money is always hard to come by, it is much harder now than it used to be. So you're absolutely correct.

Councilman Shyne: And that's what I'm saying, we've got to make sure that we look at those criteria. Did we look at - - - I know one time, we had said, we would look at maybe the possibility of this \$200,000 that was just mentioned to see, because of the economy, that we might be able to cut back on some of that. Did we - - - because I think that was put into legislation back during - - -

Mr. Sibley: Senator Tarver.

Councilman Shyne: Yeah, Oliver's good friend, Senator Tarver's days to see if - - - because the economy's changed since then. And, did we look into - - -?

Mr. Sibley: Right now, we're still obligated to give it. And unless and until you know it's changed in Baton Rouge, we're obligated to give it to that organization.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Right, and of course (inaudible) for us to look too hard, because then they give us less for it, and then it's pretty much net/net for us. We get what they give us and then we push it out. So, if we can convince 'em that (inaudible) needs less money, then they

convince us that they only need to give us less money.

Councilman Shyne: Well, we might need to tell 'em too that hey, we got more people eating out the pot, than what we had, then what was eating out the pot during that time. During that time, it wasn't that many people eating out of the same pot, then we were getting more money from other places. And even with the riverboats, and that's basically where that money comes from, it comes from the riverboats. I mean, they don't have the same kind of funds that they had. So, you know it just might be something for us to look at. Now Oliver, this is the only thing that I'm conservative about, when it comes to money. Cause I never had any.

Councilman Corbin: And I think the other thing about the Civic Appropriation line is that we talked about it the last couple of years, and as we continue to see budgets get tighter at some point, we have to begin to have that discussion about what's our responsibility be funded. If there are programs that are duplications out there, or that are solely getting by on our fundings. We got to have some hard discussions and hard decisions, and we moved that way, but backed off. And it's getting tougher every year, and I think that we're going to really have to take a serious look at that.

Councilman Everson: Yeah, I think we - - - I mean I know we passed a sort of a more rigorous application process, I don't know that that's been implemented, but we did pass it.

Councilman Corbin: A lot of work went into that.

Councilman Shyne: We hope to implement that this coming year.

Councilman Everson: Well I hope so too.

Councilman Shyne: I mean we're going to have to.

Councilman Corbin: Councilman Oliver Jenkins, did you have any more - - -?

Councilman O. Jenkins: I do, I have three more slides that I want to look at. It must be on your Streets Special Revenue slide or Special Revenue Fund. Okay, the \$1.5 (million) obviously we did that on an annual basis to the General Fund for - - -

Mr. Sibley: Maintenance.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Maintenance. The \$3,000,000 appropriation for street reconstruction, either I'm forgetting or what is that from?

Ms. Fields: It was included within improvements and equipment within the budget, and that amount was maintained, but I don't believe anything has been spent out of it this year.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay, so you mean we transferred - - - I'm not sure, I guess I would like us to look at that, because I'm having a little, I mean I'm not saying, I could be mistaken, but when it says there's a \$3,000,000 appropriation for street reconstruction, I have a feeling we're mixing capital project in here with that, but maybe I'm mistaken on that.

Mr. Sibley: And it could be. Sherricka, if I'm not mistaken, this is just a continuation of what was done.

Ms. Fields: For 2013. And it's appropriated within improvements and equipment for 2013. And it was left the same way for the 2014 budget.

Mr. Sibley: Obviously you guys can move that around.

Councilman O. Jenkins: What did we appropriate the \$3,000,000 in 2013?

Ms. Fields: I'm not sure what it was for. Otherwise, it would become a part of the fund balance.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Yeah, and I guess I'd like to nail that down, because we didn't - - - I remember, okay. Mike's got a good point. At the beginning of the year, when we went through the budget last year there was this discussion about taking reserves and putting more reserves in a

special revenue and then I don't know if we ever really did it or not, because there was some discussion about this too risky because our reserve numbers aren't high enough. So, I think - - - I was maybe the proposer of that particular piece of legislation. Was instead of having whatever our reserve number was, to take some of that, to reduce some of that, reduce that reserve and put more on the streets. Then I think whether that amendment passed or not, I have a feeling that that was transferred back out at some point.

Mr. Sibley: I think it was.

Councilman O. Jenkins: But that - - - do you remember this whole discussion?

Mr. Thompson: I don't remember.

Councilman O. Jenkins: In your earlier years, you would have.

Mr. Sibley: If that's the case though, you'd simply add \$3,000,000 more on the balance.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Which might negate the requirement for this other \$4.6 (million).

Mr. Sibley: Because really from our perspective, wherever it comes from, it really doesn't matter, whether it's from here or from the other, we just identified the one that's most easily to identify, but it really doesn't matter.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I think that one just needs a little trail, where it starts from and where it ended up over the course of the year.

Mr. Sibley: We'll track that.

Councilman S. Jenkins: I thought that \$3,000,000 went back to reserve.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I believe it did, it did. I mean I think it did. And what I'm saying is the way this thing's - - -

Councilman Shyne: We had a big discussion on that.

Mr. Sibley: We'll track it.

Councilman O. Jenkins: And what I think we may, the whole little issue on that 4650 may be mitigated significantly by this \$3,000,000. But I don't want to raise everybody's hopes here, I just have that as a note.

Mr. Sibley: And we'll check it.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay. We roll to Water and Sewer question here. Obviously we know the rate increase. The 35 additional positions. Now are those contracted, or are those employees? And one reason I say that, on my retirement system thing I worry a little bit about that particularly when it's for a fixed period of time. But maybe it's contractual services and that's the way it's written.

Ms. Barbara Featherston: These are permanent positions. These are for operational maintenance positions. These are for the folks that go out and maintain our system. One of the reasons that we're in this position that we're in right now, is because we don't have the people to maintain our system. It's not going to do us a lot of good to spend \$350,000,000 on our sewer system and then not put the personnel in place to maintain that system. This is significantly less than we've had folks come in and do evaluations of how many people we should have based on the miles of pipeline, the size of our plants, and this is less than half of what they recommend we should have. We've evaluated our organization. We've looked at what we needed. These are specifically for crews to TV our sewer mains we have to do forever. We will have to TV you know 10/15% clean our system every so many years. We can't do that with the crews that we have. So these are permanent positions.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Isn't that less expensive if we contract it out. Is it less expensive to contract something - - -

Ms. Featherston: It's very expensive to contract.

Councilman S. Jenkins: It cost more to contract it out?

Ms. Featherston: It cost more to contract it out. When you look at what we pay our folks in the field, it's not a whole lot. Most of our folks are making \$20-25,000 a year, maybe a little bit more, and with the equipment that goes with it, you know contractors and other folks are making more than that. We're trying to again, we are putting a tremendous amount into our infrastructure, in capital to fix our systems. And if we don't come back with the people that we need to continue to maintain that system we're going to be right back where we started. And I don't want to be there. Our department over 10 years ago, had over 400 people in our department. It was cut, it was cut, it was cut to the point where we're now under 300 people. You know, we need those folks to maintain. I don't have a crew to go out and actually mow right of ways, so that I can maintain those big right of ways for those big interceptor sewer systems that we can't even get to because it's a forest right now, because it hasn't been maintained in years. We're going to have to as part of the consent decree, we are required to, when we have an overflow and you guys have seen the reports. You've seen how many overflows we have. When we have an overflow, we are required by the consent decree to video that sewer main within 24 hours. We have one TV truck right now and one TV crew. When you have a rain event and you've got 10, maybe 15 overflows, we can't get to that with one TV truck. We can't even do the maintenance we need with that one TV truck. So this includes two more TV crews. And a TV crew is not just a truck with a guy on it, it's two people in addition to the wash truck that goes with it, because you're out there, because you have to wash the mains. And a vac truck to remove those solids from those lines. And there's people that go with those trucks. Having two more crews.

Councilman O. Jenkins: And I'm not certainly not suggesting - - - I mean I just have to say that there are based on reading of governmental agencies today, you rarely see the cost benefited long term on a municipality or government agency where they're encouraging adding more full time personnel. Now I'm not saying this isn't. I'm just saying that when we look at where we face on our retirement system and the burden of those people that it's surprising to me, and I have to say I haven't done any of the numbers on this, that this is really, in the best long term interest of the city, but I don't know that.

Mr. Featherston: Well these would be then permanently contracted folks because this is what we feel we need and this isn't even 50% of what we've been told by consultants that you really should have based on other municipalities. We've been shorthanded for years and years, and years. And that's why we're having the problems we're having right now. And I'm more than happy to answer whatever - - -

Councilman S. Jenkins: I'm just saying my other concern would be, we're funding a program, I understand that we're funding a program with these increases for about 12 years. And what are going to do with these 35 positions after (inaudible)?

Ms. Featherston: They're going to maintain those facilities. They're going to TV and clean the lines, yeah, they're going to maintain. These are maintenance folks. These are folks that are on TV trucks, wash back, wash trucks, these are folks out at our treatment plants. I mean we have, I think we have 120-130 almost 130 lift stations. Right now, I've got a crew of less than 15 that maintain that 120 lift stations.

Mr. Sibley: I know where you're going Councilman Jenkins, and I can talk to you a little bit about it. I know what you're asking.

Councilman S. Jenkins: At the end of the 12 years - - -

Mr. Sibley: Right, where is the money to pay for these additional folks.

Councilman S. Jenkins: I understand that the rates, there is going to be some consideration of sending those rates back down.

Councilman Shyne: They won't ever go down. I mean, right. Sam and I won't be here.

Mr. Sibley: We won't need as much money at that time, but you're still going to need some for the O&M, that's built into that process. Because you've got to keep the O&M going. So, even though they're reduced to take out that bulk of \$350,000,000 or whatever, it doesn't mean you've got to reduce it all the way down to zero, and have no money coming.

Councilman Shyne: But now Dale, to be truthful with you, as long as I've been around, I've never seen taxes go up or rates and then they come back down. And to be truthful with you Dale, because we won't be around, but Dale water bills are not going to ever go down no more. I mean I know we sit here and say that. We sit here and say that in 12 years, well you know we're going to readjust your water rates again. But I've been around long enough to - - - It's very seldom, you know they started saying that with gas. You know we're going to run this gas up and when we get another supply and we start drilling more, they're going to go down. They might go down six cent, seven cent or eight cent but Dale, to be truthful with ourselves, I mean the water rate - - - because I can understand. You need those people, so we don't get back in the same fix that we were in before. I mean to be truthful with you, I can understand what you're saying we do need 'em. Because if we don't, instead of water rates going down, they're going to go back up again. I mean we're going to have to move it up again, because everything is going to increase in cost. And so I can understand what you're saying, and I would hope that we would leave something in place where 15 years from now, 20 years from now, we wouldn't have to look at spending another \$350,000,000. Because at that time, it's going to be \$600,000,000, and to be truthful with you, I know we getting a few jobs in here Dale, but I don't see the economy here in Shreveport growing that much. It has not grown that much since I've been down here, and I've been down here right at 30 years. And our economy of this city has not really grown. If anything, we don't have the money coming now that we did back then. So, I mean I can understand what you're saying and Mr. Chairman, I think we're going to have to look at that because if we don't we're going to be in the same position again.

Mr. Sibley: And what we could do is a breakdown in terms of what's the actual cost of those positions, so as a part of your evaluation, you'll know exactly what those 35 positions would cost and you could factor that in.

Councilman Corbin: And I think the thing that certainly (inaudible) council has seen anything related to the budget and in all of our discussions about consent decree and water rates, we never specifically talked about additional positions. What I'd ask Barbara is when we get to our departmental budget meeting, if you would be prepared to talk about the pros and cons of 35 additional people in this year's budget versus maybe 50% of those this year, 50% next year, and the impact that it would have on your department.

Ms. Featherston: And I'll get you the cost of those. The cost of those employees is not - - - it sounds like a lot of folks again. Most of these are MS1s, MS2s, MS3s, very few management. And what I consider management is still fairly low paid compared to the private industry. It's not a significant increase with regards to the budget. When we went through the rate increases, we had talked originally about the rates including a 25% increase in our O&M budget. We've reduced that when we did the last set of proposals for rate increases down to a 15% increase. I think this plus the equipment and everything else we've asked for is less, is close to 8% of our O&M budget.

And even though we've asked for 15%, and that's what's built into the rates.

Mr. Sibley: Thank you Barbara.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Last one for me. Debt Service. That - - - assuming (inaudible) 2 is the rest of the GO Bonds, what is that a year approximately cost us? I mean obviously you're going to tell me the rates are a little different or whatever, is that \$30,000,000? What is that?

Ms. Fields: I'm not sure. I think that first charge was about \$6,000,000 a year. So the second set, \$93,000,000 compared to \$81 (million) for the first set. Maybe just a little bit more than the \$6,000,000 per year. I'm not sure exactly how much did the debt service would be on the second sale.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Is Charles in here? Does he have a rough estimate? The reason I ask is I understand the intent of having a \$61,000,000 reserve number in there. Obviously you want to make sure, a) You have enough coverage for at least one more years' worth of revenue to pay off both, what's currently on the books, plus the additional, and obviously we know something is going to come off the books, hopefully in 2014, I don't know exactly about the restructuring (inaudible) and the rest, but maybe we're still over mils.

Mr. Madden: When we reset the mils last year, it was done with the assumption that the second one would be done, and we were figuring about \$7-7 1/2 (million) for that debt service. So we're actually collecting that money even though - - -

Councilman O. Jenkins: Understood.

Mr. Madden: We assumed we would start paying it this year, and obviously we aren't. So, that was worked into that calculation, which is why it is going up versus staying level, because we figured we'd have that debt service there now.

Councilman O. Jenkins: yeah, and I guess ultimately there's a lot of things I'm looking back and you know reducing that millage. And I do agree that we should wait till we actually see those bonds and know what our rates are and be able to project it before we do it. But it's certainly something that looking at those numbers even if you're putting another \$7 or 8,000,000 on it, somebody could certainly argue that we're slightly over mils at this point.

Mr. Madden: Based on what we're looking at, we have one debt service, or one GOB that pays off in '16. And then it stays level until '19. But we would figure we would be able to reduce it again in two years, and then look at it again four more years after that. And after '19, it would be significantly reduced based on our current debt.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Oh, to be a councilman in '19. Okay, thank you.

Councilman Everson: If those councilmen leading up till then have maintained the city in (inaudible) condition that it is not in dire need of additional debt service.

Councilman Shyne: It's going to be in need. Don't, don't - - - you don't have to worry about that. Like I say, I've been here a long time, and every year, they say we're going to pay it off, every three or four years you're going to have more needs coming on. Because actually when we look at our street program, I mean, you know Dale, what we're doing now, \$21,000,000 even \$40,000,000, I mean even to fix the streets like we really need and Mr. Harris will tell you, we probably need \$250,000,000 to start making a difference in our streets. And it's just something that we're going to have to continue to do from now on. I keep calling Sam, so I'm not going to call you no more, I guess I'll call Art. Art might be running for Mayor.

Councilman O. Jenkins: You may have to remind him. He forgets everything.

Councilman S. Jenkins: I'll support that.

Councilman Shyne: I'm going to be quite. I'm not going to say that Art. But actually I mean, our needs are going to continue to increase, and Jeff I know you're the Chairman of the Infrastructure Committee, but you know Mr. Harris will tell you from working many years in Kansas City, I mean it never goes down. It always goes up. As long as I've been here Oliver, it has never gone down. It has always gone up and that's kinda one of the reasons our streets, our infrastructure is in the shape that it's in, because we have never spent the money that we needed to spend for our infrastructure. So, the expenses are going to continue to go up. I know and Art will tell you, Mike Art thought maybe the less hair he had on his head, he started getting bald head the barber wasn't going to charge him as much. So he goes back and he doesn't have as much hair to cut, but you had to pay what Art? The same price and the barber is going up on it. So, I mean our expenses are not going down.

Councilman Corbin: Ms. Fields would you go back to that Summary slide that had all the ending balances for a couple of years on it? And I know we need to move onto other things on our agenda as well. Anytime you build a budget, you build a budget as big as we have and as many variables, there's that house of cards structure to it. And I think the thing that continues to worry me is that December 31, 2013, estimated fund balance. Although \$4,048,000 is not a ton of money, we have no assurances really that that's where we're going to be. We've seen a good revenue report this past month. We know what's happening with Riverboat funds. If that number gets cut in half, then it kinda changes the whole playing field. And unfortunately it's evidently very hard to track that number on a month to month basis. But I just think as we move forward in our discussions, that's something I want us to keep in mind is how do we pinpoint that number as close as we can because we're really basing a lot off of that number moving forward. Any other questions?

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Chairman in the Retained Risk fund, it appears that we are appropriating in liability reserves a minus \$3,785,500. And on this end, we don't think we've ever seen that before. And we need to have some discussions about that. And I bring it up now because of the house of cards thing that you talked about.

Councilman Corbin: Thank you Ms. Fields.

Ms. Fields: Thank you.

Councilman Corbin: I believe that brings us to reports. Does any Council Member have any questions or Dale, I'm sorry, were you finished?

Mr. Sibley: Oh yes sir.

Reports

Councilman Corbin: Does any Council Member have any questions or concerns relative to Property Standards? If not, Mr. Sibley, I believe that brings us back to the Revenue Collection Plan.

Property Standards Report (*Res. 7 of 2003*)

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

Mr. Sibley: Yes sir. And we've already talked about many of these items, but just to point out the latest sales tax collection report actually shows for the past month, the City of Shreveport in increase of 3.5%. We're about less than 1% differential between 2012 and 2013, and your last

comment Mr. Chairman, that's one of the things we emphasized that we used very, very conservative numbers in terms of wrapping up 2013 and going into '14, because we projected sales tax to be about the same this year, you'll see we're less than 1% away. So we feel okay about that. A great opportunity and we felt a few months ago, you know the past couple of months, we've had about 3 ½ % per month, so we think that bows very well. I also gave you all the class breakout so you'd get an idea as to where the growth is and where the negative lines still are, and obviously, looks like retail really saw a big increase, the restaurants and bars and grocery and other food stores, I note things like hotels and lodging went down. Manufacturing went down, health services went down, automobiles seem to be holding their own, they've been pretty steady for most of the year. So not only do we feel a little bit better about the sales tax numbers, because of that differential is really closed. We look at the other revenue, you noticed that we've actually exceeded what we budgeted for 2013, except we'd adjusted the budget to account for the EMS additional funding. And on the Chart that's reflected there, you noticed this chart is based upon \$1.75 (million). When Charles gave y'all the report yesterday, indicating we've already collected about \$1.2 (million) and we still have a disbursement that we think will be anywhere between \$750,000 and an additional million, so as the trend has been the past couple of years and other revenue, the guys up in compliance are doing a good job, and we're actually seeing an increase beyond what's been budgeted. We saw it last year, we saw it the year before and we think we're going to see it this year. So the numbers look pretty good there. There's still some outstanding projected dollars out there in terms of property tax. Some of the other line items there, particularly EMS. We checked (inaudible) fees, water collection fees, other fees that are non-budgeted, so all in all, we think we that we are on track to meet those projections for this year, and at the same time, as Sherricka indicated, we're still monitoring departments very closely to keep the spending down at a level that we don't offset any gains in collections by simply spending more. So we're still working in that vein. If there are any questions at this time.

Councilman Corbin: Those are actually August collections?

Mr. Sibley: Those actually - - - yes sir. Reported in September.

Councilman Corbin: I thought it was interesting the large decrease in hotels as many people as have spoken to the council recently about economic impact of events.

Mr. Sibley: They are - - - two things are happening. 1) is locating more room still, and we're a little bit over saturated right now. The other thing that's happening is they're daily rate is being pushed down, particularly Mr. Shyne was talking about the effect of the feds. Barksdale is a major driver of our hotel at the Hilton. A lot of things have been cancelled because of the activity with the federal government at Barksdale. The air show and things like that which were big drivers for them, but the most telling thing was the squeeze that's on the ABR, for example hotels that were up at say \$75-80, are having to take people at \$45-50. So occupancy rate is going down some, some hotels are maintaining it, but they're getting much less for it, so that's reflected in fewer collections. Because you looked at the hotel/motel charts in here, they're all down for the past several months. But those are the kind of things that are happening with the local hotel industry that's really having an impact on us.

Councilman Corbin: Any other questions about the Revenue Collection Report?

Surety Bond Forfeitures Report (*Res 238 of 2010*)

Councilman Corbin: Any questions about the Surety Bond Report?

Master Plan Committee Report (*Res. No. 132 of 2012*)

Public Hearing: None.

Adding Items to the Agenda, Public Comments, Confirmations and Appointments.

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

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

Confirmation and Appointments: None.

Consent Agenda Legislation

To Introduce Routine Ordinances and Resolutions

Resolutions: None.

Ordinances: None.

To Adopt Ordinances and Resolutions

Resolutions: None.

Ordinances: None.

Regular Agenda Legislation

Resolutions on Second Reading and Final Passage or Which Will Require Only One Reading

RESOLUTION NO. 177 OF 2013

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO MAKE APPLICATION WITH THE LOUISIANA COMMISSION ON LAW ENFORCEMENT THROUGH THE NORTHWEST LAW ENFORCEMENT PLANNING AGENCY, FOR A MULTI-JURISDICTION NARCOTICS TASK FORCE GRANT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement (LCLE) has invited the Shreveport Police Department and Caddo Parish Sheriff's Office to file a joint application for grant funds through the Northwest Law Enforcement Planning (NWLEPA) and

WHEREAS, the award, if approved, will be for a total of \$89,420 and requires no cash match. The funds from the Multi-Jurisdictional Narcotics Task Force Grant will allow for additional narcotics enforcement activities within the City of Shreveport and Parish of Caddo to be facilitated by law enforcement personnel from the Caddo Parish Sheriff's Office and the Shreveport Police Department. The grant will also fund the purchase of narcotic test kits and supplies for the purpose of collecting various types of evidence and also the recording of aforementioned evidence to assist in the criminal prosecution of these cases.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, regular and legal session convened, that it does hereby authorize to execute by Cedric B. Glover, Mayor, those grant documents necessary to apply and receive funding established within the program administered by the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement through the Northwest Law Enforcement Planning Agency.

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 S. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman O. Jenkins to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Everson, O. Jenkins, Webb, and S. Jenkins. 4. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Shyne. 1. Absent: Councilman McCulloch. 1. Abstentions: 0. Not Voting: Councilman Corbin – Mayor Pro Tem. 1.

The Clerk read the following:

AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO RESOLUTION NO. 179 OF 2013

-Amend the “NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED” paragraph by deleting the blank line and substituting with the date “October 7,”.

-Incorporate the Agreement for Water and Sewerage Services as an attachment to the Resolution.

Explanation of Amendment:

This amendment references the date on which the Agreement for Water and Sewerage Services with Shreveport Business Park, L.L.C., was filed in the Office of the Clerk of Council and incorporates the Agreement as an attachment to the Resolution.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman O. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Webb to adopt Amendment No. 1 to Resolution No. 179 of 2013.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Tell me again, what does the amendment do again now?

Mr. Thompson: It just fix the date that the agreement was filed in our office, and it says that the agreement is an attachment to the document.

Mr. Sibley: It basically attaches a copy of the actual proposed agreement for (inaudible)

Councilman Corbin: On the agreement itself, are these negotiated rates? Or - - -?

Councilman O. Jenkins: City rates. I read it as ‘In City’ rates.

Mr. Sibley: As opposed to ‘Outside’. And also Mr. Chairman as we noted yesterday, I don’t think we heard back. We have? We have heard so we are good to go? Okay, we were going to ask for a postponement, but I think we’re going to go forward.

Councilman O. Jenkins: And I guess I should have asked this, but I assumed that the GM plant beforehand had a negotiated city rate, and I’m assuming that somebody that potentially offers that many jobs we would negotiate. I mean I’m (inaudible) for many of these. I assumed that.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Everson, O. Jenkins, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 5. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilman McCulloch. 1. Abstentions: 0. Not Voting: Councilman Corbin – Mayor Pro Tem. 1.

RESOLUTION NO. 179 OF 2013

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH SHREVEPORT BUSINESS PARK, L.L.C. AND/OR ITS AFFILIATE TO PROVIDE WATER AND SEWERAGE SERVICES FOR ELIO MOTORS, INC AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, Elio Motors, Inc. ("Elio Motors"), has expressed an intention to commence operations at the former General Motors Shreveport Assembly and Stamping Plant ("facility"); and

WHEREAS, the facility is located in Caddo Parish, proximate to the corporate limits of the City of Shreveport ("City"); and

WHEREAS, Elio Motors will lease space at the facility from Shreveport Business Park, L.L.C. ("Shreveport Business Park"); and

WHEREAS, Shreveport Business Park has requested and the City desires to provide water and sewerage services to the facility specifically for Elio Motors on terms and with conditions similar to those offered to other industrial users;

WHEREAS, Article VII, Section 14 (C) of the Louisiana Constitution of 1974, provides that for a public purpose a political subdivisions may engage in cooperative endeavors with any public or private association, corporation or individual; and

WHEREAS, Elio Motors intends to create an estimated 1,500 jobs paying an average rate of \$25.00 per hour plus benefits which is a significant public purpose and authorized by Article VII, Section 14 (C) of the state Constitution.

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, be and he is hereby authorized to execute an agreement with Shreveport Business Park, L.L.C. and/or its affiliate to provide water and sewerage services specifically for Elio Motors, Inc. at the former General Motors Shreveport Assembly and Stamping Plant, substantially in accordance with the draft thereof which was filed for public inspection in the Office of the Clerk of Council on _____, 2013.

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 Resolution No. 179 of 2013 as amended. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Everson, O. Jenkins, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 5. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilman McCulloch. 1. Abstentions: 0. Not Voting: Councilman Corbin – Mayor Pro Tem. 1.

RESOLUTION NO. 180 OF 2013

**A RESOLUTION DECLARING OCTOBER 2013 AS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO
BY: COUNCILMAN JEFF EVERSON**

WHEREAS, domestic violence is a serious crime that affects people of all races,

ages, gender and income levels; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence is widespread and affects over a million

Americans each year; and

WHEREAS one in three Americans have witnessed an incident of domestic violence; and

WHEREAS, children that grow up in violent homes are believed to be abused and neglected at a rare higher than the national average; and

WHEREAS, domestic violence costs the nation billions of dollars annually in medical expenses, police and court costs, shelters, foster care, sick leave, absenteeism, and non-productivity; and

WHEREAS, only a coordinated community effort will put a stop to this heinous crime; and

WHEREAS, Domestic Violence Awareness Month provides an excellent opportunity for citizens to learn more about preventing domestic violence and to show support for the numerous organization and individuals who provide critical advocacy, services and assistance to victims.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened, that it hereby support all efforts to end domestic violence in Shreveport and proclaims October 2013 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Everson, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Everson, O. Jenkins, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 5. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilman McCulloch. 1. Abstentions: 0. Not Voting: Councilman Corbin – Mayor Pro Tem. 1.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 181 OF 2013

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-15" 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-15" 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-15" 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 S. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Shyne to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Everson, O. Jenkins, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 5. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilman McCulloch. 1. Abstentions: 0. Not Voting: Councilman Corbin – Mayor Pro Tem. 1.

RESOLUTION NO. 182 OF 2013

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SETTLEMENT OF ALL CLAIMS AGAINST THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT IN THE MATTER ENTITLED "URBAN HOUSING OF AMERICA, INC. V. CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION OF CADDO PARISH" AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport and the Metropolitan Planning Commission of Caddo Parish ("MPC") were initially named as defendants in the above referenced litigation. The MPC has now been dismissed as a party to the litigation; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to settle all claims asserted against it by the plaintiffs in this matter for an amount in excess of \$200,000; and

WHEREAS, Section 26-175(b) of the Code of Ordinances requires that any claim in a lawsuit that is \$200,000 or more may be settled only after it has been approved by the City Council by resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened that the Office of the City Attorney is hereby authorized to settle all claims asserted against the City of Shreveport in the above entitled and numbered matter for an amount in excess of \$200,000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor of the City of Shreveport is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents for and on behalf of the City of Shreveport in regard to the settlement.

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 Shyne, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Everson, O. Jenkins, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 5. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilman McCulloch. 1. Abstentions: 0. Not Voting: Councilman Corbin – Mayor Pro Tem. 1.

Councilman Shyne: Sam, the reason I did that, I was on the Council before, and I know how you and Oliver are very up on legal matters.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Not as up as you are now.

Councilman Shyne: Well, thank you, thank you.

Councilman Corbin: Mr. Thompson, let's proceed with Introduction of Resolutions

Councilman Shyne: Thank you Sam.

Introduction of Resolutions (*Not to be adopted prior to October 22, 2013*)

The Clerk read the following:

1. **Resolution No. 183 of 2013**: A resolution authorizing the institution of expropriation proceedings against certain described property within the City of Shreveport in connection with the Murphy Street Park Project, Parcel No. P-1, and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (G/S. Jenkins)
2. **Resolution No. 184 of 2013**: A resolution authorizing the institution of expropriation proceedings against certain described property within the City of Shreveport in connection with the Murphy Street Park Project, Parcel No. P-4, and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (G/S. Jenkins)
3. **Resolution No. 185 of 2013**: A resolution authorizing the institution of expropriation proceedings against certain described property within the City of Shreveport in connection with the Murphy Street Park Project, Parcel No. P-5, and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (G/S. Jenkins)
4. **Resolution No. 186 of 2013**: A resolution authorizing the submission of the 2014-2018 Consolidated Plan and 2014 Annual Action Plan to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman S. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Shyne to introduce Resolution No(s). 183, 184, 185, and 186 of 2013 to lay over until the next regular meeting.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman, I want to issue this invitation to Councilmen Sam and Oliver Jenkins as soon as this park is built, Shelly provide us with a basketball hear?

Councilman O. Jenkins: You may need a wheelchair.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Oxygen tank, the whole nine yards.

Councilman Corbin: Boy, we're on a basketball roll today.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Mr. Chairman, I want to compliment Community Development on the process involved with Resolution No. 186. I know they had a number of meetings throughout the community to get input, and I appreciate that process in making sure that what's being presented is something that they heard from the citizens. So, I just wanted to compliment them on a job well done.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Everson, O. Jenkins, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 5. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilman McCulloch. 1. Abstentions: 0. Not Voting: Councilman Corbin – Mayor Pro Tem. 1.

Introduction of Ordinances (*Not to be adopted prior to October 22, 2013*)

The Clerk read the following:

1. **Ordinance No. 113 of 2013:** An ordinance amending the 2013 Streets Special Revenue Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
2. **Ordinance No. 114 of 2013:** An ordinance amending the 2013 General Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
3. **Ordinance No. 115 of 2013:** An ordinance amending the 2013 Capital Improvements Budget and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (*Minor Arterial Asphalt Program*)
4. **Ordinance No. 116 of 2013:** An ordinance amending the 2013 Capital Projects Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (*FAMIS*)
5. **Ordinance No. 117 of 2013:** An ordinance amending the 2013 Capital Improvements Budget and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (*Hersey D. Wilson Project*) (A/McCulloch)

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman S. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman O. Jenkins to introduce Ordinance No(s). 113, 114, 115, 116, and 117 of 2013 to lay over until the next regular meeting. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Everson, O. Jenkins, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 5. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilman McCulloch. 1. Abstentions: 0. Not Voting: Councilman Corbin – Mayor Pro Tem. 1.

Introduction of Ordinances (*To be adopted no later than December 15, 2013*)

The Clerk read the following:

1. **Ordinance No. 118 of 2013:** An ordinance adopting the 2014 Capital Projects Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

2. **Ordinance No. 119 of 2013**: An ordinance adopting the 2014 Riverfront Development Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
3. **Ordinance No. 120 of 2013**: An ordinance adopting the 2014 General Fund Budget, appropriating the authorized funds therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
4. **Ordinance No. 121 of 2013**: An ordinance adopting the 2014 Retained Risk Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
5. **Ordinance No. 122 of 2013**: An ordinance adopting the 2014 Metropolitan Planning Commission Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
6. **Ordinance No. 123 of 2013**: An ordinance adopting the 2014 Community Development Special Revenue Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
7. **Ordinance No. 124 of 2013**: An ordinance adopting the 2014 Grants Special Revenue Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
8. **Ordinance No. 125 of 2013**: An ordinance adopting the 2014 Shreveport Redevelopment Agency Special Revenue Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
9. **Ordinance No. 126 of 2013**: An ordinance adopting the 2014 Downtown Entertainment Economic Development Special Revenue Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
10. **Ordinance No. 127 of 2013**: An ordinance adopting the 2014 Airport Enterprise Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
11. **Ordinance No. 128 of 2013**: An ordinance adopting the 2014 Water and Sewerage Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
12. **Ordinance No. 129 of 2013**: An ordinance adopting the 2014 Budget funding Contractual Services provided to SPORTRAN by Metro Management Associates, Inc., and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
13. **Ordinance No. 130 of 2013**: An ordinance adopting the 2014 Downtown Parking Enterprise Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

14. **Ordinance No. 131 of 2013**: An ordinance adopting the 2014 Convention Center Enterprise Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
15. **Ordinance No. 132 of 2013**: An ordinance adopting the 2014 Convention Center Hotel Enterprise Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
16. **Ordinance No. 133 of 2013**: An ordinance adopting the 2014 Debt Service Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
17. **Ordinance No. 134 of 2013**: An ordinance adopting the 2014 Streets Special Revenue Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
18. **Ordinance No. 135 of 2013**: An ordinance adopting the 2014 Golf Enterprise Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to introduce and table Ordinance No(s). 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, and 135 of 2013. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Everson, O. Jenkins, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 5. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilman McCulloch. 1. Abstentions: 0. Not Voting: Councilman Corbin – Mayor Pro Tem. 1.

Motion by Councilman O. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Shyne to table Ordinance No(s). 113, 114, and 115 of 2013.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Actually we discussed this yesterday, and I thought we were going to do ‘em all at the same time, that’s why.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Everson, O. Jenkins, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 5. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilman McCulloch. 1. Abstentions: 0. Not Voting: Councilman Corbin – Mayor Pro Tem. 1.

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

The Clerk read the following:

1. **Ordinance No. 105 of 2013**: An ordinance amending the 2013 Capital Improvements Budget and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (*Water and Sewer Improvements*)

Having passed first reading on September 24, 2013 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman O. Jenkins to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Everson, O. Jenkins, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 5. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilman McCulloch. 1. Abstentions: 0. Not Voting: Councilman Corbin – Mayor Pro Tem. 1.

2. **Ordinance No. 106 of 2013**: An ordinance amending the 2013 General Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized herein and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (*Improvements and Equipment*)

Having passed first reading on September 24, 2013 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman O. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Everson

The Clerk read the following:

Amendment 1 to Ordinance 106 of 2013 Amending the 2013

AMEND THE ORDINANCE AS FOLLOWS:

In Section 1 (Estimated Receipts)

Increase Other Income by \$720,000

In Section 2 (Appropriations):

In City Attorney - Increase Contractual Services by \$20,000

In Finance - Increase Contractual Services by \$220,000

In Fire - Increase Transfer to Other Governments by \$480,000

In Engineering and Environmental Affairs –

Decrease Personal Services by \$260,000

Increase Material & Services by \$122,900

Increase Contractual Services by \$111,000

Increase Improvements and Equipment by 26,100

EXPLANATION OF AMENDMENT:

Changes in City Attorney are to increase funds available for contract attorneys used by Fire and Police Civil Service Board and Personnel Board.

Changes in Finance and Fire are to increase funds available for UPL program and to pay for processing of EMS revenues for remainder of 2013.

The City entered into an agreement with the Louisiana Ambulance Alliance (LAA) to collect Upper Payment Limit funds. To date the City has collected \$1 million of additional EMS revenue. This amendment will allow the City to continue to participate in the program through the end of 2013.

The changes in Engineering are needed to provide for improved disaster recovery of the new data for the roadway inventory and asset management systems. The current system will suffer extensive delays (3 weeks to three months) in recovering from a server failure. The new software and system will allow the servers to interact preventing delays in recovering from a disaster.

Motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman O. Jenkins to adopt Amendment No. 1 to Ordinance No. 196 of 2013. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Everson, O. Jenkins, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 5. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilman McCulloch. 1. Abstentions: 0. Not Voting: Councilman Corbin – Mayor Pro Tem. 1.

Motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman Everson to adopt Ordinance No. 196 of 2013 as amended. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Everson, O. Jenkins, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 5. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilman McCulloch. 1. Abstentions: 0. Not Voting: Councilman Corbin – Mayor Pro Tem. 1.

3. **Ordinance No. 107 of 2013**: An ordinance amending the 2013 Grants Special Revenue Fund Budget, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Having passed first reading on September 24, 2013 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Everson, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Everson, O. Jenkins, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 5. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilman McCulloch. 1. Abstentions: 0. Not Voting: Councilman Corbin – Mayor Pro Tem. 1.

4. **Ordinance No. 108 of 2013**: An ordinance authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement granting a utility servitude to AEP SWEPCO at Querbes Park, and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (C/O. Jenkins) (*Power to Pro Shop*)

Having passed first reading on September 24, 2013 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman O. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Shyne to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Everson, O. Jenkins, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 5. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilman McCulloch. 1. Abstentions: 0. Not Voting: Councilman Corbin – Mayor Pro Tem. 1.

5. **Ordinance No. 112 of 2013**: An Ordinance to repeal Ordinance No. 11 of 1972 which created a four-way stop intersection at Creswell Avenue and Southfield Road and to enact the intersection of Creswell Avenue and Southfield Road as a two-way stop intersection to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Having passed first reading on September 24, 2013 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman O. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Everson to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Everson, O. Jenkins, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 5. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilman McCulloch. 1. Abstentions: 0. Not Voting: Councilman Corbin – Mayor Pro Tem. 1.

6. **Ordinance No. 109 of 2013: ZONING C-64-13:** An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, The City Of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning property located east side of Church Street beginning 300 feet east of Church Street from Grantham to 241 feet south of Martin Avenue, extending east, 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 “the stockpile of dirt and broken concrete materials and sanitary sewer flow equalization pond for this City -owned operation” only**, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (E/Webb)

Having passed first reading on September 24, 2013 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Webb, seconded by Councilman Shyne to adopt.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Sibley, I'm glad that we got this cleared up, because Ron used to go out there and open the gates up all the time.

Councilman Corbin: I knew that pot was going to get stirred.

Councilman Webb: Days were getting long.

Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Everson, O. Jenkins, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 5. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilman McCulloch. 1. Abstentions: 0. Not Voting: Councilman Corbin – Mayor Pro Tem. 1.

10. **Ordinance No. 110 of 2013: ZONING C-68-13:** An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, The City Of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning property located on the SW corner of East Kings Hwy and Jackson Square Blvd, be and the same is hereby changed **from R-3, Urban Multiple Family Residence District to B-2, Neighborhood Business District**, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (D/Corbin)

Having passed first reading on September 24, 2013 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman S. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Shyne to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Everson, O. Jenkins, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 5. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilman McCulloch. 1. Abstentions: 0. Not Voting: Councilman Corbin – Mayor Pro Tem. 1.

11. **Ordinance No. 111 of 2013: ZONING C-69-13:** An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, The City Of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by rezoning property located property located on the west side of Monkhouse Drive, 1200 feet north of Westwood Park Drive, be and the same is hereby changed **from R-1D, Urban, One Family Residence District to B-3, Community Business District**, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (G/S. Jenkins)

Having passed first reading on September 24, 2013 was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman S.

Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Shyne to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Everson, O. Jenkins, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 5. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilman McCulloch. 1. Abstentions: 0. Not Voting: Councilman Corbin – Mayor Pro Tem. 1.

The adopted ordinances and amendments follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 105 OF 2013

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

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 further amended and re-enacted as follows:

In Program E (Water Improvements):

Increase the appropriation for **Russell Road Water Main Improvements (05-E001)** by \$394,201. Funding source is 2011 GOB Unappropriated Funds for Proposition 1 – Water and Sewer as of June 30, 2013.

Increase the appropriation for **Amiss Water Treatment Plant - Plant 2E Rehabilitation (11-E001)** by \$1,540,586. Funding source is 2011 GOB Unappropriated Funds for Proposition 1 – Water and Sewer as of June 30, 2013 (\$1,200,000) and W&S Revenues (\$340,586).

Decrease the appropriation for a project entitled **Water System Improvements AMR (09-E002)** by \$340,586. Funding source is W&S Revenues.

Increase the appropriation for **Amiss Water Treatment Plant - Raw Water Piping Modifications (11-E002)** by \$350,000. 2011 GOB Unappropriated Funds for Proposition 1 – Water and Sewer as of June 30, 2013.

Establish a project entitled **Water Main Relocation – I-49 Segment K Project** and fund it at \$500,000 from 2011 GOB Unappropriated Funds for Proposition 1 – Water and Sewer as of June 30, 2013.

In Program F (Sewer Improvements):

Increase the appropriation for **Citywide Sewer by District (11-F008)** by \$1,800,000. Funding source is 2011 GOB Unappropriated Funds for Proposition 1 – Water and Sewer as of June 30, 2013.

Adjust totals and subtotals accordingly.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the remainder of Ordinance 133 of 2012, as amended, shall remain in full force and effect.

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.

Amendment 1 to Ordinance 106 of 2013 Amending the 2013

AMEND THE ORDINANCE AS FOLLOWS:

In Section 1 (Estimated Receipts)

Increase Other Income by \$720,000

In Section 2 (Appropriations):

In City Attorney - Increase Contractual Services by \$20,000

In Finance - Increase Contractual Services by \$220,000

In Fire - Increase Transfer to Other Governments by \$480,000

In Engineering and Environmental Affairs –

Decrease Personal Services by \$260,000

Increase Material & Services by \$122,900

Increase Contractual Services by \$111,000

Increase Improvements and Equipment by 26,100

EXPLANATION OF AMENDMENT:

Changes in City Attorney are to increase funds available for contract attorneys used by Fire and Police Civil Service Board and Personnel Board.

Changes in Finance and Fire are to increase funds available for UPL program and to pay for processing of EMS revenues for remainder of 2013.

The City entered into an agreement with the Louisiana Ambulance Alliance (LAA) to collect Upper Payment Limit funds. To date the City has collected \$1 million of additional EMS revenue. This amendment will allow the City to continue to participate in the program through the end of 2013.

The changes in Engineering are needed to provide for improved disaster recovery of the new data for the roadway inventory and asset management systems. The current system will suffer extensive delays (3 weeks to three months) in recovering from a server failure. The new software and system will allow the servers to interact preventing delays in recovering from a disaster.

ORDINANCE NO. 106 OF 2013

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2013 GENERAL FUND BUDGET,
APPROPRIATING THE FUNDS AUTHORIZED HEREIN AND TO OTHERWISE
PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO**

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it necessary to amend the 2013 General Fund Budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in legal session convened, that Ordinance 135 of 2012, the 2013 General Fund Budget, is hereby amended as follows

In Section 2 (Appropriations)

City Attorney

Decrease Personnel Services by \$12,000

Increase Improvements and Equipment by \$12,000

Adjust totals and subtotals accordingly.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the remainder of Ordinance No. 135 of 2012 as amended, shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

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

applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications; and to this end, the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.
BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

ORDINANCE NO. 107 OF 2013

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2013 GRANTS SPECIAL REVENUE FUND BUDGET, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it desirable to amend the 2013 budget for the Grants Special Revenue Fund, to adjust revenues and for other purposes.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal and regular session convened that Ordinance No. 139 of 2012, the 2013 budget for the Grants Special Revenue Fund, be amended and re-enacted as follows:

In Section 1, (Estimated Receipts):

2013 and Prior-Year Receipts:

Increase Violence Against Women (VAWA) Recovery 2012 Grant by \$5,600.

In Section 2, Appropriations from FY 2013 and Prior Year Revenues:

Increase Violence Against Women (VAWA) Recovery 2012, revenues by \$5,600 and appropriate \$5,600 to Improvements & Equipment.

From Prior Year Predictive Policing Demonstration and Evaluation II, decrease \$37,705 from Contractual Services and increase \$37,705 to Improvements and Equipment.

Adjust totals and subtotals accordingly.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the remainder of Ordinance 139 of 2012 shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if any provision or item of this ordinance or the application thereof shall be 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 portions thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

ORDINANCE NO. 108 OF 2013

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT GRANTING A UTILITY SERVITUDE TO AEP-SWEPCO AT QUERBES PARK, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport has received a request for the granting of a utility servitude across City-owned property; and

WHEREAS, this utility servitude is needed by AEP-SWEPCO to install and maintain electrical service for the Querbes Park Golf Pro Shop; and

WHEREAS, the location of this servitude has been reviewed and found not to be in conflict with any present or proposed improvement by the City of Shreveport.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in legal session convened, that a utility servitude at Querbes Park, as shown on the plat attached and made part hereof, be and is granted to AEP-SWEPCO, and Cedric B. Glover, Mayor, is hereby authorized to execute and agreement granting such servitude.

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

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

ORDINANCE NO. 109 OF 2013

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 106 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT ZONING ORDINANCE, BY REZONING PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE EAST SIDE OF CHURCH STREET BEGINNING 300 FEET EAST OF CHURCH STREET FROM GRANTHAM TO 241 FEET SOUTH OF MARTIN AVENUE EXTENDING EAST, 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 “THE STOCKPILE OF DIRT AND BROKEN CONCRETE MATERIALS AND SANITARY SEWER FLOW EQUALIZATION POND FOR THIS CITY-OWNED OPERATION” 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 68.96 acres, M/L, on the east side of Church Street beginning 300 feet east of Church Street from Grantham to 241 feet south of Martin Avenue, extending east, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA, legally described as follows, 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 “the stockpile of dirt and broken concrete materials and sanitary sewer flow equalization pond for this City-owned operation” only:

Beginning at the NW corner of Sect 6, T16N, R14W, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA, thence east 40 chains, thence south 867.8 feet to the RY property, thence S77°43’W 2405.1 feet thence north 127.5 feet, thence west 290 feet, thence north 1250 feet to POB, less road & less the most W’ly 300 feet of said tract. SECTION II: THAT the rezoning of the property described herein is subject to compliance with the following stipulations:

1. Development of the property shall be in substantial accord with the revised site plan date stamped August 29, 2013, with any significant changes or additions requiring further review and approval by the Planning Commission.
2. Materials hauled to or from this site shall be contained within vehicles owned & operated by the City of Shreveport Water & Sewer Department. The height of the stockpiled materials shall not exceed 30 feet.
3. Vehicular access to the facility shall be allowed from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. at the current Church Street entrance by way of Grantham Street only until the permanent access is constructed from Shrevepark Drive. Once the permanent access is constructed, the Church Street access drive will be removed and replaced with a vegetated barrier thus eliminating the vehicular access through the residential subdivision.

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

ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items, or applications and to this end the

provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

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

ORDINANCE NO. 110 OF 2013

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 106 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT ZONING ORDINANCE, BY REZONING PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE SW CORNER OF EAST KINGS HWY AND JACKSON SQUARE BLVD, SHREVEPORT, CADDO PARISH, LA, FROM R-3, URBAN MULTIPLE FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO B-2, NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS DISTRICT AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

SECTION I: BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA, in due, legal and regular session convened, that the zoning classification of Lot 4, Orleans Square Subdivision, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA, property located on the SW corner of East Kings Hwy and Jackson Square Blvd, be and the same is hereby changed from R-3, Urban Multiple Family Residence District to B-2, Neighborhood Business District.

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

1. Development of the property shall be in substantial accord with a revised site plan showing solid screen fencing with any significant changes or additions requiring further review and approval by the Planning Commission.

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

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

ORDINANCE NO. 111 OF 2013

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 106 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT ZONING ORDINANCE, BY REZONING PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF MONKHOUSE DRIVE, 1200 FEET NORTH OF WESTWOOD PARK DRIVE, SHREVEPORT, CADDO PARISH, LA, FROM R-1D, URBAN, ONE FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT TO B-3, COMMUNITY BUSINESS DISTRICT, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

SECTION I: BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA, in due, legal and regular session convened, that the zoning classification of the north 25 feet of Lot 44 & the S/2 of Lot 45, Redbud Heights, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA, property located on the west side of Monkhouse Drive, 1200 feet north of Westwood Park Drive, be and the same is hereby changed from R-1D, Urban, One Family Residence District to B-3, Community Business District.

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

1. Development of the property shall be in substantial accord with a revised site plan showing a driveway width that meets City Engineering requirements and a 6' solid wood screening fence around the site. This plan shall be submitted to and approved by the Planning Director. Any significant changes or additions shall require further review and approval by the Planning Commission. No permits shall be issued until the revised site plan and/or replatting of lots has been approved by the MPC Director or the Planning Commission.
2. A landscaping schedule of plants shall be submitted to and approved by the Zoning Administrator prior to the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy.
3. No 18-wheelers shall be permitted to make deliveries to this site and there shall be no outside storage permitted.

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

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

ORDINANCE NO. 112 OF 2013

AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL ORDINANCE NO. 11 OF 1972 WHICH CREATED A FOUR-WAY STOP INTERSECTION AT CRESWELL AVENUE AND SOUTHFIELD ROAD AND TO ENACT THE INTERSECTION OF CRESWELL AVENUE AND SOUTHFIELD ROAD AS A TWO-WAY STOP INTERSECTION AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in legal and regular session convened that Ordinance No. 11 of 1972 which created a four-way stop intersection at Creswell Avenue and Southfield Road is hereby repealed. The intersection of Creswell Avenue and Southfield Road is hereby created and established as a two-way stop intersection requiring that all traffic and vehicles on the north and south approaches shall come to a full stop before entering the intersection.

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 resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Councilman Corbin: Mr. Sibley, very quickly, I just received a very high level communication that recyclables in Apple Tree Subdivision have not been picked up on its Monday schedule.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Tuesday.

Councilman Corbin: No, it actually should have been picked up Monday, and now it's Tuesday.

Mr. Sibley: We are on it Mr. Chairman.

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Chairman, for the record, I'd like to make it clear that on 106, the amendment that we adopted is the amendment that is actually listed on the e-agenda, so that our

records will reflect that. I might have said something a little different. And if I did, it's the one that's actually on the e-agenda.

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. **Ordinance No. 89 of 2011** 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*)

Appeals

Property Standards Appeals

PSD0900275 140 Pennsylvania Avenue, Shreveport, LA (C/Jenkins) Mr. & Mrs. Robert A. Powell, 140 Pennsylvania Avenue, Shreveport, LA 71104 (B/Everson) (*Postponed September 23, 2013 until November 11, 2013*)

PSD1000086 2837 Logan Street, Shreveport, LA (G/S. Jenkins) Ms. Carolyn Ivory Wilson, 3646 Del Rio Street, Shreveport, LA 71109 (G/Jenkins) (*Postponed September 23, 2013 until December 23, 2013*)

PSD1000141 728 Austin Pl, Shreveport, LA (B/Everson) Ms. Deborah Bryant, 9640 Tammy, Shreveport, LA 71106 (Caddo Parish) (*Postponed September 9, 2013 until December 9, 2013*)

PSD1100017 3634 Sumner Street, Shreveport, LA (G/S. Jenkins) Mr. Roberto Strickland, 3740 Jackson Street, Shreveport, LA 71109 (G/S. Jenkins) (*Postponed September 9, 2013 until October 7, 2013*)

HBO1300017/PSD130001 1831 Hollywood Avenue, Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) Mr. Ashanti Kabara, 2711 Oak Street, Shreveport, LA 71104 (B/Everson) (*Postponed September 9, 2013 until October 7, 2013*)

PSD1300047 1744 Ashton Street, Shreveport, LA (A/McCulloch) Ms. Verna Campbell, 6513 Cypress Pointe, Monroe, LA 71203 (*Postponed August 12, 2013 until October 21, 2013*)

PSD1300012 1720 Exposition Avenue, Shreveport, LA (G/S. Jenkins) Ms. Josephine Smith, 2725 Poland Street, Shreveport, LA 71103 (A/McCulloch) (*Postponed August 12, 2013 until October 21, 2013*)

PSD1300111 3638 Michigan Street, Shreveport, LA (G/S. Jenkins) Mr. Calvin Lester, Sr., 602 Hoover Drive, Shreveport, LA 71106 (D/Corbin) (*Postponed August 12, 2013 until October 7, 2013*)

PSD1300088: 1447 Andrew Ave., Shreveport, LA (A/McCulloch) Mr. Don W. Ellis Sr., 1460 Kenneth Ave., Shreveport 71103 (*Postponed August 26, 2013 until October 21, 2013*)

PSD1300151: 3015 Catherine St., Shreveport, LA (A/McCulloch) Mr. Larry Davenport, 2245 Soda Lake Circle, Shreveport, LA 71107 (*Postponed September 23, 2013 until November 25, 2013*)

PSD1300145 7129 Suntan Street, Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) Mr. David Poston, 318 Crosscreek Drive, Bossier City, LA 71111 *NEW (Not to be heard prior to October 21, 2013)*

PSD 1300082 5918 Attaway Street, Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) Mr. Jerome Fields, 5954 Attaway Street, Shreveport, LA 71108 (F/Shyne) *NEW (Not to be heard prior to October 21, 2013)*

Alcoholic Beverage Ordinance Appeals

Denial of Application for Renewal of Alcohol Beverage Permit for *Circle K #7774*, 6704 Pines Road, Shreveport, LA 71129, (G/S. Jenkins) Ms. Robin Donoho, *Circle K Stores*, 3645 Southern Avenue, Shreveport, LA 71104 (B/Everson) (*Postponed September 10, 2013 until October 7, 2013*)

Mr. Russell Shabryar, 7108 Karen Street, Shreveport, LA 71108 (E/Webb), *Expressway Grocery*, 3209 Alabama Avenue, Shreveport, LA 71108 (E/Webb). (*Postponed September 24, 2013 until October 7, 2013*)

Metropolitan Planning Commission Appeals and Zoning Board of Appeals

Other Appeals

Taxi Appeal

Reports from officers, boards, and committees

Clerk's Report

Received: Annual Report of the Historic Preservation Commission

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 5:15 p.m.

//s// Michael Corbin, Chairman

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