

**Council Proceedings of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana**  
**January 28, 2020**

The Administrative Conference and City Council meeting of the City Council of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana was called to order by Chairman Flurry at 3:00 p.m. Tuesday, January 28, 2020, in the Government Chambers in Government Plaza (505 Travis Street).

Invocation was given by Reverend Howard Hall.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Bradford.

The roll was called. Present: Councilmen Willie Bradford, LeVette Fuller, John Nickelson, Grayson Boucher, James Flurry, James Green and Jerry Bowman (arrived at 4:42p.m.), 7.

**Motion by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilwoman Fuller, to approve the minutes of the Administrative Conference, Monday, January 13, 2020 and the Council Meeting, Tuesday, January 14, 2020. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Bradford, Fuller, Nickelson, Boucher, Flurry and Green and. 6. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilman Bowman. 1. Abstentions: 0.**

**AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS 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 Green recognized former council member Monty Walford and Pastor C. J. Johnson.

Councilman Nickelson invited General Graves to the podium. General Graves and Monty Walford, representing the Shreveport Airport Hangers Owners Association, expressed their disappointment with the council for suspending its rule that requires a delay between an appointment to a board or authority and the vote to confirm that appointment. They were specifically concerned about a recent appointment to the Airport Authority.

Councilman Bradford recognized the partners of the Gateway Cyber Group.

**Motion by Councilwoman Fuller, seconded by Councilman Bradford, to suspend the rules to take up Resolution No. 9 of 2020. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Bradford, Fuller, Nickelson, Boucher, Flurry and Green and. 6. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilman Bowman. 1. Abstentions: 0.**

*The Clerk read the following:*

**RESOLUTION NO. 9 OF 2020**

**A RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE SHREVEPORT POLICE OFFICERS AND K-9,  
CASPER FOR THEIR EFFORTS IN CAPTURING A SUSPECT WANTED FOR THE  
MURDER OF A TEXAS DEPUTY SHERIFF, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH  
RESPECT THERETO**

BY: COUNCILWOMAN LEVETTE FULLER

WHEREAS, Shreveport Police Officers while on duty early morning hours of December 31, 2019, including Corporal LaBrian Marsden and K-9 Casper, elected to monitor traffic on I-20 east after hearing a communication officer's dispatch concerning a suspect's vehicle involved in the death of Panola County Deputy Sheriff, Chris Dickerson; and

WHEREAS, Chief Ben Raymond stated that Corporal Marsden, observed the vehicle, verified the license plate and attempted a traffic stop; and

WHEREAS, Corporal Marsden was joined by Sergeant Karl Hill, Corporal Jesse Alexander, Corporal Shelia Taylor, Officer Parrish Bernard, Officer Domonique Dinkins, Officer Richard Pollitt, Officer Brandon McKean, Officer Gregory Blue, Officer Rosendo Rodriguez and Officer Loren Thibodeaux in pursuing the suspect vehicle, which crashed near Louisiana Highway 3132 and Hollywood Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the suspect fled on foot, but was found by Casper hiding in tall brush and grass close to the Shreveport Regional Airport where he was arrested; and

WHEREAS, Jackie Lynn, sister of Panola County Deputy Sheriff Chris Dickerson, said: "The end of an awful day there were some smiles attached. While having the family and department dinner, we got to honor officers of the Shreveport Police Department, Corporal Marsden and his K9 partner Casper. ...Corporal Marsden first stood up and hugged my daughter and then was nice enough to get Casper out for us to personally thank and love on. God bless this team and may God keep them safe!"

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened, that the Shreveport City Council recognizes and thanks Corporal LaBrian Marsden and his K-9, Casper, Sergeant Karl Hill, Corporal Jesse Alexander, Corporal Shelia Taylor, Officer Parrish Bernard, Officer Domonique Dinkins, Officer Richard Pollitt, Officer Brandon McKean, Officer Gregory Blue, Officer Rosendo Rodriguez and Officer Loren Thibodeaux for their efforts in capturing a suspect wanted for the murder of a Deputy Sheriff in Panola County, Texas.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution shall be executed in multiple originals with an original presented to each Corporal LeBrian Marsden, Sergeant Karl Hill, Corporal Jesse Alexander, Corporal Shelia Taylor, Officer Parrish Bernard, Officer Domonique Dinkins, Officer Richard Pollitt, Officer Brandon McKean, Officer Gregory Blue, Officer Rosendo Rodriguez and Officer Loren Thibodeaux and the other resolution filed in perpetuity in the office of the Clerk of Council for the City of Shreveport.

**Read by title and as read, motion by Councilwoman Fuller seconded by Councilman Green to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Bradford, Fuller, Nickelson, Boucher, Flurry and Green and. 6. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilman Bowman. 1. Abstentions: 0.**

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

**Mayor Perkins made the following comments/announcements:**

- Thanked the council for appointing representatives from their districts to serve on the

2020 Census Count Committee.

- Invited Chief Wolverton to the podium.
  - Chief Wolverton recognized Officer Austin Page #1612 and Officer Rodney Keaton #1368 for their actions with saved a citizen from a burning structure, and presented them with a certificate for heroism.
- Invited City Engineer, Patrick Furlong to the podium to provide the council with a presentation of the challenges the city face and why legislation is needed to address work being done in the right of way

**Mayor Perkins acknowledge the following people:**

- The passing of Kobe Bryant and the other eight passengers who died on Sunday in a helicopter crash in Calabasas, California.
- The 34<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Shuttle Challenger explosion.
- Sent prayers to the Mayor of Alexander on the passing of her of mother.
- The passing of Willie Burton.

Mayor Perkins: We should do everything that we can do to be kind to one another, hug our loves ones a little tighter every single day because we do not know how many days we have left on this earth.

**Motion by Councilwoman Fuller, seconded by Councilman Green, to suspend the rules to take up Resolution No. 8 of 2020. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Bradford, Fuller, Nickelson, Boucher, Flurry and Green and. 6. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilman Bowman. 1. Abstentions: 0.**

*The Clerk read the following:*

**RESOLUTION NO. 8 OF 2020**

**A RESOLUTION TO CONGRATULATE SHREVEPORT CITIZENS BILLY ANDERSON, MICHELLE ARNOLD AND TESHUNDREA FREDERICK FOR BEING SELECTED AS FELLOWS OF THE NEW LEADERS COUNCIL INSTITUTE, 2020 NLC FELLOWS LOUISIANA CHAPTER PROGRAM, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO**

BY: COUNCILWOMAN LEVETTE FULLER

WHEREAS, the New Leaders Council (NLC) Institute is a premier leadership and professional development, training, mentoring, networking, career and political advancement program for young professionals dedicated to educating and providing a new generation of leaders with the tools they need to succeed; and

WHEREAS anchored by its six-month training program, (the NLC Institute), NLC equips leaders with the skills to run for office, manage campaigns, create start-ups and networks of thought leaders. NLC leaders take their activism back into their communities and workplaces to impact progressive change; and

WHEREAS, New Leaders Council (NLC) is the hub for progressive Millennial thought leadership. Soon to be the largest voting bloc in American history (~83 million voters) and possessing significant economic power, Millennials will be the generation to truly change our institutions in American society; and

WHEREAS, NLC has 50 chapters across the country in red and blue states with nearly 8,000

alumni. NLC is a true reflection of the millennial generation with 63 percent of our NLC community self-identifying as people of color and 61 percent women. NLC is one of the few organizations focused on building a new governing coalition.

WHEREAS, the 2020 Fellows of Shreveport, Louisiana are:

BILLY ANDERSON, a millennial, is passionate about ensuring that every person has equal access to nonprofit organizations' support and alternative forms of education. Billy has lobbied local officials to support minimum wage increases and has canvassed for unanimous juries. Currently, Billy works as a Census Field Manager for the 2020 Census. Billy sits on the board of SocialGoats Inc. and the Highland Area Partnership. As a foodie, Billy has a social media web series where he highlights local eateries, their love of Shreveport and their entrepreneurial spirit; and

MICHELLE ARNOLD, joined the faculty of LSU Health Sciences Center - Shreveport in 2012 as an Assistant Professor. Dr. Arnold has been actively involved in mentoring and training students, recruitment efforts for the Department of Microbiology and Immunology, and faculty governance. She currently serves on the editorial board of the Journal of Virology, and is an Associate Editor at the Journal of Medical Virology. She is a member of several professional societies, including the American Association for the Advancement of Science, American Society for Virology, and Association of Women in Science. In the community, Dr. Arnold has promoted science education activities at all levels, and has participated in the Citizens Science Academy in Shreveport, the USA Science and Engineering Festival in Washington DC, and Science Club for Girls in Cambridge Massachusetts. In other endeavors, she organized teams to paint houses of low-income senior citizens in the community and trained as a member of a citizens' emergency response team. Dr. Arnold believes that education and civic engagement are crucial building blocks of any community, and her goal is to work to develop both areas; and TESHUNDREA "SHEA" FREDERICK, a certified health education specialist is currently in her senior year of nursing school at Northwestern State University's College of Nursing and Allied Health. Shea is pursuing a career as a nurse midwife to reduce and eliminate infant and maternal mortality rates in women of color. Shea is a trained doula and is focused on doing the work now. In addition to becoming a nurse midwife, Shea plans to become an expert in birthing and childbirth education, to speak at educational and training events for moms, and to publish research relating to maternal and infant mortality. Shea is the current Student Nurses Association President, Secretary for the Beat Chi Chapter of the nursing honor society, Sigma Theta Tau International, Region 1 Director for the Louisiana Association of Student Nurses (state position), student communications chair for Shreveport Blacks Nurses Association, and she was recognized and awarded as an Outstanding Nursing Student for 2019-2020. Shea plans to use her education, past experiences and entrepreneurial knowledge to make a difference. Shea enjoys self-help books, women empowerment and educational podcasts, traveling, enjoying new food experiences and listening to music. As a talented baker and chef, she is often found in the kitchen cooking for family and friends. She understands the importance of family meals and how food brings people together. Food is love and love is food.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due regular and legal session convened that the Shreveport City Council congratulates Billy Anderson, Michelle Arnold and TeShundra Frederick on being selected as 2020 fellows from The Louisiana Chapter of the New Leaders Council Institute.

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

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

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

**Read by title and as read, motion by Councilwoman Fuller seconded by Councilman Green to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Bradford, Fuller, Nickelson, Boucher, Flurry and Green and. 6. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilman Bowman. 1. Abstentions: 0.**

**REPORTS:**

Property Standards Report (resolution. 7 of 2003)

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

Surety Bond Forfeitures Report (resolution 238 of 2010)

Master Plan Committee Report (resolution 132 of 2012)

Budget to Actual Financial Report (resolution 183 of 2017)

**PUBLIC HEARING: NONE**

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

**ADDING LEGISLATION TO THE AGENDA (*REGULAR MEETING ONLY*) AND PUBLIC COMMENTS ON MOTIONS TO ADD ITEMS TO THE AGENDA**

**Resolution No. 11 of 2020:** A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a Contract for Water Supply and Sewerage Disposal between the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, Pratt Paper, LLC, Pratt Recycling (LA), LLC and BFI Waste Services, LLC and to otherwise provide with respect thereto

**Motion by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilwoman Fuller, to add Resolution No. 11 of 2020 to the agenda.**

Councilman Flurry asked those in attendance if there was anyone present to speak in favor of or in opposition to adding Resolution No. 11 of 2020 to the agenda and no rose to speak.

Councilman Nickelson asked if Resolution No. 11 of 2020 was being added for introduction only. Mr. Thompson said yes.

**Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Bradford, Fuller, Nickelson, Boucher, Flurry and Green and. 6. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilman Bowman. 1. Abstentions: 0.**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS (*IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 1.11 OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE*) (*PUBLIC COMMENTS ON MATTERS WHICH ARE ON THE AGENDA*)**

*Chase Hofpauir: Spoke in opposition to Resolution No. 10 of 2020.*

Councilman Boucher: I am going to go on the record that I am for no new annexation unless it is in an existing neighborhood that's expanding. If the neighborhood is expanding then I think that we should let those people come in because they are part of the city. We got to get over this perception that Southern Trace was annexed two weeks ago, it was annexed thirty years ago. That would almost be like in 1965, people of Highland being mad because South Highland was annexed. So, I mean, we've been a part of the city, our neighborhood out there has been a part of the city for that long. So, but yes as far as expanding anywhere else I am against it 100%, I don't think that we need to be going out until we can take care of what we got. But as far as another neighborhood putting another phase in it (that would not be in the city) is a logistical nightmare in my opinion. So, just for the record that's where I am at on it and I would like to see possible an amendment to Councilwoman Fuller's to not just be the three sides but also include any existing developments.

*John Perkins: Spoke in support of Resolution No. 10 of 2020.*

*Sammy Mears: Spoke generally about Resolution No. 6 of 2020.*

*Alex Bennett and JoAnn Wheless: Spoke in support of Ordinance No. 9 of 2020.*

*Allen Organick: Spoke in opposition to Resolution No. 7 of 2020.*

*Linus Mayes, Craig Lee, Lloyd Thompson, Dock Voorhies, Marty Van Cleave, Alvin Oliver, Deborah Allen, Lester Smith, Marcel Miner, Phillip Rozeman and Marvin Muhammad: Spoke in support of Resolution No. 6 of 2020.*

*Irma Rogers: Spoke in support of Ordinance No. 161 of 2019 and Resolution No. 6 of 2020.*

*Bill Wiener and Liz Swaine: Spoke in opposition to Resolution No. 6 of 2020.*

*John Miles: Spoke about infrastructure inequities in neighborhoods and sewer consent decree issues in the city.*

Councilman Green: Mr. Chairman, will you allow Mr. Thompson to read what this particular items (Resolution No. 6 and the attached MOU) says and what it represents before we move on. I would just like for Mr. Thompson to read to the general public and we will have it on the record as to what this piece of legislation does.

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Chairman, there is a resolution, and in that Now Therefore It Be Resolved clause in that resolution it states: "... the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute, for and on behalf of the City of Shreveport, a Binding Memorandum of Understanding with Gateway Louisiana, LLC, substantially in accordance with Exhibit "A". Exhibit "A" contains the MOU and the purpose of the MOU - and I am about to read what the document states: "The purpose of the MOU is to gather the necessary information regarding the cost to the City of entering into a public-private partnership to develop Cross Bayou. The cost is needed to determine if a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement (CEA) to form a public-private partnership for the development of Cross bayou can meet all Louisiana State law requirements and city ordinances.

Additional information will be needed to make this determination however, the cost is fundamental to determining if this project can move forward. It is anticipated that future memorandums of understanding will be needed before a CEA obligating the City to expend funds and/or property can be executed. This MOU does not bind the City to enter into any future agreements with Gateway, nor does it bind the City to move forward with developing Cross Bayou.”

**CONFIRMATION AND APPOINTMENTS:**

Senior Risk Manager                      Richard Hunter

**Motion by Councilman Bradford, seconded by Councilman Green, to confirm the executive appointment of Richard Hunter as Senior Risk Manager. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Bradford, Fuller, Flurry, Green and Bowman. 5. Nays: Councilmen Nickelson and Boucher. 2. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

**Shreveport Local Workforce Development Bd. (71) - Julie Bass, Shelli Ulrich and John Vaughan - re-appointment – 5 year term and Matt LaFisca, and Victor McGee and - appointment – 5 year term**

**Motion by Councilman Bradford, seconded by Councilwoman Fuller, to confirm the executive appointments of Julie Bass, Shelli Ulrich, John Vaughan, Matt LaFisca, and Victor McGee to the Shreveport Local Workforce Development Bd. (71). Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Bradford, Fuller, Nickelson, Boucher, Flurry, Green and Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

**Shreveport Memorial Library Board - Delores Lynch appointment to begin Jan 2020 and end December 2023 and Brittany Turner appointment to begin Jan 2020 and end Dec 2022 - replaces the vacancy left by Shannan Hicks**

**Motion by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilwoman Fuller, to confirm the executive appointment of Delores Lynch and Brittany Turner to the Shreveport Memorial Library Board. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Bradford, Fuller, Nickelson, Boucher, Flurry, Green and Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

**CONSENT AGENDA LEGISLATION**

**TO INTRODUCE ROUTINE ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

**RESOLUTIONS: NONE**

**ORDINANCES: NONE**

**TO ADOPT ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

**RESOLUTIONS: NONE**

**ORDINANCES: NONE.**

**REGULAR AGENDA LEGISLATION**

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

*The Clerk read the following:*

**Resolution No. 3 of 2020:** A resolution to establish a Charter Review Committee, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (E/Flurry)

**Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Flurry seconded by Councilwoman Fuller, to remove Resolution No. 3 of 2020 from the agenda. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Bradford, Fuller, Nickelson, Boucher, Flurry, Green and Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 4 OF 2020**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A REQUEST TO BE MADE TO THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, LOUISIANA STATE MINERAL AND ENERGY BOARD, TO SEEK PUBLIC BIDS FOR AN OIL, GAS AND MINERAL LEASE INVOLVING THE PROPERTY LOCATED IN DISTRICT D AND DESCRIBED HEREIN AND TO EXECUTE THE LEASE FOR CERTAIN MINERAL INTERESTS OWNED BY THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT; AND TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS RELATED TO THE INTENT OF THIS RESOLUTION; AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO**

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport (“City”) may own certain mineral rights underlying the described property in Exhibit “A” (“the property”); and

WHEREAS, every agency [including every municipality] is authorized to lease its land for the development and production of minerals; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to lease its interest in the property for oil, gas and other minerals subject to conditions contained herein; and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources, Louisiana State Mineral and Energy Board, is available upon the request of the City of Shreveport to seek public bids for an oil, gas and mineral lease and to execute the lease of the property described herein in Exhibit “A” for oil, gas and other minerals if requested to do so by the City of Shreveport; and

WHEREAS, this Resolution is authorized pursuant to Louisiana Revised Statutes, Title 30; Subtitle I; Chapter 2; Subpart B. Leases by State Agencies [and Municipalities] (La. R.S. 30:151 – 30:159); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to La. R.S. 30:153(A), any agency [Municipality] may, by Resolution, direct the State Mineral and Energy Board to lease the City’s interest in the property for such purposes; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to La. R.S. 30:153(A), after the execution of the original lease, all rights and authority in connection therewith shall be vested in the agency [Municipality] to the same extent as if the agency [Municipality] had itself leased the land; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to La. R.S. 30:153(A) the bonus money, if any, received for the lease shall be transmitted by the State Mineral and Energy Board to the agency [Municipality];

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport has received a written request from Russell Caffery, on behalf of Petroleum Partners, L.L.C., 4021-B Ambassador Caffery Pkwy., Suite 200, Lafayette, LA 70503, that the City seek public bids for an oil, gas and mineral lease covering said described property in Exhibit “A”; and



WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport does not, by way of the instant Resolution, guarantee Russell Caffery, on behalf of Petroleum Partners, L.L.C.3, or any other bidding entity, the award of successful bid on the described property in Exhibit "A" ("the property").

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, in due, legal, and regular session convened, that:

1. The City of Shreveport declares it may own certain mineral rights underlying the following described property, to-wit: See Exhibit "A" – Property Description
2. The Louisiana Department of Natural Resources, State Mineral and Energy Board, be and it is hereby requested and authorized to seek public bids for an oil, gas and mineral lease covering the property described herein above.
3. The Louisiana Department of Natural Resources, State Mineral and Energy Board, be and it is hereby requested and authorized to execute a lease covering the property described herein above.
4. The Mayor, Adrian Perkins, and/or his designee, is hereby authorized to execute, for and on behalf of the City of Shreveport, any and all documents related to the execution and intent of this Resolution.

5. Any such lease shall contain a NO SURFACE OPERATIONS provision to read the same or substantially the same as the following:

Lessee, its successors or assigns, may produce oil, gas and other minerals from the leased premises by drilling from a surface location on other lands, but notwithstanding any other provision of this lease, Lessee, its successors or assigns, shall not use the surface of the Lessor's property for drilling or any other operations without prior written permission of Lessor, which permission may be withheld at Lessor's discretion.

6. Any such lease shall contain a HORIZONTAL PUGH clause to read the same or substantially the same as the following:

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein contained, at the end of the primary term or any extension thereof by operations, if the Commission of Conservation of the State of Louisiana establishes a drilling unit which includes a part of the land herein leased, the production of oil, gas and other minerals from such unit shall maintain this lease in full force and effect only as to such portions of the leased land embraced in said pooled unit; and this lease shall expire as to that part of the land herein leased not included in such unit; and Lessee, its successors and assigns agrees to relinquish by formal instrument any portion of the leased land not included in a unit created by the Commission of Conservation while this lease is in effect.

7. Any such lease shall contain a VERTICAL PUGH clause to read the same or substantially the same as the following:

Upon the expiration of the primary term hereof or any extension thereof by operations, this lease shall automatically terminate and be of no further force or effect except as to all that part of the leased premises then included within the geographical boundaries of a producing unit duly established by governmental agency or authority having jurisdiction, from the surface of the earth to a depth of one hundred (100) feet below the deepest depth from which any well commenced during the primary term hereof on the leased premises or on lands pooled therewith is completed and from which there is production in paying quantities, such depth determination to be made on a unit-by-unit basis. In the absence of units so established, this lease shall terminate except as to forty (40) acres around each producing oil well and one hundred sixty (160) acres around each producing or shut-in gas well located on the leased premises, in as near the form of a square as is practicable, from the surface of the earth down to a depth of one hundred (100) feet below the deepest depth from which said well or wells are completed and

from which there is production in paying quantities, such depth determination to be made on a well-bywell basis.

8. Any such lease shall contain a minimum CASH PAYMENT BONUS provision as follows: Cash Payment Bonus of not less than one thousand two hundred and fifty dollars (\$1250.00) per acre.

9. Any such lease shall contain a minimum ROYALTY provision as follows: Royalty of not less than twenty-five percent (25%).

10. Any such lease shall contain a maximum TERM provision as follows: Primary term of lease shall not exceed three (3) years.

11. Any such lease shall contain a provision expressly stating that any lease granted by the City of Shreveport and accepted by Lessee shall be WITHOUT WARRANTY OF TITLE and WITHOUT RECOURSE AGAINST THE CITY, whether expressed or implied, even for the return of any monies paid, and further, that City shall not be required to return any payments received or be otherwise responsible to Lessee therefore.

12. Any error in any legal description contained in this Resolution and/or in Exhibit "A" which may be discovered by the State Mineral and Energy Board, or its staff, during its review of the City's application, which are subsequently corrected by the City of Shreveport, provided such irregularities do not materially change the property being herein authorized for lease, shall not affect any authorization granted or conveyed herein and the State Mineral and Energy Board is hereby authorized to advertise and subsequently lease the said property as correctly described.

13. A certified copy of the executed Lease Agreement authorized herein and all Exhibits attached thereto, or an extract thereof, shall be filed and recorded in the conveyance records of Caddo Parish, Louisiana.

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

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

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall become effective in accordance with the provisions of Shreveport City Charter Section 4.23.

THUS DONE AND RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana.

**Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Boucher, seconded by Councilman Bradford, to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Bradford, Fuller, Nickelson, Boucher, Flurry, Green and Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 5 OF 2020**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING TOMAKK GLASS PARTNERS FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE INDUSTRIAL TAX EXEMPTION PROGRAM (ITEP) LOCATED AT 2940 WEST BERT KOUNS INDUSTRIAL LOOP, SHREVEPORT, LA, 71118, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO**

WHEREAS, Article 7, Section 21(F) of the Louisiana Constitution provides for the Board of Commerce and Industry ("BCI"), with the approval of the Governor, to approve contracts for the exemption of ad valorem taxes of a new manufacturing establishment or an addition to an

existing manufacturing establishment, on such terms and conditions as the board, with the approval of the Governor, deems in the best interest of the state;

WHEREAS, ToMakk Glass Partners has applied for an Industrial Tax Exemption (“ITE”) and seeks approval of the BCI and the Governor for a contract granting that exemption;

WHEREAS, Governor Edwards, through Executive Order JBE 16-73, has set forth the conditions for his approval of ITE contracts, and affirmed that those conditions are in the best interest of the state of Louisiana;

WHEREAS, Executive Order JBE 16-73 provides that ITE contracts should be premised upon job and payroll creation at new or expanded manufacturing plants or establishments, and that the percentage of exemption from ad valorem taxes, and length of the contract for such exemption, may vary depending upon the nature of the project and its economic development benefit in accordance with guidance received from the Secretary of Economic Development and concurred in by the appropriate parish or municipal governing authority, school board, and sheriff;

WHEREAS, Executive Order JBE 16-73 mandates that each exemption contract approved by the Governor shall include as Exhibit “A” a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement for the ITE between the State of Louisiana, the Louisiana Department of Economic Development, and the applicant for the ITE contract, which provides for the creation or retention of jobs, and provides for the exercise of the option in the Louisiana Constitution for the term or percentage of the city ad valorem tax exemption granted in the contract, and provides for the reduction or loss of the exemption based upon the applicant’s compliance with the contract.

WHEREAS, Executive Order JBE 16-73 further requires that this City Council together with the other required local governmental entities signify their consent to the terms of the exemption by resolution and the sheriff of this parish shall signify consent to the terms of the exemption by letter. Executive Order JBE 16-73 further provides that the resolutions of approval and the sheriff’s approval shall be attached as Exhibit “B” to the ITE contract between the BCI and Tomakk Glass Partners; and

WHEREAS, ToMakk Glass Partners and the Louisiana Department of Economic Development have advised that certain terms and conditions forming Exhibit “A” to the Industrial Tax Exemption Contract pending approval before the Louisiana Board of Commerce and Industry have been reached and have conveyed the same to this City Council, and thus this matter is now ready for a determination of approval of this City Council as required by Executive Order JBE 16-73,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, upon consideration of the foregoing and the public discussion held this day, that the City Council hereby approves the terms of the Industrial Tax Exemption contract based on the inclusion of the following terms and conditions into Exhibit “A” (the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the State of Louisiana, the Louisiana Department of Economic Development, and ToMakk Glass Partners) to the Industrial Tax Exemption contract between the Board of Commerce and Industry and Tomakk Glass Partners with respect to its manufacturing plant located at 2940 West Bert Kouns Industrial Loop Shreveport, Louisiana:

50 New Direct Jobs at the Manufacturing Establishment

\$2,100,000 Annual Payroll

5 years Term of Exemption Contract

80 Percentage of Exemption from City Ad Valorem Taxes

Yes Loss of Exemption for non-compliance

The City Council further authorizes the Louisiana Department of Economic Development, on behalf of the Board of Commerce and Industry, to Include this resolution in Exhibit “:B” to the Industrial Tax Exemption Contract between the Board of Commerce and Industry and ToMakk Glass Partners.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the City Council that a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to Board of Commerce and Industry and the Louisiana Department of Economic Development.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED 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 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 this resolution shall take effect immediately

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

THUS DONE AND RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana.

**Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Flurry, seconded by Councilman Bowman, to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Bradford, Fuller, Nickelson, Boucher, Flurry, Green and Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 6 OF 2020**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A BINDING MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) BETWEEN THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND GATEWAY LOUISIANA, LLC, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

BY COUNCILMEMBER: WILLIE BRADFORD

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport (“City”) owns certain land along Cross Bayou, as identified in Exhibit “B”; and

WHEREAS, numerous studies regarding the development of Cross Bayou have been performed over multiple city administrations, with each concluding, as does the Shreveport-Caddo 2030 Master Plan, that the development of Cross Bayou would be transformative, and of substantial public benefit; and

WHEREAS, Gateway Louisiana, LLC (“Gateway”) has prepared a proposal to the City regarding the development Cross Bayou; and

WHEREAS, Resolution 68 of 2018, which became effective on June 6, 2018, authorized the execution of a non-binding memorandum of understanding between the City and Gateway Development Consortium, LLC. On June 13, 2019 said agreement was entered into by the parties; and

WHEREAS, Gateway’s proposed development includes a new criminal justice complex to be designed, financed, and built in partnership with Caddo Parish, a new state office building to be designed, financed, and built in partnership with the State of Louisiana, development of a new multipurpose sports and entertainment venue in partnership with the United Soccer League (USL), and 500 new residential units; and

WHEREAS, Gateway’s proposed development requires the City to acquire property needed for the project, and to convey said property and currently owned City property to Gateway; and

WHEREAS, the use of public funds and public property is controlled by the limits set forth in Article VII, Section 14 of the Louisiana Constitution. Section 14(A) generally prohibits the state and its political subdivisions from donating public funds or property. The provision states in pertinent part, “[e]xcept as otherwise provided by this constitution, the funds, credit, property, or things of value of the state or of any political subdivision shall not be loaned, pledged, or donated to or for any person, association, or corporation, public or private”; and

WHEREAS, Article VII, Section 14(C) of the Louisiana Constitution states that “for a public purpose, the state and its political subdivisions or political corporations may engage in cooperative endeavors with each other, with the United States or its agencies, or with any public or private association, corporation, or individual”; and

WHEREAS, under the current Louisiana Attorney General test there are certain elements that must be met for a public entity to properly expend or transfer public funds or property by use of a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement. The entity spending the funds must have the legal authority to do so and must be able to show: (1) a public purpose for the expenditure or transfer that comports with the governmental purpose that the public entity has legal authority to pursue; (2) that the expenditure or transfer, taken as a whole, does not appear to be gratuitous; and (3) that the public entity has a demonstrable, objective, and reasonable expectation of receiving at least equivalent value in exchange for the expenditure or transfer of public funds; and

WHEREAS, the above test must be objectively satisfied in order for the City to expend or transfer public funds or property; and

WHEREAS, property cannot be expropriated predominately for use by a private person or entity or to transfer ownership to any private person or entity, Louisiana Constitution Article I, Section 4(B)(1) states that “[p]roperty shall not be taken or damaged by the state or its political subdivisions except for public purposes and with just compensation paid to the owner or into court for his benefit. Except as specifically authorized by Article VI, Section 21 of this Constitution property shall not be taken or damaged by the state or its political subdivisions: (a) for predominant use by any private person or entity; or (b) for transfer of ownership to any private person or entity”; and

WHEREAS, a binding memorandum of understand (MOU) between the City and Gateway Louisiana, LLC is needed to gather the necessary objective information regarding cost needed to ensure any future Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the parties to develop Cross Bayou meets Louisiana State and City legal requirements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal and regular session convened, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute, for and on behalf of the City of Shreveport, a Binding Memorandum of Understanding with Gateway Louisiana, LLC, substantially in accordance with Exhibit “A” the draft thereof which was filed for public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk of Council.

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

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

**Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Bradford, seconded by Councilman Green, to adopt. Motion failed by the following vote: Nays: Councilmen Fuller, Nickelson,**

**Boucher and Flurry. 4. Ayes: Councilmen Bradford, Green and Bowman 3. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

**Resolution No. 7 of 2020:** A resolution to establishing guidelines for the approval or disapproval by the Shreveport City Council for Industrial Tax Exemption applications submitted to LED for projects located in the City of Shreveport, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (C/Nickelson)

**Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Nickelson seconded by Councilman Boucher, to postpone. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Bradford, Fuller, Nickelson, Boucher, Flurry, Green and Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

**Resolution No. 10 of 2020:** A resolution encouraging the Metropolitan Planning Commission (MPC) to pass a resolution to halt the acceptance of new annexation applications for a period of twelve (12) months, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (B/Fuller)

**Read by title and as read, motion by Councilwoman Fuller seconded by Councilman Nickelson, to postpone. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Bradford, Fuller, Nickelson, Boucher, Flurry, Green and Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

**INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS (*NOT TO BE ADOPTED PRIOR TO (February 11, 2020)*) (Motion and second is sufficient to introduce resolutions)**

*The Clerk read the following:*

1. **Resolution No. 11 of 2020:** A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a Contract for Water Supply and Sewerage Disposal between the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, Pratt Paper, LLC, Pratt Recycling (LA), LLC and BFI Waste Services, LLC and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

**Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman Boucher, seconded by Councilman Nickelson, to introduce Resolution No. 11 of 2020 to lay over until the next regular meeting.**

**INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES (*NOT TO BE ADOPTED PRIOR TO (February 11, 2020)*) (Motion and second is sufficient to introduce resolutions)**

*The Clerk read the following:*

1. **Ordinance No. 3 of 2020:** An ordinance to amending the 2020 Downtown Entertainment Economic Development Special Revenue Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
2. **Ordinance No. 4 of 2020:** An ordinance amending the 2020 Community Development Special Revenue Fund Budget and to otherwise provide with respect thereto
3. **Ordinance No. 5 of 2020:** An ordinance to amend Section 50-157 Spitting in public places of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, Code of Ordinances and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.(C/Nickelson)

4. **Ordinance No. 6 of 2020:** An ordinance closing and abandoning an additional portion of Sugarleaf Trail in the Lynbrook Subdivision, Units 5 & 5-A, in Section 35 (T17N-R14W), and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (F/Green)
5. **Ordinance No. 7 of 2020:** ZONING Case No. 19-313-C: An Ordinance to amend the official zoning map of the City of Shreveport Unified Development Code, by rezoning property located on the northwest corner of Linwood Avenue and Inner Loop Expressway, extending approximately one hundred and thirty four feet west of Ponderosa Trail and one hundred and forty five feet north of Sugarleaf Trail, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA., from R-1-7, Single Family Residential District and C-3, General Commercial District to OR, Office Research District, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (F/Green)
6. **Ordinance No. 8 of 2020:** Zoning Case No. 19-425-C: An Ordinance to amend the official zoning map of the City of Shreveport Unified Development Code, by rezoning property located on the northwest side of Pickett Street, approximately one hundred and seventy feet southeast of Fairfield Avenue, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA., from R-UC, Urban Core Residential District to C-UV, Urban Village Commercial District, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (B/Fuller)
7. **Ordinance No. 9 of 2020:** Zoning Case No. 19-467-C: An Ordinance to amend the official zoning map of the City of Shreveport Unified Development Code, by rezoning property located approximately three hundred and sixty feet east of Fern Loop, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA, from C-1, Neighborhood Commercial District to C-2, Corridor Commercial District, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (C/Nickelson)

**Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Bradford, seconded by Councilman Nickelson, to introduce Ordinance No(s). 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 of 2020 to lay over until the next regular meeting.**

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

1. **Ordinance No. 161 of 2019:** An ordinance to amend Chapter 10, Article IV, Division 2, Section 10-175 of the Code of Ordinances regarding hours of operation for retail dealer of alcohol – non-downtown zoning districts, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (C/Nickelson)

**Having passed first reading on October 22, 2019, was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Nickelson, seconded by Councilman Green, to table. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Bradford, Fuller, Nickelson, Boucher, Flurry, Green and Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

2. **Ordinance No. 1 of 2020:** An ordinance to amend various articles and sections in the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, Unified Development Code and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (*UDC Amendment - MPC Case 19-451-C*)

**Having passed first reading on January 14, 2020, was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman**

**Nickelson** seconded by Councilman **Green**, to adopt Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Bradford, Fuller, Nickelson, Boucher, Flurry, Green and Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

3. **Ordinance No. 2 of 2020**: An ordinance to amend various articles and sections in the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, Unified Development Code and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (*UDC Amendment - MPC Case 19-459-C*)

Having passed first reading on **January 14, 2020**, was read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman **Bradford**, seconded by Councilman **Green**, to adopt Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Bradford, Fuller, Nickelson, Boucher, Flurry, Green and Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

*Ordinances that were adopted, except any ordinances amending the Shreveport City Code including the Shreveport Unified Development Code, are as follows:*

#### **TABLED LEGISLATION**

##### **ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS:**

1) ORDINANCE NO 162 OF 2019:

An Ordinance to amend Chapter 10, Article II, Division 4, Section 10-82 of the Code of Ordinances regarding sales of alcohol near homes, schools, churches, etc., and to otherwise provide with respect thereto

#### **APPEALS**

**PROPERTY STANDARDS APPEALS: NONE**

**ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE ORDINANCE APPEALS: NONE**

**METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION AND ZBA APPEALS: NONE**

#### **OTHER APPEALS**

**SOB APPEALS: NONE.**

**TAXI APPEALS: NONE.**

#### **REPORTS FROM OFFICERS, BOARDS, AND COMMITTEES**

Councilman Nickelson: Mr. Chairman in the next month or so the Audit and Finance Committee will have a meeting at a time convenient to its members to discuss the progress the Finance Department has made responding to the concerns identified in the most recent Internal Audit Report and several other matters and I will coordinate with members of that committee to set a date and time. Thank you.

#### **CLERK'S REPORT:**

##### **ADDITIONAL COMMUNICATIONS:**

##### **ADDITIONAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR:**

*Mayor Perkins offered his condolences to the family of Caddo Parish Sheriff, Deputy Jacob Bergren who passed this morning and asked that we keep his family in our prayers.*



**ADDITIONAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS:**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** NONE.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before the council, the meeting adjourned at approximately 6:29 p.m.

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**James Flurry, Chairman**

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**Arthur G. Thompson, Clerk of Council**