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**Council Proceedings of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana**  
*July 23, 2013*

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana was called to order by Chairman (Chairman's Name) at (time) p.m., Tuesday, July 23, 2013, in the Government Chambers in Government Plaza (505 Travis Street).

Invocation was given by Councilman Corbin.  
The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman McCulloch.

On Roll Call, the following members were Present: Councilmen Rose Wilson-McCulloch, Jeff Everson, Michael Corbin, Oliver Jenkins (**Arrived at 3:18 p.m.**), Ron Webb, Joe Shyne, and Sam Jenkins. 7. Absent: None.

**Motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to approve the minutes of the Administrative Conference, Monday, July 8, 2013 and Council Meeting, Tuesday, July 9, 2013. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 6. Nays: None. Absent: Councilman O. Jenkins. 1. Abstention: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0.**

**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 Corbin: I want to thank Vice-Chairman Shyne for filling in for me last week, and Mr. Thompson for assisting in my absence as well. It's certainly always a good opportunity to be able to travel and go see some different things and how different cities do things as opposed to what goes on here in Shreveport. And it was also nice to spend a few days in Colorado, where the high was 70 degrees.

Councilman Shyne: Dale, he's bragging. You hear him? He's bragging.

Councilman Corbin: It was nice, but it's always good to be home. And at this point, does any councilmember have any awards, recognitions or distinguished guests?

Councilman Everson: I'd like to recognize Ron Hardy who I think has a brief presentation for us today, regarding his Southern Soul Blues Fest.

Councilman Shyne: And Mr. Chairman, while Ron is on his way, Dale one of the oldest fellas in here will be having a birthday Saturday. Mr. Thompson, do you know who that is?

Mr. Thompson: I have an idea Mr. Shyne.

Councilman Shyne: Dale, I think you know who it is don't you?

Mr. Sibley: I think we'll have to sing Happy Birthday to him a little bit later under the Clerk's Report, perhaps.

Councilman Shyne: I don't know whether he's going to do that, but we'll do that at the end, cause he might not have a Clerk's report. Arthur, congratulations hear?

Mr. Thompson: Thank you Mr. Shyne.

Mr. Ron Hardy: (*720 Hope Street*) Greetings City Council Members, Mayor Glover, seated administrators, and citizens of the City of Shreveport. Today, I bring an important issue to your attention regarding the branding of Shreveport as the Southern Soul Capitol. This brand refers to the Southern Soul Culture that has thrived since the beginning of the Black African-Americans experience here in North Louisiana. Through the food, the music, the philosophy and the ideology, the Southern Soul Experience has touched the lives of every Shreveporter, past and present, whether Black, White, Brown, Yellow in some way shape, form or fashion, the culture has touched all of us. What is Southern Soul? Southern Soul is a genre of music as well as a way of life. Musically and historically, the Southern Soul tunes were enjoyed by many people. But highly undervalued by most of the major record labels. Many of the artists in this genre began to cross over into more popular sounds which is still a trend today with Southern Soul artists. However Southern Soul Music still lives. In the early days, Ledbelly and many others laid the foundation for this mucosal branding, strumming his guitar and belting out the lyrics of the day down on Fannin Street, which reflected the voices of the people during that period of history. In 1963, Stan Lewis owned Stan's record shop which was located at 728 Texas solidified this branding. He started three record companies. Jewel Records, (Inaudible) Records, and Ron Records. Jewel and Ron records, played R&B Blues, Soul and Gospel tunes. He signed the likes of John Lee Hooker, Charles Brown, Bobby Rush, Buster Benton, Toussaint McCall, Lightening Hopkins, Ted Taylor, Little Johnny Taylor, and Buster Benton. These labels produced hits and chart toppers from many of their artists which the sound of Shreveport has been heard all over the world. All over the world and in every corner of the world. Another Shreveport based record company, Mirko Records also produced hits from local artists and musicians. Just to mention one, Eddie Giles. With his hit song in 1967, Losing Boy, Shreveport based artists had charted hits as they gained national and international prominence. (Inaudible) Dell and Jeter Davis in the '70s and '80s. There's also a new crop of young Southern Soul Artists bubbling in Shreveport and around this region as well as old favorites as Betty Lewis and Jimmy Lynch still going strong. As I stated earlier, Southern Soul culture entails more than just music. There is a multitude of unique Southern Soul cultural idiosyncrasies prevalent to this area and this region, which gives this region a unique Louisiana identity of it's own. Southern Soul. I didn't come here to give you a history lesson or sociology lecture, because I think everybody probably already knows everything I've already said. I came to solicit your help in branding Shreveport. This kinda coincides with what Mayor Glover's proclamation and words that Shreveport, the Next Great City of the South. So we want to give a cultural identity and recognition to the people and the culture that helped to make it great. I've been in partnership with the local tourist bureau here and the Shreveport Regional Arts Council as well as the State Tourist Bureau and the Lt. Governor's office. We had a music panel meeting, you may have heard about it in February, Louisiana Music 2013. This was all over the state, they had a conference in New Orleans, Baton Rouge, Lafayette, Monroe and then here. And this is where the branding came up. They were going on about the Hayride. But you know the Hayride was the Hayride, and a lot of us didn't or weren't able to go in the Hayride at that time. So there was something going on outside of the Hayride, which I'm sure Councilman Shyne knows about Club 66, Palace Park and there was a lot of - - - James Brown, he played at a club next to where I lived at on Dale Street back in the day. So, we are soliciting your help. Like I say, we're having a press conference, it will be held to announce the branding of Shreveport as the Southern Soul Capitol and North Louisiana Southern Soul Country. It will be held at Festival

Plaza August 15<sup>th</sup> , from 5-7:00 p.m. And at this press conference, we will be announcing events where you can experience Southern Soul and we will be debuting a brochure. We're working on a brochure to tell you where to go. At this press conference, one of the unique experiences here is the trail riding. I don't know if you've ever been on a trail ride, but they have in this Northwest Louisiana - - - here is a list. This is a long list, this is all Northwest Louisiana. These people go out in the country and do it like they used to do. So anyway, between the tourist bureau, myself, and the Shreveport Regional Arts Council, we're trying to put this thing together, and there's a few things that we need. And I was hoping that we could come to the City Council and get you guys to help us out. And not just today, because it's not my responsibility, it's not your responsibility, it's the whole City of Shreveport's. Every business person, every foundation, every individual that we start to put this brand on our town, which will help with tourism and I mean you know what it will do, so I don't have to go into that. So we need a banner, and this banner, the Southern Soul Capitol type of banner that we could use at concerts, and not just one concert, but the City could use it multiple times to you know - - - City of Shreveport, Southern Soul Capitol, that could be used at any event. Also at this press conference, now we need water. That's one of the things we were - - - thinking about bottled water. Now SRAC is sending out the invitations. So we know how they do it. They do it big, so hopefully it will be a great event. And then the PA system as well. We need to get a PA down there, and that's about it, we'd need from the City of Shreveport. And like I said, to continue the effort as we go forward in history of documenting this Southern Soul culture that we have. But then it's very unique. I'm not - - - I guess you just got back from Denver and if anybody's traveled internationally, they know. When you mention Louisiana, people get in awe. I was up in New York at Universal Records. A guy saw me, 'Oh you're from Louisiana' and he saw a little thing I had. Awe - - - all of a sudden Louisiana so, we have this uniqueness, but people recognize New Orleans Jazz. I was in New York playing with some Haitians. 'Oh. They start speaking French. You don't speak? No, I don't speak French. I come from North Louisiana, and we eat red beans and rice. And that's why I named my music company, Red Beans and Rice Productions to give the identity to North Louisiana. So, that's about what I wanted to present. And we really have some pictures, he was blown away I believe. Last year at the event, he came to, it was our 4<sup>th</sup>, this is our 5<sup>th</sup> Annual event which will be September 1<sup>st</sup>, our Labor Day Blues Fest. But Jeff, he kinda had a good time there, and just seeing the good people and how many people come out. All ages. Not just adults, but children and this is like an underground culture. I've been here for the last 16 years, and I really didn't realize when I was really heavy in business, and running doing business, I didn't realize what was really underlying and I'm sure a lot of other people don't realize that there's a whole culture here that needs to be - - - and I hate to say the word, but for lack of a better term, exploited. You know it's got to be put out there so people can come and see what we have. But anyway, that is my presentation, and I hope Jeff can get with the City Council, and you guys can work up something, and let's make Shreveport the Southern Soul Capitol. Cause that's what it really is. I mean you can do the research, and you'll find that true. You really will find that true. And one more thing, what does everybody want? Soul. If you ain't got no soul, you ain't got nothing going. So, we got it.

Councilman Corbin: Thank you Mr. Hardy. And if you would, just leave your list with Ms. Bea there, and she can get copies to all of us and we were getting a little nervous for a minute there. We were worried that you had a picture of Councilman Everson having too good a time.

Mr. Hardy: That's my holding card.

Councilman Everson: People do not go to those events to have a bad time. I can say that.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman, just one other recognition.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Before we leave here Councilman Shyne, if I may? I was just wondering, what kind of assistance are we giving or is the city giving for this event now? I see on the brochure we're on there.

Councilman Everson: We are and the assistance that we give is through the contribution to the Shreveport Regional Arts Council, a percentage of which goes to the Black Artist Alliance. And so Mr. Hardy's organization is a member of that group. So they will receive a portion of those funds.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Okay.

Councilwoman McCulloch: So I thought he was asking something aside from that.

Mr. Sibley: That's what it sounded like. We haven't received anything yet. You know we normally get it (inaudible) department, but we haven't gotten anything in terms of a request yet.

Councilman Shyne: Did you hear that Mr. Hardy?

Mr. Hardy: Yes - - -(inaudible). We wanted to get it city council and get everybody's approval and (inaudible).

Mr. Sibley: Yeah, Mr. Hardy knows how to - - -

Councilwoman McCulloch: I think he needs clarification. Would you come back to the podium please? I think he's asking for support aside from what the - - -

Councilman Everson: He is.

Councilwoman McCulloch: From what he received from - - -

Mr. Hardy: Yes because this event has nothing to do with our core program. This is something, this is not one of our events. This is a branding for Shreveport itself. This is something that has no budget, that I've worked on over the last nine months on my own, just to get this through the tourist bureau at the state, because I've gotten with the Lt. Governor Jay Darden, and LeAnn Hill is my direct contact there. She's the Deputy undersecretary. And so this has nothing to do with - - -

Councilwoman McCulloch: (Inaudible) a couple of weeks ago?

Mr. Hardy: No, no. This is totally separate. This is something I've been diligently working on, on the sideline.

Councilman Shyne: Well you need to get with Dale.

Mr. Hardy: I will do that. I'll call him today and we'll get together and we can make something happen. I got your word Joe?

Councilman Shyne: Oh yeah.

Councilman Corbin: Councilman Everson, are you finished?

Councilman Everson: Yes, yes.

Councilman Shyne: I received a letter. Dale, I don't know whether you and the Mayor received a letter, but Mr. Mayor and the Council Members, it's from the 4<sup>th</sup> Episcopal District of the C.M.E. Church, just thanking and congratulating the City of Shreveport. They had their South Louisiana and Louisiana Annual Conference that was held here when two weeks ago, three weeks ago Dale?

Mr. Sibley: About a month ago.

Councilman Shyne: Yeah, about a month ago. And they want the City to know that they appreciate Council Members and the Administration for the southern hospitality. But I told them you know this is not only The Next Great City of the South, but this is one of the great cities of the south, and instead of going to New Orleans or Lake Charles or Mr. Mayor, I don't know whether I ought to say Monroe, but instead of going over to Monroe, since we got some friends over there in Monroe, you know, come to Shreveport. And we enjoy those tourist dollars. They had quite a few people who came in and I'm told that the hotels and hotels downtown were full. And I told them

actually we have better hotels here than they do in Monroe and Lake Charles. Of course when you go to New Orleans, you don't know whether you might have another flood or not. So come on back to Shreveport and we appreciate it. So they're letting us know that they appreciate it. And we gone try to get them here every year Mr. Mayor.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Is Tricia Hawkins here? I don't believe so. Okay.

Councilman Corbin: Any other awards or recognitions by Council Members? If not Mayor Glover, we'll turn it over to you for Awards, Recognitions and Communications relative to City business.

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

Mayor Glover: Thank you Mr. Chairman and members of the Council. We want to obviously welcome all of those who are here in attendance, both in person and those who are watching by cable or by Ustream. Anybody who takes time to be involved with and to monitor and participate in governmental functions is someone that should be appreciated and recognized. So we thank all of you all who are here. We also Mr. Chairman, want to take a moment to express thanks and appreciation to Agatha McCall, her husband Robert for hosting us last Wednesday at Fertitas. We had an excellent Town Hall meeting, well attended. Ended up having a great number of folks. Had a chance to and many for the first time to taste the 'Muffy', a Fertita original, and great dialogue, great information shared and we look forward to carrying those on. And I'm announcing to you, I believe for the first time, that our next Town Hall meeting is going to be on August 1<sup>st</sup>. We'll start that one at 5:30. We'll schedule it over in the Stoner Hill section of Shreveport at the Valencia Center. That's a Thursday I believe if my calendar is correct, and we look forward to announcing additional dates for other gatherings across the city as we go forward. We obviously have an opportunity to talk about a great number of things at that particular event, the great cross section of all of the issues and challenges and concern facing the City of Shreveport right now. Also members would like for you to tentatively place on your calendars, the 5<sup>th</sup> of August, I believe that's a Monday is when we're going to try to have at least our first public hearing on the consent decree/water and sewer rate situation. Have not pegged yet a location for that. Thought that would be at least good timing for our initial public hearing and that would be the week prior to Council, and any additional amendments or tweaks, or adjustments that we might want to give consideration to, based upon the input and feedback from that public hearing would give us the balance of the week to be able to work with you all and staff to be able to have those ready for possible consideration for the first meeting in August. Location, we're open to I think ideally since we intend for this to be a public hearing where we want to be able to record and document all of the comments that are being made. The technology available to us here in these chambers. It can be taken on the road, but it's easiest and most reliable here and in doing so within that same 5:30 start timeframe, gets us away from the workday, makes parking a little bit easier. But before we set that date absolutely, we'll obviously want to make sure that it is one that works for you all. And also we're open to any other suggestions for potential venues. Again, I'm still looking to additional public hearings as well, if we wanted to do one here and also find a later date to do one at another location. In addition to that, going a little over about the last month or so, starting with dialogue with Councilwoman McCulloch, and others of you on the Council, we've talked about the desire to convene our Neighborhood Association Leaders on a Saturday morning to give them an update on some of the master planning activities in particular. But a lot of things that are happening at a neighborhood community level across the city and members, we are tentatively scheduling that for August 10<sup>th</sup>. That's a Saturday morning. We'll start that about 9:30

in the morning, and if the Skybox is available for us, that's where we will schedule that gathering as well. So, on the 1<sup>st</sup>, the 5<sup>th</sup> and the 10<sup>th</sup> and we'll have obviously the (inaudible) and Tweets and Twitters and emails and what have you to follow so we could help get the word out for that effort. Mr. Chairman and members, want to express thanks and appreciation for the commitment that this council made during our last budget process to once again continue to fund the City of Shreveport Summer Employment Program. We just wrapped that effort up just about a week or so ago. And then again was an outstanding success. We had an opportunity to be able to employ several hundred young people from all across the City of Shreveport. We had the assistance and support of lots of governmental agencies here within the City of Shreveport. We also were able to partner with a considerable number of nonprofits entities around this city as well, as well as a significant number of private businesses also. It gave us a chance to be able to provide the young people of this city an answer to that often asked question that we get as public leaders, and that is, why don't you have something for our kids to do? And I think it's important not only to answer that question in a very positive way, but one that is constructive and that leads toward the fulfillment of an individual's talent and potential. And that's exactly what this type of initiative gives us a chance to do is to help young folks tap into the way of the work, explore various areas and endeavors and gives them a chance to be able to uncover some of the skills and talents that lay latent within them. Takes up a significant number of their hours, and it also puts a little something in their pockets. So we thank you all for your continued commitment and look forward to carrying on as we go forward. Also, part and parcel to the Summer Youth Employment Program for the City of Shreveport, is also our Summer Youth Intern Program. And this is one that has a different focus in terms of the eligibility and the age group. It's one of the things that we as a community stated I believe more than a few years ago is that, in our efforts to try and figure out how to develop and bring and attract new leaders, that we should probably have a strategy that in many respects parallels the same thing that we try and do from an economic development standpoint. As much as you try and attract in new businesses and new industries, you're also well served if you figure out how to retain and grow that which you have. And so the primary focus of our Summer Internship Program, is to try and help identify young folks who have some commitment and connection to Shreveport. And give them an experience during their college years that will allow them to hopefully grow and develop and evolve into the leaders of the future. We know that all of us who are here, both in terms of administration, and those of you on council, all of our respective staffs, we're all moving towards that other end of life, aging, some of us quite gracefully I must add.

Councilman Shyne: Thank you Mr. Mayor.

Mayor Glover: You're welcome Mr. Shyne. But the one thing that is ultimately undefeated in the great scheme of life is father time. And so we would be well served to recognize that and to make proactive effort to trying and grow and advance and elevate those leaders of the future. And so that's exactly what we have sought to do since the summer of 2007. We have young folks who have come through the City of Shreveport Summer Intern Program in those six years who have gone on and graduated law school, and med school and doing some outstanding things around Shreveport and around the country and around the world. We are well served by this group of young folks who have been a part of this year's effort. They are here with us today, Mr. Chairman and members of the Council, their last day unfortunately will be August 2<sup>nd</sup>, so we can't keep them forever. But we certainly have enjoyed them and I get to look forward to having a chance to be able to speak some time more in deftly with them between now and when we wrap this up, I do want to take this opportunity to introduce them all to you as well as to the City of Shreveport and would ask that as I call your name would you all come forward. Because I'm

going to ask each one of you to share a brief word or comment to the Council and the City of Shreveport here with us today. Mr. Chairman, members we will start with Intern Ashley Crawford.

Ms. Crawford: Good Afternoon Mayor - - -

Mayor Glover: You want to come on up, because I'm going to say a little bit about you as you come up.

Ms. Crawford: Okay.

Mayor Glover: Ashley is a graduate of Grambling State University and is pursuing a Masters of Public Administration degree.

Councilman Shyne: Excuse me Mr. Mayor for doing that. But Grambling is close to my heart.

Mayor Glover: I have no doubt that other affinities will be struck as we proceed here.

Mayor Glover: is a graduate of Grambling State University and is pursuing a Masters of Public Administration degree. While working in the Human Resource Department, Ashley has assisted with various tasks such as coordinating state-mandated ethics training for employees and working with the City of Shreveport's Leadership Academy. Ashley?

Ms. Crawford: Good afternoon Mayor and Council, Mr. Sibley. Thank y'all for this opportunity. I've gained a lot of experience in the program, and I'm sure all of my colleagues have too. I'd just like to thank y'all.

Councilman Shyne: Eloquent. That's Grambling for you.

Councilman Corbin: And Mayor Glover, if I could just interrupt you for just a second. We might as well get this out of the way. Everybody who's either a graduate or going to Grambling, right?

Mayor Glover: Thank you Mr. Chairman. Next is Intern Garrett Clawson. Garrett has been working with Gene Eddy and all the folks over at SPORTRAN. Garrett is a sophomore attending Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge, studying Political Science with a minor in Sociology & Economics. Garrett has worked with the operations manager to learn about the SPORTRAN intermodal facility project currently in development. He also has served as a research assistant in conducting an annual cost benefit analysis of the SPORTRAN service for Shreveport and Bossier. Members of the Council, I present to you Garrett Clawson.

Mr. Clawson: Nice to meet you guys. Thank you Mayor, thank you for Mr. Sibley for having me here today. I just want to thank you so much for the opportunity just to work with SPORTRAN, just to get to learn a little bit more about city government and how it works. As a political science major, I was just learning how government serving people and how people are interacting with their government. And through the SPORTRAN Internship, I've gotten just to see a little more of Shreveport that I hadn't got to see before. Although I was born in Shreveport, I've been raised in Bossier and I've lived there my whole life until I went to Baton Rouge for college. And I just through riding the busses, taking passenger counts, I love being just talk to people of Shreveport, see it like their lives here, their goings as well as talking to different bus drivers about different neighborhoods here in Shreveport, I've never even been in before. So it's really just kind of invigorated my passion for public service, to go into public service once I graduate, and I thank you so much again for the opportunity to work for Shreveport.

Councilman O. Jenkins: That's the next Jeff Everson right there.

Councilman Shyne: Now Mr. Chairman, Mr. Mayor, he could be the next Buddy Roemer. That's right. Buddy served in Congress and as Governor of Louisiana and was from Bossier.

Mr. Clawson: He actually came in as one of the guest speakers we had at LSU. So we got to hear him talk about his experience in Shreveport/Bossier City.

Councilman Shyne: And I remember when Buddy was about your size too. He put on a lot of weight since then.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, members of the Council, it's my pleasure to introduce to you Intern Yasmine Downs. Yasmine is a junior at Alabama State University in Montgomery, studying Criminal Justice. Yasmine has had an eventful summer working with the Shreveport Fire Department's Investigations Unit. Her tasks at the Fire Department have included inspecting the bomb truck, participating in training sessions with Shreveport's Fire Department's crime dog "Huff" and visits to the courthouse in order to understand pre-trial procedures related to conducting investigations. Mr. Chairman, members of the Council, I present to you Yasmine Downs.

Ms. Yasmine Downs: Good afternoon everybody, good afternoon Mayor and Mr. Sibley. I just want to thank you all for this opportunity. I have the opportunity to gain amazing experience with the Fire Department especially at the Fire Investigation Unit. Being a Criminal Justice major, I couldn't ask for more than being able to work with the dog, being able to put together bombs, taking visits to the court house and seeing how things go has been absolutely great and I just want to thank you all for that experience.

Mayor Glover: Thank you Yasmine. You caught both me and the CAO a little off guard there.

Councilman Everson: Not sure what kind of training (inaudible).

Mayor Glover: Our Fire guys kinda push the envelope sometimes. Check that bomb making curriculum a little bit better. Mr. Chairman, members of the Council, Amber McAfee.

Ms. Bea Johnson: Yaay!

Mayor Glover: Has been interning with the Water and Sewerage Department specifically as the Amiss Water Treatment Plant. Amber is a 2013 Biological Sciences graduate of Southern University at Shreveport. She has spent her time observing field operations in the microbiology lab at the Amiss Water Treatment Plant. Amber has also become familiar with the state and federal guidelines and policies for water purification and treatment. Amber has been sworn in as an E-3 Airmen 1<sup>st</sup> Class in the United States Air Force and will begin basic training in San Antonio this November. Mr. Chairman and members of the Council, I present to you Amber McAfee.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Did I hear Southern University?

Ms. McAfee: You heard Southern University.

Councilman Shyne: That's alright, I'm hard of hearing so I didn't hear that.

Councilman Everson: And she comes from good people apparently too.

Councilman O. Jenkins: What is your relationship with Ms. Bea?

Ms. McAfee: That is my grandmother.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Awe. Alright!

Ms. McAfee: How are you all doing this evening?

Council Members: Good.

Ms. McAfee: Well I just wanted to say thank you for the opportunity. I have had a wonderful summer and I'm glad that I was placed to meet new people, seeing things, learning more about the biological field and it does make me want to continue my education in my biology degree. And I just thank you so much for this opportunity.

Mayor Glover: Next Mr. Chairman, members of the Council, I present to you Katarina Gallagher. Katarina is a sophomore studying Business Finance and Marketing at Centenary College. As an intern at the Shreveport Regional Airport, she is working with Mark Crawford on short-term and long-term advertising projects. She also utilizes her interdisciplinary skills to work with the business manager on procurement projects and accounts payable reconciliations. Mr.

Chairman, members of the Council, I present to you Katarina Gallagher.

Ms. Katarina Gallagher: Hi, I hate to be repetitive to what they've said, but I'd like to thank you guys for this opportunity. I didn't expect to learn so much being at the Airport, but it's been a real good experience. I don't mean to put it that way, but it's been a real good experience for my major, because I'm in Business Administration, getting to learn how all those things work and come together and operate, and I'd just like to thank you guys for this opportunity.

Councilman Everson: And you probably didn't have a bad time working with Mark Crawford.

Ms. Gallagher: No, it's been fun and entertaining.

Councilman Everson: He's not a difficult person to work with. So good for you.

Ms. Gallagher: No, not at all.

Mayor Glover: And I'm sure Councilman Everson sends up cheers for Centenary.

Councilman Everson: Indeed, indeed. I'm an alum of Centenary myself, Business Administration grad as well and Political Science.

Mayor Glover: Members of the Council, next it's my pleasure to present to you Intern Freddricka Richardson with the Community Department. Freddricka is a senior at Centenary College majoring in Psychology. She has spent her summer working in Community Development with Workforce Development to assess the needs of the unemployed in Shreveport. With the guidance of Herman Vital, Freddricka interviews participants in different programs under the Workforce Development umbrella to help determine how to maximize outreach efforts. Mr. Chairman, members of the Council, I present to you Ms. Freddricka Richardson.

Ms. Freddricka Richardson: Good morning Councilmen, Mayor Glover, Mr. Sibley. I want to switch that to Mayor Glover, Mr. Sibley, Council Members. How are you doing today?

Council: Great.

Ms. Richardson: That's good. I want to thank you so much for the opportunity to work with a lot of awesome people at Community Development Office. There I've learned a lot about how Workforce Development works and how Urban Development works and I'm utilizing my degree, my Sociology degree that I will be receiving and I'm learning more about Urban Development and Urban Sociology and how it ties in with the communities like Allendale, Ledbetter Heights and West Edge. And it's been really great. And my previous experience, I didn't know I was going to find something that I actually wanted to do when I graduate, I want to go into like consulting, like Chloe. Shout out to Chloe Duplesis. But yes, thank you so much for this opportunity, it's been great and I really appreciate it.

Councilman Everson: Now she has her work cut out for her with Choice Neighborhoods. I know Rose and I have worked with her on it. It's a huge project, so I'm sure you've worked on it a good bit and it's been a really good experience.

Mayor Glover: Excellent. Thank you so much. Next members of the Council, we have Intern Keaton Roberson Keaton is a senior attending Centenary College majoring in Communications and Journalism. As an intern with SPORTRAN, Keaton has been working on a variety of marketing and outreach projects such as the Dump the Pump campaign and a commemorative booklet for the intern class of 2013. Mr. Chairman and members of the Council, I present to you Keaton Roberson.

Mr. Keaton Roberson: Hello and how are you all doing?

Council: Doing good, Alright.

Mr. Keaton: That's great. Thank you so much for this opportunity. It has made me very enlightened to the kind of work that I am interested in now. I have started developing plans into what I want to do for Shreveport and how can we help small businesses grow using the skills that

I've learned from my internship and from my degree which (inaudible) requires me to be very flexible, very adaptable. And I'm looking for ways to help Shreveport grow and the best possible way is through communications, and that would not have been as possible without this internship, because it required me to learn that I have to know more, I have to be more active to continue to grow, to continue to develop, so that I can pass those qualities on to people who are looking for them. Thank you.

Mayor Glover: Thank you Keaton. Mr. Chairman, members of the Council, it's my pleasure to present to you Rossum Zach is a sophomore attending La. Tech University. Zach is a Business Finance Major who is spending his summer internship working with Ebony Mapp on the recently launched "Bank-On Shreveport" initiative. The initiative seeks to encourage unbanked and "under banked" individuals to sign up for a special, no fee account at commercial banks, community banks or credit unions around the region. Mr. Chairman, members of the Council, I present to you Intern Zach Rossum.

Mr. Zach Rossum: Good afternoon everyone.

Council: Good afternoon.

Mr. Rossum: Mayor Glover, Mr. Sibley. I'd like to thank you everyone for giving me this opportunity for this internship. Cause without this internship, I would have just had a regular summer job, and I wouldn't have learned as much as I have with this experience. So I just wanted to thank everyone. And I also would like to thank you because I got to meet some real nice people and very smart, very intelligent people. Thank you.

Mayor Glover: Next Mr. Chairman, members of the Council, would like to present to you Intern Jullian Wyndon . Jullian interned with SPAR and is currently pursuing his Masters of Sports Administration at Grambling State University. The former standout offensive lineman for the GSU football team is spending his summer assisting the athletic and recreation division of SPAR with intramural activities for youth and adult Summer Basketball Leagues. He's also playing a primary role in the weekly swimming instructions for neighborhood youth at the David Raines Center. Mr. Chairman, members of the Council, I present to you Intern Julian Wyndon.

Mr. Julian Wyndon: Good afternoon everybody, how are you doing?

Council: Hello. Good afternoon.

Mr. Wyndon: I'd just like to say thank you to everybody for allowing me to work at SPAR and collaborate with Jerard Jones, my Athletic Superintendent. I learned a lot, and me being an ex-football player, it's different when you're on the field. And I actually got to go and experience off the field, paperwork, and the events that we go through to actually put something into place. And I loved it. I had fun. So, I'd like to thank you again.

Councilman Shyne: Julian, you are a G-Man now, and the bar is high. So you gotta hang in there hear? Alright.

Mayor Glover: Next Mr. Chairman, members of the Council, I present to you Intern Brian Williamson. Brian interned in Environmental Services and is a senior Engineering major at La. Tech. Brian has worked in field operations for Environmental Services. His tasks include supporting efforts to mitigate and control the Salvinia problems on Cross Lake. Brian also has searched for nutria burrows causing water to leak from one pond to another. I don't know if he's had any luck yet, but I hope he'll tell us when he makes his comments. Mr. Chairman, members of the Council I present to you Brian Williamson.

Mr. Brian Williamson: Good afternoon.

Ms. McCulloch: Good Afternoon.

Mr. Williamson: I'd like to make one correction. I'm a Junior at Environmental Science major at Louisiana Tech University. I would like to thank the Mayor and his staff for again

allowing me this opportunity. I've participated in this program last summer and through that I learned that I'd like to be an Environmental Science instead of Engineering. Which was my major at the time. And I would like to thank the council again for approving the budget so that I can participate in this. I have learned a lot over these two summers, and I'm very happy that I've been chosen again. Thank you.

Councilwoman McCulloch: You're welcome.

Mayor Glover: You work on the nutria (inaudible)?

Mr. Williamson: I believe that we've fixed the problem.

Councilman O. Jenkins: (Inaudible) with the Fire Department, I'm sure they'll work something out (inaudible) between the two of them there.

Mayor Glover: All I'll say is be careful (inaudible) you may have seen. Mr. Chairman, members of the Council, it is my pleasure to present to you Intern Alexis M. Watson. Alexis is a senior Business Management and Accounting major at Grambling State University. She's also a former varsity basketball player at Grambling. As an intern in the Mayor's Office, Alexis divides her time between supporting various functions, ranging from helping Assistant C-A-O Sherricka Fields in budget to coordinating meetings to updating journal entries and assisting with building tours for youth groups. Mr. Chairman, members of the Council, it is my pleasure to present to you Alexis M. Watson.

Ms. Alexis M. Watson: Hello all.

Councilwoman McCulloch: How you doin'?

Ms. Watson: Here again, I'm very grateful for this opportunity. I've had a wonderful time here in the Mayor's office, I've been able to develop a great relationship with Mr. Rod and Mr. Sibley, Ms. Sherricka, Ms. Anderson, Mr. Jackson over there. I've been able to just basically experience a lot. I've learned a lot. They've not only become great colleagues, but great mentors. And right now I'm just very excited about my future here in Shreveport. Thank you.

Councilman Shyne: It's that Grambling experience now.

Councilman O. Jenkins: We're excited about her future here in Shreveport.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, members, I'm honored to present to you the City of Shreveport's this year's 2013 Shreveport's Summer Interns Class.

Councilman Corbin: And Mr. Mayor, I can think of nothing better than for us to sit out here and look and see some of these young fresh faces in new roles in the coming years.

Mayor Glover: Undoubtedly, undoubtedly. I also want to take a moment before we allow them to go ahead and take their leave, express thanks and appreciation to Bernadine and Rod and the rest of the staff for putting together and coordinating this effort every year. They do it in conjunction with our various department heads. They're always willing and ready to step out and take on that mentoring role and helping to facilitate exactly the kind of experience that these young folks just described to you today that hopefully does just that Mr. Chairman. And that is sets them on a path that in some way brings them back to Shreveport in some capacity, helping to lead and direct and improve the quality of life here in this city. So thank you all for your support and we certainly thank these young folks that are willing to so engage. Appreciate you. Lastly Mr. Chairman, I'm going to ask Barbara Featherston to come up I guess and maybe what might be her last act in the capacity of Interim Director potentially of Shreveport Water and Sewerage Department, Councilman Everson requested a presentation be pulled together that we'd be able to share with the Council and with our citizens exactly the level and scale and depth of our sewer problem. What it is that has us in this posture in engaging in these negotiations with the Environmental Protection Agency as well as the Department of Justice, so that folks will be able to very readily visually understand that this isn't something that we decided to concoct down here on

our own and convince you guys to go along with why it is that we need to come up with this \$350,000,000 body of work, but that we actually have a real problem as it has us on the radar of the federal government with an expectation that we work together to come up with a solution to this problem and to help folks understand that in terms of what's being considered with regard to the water rates and the sewer rates is necessitated by the problem that we have to fix as Barbara will detail to you. So at this point, Barbara, we're in your hands. All I would ask is that we could have someone to turn down the lights so that it'll be easier for the Council as well as the folks in the audience, as well as those watching at home and on Ustream to be able to see what we're talking about.

Councilman Corbin: And Mayor Glover, that word visual kinda worries me a little bit, but I know it's a part of this.

Ms. Featherston: It is, the saying that a picture is worth a thousand words. There's really a lot of folks from Shreveport have never experienced sewer overflow or a water main break in front of their house, in their back yard, in front of their church, in front of their school, but there are a lot of folks who have. And what I have is a very kinda short video, that kinda shows this is a manhole that has been overflowing and this is what you see afterwards. The debris, staining, those sorts of things the video shows. And we won't go through the whole video, and I have a presentation with some still pictures that shows - - - you know this is what you see after an SSO. We were getting to some pictures of some actual SSOs as they were happening. Hopefully we've had a little issue with this video. It's a very large video file and it - - - there we go. This is an active SSO. This is in a ditch near Querbes and (inaudible). This is one of our - - -

Mayor Glover: Now give us what an SSO actually is.

Ms. Featherston: Sanitary Sewer Overflow. This is flowing through - - - raw sewerage flowing out of a manhole into a concrete ditch. This is another one in a neighborhood. You can see no end cul-de-sac, the water flowing, the sewer, the raw sewer flowing out. A lot of people think sewer and they go whoa, and understand that sewer is 99.9% water. A lot of times it looks like water with the exception of the other things that are more solids and things that come out. But it looks like water, but it's dirty, it's unsanitary, we have issues like this during heavy rain events, every time we have a heavy rain event. Those manhole covers you see it kinda popping up the manhole cover is spurting out. Those are 250-300 pounds. It's a massive amount of water pressure that forces that out of the system. That's all we need to see on that side. What we want to kinda show you are some pictures and there's a couple of very short video clips. Things that you don't see. This presentation kinda goes more into our buried infrastructure. I can take you guys to a lift station, I can take you to the plants where you can see things. You know this really goes to the buried infrastructure and the impact of what happens when our infrastructure fails. Why are we here? We talk about the consent decree, we talk about the consent decree, but what we're really talking about is the issue with part of our city that's over a hundred years old, or 80 years old, or 50 years old that is beyond its useful life. That's buried, it's out of sight, out of mind, and until it starts coming up out in your front yard, you don't think it's a problem. But the impacts are not just going in and fixing the pipes, the impacts are to the street, to the people out of water service, to the flooding of homes. There are so many things that we don't think about. Oh, they're going out to fix a pipe. Well, there's a little bit more to it. And this was in the news, this was on Dunlap. This is that big 24 inch water main that broke. You can see the amount of water that comes out of a 24-inch main. It's huge. We flooded homes, we flooded a church basement, when we went back into, we did the repairs as quickly as we could because obviously there's a lot of people that are impacted by the loss of that 24-inch water main. We went back in with a more permanent fix, and in the process of closing valves to isolate that line, we had another main that's old in the same area

broke and we had to repair that and other people were out of water during that repair. This is what - - - that's the picture on my right is a picture of the pipe that they pulled out. It's an old cast iron pipe probably, have a piece of it in my office, ½ inch thick cast iron, split and just completely broke. And this is a picture of you know what we have to do to patch it together to make that repair. These are hard to see, but this is the other night on Legardy, two nights ago, three nights ago. The water main blew out in the middle of the night. It's an old cast iron main. We were at about a 2-inch hole in the cast iron pipe and the water is under pressure. This is in the north part of town, we have decent water pressure, and the water just kinda formed a nozzle and the water sprayed into a home 75 feet away and just damaged the entire inside of the home from the water. Another water main blow out this morning on Fairfield. You know the damage that's done not only to the premise or the business that's in front of it, but the inconvenience, the driveway's taken out. You know they can't get in their driveway, they're out of water. We had 40 or 50 people out of water. We're back in service, we got it fixed, put a clamp on it, we went on. Put a circle seal, put a clamp on it, we've band aided that water main. It's an old cast iron water main. One of our favorite places that we've repaired on a number of occasions, but it keeps blowing out, is we go down and there's an actual bond issue project is the Wallace force main on Overton Brooks. I spent a few nights out repairing this 36 concrete pipe. It takes up a huge space. This is in front of a preschool. It's a mess. It's huge and expensive when we have to make those repairs. Stoner force main, the one that was repaired in front of Champion Lake that we blew out two or three times. It's a mess. It's sewer, it's going out into our environment. The impacts of when we do repairs and it's not just always in the right of way, these impacts and some of you councilmen have gotten the phone calls. We're in people's back yards. These sewer mains were put in years and years ago by the developers in an alley at a time it was used as a street, it's been abandoned, the homeowners have taken ownership of that space, and now we're in there ripping it up, ripping up their azaleas, we're having to bring in equipment in on mats, so we don't tear up too much stuff. We pull up fences, we disrupt businesses. And it's all buried and until it collapses, sight unseen. These are collapses. The one on the left is the jogging trail off Fern Ave back behind the business park drive, in that area. It's the Broadmoor outfall, the 48 inch outfall. It's a project that we'll be doing, but there's a cave where this 48 inch main has collapsed. The other one is in the - - - on the right hand side is the corner of Darien and Exposition. We had issues at the lift station, just on that corner. Popped manhole tops to start seeing where some of the sand and dirt was coming. There is nothing holding up that intersection except the pavement. We had to haul in 66 cubic yards of dirt to fill in the hole that's part of the manhole that's laying in this cave that was under the intersection. The bottom picture is Line Avenue that we finished the manhole work today and we'll be pouring the concrete back tomorrow. These are our buried infrastructure. And until you kinda see, I've got two or three of these, they're just 20 second kind of clips. This is our internal inspection of our sewer mains. And this is a concrete main, you can see what we call kind of a joint dislocation. There is nothing there. We see this all the time. This is on Village Green. This is kind of an offset joint. Pipe's supposed to go straight. It helps for the water to flow correctly when it goes straight. And you can see again, just the inside of the pipe. These are the means that we have to kind of internally inspect these pipes. This is another one on Village Green. This was rehabbed years ago with the lining and the lining has failed. You see it's kinda concave and collapsed down into the main. This is the repair in addition to the manhole on Line Avenue, this is the repair. There is actually a whole area underlying Line Avenue that the concrete was holding it up. And a little airspace, so that's been repaired as of today. This is pretty typical. We have issues with water coming through the joints and pipes that you'll see if you'll back up, you'll see the joint and the pipe roots coming in. This is old clay pipe, this is an old service that's been

abandoned. But obviously not abandoned very well. These are typical sewer videos. Last one. A picture of just some offset joints, and things where water can get, wastewater can get out. This is a picture of an old brick manhole, which we still have a lot out in the system, typically they're not structurally too bad, built to last. Those are probably anywhere from 60-70 years old, but that's a pipe that's obviously not very straight and not working well. Again, this is what we see. These are just some still pictures of the videos that we took of the overflows. As you all are aware, we have the consent decree that's giving us a schedule to comply with the sanitary sewer overflows that we have the introduction for the resolution for the Mayor to sign the Consent Decree on the agenda today. Just as a general idea of schedule, once the Mayor signs the consent decree, if the resolution goes through at the next Council reading, the consent decree will be lodged and public comments nationally, it'll be up on the EPA website, and the Department of Justice's website public comments, and then once public comments are complete, it will be entered officially, and that's when our clock starts for compliance with the schedule that's in the consent decree. The rate increase is currently on the agenda, not the amendments that we discussed. It increases water rates by 26%, sewer rates by 50%. All of those are initial rate increases with rate increases in subsequent years through 2022. Just to kind of break it down, the initial increase and what's on the agenda today, without the amendments equates to 70 cents per thousand gallons of water. And \$1.89 per thousand gallons of sewer for treatment, for pumping, for maintaining those mains that are buried, for maintaining the equipment that pumps and cleans and sends it on its way. The City Council, the Infrastructure Committee, we went through a lot of back and forth and looked at some alternatives that were requested from us, 'what ifs' scenarios. The Infrastructure Committee recommended a different sort of schedule with rates starting this year, increases to 13 % for water, 55% for sewer and then subsequent increases starting in 2015. Again, the 32% increase is 35% per thousand dollars, and \$1.7 per thousand gallons of sewer.

Councilman Everson: That number on the sewer on the Infrastructure Committee looks wrong to me.

Ms. Featherston: It's correct, because what you have is - - - we were going to do the 13% and 25%, but when you take the 25% and then you add in - - - multiply by the rate increase that would have went in 2014, it's not 50%, it's actually 55%. It's slightly more. You know this is what - - - these rates are necessary so that we can meet the schedule that the EPA has put in the consent decree so we can do the improvements that we anticipate we're going to have to do. There's been some conversation about water. We have no funding for any distribution system improvements whatsoever. And as you can see on a daily basis, we continue to have issues with our aging infrastructure on the water side as well. And so it's very important that we address both. It's kinda hard to read, but this is a slide that you've seen before, I've made some modifications to add in what the initial bill would be for the infrastructure. Committee's recommendation versus what's currently proposed on the ordinance, and they're just slightly different. It's still a little bit more, they proposed a little bit more than what we have around here, but less than New Orleans. Keeping in mind that New Orleans has just instituted rate increases over the next 8-10 years to double their sewer rates. And Baton Rouge has a permanent 4% increase forever for their billion dollar sewer program that they're working on. Any questions? Anything you'd like to see again?

Mayor Glover: Barbara, if you don't mind? Mr. Chairman, would you bring up an image of an overflow, SSO again, sanitary sewer overflow?

Ms. Featherston: Would you like the still picture or the bubbly one?

Mayor Glover: The bubbly one.

Ms. Featherston: Bubbly one? Sure.

Mayor Glover: Kinda like the crock pot I left on this morning. Explain again - - -

Ms. Featherston: That's a manhole. This is - - - yeah, I skipped over this part, but that manhole, somebody had removed that manhole cover. The force of water actually popped it off and moved it off, and it floated off to the side, and that's 250 lbs.

Mayor Glover: And so, that's technically essentially a sewer overflow. A sanitary sewer overflow occurs when - - -

Ms. Featherston: When raw sewerage - - - there are two sanitary sewers. When raw sewer comes out where it's not supposed to come out, which it's only supposed to come out at the treatment plant. That's called a sanitary sewer overflow in general.

Mayor Glover: Why has it come out?

Ms. Featherston: There are a number of reasons - - - if you could have a blockage in the lines, we do have issues with - - - we have grease issue. Sometimes you'll get a conglomeration of materials in the line, and it blocks the line, and obviously as things come down it and then can't come down and they come out where it's easiest to come out. We have areas where we'll have a collapsed main you know the sewer is so old and it's broken and completely collapsed and sewer will come out of that hole. That's what we had recently going in to Bickham Bayou. We had a 10 inch sewer main that ran along the bayou that had broken, was exposed and was running straight into the bayou. You can have issues where your hydraulically overloaded. There's too much water, too much rain getting into all these other holes into your system and the pipes can't take that much water.

Mayor Glover: Rain and water is getting into the holes?

Ms. Featherston: Into the collapsed sewer mains where if you saw in the videos, you have old clay pipes and the tree roots are coming in, that opens up those joints and you get infiltration from the ground when the ground water levels are high.

Mayor Glover: So, the system should only have fluid entering into it from - - -

Ms. Featherston: From a house, commercial business, and industry. Those are the only places that sewer enters the system. Sewer can be pumped in the middle of the system from one low point to another high point and then come to the treatment plant, and that comes out of the treatment plant. You can have a permit violation at the treatment plant if you're overloaded at the treatment plant, and your treatment plant doesn't function, and you don't meet your permit limits and that is also within the realm of the clean water act.

Mayor Glover: So the clean water act requires us not to have a system that does what this system is doing?

Ms. Featherston: Absolutely.

Mayor Glover: And when it does that, that's when they step in and potentially sanction us, if we don't?

Ms. Featherston: That's correct.

Mayor Glover: Are we required to report - - - to document and report those?

Ms. Featherston: Yes, yes.

Mayor Glover: We do so to DEQ and the EPA?

Ms. Featherston: We report them to DEQ and the EPA, that's correct. We monitor, we send in every month, we have a report that we send in through our wastewater treatment plant and it shows our compliance with our discharge permit at the treatment plants, both Lucas and North Regional. We send attached to those monthly reports, we attach a sanitary sewer overflow report and it identifies each report and sanitary sewer overflow. And we report each one that our staff has found, or citizens call in, or anything that we are aware of, we have a full report that do on each one, and there's a sort of a (inaudible) report that goes out to them every month.

Mayor Glover: Have we been fined for any of those overflows at this point?

Ms. Featherston: No sir.

Mayor Glover: What could our potential fine for overflow be?

Ms. Featherston: The fines for overflows according to our current permit, they can fine us between EPA and DEQ up to \$37,500 per violation, per day, for each one, yes sir. And we can have anywhere from 10 to 15 to 20 of these or more a month. Just depending on the weather conditions, depending on a lot of different things.

Mayor Glover: And that's individual overflows or individual days of overflow?

Ms. Featherston: Individual overflows. We will report those individually. And it will note if they go on for multiple days. Typically, you know if we find it, and we're out there doing something, bypass pumping, we're doing something to eliminate and keep that sewer in the system, or a lot of times, if we find an overflow it's flowing into a ditch, we dam up the ditch. We get a vacuum truck out and we pull that water out of the ditch. We report how much we cannot capture, and we report how much we actually are able to capture with a vacuum truck. Because that's one of the first things we do is we try to minimize the impact to the environment by you know containing that sewer and then pulling that sewer off the ground if at all possible.

Mayor Glover: And how many - - - what's your last count in terms of overflows to date for the year?

Ms. Featherston: For the year? Oh, we're probably at 50 or 60 for the year. 40 in that range. I don't remember from the last report that we had, but it's fairly significant.

Mayor Glover: Any projection on the number of days as well?

Ms. Featherston: They're usually just one day. And if it's been going on for a period of time, it's very difficult to discern how long it's been going on. Again, once we are aware of an SSO, we usually - - - we will almost always be able to stop it that day. We do have instances where we have had issues and they went on for a couple of days, I think we've had one of those this year that I'm aware of, but it was not possible to actually stop that because of where the leak was coming from and how we had to repair it.

Mayor Glover: And what's the per day fine?

Ms. Featherston: \$37,500.

Mayor Glover: Thank you Mr. Chairman, Council Members. If there are no other questions, that will conclude the presentation. We'll obviously have some similar slightly more detailed information and it'll be a part of the public hearing. But this is the kind of information that we want to begin to arm our citizens with, so that they'll have an idea of exactly what all of this entails. If just based on the number that Barbara just gave us, 50 overflows to date this year at \$37,500 per, that alone could potentially have the City of Shreveport liable for \$1,875,000 in potential fines, assuming none of them went over a day in terms of their citation. So, that's what's driving this. Appreciate it Barbara and thank you Councilman Everson for making the request and giving us a chance to be able to share the information. Thank you Mr. Chairman. And that will conclude Mayoral communications.

Councilman Corbin: Thank you Barbara, thank you Mayor Glover.

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

## **Reports**

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

Councilman Corbin: At this point, does any member have any questions or concerns relative to Property Standards?

Councilwoman McCulloch: I have one. Is Ms. Farnell here? Oh, actually this is two weeks old, I'm way overdue on it. I just found my notes that I had written down. But at 732 Christopher, the young lady explained and I didn't take her name and I didn't get her number, I just do have her address here. She resides at 732 Christopher, but she said next to and across the street from where lives, there's a lot of overgrowth and I was going to ask if maybe Property Standards could go out and visit with the resident that resides at 732 to actually have them to show you the overgrowth, next and across the street from this location. And this is two weeks overdue. So, please expedite this as soon as possible.

Mr. Terrence Green: (Property Standards) We probably already have it.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Okay, thank you so much.

Councilman S. Jenkins: Mr. Chairman? I need an update on the status of the property at 2309 Darien Street. I hear there may be a demolition order? But the owner has contacted me and trying to see if simply we need to, I guess for lack of a better word, reconsider? I'm a little confused on the status of it.

Mr. Green: Has the owner filed for an appeal?

Councilman S. Jenkins: The owner is telling me, I was told I believe by Ms. Farnell that a demolition order had been issued. The owner had said they hadn't gotten an order. No one had sent them any information about a demolition order, and that they are trying to obtain I guess the building permit, but there is a block on the building permit. So it's one of those catch 22 scenarios. Don't know how true all of it is, but if someone could let me know something about the status of it. I passed by and looked at this place, yesterday evening. I could understand if an order has been issued, but I'm a little confused on exactly where we are.

Mr. Green: Okay, I got you.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, I want to let Terrence know he reminds me of a picture of myself in the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade with that hair style.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Hold on Mr. Mayor, yours was much higher than that, come on now. I mean I think we got a little different look there. From what I remember back in 8<sup>th</sup> Grade.

Councilman Corbin: We're going to quickly proceed to our Master Plan Committee report. Ms. Sanders?

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

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

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

Ms. Sanders: Sorry to break up that party. Good afternoon. So the Unified Development Code contract has been signed. Now that we are handing that project over to the consultants, the Master Plan Committee and I will be focusing our attention more on the Council of Neighborhoods. This meeting on August 10<sup>th</sup> would be an excellent opportunity to present that concept to the neighborhood associations just to recap or update you on that, a lot of communities throughout the nation form a council of neighborhoods which consist of representation from every neighborhood association within a city or within a certain boundary. It gives the citizens and the neighborhood the opportunity to understand some of their common issues as well as the local governments and special interest groups to present some of the things that are going on around the city and with the government. Unfortunately, I will not be in town on the 10<sup>th</sup>, so I'm sure someone from the Metropolitan Planning Commission will be able to go in my place. We'll also

be focusing our attention on the future land use map, the Metropolitan Planning Commission Board accepted the City Council's recommendation to revisit that future land use policy map prior to the adoption of the Unified Development Code. So we will be - - - I'll be working on the scope of the work with that analysis, we'll involve the public, we'll be using the Unified Development Code process to accommodate the citizens so that they're not just overwhelmed with meetings. And I'll be looking to the Master Plan Committee to give me feedback on fine tuning that scope of work so that it does meet the expectations of the City Council as well as the citizens. And that's all I have unless you have any questions.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I was really just trying to get the time once again and the location of the meeting for the Council of Neighborhoods.

Ms. Sanders: Well I think we're going to try to piggyback onto the Mayor's meeting on August 10<sup>th</sup> at the skybox. That's a Saturday at 9:30 in the morning.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Okay, and my concern Jeff, as you know we've had to solicit volunteers from the various associations. And of course we sent out a letter from the Committee, and up to this point, we have not gotten any responses, and so what I suggested is maybe doing a reminder letter coming up to this August 10<sup>th</sup> meeting to the associations of the idea of sending a representative and maybe doing a follow up call myself.

Councilman Everson: Absolutely. Maybe we could - - -

Councilwoman McCulloch: We haven't gotten any response from the letters that we sent out to the associations.

Councilman Everson: Perhaps what we could do is have the neighborhood associations maybe divided up by district, and then we could share those with the council members, since most of us probably know those folks and could reach out to them.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Seek representation? Okay for the August 10<sup>th</sup> meeting?

Councilman Everson: Correct.

Ms. Sanders: I will have those letters completed this week, and I will have all of those associations divided up by Council District this week, so that information will be sent to you as soon as possible.

Councilwoman McCulloch: So that letter wouldn't just reflect coming from myself, it would reflect coming from each individual Councilman?

Ms. Sanders: I can do that.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Okay, thank you so much.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, members, Councilwoman McCulloch, and Councilman Everson and the rest of the council, we'll also ducktail that with the contact list that Captain Willis and her folks in Community Oriented Policing make use of and comes to our neighborhood based groups, our neighborhood watches and what have you. What we do though need to do is probably have Dara and my staff (inaudible) DC as well councilmen to kinda give us some input with regard to and in terms of the Council neighborhoods whether or not we want to link that 'neighborhood associations' because part of what we would also suggest is that we at least have some scenario where we talk about business associations like the Southern Hills Business Association, the North Shreveport Business Association. You also have some groups that are neighborhood watches that may not necessarily constitute a neighborhood association, but they do encompass the organization and mobilization of significant numbers of citizens and what have you. Those end up being some of the folks that are targeted through our community liaisons efforts and what have you. So we'll see how best to kinda merge all that. The bottom line is to reach out to those folks who are essentially at the grassroots level, functioning and leading and whichever respective capacity they are.

**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: None.

Public Comments (*In accordance with Section 1.11 of the Rules of Procedures*): None.

Confirmation and Appointments:

Councilman Corbin: That brings us to Confirmation and Appointments, and Mr. Thompson, I believe we have a few today.

Mr. Thompson: We do.

*The Clerk read the following:*

**Department of Water and Sewer**

Ms. Barbara Featherston

**Shreveport Public Assembly and Recreation**

Assistant to the Director

Mr. Ronnie Hammond

Division Manager Administration

Ms. Becky Berry

Division Manager Recreation

Mr. Nick Robberson

Assistant to the Division Manager

Mr. Charles Hymes

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman and members of the Council, if you don't mind, I'll ask as you all prepare to address your motion that the group again have a chance to come up and assemble. I have no doubt that there are relatives and loved ones who are watching either by cable or by U-stream or what have you, who heard that their respective loved ones, spouse and what have you, significant others was before the Council for consideration on yesterday, coming up for final vote today, so we'd at least like let them take a look at 'em. Have a visual. And again, offer them any opportunity once you all have moved forward to offer any comments they may have.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman, I'll make the motion and we'll get to where we can have some comments.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Second.

Councilman Corbin: That sounds good.

**Motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman McCulloch to confirm the executive appointments to the Department of Water and Sewer and Shreveport Public Assembly and Recreation.**

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor, you want to introduce?

Mayor Glover: I'll let Dale introduce his Department Head, and I'll let Shelly and Patrick introduce their charges.

Ms. Sibley: Well I have the easy job. I think you all know and recognize Ms. Barbara Featherston who just stood before you and we highly recommended Barbara for this position, and hope that you vote favorably for her.

Councilman Shyne: Barbara has expressed herself time and time again, Barbara I don't think there's anything else you can say.

Ms. Featherston: Well, I don't have any family here. We're doing the best summer of home improvement projects. We're re-roofing our house, and my husband, son and daughter are hopefully on the roof right now. So I don't have to help this weekend.

Councilman Shyne: And if they need any professional advice, my friend, Brother Ron Webb.

Ms. Featherston: No, but I do have staff, I have my team from the Water and Sewerage Department, Quiana Maple is here from Amiss, my Deputy Director Bob Campbell is here as well and Autum Permenter in Engineering is here to support me. She's Civil Engineer with the Engineering Department so I've got some backup.

Councilman O. Jenkins: So, do you divide responsibilities in your household above and below ground? If it's an above ground project?

Ms. Featherston: No, I was actually after Council Meeting, I was on the roof last night slinging shingles. So, we're trying to get it done. My children will both be in Shreveport this weekend for the Methodist Church does the Weekend of the Cross, where they paint homes for disadvantaged households throughout the city, and this will be their third time coming to Shreveport staying at Centenary. And so I've got to get - - - I'm trying to get it done before they leave to come here to paint homes. So anyways, it's one of those rush projects.

Mr. Sibley: Thank you Barbara. And Mr. Chairman, I'd like to ask Ms. Shelly Ragle, the Director of SPAR to introduce her new team organization.

Ms. Ragle: Well, we're very excited as I told y'all yesterday about the opportunity that we've had to do a lot of rearranging and reorganizing and we think trying to make the most efficient use of everybody we have and I want to start with the newest member, and that's Becky Berry. As I told y'all yesterday, she comes with a lot of experience. One of the things I didn't tell you was that one of the things that she immediately did, she went to the Sickle Cell Tournament and the Tuesday after when we were having our staff meeting, she gives us all the economic impact numbers, so that's the kind of person that we had put on our staff. She took the information she saw out there, was able to say that that tournament puts about \$207,000 back into our economy, and that's the kind of talent that she brings to our staff. So we're really excited about that. So every time we do anything she'll be sure we have those numbers to make sure what we're doing is we're using what we have most efficiently and I want to introduce you to Becky Berry.

Ms. Becky Berry: Thank you again for the opportunity and I look forward to being a part of this team.

Ms. Ragle: A lot of you know Charles. I said yesterday, and I'll say again just cause I hope his mom's watching, and I know she's really proud of him cause we have been proud of Charles from Day 1. We watched him grow, not only as an employee, but as a person and over the last 15 years, he has not only worked hard in his position, he came entry level as a crew member and has worked his way to this position. Not only working hard a lot, but also going back to college and getting his degree. So, we're really proud of him, and like I said, I know his mom is too, because I've seen her at graduations and she couldn't be prouder. So Charles you want to come and say something?

Mr. Charles Hymes: I just want to thank everybody for the opportunity to Ms. Ragle and Patrick, my superiors for just having faith in me and like I said, I started from the ground up, 15 years ago out in the field. So I know the ins and outs of the organization, and I just look forward to getting in with new ideas and just seeing how we can be more efficient and making improvements on our maintenance in our city parks and our city buildings and I just look forward to getting to work, and having a good time.

Councilman Shyne: Now Shelly, just before you introduce anybody else, I want Oliver - - I want you to know about 20 years ago, I started in the fields picking cotton, and I worked my way up to where I could (inaudible), so I wound up here.

Councilman Corbin: I think he said started in the 'field', but I may have heard it wrong.

Councilman Shyne: Mike! You cut my thunder, alright.

Ms. Ragle: And again, part of the thing that we're doing, Joe's not here today, Joe Brown, but you know SPAR, lots of senior employees at SPAR, and Joe Brown is the Division Manager of Maintenance has been with the city 35 years, and every day when I come in all nervous that he's going to say, today is his last day. And part of Charles' role is planning for the future in our department, so we're excited to have him here in again for confirmation. Nick Robberson, all of y'all probably know Nick from being out at events and festivals and activities that we do in our rec centers. He comes with lots and lots of energy. Most of the time Patrick and I don't think we can keep up. Retired military, about 17 or 18 years of experience in management and recreation. Has a Physical Education degree, so he brings lots to the table. I said to y'all yesterday, 80 years of experience up here, so we're excited to have Nick serving permanently as Division Manager of Recreation.

Mr. Nick Robberson: First of all, I want to thank my great and wonderful supervisors for the trust and faith that they have placed in me. And I want to thank all of you for this great opportunity, and I promise you, I won't let you down. I love what I do and I'm looking forward to taking recreation to another level. Thank you so much.

Ms. Ragle: Patrick talks about that new level all the time. So every time Nick says it, we kinda give Patrick a wink, cause he talks about the next level a lot. So, very good to throw that in there. Last, but not least, Ronnie Hammond, who has been with the city a lot longer than I have. He's done a little bit of everything. And he knows the ins and outs of everything that we do, and sometimes everything that everybody else does. And so we're excited to have him helping. As I said to y'all yesterday, with all that happened with the bond issue, all the projects that we have going on, we really - - - and not only bond projects, you know all of a sudden the interim level came to fruition, things that we'd been working on one time all seemed to come to pass at one time. And so the assistance that he's been able to give us there has been greatly appreciated and we've got lots more for him to do, so we appreciate the opportunity for him to keep working with us in administration, and I want to introduce you to Ronnie Hammond. I know most of you know him.

Mr. Ronnie Hammond: I do want to thank you for the confidence you're showing me for this opportunity for me to continue to serve the citizens of Shreveport. But I also want to thank Shelly. Quite a few years ago, she helped me make a decision. I was contemplating leaving the city to go into private entity, and she convinced me, we all know how convincing Shelly can be, but she convinced me to stay with the city, and in retrospect, I have to say that she was right. So I thank you. And she hears that a lot from me too, 'Shelly, you were right'. But anyway I do appreciate the opportunity and I do thank y'all for the confidence you're showing in me. Thank you.

Ms. Ragle: Again, yesterday you met Theresa Jacobs. She's not here today, she doesn't start with us until August. She's going to be the Superintendent of Therapeutic Recreation, but it's a classified position, but these are all of course not. And the one thing that Ronnie didn't say is that I cried and held onto his leg. That's the way you get people to stay. But we're so glad that he made the decision that he made and he's been making contributions to the city for years, and of course y'all all know Patrick and we're both elated. Not only this group, but this is really a reflection of the entire staff at SPAR. We consider ourselves very fortunate every day because we

have such a great group, and it makes what we do so much easier. So thank you for your continued support in what we're doing at SPAR.

Councilman Corbin: Thank you Shelly, and personally I'd just like to say I think I've had an opportunity to work with four of the five of you in some way, and certainly I appreciate all that. And Shelly and Charles will know what this means when I say this. But I also got a message from my bride that if I did not vote 'Yes' for Charles, that no sense in coming home tonight. And they know why.

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

Councilman Corbin: You're in. And I do believe I got a little bit ahead of myself on the agenda, and we're going to go back to Public Comments for agenda items right now. The Council will recognize Ms. Liz Swaine.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman?

Councilman Corbin: Mayor Glover.

Mayor Glover: As Liz is coming, I want to make just one quick comment in expressing my thanks and appreciation for that affirmative vote for those appointments. It also prompted me to offer some comments in relation to a press conference that was held a week ago today announcing the plans that are being put in place for the anniversary celebration of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the significant aspects of the Civil Rights Movement here in the Shreveport and Northwest Louisiana. We had a great group of folks who came in and talked about significant events that occurred (inaudible) 1963. We showed a video tape that had been compiled by Shreveport Police surveillance at that time about civil rights related activity. The thing that hit me as I sat here watching that group standing before us is that many people believe that the City of Shreveport was a better city in 1963. While we were a quality community moving forward and what have you, I think we're continuing to get better. And one of the reasons as to why we're better is that today we allow kinda like in sports, everybody gets a chance to be able to play. We look to try and reach out and tap into every level of genius and talent that's available to us, and if you allow that to happen, the cream rises to the top and what you saw here today is an example of the best that we have to offer for the City of Shreveport, rising to the top, being given an opportunity to be able to step up and serve. So thank you all for the affirmation of that vision, that progress and thank you to those folks who are willing to take on that responsibility and help make Shreveport a better place.

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Mayor, let me just piggyback just one minute. Whoever it is who thinks that it was a better city in '63, tell 'em I was here. No, it's better now.

Mayor Glover: Thank you Mr. Shyne.

*Ms. Liz Swaine: (2102 Southern Avenue)* I'm here speaking today as a private citizen of one of our wonderful historic older neighborhoods. And hopefully, this is on its technology, so I don't know that I have done it right. (Inaudible) there we go. Okay, I'm here today talking about something that is on the agenda, and that's Resolution 134. And you know, we hear about sanitary sewer overflow, and that sounds clean compared to what we experienced at 2102 Southern Avenue every time it rains. I used to enjoy a nice rainy day, and now when it rains, I am fearful. And the reason I am fearful is because the pipes in our neighborhood are so old, that they've become supercharged, which basically means what Barbara was saying, they get filled with water, and they come up every place they can. And those places that they can are very near our house. This is about 20 feet from our front door, and the things that you see, those little white specks, that's toilet

paper, and that is sewerage that you see down at the bottom of the screen. And I'm very sorry because this is disgusting. I want to share it with you. I know you have seen it before, but I'd like you to see it through my eyes. This is the manhole cover again, that is just south of the front door of my house at Hoadley and Southern Avenue which is right across from Buckner Square, right across from Associated General Contractors, and right up the street from Jeff Everson's house. You can see where the sewerage has killed the yard, and the other items that are sitting there, I have two dogs. We walk the dogs every day, we have to walk through these areas. There's no way not to walk through these areas. What do I do after I walk the dogs? I put their feet in Clorox. Do I take my shoes off before I go back in my house? I mean these are conversations that I've had with my husband. This is like a third world country. This is unacceptable for the City of Shreveport. This is unacceptable for the City of Shreveport. And this is just a little bit closer up shot of what we have to deal with. Nobody folks, and I don't want to pay more. I don't like to pay additional fees, higher prices. But to me, this is worth it. I'll pay it all day long. All day long. Having clean water that comes into my house and sewerage that goes away from my house is worth it, it's worth it. It's worth it for my neighborhood, it's worth it for me, it's worth it for the economic development and I am here today to tell you that I strongly support the efforts of the city in dealing with this issue. When I worked with the Citizens Bond Study Committee, obviously this was something that we spent a lot of time on. We heard at that point, that we were going to be fined if we didn't deal with it. Keeping that money close to home, keeping that money at home, dealing with the problem, is so much better than sending it away where we'll never see it again. And that was before I had these personal experiences to share with you. Thank you for hearing me out, I appreciate it, thank you so much.

*Ms. Angie White: (269 Charles Ave)* Well I have some similar horror stories to share as Ms. Liz Swaine and I also brought some pictures. In 2008, I live in Broadmoor, one night after a little bit of rain I looked in my back yard and it was covered in raw sewerage. It was coming through that little release hole that you have in your back yard. The other thing I need to point out is that this is what happened when the city came to fix it, and I applaud them, they came very quickly, because I sent a picture of the raw sewerage that ran down my driveway and into the crosswalk where that crosswalk guard is standing. There's an elementary school across the street from my house. So pretty horrifying to think that first of all that it drained through my back yard, but secondly, children would have to walk through that. So, very poignant in my personal experience and I much like Liz said, as just a resident am supportive of the fact that you're going to have to increase fees and I am willing to pay that. I know that I'm one of the individuals who is going to be most impacted, because I use under the 3,000 (gallon) limit and so I know that my costs are going to go up pretty significantly, and I will pay that because I don't ever want that to happen again. But the second thing I wanted to say is that I'm also a member of the community advisory group for the Master Plan, and so I was schooled pretty well by the consultants that came. And they shared with us the reasons why we are where we are as well as some of the solutions for how not to be here going forward. So, from using impact fees for any more of the leap frog development like we've had to just making sure that our rates are covering not only the costs of service, but the cost of upkeep and maintenance. As the discussion we need to have not just once, but regularly at a scheduled interval is very important. And the last thing I want to say is that as someone who works in economic development, yes there's something lovely to say about having really low utility costs that you charge to your residents. When my best friend moved back here from Baton Rouge, he was shocked when he saw how much my water bill was because he was staying with me for a brief time. Because when he lived in Baton Rouge, his was about three times that much. And you'll learn in an economic development world to be the low cost provider or the

lowest cost community, while that sounds really great at the outset, that means that your labor is really cheap. You're not paying workers a very good salary. It means yes maybe you do have really inexpensive utilities because you're not covering your costs. And so there's too different sides to that being the low cost provider. And I just want to come and say that for you.

Councilman O. Jenkins: We call that you get what you pay for.

Mayor Glover: Mr. Chairman, I just wanted to express thanks to both Angie and Liz for coming down and sharing with us and doing so in a very visual manner. I also want to relate to the Council, that Barbara just sent me an email telling me that the sanitary sewer overflow number that she gave this year was actually 25 fewer than what the actual number is. Instead of 50 year to day, it's actually 75. And takes our year to date window of potential final liability from \$1.8 (million) to \$2.8 (million), and we reported 17 of those in the month of June alone. So, 75 at \$37,500 per gives you the kind of issue that we're dealing with here. Thank you Mr. Chairman, thank you members of the Council.

### **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:*

1. **Resolution No. 94 of 2013:** A resolution authorizing the execution of a retainer agreement with Ronald F. Lattier, Attorney at Law; ratifying any/all work previously performed; and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (*Postponed July 9, 2013*)

**Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman O. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to postpone until the next regular meeting. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 6. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: Councilwoman McCulloch. 1. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

### **RESOLUTION NO. 125 OF 2013**

#### **A RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE WAIVER OF BUILDING PERMIT FEES AND THE DONATION OF BUILDING MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES TO UP TO TWENTY-ONE (21) QUALIFIED LOW TO MODERATE INCOME HOMEOWNERS IN THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

WHEREAS, World Changers Ministries, an organization sponsored by World Changers/Lifeway Christian Resources, will paint and/or repair up to twenty-one (21) homes in the City of Shreveport between July 22 and July 26, 2013; and

WHEREAS, all persons assisted by World Changers will be low to moderate income homeowners residing in the Hollywood, Lakeside, Martin Luther King, Mooretown, Queensborough, and other areas of the city who have limited or no resources and whose home is in need of repair; and

WHEREAS, all work will be performed by volunteers and will enhance the quality of life for the citizens of Shreveport and directly improve the housing conditions for up to twenty-one (21) homeowners in the City of Shreveport thus providing a public benefit; and

WHEREAS, World Changers has sponsored at least ten (10) previous repair projects within the City of Shreveport; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to participate with World Changers in this year's event by waiving building permit fees and donating building materials and supplies to up to twenty-one (21) qualified low to moderate income homeowners which will be used by World Changers volunteers to repair the homes during the aforementioned period which is a permissible exception to Article 7 § 14 of the Louisiana State Constitution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal, and regular session convened, that the waiver of building permit fees and the donation of building materials and supplies to up to twenty-one (21) low to moderate income homeowners to rehabilitate or repair up to twenty-one (21) homes in the City of Shreveport between July 22 and July 26, 2013, is hereby ratified.

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

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 126 2013**

#### **A RESOLUTION TO AMEND RESOLUTION NO. 221 OF 2012 WHICH ALLOCATED FUNDS TO SPECIFIC ORGANIZATIONS FROM FUNDS BUDGETED IN "OTHER CHARGES" IN THE RIVERFRONT DEVELOPMENT SPECIAL REVENUE FUND, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO**

WHEREAS, Resolution 221 of 2012 budgeted funds from the Riverfront Development Special Revenue Fund for specific organizations and projects including but not limited to \$380,000 for SCEDA; and

WHEREAS, this resolution would reduce the amount budgeted for SCEDA by \$74,700 to be allocated as follows: a) \$24,700 to SPAR to maintain and provide services to the Jewella Whitehouse Financial and Business Center; b) \$50,000 to the Shreveport-Bossier Convention Center and Tourist Bureau ("Bureau") for the 2013 FLW Forrest L. Wood Cup fishing tournament; and

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport will serve as the venue for the tournament August 15 – 18, 2013; and

WHEREAS, the funds will be provided to the Bureau in accordance with the terms of the 2011 Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Bossier City, Parish of Caddo, Parish of Bossier and the Bureau.

WHEREAS, the event serves to further showcase the City as venue for sporting and recreational events as well as a tourist destination and vacation spot which directly benefits the city and the general public.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, regular and legal session convened that the funds budgeted in the Other Charges character of the Riverfront Development Special Revenue Fund for the Public Agency Appropriations are hereby amended as follows:

ORGANIZATION	AMOUNT
SCEDA	\$305,300

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

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 127 OF 2013**

#### **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT WITH VOLUNTEERS OF AMERICA NORTH LOUISIANA AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport (“City”) is the owner of various parcels of vacant property within the city limits of Shreveport; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to provide safe and affordable housing to qualified low to moderate income persons residing within the city limits; and

WHEREAS, Volunteers of America North Louisiana (VOA) desires to participate with the City of Shreveport in providing such housing; and

WHEREAS, for a public purpose, City and VOA desire to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement to govern the use and development of certain city-owned property to provide safe and affordable housing to qualified low to moderate income persons residing within the city limits of Shreveport.

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 authorized to execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with Volunteers of America North Louisiana substantially in accordance with the draft thereof which was filed with the original copy of this resolution for public inspection in the Office of the Clerk of Council on July 9, 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 Shyne, seconded by Councilman Everson to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

#### **RESOLUTION NUMBER 129 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-11" 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-11" 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-11" 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 Shyne, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 130 of 2013**

**A RESOLUTION OF FINAL ACCEPTANCE OF STATE PROJECT NO. H.009914  
MORNINGSIDE DRIVE BRIDGE OVER VIRGINIA AVENUE DITCH, CADDO PARISH  
AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

**WHEREAS**, a final inspection of the State Project No. H.009914 entitled Morningside Drive Bridge Over Virginia Avenue Ditch, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, was made on June 18<sup>th</sup> 2013; and

**WHEREAS**, all phases of work under the contract with M & M Enterprises of Bastrop, LLC concerning the State Project No. H.009914 entitled Morningside Drive Bridge over Virginia Avenue Ditch, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, are final.

**WHEREAS**, the State of Louisiana requires a resolution of completion, satisfaction and acceptance of said work by the City of Shreveport.

**WHEREAS**, the City of Shreveport will maintain the off-system bridge along Morningside Drive within the city limits of Shreveport, Louisiana.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City of Shreveport in due, regular and legal session convened, that the City of Shreveport does hereby accept the State Project No. H.009914 entitled Morningside Drive Bridge over Virginia Avenue Ditch, Caddo Parish, Louisiana as satisfactorily completed in accordance with the contract with Guinn Services, improvements to the off-system bridge on South Lakeshore Drive within Caddo Parish, Louisiana.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that City of Shreveport will now maintain the work of the project.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor or his designated representative for the City of Shreveport is hereby authorized to execute any and all documents pertaining to the final acceptance of this project.

**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 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 repeated.

**Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman McCulloch, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to adopt.**

Councilman Shyne: Dale, do we have anybody here from the Engineering Department?

Ms. Sibley: Yes sir. Patrick or Andrew, one of you?

Councilman Shyne: And I know you all went out and inspected the bridge, right?

Mr. Andrew Zagars: Yes sir, that's correct

Councilman Shyne: And I know you all gave it an A+?

Mr. Zagars: Yes, what the state has built, it's a state DOTD project to replace the bridge, we were, actually I was myself was present when we did the final inspection, so everything was built exactly what was on the plans.

Councilman Shyne: Just wanted to make sure. Just wanted to hear it from you, so in case something goes wrong, I know where to come back to. I've been down here a long time, and you hear good things and I just want to keep on hearing it. So, A+ Mr. Chairman, I'm ready to vote. And Dale, not that I didn't trust you, cause you know you can always trust a good Methodist.

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

**Introduction of Resolutions (Not to be adopted prior to August 13, 2013)**

*The Clerk read the following:*

1. **Resolution No. 131 of 2013**: A resolution authorizing the Purchasing Agent to dispose of by public auction of items and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
2. **Resolution No. 132 of 2013**: A resolution amending Resolution No. 221 of 2012 which allocated funds to specific organizations from funds budgeted in “Other Charges” in the Riverfront Development Special Revenue Fund, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (B/Everson)
3. **Resolution No. 133 of 2013**: A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a donation agreement between the City of Shreveport and Ryan Companies US, Inc., hereinafter called “Owner” and acting herein through Douglas J. Dieck, Manager, for the private sewer mains located in various sewer servitudes and related facilities and otherwise provide with respect thereto. (B/Everson)
4. **Resolution No. 134 of 2013**: A resolution authorizing the execution of a consent decree and other documents with the United States of America and the State of Louisiana to resolve violations of the Clean Water Act, the Louisiana Water Control Law and other provisions of Federal and/or State law in regard to the operation of the City of Shreveport wastewater collection, retention and transmission systems and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
5. **Resolution No. 135 of 2013**: A resolution authorizing the execution of a cooperative endeavor agreement with Louisiana Film Prize, LLC, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

**Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman O. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Everson to introduce Resolution No(s). 131, 132, 133, 134, and 135 of 2013 to lay over until the next regular meeting. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

Councilman O. Jenkins: And if Ms. Scott wouldn't mind coming forward and discussing at this point, Ordinance No. 82. It has to do with a variance. I'm happy to give a summary, but this resident has constructed a pond. Part of it in the right of way of the City of Shreveport. And I've asked Ms. Scott to give us just an overview on the liability for the City of Shreveport in its current state.

Ms. Terri Scott: Council Members, we received some communication last week from Mr. Thompson in regard to the matter that's before you under Ordinance No. 82. Both myself, Ron Norwood and Andrew Zagars from the City Engineer's office and others have gone out to take a look at this pond that has been built. Any location in which a property owner may be asking the

city to grant an encroachment which would allow them to maintain an improvement in a portion of the dedicated right of way, there are concerns and you have to look at each location specifically, and look at each matter on a case by case basis. In this instance, what you have is a pond, I think they are referred to as Koi ponds, that's been constructed in the city right of way. As I say, you have to look at each location and each matter on a case by case basis. There are perhaps some issues with this request, given the location, given the encroachment that is actually there. You're talking about a pond that holds water on a very narrow street. The City Engineer's office has gone out to take a look at this as well. And there very well may be some long term implications on the city if in fact this encroachment is granted in terms of liability. One of the things that you asked us to do, and we do in conjunction with the city departments is to try to look at any potential liability for the city in terms of requests such as this encroachments and other matters. Again, this is a pond that the property owners have asked to be able to maintain it in a public right of way. There may be some concerns with allowing that to happen because of the fact that it is water, the area is not fenced, it is literally at the street level as well as some other concerns that we'll be more than happy to share with you offline. I know that this matter is only on the agenda to day for introduction, and so perhaps between today and the time it comes up for final passage, we'll be in a position to have a more detailed discussion with you. Again, because this involves a potential of liability for the city, there are obviously things that we do not want to put on the public record in the event that worse case happens. And so, I think that some parts of this would be more appropriate for discussion with you all in private. But suffice it to say, there are some concerns about this request.

Councilman S. Jenkins: The pond is there? It's already there? I'm trying to - - -

Councilman O. Jenkins: In fairness, yes. They got a little ahead of themselves on the construction and permitting, and easements. And in fairness to them, I honestly believe that ignorance, that they did not realize the pond was going to end up being on the right, on the easement, nor did they think that cause it's a water feature, they had to put in a permit. Because water features per our code is landscaping. But landscaping doesn't require a permit with the city. I believe the threshold is there is some type of skimmer mechanism in there that transitions it out of a water feature alone to something more substantial, which then requires a permit. There's a lot of layers to how we got to where we are.

Councilman Corbin: Thank you Terri. Mr. Thompson.

### **Introduction of Ordinances (*Not to be adopted prior to August 13, 2013*)**

*The Clerk read the following:*

1. **Ordinance No. 81 of 2013**: An ordinance closing and abandoning the 30 foot wide portion of Ricou Avenue south of Cadillac Street and west of North Market Street in the Talbot and Agurs Subdivision located in Section 25 (T18N-R14W), Caddo Parish, Louisiana, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (A/McCulloch)
2. **Ordinance No. 82 of 2013**: An ordinance authorizing and providing for an encroachment on a portion of the Ontario Street right of way, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (C/O. Jenkins)
3. **Ordinance No. 83 of 2013**: An ordinance authorizing the Purchasing Agent to dispose of surplus real property and otherwise provide with respect thereto. (D/Corbin)

4. **Ordinance No. 84 of 2013**: An ordinance amending the 2013 Grant Fund Budget, appropriating the funds, and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (B/Everson)
5. **Ordinance No. 85 of 2013**: An ordinance amending the 2013 Budget for the General Fund and otherwise provide with respect thereto.
6. **Ordinance No. 86 of 2013: ZONING C-48-13**: An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, the City of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by re-zoning property located on the SE corner of Willis Street and Audrey Lane, 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 “A Beauty Salon” only**, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (A/McCulloch)
7. **Ordinance No. 87 of 2013: ZONING C-51-13**: An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, the City of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by re-zoning property located on the north side of Turner Lane, 490 feet east of Line Avenue, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA **from R-1H, Urban One Family Residence District and B-3, Community Business District to R-3, Urban Multiple Family Residence District** and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (D/Corbin)
8. **Ordinance No. 88 of 2013: ZONING C-58-13**: An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, the City of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by re-zoning property located on the SW corner of Waggoner Avenue and Mansfield Road, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA **from B-1 Buffer Business District to B-1-E, Buffer Business/Extended use District limited to “A Beauty Salon” only**, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (F/Shyne)
9. **Ordinance No. 89 of 2013: ZONING C-59-13**: An ordinance amending Chapter 106 of the Code of Ordinances, the City of Shreveport Zoning Ordinance, by re-zoning property located on the south side of Greenwood Road, 490 feet east of Emory Street, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA, **from I-1, Light Industry District to I-2, Heavy Industry District**, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (G/S. Jenkins)

**Read by title and as read, motion by Councilman O. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Shyne to introduce Ordinance No(s). 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, and 89 of 2013 to lay over until the next regular meeting. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 6. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Everson. 1. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

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

*The Clerk read the following:*

1. **Ordinance No. 89 of 2011**: An ordinance 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) (*Postponed July 9, 2013*)

**Having passed first reading on May 28, 2011 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 O. Jenkins to postpone until the next regular meeting.**

Councilman Shyne: And Oliver, will there be any fish in the pond? I just - - -

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

Councilman O. Jenkins: Let's discuss it at a different - - -

Councilman Corbin: Sounds like a field trip.

Councilman Shyne: Yeah.

2. **Ordinance No. 15 of 2013**: An ordinance amending and reenacting certain sections of Chapter 94 of the Code of Ordinances relative to Utilities and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (*Postponed July 9, 2013*)

**Having passed first reading on February 26, 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 McCulloch to postpone until the next regular meeting. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, and Shyne. 5. Nays: Councilman S. Jenkins. 1. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Everson. 1. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

3. **Ordinance No. 63 of 2013**: An ordinance amending the 2013 Capital Improvements Budget and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (*Postponed July 9, 2013*)
4. **Ordinance No. 64 of 2013**: An ordinance amending the 2013 Streets Special Revenue Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (*Postponed July 9, 2013*)
5. **Ordinance No. 65 of 2013**: An ordinance amending the 2013 Streets Special Revenue Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (*Postponed July 9, 2013*)
6. **Ordinance No. 66 of 2013**: An ordinance amending the 2013 General Fund, appropriating the funds authorized therein and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (*Postponed July 9, 2013*)

**Having passed first reading on June 11, 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 O. Jenkins to postpone Ordinance No(s) 63, 64, 65, and 66 of 2013 until the next regular meeting. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 6. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Everson. 1. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

7. **Ordinance No. 70 of 2013:** An ordinance amending the 2013 General Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized herein, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (*SPAR equipment repair and maintenance*) (*Postponed July 9, 2013*)

**Having passed first reading on June 25, 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 McCulloch**

*The Clerk read the following:*

**AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO. 70 OF 2013**

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

**EXPLANATION OF AMENDMENT**

This amendment would transfer \$74,700 from the Riverfront Development Fund; increase the transfer to General Government Contractual Services by \$50,000 to provide funding to the Shreveport-Bossier Convention Center and Tourist Bureau for the 2013 FLW Forrest L. Wood Cup fishing tournament; increase the transfer to SPAR Contractual Services by \$24,700 to reflect mid-year budget adjustments needed by the department for maintenance and operation of the Jewella Whitehouse Financial and Business Center; and delete the amendment to Section 2 (Appropriations) in the previously introduced ordinance.

**Motion by Councilman S. Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Shyne to adopt Amendment No. 1 to Ordinance No. 70 of 2013. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 6. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Everson. 1. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

**Motion by Councilman Shyne, seconded by Councilman S. Jenkins to adopt Ordinance No. 70 of 2013 as amended. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 6. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Everson. 1. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

8. **Ordinance No. 75 of 2013:** An ordinance amending the 2013 Airports Enterprise Fund Budget, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (*Heating/Air Conditioning maintenance and repair, Expressjet Airline*)

**Having passed first reading on July 9, 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 S. Jenkins to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 6. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: Councilman Everson. 1. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

9. **Ordinance No. 76 of 2013:** An ordinance amending the 2013 Riverfront Development Fund Budget and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (*SCEDA*)

**Having passed first reading on July 9, 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 S. Jenkins to adopt.**

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Chairman, I'm voting 'YES' on this because my colleague Mr. Sam Jenkins might be sitting in the White House one day.

Mr. Thompson: Mr. Shyne, this is the Jewella White House.

Councilman S. Jenkins: I was about to say, I go though there once a week.

Councilman O. Jenkins: What he means is you can set up your practice in there.

Councilman Shyne: Yeah.

Councilman O. Jenkins: There's some open office space there.

Councilman Shyne: Art, don't say that. I wanted Sam to know I had the best of intentions. Oliver and I are pushing it.

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

10. **Ordinance No. 77 of 2013:** An ordinance amending and supplementing Resolution No. 131 of 1984, (The "General Bond Resolution") adopted on June 12, 1984, as amended, acknowledging and approving the issuance of not exceeding \$5,000,000 principal amount of taxable Utility Revenue Bonds (LDEQ Sewer Project), Series 2013, of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana, in accordance with the terms of Resolution No. 95 of 2012, adopted on May 22, 2012, As amended by Resolution No. 17 of 2013 adopted on February 12, 2013; Approving and confirming the sale of such bonds; Pledging revenue of the system to secure such bonds; Prescribing the form, and certain terms and conditions of said bonds; And providing for other matters in connection therewith.

**Having passed first reading on July 9, 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.**

Councilman O. Jenkins: I'm gonna just go to Dale on this. And then if you can redirect me. Obviously, this has been on the agenda a few times. So you'd think (inaudible) maybe I've been asleep at the wheel. But at this point, it says 'taxable utility revenue bonds'. Is that just because it's LDEQ?

Mr. Sibley: Let me ask Barbara to come forward and speak to that or Charles, if you would?

Councilman O. Jenkins: I mean, it's a little - - - it isn't necessarily the normal way you see utility bonds. Charles may be the one to answer that.

Councilman Corbin: I can see by the look on Barbara's face when you call her name.

Mr. Charles Madden: (Finance Dept.): The only thing I can tell you, the state is the one who owns the bonds. And that's probably why.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Why they're taxable because if they come from the municipality itself, they're nontaxable?

Mr. Madden: The state is simply loaning us the money they have. We're not actually selling bonds.

Councilman O. Jenkins: We're not actually issuing any bonds? Okay, thank you. You guys are sharp.

Councilman Corbin: Are there any other questions? If not, please vote.

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

11. **Ordinance No. 78 of 2013:** An ordinance amending the 2013 Budget for the Water and Sewerage Enterprise Fund, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Should we postpone this?

Mr. Sibley: No, that's the Water and Sewer. Basically we redistributed that fund balance to a lot of projects.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Redistributing the fund balance?

Mr. Sibley: Yes sir. Including the \$350, the next one to the Salvinia.

Mr. Thompson: You mean the fund balance has increased and this is redistributing the monies?

Mr. Sibley: Correct.

**Having passed first reading on July 9, 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 McCulloch to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

12. **Ordinance No. 79 of 2013:** An ordinance amending the 2013 Budget for the General Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized therein, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

Mr. Sibley: And that's the \$350 for the Salvinia, that's coming from No. 78.

**Having passed first reading on July 9, 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 McCulloch to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen McCulloch, Everson, O. Jenkins, Corbin, Webb, Shyne, and S. Jenkins. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.**

Councilman Shyne: Mr. Sibley, later on you and I might get an opportunity to ride out and see the project.

13. **Ordinance No. 80 of 2013:** An ordinance authorizing the least of city-owned property to St. Raphael House of Shreveport, Inc., and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (*Not to be adopted prior to August 11, 2013*) (B/Everson)

**Having passed first reading on July 9, 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 McCulloch to postpone until the next regular meeting.**

Councilman O. Jenkins: Even though it says that?

Councilman Everson: The reason being that this can't be passed until the next time.

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

*The adopted ordinances and amendments follow:*

**AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO. 70 OF 2013**

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

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**EXPLANATION OF AMENDMENT**

This amendment would transfer \$74,700 from the Riverfront Development Fund; increase the transfer to General Government Contractual Services by \$50,000 to provide funding to the Shreveport-Bossier Convention Center and Tourist Bureau for the 2013 FLW Forrest L. Wood Cup fishing tournament; increase the transfer to SPAR Contractual Services by \$24,700 to reflect mid-year budget adjustments needed by the department for maintenance and operation of the Jewella Whitehouse Financial and Business Center; and delete the amendment to Section 2 (Appropriations) in the previously introduced ordinance.

**ORDINANCE NO. 70 OF 2013**

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

By:

WHEREAS, the City Charter provides for the amendment of any previously adopted budget; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it necessary to amend the 2013 General Fund Budget to adjust appropriations, to re-allocate funds to the appropriate budget line items; 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. 135 of 2012, the 2013 General Fund Budget, is hereby amended as follows:

In Section 2 (Appropriations):

General Government

Reduce Operating Reserves by \$24,700

SPAR

Decrease Personnel Services by: \$200,000

Increase Contractual Services by: \$24,700

Increase Improvements & Equipment by: \$200,000

Adjust totals and subtotals accordingly.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the remainder of Ordinance No. 135 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. 75 OF 2013**

#### **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2013 AIRPORTS ENTERPRISE FUND BUDGET AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it necessary to amend the 2013 Airports Enterprise Fund Budget to appropriate additional funds in order to transfer funds among expenditure categories 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. 143 of 2012, the 2013 budget for the Airport Enterprise Fund, is hereby amended as follows:

#### **In Section 2 (Appropriations):**

Decrease Operating Reserves by \$3,955.12

Increase Improvements & Equipment by \$3,955.12

Adjust totals and subtotals accordingly.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the remainder of Ordinance No. 143 of 2012, as amended, shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

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

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

### **ORDINANCE NO. 76 OF 2013**

#### **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2013 RIVERFRONT DEVELOPMENT FUND BUDGET AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in legal session convened, that Ordinance No. 134 of 2012, the 2013 Riverfront Development Fund Budget, is hereby amended and reenacted as follows:

#### **In Section 2 (Appropriations)**

Reduce Other Charges by \$74,700

Increase Transfer to General Fund by \$74,700

Adjust totals and subtotals accordingly.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the remainder of Ordinance No. 134 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.

### **ORDINANCE NO. 77 OF 2013**

**A SUPPLEMENTAL ORDINANCE AMENDING AND SUPPLEMENTING RESOLUTION NO. 131 OF 1984 (THE "GENERAL BOND RESOLUTION") ADOPTED ON JUNE 12, 1984, AS AMENDED, ACKNOWLEDGING AND APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT EXCEEDING \$5,000,000 PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF TAXABLE UTILITY REVENUE BONDS (LDEQ SEWER PROJECT), SERIES 2013, OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT, STATE OF LOUISIANA, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS OF RESOLUTION NO. 95 OF 2012 ADOPTED ON MAY 22, 2012, AS AMENDED BY RESOLUTION NO. 17 OF 2013 ADOPTED ON FEBRUARY 12, 2013; APPROVING AND CONFIRMING THE SALE OF SUCH BONDS; PLEDGING REVENUE OF THE SYSTEM TO SECURE SUCH BONDS; PRESCRIBING THE FORM, AND CERTAIN TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SAID BONDS; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana (the "Issuer") now owns and operates a revenue-producing public utility composed of a combined waterworks plant and system and sewer plant and system (the "System"); and

**WHEREAS** the City adopted Resolution No. 131 of 1984 (the "General Bond Resolution") on June 12, 1984, as amended and supplemented, authorizing the issuance from time to time of Water and Sewer Revenue Bonds and pledge of revenues of the City derived from the System on the terms and conditions set forth in the General Bond Resolution; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Part XIII, Chapter 4, Title 39 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (LSA-R.S. 39:1011, *et seq.*), other constitutional and statutory authority (the "Act"), a public hearing held on April 23, 2013 pursuant to a Notice of Intention to issue Bonds dated May 22, 2012, and as amended February 12, 2013, and the aforesaid General Bond Resolution, it is the desire of this City Council of the City (the "Governing Authority") to provide for the issuance of Taxable Utility Revenue Bonds of the Issuer, for the purpose of constructing and acquiring of improvements, extensions and replacements to the sewer portion of the System, and paying the costs of issuance thereof; and

**WHEREAS**, the Issuer currently has outstanding notes, bonds or other obligations issued pursuant to the General Bond Resolution and various supplemental bond resolutions and ordinances, which are payable from a pledge and dedication of the income and revenues of the System but has sufficient income from the System to pay the bonds proposed by this Ordinance in accordance with their proposed terms and conditions as well as pay all other outstanding notes, bonds or other obligations in accordance with their respective terms and conditions; and

**WHEREAS**, it is now the desire of this Governing Authority to authorize the issuance of not exceeding \$5,000,000 Taxable Utility Revenue Bonds (LDEQ Sewer Project), Series 2013 (the "Bonds") of the Issuer, for the purpose of paying the cost of upgrades to the sewer portion of the System, which are "Capital Costs" as defined in the General Bond Resolution, and paying Costs of Issuance, as defined in the General Bond Resolution (collectively, "Costs of the Project");

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana, acting as the governing authority of the Issuer, that:

**SECTION 1. Definitions.**

In addition to words and terms elsewhere defined herein and in the General Bond Resolution, the following words and terms shall have the following meanings as used in this Ordinance, unless some other meaning is plainly intended:

**"Administrative Fee"** means, with respect to the Bonds and any other bonds purchased by the Department from the State Loan Fund, the annual fee equal to one-half of one percent (0.5%) per annum of the outstanding principal amount of such bonds, or such lesser amount as the Department may approve from time to time, which shall be payable each year in two equal semi-annual installments on each Interest Payment Date.

**"Bonds"** shall mean the Issuer's Taxable Utility Revenue Bonds (LDEQ Sewer Project), Series 2013 authorized to be issued by this Ordinance and particularly by Section 2 hereof.

**"Costs of the Project"** shall have the meaning set forth in the final preamble paragraph in this Ordinance.

**"Delivery Date"** means the date on which the Bonds are delivered to the Department.

**"Department"** means the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality, an executive department and agency of the State, and any successor to the duties and functions thereof.

**"Executive Officers"** means the Mayor, Chief Administrative Officer, Director of Finance, and/or the Clerk of the City.

**"General Bond Resolution"** means the General Bond Resolution described in the preambles hereof.

**"Loan Agreement"** means the Loan and Pledge Agreement to be entered into by and between the Department and the Issuer, prior to the delivery of the Bonds, which will contain certain additional agreements relating to the Bonds and any other series of bonds purchased by the Department from the State Loan Fund, which Loan Agreement shall be in substantially the form attached hereto as **Exhibit "B"**, as it may be supplemented, modified or amended from time to time in accordance with the terms thereof.

**"Paying Agent"** with respect to the Bonds means the chief financial officer of the Issuer or his authorized agent as defined in the Loan Agreement, unless and until a successor Paying Agent shall have assumed such responsibilities pursuant to the Loan Agreement.

**"Ordinance"** or **"Thirtieth Supplemental Ordinance"** means this ordinance authorizing the issuance of the Bonds, as adopted on \_\_\_\_\_, 2013.

**"Prior Lien Bonds"** means the previously issued Bonds secured by the Revenues of the System as set forth as **Exhibit "D"**.

**"State Loan Fund"** means the Clean Water State Revolving Fund established by the State of Louisiana, pursuant to subchapter II Chapter 14 of Title 30 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (LSA-R.S. 30:2301, *et seq.*) in the custody of the Department, which is to be used for the purpose of providing financial assistance for the improvement of waste water treatment systems in the State, as more fully described in LSA-R.S. 30:2302.

## **SECTION 2. Authorization of the Bonds**

. (a) In compliance with and under the authority of the Act and the General Bond Resolution, there is hereby authorized the incurring of an indebtedness of Five Million and No/100 Dollars (\$5,000,000) for, on behalf of and in the name of the Issuer, and to represent the indebtedness, this Governing Authority does hereby authorize the issuance of Five Million and No/100 Dollars (\$5,000,000) of Taxable Utility Revenue Bonds (LDEQ Sewer Project), Series 2013, of the Issuer. The Bonds shall be serial bonds, and the exact principal amount of the Bonds, \$5,000,000 as stated above, shall be determined by the Executive Officers at the time of delivery of the Bonds. The Bonds shall be issued as "Taxable Utility Revenue Bonds (LDEQ Sewer Project), Series 2013", the proceeds of which shall be used to finance Costs of the Project and expenditures which are to

be purchased by the Department.

As provided in Article V of the General Bond Resolution, the Bonds, equally with the Prior Lien Bonds, shall be secured by a pledge and dedication of the Revenues of the System, subject only to the payment of the reasonable and necessary expenses of operating and maintaining the System.

(b) The Bonds shall be issued for the purpose paying the costs of the construction and acquiring of improvements, extensions and replacements to the sewer portion of the System, as further set forth in **Exhibit "C"** hereto and paying costs of issuance.

(c) The Bonds shall be dated the Delivery Date, and the Bonds shall mature in twenty (20) installments of principal, payable annually on each December 1, and each annual installment shall be the applicable percentage shown in the Bond Form attached hereto as **Exhibit "A"**, rounded to the nearest \$1,000, of the outstanding principal amount of the Bonds on the day before the applicable Principal Payment Date.

In the event that the completion of the Project being financed with the Bonds is after June 30, 2014, the principal payment schedule set forth in the Bond may be adjusted so that each payment shall be due on the December 1 that is not more than one year after the completion date, provided that in no event shall the final principal payment be more than twenty-two (22) years from the Delivery Date.

(d) The Bonds shall be current interest serial bonds and the Interest Payment Dates shall be paid semi-annually on June 1 and December 1 of each year. The Bonds shall bear interest at the rate of forty-five hundredths of one percent (0.45%) per annum, said interest to be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months and payable on each Interest Payment Date, or such lower rate as may be in effect for loans from the State Loan Fund at the time of delivery. In addition to interest at the rate set forth above, at any time that the Department owns the Bonds the Issuer will pay the Administrative Fee to the Department on each Interest Payment Date. In the event (i) the Department owns any Bonds or the Department has pledged or assigned any Bonds in connection with its Clean Water State Revolving Fund and (ii) the Administrative Fee payable by the Issuer to the Department under the terms of the Loan Agreement is declared illegal or unenforceable by a court or an administrative body of competent jurisdiction, the interest rate borne by the Bonds shall be increased by one-half of one percent (0.50%) per annum, effective as of the date declared to be the date from which the Administrative Fee is no longer owed because of such illegality or unenforceability.

(e) The Bonds shall be issued as a single fully-registered bond, initially numbered R-1. The Bonds shall be executed in the manner provided for in Section 310 of the General Bond Resolution, however inasmuch as there is no Trustee the Bonds need not be so authenticated if manual signatures of the Executive Officers signing the Bonds are used.

(f) The chief financial officer of the Issuer shall be the initial Paying Agent for the Bonds. The principal and interest on the Bonds shall be payable by check mailed to the registered owner of the Bonds (determined as of the Interest Payment Date) at the address shown on the registration books kept by the Paying Agent for such purpose, provided that payment of the final installment of principal on the Bonds shall be made only upon presentation and surrender of the Bonds to the Paying Agent.

(g) The principal installments of the Bonds are subject to prepayment at the option of the Issuer at any time, in whole or in part, at a prepayment price of par plus accrued interest and accrued Administrative Fee, if any, to the prepayment date and in such case the remaining

principal of the Bonds shall continue to mature in installments calculated using the percentages described in Section 2(c) above and in the Form of Bond.

(h) There are no mandatory retirement payments on the Bonds, within the meaning of the General Bond Resolution.

(i) There are no Invested Sinking Fund Payments within the meaning of the General Bond Resolution;

(j) The Bonds are hereby awarded to and sold to the Department at a price of par plus accrued interest, if any, under the terms and conditions set forth in the Loan Agreement, and after their execution and authentication by the Paying Agent, the Bonds shall be delivered to the Department or its agents or assigns, upon receipt by the Issuer of the agreed purchase price. Pursuant to the Act and LSA-R.S. 39:1426(B), the Issuer has determined to sell the Bonds at a private sale without the necessity of publishing any notice of sale.

(k) The Bonds shall be in substantially the form attached hereto as **Exhibit "A"**, together with such changes as are approved by Bond Counsel to the Issuer.

(l) No proceeds of the Bonds shall be deposited into the Reserve Fund, however upon the delivery of the Bonds the Issuer shall establish the "Series 2013 Account" in the Reserve Fund and shall cause the Reserve Fund Requirement to be deposited to said account within five (5) years after the Delivery Date.

(m) No proceeds of the Bonds will be used to refund any outstanding obligations.

(n) The Executive Officers are each hereby empowered, authorized and directed to do any and all things necessary and incidental to carry out all of the provisions of the Ordinance, to execute and deliver the Loan Agreement, and to cause the Bonds to be prepared and/or printed, to issue, execute and seal the Bonds and to effect delivery thereof as hereinafter provided. In connection with the issuance and sale of the Bonds, the Executive Officers and the chief financial officer of the Issuer are each authorized, empowered and directed to execute on behalf of the Issuer such additional documents, certificates and instruments as they may deem necessary, upon the advice of bond counsel, to effect the transactions contemplated by this Ordinance. The signatures of said on such documents, certificates and instruments shall be conclusive evidence of the due exercise of the authority granted hereunder.

(p) It is recognized that the Issuer will not be required to comply with the continuing disclosure requirements described in the Rule 15c2-12(b) of the Securities and Exchange Commission [17 CFR §240.15c2-12(b)], because (i) the Bonds are not being purchased by a broker, dealer or municipal securities dealer acting as an underwriter in a primary offering of municipal securities, and (ii) the Bonds are being sold to only one financial institution (i.e., no more than thirty-five persons), which has such knowledge and experience in financial and business matters that it is capable of evaluating the merits and risks of the prospective investment in the Bonds and is not purchasing the Bonds for more than one account or with a view to distributing the Bonds.

(q) Application has been made to the State Bond Commission, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, and final approval granted for the issuance of the Bonds by the Issuer within the parameters set forth in this section. By virtue of the Issuer's application for, acceptance and utilization of the benefits of the Louisiana State Bond Commission's approval(s) resolved and set forth herein, it resolves that the Issuer understands and agrees that such approval(s) are expressly conditioned upon, and it further resolves that it understands, agrees and binds itself, its successors and assigns, to full and continuing compliance with the "State Bond Commission Policy on Approval of Proposed Use of Swaps, or other forms of Derivative Products Hedges, Etc.", adopted by the State Bond Commission on July 20, 2006, as to the borrowing(s) and other matter(s) subject to the approval(s), including subsequent application and approval under said Policy of the

implementation or use of any swap(s) or other product(s) or enhancement(s) covered thereby.

(r) The Commitment Agreement and Loan Agreement, in substantially the forms attached hereto as **Exhibit "B"**, are hereby approved, and the Mayor, Director of Finance, and the Clerk are authorized to execute and deliver the aforesaid documents on behalf of the Issuer, with such changes as may be deemed necessary, upon the advice of Bond Counsel, in connection with the Bonds.

SECTION 3. Deposit of Proceeds

. The proceeds of the Bonds shall be deposited, upon receipt by the Issuer, into a construction fund to be established pursuant to the General Bond Resolution to pay Costs of the Project, or to reimburse the Issuer for Costs of the Project.

SECTION 4. Davis-Bacon Wage Rate Requirements

. The Issuer agrees that all laborers and mechanics employed by contractors and subcontractors on the portion of the Project that is funded in whole or in part with the Bonds shall be paid wages at rates not less than those prevailing on projects of a character similar in the locality of the Issuer as determined by the Secretary of the United States Department of Labor ("DOL") in accordance with Subchapter IV of Chapter 31 of Title 40, United States Code. DOL provides all pertinent information related to compliance with the foregoing requirements, including prevailing wage rates and instructions for reporting. The Issuer will ensure that all construction contracts relating to the portion of the Project that is funded in whole or in part with the Bonds will require that the contractor comply with the aforesaid wage and reporting requirements. This section shall not apply to "force account" work where the Issuer may perform construction work using its own employees rather than any contractor or subcontractor.

SECTION 5. Prohibited Uses

. None of the proceeds of the Bonds shall be used for the purchase of land or any interest in land, including without limitation any easement, servitude or leasehold interest, as authorized by section 603(c) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act.

SECTION 6. Parties Interested Herein

. Nothing in this Ordinance expressed or implied is intended or shall be construed to confer upon, or to give to, any person or corporation, other than the Issuer, the Paying Agent and the Owners of the Bonds any right, remedy or claim under or by reason of this Ordinance or any covenant, condition or stipulation thereof; and all the covenants, stipulations, promises and agreements in this Ordinance contained by and on behalf of the Issuer shall be for the sole and exclusive benefit of the Issuer, the Paying Agent and the Owners of the Bonds.

SECTION 7. No Recourse on the Bonds

. No recourse shall be had for the payment of the principal of or interest on the Bonds or for any claim based thereon or on this Ordinance against any member of the Governing Authority or officer of the Issuer or any person executing the Bonds.

SECTION 8. Successors and Assigns

. Whenever in this Ordinance the Issuer is named or referred to, it shall be deemed to include its successors and assigns and all the covenants and agreements in this Ordinance contained by or on behalf of the Issuer shall bind and inure to the benefit of its successors and assigns whether so expressed or not.

SECTION 9. Severability

. In case any one or more of the provisions of this Ordinance or of the Bonds issued hereunder shall for any reason be held to be illegal or invalid, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect any other provision of this Ordinance or of the Bonds, but this Ordinance and the Bonds shall be construed and enforced as if such illegal or invalid provisions had not been contained therein. Any

constitutional or statutory provision enacted after the date of this Ordinance which validates or makes legal any provision of this Ordinance or the Bonds which would not otherwise be valid or legal shall be deemed to apply to this Ordinance and to the Bonds.

SECTION 10.

SECTION 10. Peremption. Pursuant to and in compliance with the provisions of LSA-R.S. 39:1011 *et seq.*, as amended, the Governing Authority held a public hearing on April 23, 2013, pursuant to a Notice of Intention to issue not exceeding FIVE MILLION AND NO/100 DOLLARS (\$5,000,000) Utility Revenue Bonds (LDEQ Sewer Project), (the “Public Hearing”). No petition of opposition was presented objecting to the issuance of the Bonds. The minutes of the Public Hearing were published on April 30, 2013 in the official journal of the City. No contest was received regarding the regularity, formality, legality or effectiveness of the resolution, any provisions of the Bonds to be issued, the provisions for the security and payment of the Bonds and the validity of all other provisions and proceedings relating to the authorization and issuance, for any cause whatsoever. It is conclusively presumed that the Bonds are legal and that every legal requirement for the issuance of the Bonds has been complied with.

SECTION 11. Effective Date

. This Ordinance shall become effective as provided by the City Charter.

**ORDINANCE NO. 78 OF 2013**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2013 BUDGET FOR THE WATER AND SEWERAGE ENTERPRISE FUND, APPROPRIATING THE FUNDS AUTHORIZED THEREIN, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council finds it necessary to amend the 2013 Budget for the Water and Sewerage Enterprise Fund.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in legal session convened, that Ordinance 144 of 2012, the Water and Sewerage Enterprise Fund, is hereby amended as follows:

1. Estimated Receipts:

Increase Other Income by \$2,336,400

2. Appropriations:

Increase Materials and Supplies by \$350,000

Increase Contractual Services by \$703,400

Increase Operating Reserves by \$313,000

Increase Improvements and Equipment by \$20,000

Increase W & S Main Improvements by \$600,000

Increase Transfer to General Fund by \$350,000

Adjust totals and subtotals accordingly.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** that the remainder of Ordinance No. 144 of 2012 shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

**BE IF 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 the 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. 79 OF 2013**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2013 BUDGET FOR THE GENERAL FUND BUDGET, APPROPRIATING THE FUNDS AUTHORIZED THEREIN, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council finds it necessary to amend the 2013 Budget for the 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 General Fund Budget, is hereby amended as follows:

2. Estimated Receipts:

Increase Intergovernmental Income by \$350,000

2. Appropriations:

Engineering & Environmental Services

Increase Materials and Supplies by \$76,000

Increase Contractual Services by \$274,000

Adjust totals and subtotals accordingly.

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

**BE IF 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 the ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications; and to this end, the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable.

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

**Tabled Legislation.**

1. **Ordinance No. 25 of 2012:** Amending the 2012 Capital Improvements Budget, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (*Texas Street Turn Lanes*) (B/Everson) (*Tabled March 27, 2012*)
2. **Resolution No. 205 of 2012:** Approving the application of citizens regarding the organization of the Shreveport-Caddo Economic Development Authority; Designating the Economic Development area therefore; Approving the Economic Development Plan therefore; Making certain findings in connection therewith; and otherwise providing with respect thereto (*Tabled December 11, 2012*)
3. **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*)
4. **Ordinance No. 30 of 2013:** Amending and reenact Section 106-1029 of the Code of Ordinances relative to the SPI-3 Commercial Corridor Overlay District and to otherwise provide with respect thereto (C/O. Jenkins) (*Tabled May 14, 2013*)

**Appeals**

**Property Standards Appeals**

PSD0900275 140 Pennsylvania Avenue, Shreveport, LA (C/Jenkins) Mr. & Mrs. Robert A. Powell, 819 ½ Boulevard Street, Shreveport, LA 71104 (B/Everson) (*Postponed 24, 2013 until September 23, 2013*)

PSD1000086 2837 Logan Street, Shreveport, LA (G/S. Jenkins) Ms. Carolyn Ivory Wilson, 3646 Del Rio Street, Shreveport, LA 71109 (G/Jenkins) (*Postponed June 24, 2013 until September 23, 2013*)

PSD1000141 728 Austin Pl, Shreveport, LA (B/Everson) Ms. Deborah Bryant, 9640 Tammy, Shreveport, LA 71106 (Caddo Parish) (*Postponed June 10, 2013 until September 9, 2013*)

PSD1100017 3634 Sumner Street, Shreveport, LA (G/S. Jenkins) Mr. Roberto Strickland, 3740 Jackson Street, Shreveport, LA 71109 (G/S. Jenkins) (*Postponed July 8, 2013 until September 9, 2013*)

PSD1200243 4043 Crosby, Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) Mr. Joe Mingo, Jr., 3821 Mayfield, Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) (*Postponed April 22, 2013 until July 22, 2013*)

HBO1300017/PSD130001 1831 Hollywood Avenue, Shreveport, LA (F/Shyne) Mr. Ashanti Kabara, 2711 Oak Street, Shreveport, LA 71104 (B/Everson) (*Postponed June 10, 2013 until September 9, 2013*)

### **Alcoholic Beverage Ordinance Appeals Metropolitan Planning Commission Appeals and Zoning Board of Appeals**

*The Clerk read the following:*

**ZBA Appeal:** BAC-78-13 – Property located on the north side of Ashley Ridge Blvd., 800' east of Line Avenue. (D/Corbin)

Councilman Corbin: And at this time, Stephen if you would just come up and give a brief explanation of what this is. I know we discussed it some yesterday, but just a brief explanation for the record.

Mr. Stephen Jean: (Metropolitan Planning Commission) This is a request to have a variance in the parking requirement for a facility. One of the things that we have with the ordinance that we have now is that uses that were contemplated, and some of you may know, this language in our ordinance really dates back to the '20s. And so a lot of the uses and a lot of the things that we see today were not contemplated back then, so when we look at trying to find and in many cases something unique like this where you have a gymnastics training facility, they also want to have parties, it's not contemplated in the ordinance. The previous use of this structure that was here was an indoor soccer facility that had fixed seats. That is addressing the ordinance, and you can come up with a parking ratio of 60 parking spaces, which exist today from looking at the bleachers, which is 180 seats and dividing it by 3, and that's in the ordinance. This particular use is not really clearly defined if you say it's a multi-family use in a multi-facility that would have events, it would be - - - we could have like 237 parking spaces required. Obviously what this applicant is talking about doing is dealing with a lot of children that are under the age of - - - the driving age, so obviously you would not have this parking issue with them. So what they're saying is that in the past, when they've had this particular model, that the 60 would be quite enough and they also have a shared parking arrangement with a neighbor that would on the evenings and on weekends, would push that available parking up to 100. One of the things that when this was brought to the ZBA is the parties and special events were not actually put in the part of the original application. It was brought up in the hearing of the ZBA, so when they deliberated on this case,

they did not include that. The appeal that you have here today would be to allow those parties and special events, and we'll hear from the applicant about how that would function and what that means to their business in order to have that.

Councilman S. Jenkins: So in essence, there's not enough parking space for an activity they're trying to do in the building?

Councilman Corbin: The way our zoning is currently defined, there is not.

Councilman S. Jenkins: So that's what the issues are.

Mr. Jean: What you would typically do, the ZBA would do on something that's not addressed in the ordinance or to say that the parking requirements are too onerous. What you can do is put in the record some empirical data that represents that the way that this business is planning to function, would indeed not have the parking load that the ordinance contemplates. So once you have that in the record, then you'd be able to deal with it. And that's one of the missing components that would inhabit the ZBA here.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Okay, so just concretely, if we uphold the appeal or grant the appeal, we just grant it or don't we have to - - - does somebody have to put some language in there?

Mr. Jean: I believe what you need to do is put some language in there, otherwise let's say that you don't (inaudible) to this very specific use and the way this functions, and you have a change to where there's parties and special events that was mostly adult attended, then you would have a very high parking demand. When in a case where you're dealing with a majority of children and in some cases may be dropped off by bus, you don't have the parking demand. So it's all about making sure you have enough parking available for the use that's being defined.

Councilman O. Jenkins: Do we have that proposed language?

Councilman Corbin: We do indeed. Thank you Stephen.

Councilman Shyne: Mike is ahead of the game.

Councilman Corbin: Ms. Flowers, would you like to make your comments?

*Ms. Becky Flowers: (400 West Fannin Street, Marshall, TX)* And I'm here representing Air U. And they have purchased the building that used to be called Sport Court like he was saying, an indoor soccer facility, and they are turning it into a trampoline and gymnastic facility. So a lot of the area is covered with trampolines. And you're only allowed one person per square trampoline. And it's a safe well-managed, air-conditioned facility for young children. And we've worked with the MPC closely and previously the Zoning Board of Appeals unanimously approved our parking request, where we would have our 60 existing spaces plus the use of the 40 of our neighbors. And we're here today mainly out of concern for a note that was put on the appeal at the bottom of the Zoning Board's ruling. And it said, no special events shall be permitted. And I came to the Zoning Board's meeting, and there was no one present that was opposed to this facility, there was just some concern over some activity that happened back when it was a soccer facility. Apparently, there were a lot of young adults that were partying outside, and there was alcohol problems, and loud music and stuff. And that's not the type of facility this even is. And this is something wonderful that's coming to Shreveport. They have another facility in Longview, that is approximately the same size. It's extremely well-managed, supervised and it's a very positive thing for Shreveport, but the problem is special events is extremely important to their business model. This is a large percentage of their income to be successful. Which means they therefore pay taxes in Shreveport. So, we ask you to closely consider this, and we're even looking at the idea of you approving this for one year, where during that year, we can collect data, do a survey and present parking information to you after a year, if that's desirable. You have any questions?

Councilman Corbin: Thank you Ms. Flowers. I would like to offer up a solution to this and Ms. Glass has assisted greatly and Art, in getting the wording right. And it's basically as Ms. Flowers said. It's to modify the motion to allow them to move forward for a one year period, and come back in a year and see where we are. See if there's been any problems, any complaints, any adjustments we need to make. Mr. Thompson, would you mind reading that.

*The Clerk read the following:*

To modify the decision of the Zoning Board of Appeals by deleting the phrase "Note: No special events (i.e. birthday parties, etc.) shall be permitted" and adding the following stipulations:

4. This variance is approved for a period of one year from the date this motion is adopted. The applicant shall reapply to the ZBA for approval of the variance prior to the expiration of said one year period. The application fee for said reapplication is hereby waived.
5. During said one year period, the applicant shall collect data on: 1)the usage of the facility for parties, special events and other uses, and 2) the corresponding adequacy of the parking for such uses, in order to provide such information to the ZBA when the applicant reapplies for the variance.

Councilman Shyne: I'll second that Mr. Chairman.

Councilman Webb: Was anybody even able to open it up, mine won't open up the site or anything.

Ms. Johnson: Try and refresh Mr. Webb.

Councilman O. Jenkins: I'd just make one comment. And I don't know if the Unified Development Code re-writes are going to fix some of this stuff. But I mean it is a little bit shocking to me that when somebody has 100 parking spaces, it's a little incongruity there, but that is not sufficient. You know obviously there's been a problem in the past and needs to be addressed, but I'm sorry, I think it's sad that we have to have people go through all these steps to fix the problem to me, that should be able to be fixed at the work/office level, than rather - - -

Councilman Corbin: (Inaudible) really be a problem.

Councilman O. Jenkins: But at any rate, appreciate your patience.

**Motion by Councilman Corbin, seconded by Councilman Shyne to modify the decision of the Zoning Board of Appeals by deleting the phrase "Note: No special events (i.e. birthday parties, etc.) shall be permitted" and adding the following stipulations:**

- 4. This variance is approved for a period of one year from the date this motion is adopted. The applicant shall reapply to the ZBA for approval of the variance prior to the expiration of said one year period. The application fee for said reapplication is hereby waived.**
- 5. During said one year period, the applicant shall collect data on: 1)the usage of the facility for parties, special events and other uses, and 2) the corresponding adequacy**

**of the parking for such uses, in order to provide such information to the ZBA when the applicant reapplies for the variance.**

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

**Other Appeals**

**Taxi Appeal**

**Reports from officers, boards, and committees**

**Clerk's Report**

**Zoning Appeal – BAC-84-13:** Moonrider Inn, 5215 Monkhouse Drive, Shreveport, Special exception use and variance in hours of operation in a B-3 District for on-site Multi-purpose facility with on premise consumption of alcoholic beverage. (F/Shyne)

Mr. Thompson: If Mr. Oliver Jenkins will permit it, Mr. Chairman, I have a personal matter. Mr. Shyne mentioned that my birthday is Saturday, and I thank you for recognizing that. But I'd like to say thank you to my wife, for today we have been married for 47 years.

Councilman Shyne: Wow Art! Dale, if she can put up with Art for 47 years.

Mr. Thompson: You took the words out of my mouth. And I also thank her for being the primary parent of two wonderful children who make us proud every day.

Councilman S. Jenkins: That's the best Clerk's Report we've had.

Councilwoman McCulloch: Almost to the 'Golden' huh?

**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 6:12 p.m.

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*//s// Michael Corbin, Chairman*

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