

Council Proceedings of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana
March 11, 2025

The City Council meeting of the City Council of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana was called to order by Chairwoman Taylor at 3:00 p. m. Tuesday, March 11, 2025, in the Government Chamber in Government Plaza (505 Travis Street).

Invocation was given by Daphne Phibeaux.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Meredith and Melanie Posey.

The roll was called. Present: Councilwoman Tabatha Taylor, Councilmen Gary Brooks, Jim Taliaferro, Grayson Boucher, Alan Jackson, James Green and Councilwoman Ursula Bowman.
7. Absent: 0.

Motion by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilwoman Bowman, to approve the minutes of the Administrative Conference meeting, Monday, February 24, 2025, and the Council meeting, Tuesday, February 25, 2025. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwoman Taylor, Councilmen Brooks, Taliaferro, Boucher, Jackson Green and Councilwoman Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

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

REPORTS:

Property Standards Report (resolution 7 of 2003)

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

Mr. Clarke provided a Master Plan Committee Report (resolution 132 of 2012)

Budget to Actual Financial Report (resolution 183 of 2017)

PUBLIC HEARING: NONE

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

ADDING LEGISLATION TO THE AGENDA (*REGULAR MEETING ONLY*) AND

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON MOTIONS TO ADD ITEMS TO THE AGENDA

**PUBLIC COMMENTS (IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 1.11 OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE) (ADMINISTRATIVE CONFERENCE ON ANY MATTER OF PUBLIC CONCERN REGARDLESS OF WHETHER THE ITEM IS ON THE AGENDA)
(REGULAR MEETING ON MATTERS WHICH ARE ON THE AGENDA)**

Jon Glover made general comments as it relates to Resolution No. 35 of 2025.

Sammy Mears spoke in support of Resolution No(s). 35 and 40 of 2025.

Jacob Malone stated he was available to answer questions related to Ordinance No. 16 of 2025.

James Carstensen submitted comments in opposition to Resolution No. 35 of 2025.

CONFIRMATION AND APPOINTMENTS: Local Workforce Development Board - Shakeidra Evans, William Upchurch, Dennis Essom, Assistant Director SPAR – Charles Hymes, Division Manager, Administration SPAR – Esther Weiland, Assistant Attorney – Eli Bell, Part-time Assistant Attorney – Emmanuel Billy, Part-time Assistant Attorney – Emmanuel Billy Director of Community Development – Verni Howard

Motion by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilman Boucher, to postpone, the above mentioned executive appointments. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwoman Taylor, Councilmen Brooks, Taliaferro, Boucher, Jackson, Green and Councilwoman Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

CONSENT AGENDA LEGISLATION

TO INTRODUCE ROUTINE ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTIONS: NONE

ORDINANCES: NONE

TO ADOPT ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTIONS: NONE

ORDINANCES: NONE

REGULAR AGENDA LEGISLATION

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

RESOLUTION NO. 33 OF 2025

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO TERMINATE A SEWER SERVITUDE, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, The City of Shreveport was granted a sewer servitude affecting a portion of Lot 37 Pierre Mont Park Subdivision, municipal address 6230 East Ridge Drive as per plat filed at Book 450, pager 369 of the Caddo Parish Conveyance Records; and, WHEREAS, the home located on Lot 37 was demolished due to a leak and the sewer line was relocated; and, WHEREAS, the sewer servitude is no longer required to the extent it affects and traverses Lot 37 since no portion of the new sewer line is located on Lot 37. WHEREAS, the lot owner requests the city terminate the servitude to the extent it affects and traverses Lot 37 to allow a sale free of any impediments. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, regular, and legal session convened, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to terminate execute the sewer servitude referenced herein and execute the Termination of Servitude agreement, substantially in accordance with the draft thereof filed for public inspection with the original of this resolution in the Office of the Clerk of Council on February 13, 2025. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provisions 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 Green, seconded by Councilwoman Bowman, to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwoman Taylor, Councilmen Brooks, Taliaferro, Boucher, Jackson, Green and Councilwoman Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

RESOLUTION NO. 34 OF 2025

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN ANNUAL PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAX IN ACCORDANCE WITH A TERM SHEET ISSUED BY THE NORTHWEST LOUISIANA FINANCE AUTHORITY TO LOUISIANA HISTORIC REDEVELOPMENT I LLC; AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the Northwest Louisiana Finance Authority (“NWLFA”) is authorized to acquire and hold property for one or more of its public purposes as set forth in R.S. 9:2341(B) and upon acquisition by NWLFA, such property is declared for purposes of R.S. 9:2347(M) to be public property used for essential and governmental purposes and such property is thereby exempt from all taxes of the municipality, the state, or any political subdivision thereof or any other taxing body; and WHEREAS, Louisiana Historic Redevelopment I LLC (the “Company”) desires to rehabilitate a long vacant high rise building located in Downtown Shreveport into a sustainable market rate multifamily housing property (the “Project”) in the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana (the “City”) in accordance with a term sheet (the “Term Sheet”) attached hereto and incorporated herein; and WHEREAS, NWLFA intends to take title to the Project and Lease the Project back to Louisiana Historic Redevelopment I LLC, (the “Lessee”), a limited liability company qualified to do business in the State of Louisiana, and, pursuant to La. R.S. 9:2347(M) and subject to approval of the City of Shreveport as the beneficiary of NWLFA (the “City”), NWLFA will require the Lessee to pay annually to parish or municipal taxing authorities, and to any other taxing body in the Parish of Caddo (the “Parish”), through the Sheriff of Caddo (the “Tax Collector”), a sum in lieu of ad valorem taxes in an amount not to exceed the amount of taxes that would otherwise be due if the Project were not owned by the NWLFA (a “PILOT”) in accordance with the Term Sheet in order to compensate such authorities for services rendered by them to the Project, which sum the Tax Collector shall collect and enforce payment of in accordance with the statutory provisions of La. R.S. 39:1002 as statutory impositions; and WHEREAS, the Term Sheet provides that the PILOT shall commence upon the conveyance of the Project to NWLFA and terminate on the last day of the nineteenth (19th) calendar year after commencement (the “PILOT Termination Date”) and that full ad valorem taxes will be paid to the Tax Collector following the PILOT Termination Date; and WHEREAS, as an independently existing public trust authorized and empowered under Chapter 2-A of Title 9 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (La. R.S. 9:2341 through 9:2347, inclusive) (the “Act”), whose beneficiary is the City of Shreveport, the PILOT for the Project may be required by NWLFA only if by Resolution the Shreveport City Council, as the governing authority of the of the beneficiary of NWLFA, approves the PILOT in accordance with La. R.S. 9:2347(M); NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport that: Section 1. The foregoing whereas clauses are hereby adopted as set forth in the preamble to this Resolution. Section 2. This City does hereby approve the PILOT to be paid by the Lessee for the Project in an amount not to exceed the amount of taxes that would otherwise be due if the Project were not owned by the NWLFA, in accordance with the Term Sheet as described in the foregoing whereas clauses. Section 3. The Mayor and Clerk of Council are hereby authorized, empowered, and

directed to take any and all such action as may be necessary to carry into effect the provisions of this Resolution. Section 4. If any one or more of the provisions of this Resolution shall for any reason be held to be illegal or invalid, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect any other provision of this Resolution, but this Resolution shall be construed and enforced as if such illegal or invalid provisions had not been contained herein. Any constitutional or statutory provision enacted after the date of this Resolution which validates or makes legal any provision of this Resolution which would not otherwise be valid or legal, shall be deemed to apply to this Resolution. Section 5. This Resolution shall immediately take effect upon adoption.

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilman Brooks, to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwoman Taylor, Councilmen Brooks, Taliaferro, Boucher, Jackson, Green and Councilwoman Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

RESOLUTION NO. 35 OF 2025

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH BLUE LINE SOLUTIONS, LLC TO ADD ADDITIONAL AUTOMATED SPEED ENFORCEMENT CAMERAS IN NON-SCHOOL ZONES AND EXTEND THE AGREEMENT TERM, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, Blue Line Solutions, LLC (herein “BLS”) and the City of Shreveport entered into that certain Automated Speed Enforcement System Agreement (“the Agreement”) on February 2, 2022, which became effective in November of 2022, with a term of three (3) years; and WHEREAS, crashes caused by speeding vehicles are a contributing factor to injuries and fatalities within the City; and WHEREAS, the City intends to add additional automated speed enforcement cameras in non-school zone areas; and WHEREAS, as an incentive for BLS to install the additional cameras, the City of Shreveport and BLS agree that the term of the Agreement should be extended for three (3) years beginning __, 2025. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor, Tom Arceneaux, is hereby authorized to execute, for and on behalf of the City of Shreveport, any and all documents related to the execution and intent of this Resolution; and 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; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all resolutions, ordinances, or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed. **THUS DONE AND RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana.

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilwoman Bowman, to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwoman Taylor, Councilmen Jackson, Green and Councilwoman Bowman. 4. Nays: Councilmen Brooks, Taliaferro and Boucher. 3. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

RESOLUTION NO. 36 OF 2025

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH BURNS & MCDONNELL ENGINEERING COMPANY, INC. TO

PROVIDE WATER AND SEWER PROGRAM MANAGEMENT, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, Burns & McDonnell, Inc. was selected as the contractor per RFS 19-704 to serve as the Program Manager for the Capital Improvement Program and Consent Decree. WHEREAS, the City and Burns & McDonnell, Inc. executed an Engineering Contract for Program Management on July 5, 2019, and extended the contract term for additional periods through December 31, 2024. WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport and Burns & McDonnell, Inc. desire to extend the contract for two additional terms: January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025, at a cost of \$11,517,000.00, and January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2028, at a cost of \$34,551,000.00. WHEREAS, Supplemental Agreement No. 17 Task Order for the Engineering Contract for Program Management extends the contract terms and substitutes Exhibit A to provide the Scope of Services for the January 1, 2025 through December 2025 term. WHEREAS, the Shreveport Code of Ordinances Chapter 26 Section 274 (d) requires City Council approval of all contracts or expenditures over \$1,000,000.00. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, regular, and legal session convened, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute Contract No. 2019-294 Supplemental Agreement No. 17, substantially in accordance with the draft thereof filed for public inspection with the original of this resolution in the Office of the Clerk of Council on February 19, 2025. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provisions 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 Green, seconded by Councilwoman Bowman, to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwoman Taylor, Councilmen Brooks, Taliaferro, Boucher, Jackson, Green and Councilwoman Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

RESOLUTION NO. 37 OF 2025

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH BURNS & MCDONNELL ENGINEERING COMPANY, INC. TO PROVIDE STREETS AND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM MANAGEMENT, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the Renew Shreveport Program consists of streets and drainage projects to be completed over a 5 to 6 year period at a projected cost of \$125,000,000.00, and WHEREAS, the projects will be funded by General Obligation Bonds approved by voters in April 2024, and WHEREAS, the Renew Shreveport Program projects will benefit from project management services, and WHEREAS, Burns & McDonnell, Engineering Company, Inc. was selected as the program manager for the Renew Shreveport Program per RFP 24-817, and WHEREAS, the City and Burns & McDonnell desire to contract for provision of Program Management services for the Renew Shreveport Program at an estimated cost of \$998,000.00. pr, and WHEREAS, contracts for services exceeding \$100,000.00 require City Council approval. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, regular, and legal session convened, that the Mayor is hereby authorized to execute an Agreement

Between Owner and Program Manager with Burns & McDonnell Engineering Company, Inc., substantially in accordance with the draft thereof filed for public inspection with the original of this resolution in the Office of the Clerk of Council on February 19, 2025. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provisions 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 Green, seconded by Councilman Taliaferro, to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwoman Taylor, Councilmen Brooks, Taliaferro, Boucher, Jackson, Green and Councilwoman Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

RESOLUTION NO. 39 OF 2025

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE PUBLIC DEDICATION OF PECAN SQUARE AVENUE AND WOODBERRY AVENUE RIGHTS-OF-WAY IN PROVENANCE PHASE IV– UNIT B AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal, and regular session convened, that the dedication of Chestnut Park Lane rights-of-way in Sections 19 and 20, (T16N-R13W), Caddo Parish, Louisiana, and as shown on the Provenance Phase IV – Unit B plat attached hereto and made a part hereof, be and the same is hereby accepted as dedicated to the public for public use in the City of Shreveport. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the original plat reflecting the dedication of Pecan Square Avenue and Woodberry Avenue rights-of-way be recorded in the official records of the Clerk of Court for Caddo Parish, Louisiana. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provision or item of this resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this 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 RESOLVED that all ordinances or resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed. THUS DONE AND RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana.

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Boucher, seconded by Councilman Taliaferro, to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwoman Taylor, Councilmen Brooks, Taliaferro, Boucher, Jackson, Green and Councilwoman Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

RESOLUTION NO. 40 OF 2025

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING NELL BRIDGE CAHN, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO

BY: COUNCILMAN GRAYSON BOUCHER

WHEREAS, Nell Bridge Cahn is a woman whose name represents excellence in the world of competitive bridge; and WHEREAS, her journey in bridge began at a young age, and through dedication, she achieved the title of Grand Life Master, one of the highest honors in the bridge community; and WHEREAS, her skills, strategic mind, and determination led her to become a

world champion in the 1990s, a testament to her hard work and commitment; and WHEREAS, in addition to her career in bridge, Nell is also the author of *You Can't Make It Up*, which is available on Amazon, and she recently held a book signing at Barnes & Noble; and WHEREAS, Nell Bridge Cahn once said, "Grand Slam Champion was no longer just a title, it became who I aspired to be". NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due regular and legal session convened that the Shreveport City Council recognizes Nell Bridge Cahn for her achievements as both an author and as a Grand Slam Champion. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provision of this resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items, or applications and to this end the provisions of this resolution are hereby declared severable. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Boucher, seconded by Councilwoman Bowman, to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwoman Taylor, Councilmen Brooks, Taliaferro, Boucher, Jackson, Green and Councilwoman Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

RESOLUTION NO. 41 OF 2025

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH AND HONORING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF WOMEN IN SHREVEPORT, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BY: COUNCILWOMEN TAYLOR AND BOWMAN

WHEREAS, Women's History Month is observed annually in March to recognize and celebrate the vital role of women in American history and society; and WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport acknowledges the remarkable achievements of women who have shaped the social, economic, cultural, and political landscape of our community, contributing to its growth and development; and WHEREAS, women in Shreveport have played key roles in advancing education, business, healthcare, public service, the arts, and civic engagement, ensuring a stronger and more inclusive future for all residents; and WHEREAS, during Women's History Month, we recognize and celebrate the contributions, achievements, and potential of young women in Shreveport, ensuring that they have the resources and opportunities to succeed and make a lasting impact on our community; and WHEREAS, women in leadership and public service continue to make significant contributions to the progress and prosperity of Shreveport, with the City Council now being led for the first time in history by two women, Chairwoman Taylor and Vice Chairwoman Bowman, alongside Clerk of Council LaTonya Bogan, who leads the Office of the City Council with dedication and excellence; and WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport recognizes the importance of uplifting and empowering future generations of women through education, mentorship, and opportunity; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal, and regular session convened, that the month of March 2025 is hereby recognized as Women's History Month in Shreveport, and encourages all residents, businesses, educational institutions, and community organizations to observe this month with programs, ceremonies, and activities that acknowledge and support the accomplishments of women across all sectors, while reaffirming its commitment to advancing equity, opportunity, and empowerment for women and girls in our community. BE IT

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

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Jackson, seconded by Councilman Green, to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwoman Taylor, Councilmen Brooks, Taliaferro, Boucher, Jackson, Green and Councilwoman Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS (*NOT TO BE ADOPTED PRIOR TO (March 25, 2025)* (Motion and second is sufficient to introduce resolutions)

1. **Resolution No. 42 of 2025**: A resolution authorizing the execution of a retainer agreement with Butler Snow LLP, as special legal counsel and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
2. **Resolution No. 43 of 2025**: A resolution giving city council approval for the mayor to pay the premiums and execute documents in connection with the purchase of insurance for city buildings, facilities and activities for the period beginning April 1, 2025 and otherwise providing with respect thereto.

Read by title and as read motion by Councilwoman Taylor seconded by Councilman Green, to introduce Resolution No(s) 42 and 43 of 2025 to lay over until the next regular meeting.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES (*TO BE ADOPTED PRIOR TO (March 25, 2025)* (Motion and second is sufficient to introduce resolutions)

1. **Ordinance No. 18 of 2025**: An ordinance amending Section 38-11 of the City of Shreveport Code of Ordinances relative to general requirements for buildings and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
2. **Ordinance No. 19 of 2025**: An ordinance to amend section 94-163 b of Chapter 94 of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana code of ordinances relative to billing and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Boucher, seconded by Councilwoman Taylor, to introduce Ordinance No. 18 and 19 of 2025 to lay over until the next regular meeting.

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

1. **Ordinance No. 40 of 2024**: An ordinance authorizing the lease of portions of Stageworks of Louisiana, a city-owned property, to G-Unit Film & Television Louisiana, LLC, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. **(Postponed on February 11, 2025 until March 25, 2025)**

2. **Ordinance No. 8 of 2025**: An ordinance to amend Chapter 38 of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana Code of Ordinances, relative to dumpsters on residential property and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (G/Bowman)

Having passed first reading on **February 11, 2024**, read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilwoman **Bowman**, seconded by Councilman **Boucher**, to postpone. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwoman Taylor, Councilmen Brooks, Taliaferro, Boucher, Jackson, Green and Councilwoman Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

3. **Ordinance No. 9 of 2025**: An ordinance amending the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, 2025 Capital Projects Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized herein and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Having passed first reading on **February 25, 2024**, read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman **Green**, seconded by Councilwoman **Taylor**, to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwoman Taylor, Councilmen Brooks, Taliaferro, Boucher, Jackson, Green and Councilwoman Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

4. **Ordinance No. 10 of 2025**: An ordinance amending the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, 2025 Capital Projects Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized herein and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Having passed first reading on **February 25, 2024**, read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman **Green**, seconded by Councilman **Brooks**, to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwoman Taylor, Councilmen Brooks, Taliaferro, Boucher, Jackson, Green and Councilwoman Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

5. **Ordinance No.11 of 2025**: An ordinance amending the 2025 Water and Sewerage Enterprise Fund Budget and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Having passed first reading on **February 25, 2024**, read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman **Green**, seconded by Councilwoman **Bowman**, to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwoman Taylor, Councilmen Brooks, Taliaferro, Boucher, Jackson, Green and Councilwoman Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

6. **Ordinance No. 12 of 2025**: An ordinance amending the 2025 Community Development Special Revenue Fund Budget and to otherwise provide with respect thereto

Having passed first reading on **February 25, 2024**, read by title, and on motion, ordered

passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilwoman Taylor, seconded by Councilman Green, to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwoman Taylor, Councilmen Brooks, Taliaferro, Boucher, Jackson, Green and Councilwoman Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

7. **Ordinance No. 13 of 2025**: An ordinance approving and directing the execution of a cooperative endeavor agreement between the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana and Economic Development District A; and providing for other matters with respect thereto.

Having passed first reading on February 25, 2024, read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilwoman Taylor, seconded by Councilman Green, to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwoman Taylor, Councilmen Brooks, Taliaferro, Boucher, Jackson, Green and Councilwoman Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

8. **Ordinance No. 14 of 2025**: An ordinance approving and directing the execution of a cooperative endeavor agreement between the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana and Economic Development District F; and providing for other matters with respect thereto.

Having passed first reading on February 25, 2024, read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilwoman Taylor, to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwoman Taylor, Councilmen Brooks, Taliaferro, Boucher, Jackson, Green and Councilwoman Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

9. **Ordinance No. 15 of 2025**: An ordinance amending Sections 94-161 and 94-167 of the City of Shreveport Code of Ordinances relative to discontinuance of services; adjustments for non-residential water or sewerage service accounts, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (F/Green)

Having passed first reading on February 25, 2024, read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilman Brooks, to postpone. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwoman Taylor, Councilmen Brooks, Taliaferro, Boucher, Jackson, Green and Councilwoman Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

10. **Ordinance No. 16 of 2025: Zoning Case No. 24-208-C**: An ordinance to amend the official zoning map of the City of Shreveport Unified Development Code, by rezoning property located on the northwest corner of Line Avenue and East 68th, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, from R-1-7 Single Family Residential Zoning District and C-2 Corridor Commercial Zoning District to C-1 CZD Neighborhood Commercial Conditional Zoning District, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (B/Brooks)

Having passed first reading on February 25, 2024, read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman

Brooks, seconded by Councilman **Green**, to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwoman Taylor, Councilmen Brooks, Taliaferro, Boucher, Jackson, Green and Councilwoman Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

11. Ordinance No. 17 of 2025: Zoning Case No. 24-210-C: An ordinance to amend the official zoning map of the City of Shreveport Unified Development Code, by rezoning property located on the north side of Fortson Street, approximately 300 feet east of Highway 1, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, from I-2 Heavy Industrial Zoning District to I-MU Industrial Mixed-Use Zoning District, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (A/Taylor)

Having passed first reading on **February 25, 2024**, read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilwoman **Taylor**, seconded by Councilman **Green**, to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwoman Taylor, Councilmen Brooks, Taliaferro, Boucher, Jackson, Green and Councilwoman Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

Ordinances that were adopted, except ordinances that will be published in the Shreveport Code Ordinances, including the Shreveport Unified Development Code, are as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 9 OF 2025

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA, 2025 CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND BUDGET, APPROPRIATING THE FUNDS AUTHORIZED HEREIN AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it necessary to amend the 2025 Capital Improvements Budget to increase project funding and for other purposes. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, in due, regular, and legal session convened, that: Ordinance No.120 of 2024, the 2025 Capital Improvements Budget, be further amended and re-enacted as follows: In Program E (Water Improvements): Increase the appropriation of Citywide Water Infrastructure (E21001) by \$3,724,100. Funding sources are Hazard Mitigation Grant Federal Grant (FEMA) \$3,351,700; and W&S Revenue \$372,400. Adjust totals and subtotals accordingly. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the remainder of Ordinance 120 of 2024, 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. 10 OF 2025

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA, 2025 CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND BUDGET, APPROPRIATING THE FUNDS AUTHORIZED HEREIN AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the City Council provides for the amendment of any previously adopted budget, and WHEREAS, the City Council finds it necessary to amend the 2025 Capital Projects Fund Budget to adjust appropriations and for other purposes. NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, regular and legal session convened, that Ordinance No. 120 of 2024, the 2025 Capital Projects Fund Budget, be further amended and re-enacted as follows: In Program C (Street Improvements): Decrease Project C21003, District 3 Road Rehabilitation, Planning and Construction by \$450,000. Source of funds is State Funds (Treasury). Adjust totals and subtotals accordingly. In Program G (Traffic Improvements): Establish a project (G25003) entitled “District 3 Lighting and Beautification” and fund it at \$450,000. Funding source is \$450,000 in State Funds (Treasury). Adjust totals and subtotals accordingly. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the remainder of Ordinance 120 of 2024, as amended, shall remain 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 severable. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

ORDINANCE NO. 11 OF 2025

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2025 WATER AND SEWERAGE ENTERPRISE FUND BUDGET AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it necessary to amend the 2025 Water and Sewerage Enterprise Fund Budget. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, in due, regular and legal session convened, that: Ordinance Number 131 of 2024, the 2025 Water and Sewerage Enterprise Fund Budget, is hereby amended as follows: In Section 2. (Appropriations): Decrease Operating Reserves by \$372,400 Increase Transfer to Capital by \$372,400 Adjust totals and subtotals accordingly. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that the remainder of Ordinance 131 of 2024 as amended, shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if any provision or item of this ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items or applications; and to this end, the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed. **THUS, DONE AND ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana.

ORDINANCE NO. 12 OF 2025

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2025 BUDGET FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SPECIAL REVENUE FUND AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, the City Charter provides for the amendment of any previously adopted budget; and WHEREAS it is necessary to amend the 2025 budget for the Community Development Special Revenue Fund to provide additional funding and appropriations which were not included in the adopted budget. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in legal session convened, that Ordinance No. 125 of 2024, the 2025 budget for the Community Development Special Revenue Fund, as amended, is hereby further amended to add

the following: In Section 1 (Estimated Receipts): 2024 and Prior-Year Funds: Increase Transfer Public Safety- Blueline by \$668,538. Fiscal Year 2025 Funds: Appropriate Transfer from Public Safety – Blueline at \$600,000. In Section 2 (Appropriations): 2024 and Prior-Year Funds: Transfer Public Safety – Blueline Increase Contractual Services – PSFEMC by \$242,900. Appropriate Contractual Services – Early Childhood at \$425,638. Fiscal 2025 Funds: Appropriate Transfer Public Safety – Blueline as follows: Contractual Services – FEC \$200,000. Contractual Services – Early Childhood Program \$400,000. Adjust totals and subtotals accordingly. 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 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. 13 OF 2025

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND DIRECTING THE EXECUTION OF A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT, STATE OF LOUISIANA AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT A; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, Part II, Chapter 27, Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (La. R.S. 33:9038.31, et seq.) (the “Act”) authorizes municipalities, parishes and certain other local governmental subdivisions to create economic development districts to carry out the purposes of the Act, which economic development districts are political subdivisions of the State of Louisiana and possess such power and authority and have such duties as provided by the Act and other law; and WHEREAS, by Ordinance No. 39 adopted on May 14, 2024 (the “Creation Ordinance”), the Shreveport City Council created Economic Development District A (the “District”) and established the “District Governing Authority”, in accordance with La. R.S. 33:9038.32; and WHEREAS, a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement (“CEA”) between the City of Shreveport (the “City”) and the District is necessary to provide for the use of funds generated within the District; and NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by this Shreveport City Council: Section 1. The foregoing whereas clauses are hereby adopted as set forth in the preamble to this Ordinance. Section 2. This City does hereby approve and direct the Mayor of the City to execute the CEA forthwith, the form of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A, with such changes as may be recommended by counsel to the City. Section 3. The Mayor, his staff and the Clerk of Council are hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to take any and all such action as may be necessary to carry into effect the provisions of this ordinance. Section 4. If any one or more of the provisions of this ordinance shall for any reason be held to be illegal or invalid, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect any other provision of this ordinance, but this ordinance shall be construed and enforced as if such illegal or invalid provisions had not been contained herein. Any constitutional or statutory provision enacted after the date of this ordinance which validates or makes legal any provision of this ordinance which would not otherwise be valid or legal, shall be deemed to apply to this ordinance. Section 5. This ordinance shall be published one time in the official journal of the City, and shall become effective upon signature of the Mayor, the elapse of ten (10) days after receipt by the Mayor without signature or veto, or upon an override of a veto, whichever occurs first.

ORDINANCE NO. 14 OF 2025

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING AND DIRECTING THE EXECUTION OF A COOPERATIVE ENDEAVOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT, STATE OF LOUISIANA AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT F; AND PROVIDING FOR OTHER MATTERS WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, Part II, Chapter 27, Title 33 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended (La. R.S. 33:9038.31, et seq.) (the “Act”) authorizes municipalities, parishes and certain other local governmental subdivisions to create economic development districts to carry out the purposes of the Act, which economic development districts are political subdivisions of the State of Louisiana and possess such power and authority and have such duties as provided by the Act and other law; and WHEREAS, by Ordinance No. 156 adopted on December 12, 2023 (the “Creation Ordinance”), the Shreveport City Council created Economic Development District F (the “District”) and established the “District Governing Authority”, in accordance with La. R.S. 33:9038.32; and WHEREAS, a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement (“CEA”) between the City of Shreveport (the “City”) and the District is necessary to provide for the use of funds generated within the District; and NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by this Shreveport City Council: Section 1. The foregoing whereas clauses are hereby adopted as set forth in the preamble to this Ordinance. Section 2. This City does hereby approve and direct the Mayor of the City to execute the CEA forthwith, the form of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A, with such changes as may be recommended by counsel to the City. Section 3. The Mayor, his staff and the Clerk of Council are hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to take any and all such action as may be necessary to carry into effect the provisions of this ordinance. Section 4. If any one or more of the provisions of this ordinance shall for any reason be held to be illegal or invalid, such illegality or invalidity shall not affect any other provision of this ordinance, but this ordinance shall be construed and enforced as if such illegal or invalid provisions had not been contained herein. Any constitutional or statutory provision enacted after the date of this ordinance which validates or makes legal any provision of this ordinance which would not otherwise be valid or legal, shall be deemed to apply to this ordinance. Section 5. This ordinance shall be published one time in the official journal of the City, and shall become effective upon signature of the Mayor, the elapse of ten (10) days after receipt by the Mayor without signature or veto, or upon an override of a veto, whichever occurs first.

ORDINANCE NO. 16 OF 2025

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE, BY REZONING PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF LINE AVENUE AND EAST 68TH, SHREVEPORT, CADDO PARISH, LOUISIANA, FROM R-1-7 SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICT AND C-2 CORRIDOR COMMERCIAL ZONING DISTRICT TO C-1 CZD NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL CONDITIONAL ZONING DISTRICT, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO SECTION I: BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA, in due, legal and regular session convened, that the zoning classification of on the northwest corner of Line Avenue and East 68th Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, legally described below: be and the same is hereby changed from R-1-7 Single Family Residential Zoning District and C-2 Corridor Commercial Zoning District to C-1 CZD Neighborhood Commercial Conditional

Zoning District: Lots 141, 142, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192 & 193, Belmont Grove Addn., Section 24, T17N, R14W, Caddo Parish, Louisiana. SECTION II: BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED THAT the rezoning of the property described herein is approved subject to compliance with the following conditions: 1. Require tow trucks to use the entrance from Line Ave to prevent heavy vehicle traffic on E 68th. 2. Require garage bay doors to remain closed to minimize noise. 3. 6-8' solid fencing surrounding the area where vehicles are parking, pending repair. 4. To encourage adaptive reuse, all uses within the C-1 base zoning district are warranted to be permitted. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if any provision or item of this ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items, or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items, or applications and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

ORDINANCE NO. 17 OF 2025

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE, BY REZONING PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE NORTH SIDE OF FORTSON STREET, APPROXIMATELY 300 FEET EAST OF HIGHWAY 1, SHREVEPORT, CADDO PARISH, LOUISIANA, FROM I-2 HEAVY INDUSTRIAL ZONING DISTRICT TO I-MU INDUSTRIAL MIXED-USE ZONING DISTRICT, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO
SECTION I: BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA, in due, legal and regular session convened, that the zoning classification of property located on the north side of Fortson Street, approximately 300 feet east of Highway 1 Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, legally described below: be and the same is hereby changed from I-2 Heavy Industrial Zoning District to I-MU Industrial Mixed-Use Zoning District. S. 175 Ft. Of Lots 67,68,69 & 70 And A Portion of Lots 71 & 72, Per Assr's Plat, Henderson- davis Subn., Section 25, T18N, R14W, Caddo Parish, Louisiana. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that if any provision or item of this ordinance or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items, or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items, or applications and to this end the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared severable. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

TABLED LEGISLATION

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS:

Ordinance No. 70 of 2024: To amend Chapter 38 of the Shreveport Code of Ordinances relative to vacant structures, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Resolution No. 144 of 2024: Approving the Mayor's decision to extend declarations of public health and safety emergency number 24-0001 and 24-0002 due to property conditions, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

APPEALS

PROPERTY STANDARDS APPEALS: NONE

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE ORDINANCE APPEALS: NONE

METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION AND ZBA APPEALS:

OTHER APPEALS

SOB APPEALS: NONE

TAXI APPEALS: NONE

REPORTS FROM OFFICERS, BOARDS, AND COMMITTEES

CLERK’S REPORT: The following letter of appointments were received from the Mayor’s office on March 5 and 7, 2025 and are subject for confirmation on March 25, 2025. Airport Authority – Attorney Carranza Pryor, Director of Public Works – Jarvis Morgan, Superintendent of Streets and Drainage within the Department of Public Works - Ryan Roberson

ADDITIONAL COMMUNICATIONS:

ADDITIONAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

ADDITIONAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS

EXECUTIVE SESSION: NONE

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the council, the city council meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

//s// Tabatha Taylor, Chairwoman

//s// LaTonya Bogan, Clerk of Council