

**FACT SHEET****CITY OF SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA****TITLE**

An ordinance to revise Chapter 34 Flood Prevention and Protection, Article III “Drainage and Stormwater Drainage Control” Sec 34-95 of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, Code of Ordinances, relative to stormwater detention requirements and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

**DATE**

7/8/2024

**ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT**

Public Works

**COUNCIL DISTRICT**

N/A

**SPONSOR**

No Sponsor

**PURPOSE**

To revise Chapter 34, Article III of the Shreveport City Code relative to definitions associated with detention pond design.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The proposed changes to Sec. 34-95 include increasing the required volume of detention ponds to accommodate a 100-year design storm event as well as provide 1-foot freeboard within detention ponds. The intent of these changes is to account for the increasing frequency and volume of rain events over the past few years. By increasing the storage volume of detention ponds (by sizing for a 100-year event as well as providing freeboard), the probability of a detention pond overflowing, causing damage to homes, properties, city infrastructure, etc. is greatly reduced. These proposed improvements to Sec. 34-95 are common in other municipalities in Louisiana and are considered best management practices.

**TIMETABLE**

Introduction: 07/09/2024  
Final Passage: 07/23/2024

**ATTACHMENTS**

N/A

**SPECIAL PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS**

None

**FINANCES**

\$ None

**SOURCE OF FUNDS**

N/A

**ALTERNATIVES**

(1) Adopt the ordinance as submitted, or (2) amend the ordinance, or (3) reject the ordinance.

**RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended the City Council adopt the ordinance.

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