

**Council Proceedings of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana**  
**May 23, 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. Friday, May 23, 2025, in the Government Chamber in Government Plaza (505 Travis Street).

Invocation was given by Mayor Arceneaux.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Boucher.

The roll was called. Present: Councilwoman Tabatha Taylor, Councilmen Gary Brooks, Jim Taliaferro (arrived at 3:31 p.m.), Grayson Boucher, James Green and Councilwoman Ursula Bowman. 6. Absent: Councilman Alan Jackson. 1.

**Motion by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilwoman Bowman, to approve the minutes of the Administrative Conference and Special meeting, Monday, May 12, 2025 and the Council meeting, Tuesday, May 13, 2025. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwoman Taylor, Councilmen Brooks, Taliaferro, Boucher, Green and Councilwoman Bowman. 6. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilman Jackson. 1. 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)**

*Karen Scott, Rowdy Vasquez, Paige Hoppain and Jacqueline Myles made comments as it relates to Resolution No. 76 of 2022.*

**CONFIRMATION AND APPOINTMENTS:** Northwest Louisiana Finance Authority – Damien Ford, Dr. Jimmy Jones and Caddo Parish Communication District Number One – Tonya Reeves

**Motion by Councilwoman Bowman, seconded by Councilman Boucher, to confirm, the above-mentioned executive appointments. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwoman Taylor, Councilmen Brooks, Taliaferro, Boucher, Green and Councilwoman Bowman. 6. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilman Jackson. 1. 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. 66 OF 2025**

**A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND HONORING ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY, INCORPORATED®, SIGMA RHO OMEGA CHAPTER ON THE OCCASION OF ITS 35TH ANNIVERSARY OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE TO THE SHREVEPORT COMMUNITY AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

**BY: COUNCILWOMAN TAYLOR**

WHEREAS, on January 10, 1990, six visionary and devoted members of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®—Dr. Alma B. Petteway, Eursla D. Hardy, \*Janie P. Wagner, Dr. Dorothy L. Holt, Lois P. Coleman, and Harriet N. Williams—accepted the challenge to expand the reach of the Sorority in Shreveport, Louisiana, and began the noble work of establishing a second graduate chapter in the city; and WHEREAS, guided by the principles of humanity, integrity, love, and sisterhood, these trailblazing women formed the interest group “Jewels for Humanity” and worked diligently to write bylaws, ensure compliance with national standards, and increase the service footprint in the greater northwest Louisiana community; and WHEREAS, with the steadfast support of the late Jewel McFarland Thomas, the 17th South Central Regional Director, and the addition of 21 dynamic Sorors, the Sigma Rho Omega Chapter was officially chartered on May 19, 1990, becoming the 111th chapter in the Sensational South-Central Region of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®; and WHEREAS, since its inception, Sigma Rho Omega Chapter has remained unwavering in its commitment to Alpha Kappa Alpha’s mission of “Service to All Mankind,” serving as a beacon of hope, empowerment, and transformative community engagement for thirty-five years; and

WHEREAS, over the past 35 years, Sigma Rho Omega Chapter has grown into a dynamic force for good, now boasting over 200 accomplished members comprised of educators, healthcare professionals, entrepreneurs, and civic leaders driving impact and innovation in the Shreveport community and beyond, while proudly recognizing 23 Life Members, 2 Pearl Members, 5 Golden Sorors, and 31 Silver Sorors among its ranks; and WHEREAS, the Chapter's signature Debutante Program, now in its 32nd year, has mentored, guided, and uplifted more than 650 high school seniors through comprehensive programs in leadership development, civic engagement, etiquette, college preparation, and personal growth; and WHEREAS, the chapter has proudly awarded over 288 scholarships, fueling educational advancement and generational opportunity across the Shreveport community; and WHEREAS, in just the past 10 years, members have completed more than 30,000 hours of community service through the Debutante Program alone, and likely more than 60,000 hours of total service over the past two decades, exemplifying the chapter's continued commitment to meaningful impact and collective uplift; and WHEREAS, in 2015, the Chapter further expanded its service capacity through the creation of its philanthropic arm, the Pearls of Humanity Foundation, which supports a wide array of programs and initiatives for sustained community investment; and WHEREAS, Sigma Rho Omega demonstrated its enduring commitment by packing and delivering 1,153 Childhood Hunger Initiative Power Pack (AKA CHIPPTM) bags—providing a remarkable 17,385 meals to combat childhood hunger across the Shreveport Community; and WHEREAS, Sigma Rho Omega remains devoted to the International Program Initiatives of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®, including: Empower Our Families, Build Our Economic Wealth, Enhance Our Environment, Advocate for Social Justice, and Uplift Our Local Community—all designed to holistically improve quality of life and uplift the communities they serve. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Shreveport City Council does hereby recognize and commend the Sigma Rho Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated® for 35 years of exemplary service, steadfast leadership, and transformative impact in the Shreveport community and throughout the region. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provision of this resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items, or applications and to this end the provisions of this resolution are hereby declared severable. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

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

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 67 OF 2025**

#### **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A DONATION FROM RIGHT TO PLAY, INC AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO**

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport desires to enhance our community and provide improvements projects for the citizens of Shreveport by improving the playground at A.C. Steere Park; and WHEREAS, Right to Play Inc. desires to assist the City's efforts and provide a benefit to the citizens by improving our community by enhancing those improvements at A.C. Steere Park by funding upgrades to the play surface and metal roofs throughout the playground; and WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport has established an Enrichment Fund to accept donations of

funds and/or goods by any persons or groups. WHEREAS, the Enrichment Fund ordinance located at Code of Ordinances Section 26-186 et seq requires City Council approval for all donations more than \$10,000.00. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City Shreveport in due, legal, and regular session convened that the acceptance of the donation from Right to Play Inc. for improvements and upgrades to A.C. Steere playground, is hereby approved. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Tom Arceneaux, Mayor, is hereby authorized to execute all documents reasonably requested by Right to Play Inc, acknowledging acceptance and receipt of the donation. 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 Green, seconded by Councilwoman Bowman, to adopt. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwoman Taylor, Councilmen Brooks, Taliaferro, Boucher, Green and Councilwoman Bowman. 6. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilman Jackson. 1. Abstentions: 0.**

**Resolution No. 68 of 2025**: A resolution authorizing a request to be made to the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources, Louisiana State Mineral and Energy Board, to seek public bids for an oil, gas and mineral lease involving the property located in District A described herein and to execute the lease for certain mineral interests owned by the City of Shreveport; and to authorize the mayor to execute any and all documents related to the intent of this Resolution; and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (A/Taylor)

**Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Taylor, seconded by Councilman Green, to postpone. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwoman Taylor, Councilmen Brooks, Taliaferro, Boucher, Green and Councilwoman Bowman. 6. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilman Jackson. 1. Abstentions: 0.**

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 69 OF 2025**

#### **A RESOLUTION AMENDING VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT PURCHASING RULES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO**

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport's Purchasing Regulations and Procedures Manual specifies the way in which City departments and agencies obtain materials and supplies needed for the City's activities; and WHEREAS, the Manual contains specific purchasing thresholds for purchases which are below the limits established in the State Bid Law; and WHEREAS, it is the recommendation of the Administration that these thresholds be adjusted, to better reflect the increased costs of materials and supplies and to expedite the City's ability to obtain goods and services in a timely manner. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in legal session convened, that various sections of the City of Shreveport Purchasing Regulations and Procedures, as amended, be further amended to read as follows:  
\*\*\*\*\* Purchase Orders – Less than \$5,000. 3-1. Competition and Price Reasonableness: A. Non-recurring purchases of individual items not included in a requirements contract with a base cost

not exceeding \$5,000 may be accomplished without securing competitive quotations if prices are considered reasonable. All such items or services purchased for \$5,000 or less shall be made and approved by the department head or his/her designee. The purchase order number shall appear on the supplier's invoice. The same commodities cannot be purchased during the same time frame by this method. It is a violation of City policy to split orders to avoid using the PO process. If violations of the \$5,000 limit become a problem, this authorization will be revoked. This method is not to be used for consistently and routinely purchased items that are easily planned for. Information Technology must approve any computer hardware/software, even for purchases under the \$5,000 limit. B. For purchases of \$1,000 or less, purchases may be made by a Procurement Card issued by Purchasing with the approval of the department head. This Card can be used for the same items/services as are listed in the Procurement/Travel Card Manual issued by the Purchasing Division. With specific prior approval by the department head and the Director of Finance or their designee, the \$1,000 limit may be raised on a one-time basis to accommodate purchases between \$1,000 and \$5,000. C. To be eligible under this section, prices must include all applicable delivery and installation charges.

### 3-2 LOGOS PROCEDURES FOR PURCHASES UNDER \$5,000

Purchase orders under \$5,000 are entered into LOGOS. These POs have a shorter approval path than POs which are \$5,000 or more.

### PURCHASE ORDERS 4-1 THE PURPOSE OF A PURCHASE ORDER (PO))

The City of Shreveport Purchasing Division does the purchasing for all the departments within the City. No City employee, except the Purchasing Agent or his/her staff has the authority to approve purchases more than \$5,000. The Purchase Order is the vendor's authorization to ship equipment, materials or supplies or perform services specified thereon. It constitutes a contract between the City and the vendor and, as such, is a legal document and may not be changed by anyone other than the Purchasing Agent or his/her designee. User departments and divisions shall not negotiate with any vendor for the purchase of materials, supplies, equipment or services, except when the purchase is exempt (Section 2-2), or when not more than \$5,000 (Section 3-2) or when a true emergency situation exists outside of normal working hours (Sections 6-1, 6-2 and 6-3). City departments only have the authority to approve purchases using a properly executed purchase order number for goods/services totaling \$5,000 or less (\$1,000 or less, except as authorized in Section 3-1, when using a Procurement Card). Please inform your personnel that the City will not pay for any invoices above these limits.

### In Section 4-2 (WHEN THE PURCHASE ORDER IS PREPARED):

In Subsection (1), change the number "\$1,000" to "\$5,000. In Subsection (3), Example (a), change the number "\$1,000" to "\$5,000." In Subsection (8) (A), change the number "\$1,000" to "\$5,000". Change Subsection (8) (C) to read as follows: C. Commodity POs totaling any amount above \$20,000. For commodity purchases between \$20,000 and \$29,999.99, departments must prepare a Solicitation Request so that the Purchasing Division will receive approval to conduct an informal RFQ (Request for Quotes). At least three quotations shall be solicited wherever practical. If the user desires to accept a quotation which is not the one with the lowest price, the reasons for their decision shall be recorded in the Notes field of LOGOS. If a Fair Share-eligible vendor's solicitation is not selected, departments must briefly document the reason why. For commodity purchases of \$30,000 or above, with some statutory exceptions, State Bid Law requires a formal Invitation for Bids (IFB) or Request for Proposals (RFP) to be issued through the Purchasing Division. User departments should prepare a Solicitation Request to begin this process. The advertising requirements contained in the State Bid Law shall apply. Change Subsection (8) (D) to read as follows: Construction/Public Works Projects D. For Construction/Public Works projects, requirements vary, based on the size of the contract.

Contracts may not be split to avoid meeting any of these requirements. Project totals must be based on aggregate per site totals that include all construction trades during any budget year. For projects less than \$5,000, a Purchase Order in LOGOS is required. No written contract is required. For contracts between \$5,000 and \$29,999.99, a Purchase Order in LOGOS and a written contract is required. For contracts of \$30,000 to \$249,999.99 (or a greater amount, if allowed by the State Bid Law), A written Request for Quotes (RFQ) process through the Purchasing Division is required. A solicitation Request is required. Purchasing must issue a RFQ with written specifications. A written contract is required. This does not restrict the Purchasing Agent from using a formal bid process for public works/construction contracts that are less than \$250,000 (or a greater amount, if allowed by the State Bid Law) when approved by the CAO. With the prior written approval of the CAO, the Purchasing Agent may use a negotiation process in lieu of the RFQ process for public works contracts that are less than \$250,000 or a higher amount, if allowed by the State Bid Law.. For contracts of \$250,000 (unless increased as allowed under the State Bid Law) or more, the Purchasing Division shall conduct a formal IFB (Invitation for Bids) process, including written specifications. Bonding requirements also vary, based on the size of the contract. Bid Bonds shall not be required for public works contracts under \$250,000 (or a greater amount, if permitted under the State Bid Law), unless it is deemed necessary by the Purchasing Agent and notice of said requirement is in the RFQ. A 50% Payment Bond is required on public works projects of \$25,000 or more. A 100% Performance Bond is required on public works projects of \$50,000 or more. A 10% Maintenance Bond is required on all public works projects of \$25,000 or more. It is the contractor's responsibility to have these bonds recorded with the Caddo Parish Clerk of Court. In Subsections (8) (G) (a) and (b), change the number "\$150,000" to "\$250,000, or a greater amount, if allowed by the State Bid Law". In Section 4-4 (HOW TO PREPARE THE PURCHASE ORDER (PO): In the note under subsection (A), change the number "\$1,000" to "\$5,000". In Subsection (B), change the number "\$1,000" to "\$5,000". In Section 4-6 (BLANKET REQUIREMENTS CONTRACT ORDERS) In Subsection (a), change the number "\$1,000" to "\$5,000". Change the number "\$20,000" to "\$30,000". In Section 4-10 (Solicitation Requests/Advertising Requirements), change the first sentence to read: When the PO total is \$10,000 or more for Architectural/Engineering Services, \$30,000 or more for commodities and \$250,000 or more (or, a greater amount, as may be allowed by State Bid Law), the Purchasing division must conduct a formal IFB (Invitation for Bid), RFS (Request for Statements of Qualifications or RFP (Request for Proposals) process, including written specifications/requirements. In Section 6-3 (How The Emergency purchase Is Made), change the "Note" to read as follows: NOTE: When the total cost of the emergency is \$30,000 or greater for commodities and \$250,000 or greater for public works projects (or a greater amount, if allowed by the State Bid Law), the purchase must be submitted to the City Council (after the fact) for ratification. 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 to be severable. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts thereto 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, Green and Councilwoman Bowman. 6. Nays: 0.**

**Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilman Jackson. 1. Abstentions: 0.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 70 OF 2025**

**A RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE VALERIE ROSS FOR HER BRAVERY AND EXCEPTIONAL SERVICE, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO**

**BY: COUNCILWOMAN TABATHA TAYLOR**

WHEREAS, Valerie Ross has served as a dedicated Bus Operator for SporTran since February 8, 2016, contributing over nine (9) years of service; and WHEREAS, on April 16, 2025, while operating a bus along the Russell Road route, Valerie Ross observed smoke coming from the rear of the vehicle and was further alerted by fellow motorists; and WHEREAS, Valerie Ross responded to the emergency with composure and professionalism by immediately notifying dispatch, safely moving the bus out of traffic into a safe area to begin evacuation as per her training; and WHEREAS, her quick thinking and decisive actions prevented injuries and made certain all passengers aboard remained safe, demonstrating courage and leadership. NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened, that the Shreveport City Council recognizes and commends Valerie Ross for her heroic actions, bravery, and unwavering commitment to public safety and service. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provision of this resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items, or applications and to this end the provisions of this resolution are hereby declared severable. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 71 OF 2025**

**A RESOLUTION TO DEDICATE THE BUS SHELTER AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF NORTH HEARNE AND NORTH MARKET IN HONOR OF PETRINA LAVETTE GAY-JENKINS FOR HER DEDICATION TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS AND ADVOCACY AND TO THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT, AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

**BY: COUNCILWOMAN TABATHA TAYLOR**

WHEREAS, Petrina Gray-Jenkins was born on January 14, 1972, and passed away on November 6, 2022, at the age of 50; and WHEREAS, she provided and facilitated domestic violence workshops and training for law enforcement, schools, various professionals, civil and social groups on the dynamics of domestic, intimate partner violence; and WHEREAS, Petrina served on the Louisiana State Coalition Board of Directors for the State of Louisiana Coalition against Domestic Violence, Women of Color Task Force, as well as the Local Domestic Violence Task Force. She served as the Community Outreach and Education Manager for Project Celebration Inc. Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Program until her death; and WHEREAS, Petrina became a court advocate for the YWCA and began to realize the lack of education regarding domestic violence in the Shreveport-Bossier Community and became instrumental in sparking

conversations regarding domestic violence through many messages throughout the city and local parishes; and NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened, that the Mayor on behalf of the City is authorized to dedicate the bus shelter at the northwest corner of North Hearne and North Market in honor of Petrina Lavette Gay-Jenkins for her dedication to domestic awareness and advocacy and to the City of Shreveport. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provision of this resolution or the application thereof is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions, items or applications of this resolution which can be given effect without the invalid provisions, items, or applications and to this end the provisions of this resolution are hereby declared severable. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

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

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 72 OF 2025**

#### **A RESOLUTION DEDICATING THE 2300 BLOCK OF STONEWALL STREET IN HONOR OF LEROY POWEL, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.**

**BY: COUNCILWOMAN URSULA BOWMAN**

WHEREAS, Mr. Leroy Powell, the son of the late Hattie and Sam Powell, was born on June 14, 1937, in Keatchie, Louisiana; and WHEREAS, Mr. Powell and his wife of 65 years, Thelma, had four children, along with many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren; and WHEREAS, he has been a devoted member of William Memorial CME Temple for over 60 years, serving in numerous positions, including President of the Usher Board and President of Ushers across 48 states; and WHEREAS, Mr. Powell's professional journey includes employment at Big Chain Groceries (now Kroger), Holmes Rountree, LaVlave & Pitlings, and Sears Roebuck, where he served as a skilled mechanic and retired after 20 years; and WHEREAS, after retirement, he worked at Dean's Automotive and as a school crossing guard for Caddo Parish Schools through the Shreveport Police Department; and WHEREAS, Mr. Powell has been a resident of the Queensborough neighborhood since December 1969, at the age of 87 he earned the title of "Mayor of Stonewall Street". NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal, and regular session convened, that the Mayor, on behalf of the city, is authorized to dedicate the 2300 block of Stonewall Street in honor of Leroy Powell. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in accordance with Resolution No. 156 of 2019, the dedication marker should be approximately 9 inches tall and 42 inches wide and should be placed on an existing standard or street sign if the placement is authorized by Traffic Engineering. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all resolutions or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

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



**INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS (*NOT TO BE ADOPTED PRIOR TO (June 10, 2025)* (Motion and second is sufficient to introduce resolutions)**

1. **Resolution No. 73 of 2025**: A resolution approving the Budget for the Caddo-Shreveport Sales and Use Tax Commission for the Fiscal Year Beginning July 1, 2025 and otherwise providing with respect thereto
2. **Resolution No. 74 of 2025**: A resolution selecting the Times as the official journal for the City of Shreveport for the period commencing July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026, and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
3. **Resolution No. 75 of 2025**: A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement between the City of Shreveport and the Parish of Caddo and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
4. **Resolution No. 76 of 2025**: A resolution stating the City of Shreveport's endorsement of Brentwood Acquisition – Shreveport, Inc. to participate in the benefits of the Louisiana Restoration Tax Abatement Program and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.  
(B/Brooks) (not to be adopted prior to public hearing on June 24, 2025)

**Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilman Brooks, to introduce Resolution No(s). 73, 74, 75 and 76 of 2025 to lay over until the next regular meeting.**

**INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES (*TO BE ADOPTED PRIOR TO (June 10, 2025)* (Motion and second is sufficient to introduce resolutions)**

1. **Ordinance No. 42 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.
2. **Ordinance No. 43 of 2025**: An ordinance declaring a public emergency in connection with the emergency repair of a drainage pipe at 5707 Marina Bay Drive and ratifying the expenditure of approximately five hundred and fifty thousand dollars and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
3. **Ordinance No. 44 of 2025**: An ordinance amending Section 2-476 of the Code of Ordinances and otherwise providing with respect thereto.
4. **Ordinance No. 45 of 2025**: An ordinance to amend Chapter 74 Sections 33 and 57 of the Code of Ordinances, City of Shreveport, Louisiana relative to Solid Waste Collection Enforcement and Penalties and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
5. **Ordinance No. 46 of 2025**: An ordinance to amend various articles and sections in the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, Unified Development Code, for the purpose of clarifying, updating and adding new provisions related to Retail sales of Alcohol – Beer and Wine, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
6. **Ordinance No. 47 of 2025: Zoning Case No. 24-193-C**: An ordinance to amend the official zoning map of the City of Shreveport Unified Development Code, by rezoning property located on the west side of Hutchinson Street and Meadow Lane intersection, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, from C-1 Neighborhood Commercial Zoning District to C-1 PUD Neighborhood Commercial Planned Unit Development Zoning District, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (A/Taylor)

7. **Ordinance No. 48 of 2025: Zoning Case No. 25-22-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 Martin Avenue, approximately 210 feet west of Church Street, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, from R-1-5 Single Family Residential Zoning District to OS Open Space Zoning District, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (G/Bowman)
8. **Ordinance No. 49 of 2025: Zoning Case No. 25-24-C**: An ordinance to amend the official zoning map of the City of Shreveport Unified Development Code, by rezoning property located on the west side of Ellerbe Road, approximately 415 feet south of East Flournoy Lucas Road, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, from R-E Residential Estate Zoning District to C-1 Neighborhood Commercial Zoning District, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (D/Boucher)

**Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilwoman Taylor, to introduce Ordinance No(s). 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48 and 49 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. 33 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.
2. **Ordinance No. 34 of 2025**: An ordinance authorizing an encroachment into the City's public right-of-way located at 500 Fannin Street, as more fully described herein, and to authorize the Mayor, or his designee, to execute an encroachment permit with the State of Louisiana, Office Facilities Corporation, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
3. **Ordinance No. 35 of 2025**: An ordinance to amend various sections of Chapter 10 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, relative to renewal terms for alcoholic beverage handling employee cards and retail alcohol permits, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
4. **Ordinance No. 36 of 2025**: An ordinance to amend Section 10-45, Subsections (b) and (c), of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, relative to the approval or disapproval of applications for temporary permits, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto
5. **Ordinance No. 37 of 2025**: An ordinance repealing Section 26-269 of the Code of Ordinances and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
6. **Ordinance No. 38 of 2025**: An ordinance to amend Section 38-4 Housing and Property Standards of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana Code of Ordinances relative to definitions and to otherwise provide with respect thereto
7. **Ordinance No. 39 of 2025**: An ordinance levying and authorizing the collection of various taxes totaling 17.000 mills per dollar on all property subject to ad valorem taxation within the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, for the year 2025, in the amounts and for the purposes described herein, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
8. **Ordinance No. 40 of 2025**: An ordinance levying and authorizing the collection of a tax of 11.318 mills per dollar on all property subject to ad valorem taxation within the City of

Shreveport, Louisiana for the year 2025, for the purpose of paying principal and interest on the outstanding general obligation bonds of the City of Shreveport, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

9. **Ordinance No. 41 of 2025:** An ordinance levying and authorizing the collection of a tax of 9.040 mills per dollar on all property subject to ad valorem taxation within the bounds of the Downtown Development District, of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, as defined by La. R.S. 33:2740.38, for the year 2025, in the amounts and for the purposes described herein, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

**Having passed first reading on May 13, 2025, read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Taylor, seconded by Councilman Boucher, to postpone Ordinance No(s) 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40 and 41 of 2025 until June 10, 2025. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwoman Taylor, Councilmen Brooks, Taliaferro, Boucher, Green and Councilwoman Bowman. 6. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: Councilman Jackson. 1. 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:*

#### **TABLED LEGISLATION**

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

#### **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 May 15, 2025 and May 23, 2025 and are subject for confirmation on June 10, 2025.

Local Workforce Development Board – Fred Moss, Dayana Reanez-Nye, Assistant City Attorney – Skylar Dean & James Mason

#### **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 4:10 p.m.

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*//s// Tabatha Taylor, Chairwoman*

*//s// LaTonya Bogan, Clerk of Council*