

FACT SHEET

CITY OF SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA

TITLE

An Ordinance to Amend Section 38-4 Housing and Property Standards of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana Code of Ordinances relative to Defitions and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

DATE

5/12/2025

ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT

Property Standards

COUNCIL DISTRICT

N/A

SPONSOR

PURPOSE

To amend Chapter 38 of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana Code of Ordinances to include definitions for “blighted property” and “abandoned property” as provided by state law. This revised ordinance ensures full compliance with state law and ensures Property Standards can file liens to secure all fines, fees, costs, and penalties that are assessed by the city described in orders rendered in Environment Court proceedings. It also provides for accelerated quieting of title for adjudicated properties.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Section 38-4 of the City of Shreveport Code of Ordinances currently provides various definitions for Chapter 38 Housing and Property Standards. The Department of Property Standards requests an amendment to this ordinance. This ordinance amendment provides a definition of “blighted property” as provided in La. R.S. 33:1374(B)(1) and “abandoned property” as provided in La. R.S. 33:4720.59(D)(2).

TIMETABLE

Introduction: 05/13/2025
Final Passage: 06/10/2025

ATTACHMENTS

SPECIAL PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS

N/A

FINANCES

\$ N/A

SOURCE OF FUNDS

N/A

ALTERNATIVES

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

RECOMMENDATION

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