

**FACT SHEET**

**CITY OF SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA**

**TITLE**

An Ordinance to amend the 2024 Capital Improvements Budget and to otherwise provide with respect thereto

**DATE**

7/8/2024

**ORIGINATING DEPARTMENT**

CAO

**COUNCIL DISTRICT**

N/A

**SPONSOR**

No Sponsor

**PURPOSE**

To provide the additional funding from ARP necessary to proceed with the following projects: Swimming pool construction at David Raines and Bill Cockrell Parks; the firing range at the Police and Fire Academy and the demolition of Fair Grounds Field. Most of this new funding is coming from two ARP-funded projects which do not need their full appropriation – Knight Street and the project which would have remodeled the pool at the former Allendale Y.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Bids have been received on the construction of the David Raines and Bill Cockrell swimming pools. SPAR believes that the City got a good price and a qualified contractor and recommends the bid be awarded. An additional \$725,000 is needed to award the bid. Those funds can come from ARP. Bids have also been received on the replacement of the firing range at the Police and Fire Academy. An additional \$500,000 in ARP money is needed to award. Similarly, SPAR recommends approval. The City is now ready to proceed with the demolition of Fair Grounds Field. SPAR estimates that an additional \$600,000 will be needed, which can also come from ARP. All but \$130,000 of this new funding is coming from two projects that have an excess of ARP funds – Knight Street (\$750,000) and the now-defunct project to replace/repair the swimming pool at the former Allendale Y (\$945,000). The Council has approved acquiring and disposing of that property through SIRA, as the pool is not suitable for rehabilitation.

**TIMETABLE**

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

**ATTACHMENTS**

**SPECIAL PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS**

None

**FINANCES**

\$ Net of  
\$130,000 in  
new money  
from ARP.

**SOURCE OF FUNDS**

ARP

**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.

**FACT SHEET PREPARED BY:**

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