

Council Proceedings of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana
February 13, 2024

The City Council meeting of the City Council of the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana was called to order by Chairman Jackson at 3:00 p. m. Tuesday, February 13, 2024, in the Government Chamber in Government Plaza (505 Travis Street).

Invocation was given by Reverend McClain.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilwoman Taylor.

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 Taylor, to approve the minutes of the Administrative Conference, Monday, January 22, 2024 and the Council meeting, Tuesday, January 23, 2024. 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)

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

Resolution No. 29A of 2024: 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 F and 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

Councilman Green, seconded by Councilwoman Bowman, to add Resolution No. 29A of 2024 to the agenda.

Councilman Jackson asked those in attendance if there was anyone present to speak in favor of or in opposition to adding Resolution No. 29A of 2024 to the agenda. No one rose to speak.

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.

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)

David Ransom and Devin Jenkins made general comments as it relates to Ordinance No. 9 of 2024.

Ryan Estess asked the council to postpone Ordinance No. 10 of 2024.

Ken Krefft made general comments as it relates to Resolution No. 30 of 2024.

Irma Rodgers and Marvin Muhammad made general comments as it relates to water bill increase rates.

CONFIRMATION AND APPOINTMENTS: Oliver Jenkins – Shreveport Airport Authority
Gregory Trompe – Assistant City Attorney

Motion by Councilman Boucher, seconded by Councilman Taliaferro, to confirm, the executive appointments of Oliver Jenkins to the Shreveport Airport Authority and Gregory Trompe as Assistant City Attorney. 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. 12 of 2024: 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 Districts F & G and 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

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Green, seconded by Councilman Jackson, to withdraw. 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. 13 OF 2024

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN ENTITY/STATE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport and the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD) desire to cooperate in the financing and delivery of the project as described herein; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened, that Tom Arceneaux, Mayor, be and is hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the City of Shreveport an Entity/State agreement with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD) titled State Project No. H.015724 and Federal Project No. H015724 Kings Hwy: Healthcare and Dev. Corridor Caddo Parish. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provisions or items of this resolution or the application thereof are 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 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. 14 OF 2024

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN ENTITY/STATE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT AND THE LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND DEVELOPMENT AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO.

WHEREAS, the City of Shreveport and the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD) desire to cooperate in the financing and delivery of the project as described herein; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport in due, legal and regular session convened, that Tom Arceneaux, Mayor, be and is

hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the City of Shreveport an Entity/State agreement with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD) titled State Project No. H.015477 and Federal Project No. H015477 Shreveport Pvmnt Prgm (ASP Rehab) Caddo Parish. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any provisions or items of this resolution or the application thereof are 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 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 Taliaferro, seconded by Councilman Boucher 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.

AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO RESOLUTION 15 OF 2024 by: Councilwoman Taylor and Councilman Boucher

AMEND THE RESOLUTION AS FOLLOWS: Under the “NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED” section under “RIVERFRONT FUND” add the following: Project Celebration \$32,000

EXPLANATION OF AMENDMENT: To add another Not-For-Profit to be funded.

Motion by Councilwoman Taylor, seconded by Councilman Boucher, to adopt Amendment No. 1 to Resolution No. 15 of 2024. 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.

AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO RESOLUTION 15 OF 2024 by: Councilwoman Bowman and Councilman Jackson

AMEND THE RESOLUTION AS FOLLOWS: Under the “NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED” section under “RIVERFRONT FUND” add the following: Dream Keepers Alliance \$10,000 Best 13 \$15,000

EXPLANATION OF AMENDMENT: To add another Not-For-Profit to be funded.

Motion by Councilwoman Bowman, seconded by Councilwoman Taylor, to adopt Amendment No. 2 to Resolution No. 15 of 2024. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwoman Taylor, Councilmen Brooks, Taliaferro, Jackson, Green and Councilwoman Bowman. 6. Nays: Councilman Boucher. 1. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

RESOLUTION NO. 15 OF 2024

A RESOLUTION TO ALLOCATE FUNDS TO SPECIFIC NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS FROM FUNDS BUDGETED IN THE 2024 GENERAL FUND AND RIVERFRONT FUND BUDGETS AND TO OTHERWISE PROVIDE WITH RESPECT THERETO

WHEREAS, special appropriations are made each year by the City of Shreveport and then allocated to certain not-for-profit organizations which serve an overriding public purpose; and WHEREAS, funds have been budgeted in “Other Charges” in the 2024 General Fund and Riverfront Fund budgets for projects and programs of the not-for-profit organizations and this resolution will specifically Authorize the payment of funds to specific organizations. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in legal session convened, that in addition to previously-allocated funds, funds budgeted in the Other Charges character level of the General Government portion of the General Fund budget and the Riverfront Fund budget shall be allocated, as follows: GENERAL FUND: Independence Bowl \$140,000 Barksdale Air Show \$ 10,000 Gingerbread House \$ 35,000 Volunteers for Youth Justice \$ 20,000 SRAC \$325,000 Shreveport Green \$ 75,000 RIVERFRONT FUND: African-American Chamber \$ 47,500 SRAC \$175,000 SRAC Grant Match \$ 75,000 SRAC Black Arts Coalition \$ 75,000 NLEP \$100,000 Barksdale Forward \$100,000 Film Prize \$ 25,000 Charles Johnson Ministries \$ 25,000 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. 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 Resolution 15 of 2024 as amended. 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. 16 OF 2024

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING CHIEF JOHN PAUL LANE, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BY: COUNCILWOMAN TABATHA TAYLOR

WHEREAS, Chief John Paul Lane was born and raised in Shreveport, Louisiana; and WHEREAS, Chief Lane is a graduate of Booker T. Washington High School, Southern University, Shreveport (Safety and Haz-Mat Technology), and Wiley University (Organizational Management); and WHEREAS, he earned his certification as Fire Fighter I and II, Fire Instructor I and II, Fire Officer I and Incident Safety Officer. He also completed Fire Service Leadership programs, such as Management of EMS, Training Program Management, Administration of Public Assistance for Community Recovery, Fire Service Financial Management, and Fire Service Communication; and WHEREAS, Chief Lane serves on numerous boards such as State Advocate for Fire Corp with the State of Louisiana, State Certified EMS Instructor with Louisiana Bureau of EMS, and a member of the Advisory Board for The Salvation Army; and WHEREAS, he’s had success in working with agencies and programs such as Caddo-Bossier Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness now called Caddo Parish Sheriff’s Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness and Shreveport Fire Department Citizen Academy program, and Shreveport Fire Department Fire Corps program; and WHEREAS, Chief Lane has 33 plus years of credible uninterrupted service with the Shreveport Fire Department with over 22 years in the training division of which he served the last 7 years as

the Chief of Training. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal, and regular session convened, that the City Council recognizes Chief Joh Paul Lane for his many years of service with the Shreveport Fire Department. 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, Jackson, Green and Councilwoman Bowman. 7. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

RESOLUTION NO. 17 OF 2024

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING QUINN ECHOLS, AND OTHERWISE PROVIDING WITH RESPECT THERETO.

BY: COUNCILWOMAN URSULA BOWMAN

WHEREAS, for more than 25 years, Quinn Echols has been the voice of urban radio in Shreveport/ Bossier; and WHEREAS, originally from Fort Worth, Quinn became the youngest radio personality on air in Dallas, when he got a job at KDKA at just 19 years old. At the time, he was a freshman at the University of Texas-Arlington, majoring in Radio and TV broadcasting; and WHEREAS, Quinn worked at several stations in several cities, including Dallas Texas, Montgomery Alabama, and Columbia and Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, but something about Shreveport, stuck with him; and WHEREAS, as an on-air personality at KMJJ, he was soon promoted to programmer and took the station all the way to number one in the market; and WHEREAS, Quinn spent two years as a tv reporter for KTAL, but eventually went back to radio to be station programmer and personality for KDKS, a position he's held for more than 25 years. He's been a programmer for KBTT since 2000; and WHEREAS, he has dedicated his career to not only entertaining and informing his listeners, but also connecting with them. If you're at a big event in the city, chances are you'll see Quinn and his stations, KDKS and KBTT, there too.; and WHEREAS, Quinn has been instrumental in bringing a-list celebrities to Shreveport/Bossier. From Frankie Beverly & Maze, to Tank, K-Ci & JoJo, Kat Williams and Cedric the Entertainer. For years, he coordinated the talent for the Juneteenth festival in Shreveport; and WHEREAS, Quinn has won several awards during his career including Radio Programmer of the Year, Radio Station of the Year, a Game Changer Award, and a Shreveport Wall of Fame honor; and WHEREAS, his passion for people drove him to open nightclubs, restaurants, and now a comedy club in the heart of downtown Shreveport; creating opportunities for people to come together as a community has always been important to Quinn; and WHEREAS, he is most proud of his son and daughter who followed in his entertainment footsteps. They are now pursuing their passions in the film and music industries. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Shreveport, in due, legal, and regular session convened, that the City Council would like to recognize Quinn Echols. 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 Bowman, 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.

Councilman Jackson: Mrs. White would you please proceed with Introduction of Resolution not to be adopted prior to February 27, 2024. Please do not introduce Resolution 29, it will be replaced with 29A.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS (*NOT TO BE ADOPTED PRIOR TO (February 27, 2024)*)

1. **Resolution No. 18 of 2024**: A resolution authorizing the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, Purchasing Agent to reject all bids received for Riverview Park Fountain Repairs Bid IFB #23-054 and to otherwise provide with respect thereto
2. **Resolution No. 19 of 2024**: A resolution adopting the system survey and compliance questionnaire required by the Legislative Auditor's office of the State of Louisiana and to provide with respect thereto.
3. **Resolution No. 20 of 2024**: A resolution authorizing the mayor to execute a cooperative endeavor agreement between the City of Shreveport and the State of Louisiana Department of the Treasury and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (Project Swim)
4. **Resolution No. 21 of 2024**: A resolution authorizing the mayor to execute a cooperative endeavor agreement between the City of Shreveport and the State of Louisiana Department of the Treasury and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (Street and Road Repair and Street Lighting)
5. **Resolution No. 22 of 2024**: A resolution to enter into a cooperative endeavor agreement with the Shreveport Implementation and Redevelopment Authority and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
6. **Resolution No. 23 of 2024**: A resolution authorizing the mayor to execute an agreement between the City of Shreveport and the ARC Caddo-Bossier; and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
7. **Resolution No. 24 of 2024**: A resolution authorizing the mayor to enter into a cooperative endeavor agreement with and accept a donation from the Downtown Development Authority, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
8. **Resolution No. 25 of 2024**: A resolution authorizing an agreement between the City of Shreveport and Overton Brooks VA Medical Center relative to a temporary construction servitude and a permanent servitude on city-owned property, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto
9. **Resolution No. 26 of 2024**: 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 F and 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.

- 10. Resolution No. 27 of 2024:** 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 Districts E & F and 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
- 11. Resolution No. 28 of 2024:** 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 Districts F & G and 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.
- 12. Resolution No. 29A of 2024:** 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 Districts F & G and 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
- 13. Resolution No. 30 of 2024:** A resolution ordering and calling a special election to be held in the City of Shreveport, State of Louisiana, to authorize the incurring of debt and issuance of bonds; making application to the State Bond Commission; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Boucher, seconded by Councilman Taliaferro, to introduce Resolution No(s). 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29A and 30 of 2024 to lay over until the next regular meeting.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES (*NOT TO BE ADOPTED PRIOR TO (February 27, 2024)*)

- 1. Ordinance No. 11 of 2024:** An ordinance amending the 2024 Community Development Special Revenue Fund Budget and to otherwise provide with respect thereto
- 2. Ordinance No. 12 of 2024:** An ordinance amending the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, 2024 Capital Projects Fund Budget, appropriating the funds authorized herein and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
- 3. Ordinance No. 13 of 2024:** An ordinance declaring a public emergency in connection with the emergency repair of the main water service line and other equipment at Independence Stadium, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.
- 4. Ordinance No. 14 of 2024:** An ordinance amending Section 94-164 of the Code of Ordinances relative to water rates and to otherwise provide with respect thereto
- 5. Ordinance No. 15 of 2024:** An ordinance amending Section 94-165 of the Code of Ordinances relative to sewer rates and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

6. Ordinance No. 16 of 2024: An ordinance to establish procedures to stabilize water and sewer rate increases and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Read by title and as read motion by Councilman Boucher, seconded by Councilwoman Bowman, to introduce Ordinance No(s). 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 of 2024 to lay over until the next regular meeting.

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

1. Ordinance No. 4 of 2024: An ordinance to amend Sections 26-175 of the City of Shreveport, Louisiana, Code of Ordinances, relative to claims filed against the city, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto.

Having passed first reading on January 9, 2024, read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Jackson, seconded by Councilwoman Bowman, to adopt.

AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO ORDINANCE NO 4 OF 2024: by: Manushka Garcia-Desgage, Assistant City Attorney

AMEND THE ORDINANCE AS FOLLOWS: Sec. 26-175. – Authority to compromise or settle claims against the city. (a) Claims where a lawsuit has not been filed against the city. (1) After investigation in accordance with the policy stated in section 26-172, city attorney or his authorized designee is authorized to compromise or settle any claim against the city without the necessity for the filing of a lawsuit against the city in a matter where such settlement does not exceed \$30,000.00. (2) After investigation in accordance with the policy stated in section 26-172, any claim that is \$30,000.00 or more but less than \$200,000.00 may be settled without the necessity for the filing of a lawsuit against the city only after it has been approved by the risk management committee. (3) After investigation in accordance with the policy stated in section 26-172, any claim that is \$200,000.00 or more may be settled without the necessity for the filing of a lawsuit against the city only after it has been approved by the city council by a motion followed by a vote of the majority of those present and voting, a quorum being present, at a lawful meeting of the council which shall be open to the public. (b) Claims where a lawsuit has been filed against the city. (1) After investigation in accordance with the policy stated in section 26-172, the city attorney is authorized to compromise or settle any claim in a lawsuit against the city in a matter where such settlement does not exceed \$200,000. (2) After investigation in accordance with the policy stated in section 26-172, any claim in a lawsuit that is \$200,000 or more may be settled only after it has been approved by the city council by a motion followed by a vote of the majority of those present and voting, a quorum being present, at a lawful meeting of the council which shall be open to the public. (c) Any such compromise settlements shall be exigible, payable, and paid only out of funds appropriated for that purpose by the city council.

EXPLANATION OF AMENDMENT: This amendment returns the threshold to \$30,000 for any claim against the city in which the city does have to file a lawsuit. It also returns the range to between \$30,000 and \$200,000 for any claim against the city in which the city does have to file a lawsuit, if the risk management committee approves. Thus, the language reflects what the ordinance currently articulates.

Motion by Councilman Jackson, seconded by Councilman Boucher, to adopt Amendment No. 1 to Ordinance No. 4 of 2024. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilmen Brooks, Taliaferro, Boucher, Jackson, Green and Councilwoman Bowman. 6. Nays: Councilwoman Taylor. 1. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: 0.

Motion by Councilman Jackson, seconded by Councilman Boucher, to adopt Ordinance No. 4 of 2024 as amended. 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.

2. Ordinance No. 5 of 2024: An ordinance to amend Sec. 90-327 of the Shreveport Code of Ordinances relative to the hours of operation for parking meters and parking meter technology, and otherwise providing with respect thereto. (B/Brooks)

Having passed first reading on January 23, 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.

AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO ORDINANCE NO 5 OF 2024: by: Manushka Garcia-Desgage, Assistant City Attorney

AMEND THE ORDINANCE AS FOLLOWS: Sec. 90-327. - Hours of operation. Parking meters and parking meter technology shall be operated in parking meter zones every day, except Saturdays, Sundays and holidays, provided, however, that within the meaning of this section, the term "holiday" shall include only days designated as holidays by the city council. Parking meters and parking meter technology shall be operated in parking meter zones between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., except as follows: on Commerce Street and on Milam Street between Commerce and Spring Street parking meters and parking meter technology shall be operated between 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. only.

EXPLANATION OF AMENDMENT: This amendment addressing a typographical error in the second paragraph, correcting "Milani Street" to "Milam Street".

Motion by Councilman Brooks, seconded by Councilwoman Bowman, to adopt Amendment No. 1 to Ordinance No. 5 of 2024. 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.

Motion by Councilman Brooks, seconded by Councilman Boucher, to adopt Ordinance No. 5 of 2024 as amended. 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 2024: Zoning Case No. 23-207-C: An ordinance to amend the official zoning map of the City of Shreveport unified development code, by rezoning property located southwest lot of Line Avenue and Jordan Street, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA., from C-UC Urban Corridor zoning district to IC Institutional Campus zoning district, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (B/Brooks)

Having passed first reading on January 23, 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 Boucher, 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 2024: Zoning Case No.23-211-C: An ordinance to amend the official zoning map of the City of Shreveport unified development code, by rezoning property located Northwest corner of Walker Road and Mackey Lane, Shreveport, Caddo Parish, LA., from R-1-7 Single-Family Residential zoning district to C-2 Corridor Commercial zoning district, and to otherwise provide with respect thereto. (E/Jackson)

Having passed first reading on January 23, 2024, read by title, and on motion, ordered passed to third reading. Read the third time in full and as read motion by Councilman Jackson, seconded by Councilwoman Bowman, 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.

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 2024

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE OFFICIAL ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF SHREVEPORT UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT CODE, BY REZONING PROPERTY LOCATED SOUTHWEST LOT OF LINE AVENUE AND JORDAN STREET, SHREVEPORT, CADDO PARISH, LA., FROM C-UC URBAN CORRIDOR ZONING DISTRICT TO IC INSTITUTIONAL CAMPUS 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 enter general location Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, legally described below: be and the same is hereby changed from C-UC Urban Corridor Zoning District to IC Institutional Campus Zoning District 4.193 ACS. M/L - LOT 1, CHRISTUS SCHUMPERT COMMERCIAL SUBDIVISION, UNIT NO. 2, SEC 1 T17N 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.

ADDITIONAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERS

TABLED LEGISLATION

ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS:

APPEALS

PROPERTY STANDARDS APPEALS: NONE
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE ORDINANCE APPEALS: NONE
METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION AND ZBA APPEALS: NONE
OTHER APPEALS
SOB APPEALS: NONE
TAXI APPEALS: NONE
REPORTS FROM OFFICERS, BOARDS, AND COMMITTEES
CLERK'S REPORT:
ADDITIONAL COMMUNICATIONS:
ADDITIONAL COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR
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Motion by Councilman Boucher, seconded by Councilwoman Taylor, to accept the Council Investigation Report (Resolution No. 109A of 2023).

Councilman Boucher: Mr. Chair, just quickly, myself and the city attorney, discussed this at great length and I believe that, on the record, I don't believe there was anything maliciously done. I think it was a procedural issue and I think that under your leadership along with the rest of the council, I would like to get some procedures in place, and I think that's what's been suggested.

Councilman Jackson: That has been suggested and the city attorney's office and I have already been working on that, it actually started under Councilman Green's leadership, so we are going to continue that to hopefully have something to look at this year.

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.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion by Councilman Brooks, seconded by Councilwoman Bowman, to approve the recommendations made by the City Attorney during the February 13, 2024 Executive Session. Motion approved by the following vote: Ayes: Councilwoman Taylor, Councilmen Brooks, Taliaferro, Jackson, Green and Councilwoman Bowman. 6. Nays: 0. Out of the Chamber: 0. Absent: 0. Abstentions: Councilman Boucher. 1.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the council, the city council meeting adjourned at 4:38 p.m.

//s// James Green, Chairman

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