

**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMUNICATION
NOVEMBER 7, 2023 AGENDA**

Subject:	Action Required:	Approved By:
<p>Approval of an agreement with FORVIS, LLP, formerly BKD, LLP, to provide Certified Public Accounting Services to the City of Little Rock, Arkansas for the 2023 Audit.</p> <p>Submitted By:</p> <p>Finance Department</p>	<p>Ordinance √ Resolution</p>	<p>Emily Cox Acting City Manager</p>

SYNOPSIS	A resolution to amend Resolution No. 14,908 (December 18, 2018), to authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with FORVIS, LLP, formerly BKD, LLP, to provide Certified Public Accounting Services to the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, for the 2023 Audit.
FISCAL IMPACT	The \$309,000.00 fee for the 2023 Audit will be included in the 2024 Adopted Budget for the General Fund in the Finance Department, Account No. 102501-63210, Executive Administration Employee Benefits Division, Account No. 101003-63210, and in the Administrative allocation for various approved Grant Funds.
RECOMMENDATION	Approval of the resolution.
BACKGROUND	Resolution No. 14,908 (December 18, 2018) authorized the City Manager to enter into an agreement with BKD, LLP, to provide Certified Public Accounting Services for the Fiscal Years for years, 2018 – 2022, with an option to extend the audit agreement for two (2) additional years.

**BACKGROUND
CONTINUED**

Resolution No 15,927 (March 7, 2023) amended the original resolution to allow the City Manager to renew the contract with FORVIS, LLP, for one (1) additional year. This represents year six (6) of a potential seven (7)-year term.

In addition, the maximum amount authorized under Resolution No. 14,908 for the 2018 Audit is being revised to reflect the 2023 contract amount of \$309,000.00 that was included in the original negotiated fee schedule provided on November 29, 2018.