

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

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMUNICATION  
JANUARY 7, 2025 AGENDA**

<p><b>Subject:</b></p> <p>A resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a agreement with DePaul USA, Inc., to operate the Jericho Way Homeless Day Resource Center.</p> <p><b>Submitted By:</b></p> <p>Housing &amp; Neighborhood Programs Department</p>	<p><b>Action Required:</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Ordinance √ <b>Resolution</b></p>	<p><b>Approved By:</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Emily Cox Acting City Manager</p>
<p><b>SYNOPSIS</b></p>	<p>A resolution to authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with DePaul USA, Inc. to operate the Jericho Way Homeless Day Resource Center. This contract may be extended for four (4) additional one (1)-year periods upon sufficient appropriation and mutual agreement of the parties. Any one (1)-year extension agreed to by the parties for 2026.</p>	
<p><b>FISCAL IMPACT</b></p>	<p>The total cost should not exceed \$391,640.00, plus a Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) not to exceed 3% per year. The COLA shall be equal to the percentage change in the “Consumer Price Index for all Urban Consumers” in the preceding twelve (12) months, not to exceed 3%. The contract is paid out of the General Fund. This will cover the 2025 cost of staff, operational costs, medical services, supplies, and meals.</p>	
<p><b>RECOMMENDATION</b></p>	<p>Approval of the resolution.</p>	
<p><b>BACKGROUND</b></p>	<p>The City has been providing services for its homeless individuals and families in the Central Arkansas area as stated in its Ten (10)-Year Plan to End Chronic Homelessness. In September of 2024, Housing and Neighborhood Programs sent out a request for proposal to run the daily operations of Jericho Way, the City of Little</p>	

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Rocks Day Resource Center. DePaul USA was the only applicant that responded to the request. The city has worked with DePaul USA, Inc. to operate the Jericho Way Homeless Day Resource Center since 2015.