

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

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMUNICATION
NOVEMBER 4, 2025, AGENDA**

Subject: Annual Membership Fee and Insurance Pool Administered by Arkansas Municipal League for the City of Little Rock.	Action Required: √ Ordinance Resolution	Approved By: Delphone Hubbard City Manager
Submitted By: Finance Department		

SYNOPSIS	An ordinance to authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with the Arkansas Municipal League (ARML) for participation by the City of Little Rock in the Municipal League Defense Program for 2026.
FISCAL IMPACT	The total amount is not to exceed \$498,413.86, and funding is appropriated annually in the General Fund, Account No. 100000-63630.
RECOMMENDATION	Passage of the Ordinance.
BACKGROUND	<p>The City, or its employees, are frequently named as defendants in cases brought pursuant to Federal or State Civil Rights Acts, and there is a cost involved with the defense of these matters, as well as a potential liability should the City, or the employee, be found liable. Instead of purchasing an annual insurance policy, the City has participated in a pool of various local governments known as Municipal League Defense Program, which is administered through the Arkansas Municipal League.</p> <p>The amount of \$40.00 plus \$0.35 per capita with a \$0.14 discount per capita because of the City's AML program participation is charged for Arkansas Municipal League Membership, National League of Cities Membership and AML educational and informational materials (\$42,584.11). The remaining \$455,829.75, or \$2.25 per capita, is charged for participation in the Municipal Legal Defense Program.</p>