## 1 **ORDINANCE NO.** AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING AN UPDATED VERSION OF THE LITTLE 2 3 ROCK STORMWATER AND DRAINAGE MANUAL TO INCLUDE A 4 WATER QUALITY REQUIREMENT FOR DEVELOPMENT IN 5 ACCORDANCE WITH THE CITY'S MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEM (MS4) PERMIT AND OTHER TECHNICAL UPDATES 6 7 AND CLARIFICATIONS TO STORM DESIGN STANDARDS; AND AMENDING LITTLE ROCK CODE OF ORDINANCES CHAPTER 29, 8 STORMWATER MANAGEMENT AND DRAINAGE, TO MAKE 9 10 CHANGES CONSISTENT WITH THE UPDATED MANUAL, AND TO OTHERWISE PROMOTE THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND 11 12 **GENERAL WELFARE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

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14 WHEREAS, the City is required by its Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System ("MS4") permit to have a program to address water quality impacts in the stormwater design of both new 15 development and redevelopment projects, for the protection of water quality in our community, 16 17 and an effective ordinance to enforce same; and,

18 WHEREAS, City Staff worked with an engineering consultant to prepare the proposed updated Manual for Board consideration, which includes a water quality requirement for development and 19 20 other technical updates and clarifications to stormwater design standards, and provided a formal 21 comment period to a broad cross section of stakeholders; and,

22 WHEREAS, changes to City Code of Ordinances, Chapter 29, 'Stormwater Management And 23 Drainage' are proposed for consistency with the updated Manual and to update enforcement 24 provisions.

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## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY **OF LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS:**

27 Section 1. The updated, proposed version of the "Stormwater Management and Drainage 28 Manual," attached hereto in its entirety as "Exhibit A," is hereby adopted, with a complete copy of the Manual to be kept in the office of the Planning and Development Department. 29

30 Section 2. The updated Stormwater Management and Drainage Manual shall be in full force and effect 31 on January 1, 2025, after passage of this Ordinance. Projects which have completed review prior to

1	January 1, 2025, are to comply with the current adopted manual and ordinances.	
2	Section 3. Little Rock Code of Ordinances, Chapter 29, 'Stormwater Management and	
3	Drainage' is hereby amended as set forth in "Exhibit B," which is attached hereto and incorporated	
4	herein by this reference as if set forth verbatim.	
5	Section 4. That the Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force 30 days after the date of its	
6	passage and approval, subject to Section 2 above.	
7	Section 5. Severability. In the event any title, section, paragraph, item, sentence, clause, phrase, or word	
8	of this ordinance is declared or adjudged to be invalid or unconstitutional, such declaration or adjudication	
9	shall not affect the remaining portions of the ordinance which shall remain in full force and effect as if the	
10	portion so declared or adjudged invalid or unconstitutional was not originally a part of the ordinance.	
11	Section 6. Repealer. All ordinances or resolutions of the City in conflict herewith are hereby repealed	
12	to the extent of such conflict.	
13 14	ADOPTED: November 19, 2024	
15	ATTEST:	APPROVED:
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