

**Little Rock Board of Directors Meeting
January 9, 2024
6:00 PM**

The Board of Directors of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, met in a regular meeting with Mayor Frank Scott, Jr., presiding. City Clerk Susan Langley called the roll with the following Directors present: Miller; Richardson; Peck; Hines; Lewis; Wyrick; Kumpuris; Adcock; Vice-Mayor Webb; and Mayor Scott. Directors absent: Phillips. Director Virgil Miller delivered the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Scott stated that he would like for Item 1 to be read separately and asked that City Clerk Susan Langley read the resolution from the podium. Mayor Scott asked Darrin Williams, long-time friend of former City Manager Bruce Moore, Siobhan Osborne, fiancée of City Manager Moore, and Laurie Baehr, form Administrative Assistance to City Manager Moore, to join the City Clerk at the podium.

SEPARATE ITEM (Item 1)

- 1. RESOLUTION NO. 16,200; G-23-231:** To rename in memory of City Manager Bruce T. Moore, that portion of Arch Street that extends from Fourth Street to Markham Street and past the Little Rock City Hall Compound, located at 500 West Markham Street, as Bruce T. Moore Way; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*
Synopsis: The City of Little Rock requests to rename the portion of North Arch Street and South Arch Street, from West 4th Street north to the Arkansas River, to **BRUCE T. MOORE WAY**.

Darrin Williams: Thanked the Mayor and Board of Directors for consideration of the resolution and stated that on behalf of City Manager Moore's son, his friends and family, the renaming of the street in his honor was well-deserved and appreciated.

Mayor Scott asked for a moment of silence for the life and the legacy of City Manager Bruce T. Moore.

Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Director Hines, to approve the resolution. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the resolution was approved.**

CONSENT AGENDA (Items 2 – 5)

- 2. RESOLUTION NO. 16,201:** To authorize the City Manager to enter into a Public Agency Service Agreement to provide Fleet Maintenance, Repair and Fueling Services for the Little Rock Convention and Visitors Bureau Vehicles and Equipment; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*
Synopsis: A resolution to authorize the City Manager to execute a Public Agency Service Agreement with the Little Rock Convention and Visitors Bureau to provide Fleet Maintenance, Mechanical Repairs, Body Work and Fueling Service for LRCVB's fleet of seven (7) vehicles.

- 3. RESOLUTION NO. 16,202:** To amend Little Rock, Ark., Resolution No. 15,844 (December 20, 2022), to authorize the City Manager to enter into a second contract amendment with ShotSpotter, Inc. (d/b/a SST, Inc.), for a total amount not to exceed \$149,500.00, plus applicable taxes and fees, for the renewal of the Wide Area Gunshot

Detection Service for the Little Rock Police Department for a period of one (1) additional year; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: A resolution to amend Resolution No. 15,844 (December 20, 2022), to authorize the City Manager to renew the contract with ShotSpotter, Inc., d/b/a SST, Inc., for an additional one (1)-year period from December 19, 2023, through December 18, 2024.

4. RESOLUTION NO. 16,203: To amend Little Rock, Ark., Resolution No. 16,144 (November 7, 2023), to authorize the City Manager to amend the contract with Jackson Brown Palculict Architects, to reflect the corrected estimated contract amount of \$448,500.00, for Architectural Design Services to rebuild Fire Station No. 9, located at 1324 North Shackleford Road, Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: A resolution to amend Resolution No. 16,144 (November 7, 2023), to authorize the City Manager to amend the contract with Jackson Brown Palculict Architects, to reflect the corrected estimated contract amount, for Architectural Design Services to rebuild Fire Station No. 9, located at 1324 North Shackleford Road.

5. RESOLUTION NO. 16,204: To make appointments to the Central Arkansas Library System Board of Trustees; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: Reappointment of Judge Audrey Evens to serve her second three (3)-year term, said term to expire on December 31, 2026. Appointment of Esperanza Massana-Crane to serve her first three (3)-year term, said term to expire on December 31, 2026. Appointment of Dr. Karama Neal to serve her first three (3)-year term, said term to expire on December 31, 2026.

Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Director Hines, to approve the Consent Agenda. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the Consent Agenda was approved.**

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

Kasia Pabian: The Magnolia Recovery.

Esther Watkins: Tenant -vs- Landlord.

Joyce Means: Loose Dog Crisis.

Wilma Young-Bruce: Leash Law (Dogs).

Norma Huffman: Housing & Stray Dogs.

William Gerard: Leash Law.

Briana Narcisse: Tenant -vs- Landlord.

GROUPED ITEMS (Items 6 – 10)

Director Wyrick stated that each year, the Board was asked to vote on the various Franchise Agreements and she would like an explanation as to how the Franchise Agreements were associated with placing utilities in rights-of-way, boring under streets, etc. Director Wyrick asked if when the Franchise Agreements were passed, was a Scope of Work included, or was it strictly related to the charging of Franchise Fees. City Attorney Tom Carpenter stated that it was for the rental of the right-of-way and the City could set terms and conditions, as well as imposing a fee and certain regulations.

6. ORDINANCE NO. 22,347; Z-9857: To reclassify property located in the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, amending the Official Zoning Map of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas;

and for other purposes. (*Planning Commission: 8 ayes; 0 nays; 2 absent; and 1 open position*)
Staff recommends approval.

Synopsis: The owner of the 10.8-acre of property located at 10000 Interstate 30 is requesting that the property be reclassified from R-2, Single-Family District, to C-4, Open Commercial District.

7. ORDINANCE NO. 22,348: To fix and impose the aggregate amount of fees and charges to be paid to the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, by Entergy Corporation and the method of payment thereof; to amend Section 9 of Little Rock, Ark., Ordinance No. 11,683 (December 6, 1965); and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: Approval of an ordinance levying a Franchise Fee to be paid by Entergy Corporation. This Franchise Fee should remain in effect until otherwise amended by the Board of Directors.

8. ORDINANCE NO. 22,349: To amend Little Rock, Ark., Ordinance No. 11,366 (March 4, 1963) as amended, to provide for levying a Franchise Fee to be paid by Summit Utilities (formerly known as CenterPoint Energy ARKLA); to provide for the payment thereof; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: Approval of an ordinance levying a Franchise Fee to be paid by Summit Utilities (formerly known as CenterPoint Energy ARKLA). This Franchise Fee should remain in effect until otherwise amended by the Board of Directors.

9. ORDINANCE NO. 22,350: To levy Franchise Fees to be paid by all carriers providing Local Access Telephone Services; to provide for the payment thereof; and for other purposes.

Synopsis: Approval of an ordinance levying a Franchise Fee to be paid by all carriers providing local access telephone service. This Franchise Fee should remain in effect until otherwise amended by the Board of Directors.

10. ORDINANCE NO. 22,351: To fix and impose the amount of fees and charges to be paid to the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, by all companies that provide interstate or intrastate Long Distance Telecommunication Services, and all business incidental to, or connected with, the conducting of such telephone business in the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; to amend Section 3 of Little Rock, Ark., Ordinance No. 15,706 (July 5, 1989); and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: Approval of an ordinance levying a Franchise Fee for companies providing Long Distance Telephone Service in Little Rock for 2024.

The ordinances were read the first time. Director Hines made the motion, seconded by Director Richardson, to suspend the rules and place the ordinances on second reading. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, the rules were suspended and the ordinances were read a second time. Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Director Hines, to suspend the rules and place the ordinances on third reading. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, the rules were suspended and the ordinances were read a third time. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the ordinances were approved.**

Director Richardson made the motion, seconded by Director Hines, to adjourn the meeting. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the meeting was adjourned.**

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Prepared by: Susan Langley

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Allison Segars, Acting City Clerk

Frank Scott, Jr., Mayor