

**Little Rock Board of Directors Meeting  
March 19, 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 Wyrick; Kumpuris; Phillips; Adcock; Vice-Mayor Webb; and Mayor Scott. Directors absent: Lewis. Director Lance Hines delivered the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PRESENTATIONS**

Raye Jean Montague Day Proclamation  
American Institute of Architects & Associated Builders in Construction *Excellence in Construction Award – Little Rock Police Department Headquarters*

**DEFERRALS:**

**18. RESOLUTION:** To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Willard Lee Looper, d/b/a Central Arkansas Excavation, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$286,000.00, plus applicable taxes and fees, for the purchase of Intermediate Cover Top Soil for the City of Little Rock’s Sanitary Landfill; and for other purposes. *(Deferred until April 2, 2024, at staff’s request)*

Mayor Scott stated that Item 23 should have been held separately; therefore, Item 23 would be moved from the Grouped Items to the Separate Items.

**CONSENT AGENDA (Items 1 – 17 and Items 19 - 21)**

**1. RESOLUTION NO. 16,253:** To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Toter, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$250,000.00, plus applicable taxes and fees, for the purchase of approximately 4,000, Ninety-Six (96)-Gallon Garbage Cart Containers for Solid Waste Customers, located within the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

**Synopsis:** A resolution to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Toter, LLC, for the purchase of approximately 4,000, Ninety-Six (96)-Gallon Garbage Carts for the Public Works Department Solid Waste Division.

**2. RESOLUTION NO. 16,254:** To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Smart Automotive Group, in an amount not to exceed \$91,500.00, plus applicable taxes and fees, for the purchase of one (1) 2023 Chevrolet 6500 Crew Cab Dump Truck for the Parks & Recreation Department; and for other purposes. *(Funding from the Limited Tax General Obligation Capital Improvement Bonds) Staff recommends approval.*

**Synopsis:** A resolution to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Smart Automotive Group, for the purchase of one (1) 2023 Chevrolet 6500 Crew Cab Dump Truck for the Parks & Recreation Department.

**3. RESOLUTION NO. 16,255:** To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Smart Automotive Group, in an amount not to exceed \$193,906.00, plus applicable

taxes and fees, for the purchase of two (2) Ford F-350 4 X 4 Trucks with Dump Beds for the Public Works Department Street Operations Division; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

**Synopsis:** A resolution to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Smart Automotive Group, for the purchase of two (2) Ford F-350 4x4 Trucks with Dump Beds for the Public Works Department Street Operations Division.

**4. RESOLUTION NO. 16,256:** To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with MHC Kenworth, in an amount not to exceed \$250,859.99, plus applicable taxes and fees, for the purchase of one (1) 2025 Kenworth T880 Dump Truck for the Public Works Department Solid Waste Division; and for other purposes. *(Funding from the American Rescue Plan Act) Staff recommends approval.*

**Synopsis:** A resolution to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with MHC Kenworth, for the purchase of one (1) 2025 Kenworth T880 Dump Truck for the Public Works Department Solid Waste Division.

**5. RESOLUTION NO. 16,257:** To amend Little Rock, Ark., Resolution No. 15,897 (February 21, 2023), to authorize the City Manager to extend the annual contract with Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company and Looney's Tire Center, for an annual purchase amount not to exceed \$900,000.00, plus applicable taxes and fees, for the purchase of Commercial Tires for the Fleet Services Department; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

**Synopsis:** A resolution to amend Little Rock, Ark., Resolution No. 15,897 (February 21, 2023), to authorize the City Manager to extend the annual contract with Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company and Looney's Tire Center, Inc., for Commercial Tires.

**6. RESOLUTION NO. 16,258:** To amend Little Rock, Ark., Resolution No. 15,940 (March 21, 2023), to authorize the City Manager to extend the annual contract with Vermeer Mid-South, for an annual purchase amount not to exceed \$200,000.00, plus applicable taxes and fees, for the purchase of Vermeer Parts and Service; for the Fleet Services Department; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

**Synopsis:** To amend Little Rock, Ark., Resolution No. 15,940 (March 21, 2023), to authorize the City Manager to extend the annual contract with Vermeer Mid-South for Vermeer Parts and Service for the Fleet Services Department.

**7. RESOLUTION NO. 16,259:** To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Precision Delta Corporation, in an amount not to exceed \$112,481.75, plus applicable taxes and fees, for the bulk purchase of Practice and Duty Ammunition for the Little Rock Police Department; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

**Synopsis:** A resolution to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Precision Delta Corporation for the purchase of practice and duty ammunition for the Little Rock Police Department to complete Firearms Training in 2024.

**8. RESOLUTION NO. 16,260:** To amend Resolution No. 16,140 (October 17, 2023), to authorize the Mayor to enter into a contract to sell real estate for highway purposes and to transfer ownership of real property from the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, to the Arkansas Department of Transportation, with proceeds of the land sale to be distributed to Dillard's, Inc., in the amount of \$120,000.00; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

**Synopsis:** To amend Little Rock, Ark., Resolution No. 16,140 (October 17, 2023), to amend the amount of compensation from the Arkansas Department of Transportation to Dillard's Inc., for the alienation of right-of-way associated with the Dillard's Project, located at 1600 Cantrell Road.

**9. RESOLUTION NO. 16,261:** To authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute any documents necessary for the sale of land to the Arkansas State Highway Commission,

in the amount of \$14,214.00, as part of the Cantrell Road Improvement Project, from Taylor Loop Road to Pleasant Ridge Drive; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

**Synopsis:** The City of Little Rock owns certain property described as Part of Lot 1, Block 11 of Josephine Pankey Third Addition. The Arkansas State Highway Commission needs to acquire this property as right-of-way, as part of the Cantrell Road Improvement Project, from Taylor Loop Road to Pleasant Ridge Drive.

**10. RESOLUTION NO. 16,262:** To authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute any documents necessary for the sale of land to the Arkansas State Highway Commission, in the amount of \$67,848.00, as part of the Cantrell Road Improvement Project, from Taylor Loop Road to Pleasant Ridge Drive; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

**Synopsis:** The City of Little Rock owns certain property described as Part of Lots 7, 8, 9, Block 11 of the Josephine Pankey Third Addition. The Arkansas State Highway Commission needs to acquire this property as right-of-way, as part of the Cantrell Road Improvement Project, from Taylor Loop Road to Pleasant Ridge Drive.

**11. RESOLUTION NO. 16,263:** To authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute any documents necessary for the sale of land to the Arkansas State Highway Commission, in the amount of \$24,970.00, as part of the Cantrell Road Improvement Project, from Taylor Loop Road to Pleasant Ridge Drive; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

**Synopsis:** The City of Little Rock owns certain property described as Part of Lots 10 and 11, Block 11 of Josephine Pankey Third Addition. The Arkansas State Highway Commission needs to acquire this property as right-of-way, as part of the Cantrell Road Improvement Project, from Taylor Loop Road to Pleasant Ridge Drive.

**12. RESOLUTION NO. 16,264:** To amend Little Rock, Ark., Resolution No. 15,847 (December 20, 2022), to revise the Little Rock Fire Department Capital Needs Funding in the intended uses of the Second Tranche of the American Rescue Plan Act Funding; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

**Synopsis:** To amend Resolution No. 15,847 (December 20, 2022), to state the intended uses of the remaining portion of the second tranche to the City of Little Rock, allotment of Local Fiscal Recovery Funds through the American Rescue Plan Act.

**13. RESOLUTION NO. 16,265:** To amend Little Rock, Ark., Resolution No. 16,162 (October 2, 2023); to authorize the City Manager to enter into a ten (10)-month contract extension with Our House, in an amount not to exceed \$200,000.00, to provide Community Violence Reduction Services and Activities to the residents of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

**Synopsis:** A resolution to amend Little Rock, Ark., Resolution No. 16,162 (October 2, 2023), to authorize the City Manager to execute a ten (10)-month contract extension with the Our House, for an additional ten (10) months to provide Community Violence Reduction Services and Activities to the residents of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas.

**14. RESOLUTION NO. 16,266:** To amend Little Rock, Ark., Resolution No. 15,883 (February 7, 2023); to authorize the City Manager to enter into a ten (10)-month contract extension with Restore Hope, in an amount not to exceed \$197,596.00, to provide Community Violence Reduction Services and Activities to the residents of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

**Synopsis:** A resolution to amend Little Rock, Ark., Resolution No. 15,883 (February 7, 2023), to authorize the City Manager to execute a ten (10)-month contract extension with the Restore Hope, for an additional ten (10) months to provide Community Violence Reduction Services and Activities to the residents of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas.

**15. RESOLUTION NO. 16,267:** To amend Little Rock, Ark., Resolution No. 15,887 (February 7, 2023); to authorize the City Manager to enter into a ten (10)-month contract extension with The University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences Project Heal, in an amount not to exceed \$199,966.50, to provide Community Violence Reduction Services and Activities to the residents of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

**Synopsis:** A resolution to amend Little Rock, Ark., Resolution No. 15,887 (February 7, 2023), to authorize the City Manager to execute a ten (10)-month contract extension with the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences Project Heal, to provide Community Violence Reduction Services and Activities to the residents of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas.

**16. RESOLUTION NO. 16,268:** To authorize the Mayor to enter into an amended and restated Interlocal Agreement with the City of Little Rock, the City of North Little Rock, Pulaski County, Central Arkansas Water, Little Rock Water Reclamation Authority, North Little Rock Wastewater Utility, the City of Jacksonville, the City of Sherwood and the City of Maumelle, pertaining to the Pulaski Area Geographic Information System; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

**Synopsis:** To amend the Interlocal Agreement forming the Pulaski Area Geographic Information System (PAgis), to add the City of Maumelle, Arkansas, to the agreement.

**17. RESOLUTION NO. 16,269:** To authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a Consent Administrative Order with the Arkansas Department of Energy & Environment, Division of Environmental Quality, regarding the City of Little Rock Landfill Facility and to authorize the expenditure of \$5,900.00, to the Division of Environmental Quality as a Civil Penalty; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

**19. RESOLUTION NO. 16,270; G-25-225-E:** To extend the South Main (SOMA) Temporary Entertainment District, for the dates of April 5, 2024; April 6, 2024; April 7, 2024; April 8, 2024; May 3, 2024; June 7, 2024; July 5, 2024; August 2, 2024; September 6, 2024; October 4, 2024; October 31, 2024; November 1, 2024; November 29, 2024; November 30, 2024; and ending on December 6, 2024; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

**Synopsis:** The South Main (SOMA) District of Downtown Little Rock is seeking Board approval to extend a Temporary Entertainment District to support outdoor dining areas not adjacent to the associated restaurant facility.

**20. RESOLUTION NO. 16,271; Z-9894:** To set April 2, 2024, as the date of public hearing on the appeal of the Planning Commission's recommendation of denial for a Planned Zoning Development titled Daladier STR-2 PD-C, located at 906 North Polk Street, in the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

**21. RESOLUTION NO. 16,272; Z-908:** To set April 2, 2024, as the date of public hearing on the appeal of the Planning Commission's recommendation of denial for a Planned Zoning Development, titled Jensen 2 STR-2 PD-R, located at 1219 Marlyn Drive, in the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

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.**

**GROUPED ITEMS (Items 22 and Items 24 - 33)**

**22. ORDINANCE NO. 22,415; Z-3612-A:** 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: 9 ayes; 0 nays; and 2 absent*) *Staff recommends approval.*

**Synopsis:** The owner of the 0.8177-acre property, located at 10120 Rodney Parham Road, is requesting that the property be reclassified from C-1, Neighborhood Commercial District, to C-3, General Commercial District. (Located in Ward 4)

**24. ORDINANCE NO. 22,416; Z-9919:** To approve a Planned Zoning Development and to establish a Planned Development - Commercial titled Love STR-2 PD-C, located at 230 Vernon Avenue, Little Rock, Arkansas, amending the Official Zoning Map of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. (*Planning Commission: 9 ayes; 0 nays; and 2 absent*) *Staff recommends approval.*

**Synopsis:** The applicant is requesting that the 0.16-acre property, located at 230 Vernon Avenue, be rezoned from R-3, Single-Family District, to PD-C, Planned Development – Commercial, to allow for a Short-Term Rental-2. (Located in Ward 3)

**25. ORDINANCE NO. 22,417; Z-9920:** 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: 9 ayes; 0 nays; and 2 absent*) *Staff recommends approval.*

**Synopsis:** The owner of the 0.93-acre property, located at 2020 and 2024 Roberts Road, is requesting that the property be reclassified from R-2, Single Family District, to R-4, Two-Family District. (Located within the City's Extraterritorial Jurisdiction)

**26. ORDINANCE NO. 22,418; Z-9921:** To approve a Planned Zoning Development and to establish a Planned Development - Commercial titled Lawcraft #1 STR-2 PD-C, located at 1721 Dennison Street, Little Rock, Arkansas, amending the Official Zoning Map of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. (*Planning Commission: 9 ayes; 0 nays; and 2 absent*) *Staff recommends approval.*

**Synopsis:** The applicant is requesting that the 0.10-acre property, located at 1721 Dennison Street, be rezoned from R-3, Single-Family District, to PD-C, Planned Development – Commercial, to allow for a Short-Term Rental-2. (Located in Ward 1)

**27. ORDINANCE NO. 22,419; Z-9921-A:** To approve a Planned Zoning Development and to establish a Planned Development - Commercial titled Lawcraft #2 STR-2 PD-C, located at 1723 Dennison Street, Little Rock, Arkansas, amending the Official Zoning Map of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. (*Planning Commission: 9 ayes; 0 nays; and 2 absent*) *Staff recommends approval.*

**Synopsis:** The applicant is requesting that the 0.10-acre property, located at 1723 Dennison Street, be rezoned from R-3, Single-Family District, to PD-C, Planned Development – Commercial, to allow for a Short-Term Rental-2. (Located in Ward 1)

**28. ORDINANCE NO. 22,420; Z-9927:** 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: 9 ayes; 0 nays; and 2 absent*) *Staff recommends approval.*

**Synopsis:** The owner of the 1.34-acre property, located at 18625 Kanis Road, is requesting that the property be reclassified from R-2, Single-Family District, to O-1, Quiet Office District. (Located within the City's Extraterritorial Jurisdiction)

**29. ORDINANCE NO. 22,421; Z-9930:** To approve a Planned Zoning Development and to establish a Planned Development – Residential titled The Scott Residential PD-R,

located at 1701 Scott Street, Little Rock, Arkansas, amending the Official Zoning Map of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. *(Planning Commission: 9 ayes; 0 nays; and 2 absent) Staff recommends approval.*

**Synopsis:** The applicant is requesting that the 0.17-acre property, located at 1701 Scott Street, be rezoned from R-4, Two-Family District, to PD-R, Planned Development – Residential, to allow for a twelve (12)-unit townhome-style development. (Located in Ward 1)

**30. ORDINANCE NO. 22,422; Z-9931:** 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: 9 ayes; 0 nays; and 2 absent) Staff recommends approval.*

**Synopsis:** The owner of the 0.46-acre property, located at 2708 - 2714 West 10<sup>th</sup> Street, is requesting that the property be reclassified from I-2, Light Industrial District, to R-4, Two-Family District. (Located in Ward 1)

**31. ORDINANCE NO. 22,423; Z-9932:** 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: 9 ayes; 0 nays; and 2 absent) Staff recommends approval.*

**Synopsis:** The owner of the 1.04-acre property, located at 1 Maywood Drive, is requesting that the property be reclassified from R-2, Single-Family District, to O-1, Quiet Office District. (Located in Ward 5)

**32. ORDINANCE NO. 22,424:** To amend Little Rock, Ark., Ordinance No. 22,231 (March 7, 2023), to authorize the City Manager to extend the annual contract with Banner Fire Equipment, Inc., for an annual purchase amount not to exceed \$300,000.00, plus applicable taxes and fees, for the purchase of E-One Parts and Service; for the Fleet Services Department; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

**Synopsis:** To amend Little Rock, Ark., Ordinance No. 22,231 (March 7, 2023), to authorize the City Manager to extend the annual contract with Banner Fire Equipment, Inc., for E-One Parts and Service, for the Fleet Services Department.

**33. ORDINANCE NO. 22,425:** To condemn certain structures in the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, as structural fire and health hazards; to provide for summary abatement procedures; to direct City Staff to take such action as necessary to raze and remove said structures; **to declare an emergency;** and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

**Synopsis:** Five (5) residential structures are in a severely dilapidated, deteriorated and/or burned condition causing a negative environmental impact on the residential neighborhoods in which they are located. All Notices have been mailed in accordance with Arkansas State Law.

The ordinances were read the first time. Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Director Peck, 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 Richardson, 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.** By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the emergency clause for Item 33 was approved.**

**SEPARATE ITEMS (Item 23 and Items 34 - 38)**

**23. ORDINANCE; Z-9911:** To approve a Planned Zoning Development and to establish a Planned Development - Residential titled Songbyrd Residential Apartments PD-C, located immediately north of 13301 Sardis Road, Little Rock, Arkansas, amending the Official Zoning Map of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. *(Planning Commission: 9 ayes; 0 nays; and 2 absent) Staff recommends approval.*  
**Synopsis:** The applicant is requesting that the 1.93-acre property, located immediately north of 13301 Sardis Road, be rezoned from R-2, Single-Family District, to PD-R, Planned Development – Residential, to allow for a sixteen (16)-unit townhome-style apartment development. (Located in Ward 7)

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

Director Wyrick stated that she had received copies of the plats and layouts of the proposed apartment complex from Planning & Development Director Jamie Collins. Director Wyrick stated that there was a subdivision on Johnson Road, from Sardis Road to Hinke Road, that was developed with five (5) acre plots. Director Wyrick stated that the five (5)-acre lot in question recently went through a lot split, which occurred under Administrative Approval. Director Wyrick stated that when the lot was split, there should have been street improvements made on Johnson Road, as well as Sardis Road; however, because the split was approved Administratively, the street improvements would not occur. Director Wyrick asked what street improvements were planned for the development. Mr. Collins stated that the applicant would be required to make street improvements along the length of their property adjacent to Sardis Road. Mr. Collins stated that a lot split – to divide the property from one (1)-lot to two (2) lots could be granted staff level, if the lots met minimum standards for the zoning with no variances

By roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Ayes: Miller; Richardson; and Phillips; Nays: Peck; Hines; Wyrick; Kumpuris; Adcock; and Vice-Mayor Hines. Absent: Lewis. By a vote of three (3) ayes, six (6) nays and one (1) absent, **the ordinance failed.**

**34. RESOLUTION NO. 16,273:** To reappoint Carmen Smith, as a North Little Rock Representative, to the Central Arkansas Water Board of Commissioners; and for other purposes.

Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Director Richardson, to approve the resolution. By roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Ayes: Miller; Richardson; Peck; Kumpuris; Phillips; and Vice-Mayor Webb. Nays: Hines; Wyrick; and Adcock. Absent: Lewis. By a vote of six (3) ayes, three (a) nays and one (1) absent, **the resolution was approved.**

**35. ORDINANCE; Z-5099-I:** To approve a Planned Zoning Development and to establish a Planned Development - Commercial titled Need Space Mini-Storage PD-C, located on the east side of The Divide Parkway, approximately 433 feet north of Highway 10, Little Rock, Arkansas, amending the Official Zoning Map of the City of Little

Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. *(Planning Commission: 7 ayes; 2 nays; and 2 absent)*  
*Staff recommends approval.*

**Synopsis:** The applicant is requesting that the 4.50-acre property, located approximately 433 feet north of Highway 10, on the east side of The Divide Parkway, be rezoned from C-3, General Commercial District, to PD-C, Planned Development - Commercial, to allow for a mini-warehouse development. (Located in Ward 5)

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

Darrell Baker: Stated that he owned Chenal 10 Storage, as well as Chenal/Kanis Storage. Mr. Baker stated that the property in question adjoined his facility and was in opposition of the application. Mr. Baker stated that the property was located directly across the street from the entrance to Little Rock Christian Academy. In addition, Mr. Baker stated that there were currently eleven (11) storage facilities located within 5.5 miles of the property in question.

Dan Lusk: Stated that he had been in the self-storage business for over thirty (30) years and was aware of the demand for storage in the Little Rock area. Mr. Lusk stated that the number of storage facilities that had been approved in recent years was not sustainable and at some point the facilities would become financially stressed.

Kyle Hamm: Stated that he was the applicant and that the facility was a nice, bricked facility with security fencing and would not be open 24/7. Mr. Hamm stated that they had conducted a Feasibility Study and felt that the project would be successful.

Director Wyrick asked if the applicant owned the property. Mr. Hamm stated that they did not own the property; however, they were under contract to purchase the parcel. Director Wyrick asked what marketing strategy was utilized to determine that the project would be feasible. Mr. Hamm stated that they had conducted a Feasibility Study on a three (3)-mile radius to the property and had determined that the project was needed.

By voice vote of the Board Members present, **the ordinance failed.**

**36. ORDINANCE; Z-7840-A:** To approve a Planned Zoning Development and to establish a Planned Development - Commercial titled Robertson-Brown Seasonal Fireworks Sales PD-C, located at 21924 Highway 10, Little Rock, Arkansas, amending the Official Zoning Map of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. *(Planning Commission: 9 ayes; 0 nays; and 2 absent)* *Staff recommends approval.*

**Synopsis:** The applicant is requesting that the 1.39-acre property, located at 21924 Highway 10, be rezoned from R-2, Single-Family District, to PD-C, Planned Development – Commercial, to allow for seasonal fireworks sales. (Located within the City’s Extraterritorial Jurisdiction)

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



By roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Ayes: Miller; Richardson; and Phillips; Nays: Peck; Hines; Wyrick; Kumpuris; Adcock; and Vice-Mayor Hines. Absent: Lewis. By a vote of three (3) ayes, six (6) nays and one (1) absent, **the ordinance failed.**

**37. ORDINANCE NO. 22,426:** To create a Little Rock Food Commission; to define its purpose; **to declare an emergency**; and for other purposes. *(Sponsored by Vice-Mayor Webb)*

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

Mayor Scott expressed his appreciation to Vice-Mayor Webb for her role as the Chair of the Little Rock Food Desert Task Force. Mayor Scott stated that one of the recommendations from the Task Force was for the development of the Little Rock Food Commission.

By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the ordinance was approved.** By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the emergency clause was approved.**

**38. ORDINANCE NO. 22,427:** To amend Little Rock, Ark., Rev. Code § 2-52(c) (1988), to provide that Citizen Communication during the second regular meeting of the Board of Directors will occur before the Board goes into Executive Session, if such a session is to occur; **to declare an emergency**; and for other purposes. *(Sponsored by Director Phillips)*

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

Mayor Scott commended Director Phillips for his work on bringing the ordinance to the Board for consideration.

By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the ordinance was approved.** By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the emergency clause was approved.**

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS (Items 39 - 40)**

**39. ORDINANCE: Z-9834:** To approve a Planned Zoning Development and to establish a Planned Development - Commercial titled LR River View Retreat STR-2, PD-C, located at 12040 Rivercrest Drive, Little Rock, Arkansas, amending the Official

Zoning Map of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. (*Planning Commission: 0 ayes; 6 nays; 3 absent; and 2 open positions*) (*Deferred from February 6, 2024*) *Staff recommends denial.*

**Synopsis:** The applicant, Ilona Kovalchuk, is appealing the Planning Commission's recommendation of denial of the LR River View Retreat STR-2 PD-C, located at 12040 Rivercrest Drive. (Located in Ward 4)

Mayor Scott opened the public hearing.

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

Mayor Scott asked if there was anyone present that wanted to speak for or against the item. There being none, the public hearing was closed.

By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the ordinance failed.**

**40. ORDINANCE; Z-9835:** To approve a Planned Zoning Development and to establish a Planned Development - Commercial titled Kovalchuk STR-2 PD-C, located at 13810 Marina Drive, Little Rock, Arkansas, amending the Official Zoning Map of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. (*Planning Commission: 0 ayes; 6 nays; 3 absent; and 2 open positions*) (*Deferred from February 6, 2024*) *Staff recommends denial.*

**Synopsis:** The applicant, Ilona Kovalchuk, is appealing the Planning Commission's recommendation of denial of the Kovalchuk STR-2 PD-C, located at 13810 Marina Drive. (Located in Ward 4)

Mayor Scott opened the public hearing.

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

Mayor Scott asked if there was anyone present that wanted to speak for or against the item.

Janice Allnipty: Stated that she was present representing her neighbors. Ms. Allnipty stated that there were only four (4) houses on the street and there had been an increase in traffic and excessive trash.

Mayor Scott closed the public hearing.

By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the ordinance failed.**

**CITIZEN COMMUNICATION**

There was no one present that submitted a card to speak during Citizen Communication.

Director Hines asked for an update regarding the search for a new City Manager. Mayor Scott stated that he would not discuss personnel in a public setting. Director Hines stated that he had heard that interviews had been conducted and would appreciate the Board being involved in the process, especially since they would have to approve any nominations. Director Phillips stated that if they were going to discuss the process, the Board should go into Executive Session.

Director Hines made the motion, seconded by Director Wyrick, for the Board to go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the process of hiring a new City Manager. By voice vote of the Board Members present, with Director Richardson voting in opposition, **the Board went into Executive Session for the purpose of of discussing the process of hiring a new City Manager.**

The Board returned from Executive Session and the Mayor reported that no action was taken.

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

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**ATTEST:**

**APPROVED:**

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**Allison Segars, Acting City Clerk**

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**Frank Scott, Jr., Mayor**