

1 **SECTION 1.** The updated, proposed version of the “Stormwater Management and Drainage
2 Manual,” is hereby adopted, with a complete copy of the Manual to be kept in the office of the Planning
3 and Development Department.

4 **SECTION 2.** The updated Stormwater Management and Drainage Manual shall be in full
5 force and effect on April 1, 2025, after passage of this Ordinance unless:

- 6 a) The Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality does not approve of the updated,
7 proposed version of the Stormwater Management and Drainage Manual; or
- 8 b) The Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality approves the updated, proposed
9 version of the Stormwater Management and Drainage Manual after April 1, 2025, then the
10 date of approval shall be the effective date this includes any revisions or updates to the
11 manual after the adoption of this Ordinance.
- 12 c) If an applicant has made significant financial commitments to a project in reliance on the
13 standards in the previous manual, and the proposed updates to the Stormwater Management
14 and Drainage Manual would create a significant financial or administrative burden on the
15 applicant, then the City may allow the application of the previously adopted Stormwater
16 Management and Drainage Manual by a vote of the Little Rock Planning Commission with
17 approval by the Little Rock Board of Directors.

18 **SECTION 3.** Projects which have completed review prior to the updated Stormwater
19 Management and Drainage Manual being in full force and effect are to comply with the current adopted
20 manual and ordinances.

21 **SECTION 4.** Upon adoption of this Ordinance, City Staff shall present to the Board of
22 Directors a proposal within eighteen (18) months to address stormwater quality on both new and
23 redeveloped sites for properties less than (1) acre.

24 **SECTION 5.** That the Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force 30 days after the date
25 of its passage and approval, subject to Section 2 above.

26 **SECTION 6. Severability.** In the event any title, section, paragraph, item, sentence, clause,
27 phrase, or word of this ordinance is declared or adjudged to be invalid or unconstitutional, such
28 declaration or adjudication shall not affect the remaining portions of the ordinance which shall remain
29 in full force and effect as if the portion so declared or adjudged invalid or unconstitutional was not
30 originally a part of the ordinance.

31 **SECTION 7. Repealer.** All ordinances or resolutions of the City in conflict herewith are
32 hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

33 **PASSED: March 4, 2025**

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1 **ATTEST:**

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4 **Allison Segars, City Clerk**

5 **APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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8 **Tom Carpenter, City Attorney**

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APPROVED:

Frank Scott, Jr., Mayor