

**Little Rock Board of Directors Meeting
April 6, 2021
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: Hendrix (via WebEx Teleconferencing); Richardson; Webb; Peck; Wright; Wyrick; Kumpuris; Phillips; Adcock; Vice-Mayor Hines; and Mayor Scott. Director Kathy Webb delivered the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADDITIONS:

M-1 RESOLUTION: To appoint Friday, Eldredge & Clark, LLP, as Legal Counsel for the proposed \$5,725,000.00 Short-Term Financing Note, and other possible matters; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Director Richardson made the motion, seconded by Vice-Mayor Hines, to add Item M-1 to the Consent Agenda. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **Item M-1 was added to the Consent Agenda.**

CONSENT AGENDA (Items 1 – 11 and Item M-1)

1. RESOLUTION NO. 15,420: To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Summit Truck Group, in an amount not to exceed \$446,501.95, for the purchase of three (3), Twelve (12) Cubic-Yard Dump Trucks with Auxiliary Hydraulics 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 Summit Truck Group for the purchase of three (3), Twelve (12) Cubic-Yard Dump Trucks with Auxiliary Hydraulics capable of operating existing snow removal equipment for the Public Works Department Street Operations Division.

2. RESOLUTION NO. 15,421: To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with River City Hydraulics, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$558,237.67, for the purchase of three (3) Peterson DL3 Loader Knuckleboom Trucks for the Public Works Department Solid Waste Division; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: A resolution to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with River City Hydraulics, Inc., for the purchase of three (3) Peterson DL3 Knuckleboom Trucks for Public Works Department Solid Waste Division.

3. RESOLUTION NO. 15,422: To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with River City Hydraulics, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$865,771.96, for the purchase of four (4) Heil 5000 Twenty-Five (25)-Yard Rear-Loader Refuse Trucks for the Public Works Department Solid Waste Division; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: A resolution to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with River City Hydraulics, Inc., for the purchase of four (4) Heil 5000 Twenty-Five (25)-Yard Rear-Loader Refuse Trucks for Public Works Department Solid Waste Division.

4. RESOLUTION NO. 15,423: To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with River City Hydraulics, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$860,132.16, for the purchase of three (3) Heil Twenty-Eight (28)-Yard Durapack Side-Loader Refuse Trucks for the Public Works Department Solid Waste Division; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: A resolution to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with River City Hydraulics, Inc., for the purchase of three (3) Heil Twenty-Eight (28)-Yard Durapack Side-Loader Refuse Trucks for Public Works Department Solid Waste Division.

5. RESOLUTION NO. 15,424: To amend Little Rock, Ark., Resolution No. 15,072 (October 15, 2019), to approve an increase in the Construction Quality Assurance Engineering Services Contract with FTN & Associates, LTD, by \$58,055.89, for an amended amount of \$270,055.89, for the Construction of Cell 5 West of the Little Rock Class 1 Landfill; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: A resolution to authorize the City Manager to increase the amount of the Construction Quality Assurance Engineering Services Contract with FTN & Associates, LTD, for the construction of Cell 5 West of the Little Rock Class 1 Landfill.

6. RESOLUTION NO. 15,425: To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Cranford Construction Company, in an amount not to exceed \$3,350,417.82, for Street Resurfacing within the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. *(Funding from the 3/8-Cent Capital Improvement Sales Tax and the Limited Tax General Obligation Capital Improvement Bonds) Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: A resolution to authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement with Cranford Construction Company for street resurfacing within the City of Little Rock.

7. RESOLUTION NO. 15,426: To authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute any documents necessary to accept a donation of property located between Connor and River Mountain Parks; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: A resolution to authorize the acceptance of a land donation from Michael Akel, property located between Conner and River Mountain Parks for the purpose of allowing connection between developed trails.

8. RESOLUTION NO. 15,427: To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Dell Services, in an amount not to exceed \$376,558.42, plus applicable taxes and fees, for the purchase, installation and configuration of equipment to provide additional storage capacity for the City's Active-Active Environment; and for other purposes. *(Funding from the 3/8-Cent Capital Improvement Sales Tax) Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: A resolution to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Dell Services for the purchase, installation, and configuration of additional Storage Capacity for the City's Active-Active Environment.

9. RESOLUTION NO. 15,428: To reallocate the 2020 Community Development Block Grant-CV Funds and to authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with the Central Arkansas Development Counsel for \$100,000.00; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: A resolution to approve the amended sources and uses of 2020 CDBG-CV Funds prior to submitting to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and a resolution to authorize the City Manager to amend the executed agreement with Central Arkansas Development Council.

10. RESOLUTION NO. 15,429: To adopt the Pulaski County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan, as approved by the United States Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), for the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: A resolution to adopt the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)-approved Pulaski County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan for the City of Little Rock, Arkansas.

11. RESOLUTION NO. 15,430: To authorize the City Manager to execute an annual Sophos Contract with IFWORLD, in an amount not to exceed \$269,925.00, plus applicable taxes and fees, for anti-protection for the Information Technology Department; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: A resolution to authorize the City Manager to renew the annual Sophos Anti-Virus Contract with IFWORLD, to provide anti-virus protection for desktop computers, laptops and servers, endpoint detection, analysis, monitoring and online training courses for end-users.

M-1 RESOLUTION NO. 15,431: To appoint Friday, Eldredge & Clark, LLP, as Legal Counsel for the proposed \$5,725,000.00 Short-Term Financing Note, and other possible matters; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

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

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

Dr. Gordon C. Johnson, Jr.: Youth Activity.

Brad Cazort: Proposed Sales Tax.

Gunnar Kays: Park Plaza Entry/Exit Redesign.

Jennifer George: Stopping Violence.

Lakesia Smith: Violence.

Jasmine Reaves: Save our Sons.

Barbara Robinson: Gun Violence/City Youth.

Eve Jorgenson: Proposed Sales Tax.

Ida Hooks: Healing Hearts & Spirits.

Yolanda Harrison: Justice for Victims.

Edmond Davis: Over 30% Increase in Homeless.

Sen. Joyce Elliott: Proposed Sales Tax.

Luke Skrable (via e-mail): My 1st Amendment Citizen Communication Comment.

GROUPED ITEMS (Items 12 - 14)

12. ORDINANCE NO. 21,971: To amend Little Rock, Ark., Revised Code Chapter 8, Article II, Division I, § 8-32 (1988), concerning the removal and revision of certain Sections of the Fire Districts within the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; **to declare an emergency;** and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: Currently there are four (4) designated Fire Districts located throughout the City. This ordinance would eliminate (3) Districts and revise the Downtown District.

13. ORDINANCE NO. 21,972: To amend Little Rock, Ark., Ordinance No. 21,959 (February 2, 2021), to add Musco Sports Lighting, LLC, as an additional third-party to the contract between the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, and the United States Soccer Foundation; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: An ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 21,959 (February 2, 2021), to change parties in the contract from the United States Soccer Foundation to Musco Sports Lighting, LLC. Contract details to remain as passed in Ordinance No. 21,959.

14. ORDINANCE NO. 21,973: To amend Little Rock, Ark., Resolution No. 15,015 (June 18, 2019), to increase the contract with Ben Nelsen Golf and Utility Vehicles, in the amount of \$29,000.00, to lease an additional fifteen (15) Golf Carts for the Rebsamen Golf Course; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: An ordinance to amend Resolution No 15,015 (June 18, 2019) to increase the contract amount with Ben Nelsen Golf and Utility Vehicles, for the lease of an additional fifteen (15) Golf Carts per month at Rebsamen Golf Course.

The ordinances were read the first time. Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Vice-Mayor Hines, 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 Vice-Mayor 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.** By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the emergency clause for Item 12 was approved.**

PUBLIC HEARINGS (Items 15 - 17)

15. ORDINANCE NO. 21,974; G-24-058: To abandon a Sanitary Sewer Easement located within the property at 4216 South Bowman Road, in the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: Burkhalter F.B.W., LLC, is requesting to abandon a Sanitary Sewer Easement located within the property at 4216 South Bowman Road. (Located in Ward 6)

Mayor Scott opened the public hearing.

The ordinance was read the first time. Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Vice-Mayor 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 Vice-Mayor 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 asked if there were individuals present that wished to speak for or against the item. There being none present, Mayor Scott closed the public hearing.

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

16. ORDINANCE NO. 21,975; G-24-059: To abandon a Sanitary Sewer Easement located within the property at 16801 Chenal Parkway, in the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: Costco Wholesale Corporation requests to abandon a Sanitary Sewer Easement located within the property at 16801 Chenal Parkway. (Located in Ward 5)

Mayor Scott opened the public hearing.

The ordinance was read the first time. Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Vice-Mayor 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 Vice-Mayor 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 asked if there were individuals present that wished to speak for or against the item. There being none present, Mayor Scott closed the public hearing.

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

17. ORDINANCE NO. 21,976; G-24-060: To abandon a portion of a twenty (20)-foot wide Sanitary Sewer Easement located along the west side of David O. Dodd Road, within the Wisteria Subdivision, in the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: Rausch Coleman Mid-Ark, LLC, requests to abandon a portion of a twenty (20)-foot wide Sanitary Sewer Easement located within the Wisteria Subdivision, which is located along the west side of David O. Dodd Road. (Located in Ward 7)

Mayor Scott opened the public hearing.

The ordinance was read the first time. Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Vice-Mayor 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 Vice-Mayor 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 asked if there were individuals present that wished to speak for or against the item.

Brad Peterson: Stated that he was with Crafton Tull and was representing the applicant should there be any questions.

Mayor Scott closed the public hearing.

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

Mayor Scott asked City Attorney Tom Carpenter to distribute a copy of the Rebuild the Rock ordinance and resolution that would be added to the April 20, 2021, Board of Directors Meeting Agenda. In addition, Mayor Scott distributed copies of a proposed project list that would be included in the Rebuild the Rock Campaign.

Director Richardson stated that he had been working with City Attorney Carpenter to bring back a Marijuana Ordinance to be reconsidered by the Board and would like it to be placed on the April 20, 2021, Board of Directors Meeting Agenda.

Director Wright stated that she had been working on a Youth Violence Ordinance and asked that it be placed on the April 20, 2021, Board of Directors Meeting Agenda.

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

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Susan Langley, City Clerk

Frank Scott, Jr., Mayor