

1 **Section 4. Severability.** In the event any title, section, paragraph, item, sentence, clause, phrase, or
2 word of this resolution is declared or adjudged to be invalid or unconstitutional, such declaration or
3 adjudication shall not affect the remaining portions of the resolution which shall remain in full force and
4 effect as if the portion so declared or adjudged invalid or unconstitutional were not originally a part of the
5 resolution.

6 **Section 5. Repealer.** All laws, ordinances, resolutions, or parts of the same, that are inconsistent with
7 the provisions of this resolution, are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

8 **ADOPTED: April 7, 2026**

9 **ATTEST:**

APPROVED:

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12 **Allison Segars, City Clerk**

_____ **Frank Scott, Jr., Mayor**

13 **APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:**

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16 **Thomas M. Carpenter, City Attorney**

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ORDINANCE NO. 19,898

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR AND TO ADOPT THE 2008 BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF LITTLE ROCK FOR THE PERIOD BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2008 AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2008; TO APPROPRIATE RESOURCES AND USES FOR EVERY EXPENDITURE ITEM AND FUND; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, Little Rock, Ark., Rev. Code § 2-214 (1988) mandates that the Board of Directors adopt a budget for the ensuing fiscal year by not later than December 30, and

WHEREAS, the City Manager has fulfilled the requirements of Little Rock, Ark., Rev. Code § 2-212 (1988), and submitted for consideration of the Board of Directors a proposed budget and such other explanatory information as requested by the Board, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has reviewed the proposed Fiscal Year 2008 budget as presented by the City Manager, made certain modifications, and is now of the opinion that based upon the financial information presented to the Board, the following constitutes an appropriate determination of anticipated revenues, expenditures and expenses for fiscal year, 2008, and should be adopted as the 2008 Budget for the City of Little Rock, Arkansas,

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

Section 1. This Ordinance shall be known as the FY2008 Budget Ordinance of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas for the twelve-month period beginning January 1, 2008 and ending December 31, 2008, reflecting estimated resources and uses as set forth below. All resources herein are estimated and subject to change and all appropriation uses are calculated upon available resources, and are also subject to change.

Section 2. *Definitions.* For purposes of this ordinance, the following terms shall have the following meanings:

(A) *Board of Directors* means the Mayor and members of the Board of Directors of the

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- 1 City of Little Rock, Arkansas.
- 2 (B) *City Clerk* means the City Clerk, or designated representative, of the City, or if no
3 one is officially serving in the position, the Acting City Clerk, or designated repre-
4 sentative.
- 5 (C) *City Manager*, means the City Manager, or designated representative, of the City, or
6 if no one is officially serving in the position, the Acting City Manager, or designated
7 representative, which may include an Acting Assistant City Manager.
- 8 (D) *Director of Finance* means the Director of Finance and Treasurer, or designated rep-
9 resentative, for the City, or if no one is serving in the position, the Acting Director of
10 Finance and Treasurer.
- 11 (E) *Expenditures* means decreases in net financial resources under the current financial
12 resources measurement focus, and pertains to payment of normal operating pay-
13 ments and encumbrances.
- 14 (F) *Expenses* mean the cost of doing business in a proprietary organization, and can be
15 either outflows or the using up of assets – cost expiration – such as the depreciation
16 of fixed assets. Within the context of this budget ordinance, “proprietary organiza-
17 tion,” or “proprietary fund” refers only to a method of accounting and is not used as
18 any reference to whether the enterprise is conducted in a governmental or proprie-
19 tary manner, as that term is understood in Arkansas law. All enterprises referred to
20 in this ordinance shall be operated by the City in its governmental capacity.
- 21 (G) *Fund Balance* means the difference between assets and liabilities reported in the
22 governmental fund and represents the excess of revenues or expenditures that has
23 accumulated since the inception of the fund.
- 24 (H) *Revenue(s)* means: (1) Increases in the net current assets of a Governmental Fund
25 Type from other than expenditure refunds and residual equity transfers, but does
26 not include any general long-term debt proceeds and operating transfers in – which
27 are classified as “other financing sources,” unless these constitute a reservation of

1 fund balances for encumbrances carried forward from a prior year and the expendi-
2 ture for which the fund balance was created has also been carried forward; or, (2) In-
3 creases in the net total assets of a Proprietary Fund Type from other than expense
4 refunds, capital contributions and residual equity transfers, but does not include op-
5 erating transfer in which are classified separately from revenues, unless these con-
6 stitute a reservation of fund balances for encumbrances carried forward from a prior
7 year and the expense for which the fund balance was created has also been carried
8 forward.

9 Section 3. Compliance with Existing Laws, Statutes and Ordinances. This ordinance has
10 been prepared in accordance with various Arkansas statutes that deal with municipal fiscal re-
11 porting requirements, the *Financial Reporting Standards for the City of Little Rock, Arkansas*, as
12 approved in Little Rock, Ark., Ordinance No. 18.605 (December 18, 2001), and the standards of
13 the Government Finance Officer's Association.

14 Section 4. Fiscal Year 2008 Budget. The following respective amount for every resource
15 and appropriate use is herein set forth as follows:

16 (A) APPROPRIATE OPERATING RESOURCES:

17	General Fund	\$134,072,006
18	Zoo	4,752,030
19	Golf	3,026,226
20	Jim Dailey Fitness and Aquatic Center	1,135,530
21	Concessions	118,885
22	Rivermarket	887,659
23	Waste Disposal	17,286,142
24	Street	14,899,005
25	Parking Garages	1,894,203
26	Fleet Services	9,461,667
27	<u>Vehicle Storage Facility</u>	<u>1,373,000</u>

1	TOTAL RESOURCES	\$188,906,353
2	(B) APPROPRIATE OPERATING USES:	
3	General Fund Departments	
4	General Administration	\$ 22,445,287
5	Board of Directors	285,413
6	Community Programs	391,688
7	City Attorney	1,609,548
8	Municipal Court – Criminal	1,262,633
9	Municipal Court – Environmental	498,787
10	Municipal Court – Traffic	1,189,256
11	Finance	2,701,881
12	Human Resources	1,414,271
13	Office of Information Technology	3,174,980
14	Planning & Development	2,242,802
15	Housing & Neighborhood Programs	4,317,227
16	Public Works	1,351,537
17	Parks	7,552,025
18	Fire	31,486,855
19	Police	47,889,488
20	Parks/Zoo/Rivermarket/Concessions	3,422,993
21	Transfer to Street Fund	604,685
22	Future Little Rock, Special Projects, PIT	4,982,285
23	<u>Vacancy Reductions</u>	<u>(4,751,665)</u>
24	TOTAL GENERAL FUND	\$134,071,976
25	Zoo	4,752,030
26	Golf	3,026,226
27	Jim Dailey Fitness and Aquatic Center	1,135,530

1	Concessions	118,885
2	Rivermarket	887,659
3	Solid Waste	18,600,632
4	Street Fund	14,899,005
5	Parking Garages	2,184,925
6	Fleet Services	10,461,667
7	<u>Vehicle Storage Facility</u>	<u>1,373,000</u>
8	<u>TOTAL USES</u>	<u>\$191,511,535</u>

9 **Section 5. *PILOT Payments to Area Schools.*** In accordance with Act 497 of 1981, Act 713 of
10 1991, and Act 1629 of 2001, of the Arkansas General Assembly, the Director of Finance shall
11 make appropriate payments to the Little Rock School District, the Pulaski County Special School
12 District, and Pulaski County from any affected payment-in-lieu of taxes (PILOT) made to the
13 City by a company for which an Act 9 Industrial Development Bonds was issued; it is estimated
14 that the amount of these resources for FY2008 is two hundred forty-seven thousand seven
15 hundred thirty-eight dollars (\$247,738).

16 **Section 6. *Definition of Significant Variance.***

17 (A) In order to prepare this budget it has been necessary to estimate the amount of reve-
18 nue or other resources that the City will have available to it in fiscal year 2008, and the cost of
19 the various expenditures and expenses that the City will incur during this period.

20 (B) To assure the efficient and responsible operation of the City, and the maintenance of its
21 various programs and facilities, it is important for the Board of Directors to be timely advised of
22 a significant variance in revenues, or expenditures, during the course of the fiscal year. Further,
23 it is important for the Board of Directors, the City Manager and the Director of Finance, to agree
24 as to what constitutes a "significant variance" of these items.

25 (C) It is further necessary to have a definition of "significant variance" that can be reviewed
26 on an annual basis as a part of the City budget process, and which can best reflect the point at

1 which the Board of Directors believes it should be notified that such a change of circumstances
2 has occurred in relation to any expenditure, expense, fund balance, revenue, or resource.

3 (D) For Fiscal Year 2008, a "significant variance" shall be deemed to have occurred if, during
4 any reporting period, there has been an increase or decrease from the budgeted amount for the
5 period covered by a Monthly Financial Report, or a Quarterly Fund Balance Report that is:

6 (1) Greater than five percent (5%) of the amount anticipated for that item for the period
7 of time covered; and,

8 (2) More than fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) from the amount anticipated for that item
9 for the period of time covered.

10 **Section 7. *Timeline for Department of Finance.*** The timeline for events related to the timely
11 preparation of reports and statements to the Board of Directors for fiscal year 2008 is attached
12 as Exhibit A to this ordinance.

13 **Section 8. *Severability.*** In the event any title, subtitle, section, subsection, subdivision,
14 paragraph, subparagraph, item, sentence, clause, phrase, or work of this ordinance is declared
15 or adjudged to be invalid or unconstitutional, such declaration or adjudication shall not affect
16 the remaining portions of the ordinance which shall remain in full force and effect as if the por-
17 tion so declared or adjudged invalid or unconstitutional was not originally a part of this ordi-
18 nance.

19 **Section 9. *Repealer.*** All ordinances and resolutions, including but not limited to Little
20 Rock, Ark., Ordinance No. 19,657 (December 19, 2006) ("the 2007 Budget ordinance"), and any
21 other ordinances or resolutions that relate to financial reporting within the City, are hereby re-
22 pealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

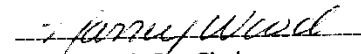
23 **Section 11. *Emergency Clause.*** *It is imperative that a budget ordinance for the ensuing fis-*
24 *cal year and calendar year be passed prior to the end of the current calendar year in order to*
25 *assure the continued provision of City services, operations, and facilities; such continuation is*
26 *essential to the public health, safety and welfare, an emergency is, therefore, declared to exist*
27 *and this ordinance shall be in full force and effect on January 1, 2008, and the various City de-*

1 *partments shall operate immediately upon its passage, and for purposes of record keeping and*
2 *otherwise, as if it were in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage.*

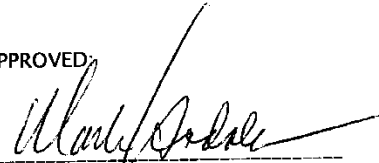
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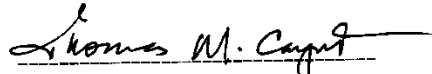
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7 Nandy Wood, City Clerk

APPROVED:


Mark Stodola, Mayor

8 APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

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11 Thomas M. Carpenter, City Attorney

1 EXHIBIT A: FY 2007 BUDGET ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS

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3 [NOTE: The Board of Directors recently enacted financial reporting standards for the City. Little
4 Rock, Ark., Ordinance No. 18,675 (December 18, 2001). Section 12 this ordinance requires
5 that as a part of the annual budget process the Board of Directors set a timeline for action by
6 the Department of Finance to assure the timely preparation of financial reports. This timeline is
7 to be adopted upon recommendation of the City Manager after consultation with the Director of
8 Finance and the various financial institutions the City uses. This timeline is to be reviewed each
9 year to assure that it sets reasonable expectations for City staff, but at the same time, assures
10 the preparation and publication of reports to the Board of Directors as quickly as possible. Re-
11 ports to the Board of Directors are based upon certain events after the month-end close. The
12 month-end close is defined as the fifteenth (15th) business day after the end of the previous
13 calendar month. For FY 2008 the calendar of events is as follows:

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15 **CALENDAR OF EVENTS RELATED TO TIMELY PREPARATION OF CITY FINANCIAL REPORTS**

17	EVENT	WORKING DAY
18		(after the end of the calendar month)
19	Department notification of deposits submitted to accounting	3
20	City obtains monthly bank statement	4
21	Department processes bank files to produce combined and payroll outstanding check lists	5
22	City obtains monthly investment statement	7
23	Department reconciles book balance and bank statements for all bank accounts	9
24	Department reconciles book balance and investment balances	11
25	Department finalizes and enters all remaining journal entries	12
26	Department reviews and corrects work to date	13
27	Department conducts final review of information for reports	14
28	Department processes computer system reports (month-end close)	15
29	Department completes preparation of monthly reports	20
30	City Manager and Finance Director publish monthly report to Board of Directors	21
31	City Manager has monthly report posted in City website	21

EXHIBIT B



City of Little Rock

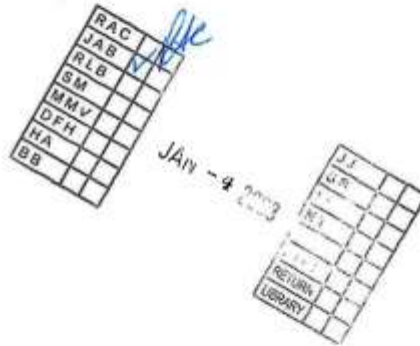
Bruce T. Moore
City Manager

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December 24, 2007

Mr. Graham Rich
Central Arkansas Water
P.O. Box 1789
Little Rock, AR 72203

Mr. Reggie Corbitt
Little Rock Wastewater Utility
11 Clearwater Drive
Little Rock, AR 72204



Dear Sirs,

On December 21, 2007, the Little Rock City Board of Directors adopted the City's 2008 budget. As a part of the budget, the City Board of Directors raised the franchise fee for water and sewer to 10%, effective January 1, 2008. As a result of this action, we request that you make the necessary adjustments to begin collecting this fee for the City.

Thank you for your assistance with this matter. If you have any specific questions, or need additional information, please feel free to call.

Sincerely,

Bruce T. Moore
City Manager

**CENTRAL ARKANSAS WATER
RATE CHANGE CHECK LIST**

A. WATER RATE CHANGES

DESCRIPTION	EFFECTIVE DATE	MINIMUM CHARGE		VOLUME CHARGE			
				INSIDE CITY		OUTSIDE CITY	
		OLD	NEW	OLD	NEW	OLD	NEW
METER SIZE							
5/8"							
3/4"							
1"							
1 1/2"							
2"							
3"							
4"							
6"							
8"							
10"							
12"							

CITY: Little Rock
CUSTOMER CLASS

	RESIDENTIAL	COMMERCIAL	INDUSTRIAL	SPRINKLER	MASTER METER PEAK	MASTER METER OFF PEAK	RAW WATER	PRIVATE FIRE SERVICES

SEE DETAILS IN RESOLUTION

FRANCHISE FEES February - Cycle 2	6.9%	10.0%		
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B. SEWER RATE CHANGES

DESCRIPTION	EFFECTIVE DATE	MINIMUM CHARGE		VOLUME CHARGE			
				INSIDE CITY		OUTSIDE CITY	
		OLD	NEW	OLD	NEW	OLD	NEW
SEWER PROVIDER: <u>Little Rock Wastewater</u>							
METER SIZE							
5/8"							
3/4"							
1"							
1 1/2"							
2"							
3"							
4"							
6"							
8"							
10"							
12"							

VOLUME CHARGES				
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FLAT RATES				
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FRANCHISE FEES	February - Cycle 2	6.9%	10.0%		
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C. REFUSE CHANGES

DESCRIPTION	EFFECTIVE DATE	CHARGE	
		OLD	NEW
LITTLE ROCK SANITATION			
SHERWOOD SANITATION			
WRIGHTSVILLE SEWER			
OTHER: _____			

ATTACH A SCHEDULE FOR MULTIPLE CHANGES FROM ONE PROVIDER

D. SALES TAX CHANGES

DESCRIPTION	EFFECTIVE DATE	CHARGE	
		OLD	NEW
STATE OF ARKANSAS			
PULASKI COUNTY			
SALINE COUNTY			
OTHER COUNTY: _____			
CITY OF LITTLE ROCK			
CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK			
CITY OF SHERWOOD			
OTHER CITY: _____			

E. OTHER CHARGE CHANGES

DESCRIPTION	EFFECTIVE DATE	CHARGE	
		OLD	NEW
DESCRIBE THE CHARGE:			

F. ARE ANY PRO-RATIONS REQUIRED?

YES	NO
	X

IF YES - DESCRIBE THE METHODOLOGY AND PROVIDE A SPREADSHEET.

G. CUSTOMER CHANGES

APPLICATION REQUIRED:

WATER	
SEWER	
REFUSE	

CUSTOMER LISTING TO BE PROVIDED BY: _____

EFFECTIVE DATE OF CHANGE: _____

H. RATE RESOLUTIONS OR ORDINANCES

PLEASE ATTACH A COPY OF THE SIGNED RATE RESOLUTION OR ORDINANCE.

See Supporting Documents Attached

AUTHORIZATION TO IMPLEMENT

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FINANCE DATE

IMPLEMENTATION ACCOMPLISHED

INFORMATION SERVICES DATE



Gary Pittman/CAW
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To Customer Service, Marie Crawford/CAW@CAW, Jeff
Mascagni, Deena Coston, Pat Akin/CAW@CAW, Allen
Vincent, Jeanette Shaw/CAW@CAW, Thad

cc

bcc

Subject franchise fees update

Call Center,

As was communicated before, the franchise fee percentage charged to LR City residents was set to increase from 6.9% to 10% effective January 1, 2008, on water and sewer charges. The City had verbally instructed us to have the new rates on bills going out in January. After we requested their instructions in writing, the City (just today) reversed their position and instructed us not to charge the increase on any December usage which will delay the increase until the first cycle of February.

Unfortunately, we have already printed the cycle one bills for January and there is no practical way to reverse the procedure. Attached is a copy of the insert that we are having printed this afternoon to go out with the cycle one bills later today. The insert explains that we have charged the new rate this month but will revert to the old rate in February for one month only (on cycle one only) to make up the difference.

You will likely get some calls about this and if a customer's water usage goes up or down on the February billing, it will not wash exactly; however, it is the fairest overall way we can address the issue.



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Thanks,
Gary

CITY OF LITTLE ROCK RESIDENTS: The City of Little Rock's franchise fee on water and sewer charges increased from 6.9% to 10%, effective January 1, 2008 (Ordinance No. 19,898). Your billing statement for this month reflects the franchise fee increase on usage that actually occurred in December. To reverse the increase reflected on this billing statement, your billing for February will revert back to the old rate of 6.9% for that month only. Your billing statement for March 2008 forward will reflect the increase. If you have questions, please, call our Customer Service Center at (501) 372.5161.

CITY OF LITTLE ROCK RESIDENTS: The City of Little Rock's franchise fee on water and sewer charges increased from 6.9% to 10%, effective January 1, 2008 (Ordinance No. 19,898). Your billing statement for this month reflects the franchise fee increase on usage that actually occurred in December. To reverse the increase reflected on this billing statement, your billing for February will revert back to the old rate of 6.9% for that month only. Your billing statement for March 2008 forward will reflect the increase. If you have questions, please, call our Customer Service Center at (501) 372.5161.

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EXHIBIT C

Little Rock Board of Directors Meeting – Minutes –December 21, 2007

MINUTES

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

City Hall – 500 W. Markham

December 21 2007 - 3:00 PM

The Board of Directors of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, met in a reconvened session with Mayor Stodola presiding. Nancy Wood, City Clerk, called the roll with the following Directors present: Hendrix, Adcock, Wyrick, Richardson, Cazort, Keck, Wright, Kumpuris, Fortson, Vice Mayor Hurst, and Mayor Stodola.

Director Cazort, seconded by Director Keck, mad a motion to place the ordinances (Items 1-6) on second reading. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, being two-thirds in number the rules were suspended and the ordinances were read the second time.

1. ORDINANCE 19,892 - Z-6483-A - Establishing a Planned Zoning District titled **Episcopal Collegiate School Revised Long-Form POD** located at **1701 Cantrell Road**, Little Rock, Arkansas. *Planning Commission: 10 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Staff recommends approval. 1ST Reading Held December 18, 2007.* **Synopsis: The applicant is requesting a rezoning from various zoning districts to POD to expand the previously approved area and allow the construction of a new elementary school adjacent to the existing school campus.**

2. ORDINANCE 19,893 - Authorizing the City to join the Arkansas Local Government Health Management Trust, administered by the Arkansas Municipal League; and for other purposes. *1ST Reading Held December 18, 2007.*

3. ORDINANCE 19,894 - To dispense with the requirement of competitive bidding and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to enter into an investment management agreement with **Stephens Capital Management** for the management of the City's assets in the Arkansas Local Government Health Management Trust; and for other purposes. *1ST Reading Held December 18, 2007.*

4. ORDINANCE 19,895 - To regulate the discharge of industrial wastewater to the public sewer system, providing penalties for violations thereof, and to comply with requirements of the United States Environmental Protection Agency and streamline and clarify the general pretreatment requirements for existing and new sources of pollution at 40 CFR 403; to repeal Ordinance No. 17,966; and for other purposes, all pertaining to the sewer lines and system within the jurisdiction of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and **declaring an emergency** *1ST Reading Held December 18, 2007.*

5. ORDINANCE 19,896 - To dispense with the requirement of competitive bidding and authorize the City Manager to execute **Lawson Contract Change Order No. 7** for additional technology and application consulting services; and for other purposes. *1ST Reading Held December 18, 2007.*

6. PUBLIC HEARING & ORDINANCE 19,897 - G-23-393 – To abandon a public right-of-way located in **Block 360 and 361, Original City of Little Rock Addition**. *Planning Commission: 10 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Staff recommends approval. 1ST Reading Held December 18, 2007.* **Synopsis: The applicant is requesting a portion of the alley located in Block 360 and Block 361 of the Original City of Little Rock Addition to be abandoned as public right-of-way including all easements.**

Director Cazort, seconded by Director Keck, made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinances (Items 1-6) on third and final reading. By unanimous voice vote of the Board members present, being two-thirds in number the rules were suspended and the ordinances were read the third time. By unanimous voice vote of the Board members present, **the ordinances (Items 1-6) were passed. The emergency clause on Item 4 was passed.**

OTHER BUSINESS (Items 7 – 8)

Mayor Stodola requested the first reading of the ordinance (Item 7).

7. ORDINANCE 19,898 - Providing for and adopting the **2008 Budget** for the City of Little Rock for the period beginning January 1, 2008, and ending December 31, 2008; appropriating resources and uses for every expenditure item and fund, **declaring an emergency**; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

The ordinance was read the first time. Director Keck, made a motion, seconded by Director Cazort, made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on second reading. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, being two-thirds in number the rules were suspended and the ordinance was read the second time.

Speaker Delores Lecompte was opposed to the increased franchise fees on water and sewer, which will be passed on to the citizens of Little Rock. She added that she felt that the Advertising and Promotions Commission should share more of the City's expenses.

Speakers Jim Nichols and Nita Moser, representing AFSME, stated that the 2.5% raise was insufficient. Because of rising gas prices, insurance costs, the 2.5% is not equal to the cost of living. They stated that they represent the City Employees who make \$9 an hour, and for those people, it's like a decrease in pay. They both stated they would be willing to work with staff and the Board to look for other revenue sources to come up with additional revenue to support raises.

A lengthy discussion took place which included discussion on employee raises, which the directors concurred they did not believe was enough. They discussed the increases in water and sewer fees, and did not like the thought of passing those on to the citizens. Discussion also included possible reductions in outside agency support such as the Arts Center or the Arkansas Symphony; one time fund transfers from fleet services and the solid waste funds; raising parking fines; the savings that would occur by the Little Rock Convention and Visitors Bureau taking over public relations costs for the downtown River Market District; funding eighty beds at the Pulaski County Jail; additional funds for additional beds at the Faulkner County Jail; and the vacancy savings rate of leaving one hundred jobs unfilled.

Also discussed was the possibility of looking at a tax on people who do not live in the city but are employed within the city limits, the amount spent on contracts and supplies listed in the budget, and a plan to give employees more equality raises. A proposal was made to start in January 2008 looking for sources of revenue for the City for the 2009 Budget process.

Director Keck, seconded by Director Wright, made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on third reading. By unanimous vote of the Board Members present the motion was passed. Director Wyrick voted no. The rules were suspended and the ordinance was read the third time.

A roll call vote was taken and recorded as follows: Directors Richardson, Wyrick, Adcock, and Hendrix voted no. Directors Cazort, Keck, Wright, Kumpuris, Fortson, and Vice Mayor Hurst voted yes. A voice vote was called on the emergency clause; all were in favor except Director Wyrick, who voted no. The ordinance and emergency clause passed.

Mayor Stodola requested the first reading of Item 8.

8. ORDINANCE 19,899 - To amend Little Rock, Arkansas, Ordinance 18,644, as to certain fines for parking violations; to declare an emergency; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

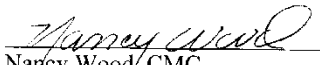
The ordinance was read the first time. Director Cazort, seconded by Director Richardson, made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on second reading. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, the rules were suspended and the ordinance was read the second time. Director Cazort, seconded by Director Richardson, made a motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on third reading. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, being two-thirds in number, the rules were suspended and the ordinance was read the third time. A voice vote was held and recorded as follows: Directors Hendrix and Adcock voted no. Directors Richardson, Cazort, Keck, Wright, Kumpuris, Fortson, and Vice Mayor Hurst voted yes. The ordinance and emergency clause passed.


Director Adcock asked Mr. Carpenter and staff to prepare legislation on a declarative judgment or at least an outline by the January 15th meeting, in regard to the prisoner situation at the Pulaski County Detention situation.

Director Cazort, seconded by Director Richardson, made a motion to adjourn. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, the meeting adjourned at 4:10 PM.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:


Nancy Wood, CMC
City Clerk


Mark Stodola
Mayor