

**Little Rock Board of Directors Meeting
September 18, 2018
6:00 PM**

The Board of Directors of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, met in a regular meeting with Mayor Mark Stodola presiding. City Clerk Susan Langley called the roll with the following Directors present: Hendrix; Richardson; Peck; Hines; Wright; Wyrick; Adcock; Vice-Mayor Webb; and Mayor Stodola. Directors absent: Kumpuris and Fortson. Director Joan Adcock delivered the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS

Little Rock Peace Week Proclamation

CONSENT AGENDA (Items 1 – 10)

1. **MOTION:** To approve the minutes of the July 2, 2018, July 17, 2018, August 7, 2018, and August 21, 2018, Little Rock City Board of Directors Meetings.

2. **RESOLUTION NO. 14,856:** To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with River City Hydraulic, in the total amount of \$402,078.40, for the purchase of two (2) Rear Loader Sanitation Trucks for the Public Works Department; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: A resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with River City Hydraulic Company for two (2) Rear Loader Sanitation Trucks for the Public Works Department.

3. **RESOLUTION NO. 14,857:** To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Mark McClarty Ford, in the total amount of \$111,008.00, for the purchase of four (4) Ford Interceptor Sports Utility Vehicles for the Little Rock Police Department; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: A resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with Mark McLarty Ford for four (4) Ford Interceptor Sports Utility Vehicles for the Little Rock Police Department.

4. **RESOLUTION NO. 14,858:** To authorize the use of Home Investment Partnerships Program Funds for the acquisition and rehabilitation of the property located at 1519 East Twin Lakes Drive, in an effort to maximize neighborhood revitalization efforts; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: In an effort maximize the revitalization efforts, the Housing and Neighborhood Programs Community Development Division would like to purchase the property for revitalization in the Twin Lakes Neighborhood for affordable housing to be sold to an eligible low-to-moderate income buyer. The structure is approximately 1,278 square-feet and is on a 9,100 square-foot lot.

5. **RESOLUTION NO. 14,859:** To authorize the City Manager to execute a contract with CHI St. Vincent Medical Group, in an amount not to exceed \$175,000.00, utilizing the 2018 Community Development Block Grant Funds, to provide Health Care Services for low-income citizens; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: A resolution to authorize the Mayor to execute a contract with CHI St. Vincent Medical Group for the provision of Health Care Services to low-income individuals residing in the City of Little Rock.

6. RESOLUTION NO. 14,860: To authorize the City Manager to execute a contract with CareLink in the amount of \$60,000.00, utilizing the 2018 Community Development Block Grant Funds, to provide Meals on Wheels to eligible participants; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: A resolution to authorize the City Manager to execute a contract with CareLink to provide Meals on Wheels to the low-income elderly individuals residing in the City of Little Rock.

7. RESOLUTION NO. 14,861: To amend Little Rock, Ark., Resolution 14,446 (November 1, 2016) to authorize the City Manager to extend the contract with VSP, to include an additional \$75,000.00, for Group Vision Insurance for City Employees for a second twelve (12)-month period effective January 1, 2018; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: A resolution to authorize the City Manager to amend Resolution No. 14,446 (November 1, 2016) with VSP to include an additional \$75,000.00.

8. RESOLUTION NO. 14,862: To authorize the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, to participate in the National League of Cities Prescription Discount Program; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: To authorize the execution of documents to enter into the National League of Cities Prescription Discount Program for citizens of the City.

9. RESOLUTION NO. 14,863: To transfer title to property owned by the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, by Quitclaim Deed, in exchange for property owned by Better Community Developers by Quitclaim Deed, to be used for Neighborhood Revitalization Programs; and for other purposes. *Land Bank Commission: 11 ayes and 0 nays. Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: In an effort maximize the Land Bank's revitalization efforts, the Land Bank Commission and staff would like to transfer the property located at 1520 South Oak Street in exchange for property owned by Better Community Developers located at 3620 Maryland Avenue, which was originally donated to BCD in April of 2017 as part of a Community Housing Development Organization Federal Grant Program. 3620 Maryland Avenue is a 6,580 square-foot vacant lot, and 1520 South Oak Street is a 5,980 square-foot vacant lot. Both have similar appraised values as assessed by the Pulaski County Assessor.

10. RESOLUTION NO. 14,864: To grant a Franchise to 201 West Capitol, LLC, to place a canopy and a small structure within the City right-of-way at 201 – 215 West Capitol Avenue; and for other purposes.

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 11 - 13)

11. ORDINANCE NO. 21,630; Z-9261-A: To approve a Planned Zoning Development and establish a Planned Residential District titled Copper Run Subdivision Revised Long-Form PD-R, located at 16901 Pride Valley Road, Little Rock, Arkansas, amending

the Official Zoning Map of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. *Planning Commission: 10 ayes; 0 nays; and 1 absent. Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: The applicant is proposing to revise the previously-approved PD-R, Planned Development – Residential, to expand the land area and increase the number of proposed lots. The project contains 56.22 acres and is proposed with 175 residential lots. (Located in Ward 5)

12. ORDINANCE NO. 21,631: An ordinance 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 is necessary to raze and removed said structures; **to declare an emergency;** and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: Eight (8) residential structures are in a severely dilapidated, deteriorated and/or burned condition causing a negative environmental impact on the residential neighborhoods in which it is located. All Notices have been mailed in accordance with Arkansas State Law.

13. ORDINANCE NO. 21,632: To create the Little Rock Sustainability Commission; to set its mission; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: To create the current Task Force on Sustainability as a regular City Commission.

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

Luke Skrable: Asked if there would be any fiscal impact to the City has a result of creating the Little Rock Sustainability Commission.

Mayor Stodola stated that it had actually been a Mayoral Commission for several years and the City was codifying the Commission so that it would be an actual City Commission with Board-appointed members. Mayor Stodola stated that the Commission was advisory in nature and there would be no added fiscal impact to the City.

The ordinances were read a third time.

Amalia Hernandez, 8910 Sunset Lane: Stated that she was the owner of the property located at 8910 Sunset Lane. Ms. Hernandez stated that had received a contract from a construction company that would be making the repairs to the structure and asked for additional time to complete rehabilitation. Ms. Hernandez stated that as soon as she was allowed to obtain the necessary permits, the work could begin on the structure.

Director Richardson asked Ms. Hernandez if she had the complete amount of funding needed to complete the necessary repairs. Ms. Hernandez stated that her family was providing the funds for the rehabilitation. Director Richardson asked what the timeframe was to have the repairs completed. Ms. Hernandez stated that contractor told her that it would take a maximum of six (6) months once the appropriate permits were secured.

Director Richardson made the motion, seconded by Director Peck, to remove 8910 Sunset Lane from the Condemnation Ordinance and to give the owner an additional

ninety (90) days to begin rehabilitation of the structure and to provide a Rehabilitation Plan.

City Attorney Tom Carpenter stated that the property had been Certified to the State which would indicate that there were unpaid Property Taxes that had not been paid in the past three (3) years. Ms. Hernandez stated that she had already paid the Property Taxes and had received a receipt indicating that all taxes were current.

By voice vote of the Board Members present, with Director Hendrix voting in opposition, 8910 Sunset Lane was removed from the Condemnation Ordinance.

By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the ordinances were approved as amended.**

PUBLIC HEARINGS (Item 14)

14. ORDINANCE NO. 21,633; G-23-470: To abandon a portion of the thirty (30)-foot wide Layman Lane right-of-way, located in Section 1 and Section 12, T-1-N, R-14-W, in the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, lying south of Block 2, Iris Addition, less and except the north 110 feet thereof, containing approximately 3,190 linear-feet of a thirty (30)-foot wide Layman Lane road right-of-way; and for other purposes. *Planning Commission: 10 ayes; 0 nays; and 1 absent. Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: The applicant is requesting the abandonment of a portion of Layman Lane road right-of-way located approximately 750 feet south of Pride Valley Road. The right-of-way will be retained as a utility and drainage easement. (Located in Ward 5)

Mayor Stodola opened the public hearing and asked if there were individuals present that wished to speak for or against the item. There being none present, Mayor Stodola closed the public hearing.

The ordinance was read a first time. Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Director Wright, to read the ordinance a second time. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, 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. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the ordinance was approved.**

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

Russ Racop, 301 Alamo Drive: Discrimination during CC Segment.

Luke Skrable: Why did Lance Hines & Tom Carpenter lie on my 2010 Code of Ethics Complaint?

Danny Lewis: Dumping.

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Director Richardson 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

Mark Stodola, Mayor