1	ORDINANCE NO		
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3	AN ORDINANCE TO REPEAL SUBSECTION 2 OF ARK., REV. CODE §		
4	2-50 (1988); TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER		
5	PURPOSES		
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7	WHEREAS, On March 25, 2020, the City enacted an amendment to Ark. Rev. Code. § 2-50 (1988),		
8	that enabled members of the Board of Directors to utilize different technologies to participate in a Board of		
9	Directors Meetings as long as the public could view the action of the member not physically present; and		
10	WHEREAS, subsection 2 of the amendment allowed for the amendment to be in force and effect for		
11	a period of ninety (90) days; and,		
12	WHEREAS, ninety (90) days expired on June 23, 2020; and,		
13	WHEREAS, the use of virtual meetings at any time can be appropriate.		
14	NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY		
15	OF LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS;		
16	Section 1. Section 2 of Little Rock, Ark., Rev. Code § 2-50 (1988) is hereby repealed.		
17	(c) A majority of the Board, including the position of Mayor, is a quorum.		
18	Section 2. Severability. In the event any title, section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph		
19	subparagraph, item, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this ordinance is declared or adjudged to be invalid		
20	or unconstitutional, such declaration or adjudication shall not affect the remaining portions of this ordinance		
21	which shall remain in full force and effect as if the portion so declared or so adjudged invalid or		
22	unconstitutional was not originally a part of this ordinance.		
23	Section 3. Repealer. All ordinances and resolutions, or parts of ordinances or resolutions, inconsisten		
24	with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.		
25	Section 4. Emergency. Because the restrictions of Arkansas State Law and the City's Code of Ethics		
26	sometimes makes it difficult or impossible for a majority of the Elected Members to act on a measure,		
27	particularly when one (1) or more Members of the Board cannot attend because of illness or other		
28	obligations, business vital to the citizens and in the best interests of the City cannot always proceed in an		
29	appropriate manner, but it is critical to the public health, safety and welfare for City business to be		
30	conducted, particularly in an age when electronic communications means make it possible and practica		
31	for a person within the City to actively participate in a meeting of the governing body; an emergency is		
32	therefore, declared to exist and this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the time of its		
33	passage.		
34	PASSED: January 19, 2021		

ATTEST:	APPROVED:
Susan Langley, City Clerk	Frank Scott, Jr., Mayor
APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:	
Thomas M. Carpenter, City Attorney	
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