Little Rock Board of Directors Meeting April 19, 2016 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; Webb; Cazort; Wright; Wyrick; Fortson; Kumpuris; Adcock; Vice-Mayor Hines; and Mayor Stodola. Director Brad Cazort delivered the invocation, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS

City of Little Rock Retirement Recognition
Lt. David Hudson, Little Rock Police Department
University of Arkansas at Little Rock Men's Basketball Sun Belt Champions
Sculpture Show Presentation
"Working Together in the Community" Class Recognition

MODIFICATIONS

M-1 RESOLUTION: To commend Superintendent Baker Kurrus for his tireless efforts to improve the Little Rock School District and express the City's dismay over the State not electing to continue his contract; and for other purposes.

Director Webb made the motion, seconded by Director Fortson, to add Item M-1 to the Agenda. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **Item M-1 was added to the Agenda.**

CONSENT AGENDA (Items 1 – 3)

- **1. MOTION**: To approve the minutes of the October 20, 2015, November 3, 2015, and November 17, 2015, Little Rock City Board of Directors Meetings.
- 2. <u>RESOLUTION NO. 14,319</u>: To authorize the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, to support a United States Department of Transportation TIGER Grant by the University of Arkansas at Little Rock's University Avenue Corridor Revitalization Project, which will reconfigure University Avenue from 28th Street to the Asher and University Avenue intersection; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: A resolution authorizing the City of Little Rock to support a United States Department of Transportation TIGER Grant by the University of Arkansas at Little Rock's University Avenue Corridor Revitalization Project which will reconfigure University Avenue from 28th Street to the Asher and University Avenue intersection.

3. <u>RESOLUTION NO. 14,320</u>: To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Landers Dodge Jeep, in a total purchase cost of \$158,778.00, for the purchase of three (3) Dodge Ram 1500 Trucks and three (3) Dodge Ram 2500 Trucks for the Public

Works Department, utilizing the Arkansas State Contract Purchasing Agreement; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: Approval of a resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with Landers Dodge Jeep for the Purchase of three (3) Dodge Ram 1500 Trucks and three (3) Dodge Ram 2500 Trucks for the Public Works Department.

Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Director Cazort, to approve the Consent Agenda. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the Consent Agenda was approved.**

GROUPED ITEMS (Items 5, 6 and 8)

(The Mayor stated that he had received cards from individuals wanting speak on Item 4 and asked that it be read separately)

5. ORDINANCE NO. 21,213; Z-7895-C: To approve a Planned Zoning Development and establish a Planned Commercial Development, titled J&R Properties Short-Form PCD, located at 717 South Woodrow Street, 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 rezone the site from R-2, Single-Family District, to PCD, Planned Commercial Development, to allow for the construction of a 120-foot by forty-eight (48)-foot building containing office and retail space. (Located in Ward 3)

6. ORDINANCE NO. 21,214; Z-9115: To reclassify property located in in the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, amending the Official Zoning Map of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. Planning Commission: 10 ayes; 1 nay; and 0 absent. Staff recommends approval.

Synopsis: The owner of the 0.31-acre property located at 2115/2201 Perry Street is requesting that the zoning be reclassified from R-2, Single-Family District, to R-4, Two-Family District. (Located in Ward 6)

7. ORDINANCE NO. 21,215: To condemn certain structures in the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, as structural, fire and health hazards, providing for summary abatement procedures; directing the City Manager to take such action as is necessary to raze and remove said structures; **to declare an emergency**; and for other purposes. Staff recommends approval.

Synopsis: Six (6) residential structures 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.

8. ORDINANCE NO. 21,216: To authorize the issuance of a Promissory Note to provide short-term financing under Amendment No. 78 to the Arkansas Constitution for the acquisition and installation of tangible personal property; to prescribe other matters pertaining thereto; **to declare an emergency**; and for other purposes. Staff recommends approval.

Synopsis: The City has a need to fund vehicles, software, and equipment as identified during the 2016 Budget process.

The ordinances were read a first time. Director Cazort made the motion, seconded by Director Cazort, 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 Director Cazort, 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.

Nathan Muhammad, 724 Parkdale Street: Stated that he had just purchased the property located at 2104 South Pulaski Street on April 13, 2016, and had visited with Code Enforcement Staff on April 15, 2016, to determine the steps that needed to be taken to bring the property up to code. Mr. Muhammad stated that he owned an electrical contracting company and that they had worked within the City Limits for eight (8) years, and he would be doing the majority of the work himself. Mr. Muhammad stated that he had purchased the property from the State Land Commissioner and was not aware that it had been condemned. Mr. Muhammad stated that he had a Warranty Deed and asked that the property be removed from the condemnation ordinance.

Housing & Neighborhood Programs Director Andre Bernard reported that although Mr. Muhammad stated that he had purchased the property, there was in fact a forty-five (45) day time period in which the owner had to redeem the property. City Attorney Tom Carpenter stated that Mr. Muhammad actually had a Purchase Certificate and not a Warranty Deed. City Attorney Carpenter reported that the State did not auction property until efforts had been made to collect taxes, which meant it had been with the State for some time. City Attorney Carpenter stated that the documentation provided by Mr. Muhammad did not contain the date that the property was certified to the Commissioner of State Lands.

Director Hendrix asked how much time was needed to restore the structure. Mr. Muhammad stated that within six (6) months the structure would be restored and occupied. Director Hendrix asked if an estimated cost for restoration had been determined. Mr. Muhammad stated that the cost had been estimated at \$9,000.00.

Director Richardson made the motion, seconded by Director Wright, to defer action on the property located at 2104 South Pulaski Street for six (6) months in order to allow Mr. Muhammad to receive a Rehabilitation Permit to restore the structure.

Director Cazort stated that he would like to see the motion amended to include the statement that within thirty (30) days, a Rehabilitation Plan must be submitted to City Staff and the necessary permits pulled. Director Richardson stated that he would amend his motion to include the suggested wording.

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

By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the ordinances (with Ordinance No. 7 being amended) were approved.** By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the emergency clause for Item 7 approved.** By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the emergency clause for Item 8 approved.**

Mayor Stodola stated that he had a card from an individual that had turned in a card to speak on Item 4; however, his property was actually included on Ordinance No. 7, which had just been passed.

Mr. Willis: Stated that he had just purchased the property located at 2505 South Maple Street and asked that the Board remove the property from the condemnation notice in order for him to renovate the structure.

Mr. Bernard stated that Mr. Willis purchased the property from Pulaski Lands, LLC, which was where staff had send all notifications. Mr. Bernard stated that when staff realized that Mr. Willis had an interest in purchasing the property, they began sending the notices to him, as well. Mr. Bernard stated that those notices were sent on March 6, 2016, and March 25, 2016, to four (4) different addresses and were all returned unclaimed. City Attorney Carpenter stated that his recommendation would be to rescind the vote and remove the structure from the ordinance to give staff ample time to sort out the issues in order to bring the item back before the Board within two (2) weeks.

Director Hendrix made the motion, seconded by Director Richardson, to rescind the vote on Item 7. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, the vote on Item 7 was rescinded. Director Cazort made the motion, seconded by Director Richardson to rescind the emergency clause on Item 7. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, the emergency clause for Item 7 was rescinded. Director Hendrix made the motion, seconded by Director Cazort, to defer action on the property located at 2505 South Maple Street for two (2) weeks. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, action on 2505 South Maple Street was deferred for two (2) weeks. Director Cazort made the motion, seconded by Director Richardson, to approve the ordinance as amended. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, the emergency clause was approved.

SEPARATE ITEMS (Item 4 and Items 9 - 12)

4. ORDINANCE NO. 21,212: To condemn certain structures in the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, as structural, fire and health hazards, providing for summary abatement procedures; directing the City Manager to take such action as is necessary to raze and remove said structures; **to declare an emergency**; and for other purposes. Staff recommends approval.

Synopsis: The three (3) commercial structures have become run-down, dilapidated, unsightly, dangerous and detrimental to the public welfare of the citizens of the City of Little Rock.

The ordinance was read a first time. Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Director Richardson, 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 Director Richardson, 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.

Greg Riggs, 14 Old Orchard Drive: Stated that he was the owner the property located at 65th Street and Interstate 30 and that he had only received Notice the prior week. Mr. Riggs stated that he met with Planning Staff and had cleaned-up around the property and removed the graffiti. Mr. Riggs stated that had previously listed the property for six (6) months and had been unable to sell the property. Mr. Riggs stated that he had contracted with CDI as a project management company to determine if the structure could be renovated. Mr. Riggs asked for an additional thirty (30) days to work with the CDI to determine if renovation was feasible. Mr. Riggs stated that if it was determined that the structure could not be renovated, he would demolish the structure himself. Mr. Riggs stated that the broken glass, discarded furniture and gas tanks that were located around the structure belonged to the owner of the hotel, which was located next door.

Director Richardson made the motion, seconded by Director Hendrix, to defer action on the property located at 35th Street and Interstate 30 for thirty (30) days.

Director Adcock asked for report from staff regarding the inspection of the structure. Planning & Development Director Tony Bozynski stated that staff had conducted an inspection in June 2015 and had determined that the structure was unsafe. Mr. Bozynski stated that staff was aware that Mr. Riggs had contracted with CDI to determine the feasibility of renovation.

By voice vote of the Board Members present, with Director Adcock voting in opposition, action was deferred for thirty (30) days on the property located at 65th Street and Interstate 30.

Roger Hawk, 823 North Street: Stated that he was the managing partner of the property located at 4729 Baseline Road. Mr. Hawk stated that they had purchased the property in 1987, and in the last several years, there had been a constant problem in keeping the facility secured. Mr. Hawk stated there were no tenants in the mini-storage portion due to the fact that it could not be secured. Mr. Hawk stated that they were in the process of selling the structure; however, he did not know if the buyer had a plan to renovate and secure the structure or raze the structure. Mr. Hawk asked for an additional thirty (30) days to determine if the structure could be sold to the prospective buyer.

Director Adcock made the motion to defer action on 4729 Baseline Road for thirty (30) days on the promise that the owner would board and secure the doors and any openings visible from the public street.

Mayor Stodola asked Mr. Hawk if he would be willing to board and secure the open areas visible to the public street. Mr. Hawk stated that because there was a potential buyer, he did not want to spend additional funds to secure the structure. As a result, **Director Adcock withdrew her motion.**

Vice-Mayor Hines asked Mr. Hawk what action he would take if the property failed to sell within thirty (30) days. Mr. Hawk stated that he would leave it to the City to demolish.

In regards to the property located at 2812 Asher Avenue that was included on the condemnation ordinance, City Attorney Carpenter stated that it had been certified to the State; therefore, it needed to be held until proper Notice could be given to the State.

Director Cazort made the motion, seconded by Director Richardson, to remove 2812 Asher Avenue from the ordinance. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **3812 Asher Avenue was removed from the ordinance.** By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the ordinance was approved as amended.** By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the emergency clause was approved.**

9. <u>RESOLUTION NO. 14,321</u>: To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with North Point Ford, in a total purchase cost of \$132,876.00, for the purchase of six (6) Ford F-150 Trucks for the Housing & Neighborhood Programs Department, utilizing the Houston Galveston Area Council (HGAC) Contract Purchasing Agreement; and for other purposes. (Funding from the 2012 5/8-Cent Operational Improvements Sales Tax) Staff recommends approval.

Synopsis: Approval of a resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with North Point Ford for the purchase of six (6) Ford F-150 Trucks for the Housing & Neighborhood Programs Department.

Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Director Cazort, to approve the resolution. By voice vote of the Board Members present, with Director Wright voting in opposition, the resolution was approved.

10. RESOLUTION: To seek analysis by the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Commission of issues for the proposed 30 Crossing Project; and for other purposes. (*Deferred from November 17, 2015*)(*Deferred from January 19, 2016*)(*Deferred from April 5, 2016*)

<u>Tom Dillard, 387 Pryor Drive, Malvern</u>: Stated that he was the previous Director of the Department of Arkansas Heritage and had been involved in the historical societies and circles for many years. Mr. Dillard presented a letter that had been signed by most of the former living Directors of the Department of Arkansas Heritage regarding what the proposed 30 Crossing Project could mean for the City.

Director Webb thanked Mr. Dillard for the letter and stated that there had been an agreement to hold on action on the resolution until Norm Marshall of Smart Mobility and the Nelson-Nygaard, the Consultants that had been hired by the City, made their presentations to the City. Mayor Stodola stated that Nelson-Nygaard would be in town on April 25, 2016, and April 26, 2016, to present their research. In addition, Mayor Stodola stated that the Arkansas Highway & Transportation Department (AHTD) would be holding a public meeting on April 26, 2016, regarding new revisions to the proposed plan.

Director Webb made the motion, seconded by Director Kumpuris, defer the resolution for one (1)-month.

Vice-Mayor Hines asked that the resolution be withdrawn due to the fact that since the resolution was written, AHTD, Metroplan and others had provided input and he felt that the scope of project had changed. Director Wright stated that the City had hired a Consultant to do basically what the resolution stated and she also questioned the need for the resolution.

By voice vote of the Board Members present, with Directors Wright, Adcock and Vice-Mayor Hines voting in opposition, **the item was deferred for one (1)-month.**

Director Kumpuris made the motion, seconded by Vice-Mayor Hines, for the Board to take a fifteen (15)-minute recess. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, the Board took a fifteen (15)-minute recess.

11. ORDINANCE NO. 21,218; Z-8851-A: To approve a Planned Zoning Development and establish a Planned Commercial Development, titled Pleasant Ridge West Lot 3C Revised Short-Form PD-C, located at 11701 Pleasant Ridge Road, Little Rock, Arkansas, amending the Official Zoning Map of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. Planning Commission: 6 ayes; 5 nays; and 0 absent. Staff recommends approval. Synopsis: The applicant is proposing to revise the previously-approved PD-C, Planned Development - Commercial, to allow for the construction of a six (6)-story hotel containing 137 guest rooms and parking. (Located in Ward 4)

The ordinance was read a first time. Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Director Cazort, 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 Director Richardson, 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.

<u>Phil Kaplin, 111 Center Street</u>: Stated that he represented the applicant they were requesting that the PCD be revised to add two (2) stories to the proposed hotel. Mr. Kaplin stated that although two (2) floors would be added, there would only be an increase of seven (2) rooms. In addition, Mr. Kaplin stated that there would be more parking spaces (150) than the zoning required and the facility would only sit on 2.5 of the 4.4 acres. Mr. Kaplin stated that the applicant had agreed with staff and was requesting to amend the application to have the sign be a maximum of 5% of frontage as opposed to 10%, which was allowed under the ordinance. In addition, Mr. Kaplin stated that the applicant had agreed to limit the illumination of the sign so that it would be turned off at 11:00 PM.

Director Cazort asked if there was a hotel chain under contract. Mr. Kaplin stated that currently there was not a contract under consideration.

<u>Keith Wingfield, 3000 Montrose Circle</u>: Stated that he represented Christ the King Catholic Church and that they were supportive of the application. Mr. Wingfield stated that they held many events at their facility each year and their attendees would definitely utilize the hotel.

Scott Schallhorn, 425 West Capitol Avenue: Stated that he represented several owners of the property located adjacent to the proposed hotel. Mr. Schallhorn stated that the application had been approved at the Planning Commission and questioned why the applicant was allowed to propose additional changes. Mr. Schallhorn stated that the addition of two (2) floors (twenty (20) feet) was not a minor amendment and that his clients were opposed to the amendment. Mr. Schallhorn stated that his clients were

resigned to the fact that there would be a hotel on the property; however, they were asking that the Board not support the further intrusion into the neighborhood.

Mayor Stodola asked if the reduction in the signage was addressed at the Planning Commission. Mr. Bozynski stated that comments were made at the Planning Commission comments regarding the possibility of reducing the sign to 3%; however, the Commission did not vote on the reduction as part of the application. Mayor Stodola asked if the reduction of the signage could be done as a modification, or would it need to be referred back to the Planning Commissions. City Attorney Carpenter stated that it was a restrictive measure and the Board could not impose it unless the applicant requested it. Mr. Kaplin stated that the applicant was requesting that the signage be reduce to from 10% to 5%.

<u>Craig Williams, 11902 Pleasant Forest Drive</u>: Stated that he was an Officer with the Pleasant Forest Property Owners Association and he was in opposition of the application to change. Mr. Williams stated that he felt that there would be nothing to prevent the applicant from coming back at a later date to seek amendment to the application to add additional floors. Mr. Williams asked that the Board deny the application.

Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Director Cazort, to amend the ordinance to reduce the signage from 10% to 5% and to limit the illumination of the sign so that it would be turned off at 11:00 PM. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the motion was approved.**

Director Kumpuris stated that height was the real issue and asked if there was a way that the applicant could offer assurance regarding the maximum height of the base of the construction site.

Joe White with White-Daters & Associates, stated that the applicant would amend the application to state that the floor grade would not be above 470 feet.

Director Cazort made the motion, seconded by Vice-Mayor Hines, to amend the ordinance to state that the floor of the hotel would not be above 470 feet. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the motion was approved.**

<u>Ruth Bell</u>: Stated that she represented the League of Women Voters and asked that the Board deny the application

<u>Lynne Dowler, 11909 Fairview Road</u>: Stated that she lived on the property adjacent to the proposed project and asked that the Board deny the application.

Director Richardson made the motion, seconded by Director Hendrix, to call the question on the vote. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the question to vote was called.**

By voice vote of the Board Members present, with Director Cazort voting in opposition, the ordinance as amended was approved.

12. ORDINANCE; Z-9105: To approve a Planned Zoning Development and establish a Planned Residential District, titled Stone Crest Apartments Short-Form PD-R, located at 9700 Baseline Road, Little Rock, Arkansas, amending the Official Zoning Map of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. *Planning Commission:* 11 ayes; 0 nays; and 0 absent. Staff recommends denial.

Synopsis: The request is a rezoning from R-2, Single-Family District, to PD-R, Planned Development - Residential, to allow for the existing vacant apartment complex to be remodeled. (Located in Ward 7)

The ordinance was read a first time. Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Director Cazort, 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 Director Cazort, 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.

Jeff Aclin, 520 Silverwood Trail: Stated that he, along with his brother, Ryan Aclin, were the current owners of Stone Crest Apartments. Mr. Aclin stated that the facility currently had sixty-four (64) units; one (1) which would be utilized as an office and one (1) which would be utilized as a model. Mr. Aclin stated that currently there were sixty-two (62) parking spaces located within the gate; one (1) for each unit. Mr. Aclin stated that the parking lot across Winston Drive would be utilized for overflow parking and not be utilized for tenant parking. Mr. Aclin stated that they had invested a great deal of time and money into updating the security gates and cameras to deter any criminal element. Mr. Aclin asked that the Board approve the rezoning request.

Director Wyrick asked how the offsite parking would be monitored and how the individuals that parked in the lot would be able to access the facility. Mr. Aclin stated that there would be a pin pad for pedestrian entrance.

Director Wyrick asked for a report from staff regarding their review of the complex. Mr. Bozynski stated that staff, along with Little Rock Police Department Staff, had conducted a site visit and walked the site, and based on the inspection, they had determined that there were potential issues with the offsite parking and possible impacts on the neighborhood.

John Huggler, 9906 Baseline Road: Stated that he lived in in the area and was not supportive of the application. Mr. Huggler stated that there was not enough parking without having to utilize the offsite parking. Mr. Huggler stated that the rear building was located nine (9) feet away from the privacy fence of the adjacent property and it was too congested. Mr. Huggler stated that if the rear building were removed, there would actually be adequate parking.

<u>Letitia Huggler, 9900 Baseline Road</u>: Stated that when the apartments were previously open, it was not uncommon for the Police to be called out to the property several times during the night. Ms. Huggler stated that she didn't think the aesthetics that the owners were proposing would work in the neighborhood.

City Attorney Carpenter stated that the security cameras were presently not part of the application, and if the applicant wanted to amend the application to include them, he

could do so. Mr. Aclin stated that he would amend the application to include the security cameras.

Director Cazort made the motion, seconded by Director Richardson to amend the application to include the security cameras. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the motion was approved.**

Vice-Mayor Hines stated that he didn't feel that the applicant was going to get a positive vote; however, he thought there were several Board Members might support a different plan that addressed some of the concerns. Mayor Stodola stated that if the application was denied, it would be a one (1)-year before the applicant could bring it back; however, he could withdraw the application or ask that it be sent back to the Planning Commission. After speaking with his partners, Mr. Aclin stated they were asking that the Board vote on the application as amended and presented.

By roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Ayes: None. Nays: Richardson; Webb; Cazort; Wright; Wyrick; Kumpuris; Fortson; Adcock; and Vice-Mayor Hines. Present: Hendrix. When asked if she would like to change her Present vote, Director Hendrix indicated that she did not want to change her vote. By a vote of zero (0) ayes, nine (9) nays and one (1) Present, **the ordinance failed.**

PUBLIC HEARINGS (Item 13)

13. ORDINANCE NO. 21,217; C-23-461: To abandon an alley located at 717 South Woodrow Street, in the Ferndale Addition to the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. Staff recommends approval.

Synopsis: The applicant is requesting abandonment of a platted alley located adjacent to Lots 7, 8, 9 and 10; Block 12 in the Ferndale Addition. (Located in Ward 3)

The Mayor opened the public hearing.

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

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

SEPARATE ITEMS (Item M-1)

M-1 <u>RESOLUTION NO. 14,322</u>: To commend Superintendent Baker Kurrus for his tireless efforts to improve the Little Rock School District and express the City's dismay over the State not electing to continue his contract; and for other purposes.

Director Richardson made the motion, seconded by Director Cazort, to approve the resolution. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the resolution was approved.**

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

Pat Gee, 9408 Dowan Drive: Street Lights/COPP

Vice-Mayor Hines made the motion, seconded by Director Webb, 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	