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The Board of Directors of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, met in a regular meeting with Mayor Frank Scott, Jr., presiding. Deputy City Clerk Allison Segars called the roll with the following Directors present: Hendrix (via WebEx Teleconferencing); Richardson (via WebEx Teleconferencing); Webb (via WebEx Teleconferencing); Peck; Hines; Wright; Kumpuris; Fortson (via WebEx Teleconferencing); Adcock; Vice-Mayor Wyrick (via WebEx Teleconferencing); and Mayor Scott. Director Gene Fortson delivered the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS

Peace Week Proclamation

CONSENT AGENDA (Items 1 – 8)

City Attorney Tom Carpenter stated that he had been contacted by The Friday Firm in regards to Item 7 that dealt with Revenue Bonds at the Little Rock Port Authority. City Attorney Carpenter stated that the request had been made that The Friday Firm complete some work on the Land Title, which technically qualified as a conflict; however, it was not an irrevocable conflict and the Board could wave the conflict.

- **1. MOTION**: To approve the minutes of the August 18, 2020, Little Rock City Board of Directors Meeting.
- 2. <u>RESOLUTION NO. 15,286</u>: To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with McLarty Ford, for a total purchase prices of \$61,880.92, for the purchase of two (2) Ford Transit Vans for the Public Works Department Building Services Division; 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 an agreement with McLarty Ford for the purchase of two (2) 2020 Ford Transit Vans with up-fits for the Public Works Department Building Services Division.

3. <u>RESOLUTION NO. 15,287</u>: To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with River City Hydraulics, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$165,534.29, for the purchase of a Powertrack 1000 Thirteen (13)-Yard Rear Loader for the Parks and Recreation Department; 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 an agreement with River City Hydraulics, Inc., for the purchase of one (1) Powertrak 1000 Thirteen (13)-Yard Rear Loader for the Parks & Recreation Department.

4. RESOLUTION NO. 15,288: To authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with the Parks and Recreation Foundation of Arkansas for the development

- of Mountain Bike Trails at River Mountain Park and Two Rivers Park; 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 Memorandum of Agreement with the Parks and Recreation Foundation of Arkansas to develop Mountain Bike Trails and Trail Amenities at River Mountain Park and Two Rivers Park. (Located in Ward 4)
- 5. <u>RESOLUTION NO. 15,289</u>: To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Noland Construction Incorporated, in the amount of \$73,000.00, for the repair of the Bill Clark Wetland Pavilion Roofs; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*Synopsis: A resolution to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Noland Construction Incorporated for the repair of the Bill Clark Wetland Pavilion Roofs. (Located in Ward 1)
- 6. <u>RESOLUTION NO. 15,290</u>: To authorize the use of eminent domain on the 13th Street Drainage Project and the Bowman Road Improvement Project; and for other purposes. (Funding from the 3/8-Cent Capital Improvement Sales Tax) Staff recommends approval. Synopsis: To authorize the City Attorney to use eminent domain to complete acquisition of right-of-way, real property, permanent and temporary construction easements for the 13th Street Drainage and Bowman Road Improvements Projects. (Located in Wards 1, 5 and 6)
- **7. RESOLUTION NO. 15,291:** To set October 6, 2020, as the date of public hearing to consider the issuance of a Port Authority Revenue Bond in the maximum principal amount of \$6,000,000.00, for the purpose of financing capital improvements at the Industrial Park at the Port of Little Rock; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*
- **8. RESOLUTION NO. 15,292**: To set October 6, 2020, as the date for a public hearing to form and lay off Little Rock Municipal Property Owners' Multipurpose Improvement District No. 2020-003 (LaMarche Village Project); 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.**

EXECUTIVE SESSION (Item 9)

Director Hines made the motion, seconded by Director Wright, for the Board to go into Executive Session for the purpose of appointments to Boards and Commissions and a personnel issue. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the Board went into Executive Session.**

9. <u>RESOLUTION NO. 15,293</u>: A resolution to make appointments and reappointments to various City of Little Rock Boards and Commissions; and for other purposes. Synopsis: Americans with Disabilities Act Citizen Grievance Committee (2 positions); Commission on Children, Youth and Families (4 positions); Community Housing Advisory Board (3 positions); Historic District Commission (4 positions); Land Bank Commission (4 positions); Little Rock Water Reclamation Commission (1 position); and Oakland & Fraternal Historic Cemetery Park Board (2 positions).

Americans with Disabilities Act Grievance Committee: Appointment of Allene Higgins to serve her first four (4)-year Individual with a Disability term, said term to expire on July 6, 2024. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the appointment was approved.**

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Arkansas Arts Center: Appointment of La'Kita Brown to serve her first five (5)-year term, said term to expire on June 30, 2025. Appointment of Khayyam Eddings to serve his first five (5)-year term, said term to expire on June 30, 2025. Appointment of Cathy Mayton to serve her first five (5)-year term, said term to expire on June 30, 2025. Appointment of Larry Middleton to serve his first five (5)-year term, said term to expire on June 30, 2025. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, the appointments were approved.

Commission on Children Youth and Families: Appointment of Chrissy Chatham to serve her first three (3)-year At-Large term, said term to expire on May 31, 2023. Appointment of Lisa Donovan to serve her first three (3)-year At-Large term, said term to expire on May 31, 2023. Appointment of Matt Price to serve his first three (3)-year At-Large term, said term to expire on May 31, 2023. Reappointment of Marcovous Williams to serve her second three (3)-year At-Large term, said term to expire on May 31, 2023. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the appointments were approved.**

<u>Historic District Commission</u>: Reappointment of Robert Hodge to serve his second three (3)-year Hillcrest District Representative term, said term to expire on June 15, 2023. Reappointment of Amber Jones to serve her second three (3)-year Owner and Occupant of a Property located Historic District other than MacArthur Park term, said term to expire on June 15, 2023. Appointment of Mark Hinson to serve his first three (3)-year Owner and Occupant of a Property located within the MacArthur Park Historic District term, said term to expire on June 15, 2023. By voice vote of the Board Members present, with Director Hendrix voting in opposition, **the appointment was approved.**

<u>Land Bank Commission</u>: Appointment of Natalie James to serve her first four (4)-year At-Large term, said term to expire on March 19, 2024. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the appointment was approved.**

<u>Little Rock Water Reclamation Commission</u>: Appointment of Deborah Shock to her first five (5)-year term, said term to expire on August 1, 2024. By unan4imous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the appointment was approved.**

Oakland and Fraternal Historic Cemetery Park Board: Appointment of Carolyn Eastham to serve her first three (3)-year term, said term to expire on June 1, 2023. Appointment of Frances Ross to serve her third three (3)-year term, said term to expire on June 1, 2023. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the appointments were approved.**

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

Marion Humphrey: Police.

A.B. Stewart: Recognition of AmeriCorps.

Jackie Kaufman: Highway Department Project Highway 10.

Max Campbell: LRPD Misconduct.

Tanya Hollifield (via e-mail): Criminal Justice Reform.

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

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ATTEST:	APPROVED:	
Susan Langley, City Clerk	Frank Scott, Jr., Mayor	