## OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMUNICATION FEBRUARY 21, 2023 AGENDA

Subject:	Action Required:	Approved By:
A resolution to grant authority to purchase the parcel located at 3405 & 3511 West Roosevelt Road, Little Rock, Arkansas 72204.	Ordinance √ <b>Resolution</b>	
Submitted By:		
Housing & Neighborhood Programs Department		Bruce T. Moore City Manager
SYNOPSIS	To help decrease homelessness in the City of Little Rock, staff recommends purchasing the two (2) continuous parcels of land totaling 3.19+/- acres located at 3405 & 3511 West Roosevelt Road (Parcel 34L-292-00-002-00 & 34L-292-00-003-00), to develop a Micro Home Village and Emergency Shelter. The owner of the property is Dale McGinnis.	
FISCAL IMPACT	The offering price is \$200,000.00, and the property appraised at \$210,000.00. Funds are available in City ARPA Funds, Account No. 271359-G0310AR35A, Cash Code 271.	
RECOMMENDATION	Approval of the resolution.	
BACKGROUND	In February 2021, the Report on the Little Rock and Central Arkansas Homeless Community Priorities and Needs Survey was completed by the Institute of Global Homelessness to gain a better understanding of the current state of the response to homelessness in Little Rock and Central Arkansas. Each year, the Continuum of Care, along with the City Staff, volunteers, non-profit organizations and faith-based organization, conducts the Point-In-Time (PIT) Count, which is a count of sheltered and unsheltered people experiencing homelessness on a single night. According the 2021 PIT Count, there were 551 individuals unsheltered.	

## BACKGROUND CONTINUED

The City has studied numerous methods to end Homelessness. Purchasing this parcel of land would allow the City to decrease the number of homeless individuals and families experiencing homelessness nightly. The Little Rock and Central Arkansas Homeless Community Priority and Needs Survey states that a majority of respondents professed a commitment to Housing First principles to help end homelessness in the City. This property will provide a shelter with twenty (20) beds, seventy (70) non-congregated units and Ten (10) congregated units for homeless individuals and families.