OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS

Subject: Action Required: **Approved By:** Ordinance Authorization for the City Manager to enter into $\sqrt{\mathbf{Resolution}}$ contract for Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA). **Submitted By:** Housing & Neighborhood Bruce T. Moore **Programs Department** City Manager SYNOPSIS Authorizes the City Manager to enter into contract for Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA) Grant Funding to the Arkansas Regional Commission in a total amount not to exceed a combined total of \$106,180.00 for one (1)-year. FISCAL IMPACT The City receives an annual allocation of HOPWA Funds from the United States Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD). The contract is consistent with the City's adopted Citizen Participation Plan and the Consolidated Planning Committee and the recommended sources and uses of the City's 2020-2021 HUD Entitlement Funds. RECOMMENDATION Approval of the resolution. The City of Little Rock is designated by HUD as an BACKGROUND entitlement jurisdiction to administer the HOPWA Program for a six (6) county area including Pulaski, Faulkner, Saline, Lonoke, Perry, and Grant Counties. The City issued a Request for Qualifications (Bid No. 1493) dated January 7, 2022, to procure a Service Provider for HOPWA Assistance.

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BACKGROUND CONTINUED

On February 11, 2022, the Arkansas Regional Commission was selected by the Selection Committee to provide HOPWA services over one (1)-year, with the City's option to renew the term two (2) times in one (1)-year increments for the counties of Grant, Lonoke, Perry, & Saline.

The Arkansas Regional Commission will provide Tenant-Based Rental Assistance, Short-Term Rent, Mortgage, and Utilities Assistance, Permanent Housing Placement Services, and Supportive Services in Grant, Lonoke, Perry, & Saline Counties.