Little Rock Board of Directors December 6, 2022 6:00 PM

The Board of Directors of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, met in Regular Meeting with Vice-Mayor Lance Hines presiding. City Clerk Susan Langley called the roll with the following Directors present: Miller; Richardson (via WebEx Teleconferencing); Webb; Peck; Wright (via WebEx Teleconferencing); Wyrick; Kumpuris; Phillips (enrolled at 6:05 PM); Adcock; Vice-Mayor Hines; and Mayor Scott. City Attorney Tom Carpenter gave the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADDITIONS:

M-1 <u>**RESOLUTION**</u>: To direct that \$500,000.00 be set aside in the 2023 Annual City Budget to assist the Ambassador Program of the Little Rock Downtown Partnership; and for other purposes. *(Sponsored by Director Adcock) (Requires a supermajority vote for addition)*

M-2 <u>**RESOLUTION**</u>: To authorize the City Manager to enter into a one (1)-year contract with three (3) organizations, in a total amount not to exceed \$990,000.00, to provide Prevention, Intervention and Treatment Funds for Positive Prevention Programs for 2023, as endorsed by the Commission on Children, Youth and Families; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval*

Synopsis: A resolution to authorize the City Manager to enter into contracts with three (3) organizations to provide Afterschool/Out-of-School Time Prevention Programs for one (1)-year from January 1, 2023, to December 31, 2023.

M-3 <u>RESOLUTION</u>: To authorize entry into an Historic Preservation Easement between the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, the L.C. and Daisy Bates House Museum Foundation and the Ministerial Alliance for a period of fifty (50) years from the date of this resolution, for the home located at 1207 West 28th Street, Little Rock, Arkansas, a National Historic Landmark; to authorize the payment of allocated funds in exchange for this Easement; to authorize the Mayor, City Manager and City Clerk to execute the necessary documents and to take all necessary steps to secure and record this Easement; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval*

M-4 <u>**RESOLUTION**</u>: To amend Little Rock, Ark., Resolution No. 15,820 (November 15, 2022), to amend the revised contract purchase price with Vermeer Midsouth, in an amount not to exceed \$1,500,166.79, plus applicable taxes and fees, to account for the increased cost for one (1) TG7000 Tub Grinder for the Public Works Department Landfill Division; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval*

M-5 <u>RESOLUTION</u>: To amend Little Rock, Ark., Resolution No. 15,718 (June 21, 2022), and to authorize the City Manager to amend the contract with Travelers Insurance Company in an amount not to exceed \$1,162,633.00, to cover the increased Statement of Value for the Arkansas Museum of Fine Arts; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval*

Synopsis: A resolution to amend Resolution No. 15,718 (June 21, 2022), and to authorize the City Manager to amend the contract with Travelers Insurance Company to include Property Insurance for the Arkansas Museum of Fine Arts for the period of July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023.

M-6 <u>**RESOLUTION**</u>: To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Crum & Forster, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00, to provide Cyber Liability Insurance for a term of December 10, 2022, to December 10, 2023; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval*

Synopsis: A resolution to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Crum & Forster to provide Cyber Liability Insurance for the term of December 10, 2022, to December 10, 2023.

M-7 ORDINANCE; Z-9353-A: To approve a Planned Zoning Development and to establish a Planned Commercial Development, titled Shields and Associates PCD, located at 13108 Lawson Road, Little Rock, Arkansas, amending the Official Zoning Map of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. (Deferred from October 18, 2022) (Planning Commission: 10 ayes; 0 nays; and 1 open position) Staff recommends approval. Synopsis: The applicant is requesting that the 5.3-acre property, located at 13108 Lawson Road, be rezoned from R-2, Single-Family District, to PCD, Planned Commercial Development, to allow for the development of an office with storage yard and a mini-warehouse facility. (Located within the City's Extraterritorial Jurisdiction) (Requires six (6) votes to be added)

M-8 ORDINANCE: An ordinance to amend Chapter 2, Article IV, Division 4 of the Little Rock Revised Code of Ordinance (1988), to assure openness and transparency in the request and selection of Professional Services; **to declare an emergency;** and for other purposes. (Sponsored by Vice-Mayor Hines) (Requires a supermajority vote for addition)

DEFERRALS:

1. <u>RESOLUTION</u>: To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Escamilia Excavating, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$218,237.40, for the Madison Valley Drainage Improvement Project Phase 2; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval* Synopsis: A resolution to authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement with Escamilla Excavating, LLC, for the Madison Valley Drainage Improvement Project, Bid No. 1720. (Located in Ward 5)

Director Hines made the motion, seconded by Director Peck, to defer Item 1 until the December 20, 2023, Agenda. By roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Ayes: Miller; Webb; Peck; Wright; Wyrick; Kumpuris; Phillips; Adcock and Vice-Mayor Hines. Nays: Richardson. By a vote of nine (9) ayes and one (1) nay, **Item 1 was deferred until December 20, 2023.**

2. <u>**RESOLUTION**</u>: To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Griffin Group, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$65,000.00, to rehabilitate the property located at 10008 Whispering Pine Drive, in the Winter Wood Subdivision of Little Rock, Arkansas, utilizing HOME Investment Partnership Program Funds; and for other purposes. *(Deferred until December 20, 2022, at staff's request)Staff recommends approval* Synopsis: A resolution to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Griffin Group, LLC, to rehabilitate the structure property at 10008 Whispering Pine Drive utilizing HOME Investment Partnerships Program Funds. (Located in Ward 7)

WITHDRAWALS:

3. <u>**RESOLUTION**</u>: To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with HCS, Inc., in the total amount of \$547,000.00, for the development of three (3) new

construction properties located at 4701, 4705 & 4707 Charles Bussey Avenue, in the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, utilizing HOME Investment Partnership Program Funds; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval*

Synopsis: A resolution to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with HCS, Inc., for the development of three (3) new construction properties at 4701, 4705 & 4707 Charles Bussey Avenue utilizing HOME Investment Partnerships Program Funds. (Located in Ward 1)

Vice-Mayor Hines made the motion, seconded by Director Wright, to add Item M-2 to the Separate Items and to add Items M-3 – M-6 to the Consent Agenda. By roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Ayes: Richardson; Miller; Webb; Peck; Wright; Wyrick; Kumpuris; Phillips; Adcock and Vice-Mayor Hines. By a vote of ten (10) ayes and zero (0) nays, Item M-2 was added to the Separate Items and M-3 – M-6 were added to the Consent Agenda.

Vice-Mayor Hines made the motion, seconded by Director Wright, to add Item M-1 to the Separate Items.

Director Phillips stated that he was supportive of the Ambassadors Program; however, the Board had yet to receive the proposed 2023 Budget and he did not feel like it was appropriate to amend the Budget before it had been received.

By roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Ayes: Miller; Webb; Peck; Wright; Wyrick; Kumpuris; Adcock and Vice-Mayor Hines. Nays: Richardson and Phillips. By a vote of eight (8) ayes and two (2) nays, **Item M-1 was added to the Separate Items.**

Vice-Mayor Hines stated that the Board had previously-approved Item M-7 and asked why it was on the agenda as a modification. City Attorney Tom Carpenter stated that when the Item was on the Planning Commission Agenda, there was a group of individuals that wanted to speak in opposition; however, the comment cards were not received and they were told that they would have the opportunity to speak at the Board of Directors Meeting when the item would be scheduled for action. City Attorney Carpenter stated that when the item appeared on the Board Agenda, the opposition cards were not acknowledge until the end of the meeting. City Attorney Carpenter stated that the opponents had asked to have time to voice their concerns to the Board, and what was before the Board that evening was a 'Motion to Reconsider' the item at a future Board Meeting.

Director Kumpuris made the motion, seconded by Director Peck, to reconsider the item and to place it on the December 20, 2022, Agenda. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Member present, Item M-7 was reconsidered and will be placed on the December 20, 2022, Agenda.

Vice-Mayor Hines made the motion, seconded by Director Adcock, to add Item M-8 to the Separate Items. By roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Ayes: Miller; Webb; Peck; Wright; Wyrick; Kumpuris; Adcock and Vice-Mayor Hines. Nays: Richardson and Phillips. By a vote of eight (8) ayes and two (2) nays, **Item M-8 was added to the Separate Items.**

Vice-Mayor Hines made the motion, seconded by Director Wyrick, to defer Item 2 until December 20, 2022, and to withdraw Item 3. By voice vote of the Board Members

present, with Director Richardson voting in opposition, **Item 2 was deferred until December 20, 2022, and Item 3 was withdrawn.**

CONSENT AGENDA (Items 4 – 11 and Items M-3 – M-6)

4. <u>RESOLUTION NO. 15,828</u>: A resolution to authorize the City Manager to enter the contract with Presidio Networked Solutions, in an amount not to exceed \$174,875.26, plus applicable taxes and fees, for the purchase and installation of Video Conference Equipment for the Little Rock Police Department Headquarters; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval*

Synopsis: A resolution to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Presidio Networked Solutions for the purchase of Video Conference Equipment for the Little Rock Police Department Headquarters.

5. <u>**RESOLUTION NO. 15,829**</u>: To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Rue Holdings, LLC, and Riverfront Detail, in an amount not to exceed \$140,000.00, for Car Wash Services for City Vehicles; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval* **Synopsis:** A resolution to authorize the City Manager to enter into an annual contract with Riverfront Detail and Rue Holdings, LLC, for Car Wash Services.

6. <u>**RESOLUTION NO. 15,830**</u>: To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Smart Automotive Group, in an amount not to exceed \$433,500.00, plus applicable taxes and fees, for the purchase of seventeen (17) Ford Maverick AWD Pick-Up Trucks for various City Departments; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval*

Synopsis: A resolution to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Smart Automotive Group for the purchase of seventeen (17) Ford Maverick AWD Pick-Up Trucks for various City Departments.

7. <u>**RESOLUTION NO. 15,831</u>**: To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with GPS Insight, in an amount not to exceed \$185,000.00, plus applicable taxes and fees, for GPS Services for the Fleet Services Department; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval*</u>

Synopsis: A resolution to authorize the City Manager to enter into an annual contract with GPS Insight for GPS Services for the Fleet Services Department.

8. <u>**RESOLUTION NO. 15,832</u>**: To authorize the City Manager to extend the agreement with Depaul, USA, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$369,157.48, to operate the Jericho Way Homeless Day Resource Center; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval*</u>

9. <u>**RESOLUTION NO. 15,833</u>**: To authorize the City Manager to extend the contract with Impact Management and Mitchell, Williams, Selig, Gates & Woodyard, PLLC, in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00, to provide Governmental Affairs and Consulting Services; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval*</u>

10. RESOLUTION NO. 15,834: To authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with the Little Rock Convention and Visitors Bureau for continued management and operation of the Little Rock River Market for a twelve (12)-month period beginning January 1, 2023; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval*

11. <u>**RESOLUTION NO. 15,835**</u>: A resolution to authorize the City Manager to extend the contract with the Little Rock Regional Chamber of Commerce, in an amount not to exceed \$250,000.00, to provide Economic Development Consulting Services; and for other purposes.

<u>Anika Whitfield</u>: Stated that she would like to see a report regarding what services that the Little Rock Regional Chamber of Commerce has provided to the City.

M-3 <u>**RESOLUTION NO. 15,837**</u>: To authorize entry into an Historic Preservation Easement between the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, the L.C. and Daisy Bates House Museum Foundation and the Ministerial Alliance for a period of fifty (50) years from the date of this resolution, for the home located at 1207 West 28th Street, Little Rock, Arkansas, a National Historic Landmark; to authorize the payment of allocated funds in exchange for this Easement; to authorize the Mayor, City Manager and City Clerk to execute the necessary documents and to take all necessary steps to secure and record this Easement; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval*

M-4 <u>**RESOLUTION NO. 15,838**</u>: To amend Little Rock, Ark., Resolution No. 15,820 (November 15, 2022), to amend the revised contract purchase price with Vermeer Midsouth, in an amount not to exceed \$1,500,166.79, plus applicable taxes and fees, to account for the increased cost for one (1) TG7000 Tub Grinder for the Public Works Department Landfill Division; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval*

M-5 <u>**RESOLUTION NO. 15,839**</u>: To amend Little Rock, Ark., Resolution No. 15,718 (June 21, 2022), and to authorize the City Manager to amend the contract with Travelers Insurance Company in an amount not to exceed \$1,162,633.00, to cover the increased Statement of Value for the Arkansas Museum of Fine Arts; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval*

Synopsis: A resolution to amend Resolution No. 15,718 (June 21, 2022), and to authorize the City Manager to amend the contract with Travelers Insurance Company to include Property Insurance for the Arkansas Museum of Fine Arts for the period of July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023.

M-6 <u>**RESOLUTION 15,840**</u>: To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Crum & Forster, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00, to provide Cyber Liability Insurance for a term of December 10, 2022, to December 10, 2023; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval*

Synopsis: A resolution to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Crum & Forster to provide Cyber Liability Insurance for the term of December 10, 2022, to December 10, 2023.

Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Vice-Mayor Hines, to approve the Consent Agenda.

City Attorney Carpenter stated that Director Webb had notified him that because she was on the Board for Jericho Way, that she would recuse herself from voting on Item 8.

By voice vote of the Board Members present, with Director Webb recusing on Item 8 and Director Richardson voting Present, **the Consent Agenda was approved.**

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

<u>Johnny Hasan</u>: Public Health Emergency. <u>Luke Skrable</u>: Little Rock Mayor's Agenda.

GROUPED ITEMS (Items 12 - 17)

12. <u>**ORDINANCE NO. 22,198**</u>: To amend Chapter 8, Article I, § 8-2(5) and Article VI, Division I, § 8-474(B) of the Little Rock Revised Code of Ordinances (1988); to provide for the adoption by reference of the 2018 Arkansas Fuel Gas Code and 2018 Revisions; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval*

Synopsis: An ordinance to adopt the 2018 Arkansas Flue Gas Code. Currently the City is enforcing the 2010 Arkansas Fuel Gas Code and adoption of this Code would bring the City up-to-date with the most current Code.

13. <u>ORDINANCE NO. 22,199</u>: To amend Chapter 8, Article I, § 8-2(4) and Article VI, Division I, § 8-474(a)(1) of the Little Rock Revised Code of Ordinances (1988); to provide for the adoption by reference of the 2018 Arkansas Plumbing Code and 2018 Revisions; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval*

Synopsis: An ordinance to adopt the 2018 Arkansas Plumbing Code. Currently the City is enforcing the 2006 Arkansas Plumbing Code and adoption of this Code would bring the City up-to-date with the most current Code.

14. <u>**ORDINANCE NO. 22,200**</u>: To amend Chapter 8, Article I, § 8-2(8) and Article III, Division III, § 8-172 of the Little Rock Revised Code of Ordinances (1988); to provide for the adoption by reference of the 2020 National Electrical Code; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval*

Synopsis: An ordinance to adopt the 2020 National Electrical Code. Currently the City is enforcing the 2017 National Electrical Code, and adoption of the 2020 Code would bring the City up-to-date with the most current Code.

15. <u>**ORDINANCE NO. 22,201**</u>: To amend Chapter 8, Article I, § 8-2(6) and Article VI, Division I, § 8-474(C) of the Little Rock Revised Code of Ordinances (1988); to provide for the adoption by reference of the 2021 International Mechanical Code and 2021 Revisions; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval*

Synopsis: An ordinance to adopt the 2021 International Mechanical Code. Currently the City is enforcing the 2010 Arkansas Mechanical Code and adoption of this Code would bring the City up-to-date with the most current Code.

16. <u>**ORDINANCE NO. 22,202**</u>: To amend Chapter 8, Article I, § 8-2(11) of the Little Rock Revised Code of Ordinances (1988); to provide for the adoption by reference of the 2021 International Swimming Pool and Spa Code; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval*

Synopsis: An ordinance to adopt the 2021 International Pool and Spa Code. Currently the City doesn't have a Code for new construction of swimming pools and spas. Adoption of this Code would provide a guideline for construction of new pool and spa installations.

17. <u>**ORDINANCE NO. 22,203**</u>: To amend Chapter 8, Article I, § 8-2(10) of the Little Rock Revised Code of Ordinances (1988); to provide for the adoption by reference of the 2021 International Property Maintenance Code; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval*

Synopsis: An ordinance to adopt the 2021 International Property Maintenance Code. Currently the City is enforcing the 2018 International Property Maintenance Code, and adoption of this 2021 Code would bring the City up-to-date with the most current Code.

The ordinances were read the first time. Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Vice-Mayor Hines, 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 Vice-Mayor Hines, 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 the nules 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. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, the rules were suspended and the ordinances were read a third time. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, the ordinances were approved.

SEPARATE ITEMS (Items 18 – 20 and Items M-1, M-2 & M-8)

Mayor Scott stated that he would like to move Item 19 ahead of Item 18.

19. ORDINANCE NO. 22,207; Z-9716: To approve a Planned Zoning Development and to establish a Planned Commercial Development, titled The Middle PCD, located at the southeast corner of Cantrell Road and North Rodney Parham Road, Little Rock, Arkansas, amending the Official Zoning Map of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. (Deferred from October 18, 2022(Deferred from November 15, 2022) (Planning Commission: 8 ayes; 0 nays; 2 absent; and 1 open position) Staff recommends approval. Synopsis: The applicant is requesting that the 10.967-acre property, located at the southeast corner of Cantrell Road and North Rodney Parham Road, be rezoned from O-2, Office and Institutional District, to PCD, Planned Commercial Development, to allow for a multi-lot commercial development. (Located in Ward 4)

The ordinance was read the first time. Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Vice-Mayor Hines, 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 Vice-Mayor Hines, 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 second time. Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Vice-Mayor Hines, 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>Lucas Hargraves</u>: Stated that he represented the applicant, Colliers International. Mr. Hargraves stated that he was aware that one of the main concerns with the proposed development was the potential for increased traffic. Mr. Hargraves stated that in visiting with the Arkansas Department of Transportation (ArDOT), he was informed that once the construction was completed at the Interstate 630 & Highway 10 interchange, 70% - 80% of the traffic along Highway 10 will be rerouted over the flyover. Mr. Hargraves stated that one of the rumors being floated was that the zoning change was for C-3, General Commercial District; however, the zoning request was actually for a PCD, Planned Commercial Development, which would provide the City with more control.

<u>Bradford Gaines</u>: Stated that he was with Colliers International and felt that the project was a proper use of infill.

Director Peck stated that was a lot of confusion regarding the proposed project, due to the fact that no one was aware of the project. Director Peck stated that she understood

that only residents located within 200 feet from a project were notified; however, with a project as impactful as The Middle, she felt that greater areas needed to be notified.

<u>Marion Gavin</u>: Stated that she was the President of the Walton Heights Homeowner's Association, and she was also representing River Ridge Homeowner's Association, Robinwood Homeowner's Association, Fox Croft Homeowner's Association, Echo Valley Homeowner's Association and Piedmont Homeowner's Association. Ms. Gavin stated that they were not opposed to the development of the property in question, but the amount of potential traffic that could occur as a result. Ms. Gavin stated that the Traffic Study was not conducted during the time period of drop-off or pick-up at Christ the King Catholic School, which was located immediately across the street from the development. Ms. Gavin asked that the Board postpone action on the development until a detailed and specific Traffic Study could be conducted.

<u>Pete Marvin</u>: Stated that he was concerned about the potential for the increase of traffic and that by the Developer's on account, an estimated 4,900 in and out automobile movements would occur every twenty-four (24) hours at the development.

Director Richardson made the motion, seconded by Director Wright, to set a time limit of thirty (30) minutes for the remaining speakers. By voice vote of the Board Members present, **the motion failed.**

<u>Jamie Norton</u>: Stated that she represented the Robinwood Neighborhood and that there were five (5) schools located within the proximately of the development and asked that the Board consider the safety of those children as a result of the increased traffic. Ms. Norton stated that they were not against smart development, but against the rezoning of a property that had a lot of opportunity for development

<u>Randy Tolbert</u>: Stated that he was with Peters & Associates Engineers and that they had conducted a detailed Traffic Study. Mr. Tolbert stated that the school drop-off and pick-up time was not required, but that they had conducted the study based on the projected peak hours of the development.

Director Kumpuris asked if the Traffic Study was conducted prematurely based on the timeline for ArDOT to complete the construction of the interchange. Mr. Tolbert stated that due to the construction work not being completed, they had factored in a 3% compounded growth, which was extremely high, to account for any future changes. Director Kumpuris stated that he understood that none of the initial restaurants would be considered fast food; however, would that remain true for any future restaurants. Mr. Gaines stated that their plan was to file restrictive covenants with the land for perpetuity.

Director Wyrick asked if the restrictions that the applicants had discussed would be written into the record. Planning & Development Director Jamie Collins stated that restrictions would go with the land and before any permits were issued, it would be recorded.

Director Peck stated that it was her understanding that the Traffic Study had been conducted after the Planning Commission had approved the development and asked if that was normal. Mr. Collins stated that it was not a requirement; however, once the item passed the Planning Commission, staff requested that they conduct a Traffic Study.

Vice-Mayor Hines made the motion, seconded by Director Richardson, to call the question on the vote. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the question to call the vote was approved.**

By roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Ayes: Miller; Richardson; Wright; Kumpuris; Phillips; and Vice-Mayor Hines. Nays: Webb; Peck; Wyrick; and Adcock. By a vote of six (6) ayes and four (4) nays, **the ordinance was approved.**

Mayor Scott stated that he would need to step out for a speaking engagement and that Vice-Mayor Hines would assume the gavel.

Director Phillips made the motion, seconded by Director Richardson, for the Board to take a five (5)-minute recess. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the Board took a five (5)-minute recess.**

18. <u>**ORDINANCE NO. 22,204**</u>: To amend Chapter 8, Article II, Division I, § 8-31(c) of the Little Rock Revised Code of Ordinances (1988); to provide for a revision of Permit Fee Schedules for Building, Electrical, Plumbing, Mechanical, Fire and related work performed in the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; *to declare an emergency;* and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval*

Synopsis: An ordinance to increase all Building Permit and construction-related fees for 2023.

The ordinance was read the 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 second time.

By roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Ayes: Miller; Richardson; Webb; Wright; Kumpuris; Phillips; and Vice-Mayor Hines. Nays: Peck; Wyrick; and Adcock. By a vote of seven (7) ayes and three (3) nays, **the ordinance was approved.**

By roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Ayes: Miller; Richardson; Webb; Wright; Kumpuris; Phillips; and Vice-Mayor Hines. Nays: Peck; Wyrick; and Adcock. By a vote of seven (7) ayes and three (3) nays, **the emergency clause failed.**

City Manager Bruce Moore stated that as a result of the emergency clause failing, the ordinance would go into effect in thirty (30) days rather than immediately.

20. <u>**ORDINANCE NO. 22,205**</u>: To declare it impractical and unfeasible to bid; to authorize the City Manager to extend the contract with Arkansas Municipal League Municipal Vehicle Program, at a total cost of \$990,000.00, to administer a Self-Insurance Program for the City of Little Rock's Motor Vehicle Liability Insurance; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval*

Synopsis: An ordinance authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with Arkansas Municipal League Municipal Vehicle Program to administer a Self-Insurance Program for the City of Little Rock's motor vehicles. This allows coverage for Liability, Compensation and Collision Insurance for City Vehicles.

The ordinance was read the 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 Wright, 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 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.

Director Kumpuris asked if over the past several years, the City had received back as much as had been paid to the Arkansas Municipal League (AML). Fleet Services Director Willie Hinton stated that over the last several years, AML had only denied one (1) claim and that the City's claims exceeded the amount that had been paid.

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

The Mayor returned to the meeting and assumed the gavel.

M-1 <u>**RESOLUTION NO. 15,841**</u>: To direct that \$500,000.00 be set aside in the 2023 Annual City Budget to assist the Ambassador Program of the Little Rock Downtown Partnership; and for other purposes. *(Sponsored by Director Adcock)*

Director Kumpuris stated that the Ambassador Program was a very important aspect of developing the downtown area and asked that the Board support the amount to be set aside. Director Phillips stated that as a member of the Advertising & Promotion Commission, he was aware that they would be taking action the following day on a resolution to fund a portion of the Ambassador Program. Director Phillips stated that he was supportive of the program; however, he thought that the City needed to wait until the A&P Commission took action and then fill in the gap for funding instead of setting a set amount aside.

Vice-Mayor Hines made the motion, seconded by Director Wright, to call the question on the vote. By roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Ayes: Miller; Webb; Peck; Wright; Wyrick; Kumpuris; Phillips; Adcock; and Vice-Mayor Hines. Nays: Richardson. By a vote of nine (9) ayes and one (1) nay, **the question to call the vote was approved.**

Vice-Mayor Hines made the motion, seconded by Director Wright, to approve the resolution. By roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Ayes: Miller; Webb; Peck; Wright; Wyrick; Kumpuris; Phillips; Adcock; and Vice-Mayor Hines. Nays: Richardson. By a vote of nine (9) ayes and one (1) nay, **the resolution was approved.**

M-2 <u>RESOLUTION NO. 15,836</u>: To authorize the City Manager to enter into a one (1)year contract with three (3) organizations, in a total amount not to exceed \$990,000.00, to provide Prevention, Intervention and Treatment Funds for Positive Prevention Programs for 2023, as endorsed by the Commission on Children, Youth and Families; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval*

Synopsis: A resolution to authorize the City Manager to enter into contracts with three (3) organizations to provide Afterschool/Out-of-School Time Prevention Programs for one (1)-year from January 1, 2023, to December 31, 2023.

Vice-Mayor Hines made the motion, seconded by Director Miller, to approve the resolution. By voice vote of the Board Members present, with Director Richardson voting in opposition, **the resolution was approved.**

M-8 ORDINANCE NO. 22,206: An ordinance to amend Chapter 2, Article IV, Division 4 of the Little Rock Revised Code of Ordinance (1988), to assure openness and transparency in the request and selection of Professional Services; to declare an emergency; and for other purposes. (Sponsored by Vice-Mayor Hines) (Requires a supermajority vote for addition)

The ordinance was read the first time. Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Vice-Mayor Hines, 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 Vice-Mayor Hines, 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 three Board Members present, the rules were suspended and the ordinance was read a third time. By voice vote of the Board Members present, with Director Richardson voting in opposition, the ordinance was approved. By roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Ayes: Miller; Webb; Peck; Wright; Wyrick; Kumpuris; Adcock; and Vice-Mayor Hines. Nays: Richardson and Phillips. By a vote of eight (8) ayes and two (2) nays, **the emergency clause was approved**.

WORKING SESSION (Items 21 – 22)

21. <u>DISCUSSION</u>: Second Tranche of the American Rescue Plan Act.

Emily Cox presented the summary of what had been completed to-date, and those items that had been previously proposed, but were not include in Resolution No. 15,783, which was approved on September 6, 2022.

22. <u>DISCUSSION</u>: Continuation of the 2023 Budget Planning Process.

City Manager Moore and City Attorney Carpenter presented the proposed budgets, along with the budget requests for their respective Divisions.

The Mayor made the motion to adjourn the meeting. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the meeting was adjourned.**

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Susan Langley, City Clerk

Frank Scott, Jr., Mayor