

**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMUNICATION
SEPTEMBER 19, 2017 AGENDA**

Subject:	Action Required:	Approved By:
<p>A resolution to authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a Historic Preservation Easement on a portion of the Oakland & Fraternal Historic Cemetery Park Premises to the Arkansas Historic Preservation Program.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Ordinance √ Resolution Approval Information Report</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Bruce T. Moore City Manager</p>
SYNOPSIS	<p>The resolution will authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a Historic Preservation Easement on a portion of the Oakland & Fraternal Historic Cemetery Park premises for the repair of stone masonry and wrought iron gates at the College and Barber Street entrances to the Cemetery, to the State of Arkansas, acting by and through the Arkansas Historic Preservation Program.</p>	
FISCAL IMPACT	<p>This Historic Preservation Easement is a requirement before the \$24,986.00 granted by the Arkansas Historic Preservation Program can be provided to the City through reimbursement. The grant provides 2 for 1 funding, with the Arkansas Historic Preservation Program providing the major part of the funding of the stone masonry and wrought iron gate repair project.</p>	
RECOMMENDATION	<p>Approval of the resolution.</p>	
BACKGROUND	<p>Earlier this year, the City applied for and was successful in being awarded a Historic Restoration Preservation Grant from the Arkansas Historic Preservation Program.</p>	

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The amount of the grant is \$24,986.00, and a condition of the grant funding is for the City to provide a Conservation Easement, called a Historic Preservation Easement, on the portion of the Cemetery premises where the repairs will be performed, to the Arkansas Historic Preservation Program to assist with conserving and preserving the value and significance of the Oakland Cemetery. The easement places limits on changes to the appearance and structure of the portion of the Cemetery where the stone masonry and wrought iron gate repairs will be made.

The Oakland & Fraternal Historic Cemetery Park Board suggested that the City apply for the grant and is in full support of the stone masonry and wrought iron gate repair work for the Cemetery.