

**Little Rock Board of Directors Special Called Meeting  
May 31, 2022  
4:00 PM**

The Board of Directors of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, met in a Special Called Meeting with Mayor Frank Scott, Jr., presiding. City Clerk Susan Langley called the roll with the following Directors present: Miller; Richardson (via WebEx Teleconferencing); Webb; Peck; Wright; Wyrick; Phillips; Kumpuris; Adcock; Vice-Mayor Hines; and Mayor Scott. Vice-Mayor Hines delivered the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Scott welcomed Little Rock Regional Chamber of Commerce Executive Vice-President James Reddish to the podium to announce a new company that would be locating in the Little Rock Port. Mr. Reddish stated that Synthesia Technology, Inc., would be investing approximately \$30,000,000.00 on fifteen (15) acres within the Little Rock Port and would be creating fifty (50) new jobs. Mr. Reddish stated that Synthesia was a globally recognized leader in the industry for advanced technology. Little Rock Port Authority Executive Director Bryan Day stated that they were excited to welcome Synthesia to the community and looked forward to working with them as the located at the Little Rock Port.

**AGENDA (Items 1 - 2)**

1. **RESOLUTION:** Of intent as the expenditure of proceeds from the Capital Improvement Bond Issues for streets and drainage sent to the Electorate for approval of the levy in Little Rock, Ark., Ordinance No. 22,132 (May 17, 2022); and for other purposes. *(Sponsored by Director Phillips)*

Director Phillips stated that the proposed resolution related to streets and drainage only and would allocate 10% of the proceeds which would be used for general City-Wide Programs and that once the City-wide allocation was set aside, each member of the Board, with the exception of the Mayor, would be able to designate how 10% of the remaining proceeds should be spent. Vice-Mayor Hines stated that the proposal would dilute the amount of money that was to be spent in each of the seven (7) Wards. Director Wyrick stated that the Ward Directors and At-Large Directors had never had any issue in working together on determining how the funds should be spent in each Ward.

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

Director Phillips made the motion, seconded by Director Wyrick, to approve the resolution. By voice vote of the Board Members present, **the resolution failed.**

2. **RESOLUTION NO. 15,688:** To authorize the City Manager to enter into a settlement agreement, which includes payment of \$85,000.00, to Aaron Manning, to resolve all claims currently in litigation; and for other purposes.

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Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Vice-Mayor Hines, to approve the resolution. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the resolution was approved.**

Vice-Mayor Hines made the motion, seconded by Director Adcock, to adjourn the meeting. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the meeting was adjourned.**

**ATTEST:**

**APPROVED:**

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**Susan Langley, City Clerk**

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**Frank Scott, Jr., Mayor**