Little Rock Board of Directors Meeting
February 16, 2016
6:00 PM

The Board of Directors of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, met in a regular meeting with Mayor Mark Stodola presiding. City Clerk Susan Langley called the roll with the following Directors present: Hendrix; Webb; Cazort; Wright; Fortson; Kumpuris; Adcock; Vice-Mayor Hines; and Mayor Stodola. Directors Absent: Richardson and Wyrick. Director Joan Adcock delivered the invocation, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS

City of Little Rock Employee Retirement Recognition
Jim Bradshaw, Human Resources Department

ADDITIONS:

M-1 RESOLUTION: To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Nelson/Nygaard, in the amount of $75,770.00, plus contingencies, to work with the City of Little Rock Elected Officials and Staff to conduct a comprehensive review of the 30 Crossing Project and make recommendations regarding actions that the City should take with respect to the project; and for other purposes. Staff recommends approval.
Synopsis: To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract for Planning Consultants related to the 30 Crossing Project.

M-2 ORDINANCE: To authorize the purchase of necessary MF Visual Cobol for Windows Compilers from Infor Public Sector; to waive competitive bids as impractical and infeasible; to declare an emergency; and for other purposes. Staff recommends approval.
Synopsis: To allow for the purchase of additional equipment necessary for the City’s Lawson Computer System Upgrade.

Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Director Wright, to add Item M-1 to the Separate Items and Item M-2 to the Grouped Items. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, Item M-1 was added to Separate Items and Item M-2 was added to Grouped Items.

CONSENT AGENDA (Items 1 – 3)

1. RESOLUTION NO. 14,285: To authorize the City Manager to enter into contracts for Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA), in a total amount not to exceed $487,500.00, for one (1)-year, with the City’s option to renew the term for two (2) additional one (1)-year increments; and for other purposes. Staff recommends approval.
Synopsis: Authorization for City Manager to enter into contracts for the Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS (HOPWA) Funding Grant to the Arkansas AIDS Foundation and Northeast

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Arkansas Regional Aids Network in an total amount not to exceed $487,500.00 for one (1)-year, with the City’s option to renew the term two (2) times in one (1)-year increments with the right to terminate the agreement upon completion of the Federally-Funded Housing Programs.

2. **RESOLUTION NO. 14,286**: To certify local government endorsement of Hillcrest Camshaft Svc, located at 5502 West 65th Street, Little Rock, Arkansas, to participate in the Arkansas Tax Back Programs, (as authorized by Section 15-4-2706(D) of the Consolidated Incentive Act of 2003); and for other purposes.

3. **RESOLUTION NO. 14,287**: To authorize the City Manager to award a contract to Hydco, Inc., in an amount not to exceed $891,807.00, for the construction of the Clinton Island Pedestrian Bridge; and for other purposes.  
**Staff recommends approval.**

Synopsis: Authorizes the City Manager to execute an agreement with Hydco, Inc., for construction of the Clinton Island Pedestrian Bridge 2015, LR Project No. 14-5773, Bid No. 15-024. (Project is located in Ward 1)

Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Director Wright, to approve the Consent Agenda. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, the Consent Agenda was approved.

GROUPED ITEMS (Items 4 – 5 and Item M-2)

4. **ORDINANCE NO. 21,184; Z-5258-B**: To approve a Planned Zoning Development and establish a Planned Commercial District titled Service King Revised Short-Form PD-C, located at 12208 West Markham Street, Little Rock, Arkansas, amending the Official Zoning Map of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes.  
**Planning Commission: 10 ayes; 0 nays; and 1 absent. Staff recommends approval.**

Synopsis: The applicant is requesting to amend the previously-approved PD-C, Planned Development Commercial, to allow for the placement of an electric fence along the site’s northern, eastern and western perimeters. (Located in Ward 5)

5. **ORDINANCE NO. 21,185**: To condemn certain structures in the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, as structural, fire and health hazards; to provide for summary abatement procedures; to direct the City Staff to take such action as is necessary to raze and remove said structures; **to declare an emergency**; and for other purposes. **Staff recommends approval.**

Synopsis: Five (5) residential structures in a severely dilapidated, deteriorated and/or burned condition causing a negative environmental impact on the residential neighborhoods in which it is located

M-2 **ORDINANCE NO. 21,186**: To authorize the purchase of necessary MF Visual Cobol for Windows Compilers from Infor Public Sector; to waive competitive bids as impractical and infeasible; **to declare an emergency**; and for other purposes. **Staff recommends approval.**

Synopsis: To allow for the purchase of additional equipment necessary for the City’s Lawson Computer System Upgrade.

The ordinances were read a first time. Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Director Cazort, 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
Director Cazort, 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 third time. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, the ordinances were approved. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, the emergency clause for Item 5 was approved. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, the emergency clause for Item M-2 was approved.

SEPARATE ITEMS (Items 6 and M-1)

M-1 RESOLUTION NO. 14,288: To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Nelson/Nygaard, in the amount of $75,770.00, plus contingencies, to work with the City of Little Rock Elected Officials and Staff to conduct a comprehensive review of the 30 Crossing Project and make recommendations regarding actions that the City should take with respect to the project; and for other purposes. Staff recommends approval.

Synopsis: To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract for Planning Consultants related to the 30 Crossing Project.

Vice-Mayor Hines stated that he thought the City had planned on hiring a full-time Planner. City Manager Bruce Moore stated that the intention was always to issue a Request for Qualifications to hire a Consultant to assist in reviewing the project. Vice-Mayor Hines asked if there was a timeline. City Manager Moore stated that the review would be completed approximately ninety (90) days after the contract was signed.

Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Director Wright, to adopt the resolution.

By roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Ayes: Webb; Cazort; Wright; Wyrick; Kumpuris; Fortson; Adcock; and Vice-Mayor Hines. Nays: Hendrix and Richardson. By a vote of eight (8) ayes and two (2) nays, the resolution was approved.

6. RESOLUTION NO. 14,289: To declare a twelve (12)-month moratorium on multi-family developments along Bowman Road, in order to determine traffic patterns and the impact on existing neighborhoods of current multi-family developments; to consider whether multi-family should be a part of the Land Use Plan on this road; and for other purposes.

City Attorney Tom Carpenter distributed copies of the update resolution with a Proviso which stated: provided, this moratorium does not apply to any multi-family development for which zoning has been approved and the developer has materially changed circumstances prior to the effective date of this resolution, or are damaged after the date of this resolution and the repair of such damage necessitates appropriate Building Permits.

City Attorney Carpenter stated that change was designed to: 1) not apply to the development across the Bowman Road which was already under construction and; 2) to ensure that if there was damage by fire or wind, or anything else, to an existing facility and the damages were significant enough that it warranted obtaining a Building Permit, it would not be effected by the moratorium.
Director Kumpuris asked if the moratorium would affect any development that had already been approved. City Attorney Carpenter stated that it would not; however, it would affect the proposed Herrick Heights development (which had been deferred from the Board’s February 2, 2016, Agenda to the March 1, 2016, meeting) due to the fact that the zoning change had not been approved. Director Cazort stated that he was supportive of the concept of a moratorium; however, he was opposed to the current language of the proposed resolution that would cut a proposed project off in the middle of the process. Director Cazort stated that the applicant deserved the right to receive a yay or nay from the Board regarding the zoning change.

Director Cazort made the motion, seconded by Director Kumpuris, to amend the resolution so that it would not apply to any applicant that had already filed the necessary paperwork as of the time the resolution passed.

City Attorney Carpenter stated that if passed, the amendment would read: provided, this moratorium does not apply to any multi-family development for which zoning has been approved by the Planning Commission prior to the effective date of this resolution, or is damaged after the date of this resolution and the repair of such damage necessitates appropriate Building Permits.

Director Wright stated that her constituents were concerned about the proposed project and she would prefer that the moratorium not be amended.

By roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Ayes: Richardson; Cazort; Kumpuris; Fortson; and Vice-Mayor Hines. Nays: Webb; Wright; Wyrick; and Adcock. Present: Hendrix. When asked if she would like to change her Present vote, Director Hendrix indicated that she would like to change her vote from Present to Aye. The final roll call vote was as follows: Ayes: Hendrix; Richardson; Cazort; Kumpuris; Fortson; and Vice-Mayor Hines. Nays: Webb; Wright; Wyrick; and Adcock. By a vote of six (6) ayes and four (4) nays, the motion was approved.

Clark Cogbill, 8 Winterfern Cove: Stated that he was a residence of the Woodlands Edge Neighborhood and utilized Bowman Road on a daily basis and had a concern regarding the traffic and the planning of the proposed development. William Phillips, 13620 Saint Charles Boulevard: Stated that he had been a residence of Little Rock since 2006 and urged the Board to study the effect that the proposed development would have on the surrounding neighborhoods. Jamie Shipley, 33 Woodstream Cove: Stated that she was disappointed with the vote on the amendment and asked that the Board review the density of multi-family on Bowman Road, which she felt was not adequate to handle the volume of traffic. David Shipley, 33 Woodstream Cove: Stated that traffic was increasing on Bowman Road every day and asked that the Board conduct a comprehensive study of the area. Ann Brown Marshall, 11 Deerberry Forest Circle: Stated that she was in favor of the moratorium and asked that the Board support the resolution. Casey Covington, 12306 Cherry Laurel Drive: Stated that he was an Engineer and Planner and asked that the Board work to create a development plan for the area. Sebastian Montes, 2822 Mosey Creek: Asked that the Board support the moratorium. Ruth Bell, 76211 Briarwood Drive: Stated that she represented the League of Women Voters of Pulaski County and that they were supportive of the moratorium.
Jane Evans, 12115 Brodie Creek Trail: Asked that the Board approve the moratorium.

Director Cazort made the motion, seconded by Director Kumpuris, to approve the resolution. By roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Ayes: Webb; Cazort; Wright; Wyrick; Kumpuris; Fortson; and Adcock. Nays: Richardson and Vice-Mayor Hines. Present: Hendrix. When asked if she would like to change her Present vote, Director Hendrix indicated that she would like to change her vote from Present to Aye. The final roll call vote was as follows: Ayes: Hendrix; Webb; Cazort; Wright; Wyrick; Kumpuris; Fortson; and Adcock. Nays: Richardson and Vice-Mayor Hines. By a vote of eight (8) ayes and two (2) nays, the resolution was approved as amended.

Director Richardson stated that in regards to Item M-1, he had voted nay and would like to change his vote. There being no objections from any of the Board Members, Director Richardson’s vote for Item M-1 was registered as Aye. Director Hendrix stated that in regards to Item M-1, she had voted nay and would like to change her vote. There being no objections from any of the Board Members, Director Hendrix’s vote for Item M-1 was registered as Aye.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

Robert Webb, 2209 South Martin Street: PIT

Director Cazort made the motion, seconded by Director Kumpuris, 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   Mark Stodola, Mayor