

**Little Rock Board of Directors Meeting
January 19, 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: Richardson; Webb; Cazort; Wright; Wyrick; Fortson; Kumpuris; Adcock (enrolled at 6:20 PM); Vice-Mayor Hines; and Mayor Stodola. Directors absent: Hendrix. Director Dean Kumpuris delivered the invocation, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Stodola recognized Payne Hill, a scout from Troop 30 that was present in the audience working on his Communications Merit Badge.

DEFERRALS:

8. ORDINANCE To amend Chapter 36 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, to provide for the modification of various procedures, definitions and land use regulations; and for other purposes. *Planning Commission: 11 ayes; 0 nays; and 0 absent. Staff recommends approval. (Deferred at staff's request until February 2, 2016)*
Synopsis: Staff, through the Little Rock Planning Commission, is proposing a package of amendments to Chapter 36 of the Code of Ordinances, the Zoning Ordinance.

Director Cazort made the motion, seconded by Director Richardson, to defer Item 8 until February 2, 2016. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **Item 8 was deferred until February 2, 2016.**

CONSENT AGENDA (Items 1 – 7)

1. MOTION: To approve the minutes of the July 21, 2015, Little Rock City Board of Directors Meeting.

2. RESOLUTION NO. 14,273; G-23-438-A: To set February 2, 2016, as the date of public hearing on the petition to abandon the undeveloped portion of the forty-four (44)-foot wide Rose Street right-of-way, located between North Lookout Road and Kenyon Street, in the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes.

3. RESOLUTION NO. 14,274: To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Dell Inc., for the purchase of thirty-two (32) Laptop Computers for the newly-purchased Patrol Vehicles for the Little Rock Police Department, in the total purchase price of \$115,409.55, utilizing the Arkansas State Contract Purchasing Agreement; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*
Synopsis: Approval of a resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with Dell Incorporated for the purchase of thirty two (32) Laptop Computers for the Little Rock Police Department. Total cost of this purchase is \$115,409.55.

4. RESOLUTION NO. 14,275: To authorize the City Manager to execute a contract increase for Hawkins Weir Engineers, Inc., in the amount of \$27,110.00, for additional improvements to Adams Street; and for other purposes. *(Funding from the 2012 3/8-Cent Capital Improvement Sales Tax) Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: Authorizes the City Manager to execute a change order with Hawkins Weir Engineers, Inc., for Project No. 13-2-32D, for sewer line relocation work for the Adams Street Improvement Project. (Located in Ward 2)

5. RESOLUTION NO. 14,276: To authorize the use of eminent domain on the W Street Improvement Project; and for other purposes. *(Funding from the 2012 3/8-Cent Capital Improvement Sales Tax) Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: Authorizes the City Attorney to use eminent domain to complete acquisition of right-of-way, temporary construction easements and land for improvements to W Street from Grant Street to University Avenue, Project No. 13-3-19k. (Located in Ward 3)

6. RESOLUTION NO. 14,277: To authorize the City Manager to purchase 2016 Little Rock Marathon Participant and Volunteer Shirts from Bluff City Sports, in the amount of \$81,067.22; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: A resolution to authorize the City Manager to purchase 2016 Little Rock Marathon participant and volunteer shirts from Bluff City Sports for \$81,067.22.

7. RESOLUTION NO. 14,278: To authorize the City Manager to make the final payment on a three (3)-year renewal of the City's Core Cal Maintenance Agreement with SHI, Inc., in the amount of \$128,686.00, plus applicable fees and taxes; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: To authorize the final payment of the City's Core Client Access Licenses through a Microsoft Enterprise Agreement, in a form agreeable to the City Attorney, which will allow all of the City's computer users to continue to connect legally to all City Microsoft servers with the most current version of software that supports e-mail, file shares, system management services and share point. The contract will also allow coverage of additional new users in the future, if the City has any during the contract period, on a cost per user basis.

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

GROUPED ITEMS (Items 9 – 14)

9. ORDINANCE NO. 21,158; LU15-01: To authorize the City Manager to make the final payment on a three (3)-year renewal of the City's Core Cal Maintenance Agreement with SHI, Inc., in the amount of \$128,686.00, plus applicable fees and taxes; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: To authorize the final payment of the City's Core Client Access Licenses through a Microsoft Enterprise Agreement, in a form agreeable to the City Attorney, which will allow all of the City's computer users to continue to connect legally to all City Microsoft servers with the most current version of software that supports e-mail, file shares, system management services and share point. The contract will also allow coverage of additional new users in the future, if the City has any during the contract period, on a cost per user basis.

10. ORDINANCE NO. 21,159; Z-3451-B: To approve a Planned Zoning Development and establish a Planned Office District titled Bennett Davis Group Short-Form POD, located at 1300 North Shackelford Road, 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 request is to rezone the property from R-2, Single-Family, with a Conditional Use Permit to allow a church to POD, Planned Office Development, to allow the use of the property for a printing, copying and graphic design business. (Located in Ward 4)

11. ORDINANCE NO. 21,160; Z-5817-F: To approve a Planned Zoning Development and establish a Planned Office District titled Little Rock Plastic Surgery Short-Form PD-O, located at 15104 – 15122 Cantrell Road, 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 request is a rezoning of the site from R-2, Single-Family, to PD-O, Planned Development Office, to allow for the construction of a new medical office clinic on the site. (Located in Ward 4)

12. ORDINANCE NO. 21,161; Z-6481-E: To approve a Planned Zoning Development and establish a Planned Commercial District titled K-Bird Restaurant Revised Short-Form PD-C, located at 600 North Tyler Street, Little Rock, Arkansas, amending the Official Zoning Map of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. *Planning Commission: 9 ayes; 2 nays; and 0 absent. Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: The request is to amend the previously-approved PD-C, Planned Development – Commercial, to extend the hours of operation for the restaurant from a closing time of 6:30 PM to a closing time of 9:00 PM. (Located in Ward 3)

13. ORDINANCE NO. 21,162; Z-9092: To approve a Planned Zoning Development and establish a Planned Commercial District titled Bassett Short-Form PCD, located at 3211 – 3215 South Arch Street, Little Rock, Arkansas, amending the Official Zoning Map of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. *Planning Commission: 11 ayes; 0 nays; and 0 absent. Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: The applicant is requesting a rezoning of the site from R-2, Single-Family, to PCD, Planned Commercial Development, to allow the reuse of this commercial building as a multi-tenant building utilizing C-1, Neighborhood Commercial District uses. (Located in Ward 1)

14. ORDINANCE NO. 21,163; Z-9096: To reclassify property located in the City of 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 owner of the 0.4171-acre property located at 3800 Woodland Heights Road is requesting that the zoning be reclassified from R-2, Single-Family District, to O-3, General Office District. (Located in Ward 4)

The ordinances were read a first time. Director Cazort made the motion, seconded by Director Richardson, 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 Cazort made the motion, seconded by Director Richardson, 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.**

SEPARATE ITEMS (Items 15 – 16)

15. RESOLUTION: To seek analysis by the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Commission of issues for the proposed 30 Crossing Project; and for other purposes.

Tom Fennell, 307 West 17th Street: Stated that he was in favor of the resolution and urged the Board to examine the various options and possibilities for the proposed 30 Crossing Project.

Tim McQuin, 1423 South Summit Street: Stated that he was opposed to the current 30 Crossing Plan, and asked that the Board support the resolution to analyze additional alternatives.

John Hedrick, 305 East 15th Street: Stated that he was a Downtown Little Rock resident and asked that the Board support the resolution.

Ruth Bell, 7611 Briarwood Drive: Stated that she represented the League of Women Voters of Pulaski County and stated that they were in support of exploring other options and asked that the Board support the resolution.

Charley Penix, 4214 Fairview Road: Stated that he worked for Cromwell Architects Engineers and they just purchased property on the east side of Interstate 30 and they were supportive of the resolution and for alternative options to be researched.

Carol Worley, 1300 West 3rd Street: Stated that she lived in Downtown Little Rock and was opposed to the current 30 Crossing Project and asked that the Board support the resolution.

Ed Sergeant, 1858 South Arch Street: Stated that he lived in the Quapaw Quarter Neighborhood and was opposed to the 30 Crossing Project and asked that the Board support the resolution to seek better alternatives for the corridor.

Paul Dodds, 2119 West 17th Street: Stated that he lived in the Central High Neighborhood and was opposed to the 30 Crossing Project and urged the Board to protect the City and not let the Interstate tear the City apart.

Starre Haas, 1909 South Arch Street: Stated that she was the President of the Downtown Neighborhood Association and they were supportive of the resolution.

Rebecca Engstrom, 315 Rock Street: Stated that she did not wish to address the Board; however, she wanted the record to reflect that she was supportive of the resolution.

Alex Morgan, 2001 Green Mountain Drive: Stated that additional alternatives needed to be studied and asked that the Board support the resolution.

Director Wright asked if the proposed resolution was binding. City Attorney Tom Carpenter stated that it was the expression of the intent of the Board; however, it did not force the Arkansas Highway and Transportation Department (AHTD) to take any action. Director Webb stated that the resolution was simply a request of AHTD to take into account the concerns of the citizens and look at different alternatives.

City Manager Bruce Moore stated that the City had put out a Request for Qualification (RFQ) for the selection of an Urban Planner. City Manager Moore stated that a recommendation should be brought before the Board by the next meeting.

Director Fortson made the motion, seconded by Director Cazort, to defer the item until April 5, 2016. By roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Ayes: Cazort; Wright; Kumpuris; Fortson; Adcock; and Vice-Mayor Hines. Nays: Richardson; Webb; and

Wyrick. Absent: Hendrix. By a vote of six (6) ayes, three (3) nays and one (1) absent, **the item was deferred until April 5, 2016.**

16. ORDINANCE NO. 21,167; MSP15-02: To amend the Master Street Plan (Ordinance No. 20,117) to change the design standard for Kanis Road, from Walnut Grove Road to Chenal Downs Boulevard; and for other purposes. *Planning Commission: 7 ayes; 4 nays; and 0 absent. Staff recommends denial.*
Synopsis: To modify the design standard of Kanis Road from Walnut Grove Road to Chenal Downs Boulevard to two (2), 10.5-foot lanes with no shoulder or sidewalk. (Located in the City's Extraterritorial Jurisdiction)

Mike Mitchell, 38525 Carnation Lane, Paron, AR: Mr. Mitchell stated that under the current Master Street Plan, Kanis Road through Fletcher's Hollow was a two (2)-lane road with four (4)-foot shoulders. Mr. Mitchell stated that if bulldozers came in to develop the four (4)-foot shoulders, it would destroy what was considered an Arkansas landmark. Mr. Mitchell asked that the Board preserve the corridor and support the passage of the ordinance.

Vice-Mayor Hines asked if the four (4)-foot shoulders could be accomplished without infringing into the tree canopy. Planning & Development Department Director Tony Bozynski stated that due to the fact that no Engineering Plans have been conducted for the area, it would be hard to determine if the tree canopy's would be affected.

Lolly Honea, Kanis Road: Stated that she lived in the area and asked that the Board support the ordinance.

Allen Finne, 23321 Kanis Road: Stated that his family owned approximately 1,000 acres in the area and had lived there since the 1970s. Mr. Finne asked that the Board support the ordinance and preserve the corridor.

Bruce Shackelford, 4601 Mountain View Road, Benton, AR: Asked that the Board preserve Fletcher's Hollow and approve the ordinance.

Teri Drennan, 36520 Kanis Road, Paron, AR: Stated that her family had owned their property since the 1940s and asked that the Board approve the ordinance.

Mark Johnson, 23616 Kanis Road: Asked that the Board support the ordinance.

Judy Hampton, 32800 Kanis Road: Asked that the Board support the ordinance.

The ordinance was read a first time. Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Director Cazort, 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 Cazort, 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. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the ordinance was approved.**

PUBLIC HEARING (Items 17 – 19)

17. ORDINANCE NO. 21,164: To establish and lay off Little Rock Municipal Property Owners' Multipurpose Improvement District No. 2016-321; and for other purposes.

Mayor Stodola opened the public hearing.

The ordinance was read a first time. Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Director Cazort, 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 Cazort, 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.

Mayor Stodola asked if there were individuals present that wished to speak for or against the item. There being none present, Mayor Stodola closed the public hearing.

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

18. ORDINANCE NO. 21,165; G-24-049: To abandon an access easement and utility easement, located at 15104 – 15122 Cantrell Road, in the Magnolia Terrace Addition, to 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 abandon an access easement and a utility easement for property located at 15104 – 15122 Cantrell Road. (Located in Ward 5)

Mayor Stodola opened the public hearing.

The ordinance was read a first time. Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Director Cazort, 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 Cazort, 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.

Mayor Stodola asked if there were individuals present that wished to speak for or against the item. There being none present, Mayor Stodola closed the public hearing.

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

19. ORDINANCE NO. 21,166; G-24-050: To abandon a utility easement, located in Lot 3, Phase 1, Gateway Town Center, in the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: The applicants are requesting the abandonment of a ten (10)-foot easement and right-of-way located in the southern portion of Lot 3, Phase 1, Gateway Town Center Addition; located at Bass Pro Drive and Interstate 30 North Frontage Road. (Located in Ward 7)

Mayor Stodola opened the public hearing.

The ordinance was read a first time. Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Director Cazort, 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 Cazort, 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.

Mayor Stodola asked if there were individuals present that wished to speak for or against the item. There being none present, Mayor Stodola closed the public hearing.

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

REPORTS (Item 20)

20. REPORT: October 2015 Financial Report – Sara Lenehan, Finance Department Director.

City Manager Bruce Moore stated that the October 2015 Financial Report would be presented at the January 24, 2016, Agenda Meeting.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

Emmett McNeil, 12901 Pleasant Forest Drive: Pankey Support.

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:

Susan Langley, City Clerk

Mark Stodola, Mayor