

**Little Rock Board of Directors Meeting
November 20, 2012
6:00 PM**

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

ADDITIONS

M-1 RESOLUTION: Appointment of the Arkansas Residential Housing and Public Facilities Board. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: Reappointment of Sarah Clark, said term to expire on November 7, 2017.

Director Richardson made the motion, seconded by Director Cazort, to add Item M-1 to the Executive Session. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **Item M-1 was added to the Executive Session.**

CONSENT AGENDA (Items 1 – 4)

1. RESOLUTION NO. 13,601: To express the willingness of the City of Little Rock to utilize Federal-Aid monies for the rehabilitation of Bridge No. 19,621 on North Cantrell Road at Gill Street; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: Authorizes the City Manager to execute an agreement with The Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department to execute the necessary agreements and contracts for replacement of Structure No. 19621, the bridge on North Cantrell Road at Gill Street.

2. RESOLUTION NO. 13,602: To accept title to property donated to the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, by special warranty deed, to be used for neighborhood revitalization programs; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: In an effort to increase the number of properties held by the land bank and maximize the City's revitalization efforts in the Land Bank Focus Area, staff would like to accept the donation of the property located at 1812 Pinewood Drive. Property Details: The parcel is a 12,194 square-foot vacant lot with no structure.

3. RESOLUTION NO. 13,603: To approve one (1) operator permit and 112 taxicab permits for Greater Little Rock Transportation Service, LLC (GLRTS), for the period from January 1, 2013, to December 31, 2013; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: A resolution authorizing the approval of one (1) operator permit and 112 taxicab permits for Greater Little Rock Transportation Service, LLC (GLRTS), for 2013.

4. RESOLUTION NO. 13,604: To authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the appropriate documents to acquire the property located at 1015 South Van Buren Street, Little Rock, Arkansas, for use as park property in War Memorial Park; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: A resolution authorizing Mayor and City Clerk to execute appropriate documents to acquire property at 1015 South Van Buren Street for use as park property in War Memorial Park.

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

GROUPED ITEMS (Items 5 - 9)

5. ORDINANCE NO. 20,655; Z-2123-A: To approve a Planned Zoning Development and establish a Planned Commercial District titled LRMA Medical Complex Long-Form PCD, located at 6101 St. Vincent Circle, Little Rock, Arkansas, amending the Official Zoning Map of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. *Planning Commission: 7 ayes; 0 nays and 4 absent. Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: The request is a rezoning from C-3, General Commercial District, to PCD, Planned Commercial Development, to allow for the redevelopment of this site with a new medical office/surgery center building containing 72,300 square-feet.

6. ORDINANCE NO. 20,656; Z-3619-C: To approve a Planned Zoning Development and establish a Planned Commercial District titled Knollwood Mobile Home Park Short-Form PD-C, located at 1 Don Drive, Little Rock, Arkansas, amending the Official Zoning Map of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. *Planning Commission: 7 ayes; 0 nays and 4 absent. Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: The applicant is seeking rezoning for a small portion of a larger area containing an existing R-7, Mobile Home District, mobile home park to PD-C, Planned Development Commercial, to allow for the use of the former leasing office as a beauty salon.

7. ORDINANCE NO. 20,657; Z-8809: To approve a Planned Zoning Development and establish a Planned Residential District titled Bennett Short-Form PD-R, located at 16 Terrace Place, Little Rock, Arkansas, amending the Official Zoning Map of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. *Planning Commission: 7 ayes; 0 nays and 4 absent. Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: The request is a rezoning from R-2, Single-Family, to PD-R, Planned Development Residential, to recognize an existing four (4)-plex.

8. ORDINANCE NO. 20,658; Z-8810: To approve a Planned Zoning Development and establish a Planned Residential District titled Frazier-Bankhead Short-Form PD-R, located on the southeast corner of East 39th Street and Bankhead Drive, Little Rock, Arkansas, amending the Official Zoning Map of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. *Planning Commission: 7 ayes; 0 nays and 4 absent. Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: The applicant is requesting rezoning of the property from R-3, Single-Family, to PD-R, Planned Development Residential, to allow for the development of six (6) lots with elderly residential housing.

9. ORDINANCE NO. 20,659: To dispense with the requirement of competitive bidding and authorize the City Manager to award a sole source contract with J.A. Riggs Tractor Company, for transmission repairs to a Caterpillar 826 Compactor for the Public Works Solid Waste Division, Landfill, in the total amount of \$50,299.17; **to declare an emergency;** and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: The Fleet Services Department is requesting approval to award a sole source contract to J.A. Riggs Tractor Company for transmission repairs to a Caterpillar 826 Compactor for the Public Works Solid Waste Division, Landfill.

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 9 was approved.**

SEPARATE ITEMS (Items 10 – 13)

10. RESOLUTION NO. 13,605: To authorize the City Manager to enter into contract negotiations with ten (10) organizations for the purpose of contracting for Citywide Enhancement Programs to Little Rock youth ages six (6) – nineteen (19); and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Director Fortson, to approve the resolution.

Director Wright asked if consideration had been given to her concerns regarding the youth in Ward Six and in particular the apartment complexes located in her Ward that would not have access to the current services. City Manager Bruce Moore stated that staff was in the process of developing a plan that would implement some type of intervention program in one of the apartment complexes.

Director Wyrick asked if the contracts would come back before the Board once the negotiations were completed. City Manager Moore stated that the resolution would allow him to go forward and to negotiate the contract. City Manager Moore stated that if for some reason negotiations with the top (3) organizations were unsuccessful, there would be additional bidders, which would be brought back to the Board.

Director Hendrix made the motion, seconded by Director Richardson, to call the question on the vote. By voice vote of the Board Members present, with Director Wright voting in opposition, the question to vote was called.

By voice vote of the Board Members present, with Director Wright voting in opposition, **the resolution was approved.**

11. ORDINANCE NO. 20,663; Z-7603-G: To approve a Planned Zoning Development and establish a Planned Commercial District titled Cantrell Falls Revised Long-Form PCD, located at 14910 Cantrell Road, Little Rock, Arkansas, amending the Official Zoning Map of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. *Planning Commission: 8 ayes, 0 nays, and 3 absent. Staff recommends approval. (Deferred from September 18, 2012)*

Synopsis: The request is to revise the previously-approved Planned Commercial District for Lots 3 and 4 of the Cantrell Falls Development. The request includes revisions to the site layout and the allowable uses on these two (2) lots.

The ordinance was read a first time. Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Director Richardson, with Directors Hines and Wright voting in opposition, to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on second reading. Due to the fact that there were not enough votes to suspend the rules and place the reading on second reading, the ordinance was held on first reading.

12. ORDINANCE NO. 20,660: To condemn certain structures in the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, as structural, fire and health hazards; providing for summary abatement procedures; directing the City Manager 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: Two (2) commercial structures that have become run-down, dilapidated, unsightly, dangerous and detrimental to the public welfare of the citizens of the City of Little Rock.

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.

Ladell Aikens: Stated that he owned the property located at 1011 West 15th Street and that he wanted to remodel the structure or build a new structure and asked the City to remove the property from the condemnation ordinance. Director Cazort asked if Mr. Aikens had the financial means to either remove the structure and build a new one or remodel the existing structure. Mr. Aikens stated that he did have the financial means; however, he did not have the plans drawn up at that time. Mayor Stodola encouraged Mr. Aikens to work with staff to determine if he could remove the structure himself before the City issued a demolition contract.

Joe Frazier, 8315 Colonel Glenn Road: Stated that he had appeared before the Board at the August 21, 2012, meeting, and he had made some of the requested improvements to the property. Mr. Frazier stated that he had visited with Planning & Development Staff to discuss his future plans for the property and asked the Board for more time to complete his improvements.

Director Wright asked how the property was zoned. Planning & Development Director Tony Bozynski stated that the property was currently zoned C-3, General Commercial. Mr. Bozynski reminded the Board that the property had been included on the August 21, 2012, Condemnation Ordinance and the Board granted Mr. Frazier ninety (90) days to make some improvements and to appear before the Planning Commission to obtain approval for the future plans. Mr. Bozynski stated that some of the improvements had been completed; however, no progress had been made on submitting or filing any rehabilitation plans for Planning Commission approval.

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 was approved**.

13. ORDINANCE NO. 20,661: To amend Little Rock, Ark., Ordinance No. 20,515 (December 13, 2011), to adjust the Fiscal Year 2012 Budget Ordinance to reflect revenue and expenditure adjustments for the General Fund, Street Fund, River Market Fund, Golf Fund, Fitness and Aquatics Fund and Zoo Fund; **to declare an emergency;** and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: Seven (7) adjustments need to be made to the 2012 Budget to adjust for changes in anticipated revenues and expenditures

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 ordinances were approved.** By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the emergency clause was approved.**

PUBLIC HEARINGS (Items 14 - 15)

14. RESOLUTION NO. 13,607: To certify various properties, liens, and penalties, to the Pulaski County Collector to be placed upon the appropriate tax books as delinquent taxes to be collected; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: The City attaches liens for work it performs on private property. This lien information must then be compiled and sent to the Pulaski County Treasurer's Office for inclusion in the annual owner's tax bill. This is an effort to recoup some of the costs for that nuisance abatement work which the City performs. The City is seeking to certify 160 liens for a total amount of \$33,382.91.

Mayor Stodola opened the public hearing and 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.

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

15. ORDINANCE; G-23-435: To abandon the north/south alley right-of-way located within the north half of Block 8, Pope's Addition, and the east/west alley right-of-way located within the east half of Block 8, Pope's Addition to the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: The adjacent property owners are requesting to abandon the north/south alley right-of-way located within the north half of Block 8, Pope's Addition and the east/west alley right-of-way located within the east half of Block 8, Pope's Addition.

The ordinance was read the first time.

Mayor Stodola opened the public hearing and 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.

Due to the fact that there were not enough votes to suspend the rules and place the reading on second reading, the ordinance was held on first reading.

EXECUTIVE SESSION (Item 16 and Item M-1)

16. RESOLUTION NO. 13,606: Appointment to the Central Arkansas Library System Board of Trustees; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: Appointment of Caroline Curton to a full three (3)-year term. Reappointment of Janet Alley to a second three (3)-year term. Reappointment of Gayle Corley to a second three (3)-year term. Reappointment of Laveta Will-Hale to a second three (3)-year term.

Director Hendrix made the motion, seconded by Director Richardson, to approve the appointments. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the appointments were approved.**

M-1 RESOLUTION NO. 13,607: Appointment of the Arkansas Residential Housing and Public Facilities Board. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: Reappointment of Sarah Clark, said term to expire on November 7, 2017.

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

CITIZEN'S COMMUNICATION

Greg Deckelman, 3517 West 3rd Street: Congratulations & E-Mail

Tory Veanich, 6619 Sandpiper Drive: 3515 West 12th Street

Tim McKuin, 1423 South Summit Street: Sharrows and Safe Streets

James Britt, 14015 Windsor Road: Diane McConnell Bicycle Accident

Chris East, 315 Rock Street: Permanent Bike Lanes

Ladell Aikens: No Subject

Director Cazort made the motion, seconded by Director Richardson, 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