

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

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMUNICATION  
DECEMBER 2, 2014 AGENDA**

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Action Required:</b>	<b>Approved By:</b>
<p>Purchase of a Historic Façade Easement from the Quapaw Quarter Association for the Woodruff House.</p>	<p>Ordinance √ <b>Resolution</b> Approval Information Report</p>	<p>Bruce T. Moore City Manager</p>
<b>SYNOPSIS</b>	<p>Authorizes the purchase of a Historic Façade Easement on the Woodruff House from the Quapaw Quarter Association (QQA).</p>	
<b>FISCAL IMPACT</b>	<p>One-half of the purchase price of the Façade Easement (\$49,750) will come from an Arkansas Historic Preservation Program (AHPP) Grant and \$49,750 will be paid from the 2014 Undesignated Grant Match Account.</p>	
<b>RECOMMENDATION</b>	<p>Approval of the resolution.</p>	
<b>CITIZEN PARTICIPATION</b>	<p>QQA prepared a report and video regarding the Woodruff House and its historical value, which is available on the Internet and YouTube respectively.</p>	
<b>BACKGROUND</b>	<p>William E. Woodruff, founder and longtime editor of the <i>Arkansas Gazette</i>, built the Woodruff House in 1853, and it is one of the few antebellum homes remaining in Little Rock. Originally a Greek Revival Style residence, the house was placed on the National Register of Historic Places on March 21, 1989, due to its association with William E. Woodruff and for the potential archeological information on the site. The QQA is purchasing the property.</p>	

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AHPP will provide half of the purchase price of the façade easement and the City's undesignated grant match will provide an equal amount. In the event that the City no longer wishes to own the easement and AHPP certifies in writing that such a change has the potential to impact the historic nature of the structure or cause the structure to lose its eligibility for listing on the National Register of Historic Places, it will automatically transfer to the AHPP.