OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS

BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMUNICATION
MARCH 16, 2021 AGENDA

Subject:	**Action Required:**	**Approved By:**
Abandonment of the old Geyer Springs Railroad Crossing.	√ **Ordinance** Resolution	
Submitted By: Public Works Department		Bruce T. Moore City Manager

SYNOPSIS	An ordinance to abandon and vacate a portion of the old Geyer Springs Road right-of-way at the Union Pacific Railroad crossing.
FISCAL IMPACT	In the original permit for construction the new overpass, the railroad agreed to reimburse the City $279,041.12 for the cost of the new overpass provided the old at-grade crossing was removed and abandoned. Funding for removal and barricading of a portion of the old street has already been allocated with the Geyer Springs Railroad Grade Separation (Overpass) Project.
RECOMMENDATION	Approval of the ordinance.
BACKGROUND	With construction of the new railroad overpass on Geyer Springs Road, the old route of Geyer Springs Road where it crosses the railroad tracks is no longer needed. Federal Regulations, and an agreement with the Union Pacific Railroad Company, provides that the City will remove and abandon the old crossing as part of a program to eliminate at-grade railroad crossings. In return, the railroad company will reimburse the City a portion of the construction cost of the new overpass. This ordinance is the next step in completing that agreement.