

**Little Rock Board of Directors Meeting
March 4, 2014
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; Richardson; Hurst; Cazort; Hines; Kumpuris; Fortson; Adcock; Vice-Mayor Wright; and Mayor Stodola. Directors absent: Wyrick. Director Kumpuris delivered the invocation, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Stodola recognized a group from Russia in the audience that was participating in the Arkansas International Visitor's Council.

PRESENTATIONS

Arkansas Business City of Distinction Award Presentation
Pulaski Technical College Mileage Presentation

Director Richardson stated that as a point of personal privilege, he would like to ask the Board to allow him to change his 'Present' vote from the February 18, 2014, Board of Directors Meeting, regarding the salary increase for the City Manager and City Attorney, to a 'Yay' vote. City Attorney Tom Carpenter stated that due to the fact that it was a procedural request, it would take a unanimous vote from the Board. Director Richardson made the motion, seconded by Director Kumpuris, to change his vote from "Present" to 'Aye' in regards to the salary increase for the City Manager and City Attorney. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the motion was approved.**

CONSENT AGENDA: (Items 1 – 7)

1. **MOTION:** To approve the minutes from the May 21, 2013, August 6, 2013, and August 20, 2013, Board of Directors Meetings.
2. **RESOLUTION NO. 13,845; G-23-442:** To set the date of public hearing for March 18, 2014, on the request to abandon the east 140 feet of the undeveloped sixty (60)-foot right-of-way lying north of Block 5 of the subdivision of Lot 18 of Rapley's Estate Addition and the 130 feet of the undeveloped sixty (60)-foot wide Cumberland Street right-of-way, located between East Roosevelt Road right-of-way and East 25th Street right-of-way; and for other purposes.
3. **RESOLUTION NO. 13,846:** To change the name of that portion of St. Vincent Circle, located between South University Avenue and McKinley Street, to Midtown Avenue; and for other purposes. *Planning Commission: 9 ayes; 0 nays; and 2 absent. Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: Little Rock Medical Associates is requesting approval of a resolution to change the name of that portion of St. Vincent Circle, located between South University Avenue and McKinley Street, to Midtown Avenue.

4. RESOLUTION NO. 13,847: To award a contract to Mid-Ark Roofing, Inc., to construct a new roof for the Tropical Bird House at the Little Rock Zoo; to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Mid-Ark Roofing, Inc., for such services; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: The resolution authorizes the City Manager to execute a contract with Mid-Ark Roofing, Inc., for the replacement of the Tropical Bird House roofing with new corrugated fiberglass roof panels, metal flashing and trim.

5. RESOLUTION NO. 13,848: To award a contract to Lawns, Limbs & Landscaping to provide mowing and grounds maintenance services at Oakland & Fraternal Historic Cemetery Park; to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Lawns, Limbs & Landscaping for such services; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: The resolution awards a contract to Lawns, Limbs & Landscaping for mowing and grounds maintenance services for the Oakland & Fraternal Historic Cemetery Park, and it authorizes the City Manager to execute an agreement with such firm in a form approved by the City Attorney.

6. RESOLUTION NO. 13,849: To award a contract to JCI Construction, Inc., to remove and replace the train track at the Little Rock Zoo; to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with JCI Construction, Inc., for such services; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: The resolution authorizes the City Manager to execute a contract with JCI Construction, Inc., for removal and replacement of the Little Rock Zoo train track.

7. RESOLUTION NO. 13,850: To authorize the City Manager to engage the firms of Stephens, Inc., and Crews & Associates to serve as bond underwriter for an issues of City of Little Rock Hotel and Restaurant Gross Receipt Tax Bonds to finance improvements to Robinson Center; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Director Fortson stated that he would have to recuse from Item 7.

Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Director Kumpuris, to approve the Consent Agenda. By voice vote of the Board Members present, with Director Kumpuris recusing on Item 7, **the Consent Agenda was approved.**

GROUPED ITEMS (Items 8 – 10 and Item 13)

Mayor Stodola stated that there were questions regarding Item 12 and that it should be read separately and unless there were any Board Members that had objections, he thought that Item 13 could be read with the Grouped Items.

8. ORDINANCE NO. 20,850; LU14-24-01: To amend the Land Use Plan on the southeast corner of Lindsey Road and Interstate 440 from Mining to Industrial; and for other purposes. *Planning Commission: 9 ayes; 0 nays; and 2 absent. Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: To approve Land Use Plan changes on the southeast corner of Lindsey Road and Interstate 440 from Mining to Industrial.

9. ORDINANCE NO. 20,851; Z-8907: 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: 9 ayes; 0 nays; and 2 absent. Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: The owner of 39.62 acres of property located at the northeast, southeast and southwest corners of Lindsey Road and Interstate 440, is requesting to rezone the property from R-2, Single-Family District, to C-3, General Commercial District, and I-2, Light Industrial District.

10. ORDINANCE NO. 20,852: To authorize the issuance and sale of the City's Tax Increment Improvement Bonds (Redevelopment District No. 1 Project), Series 2014, for the purpose of financing certain improvements within the District; authorizing the execution and delivery of a trust indenture pursuant to which the Bonds will be issued and secured; authorizing the execution and delivery of an Institutional Investment Letter providing for the placement of the Bonds; prescribing other matters relating thereto; **to declare an emergency;** and for other purposes.

13. ORDINANCE NO. 20,853; Z-4403-I: To approve a Planned Zoning Development and establish a Planned Residential District titled The Preserve at Aldersgate Short-Form PD-R, located at 1303 and 1310 Aldersgate Road, Little Rock, Arkansas, amending the Official Zoning Map of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. *Planning Commission: 6 ayes; 0 nays; and 4 absent. Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: The request is a rezoning from MF-24, Multi-Family District, to PD-R, Planned Development – Residential, to allow for the development of 2.0+ acres with forty-eight (48) units of multi-family housing.

The ordinances were read a first time. Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Vice-Mayor Wright, 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 10 was approved.**

SEPARATE ITEMS (Items 11 – 12 and Item 14)

11. RESOLUTION NO. 13,851: To authorize the City Manager to enter into sub-grant agreements for an Arkansas Economic Development Commission Economic Infrastructure Fund Grant; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: Authorizes the City Manager to sub-award Arkansas Economic Development Commission Grant Funds to Entergy to move electrical lines from the right-of-way for a \$58,000,000 economic development project.

City Manager Bruce Moore reported that the private developers had agreed to cover the costs associated with the City's match.

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

12. ORDINANCE; MSP14-01: To amend the Master Street Plan; adding a 'Typical' design for a 'Roundabout' to the Master Street Plan text; and for other purposes. *Planning Commission: 9 ayes; 0 nays; and 2 absent. Staff recommends approval.*
Synopsis: A Master Street Plan Amendment adding a 'Typical' design standard to the Master Street Plan text for a 'Roundabout'.

Director Adcock asked how many roundabouts were currently located throughout the City. Public Works Department Director Jon Honeywell stated that there were currently seventeen (17) roundabouts and would provide follow-up listing the location of each of the roundabouts. Director Adcock asked if the addition of the definition would make all roundabouts uniform in nature. Mr. Honeywell stated that roundabouts could be placed at many different types of intersections, some being single-lane and some being double-lane, and because would vary in size, there was not a single design type. Mr. Honeywell read the definition that roundabouts should be designed in accordance with the standard engineering practices and guidelines provided by the Federal Highway Administration (FHA), the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO), the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE) or other applicable standards. Mr. Honeywell stated that the manual for roundabout design was approximately 400 pages; therefore, it was hard to say that there was one (1) design type. Mr. Honeywell stated that the definition would specify that it was a 'typical design' of a roundabout.

City Manager Moore stated that he felt that some of the issues had become entangled and at that point, staff would like to defer the item. Director Hines made the motion, seconded by Director Cazort, to defer the item until further information was brought forth. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the item was deferred.**

14. ORDINANCE NO. 20,854: To establish recycling of multi-family residences; and for other purposes.

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

Wally Loveless, 6 Holly Springs Court: Stated that he was licensed in real estate and full-engaged in helping Little Rock become more beautiful as a treasure. Mr. Loveless stated that the landlords were being asked to sign contracts to ensure that their tenants were recycling, and he was not in support of the proposed ordinance.

Lucas Hargraves, 4525 Stonewall Road: Stated that he represented the Little Rock Board of Realtors and they were in support of the proposed ordinance.

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

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CITIZEN'S COMMUNICATION

Robert Webb: Citizen Communication

Director Richardson made the motion, seconded by Vice-Mayor Wright, 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