OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS

BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMUNICATION JUNE 5, 2018 AGENDA

Subject:	Action Required:	Approved By:
A resolution to authorize payment to the Little Rock—Pulaski Drainage District No. 2 for 2014, 2015, 2016 & 2017 assessments against City properties and to direct that the annual assessment be a part of the City's Annual Budget.	Ordinance √ Resolution Approval Information Report	Approved By.
		Bruce T. Moore City Manager
SYNOPSIS	To authorize payments of assessments and fees for property owned by the City in Little Rock—Pulaski Drainage District No. 2.	
FISCAL IMPACT	Payment of \$20,373.89 is to be made immediately, with annual assessments in the future estimated to begin at \$15,706.00.	
RECOMMENDATION	Approval of the resolution.	
BACKGROUND	On February 28, 1946, the Pulaski County Court created the Little Rock—Pulaski Drainage District No. 2 ("the District"). The District was organized to construct, operate and maintain a levee along the south side of the Arkansas River. Certain City properties are located within the District and, pursuant to State Statute, should pay an annual assessment. In addition, the Little Rock Airport Commission is making an initial payment of \$77,901.00, and the Little Rock Water Reclamation Commission is making an initial payment of \$22,046.00, for properties in the name of the City but held for the use and benefit of these Commissions. The initial City payment will be \$20,373.89.	

BACKGROUND CONTINUED

In addition, the resolution directs the City Manager to include the yearly District assessment in the Annual Budget beginning January 1, 2019. The amount should be \$15,706.00; however, this may be changed by the District.

The levee in question protects the Little Rock National Airport, and various parcels of property owned by the City. In addition to the levee, the District operates a pump system that is triggered anytime the Arkansas River rises above a certain level in order to prevent flooding. Unlike most Improvement District Assessments, the City is not statutorily exempted from the payment of Levee District Assessments.