The Board of Directors of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, met in a Special Called Meeting with Mayor Frank Scott, Jr., presiding. City Clerk Susan Langley called the roll with the following Directors present: Miller; Richardson; Webb; Peck; Wright; Wyrick; Phillips (via WebEx Teleconferencing); Kumpuris; Adcock; Vice-Mayor Hines; and Mayor Scott. Director Dean Kumpuris delivered the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

In honor of International Women’s Day, Mayor Scott recognized Director Adcock, Wyrick, Peck, Wright and Webb for their service and leadership to the City of Little Rock. Director Richardson stated that he would like to also recognize City Clerk Susan Langley for International Women’s Day, as well.

**ADDITIONS**

M-1 RESOLUTION: To state the support of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, for the people of Ukraine as they heroically resist the blatant and unwarranted attack on their freedom by Russia; and for other purposes. *(Sponsored by Director Kumpuris)(Requires a supermajority vote for addition)*

Vice-Mayor Hines made the motion, seconded by Director Wyrick, to add Item M-1 to the Agenda. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **Item M-1 was added to the Agenda.**

**AGENDA (Items 1 – 3 and Item M-1)**

M-1 RESOLUTION NO. 15,636: To state the support of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, for the people of Ukraine as they heroically resist the blatant and unwarranted attack on their freedom by Russia; and for other purposes. *(Sponsored by Director Kumpuris)(Requires a supermajority vote for addition)*

Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Vice-Mayor Hines, to approve the resolution. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, the resolution was approved.

1. ORDINANCE NO. 22,099: To declare it impractical and unfeasible to bid; to authorize Osborn, Carreiro & Associates, Inc., to perform an Actuarial Evaluation and Stress Testing, at a cost not to exceed $6,750.00, for the purpose of evaluating the feasibility of various benefit increase amounts for members of the Little Rock Firemen’s Relief and Pension Fund, now administered by the Arkansas Local Police and Fire Retirement System; to declare an emergency; and for other purposes. *(1st & 2nd Reading held on March 1, 2022)* Staff recommends approval.
Synopsis: An ordinance to authorize a sole-source contract with Osborn, Carreiro and Associates, Inc., to perform an actuarial evaluation and stress testing of the Firemen’s Relief and Pension Fund, now administered by the Arkansas Local Police and Fire Retirement System, for the purpose of evaluating the feasibility of various benefit increase amounts for members of the Firemen’s Relief and Pension Fund and eligible survivors.

2. ORDINANCE NO. 22,100: To amend Little Rock, Ark., Ordinance No. 22,067 (November 16, 2021), to include funding for a pilot program for the project for a Community Schools Afterschool Arts Program by the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, A+ Arkansas, and to amend the date of the grant term; and for other purposes. (1st & 2nd Reading held on March 1, 2022) Staff recommends approval.

Synopsis: An ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 22,067 (November 16, 2021), to add funding from the Windgate Grant to the Subrecipient, University of Arkansas, A+ Arkansas to provide funding for Afterschool Programming and a pilot thereof and to amend the term of the grant.

3. ORDINANCE NO. 22,101: To call a Special Election in the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, for the purpose of submitting to the electors of the City the question of reducing the existing Combined Annual Library Ad Valorem Property Tax for capital improvements from the existing combined rate of 1.8 mills (currently consisting of two (2) separate 0.9 mils) to the new rate of 1.3 mills on the dollar assessed valuation of taxable property in the City of Little Rock, to be extended and pledged to an issue or issues of taxable, tax-exempt, or both, bonds not to exceed $42,000,000.00 in aggregate principal amount, to refund one (1) or more outstanding issues of Capital Improvement Bonds and to finance the acquiring, constructing and equipping of additional capital improvements of public libraries owned and operated by the City of Little Rock and Central Arkansas Library System; and, to authorize the issuance of the bonds on such terms and conditions as shall be approved by the City of Little Rock; prescribing other matters relating thereto; to declare an emergency; and for other purposes. (1st & 2nd Reading held on March 1, 2022) Staff recommends approval.

4. ORDINANCE NO. 22,102: To grant a Franchise to Uniti Fiver, LLC, as a Telecommunication and Fiber Optics Service Provider; to permit the use of rights-of-way and airspace within the corporate limits of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; to reserve for both parties, the right to seek modifications of this agreement as may be required by changes in Federal or State Law; to declare an emergency; and for other purposes.

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 1 was approved. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, the emergency Clause for Item 3 was approved. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, the emergency Clause for Item 4 was approved.

Vice-Mayor Hines made the motion, seconded by Director Webb, to adjourn the meeting. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, the meeting was adjourned.