OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS

BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMUNICATION **JULY 15, 2025 AGENDA**

Subject:	Action Required:	Approved By:
An Ordinance to amend the Little		
Rock City Code, Rev. 1988,	Ordinance	
Chapter 8, Article I, §8-2(a)(2)		
and 8-2(a)(3) of the City of Little		
Rock, Arkansas		
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SYNOPSIS | An Ordinance to amend that certain language to clarify and provide accuracy of the Little Rock City Code, Revised 1988, specifically in Chapter 8 "Buildings and Building Regulations" Section 8-2, "Codes Adopted", (a)(2) Building and (a)(3) Residential as set out in the 2021 Arkansas Fire Prevention Code Volumes I (Building) and II (Residential) to ensure proper code enforcement and compliance.

FISCAL IMPACT RECOMMENDATION None.

Approval of the Ordinance.

BACKGROUND

The Board of Directors of the City of Little Rock passed Ordinance Nos. 22,278 and 22,277 (July 11, 2023) to adopt the 2021 Arkansas Fire Prevention Code. Adoption of this Code protects the public health, safety, and welfare and brought the City of Little Rock up-to-date with the most current Code.

At that time, there were numerous hearings and research performed by the International Code Council, the general public, and numerous professionals before Code adoption. On the State level, the Code was adopted by the Arkansas Legislature after an extensive review process. At the City level, it was discussed with the local contracting trades and was open to the public at the City Clerk's Office per Arkansas State Statute. In addition, notices were sent to various construction organizations and the City complied with Arkansas Code Ann. §14-55-207 (1987) by publishing a notice of intent to adopt these technical codes by reference in a paper of general circulation within the municipality.