Little Rock Board of Directors Meeting June 18, 2019 6:00 PM

The Board of Directors of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, met in a regular meeting with Mayor Frank Scott, Jr., presiding. City Clerk Susan Langley called the roll with the following Directors present: Hendrix; Richardson; Webb; Peck; Hines; Wright; Fortson; Kumpuris; Adcock; Vice-Mayor Wyrick; and Mayor Scott. Director Dean Kumpuris delivered the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS

Arkansas Safe Drive Laws Course Completion Certificate Presentation Bicycle Friendly Community Committee Update Golf Course Due Diligence Update

Mayor Scott stated that as a result of the Due Diligence Report endorsement of the closure and repurposing Hindman Park and War Memorial Golf Courses, he would accept the recommendation.

Mayor Scott stated that there would be a community-wide taskforce assembled with the purpose of obtaining community feedback regarding how to move forward with repurposing Hindman Park and War Memorial Golf Courses. Mayor Scott stated that since Vice-Mayor Wyrick was a representative of Southwest Little Rock, where Hindman Park Golf Course was located, he hoped that she would consider being a part of the taskforce. Director Webb stated that since War Memorial Golf Course was located in Ward 3, she would like to be a part of the taskforce, as well.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION – GOLF COURSE RELATED

<u>Jennifer Hoss, 330 Fairfax Drive</u>: Golf Course. <u>Amanda Nipper, 708 Pine Valley Road</u>: The Future of War Memorial Golf Course. <u>Paul McDonald, 8109 West 40th Street</u>: Hindman Golf. <u>Terry Green, 19304 Summer Shade</u> Drive: WMGC. <u>Jodie Carter, 5921 Timberview Road</u>: Golf Course Due Diligence Update. <u>Monica Blake</u>: First Tee. <u>Lee Jeffrey</u>: Budget Item – Golf Course. <u>Ken Davis, 1965 Sawgrass Drive</u>: Golf. <u>Napoleon Phillips, 1312 East Twin Lakes Drive</u>: Hindman Golf Course.

Director Kumpuris made the motion, seconded by Director Fortson, for the Board to take a ten (10)-minute recess. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the Board took a ten (10)-minute recess.**

ADDITIONS:

M-1 <u>**RESOLUTION**</u>: To authorize the City Manager to enter into a Lease Agreement with Ben Nelson Golf and Utility Vehicles, in an annual amount of \$146,282.40, for the leasing of Golf Carts, Utility Vehicles, Ball Picker Cart and a Concession/Refreshment Cart for City of Little Rock Golf Courses; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: A resolution authorizing the City Manager to enter into a one (1)-year lease, with the option to extend for three (3) additional years with Ben Nelson Golf and Utility Vehicles for seventyseven (77) Electric (lithium-ion) Golf Carts (fifty-two (52) with GPS & permanent built-in tow bars), fifteen (15) Gas Golf Carts (with GPS & permanent built-in tow bars), one (1), four (4)-person Electric Golf Cart, one (1) Gas Utility Cart, five (5) Heavy-Duty Diesel Utility Carts, one (1) Ball Picker Gas Utility Cart and one (1) Concession/Refreshment Utility Cart.

Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Director Hines, to add Item M-1 to the Separate Items. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **Item M-1** was added to the Separate Items.

WITHDRAWALS:

10. <u>**ORDINANCE**</u>: To establish the Heights Landscape Design Overlay District pursuant to the Design Overlay Authority of Chapter 36 of the Code of Ordinances of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. *Planning Commission: 10 ayes; 0 nays and 1 absent. Staff recommends approval.* (*Withdrawn at the applicant's request*) Synopsis: To approve the creation of the Heights Landscape Design Overlay District.

Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Director Hines, to withdraw Item 10 from the Agenda. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **Item 10 was withdrawn from the Agenda.**

CONSENT AGENDA (Items 1 – 6)

1. <u>**RESOLUTION NO. 15,009**</u>: To express the willingness of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, to utilize State-Aid Street Monies for the 9th Street Asphalt Overlay Project; and for other purposes. *(Funding from the 2012 3/8-Cent Capital Improvement Sales Tax and the 2013 Limited Tax General Obligation Capital Improvement Bonds)* Staff recommends approval. Synopsis: Authorizes the City Manager or his designated representative to execute agreements with the Arkansas Department of Transportation for resurfacing and access ramp improvements on 9th Street from Interstate 30 to Main Street.

2. <u>**RESOLUTION NO. 15,010**</u>: To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Summit Truck Group, in the total amount of \$111,854.46, for the purchase of one (1) International MV607 4X2 Roll-Back Truck for the Fleet Services Department; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: A resolution to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Summit Truck Group for the purchase of one (1) International MV607 4X2 Roll-Back Truck for the Fleet Services Department.

3. <u>**RESOLUTION NO. 15,011**</u>: To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Razor Cut Lawn, in an amount not to exceed \$108,490.00, for Mowing Services at

thirty (30) City Parks and six (6) Community Centers; and for other purposes. *Staff* recommends approval.

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<u>Russ Racop, 301 Alamo Drive</u>: Stated that he had some concerns regarding the proposed contract and urged the Board to vote against the resolution.

4. <u>**RESOLUTION NO. 15,012</u>**: To authorize the City Manager to enter into a Construction Services Contract with Township Builders, in an amount not to exceed \$83,180.00, for the construction of a new ADA-Accessible Asphalt Trail at Ottenheimer Park; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*</u>

Synopsis: A resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a Construction Contract with Township Builders for Construction Services for the new ADA accessible asphalt trail at Ottenheimer Park.

5. <u>RESOLUTION NO. 15,013</u>: To authorize the City Manager to enter into a Construction Services Contract with Township Builders, in an amount not to exceed \$139,375.00, for the construction of a new trail for the MacArthur Park Safe Routes to School Project; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: A resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a Construction Services Contract with Township Builders for the construction the new trail at MacArthur Park.

6. <u>**RESOLUTION NO. 15,014</u>**: To ratify the reappointment of Eddie Powell to the Central Arkansas Water Board of Commissioners; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*</u>

Synopsis: Reappointment of Eddie Powell to his fourth seven (7)-year term, said term to expire on June 30, 2026.

Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Director Hines, to approve the Consent Agenda. By voice vote of the Board Members present, with Directors Hendrix and Adcock voting in opposition of Item 3, **the Consent Agenda was approved.**

GROUPED ITEMS (Items 7 - 9)

7. <u>ORDINANCE NO. 21,748; LU18-02</u>: To amend the Land Use Plan in the area between Interstate 430 and the Arkansas State Capitol Complex, north of Interstate 630, in the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. *Planning Commission: 10 ayes; 0 nays and 1 absent. Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: To make various changes to the Land Use Plan in the area north of Interstate 630, between Interstate 430 and the Arkansas State Capitol, to make the Land Use Plan more representative of the likely future development in the near and mid-range.

8. ORDINANCE NO. 21,749: To condemn certain structures in the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, as structural, fire and health hazards; to provide for summary abatement procedures; to direct the City Staff to take such action as is necessary to raze and remove said structures; **to declare an emergency**; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: Three (3) residential structures are in a severely dilapidated, deteriorated and/or burned condition causing a negative environmental impact on the residential neighborhoods in which it is located. All Notices have been mailed in accordance with Arkansas State Law.

9. <u>ORDINANCE NO. 21,736; Z-5570-D</u>: To amend Little Rock, Ark., Rev. Code § 32-322 (1988) on the Immobilization of Automobiles with Delinquent Parking Fines; *to declare an emergency;* and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

The ordinances were read the first time. Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Director 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 Wright, 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 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 ordinances were approved. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, th

Mayor Scott stated that he had misplaced the Agenda Card for Clinton Spann who was present to address the Board regarding Item 8.

<u>Clinton Spann, 3 Purdue Circle</u>: Stated that he owned the property located at 7911 Woodhaven Drive and that they had been working on the structure; however, he needed additional time to complete the needed repairs to bring the house up to Code.

Director Kumpuris made the motion, seconded by Director Wright, to reconsider the vote for Item 8. By voice vote of the Board Members present, with Vice-Mayor Wyrick voting in opposition, **the vote for Item 8 was reconsidered.**

Vice-Mayor Wyrick asked for a staff report regarding the property. Housing & Neighborhood Programs Code Enforcement Manager Ed Garland stated that staff had been involved with the property since January 23, 2014. Mr. Garland stated that in April 2018, staff visited with the owner, who had explained his existing situation. Mr. Garland stated that staff followed up the meeting with the normal process of tracking progress and that in May 2019, staff had informed the owner that not enough progress had been made and that the property would be placed on an upcoming Condemnation Ordinance. Mr. Garland stated that the property had been certified to the State for failure to pay taxes.

Vice-Mayor Wyrick asked Mr. Spann how much additional time he was requesting. Mr. Spann stated that he had a prospective buyer and needed three (3) additional months. Mr. Spann stated that if the prospective buyer did not purchase the property, he would put it back on the market to sell.

Director Kumpuris made the motion, seconded by Director Fortson, to remove 7911 Woodhaven Drive from the Condemnation Ordinance and to grant the owner of 7911 Woodhaven Drive an additional ninety (90) days to make the needed repairs to bring the structure up to Code. By roll call vote, the vote was as follows: Ayes: Webb; Peck; Wright; Kumpuris; and Fortson. Nays: Hendrix; Hines; Adcock and Vice-Mayor Wyrick. Present: Richardson. When asked if he would like to change his Present vote, Director Richardson indicated that he would like to his vote to be registered as Present. The final

roll call vote was as follows: Ayes: Webb; Peck; Wright; Kumpuris; and Fortson. Nays: Hendrix; Hines; Adcock and Vice-Mayor Wyrick. Present: Richardson. By a vote of five (5) ayes, four (4) nays and one (1) Present, **the motion failed.**

SEPARATE ITEMS (Item M-1)

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Director Hines the motion, seconded by Director Wright, to approve the resolution.

Director Adcock asked if the golf carts from the two (2) golf courses that were being closed could be moved to the two (2) remaining courses. Parks & Recreation Deputy Director Mark Webre stated that the carts were leased, with the current lease ending on June 15, 2019. Mr. Webre stated that the current lessor needed to replace the carts and was not willing to extend the current lease.

Director Hines made the motion, seconded by Director Kumpuris, to call the question on the vote. By voice vote of the Board Members present, with Directors Wright and Adcock voting in opposition, **the question to vote was called.**

By voice vote of the Board Members present, with Directors Wright and Adcock voting in opposition, **the resolution was approved.**

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

Carl Hines, 1508 Eat 38th Street: World Changers.

Larnell Lewis, 4018 John Barrow Road: The Dangers of 5G Tech/no-Knock Warrant Constitutional Rights Violation.

Jason Tipton, 30 Cobblestone Creek Court: E-Scooter Ordinance.

Joseph Emrel, 2505 South 5th Street: Homeless Documentary.

Russ Racop, 301 Alamo Drive: Expenses in the Mayor's Office.

Loretta Hendrix, P.O. Box 3603, Little Rock, AR: Governance Structure Study Group Town Halls.

Director Hines made the motion, seconded by Director Wright, to adjourn the meeting. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the meeting was adjourned**.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Susan Langley, City Clerk

Frank Scott, Jr., Mayor