

**Little Rock Board of Directors Meeting
October 6, 2020
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 (via WebEx Teleconferencing); Richardson; Webb (via WebEx Teleconferencing); Peck; Hines; Wright; Kumpuris; Fortson (via WebEx Teleconferencing); Adcock; Vice-Mayor Wyrick; and Mayor Scott. Director Joan Adcock delivered the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS

Little Rock Zoo & Downtown Partnership Halloween Event

ADDITIONS:

M-1 RESOLUTION: To issue Industrial Development Revenue Bonds, in the approximate principal amount of \$22,000,000.00, for the purpose of acquiring and equipping industrial facilities at the Little Rock Port Authority on behalf of Delta Plastics of the South, LLC, and Arkansas Limited Liability Company; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

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

CONSENT AGENDA (Items 1 – 17 and Item M-1)

1. RESOLUTION NO. 15,294: To set October 20, 2020, as the date of public hearing to consider the issuance of Water Reclamation System Revenue Bonds for the purpose of financing betterments and improvements to the City's Water Reclamation System; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

2. RESOLUTION NO. 15,295: To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Redstone Construction Group, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$190,234.62, for the Chenal Traffic Island Modifications; and for other purposes. *(Funding from the 3/8-Cent Capital Improvement Sales Tax and the Limited Tax General Obligation Capital Improvement Bonds)* *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: A resolution to authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement with Redstone Construction Group, Inc., for Chenal Traffic Island Modifications, Project No. 5-17-ST-225B, Bid No. 972. (Located in Ward 5 & 6)

wa3. RESOLUTION NO. 15,296: To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Redstone Construction Group, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$728,909.16, for the Midtown Neighborhood Association Streets Project; and for other purposes. *(Funding*

from the 3/8-Cent Capital Improvement Sales Tax and the Limited Tax General Obligation Capital Improvement Bonds) Staff recommends approval.

Synopsis: A resolution to authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement with Redstone Construction Group, Inc., for the Midtown Neighborhood Streets Improvement Project, Project No. 01-17-ST-47, Bid No. 973. (Located in Ward 1)

4. RESOLUTION NO. 15,297: To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Cisneros Family Construction, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$311,592.00, for the Howard and 22nd Street Drainage Improvement Project; and for other purposes. *(Funding from the 3/8-Cent Capital Improvement Sales Tax and the Limited Tax General Obligation Capital Improvement Bonds) Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: A resolution to authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement with Cisneros Family Construction, LLC, for Howard & 22nd Street Drainage Improvements, Project No. 01-15-DR-8, Bid #983. (Located in Ward 1)

5. RESOLUTION NO. 15,298: To authorize the City Manager to enter into an annual contract with Cascade Engineering, in an amount up to \$250,000.00 annually, for the purchase of Solid Waste Containers, on an as needed basis, for the Public Works Department; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: A resolution to authorize the City Manager to enter into an annual contract with Cascade Engineering for the purchase of Solid Waste Containers for the Little Rock Public Works Department.

6. RESOLUTION NO. 15,299: To authorize the City Manager to amend the contract with James A. Rogers Excavating, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$720,000.00, for the construction of the City of Little Rock Class 1 Landfill Cell 5 West; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: A resolution to authorize the City Manager to amend the contract with James A. Rogers Excavating, Inc., for the construction of the City of Little Rock Class 1 Landfill Cell 5 West.

7. RESOLUTION NO. 15,300: To authorize the City Manager to enter into an annual contract with Mid-South Sales, in an annual amount not to exceed \$3,200,000.00, for Fuel and Gasoline for the Fleet Services Department; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: A resolution to authorize the City Manager to enter into an annual contract with Mid-South Sales for Fuel and Gasoline for City Vehicles.

8. RESOLUTION NO. 15,301: To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Enterprise FM Trust, in an amount not to exceed \$1,855,216.00, plus applicable taxes and fees, for an annual purchase order to lease fifty-one (51) vehicles for the 4th year of the Five (5)-Year Replacement Plan for the Little Rock Police Department; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: A resolution to authorize the City Manager to award an Annual Purchase Order to Enterprise FM Trust for the leasing of fifty-one (51) vehicles to be utilized by the Little Rock Police Department.

9. RESOLUTION NO. 15,302: To authorize the City Manager to execute two (2) contracts with CHI St. Vincent Medical Group, in amounts not to exceed \$175,000.00 and \$100,000.00, to provide Health Care Services for low-income persons residing within the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, utilizing the 2020 Community Development Block Grant Funds; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: A resolution to authorize the City Manager to execute a contract with CHI St. Vincent Medical Group for Health Care Services for low-income persons residing within the City of Little Rock, Arkansas.

10. RESOLUTION NO. 15,303: To authorize the City Manager to execute two (2) contracts with Carelink, in amounts not to exceed \$60,000.00 and \$35,000.00, to provide Meals on Wheels for low-income persons residing within the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, utilizing the 2020 Community Development Block Grant Funds; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: A resolution to authorize the City Manager to execute a contract with Carelink to provide Meals on Wheels for low-income persons residing within the City of Little Rock, Arkansas.

11. RESOLUTION NO. 15,304: To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with North America Fire Equipment Company, Inc., for the total amount of \$182,946.94, for the purchase of Firefighting Protective Coats and Pants for the Little Rock Fire Department; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: A resolution to authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with North American Fire Equipment Company, Inc., for the purchase of Firefighting Protective Coats and Pants for the Little Rock Fire Department.

12. RESOLUTION NO. 15,305: To authorize the City Manager to extend the contract with United Healthcare, in an amount not to exceed \$16,000,000.00, to provide Group Health Insurance Coverage for City Employees for the period January 1, 2021, to December 31, 2021; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: A resolution to authorize the City Manager to extend the agreement with United Healthcare for Group Health Insurance for the period of January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2021.

13. RESOLUTION NO. 15,306: To authorize the offering of Bonds to refund the City's Sewer Revenue Bonds, Series 2012; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

14. RESOLUTION NO. 15,307: To authorize the City Manager to execute a Special Sewer Agreement with Little Rock Quick Rice, LLC; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

15. RESOLUTION NO. 15,308: To approve the deferral of principal on and the extension of the maturities of six (6) City of Little Rock, Arkansas Revenue Bonds secured by Revenues of the Water Reclamation System; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

16. RESOLUTION NO. 15,309: To authorize the City Manager to enter into a contract with Impact Management Group and Mitchell, Williams, Selig, Gates & Woodyard, PLLC, to provide Governmental Affairs and Consulting Services; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: A resolution to authorize the City Manager to enter into a Professional Service Agreement with Impact Management Group and Mitchell, Williams, Selig, Gates & Woodyard to provide Governmental Affairs and Consultant Services.

17. RESOLUTION NO. 15,310: To authorize a five (5)-year extension of the Interlocal Agreement for Ambulance Services between the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, and Pulaski County, Arkansas, granting the Little Rock Ambulance Authority, d/b/a Metropolitan Emergency Medical Services, and exclusive Franchise to continue to provide Ambulance Services to Pulaski County; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: A resolution to renew the Interlocal Agreement with Pulaski County for MEMS to have the exclusive jurisdiction for Ambulance Services within the County.

M-1 RESOLUTION NO. 15,311: To issue Industrial Development Revenue Bonds, in the approximate principal amount of \$22,000,000.00, for the purpose of acquiring and equipping industrial facilities at the Little Rock Port Authority on behalf of Delta Plastics of the South, LLC, and Arkansas Limited Liability Company; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Director Kumpuris stated that he served on panels for multiple insurance companies, including United Healthcare; however, because he owned no stock, there was not a conflict of interest which would require him to recuse from voting on Item 12.

Director Adcock stated she owned Wastewater Revenue Bonds; however, according to City Attorney Tom Carpenter, the amount of bonds she owned would not cause her to have to recuse from voting on Items 13 and 15,

Director Hines made the motion, seconded by Director Wright, to approve the Consent Agenda. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the Consent Agenda was approved.**

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

John McCarty: Fair Park Golf Course.

Max Campbell (via e-mail): Little Rock Police Department Reform.

Luke Skrable (via e-mail): 1st Amendment Right to Free Speech.

SEPARATE ITEMS (Items 18 - 19)

18. RESOLUTION: To support a targeted community development initiative to address the lack of development in strategic sections of the City of Little Rock, Arkansas; and for other purposes. *(Sponsored by Directors Richardson and Wright)*

Director Fortson stated that he felt that the resolution was premature in light of the fact that the Board had not seen the proposed 2021 Budget. Director Fortson stated that he felt that the item should be tabled until the first meeting in December.

Director Fortson made the motion, seconded by Director Hines, to table Item 18 until the December 2, 2020, Board of Directors Meeting. By voice vote of the Board Members present, with Directors Richardson and Wright voting in opposition, **the motion was approved.**

19. ORDINANCE NO. 21,901: To declare it impractical and unfeasible to bid; to authorize the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Motorola, in an amount not to exceed \$96,988.30, plus applicable taxes and fees, to upgrade the software and hardware for the NICE IP Radio Logger upgrade and maintenance used by the Little Rock Police Department Communications (911) Division; and for other purposes. *Staff recommends approval.*

Synopsis: An ordinance to authorize the City Manager to enter into a Sole-Source Agreement with Motorola for an upgrade to and maintenance on software and hardware of the Communications Division's NICE IP Radio Logger.

The ordinance was read the first time. Director Adcock made the motion, seconded by Director Hines, 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 Hines, 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. By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the ordinance was approved.**

PUBLIC HEARINGS (Item 20)

20. ORDINANCE NO. 21,902: To establish and lay off City of Little Rock Municipal Property Owners' Multipurpose Improvement District No. 2020-003 (LaMarche Village Project); **to declare an emergency**; and for other purposes.

Mayor Scott opened the public hearing.

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

Mayor Scott asked if there were individuals present that wished to speak for or against the item. There being none present, Mayor Scott closed the public hearing.

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

By unanimous voice vote of the Board Members present, **the emergency clause was approved.**

Director Richardson made the motion, seconded by Director Hines, 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