

**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMUNICATION
MAY 3, 2022 AGENDA**

Subject:	Action Required:	Approved By:
<p>A resolution expressing the City’s intent to authorize the Mayor to accept a grant from the Arkansas Historic Preservation Program and the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a Historic Preservation for the Pike-Fletcher-Terry House to the Arkansas Historic Preservation Program.</p> <p>Submitted By:</p> <p>Planning & Development Department</p>	<p>Ordinance √ Resolution</p>	<p>Bruce T. Moore City Manager</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">SYNOPSIS</p>	<p>The resolution will express the City’s intent authorize the Mayor to accept a grant from the Arkansas Historic Preservation Program and the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a Historic Preservation Easement for the Pike-Fletcher-Terry House for the emergency stabilization repairs.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">FISCAL IMPACT</p>	<p>The Historic Preservation Easement is a requirement before the \$100,000.00 granted by the Arkansas Historic Preservation Program can be provided to the City through reimbursement.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">RECOMMENDATION</p>	<p>Approval of the resolution.</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">BACKGROUND</p>	<p>Earlier this year, the City applied for and was successful in being awarded a Historic Restoration Preservation Grant from the Arkansas Historic Preservation Program. The total amount of the grant is \$156,425.00, with \$56,425.00 of the funds being used for the second phase of the Hillcrest National Register Historic Properties Resurvey and for training for the Historic District Commission Commissioners and Staff.</p>	

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The amount of the funds for the Terry House repair is \$100,000.00, and a condition of the grant funding is for the City to provide a Conservation Easement, called a Historic Preservation Easement, on the Terry House where the repairs will be performed, to the Arkansas Historic Preservation Program to assist with conserving and preserving the value and significance of the building. Although this property is currently the subject of litigation (*Susan Borné, et al. v. the City of Little Rock, et al.* (60CV-21-6690)), all parties agree that until a Court Order to the contrary is entered, the City owns the real property. However, because the property is in litigation, this resolution is solely to express the intent of the City to accept these funds and to provide the Conservation Funds. Should the City accept these funds, the monies will be used to address the direst needs of the structure and to maintain its structural integrity.

In 1964, Adolphine Terry and Mary Drennan deeded the Terry House to the City specifying that the property be used for the benefit of the Arkansas Museum of Fine Arts (formerly known as the Arkansas Arts Center). The Museum has been paying the utilities for the property; however, they recently relinquished the responsibility of the utilities to the City and the City has transferred the utilities into its name and is paying said bills.