

**Little Rock Board of Directors Special Called Meeting
August 8, 2023
4:00 PM**

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; Peck; Hines; Lewis; Wyrick; Phillips (enrolled at 4:04 PM); Kumpuris; Adcock; and Mayor Scott. Directors absent: Richardson and Vice-Mayor Webb. Director B.J. Wyrick gave the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. ORDINANCE NO. 22,293: To declare it impractical and unfeasible to bid; to authorize the City Manager to enter into a sole-source contract with Unite Private Network, in an amount not to exceed \$135,635.00, plus applicable taxes and fees, for the purchase of equipment and service to connect to a Fiber-Based Telecommunications Network for the East Little Rock Community Center; and for other purposes. *(Funding from the American Rescue Plan Act) (1st Reading held on August 1, 2023) Staff recommends approval.*
Synopsis: An ordinance to authorize the City Manager to enter into a sole-source contract with Unite Private Network for the purchase of equipment and service to connect to a Fiber-Based Telecommunications Network for the East Little Rock Community Center.

The ordinance was read the 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.**

2. ORDINANCE NO. 22,294: To declare it impractical and unfeasible to bid; to authorize the City Manager to enter extend a one (1)-year sole-source agreement with City Year, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00, to establish an education program relative to the City's Educational Initiative for use by the Little Rock School District; **to declare an emergency**; and for other purposes. *(1st Reading held on August 1, 2023) Staff recommends approval.*
Synopsis: An ordinance to authorize City Manager to enter into a contract with City Year, Inc., to establish an educational program whereby City Year AmeriCorps Members provide single-point solutions to address a school or student's needs and designed to meet students' academic and social-emotional needs by providing support at the individual student, classroom, and whole-school levels and to create school-wide learning environments.

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

3. ORDINANCE NO. 22,295: To declare it unfeasible and impractical to bid; to authorize the City Manager to award a contract to Aptus Financial to assist eligible City Employees to seek student loan forgiveness; to establish an initial fee and an annual

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renewal fee; **to declare an emergency**; and for other purposes. *(1st Reading held on August 1, 2023) Staff recommends approval.*

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

Director Hines made the motion, seconded by Director Peck, 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