

April 9, 2012
Seven o'clock P.M.
North Little Rock City Hall Council Chambers
300 Main Street
North Little Rock, Arkansas

The regular meeting of the North Little Rock City Council meeting scheduled for Monday, April 9, 2012, was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by the honorable Mayor PATRICK HENRY HAYS. The roll having been called and the following Aldermen answered to their names: DEBI ROSS, BETH WHITE, MAURICE TAYLOR, LINDA ROBINSON, STEVE BAXTER, BRUCE FOUTCH, CHARLIE HIGHT, and MURRY WITCHER (8/0), a quorum was declared. City Clerk Diane Whitbey and City Attorney C. Jason Carter were also present.

The invocation was given by Alderwoman White, followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag which was led by Alderwoman Ross.

On the motion of Alderman Witcher and seconded by Alderman Hight, and by consent of all members present, the minutes of a regular council meeting held on Monday, March 26, 2012, were approved, accepted and filed as prepared by the City Clerk (8/0).

On the blanket motion of Alderwoman Ross and seconded by Alderwoman White, and by consent of all members present, communications #1, 2, and 3, were not read, accepted and filed (8/0).

1. Becky Taylor, Mayor's Office memorandum re: *Restaurant Mixed Drink – Change of Manager from Sylvia Williams* for TGI Friday's, 2820 Lakewood Village Drive, by Eric Biedenbender.
2. Charlotte Thomas, Mayor's Office memorandum re: *Restaurant Beer & Wine – NEW* for Super King, 4000 Vali Court, by Saijuan He.
3. Charlotte Thomas, Mayor's Office memorandum re: *Retail Liquor & Retail Beer off Premises – Replacement for Rebecca Howard*, for Howard's Liquor, 4431 Camp Robinson Road, by Brett Howard.

Mayor Hays asked Mrs. Bernadette Rhodes, Fit 2 Live Coordinator to come forward. Mrs. Rhodes, announced the following upcoming events: beginning this Wednesday, April 11, 2012, at 12:00 noon (and every Wednesday through June 27) - group walks meet in front of City Services Buildings, 120 Main Street (1 to 2 miles); April 17, 2012, at 5:30 p.m. – Family Fitness Night at Park Hill Elementary; April 19, 2012, at 5:30 p.m. – Levy Trail Tour and Community Discussion at Levy Baptist Church; April 20, 2012, 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Kids on the Hill North Little Rock High School West Campus Track; April 26, 2012, North Little Rock School District physicals (volunteers needed); April 28, 2012, 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m., Vegetable Gardening 101 Workshop, Argenta Community Garden. Alderman Baxter asked that this information be placed on the Fit 2 Live Facebook page.

Mayor Hays invited Mr. Wayne Rathbun, Waste Management to come forward. April 9, 2012, was the kickoff of the new recycling program in North Little Rock using the wheeled carts. Mr. Rathbun said participation doubled last week in Little Rock. He anticipates the same in North Little Rock this week. Mr. Rathbun said *Keep North Little Rock Beautiful* (KNLRB) went through the process gain accreditation through *Keep Arkansas Beautiful*. He introduced Mr. Randy Naylor who said North Little Rock is the 11th city in the state to be certified. The citywide cleanup will be on May 19, 2012. Everyone is encouraged to participate and promote the event. KNLRB has a Facebook page where people can sign up. Their email address is knlrg@aol.com. Members of the KNLRB Board have all pledged to recycle all they can, reuse when possible, not litter and pick up litter when they can and keep North Little Rock beautiful. They will have an information booth set up during Earth Day at Dickey Stephens Park. The following board members were present: Nathan Longeway, Alderwoman White, Alderman Fouch, Ornett Grind, and Lisa Smith. Alderwoman Ross asked if residents could get an additional rolling cart. Mr. Rathbun said yes and advised there is an additional monthly fee of \$2.00. Residents should contact North Little Rock Sanitation to sign up to be billed and make arrangements for delivery of another cart. Alderwoman Ross said students at the East Campus East Initiative Program collected a lot of bins last Saturday. They will be collecting again April 14, 2012, at the East Campus from 9:00 a.m. until 12 noon. Broken bins should be put inside the new cart to be recycled.

Mayor Hays asked Mrs. Marilyn Hall, North Little Rock Animal Control to come forward. Mrs. Hall announced the North Shore Animal League Tour for Life will be in North Little Rock on Tuesday, April 17, 2012, from 11:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. at Lakewood Village Shopping Center. North Shore is the largest animal rescue group in the country. Each year, they send their mobile units across the United States, stopping at cities and towns along the way to help local animal shelters and rescue groups hold adopt-a-thons. Other local rescue groups will participate. Lots of dogs and cats will be available for adoption. Free micro chips and rabies shots will be available to anyone who brings a sterilized animal to the event. There will drawings for free spaying or neutering for dogs and cats and other giveaways. Alderwoman White will provided dog training demonstrations with her dog Zoe, who she adopted from the North Little Rock Shelter 12 years ago. Everyone is encouraged to stop by. Ms. Whitbey advised there will be a press conference held at 12 noon during the event at which time North Little Rock Friends of Animals representatives will distribute funds collected in 2011 through the statewide *Spay or Neuter* specialty license plate. Ms. Margaret Powell, Community Relations Director suggested everyone who has adopted a pet from the North Little Rock Animal Shelter bring their pet to the event for a reunion. Mayor Hays said North Little Rock has been the only stop in Arkansas and one of the smallest cities on the Tour for Life route for the past 10 years. This year, Fayetteville and Clinton, Arkansas have been added.

Mayor Hays asked Ms. Jill Ponder, Energy Services Coordinator, North Little Rock Electric Department to come forward. Ms. Ponder said the 4th Annual North Little Rock Electric Department Watts the Energy Otter's Earth Day Poster Contest was recently held. The grand prize winner was Miss Jacqueline S. Chun, a fifth grade student at Lakewood Elementary School. Miss Chun and her

school each received a \$50.00 gift card. Miss Chun also received an energy efficiency gift bag for her home. Mayor Hays presented her with a Certificate of Achievement.

Mayor Hays invited Mr. Rick Ezell, Director North Little Rock Office of Emergency Services / 911 to come forward. He then read a Proclamation proclaiming April 8 – 14, 2012, as *National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week* in the City of North Little Rock. Mr. Ezell thanked Mayor Hays and the city for the recognition. There are over 200,000 dispatchers across the U.S. who work long hours, holidays and weekends, to help keep our cities safe.

Mayor Hays announced citizen public comment on agenda legislation. Mr. Mike Gerfen spoke in support of O-12-34, declaring a moratorium on major hillside cuts in the city. Ordinances in general related to land use should reflect the overall vision of the city. The current ordinance pertaining to hillside cuts needs to be reviewed. Mr. Larry McGrew also supports O-12-34. He referenced a recent hillside issue in his neighborhood. He is a retired Civil Engineer. He tried to become familiar with the current ordinance which he said seems insufficient.

Without objection, O-12-31 was called.

O-12-31 (ORDINANCE NO. 8429 – MAYOR HAYS)

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A HILLSIDE CUT FOR DEVELOPMENT OF AN APARTMENT COMPLEX ON PROPERTY LOCATED ON THE NORTH SIDE OF DONOVAN BRILEY BOULEVARD BETWEEN EAST MILITARY ROAD AND HIGHWAY 176 IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read.

Mayor Hays visited with North Little Rock Planning Director Robert Voyles who was not aware of any pending issues concerning hillside cuts. This request has gone through the Planning process. A neighboring land owner supports this proposal. On the motion of Alderman Witcher and seconded by Alderwoman Robinson, and by consent of all members present, the rules were suspended and the ordinance was placed on its second reading (8/0). On the motion of Alderman Witcher and seconded by Alderman Hight, and by consent of all members present, the rules were again suspended and the ordinance was placed on its third and final reading (8/0). The ordinance was read a third and final time. Alderwoman Ross asked what kind of apartments (housing) would be built. Mr. Tommy Bond is the Engineer on this project. The units would be for elderly / single families. Ms. Stephanie Johnson is working with the developer. The facility would be for seniors 55 years of age and older. Alderwoman Ross has had several calls from residents concerned about more “below market rate” apartments being built in the area. Ms. Johnson referenced research (a 2009 Market Study) indicated a need for affordable housing for seniors. Alderwoman Ross asked what would happen if there weren’t enough seniors interested in renting the apartments. Ms. Johnson said she has visited with someone from the Housing Authority who said there was a real need in the city. Incomes in Arkansas are low. Quality, affordable single-living is needed. Alderwoman Robinson asked if this would be similar to another site (Sarah Daisy). Ms. Johnson said this will be aesthetically pleasing and an enhancement to the area. Mr. Ron Woods, Architect on the project, advised it will be one-level.

However, from the backside view it will appear to be two because of the slope of the land. Where there are two levels, the lower one will be brick and the upper will be siding. Alderwoman Robinson asked if there were any concerns with the hillside cut. Mr. Bond said the hill is rock. Mr. Chris Wilbourn, City Engineer advised a preliminary review of the site plan and proposed hillside cut has been reviewed and based on the (current) information provided (which included a detailed Geotechnical Report) believes the hillside cut will be stable and not harm abutting properties. Mr. Bond said the abutting property owner will receive about 20,000 yards of fill on his property from this site. Alderman Foutch asked about the retaining wall. Mr. Wilbourn said there will be several ranging in height. The maximum cut would have a 10' wall. Alderwoman White asked if the project could proceed without cuts. Mr. Bond said no, (the hill has a 15% grade) it's too steep. Ms. Johnson said initial plans included removing the hill, leaving a flat area. Alderwoman Ross asked who would be responsible for the hillside in the future. Mr. Carter said the property owner will be responsible for lateral stability. The burden stays with the land, whether it is the builder/developer or a new owner. Alderwoman White said the project is commendable. However, she has reservations about a hillside cut. On the motion of Alderman Witcher and seconded by Alderman Taylor, and the roll having been called, and all members present having voted in the affirmative, with the exception of Alderwomen Ross and White, who voted no, the ordinance was adopted (6/2). Emergency clause unanimously adopted (8/0). (*applicant: Jett Harris*).

O-12-34 (ORDINANCE NO. 8430 – ALDERWOMEN ROSS AND WHITE)

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING A MORATORIUM ON MAJOR HILLSIDE CUTS IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES,

was read. On the motion of Alderwoman Ross and seconded by Alderman Baxter, and by consent of all members present, the rules were suspended and the ordinance was placed on its second reading (8/0). On the motion of Alderwoman Ross and seconded by Alderman Taylor, and by consent of all members present, the rules were again suspended and the ordinance was placed on its third and final reading (8/0). The ordinance was read a third and final time. Alderwoman Ross was contacted by a local engineering company that would like to have representation on the committee. On the motion of Alderwoman Ross and seconded by Alderwoman White, and by consent of all members present, the ordinance was amended as follows:: *add ALDERMAN BETH WHITE as a cosponsor; and, Section 1: (a) add ix. ENGINEERS WHO HAVE DESIGNED MAJOR HILLSIDE CUTS IN NORTH LITTLE ROCK WILL BE INVITED TO ATTEND ALL MEETINGS WITH ONE LOCAL ENGINEER DESIGNATED BY THE COMMITTEE TO REPRESENT THE DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY* (8/0). Alderwoman White nominated Alderwoman Ross to chair the committee. On the motion of Alderman Witcher and seconded by Alderman Taylor, and by consent of all members present, the ordinance was amended as follows:: *insert DEBI ROSS in the blank in Section 1(a) i.* (8/0). On the motion of Alderman Witcher and seconded by Alderwoman Ross, and the roll having been called, and all members present having voted in the affirmative, the ordinance was unanimously adopted as amended (8/0).

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

R-12-42 (RESOLUTION NO. 8032 – MAYOR HAYS)

A RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN BUILDINGS, HOUSES AND OTHER STRUCTURES LOCATED AT 1001 EAST WASHINGTON (AVENUE) IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK TO CONSTITUTE A PUBLIC NUISANCE AND CONDEMNING SAID STRUCTURES;

PROVIDING A PERIOD OF TIME FOR PROPERTY OWNER TO ABATE FOR ABATEMENT OF SAID NUISANCE, was called. (*See also R-12-43 and R-12-44*). Mr. Carter referenced amended versions of R-12-42, R-12-43, and R-12-44. All structures are on one lot. Said property is currently in Probate. Ms. Dejuana Dennis Steele advised Robert Dennis is her (deceased) father and Audra Dennis is her step-mother. She is one of three heirs to the estate and has the resources to abate the structures. The resolution was then read. A motion to adopt was made by Alderwoman Ross and seconded by Alderman Taylor. On the motion of Alderman Hight and seconded by Alderman Foutch, and by consent of all members present, the resolution was amended as follows: *substitute copy provided this date* (8/0). A motion to adopt as amended was made by Alderman Taylor and seconded by Alderwoman Robinson. Mayor Hays convened a public hearing. There being no one present wishing to be heard, the public hearing was adjourned. On the previous motion, and by consent of all members present, the resolution was unanimously adopted as amended (8/0). (*owner: Robert Dennis c/o Audra Dennis*).

R-12-43 (RESOLUTION NO. 8033 – MAYOR HAYS)

A RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN BUILDINGS, HOUSES AND OTHER STRUCTURES LOCATED AT 1001 EAST WASHINGTON (AVENUE), AKA 1005 E. WASHINGTON (AVENUE), IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK TO CONSTITUTE A PUBLIC NUISANCE AND CONDEMNING SAID STRUCTURES; PROVIDING A PERIOD TO TIME FOR PROPERTY OWNER TO ABATE FOR ABATEMENT OF SAID NUISANCE, was read (*see also R-12-42 and R-12-44*).

A motion to adopt was made by Alderwoman Robinson and seconded by Alderman Foutch. On the motion of Alderman Taylor and seconded by Alderwoman Robinson, and by consent of all members present, the resolution was amended as follows: *substitute copy provided this date* (8/0). A motion to adopt as amended was made by Alderwoman Robinson and seconded by Alderman Taylor. Mayor Hays convened a public hearing. There being no one present wishing to be heard, the public hearing was adjourned. On the previous motion, and by consent of all members present, the resolution was unanimously adopted as amended (8/0). (*owner: Robert Dennis c/o Audra Dennis*).

R-12-44 (RESOLUTION NO. 8034 – MAYOR HAYS)

A RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN BUILDINGS, HOUSES AND OTHER STRUCTURES LOCATED AT 1001 EAST WASHINGTON (AVENUE) AKA 108 NORTH WALNUT, IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK TO CONSTITUTE A PUBLIC NUISANCE AND CONDEMNING SAID STRUCTURES; PROVIDING A PERIOD OF TIME FOR PROPERTY OWNER TO ABATE FOR ABATEMENT OF SAID NUISANCE, was read (*see also R-12-42 and R-12-43*).

A motion to adopt was made by Alderman Hight and seconded by Alderman Taylor. On the motion of Alderman Baxter and seconded by Alderwoman Ross, and by consent of all members

present, the resolution was amended as follows: *substitute copy provided this date (8/0)*. A motion to adopt as amended was made by Alderwoman Ross and seconded by Alderman Baxter. Mayor Hays convened a public hearing. There being no one present wishing to be heard, the public hearing was adjourned. On the previous motion, and all members present, having voted in the affirmative, the resolution was unanimously adopted as amended (8/0). (*owner: Robert Dennis c/o Audra Dennis*).

O-12-26

AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING LOGOS, COLORS (OTHER THAN BLACK AND WHITE) OR ANY TYPE OF DECORATIVE/DESIGNER CURB SIGNS OR MARKINGS FOR STREET NUMBERS IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read one time March 26, 2012, was read a second time this date and held by the sponsor, Alderman Witcher.

NEW BUSINESS

R-12-49 (RESOLUTION NO. 8035 – MAYOR HAYS)

A RESOLUTION CERTIFYING THE AMOUNT OF A CLEAN UP LIEN TO BE FILED WITH THE PULASKI COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR AGAINST CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1901 SCHAEER IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. A motion to adopt was made by Alderwoman Ross and seconded by Alderwoman Robinson. Mayor Hays convened a public hearing. There being no one present wishing to be heard, the public hearing was adjourned. On the previous motion, and all members present having voted in the affirmative, the resolution was unanimously adopted (8/0). (*owner: Brian Patrick Johnston - \$3,089.50*)

R-12-50 (RESOLUTION NO. 8036 – MAYOR HAYS)

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE DONATION OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT (5828) ALTA VISTA DRIVE IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK FROM JOHN AND CLAUDETTE CARR; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. A motion to adopt was made by Alderman Foutch and seconded by Alderman Hight. Mayor Hays said a Habitat for Humanity home or other agency might be feasible at this location in the future. On the previous motion, and all members present having voted in the affirmative, the resolution was unanimously adopted (8/0).

R-12-51 (RESOLUTION NO. 8037 – MAYOR HAYS)

A RESOLUTION APPROVING ACCEPTANCE BY THE NORTH LITTLE ROCK AIRPORT COMMISSION OF A GRANT FROM THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF AERONAUTICS; APPROPRIATING \$9,528.01 IN MATCHING FUNDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. A motion to adopt was made by Alderman Witcher and seconded by Alderman Taylor. An amendment was discussed. Alderwoman Ross asked where the funds were in the budget. Mr. Clay Rogers, North Little Rock Airport said Airport Miscellaneous Funds. Mayor Hays said money wasn't appropriated to the Airport from the City's General Fund this year. On the motion of Alderman Witcher and seconded by Alderman Hight, and by consent of all members present, with the exception

of Alderwoman Ross who passed, the resolution was amended as follows: *Section 2: strike is hereby appropriated from the Sales Tax Capital Improvements Fund as matching funds, and insert* SHALL BE PAID FROM FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED TO THE AIRPORT COMMISSION (7/1). On the motion of Alderman Witcher and seconded by Alderman Taylor, and by consent of all members present, with the exception of Alderwoman Ross who passed, the resolution was adopted as amended (7/1).

R-12-52 (RESOLUTION NO. 8038 – MAYOR HAYS AND ALDERMAN TAYLOR)
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE ARGENTA ARTS FOUNDATION FOR THE ART AGENDA SUMMER PROGRAM; APPROPRIATING FUNDS (\$20,000.00 – Youth Fund 2012 Budget); AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. A motion to adopt was made by Alderman Taylor and seconded by Alderwoman Robinson. Alderman Foutch asked about the impact taking these fund from the Youth Fund would have on other existing programs. Mayor Hays said funds were set aside for youth activities. Alderman Taylor went to Boston to look at an after school / out-of-school mentoring program. This program will benefit local youth by providing a means to achieve higher education, citizen leadership and self-sufficiency and will enhance economic development in the city. On the previous motion, and by consent of all members present, the resolution was unanimously adopted (8/0).

R-12-53 (RESOLUTION NO. 8039 – MAYOR HAYS)
A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND RATIFYING ACCEPTANCE BY THE NORTH LITTLE ROCK AIRPORT COMMISSION OF A GRANT FROM THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF AERONAUTICS FOR RENOVATIONS TO THE BARRETT AVIATION HANGAR; APPROPRIATING \$55,900.00 IN MATCHING FUNDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. On the motion of Alderman Witcher and seconded by Alderman Taylor, and by consent of all members present, the resolution was unanimously adopted (8/0).

O-12-32 (ORDINANCE NO. 8431 – ALDERMAN FOUTCH)
AN ORDINANCE APPROVING VARIANCES FOR A POLE SIGN ON CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 8801 MAUMELLE BOULEVARD IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. On the motion of Alderman Foutch and seconded by Alderman Hight, and by consent of all members present, the rules were suspended and the ordinance was placed on its second reading (8/0). On the motion of Alderman Foutch and seconded by Alderman Baxter, and by consent of all members present, the rules were again suspended and the ordinance was placed on its third and final reading (8/0). The ordinance was read a third and final time. Alderwoman Ross asked why a 30' pole sign was needed. Alderman Witcher said between traffic and visual aspects in the area, a pole sign is warranted. The applicant, Mr. John Thatcher said the pole sign is intended to attract the attention of motorists as they exit I-430 onto Maumelle Boulevard. A Citgo Station next door has a 40' pole sign. Alderman Baxter said people exiting a freeway look up for gas station signage. Alderman Hight said

variances have to be considered on a case-by-case basis as conditions and needs vary. Alderwoman Ross asked where the line is drawn on such requests. On the motion of Alderman Hight and seconded by Alderman Taylor, and by consent of all members present, with the exception of Alderwoman Ross who voted no, the ordinance was adopted (7/1). Emergency clause unanimously adopted (8/0).
(applicant: John Thatcher)

O-12-33 (ORDINANCE NO. 8432 – ALDERWOMEN ROSS AND WHITE)

AN ORDINANCE VACATING AND ABANDONING AN ALLEY LOCATED AT 4000 CAMP ROBINSON ROAD (BETWEEN LOTS 14 AND 13R, FREEMAN’S ADDITION) IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. On the motion of Alderwoman Ross and seconded by Alderwoman White, and by consent of all members present, the rules were suspended and the ordinance was placed on its second reading (8/0). On the motion of Alderwoman Ross and seconded by Alderwoman Robinson, and by consent of all members present, the rules were again suspended and the ordinance was placed on its third and final reading (8/0). The ordinance was read a third and final time. Mr. Shawn Spencer, North Little Rock Planning Department advised they (AutoZone) wanted to expand their existing location. On the motion of Alderwoman Ross and seconded by Alderwoman White, and the roll having been called, and all members present having voted in the affirmative, the ordinance was unanimously adopted (8/0). Emergency clause unanimously adopted (8/0). (requested by CEI Engineers –for AutoZone)

PUBLIC COMMENT

Alderwoman Robinson has talked to Fire Chief Robert Mauldin about the need for an additional Fire Station in Ward 2 on the eastern side of town. Faulkner Crossing has almost 500 homes. Willow Beach, Cypress Crossing, Stonelinks, Deer Meadows and Ashley Downs are all (newer) residential neighborhoods in the area. A police substation and MEMS site are also needed. Mayor Hays said a failed Sales Tax Election would have provided funding for a new station in the area, as well as manpower to staff it 24/7. Alderwoman Ross advised the Hillside Moratorium Committee (which includes all city council members) will meet on April 25, 2012, at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers. Alderman Hight asked about the law regarding when and how long trash (and recycling carts) can be placed at the curb. Current legislation indicates garbage, or recycling should not be placed at the curb before 6:00 p.m. the day before scheduled pickup and should be removed before 8:00 a.m. the day following scheduled pickup. (A label on the new recycling cart includes the same information). Mayor Hays said there will be an adjustment period for residents to become familiar with the new program schedule. Alderwoman Ross said if a resident does not want the new cart, they need to contact Sanitation to have the cart picked up. Alderman Foutch said the North Little Rock Police Department issued an advisory to the public to lock their vehicles and remove valuables from view. Eighty percent of recent vehicular break-ins have been to unlocked vehicles. If a resident sees someone in their neighborhood that makes them suspicious, they should report them to the police. Alderman Baxter announced Electronic Recycling April 18 and 19, 2012, at Verizon Arena (from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.). Mayor Hays announced Ms. Becky Taylor, Administration will retire on Friday, April 13, 2012. He wished her well and thanked her for her service to the city and its residents.

There being no further business to come before the Council, and on the motion of Alderwoman Ross and seconded by Alderwoman Robinson, and by consent of all members present, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m. (8/0), until the next regularly scheduled meeting to be held on Monday, April 23, 2012, at seven o'clock p.m. in the City Council Chambers in City Hall, located at 300 Main Street, North Little Rock, Arkansas.

APPROVED: _____
MAYOR PATRICK HENRY HAYS

ATTEST: _____
DIANE WHITBEY, CITY CLERK