

July 23, 2018
Six 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 scheduled for Monday, July 23, 2018, was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by the Honorable Mayor Joe A. Smith.

The roll having been called and the following Council Members answered to their names: DEBI ROSS, BETH WHITE, LINDA ROBINSON, STEVE BAXTER, RON HARRIS, CHARLIE HIGHT and MURRY WITCHER (7/0). Council Member MAURICE TAYLOR was absent. City Clerk Diane Whitbey, Deputy City Clerk Talor Shinn and City Attorney Amy Fields were also present.

The prayer and pledge of allegiance were led by Council Member Baxter.

On the motion of Council Member Witcher and seconded by Council Member Hight and by consent of all members present, the minutes from the North Little Rock City Council meeting held on Monday, July 9, 2018, were approved, accepted and filed as prepared by the City Clerk (7/0).

On the motion of Council Member Witcher and seconded by Council Member Ross, and by consent of all members present, communications #1 and 2 were not read, but were accepted and filed (7/0).

1. Ken Abel, President Rose City Neighborhood Association letter to Mayor Smith re: Council Agenda Item O-18-30, Reclassifying property located East of Graham Avenue and North of Page Mill Road.
2. Verna Wilson, letter from Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church to City Council Members re: O-18-30, Reclassification #2018-1 and Special Use #2018-7, request council deny application.

Mayor Smith called for citizen public comment on legislation when the items were called.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

R-18-131 (RESOLUTION NO. 9467 – MAYOR SMITH)

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND CERTIFYING THE AMOUNTS OF LIENS TO BE FILED WITH THE PULASKI COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR AGAINST CERTAIN REAL PROPERTIES IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS AS A RESULT OF GRASS CUTTING EXPENSES AND ABATEMENT OF OTHER NUISANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. A motion to adopt was made by Council Member Ross and seconded by Council Member Witcher. On the motion of Council Member Ross and seconded by Council Member White, and by consent of all members present, the resolution was amended as follows:: *substitute Exhibit "A" provided this date, which includes amounts of liens* (7/0). Mayor Smith convened a public hearing.

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There being no one present wishing to be heard, the public hearing was adjourned. On the motion of Council Member Baxter, and seconded by Council Member Ross, and by consent of all members present, the resolution was adopted as amended (7/0).

O-18-30

AN ORDINANCE RECLASSIFYING CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED EAST OF GRAHAM AVENUE AND NORTH OF PAGE MILL ROAD IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS FROM R-1 TO R-2 CLASSIFICATION BY AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 7697 OF THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS; GRANTING A SPECIAL USE TO ALLOW THE SALE OF TOPSOIL IN ORDER TO PREPARE LAND FOR ROW CROPS; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was called and withdrawn by the sponsor, Mayor Smith. Council Member Witcher asked that the legislation be considered to give the council the opportunity to vote either for or against the request. Ms. Fields said this item had been on the agenda for six (consecutive) meetings. If the council votes against the request the applicant would have to wait one-year to request a new application. Council Member Robinson said if the item is removed from the agenda, the applicant can make a request to refile the legislation before the City Council. Mayor Smith said the applicant asked him to hold the item. Council Member White said a communication from the church indicated that trucks were seen working on the property. Mayor Smith said they were bring dirt in. The city (Safety Inspector) stopped the work. The Army Corps of Engineers and Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ) are now involved. Mayor Smith suggested the applicant hire an Engineer. (*applicant: David Mitchell*)

O-18-54

AN ORDINANCE RECLASSIFYING CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED NORTH OF ROCKWATER BOULEVARD IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS FROM R-4 TO R-3 CLASSIFICATION TO ALLOW FOR DUPLEXES BY AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 7697 OF THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS; ADOPTING AN AMENDED LAND USE PLAN FOR THE SUBJECT PROPERTY; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was called and held by the sponsor, Council Member Robinson. (*applicant: Thomas Engineering*)

CONSENT AGENDA

On the motion of Council Member Witcher and seconded by Council Member Hight, and all members present having voted "Aye", consent items R-18-132, R-18-133, R-18-134, R-18-135, R-18-136 and R-18-137, were adopted (7/0).

R-18-132 (RESOLUTION NO. 9468 – MAYOR SMITH)

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING JULIE FISHER TO THE NORTH LITTLE ROCK NON-UNIFORM RETIREMENT BOARD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was adopted (7/0).

R-18-133 (RESOLUTION NO. 9469 – MAYOR SMITH)

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING KAREN ROLLINS TO THE NORTH LITTLE ROCK NON-UNIFORM RETIREMENT BOARD; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was adopted (7/0).

R-18-134 (RESOLUTION NO. 9470 – MAYOR SMITH)

A RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN CITY-OWNED ITEMS AND OTHER EQUIPMENT AS SURPLUS; PROVIDING FOR AUCTION THEREOF; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was adopted (7/0).

R-18-135 (RESOLUTION NO. 9471 – MAYOR SMITH)

A RESOLUTION APPROVING ACCEPTANCE BY THE NORTH LITTLE ROCK AIRPORT COMMISSION OF A GRANT FROM THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF AERONAUTICS FOR A SUPPLEMENTAL WINDCONE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was adopted (7/0).

R-18-136 (RESOLUTION NO. 9472 – MAYOR SMITH)

A RESOLUTION APPROVING ACCEPTANCE BY THE NORTH LITTLE ROCK AIRPORT COMMISSION OF A GRANT FROM THE ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF AERONAUTICS FOR THE SEALING OF TAXIWAY JOINTS AND CRACKS IN THE HANGAR AREA; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was adopted (7/0).

R-18-137 (RESOLUTION NO. 9473 – MAYOR SMITH)

A RESOLUTION REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 9081 WHICH DECLARED 1604 W. 18TH STREET IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS TO BE A PUBLIC NUISANCE AND CONDEMNED IT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was adopted (7/0).

NEW BUSINESS

R-18-138 (RESOLUTION NO. 9474 – MAYOR SMITH)

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING ERIN PARKER TO THE ROCK REGION METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. A motion to adopt was made by Council Member Witcher and seconded by Council Member Ross. Mayor Smith said Ms. Parker works at Children's Hospital. A lot of their employees go to and from work using public transportation. On the previous motion, and by consent of all members present, the resolution was adopted (7/0). Ms. Whitbey then issued the Oath of Office to Ms. Parker.

R-18-139 (RESOLUTION NO. 9475 – MAYOR SMITH)

A RESOLUTION APPROVING SALARY INCREASES TO ALL FULL-TIME SALARIED EMPLOYEES (EXCLUDING UNIFORMED POLICE PERSONNEL AND ELECTED OFFICIALS), ALL FIRE PERSONNEL AND THE POLICE CHIEF OF THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. On the motion of Council Member Ross

and seconded by Council Member White, and by consent of all members present, the resolution was adopted (7/0). *(2.2% effective August 11, 2018)*

R-18-140 (RESOLUTION NO. 9476 – COUNCIL MEMBER WITCHER)

A RESOLUTION APPROVING SALARY INCREASES FOR ELECTED OFFICIALS AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS OF THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was called. Mr. James Ard, who signed in to speak on this item said it was good that employees were going to get a raise. He asked how much the raise would be for council members. Mayor Smith said it would be 2.2%. The resolution was then read. A motion to adopt was made by Council Member Witcher and seconded by Council Member Ross. Council Member Hight said he is not opposed to a salary increase for Elected Officials. However, he did not feel the timing was right (following a tax increase in 2018) to propose a raise at this time. On the previous motion, and by consent of all members present, with the exception of Council Member Hight, who voted no, the resolution was adopted (6/1). *(2.2% effective August 11, 2018)*

R-18-141 (RESOLUTION NO. 9477 – MAYOR SMITH)

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING REVISED PAY SCHEDULES FOR ALL UNIFORMED EMPLOYEES OF THE NORTH LITTLE ROCK FIRE DEPARTMENT IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK TO REFLECT PAY INCREASES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. On the motion of Council Member Ross and seconded by Council Member Baxter, and by consent of all members present, the resolution was adopted (7/0).

R-18-142 (RESOLUTION NO. 9478 – MAYOR SMITH)

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING REVISED PAY SCHEDULES FOR GRADE/STEP NON-UNIFORMED EMPLOYEES IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK TO REFLECT PAY INCREASE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. On the motion of Council Member Witcher and seconded by Council Member Ross, and by consent of all members present, the resolution was adopted (7/0).

R-18-143 (RESOLUTION NO. 9479 – MAYOR SMITH)

A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION 9331 (2018 BUDGET) TO AMEND THE FY18 BUDGET FOR A 2.2% PAY INCREASE TO ALL FULL-TIME, NON-UNIFORMED, SALARIED AND CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEES (EXCLUDING UNIFORMED POLICE PERSONNEL), ALL FIRE PERSONNEL, POLICE CHIEF, ELECTED OFFICIALS AND CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS OF THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. On the motion of Council Member Witcher and seconded by Council Member Ross, and by consent of all members present, the resolution was adopted (7/0).

Mayor Smith advised Police Officers received a raise effective at the beginning of the year which was part of their contract negotiations.

R-18-144 (RESOLUTION NO. 9480 – MAYOR SMITH)

A RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN BUILDINGS, HOUSES AND OTHER STRUCTURES LOCATED AT 2111 VIRGINIA DRIVE 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 SAID NUISANCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. A motion to adopt was made by Council Member Baxter and seconded by Council Member Robinson. Mayor Smith 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 adopted (7/0). (*owner: Lea Stoneburner*)

R-18-145 (RESOLUTION NO. 9481 – MAYOR SMITH)

A RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN BUILDINGS, HOUSES AND OTHER STRUCTURES LOCATED AT 4108 ALMA STREET 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 SAID NUISANCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. A motion to adopt was made by Council Member Ross and seconded by Council Member Robinson. Mayor Smith 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 adopted (7/0). (*owner: Mitchell Melton*)

R-18-146 (RESOLUTION NO. 9482 – MAYOR SMITH)

A RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN BUILDINGS, HOUSES AND OTHER STRUCTURES LOCATED AT 616 GARDENIA 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 SAID NUISANCE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. A motion to adopt was made by Council Member Robinson and seconded by Council Member Baxter. Mayor Smith 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 adopted (7/0). (*owner: Corey Applewhite*)

R-18-147 (RESOLUTION NO. 9483 – MAYOR SMITH)

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND CERTIFYING AMOUNTS OF LIENS TO BE FILED WITH THE PULASKI COUNTY TAX COLLECTOR AGAINST CERTAIN REAL PROPERTIES IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS AS A RESULT OF GRASS CUTTING EXPENSES AND ABATEMENT OF OTHER NUISANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. A motion to adopt was made by Council Member Ross and seconded by Council Member Baxter. On the motion of Council Member Ross and seconded by Council Member Robinson, and by consent of all members present, the resolution was amended as follows:: *Exhibit "A", page 5, change amount for 425 Parkdale St from \$185.00 to \$250.00, and change amount for 900 West Pershing Blvd from \$185.00 to \$500.00* (7/0). A motion to adopt as amended was made by Council Member Witcher

and seconded by Council Member White. Mayor Smith 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 adopted as amended (7/0).

O-18-61 (ORDINANCE NO. 9029 – MAYOR SMITH)

AN ORDINANCE WAIVING FORMAL BIDDING REQUIREMENTS FOR THE PURCHASE OF POTHOLE REPAIR MATERIALS FROM MEGA TECHNOLOGIES, LLC; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. On the motion of Council Member Ross and seconded by Council Member Baxter, and by consent of all members present, the readings were suspended (7/0). A motion to adopt was made by Council Member Baxter and seconded by Council Member Robinson. Mayor Smith met this vendor at the National League of Cities Conference. Representatives came to North Little Rock and worked with the Street Department to patch some holes (to see how the product would hold up). The product has held up and is much better than previous products used. On the previous motion, and the roll having been called, and all members present, having voted in the affirmative, the ordinance was adopted (7/0). Emergency clause adopted (7/0). (*amount - \$36,380.00*)

O-18-62 (ORDINANCE NO. 9030 – COUNCIL MEMBERS TAYLOR AND ROBINSON)

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A WAIVER OF SECTION 1.2.5 OF CHAPTER 11 OF THE NORTH LITTLE ROCK MUNICIPAL CODE (PUBLIC PROPERTY – STREETS, SIDEWALKS AND EASEMENTS) TO ALLOW INSTALLATION OF AN ELECTRONIC GATE AS A TRAFFIC CONTROL DEVICE AT THE ENTRANCE OF CYPRESS CROSSING NEIGHBORHOOD; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. Council Member Robinson said the Property Owners' Association will pay for the gate, installation and upkeep. On the motion of Council Member Robinson and seconded by Council Member Hight, and by consent of all members present, the readings were suspended (7/0). Several council members had questions regarding maintenance, future removal, etc. Ms. Fields said it is included in the legislation. Council Member White asked what will happen if the power goes out. Mayor Smith said it depends on the gate. On the motion of Council Member White and seconded by Council Member Robinson, and by consent of all members present, the ordinance was amended as follows:: *new* SECTION 3: THE CYPRESS CROSSING PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION IS REQUIRED TO INSTALL A GATE THAT WILL DEFAULT TO OPEN IN THE EVENT OF A POWER OUTAGE *and attach Exhibit "A" (only), provided this date* (7/0). On the motion of Council Member Witcher, and seconded by Council Member Robinson, and the roll having been called, and all members present having voted in the affirmative, the ordinance was adopted as amended (7/0). Emergency clause adopted (7/0). (*requested by: Cypress Crossing Property Owners' Association*)

O-18-63 (ORDINANCE NO. 9031 – MAYOR SMITH)

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING REGULATIONS TO GOVERN THE CONSTRUCTION, INSTALLATION, MAINTENANCE AND REMOVAL OF SMALL WIRELESS

COMMUNICATION FACILITIES IN THE RIGHT-OF-WAY; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. On the motion of Council Member Baxter and seconded by Council Member Robinson, and by consent of all members present, the readings were suspended (7/0). Mr. C. Jason Carter, Attorney for North Little Rock Electric Department distributed documents related to this legislation to council members which included an Executive Summary and Summary of Amendments. Mr. Carter said people use the internet for business, social, entertainment, etc. To engage in these activities, the public needs to be able to move lots of data quickly and reliably. Sometimes this is done across a wired connection, but more-and-more access is wirelessly across cellular networks. Significant improvements in cellular infrastructure to meet the data demands that are forecasted for the next several years is needed. The industry's solution has been called *small cells*. Traditional cell towers located throughout the city carry voice and data for lots of users across a large footprint with a limited data transfer rate. Small cells have shorter range and support fewer users, but at a significantly higher speed. Small cells are proposed to work in conjunction with traditional cell towers to provide users both data reliability and speed. From the wireless service providers' perspective, installation in the right-of-way presents the fastest and most cost-effective method to deploy small cell devices. It allows providers to avoid many property acquisitions and maintenance costs. By using existing poles in the right-of-way for attachment, wireless service providers can make construction faster, more predictable and less costly. From the city's perspective, reliable high-speed data communication is important, but so are other public concerns like safety, efficiency, fairness, appearance and cost recovery. The current legal landscape places few restrictions on the city in regulating small cells, but that could change. The proposed regulation is intended to fairly balance competing interests of the city while providing a reasonable environment for the deployment of small cell devices. Key components include safety, efficiency, fairness, appearance and cost recovery. Mr. Carter expressed his appreciation to the City of Conway, AT&T and AT&T President Ronnie Dedmond. Council Members asked several questions which were answered by Mr. Carter. Mr. Carter then reviewed the Summary of Amendments: Page 6, Section 1.20: correction to the definition of Overhead; Page 7, Section 1.29: Definition of "Tag" modified to approximate industry standards; Page 7, Section 1.30: Traffic Pole is defined under 1.24. This extra definition should be deleted; Page 9, Section 2.2.4: Descriptive words have been deleted as superfluous; Page 17, Section 4.5: Amended to specifically allow tags to be constructed of plastic; Page 25, Section 7.7.3: Allows for minimal changes to equipment after installation without re-permitting; Page 26, Section 8.2: Allows for device to be used when inspection cannot be performed in five days, subject to later inspection; Page 26, Section 8:3: Assures prompt inspection; Page 26, Article 9: Clarifies that space will not be reallocated unless/until permit is abandoned; Page 28, Section 11.3: Clarifies that only one spare custom pole of each type needs to be provided. Throughout: Post-Installation Inspection changed to a capitalized term. Amend in APPENDIX B-1. Mr. Carter referenced the design included in "B-1". Council Member Ross asked if this applied to wooden poles only. Mr. Carter confirmed "B-1" did. Council Member Harris asked about the fee structure which Mr. Carter discussed. Mayor Smith said he has consulted with people around the country. Mr. Carter said the Electric Department has a digitized map which will include the location of these devices. On the motion of Council Member Ross and

seconded by Council Member Robinson, and by consent of all members present, the ordinance was amended as follows:: *see Summary of Amendments from Mr. Carter above (7/0)*. A motion to adopt as amended was made by Council Member Witcher and seconded by Council Member Hight. Mayor Smith then convened a scheduled public hearing. Mr. James Ard asked how electricity will be supplied to the devices. Mr. J. T. Zakrewski said it is good that the city is working with AT&T on this project. Mr. Zakrewski said when a cell tower goes in fiber has to be ran. He asked if new fiber would have to be installed in the neighborhoods. Mr. Carter said data will be handled across fiber to the internet. Mr. Carter anticipated the first installations could be in use by October. There being no one else wishing to be heard, the public hearing was adjourned. On the previous motion, and the roll having been called, and all members present having voted in the affirmative, the ordinance was adopted (7/0). Emergency clause adopted (7/0).

O-18-64 (ORDINANCE NO. 9032 – COUNCIL MEMBER HIGHT)

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A WAIVER OF SECTION 14.22 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE TO ALLOW A SUBDIVISION SIGN ON CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 9403 NORTHBROOK DRIVE IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. On the motion of Council Member Hight and seconded by Council Member Robinson, and by consent of all members present, the readings were suspended (7/0). Mayor Smith convened a public hearing. There being no one present wishing to be heard, the public hearing was adjourned. On the motion of Council Member Hight and seconded by Council Member Robinson, and the roll having been called, and all members present, having voted in the affirmative, the ordinance was adopted (7/0). Emergency clause adopted (7/0). (*applicant: Kenney Meckfessell*) Mayor Smith thanked the Developer, Mr. Byron McKimmey for attending the meeting.

O-18-65 (ORDINANCE NO. 9033 – COUNCIL MEMBER TAYLOR)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 7697 (“THE ZONING ORDINANCE”) TO ESTABLISH THE HIGHWAY 391 SIGN OVERLAY DISTRICT; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. On the motion of Council Member Robinson and seconded by Council Member Hight, and by consent of all members present, the readings were suspended (7/0). Mayor Smith convened a public hearing. There being no one present wishing to be heard, the public hearing was adjourned. A motion to adopt was made by Council Member Hight and seconded by Council Member Robinson. Council Member White asked the length of the district. Mr. Shawn Spencer, Planning Director described an area (from attached map) from the intersection down to Highway 70, then 1,900 feet on the right and 1,500 on the left. Council Member Robinson said there are no residential properties near this. Mr. Spencer said it would include the truck stops on both sides and any other businesses within the district. Council Member Ross said “no motion” is included in the regular Electronic Changeable Copy Sign legislation and asked if it could be included in this legislation. On the motion of Council Member Ross and seconded by Council Member Baxter, and by consent of all members present, the ordinance was amended as follows::

insert new SECTION 14.116 D. g. SIGNS SHALL HAVE NO MOTION (7/0). On the motion of Council Member Hight and seconded by Council Member Baxter, and by consent of all members present, the ordinance was amended as follows at the request of the City Attorney:: *page 2: strike through P. Calvary Road Sign Overlay District – See Section 14.115 and Q. Renumber Hwy 391 Sign Overlay District – See Section 14.116 5 to letter P (7/0).* On the motion of Council Member Hight and seconded by Council Member Witcher, and the roll having been called, and all members present having voted in the affirmative, with the exception of Council Member White, who voted no, the ordinance was adopted (6/1). Emergency clause adopted (7/0).

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Ard said Mr. Penney isn't returning telephone calls. The area (Mr. Penney is developing) needs to be developed. However, the owner is clearing land without permits or netting. Mr. Chris Corbitt spoke regarding the Building Code. He said he would read from a section that is being enforced against him. Under permit required, the word shall has legal connotations, may or must could have been used. *It shall be unlawful for any person to install, repair, replace, or perform any work in the city without a permit from the Community Planning Department.* Except for two items: *Painting interior or exterior and floor covering.* Mr. Corbitt said he is a licensed Professional Engineer in about seven states, a licensed Attorney, and a Master Plumber. Mr. Corbitt said certain activities council members have engaged in is a violation of the law. He referenced replacing a light bulb, door knob, toilet flapper or toilet. In his legal opinion, the city needs to look at the code. Mr. Corbitt invited council members to meet with him. Council Member Hight said a tree fell and was blocking Randolph last week and was blocking the road. He called Street Department Director Patrick Lane to report it. When he came through five minutes later, Director Lane was sawing and trimming the tree so vehicles could get through. Council Member Hight commended him for his work. Council Member Ross said it has been her goal to get generators in all of the city's fire stations. Last week Station 3 was without power all night. The employees had to get into their turnouts in the dark and the doors were locked. None of the three stations in Ward One have a generator. She asked the city to move forward with getting generators in all stations. Mayor Smith said there is a possibility that Station 3 will be relocated.

There being no further business to come before the Council, and on the motion of Council Member Hight and seconded by Council Member Ross, and by consent of all members present, the meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m. (7/0), until the next regularly scheduled meeting to be held on Monday, August 13, 2018, at six o'clock p.m. in the City Council Chambers in City Hall, located at 300 Main Street, North Little Rock, Arkansas.

APPROVED: _____


MAYOR JOE A. SMITH

ATTEST: _____


DIANE WHITBEY, CITY CLERK

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