

February 14, 2022
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, February 14, 2022, was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by the Honorable Mayor Terry C. Hartwick.

Due to the rise in COVID-19 cases and Arkansas Governor Asa Hutchinson reinstating a state-wide public health emergency, council members had the option of attending the council meeting in person or participate virtually. The Council Chambers were open to the public and social distancing and the use of masks were encouraged for those attending the meeting in person.

The roll having been called and the following Council Members answered to their names: DEBI ROSS, NATHAN HAMILTON, LINDA ROBINSON, STEVE BAXTER, RON HARRIS, JANE GINN and CHARLIE HIGHT (7/0). Council Member MAURICE TAYLOR was absent. Note: Council Member Hight participated virtually. City Clerk/Treasurer Diane Whitbey and City Attorney Amy Fields were also present.

The prayer and pledge of allegiance were led by Mayor Hartwick.

(Note: All council members were present in chambers, with the exception of Council Member Hight who was present electronically, via Ring Central. Several members present were also present via Ring Central to provide visual to those in chambers and Council Member Hight).

On the motion of Council Member Ross and seconded by Council Member Baxter, and by consent of all members present, the minutes from the North Little Rock City Council meeting scheduled for Monday, January 24, 2022, were approved, accepted and filed as prepared by the City Clerk, Diane Whitbey (7/0).

On the blanket motion of Council Member Baxter and seconded by Council Member Harris, and by consent of all members present, communications #1, 2, 3, and 4, were accepted and filed (7/0).

1. Ember Strange, North Little Rock Chief Financial Officer/Chair Energy Risk Management Committee memorandum re: Power Cost Adjustment (PCA) rate for February, 2022 -- .0035/kwh (positive).
2. Anita Paul, Mayor's Office memorandum re: Retail Beer off Premises, Retail Liquor Permit – Change of Manager for Willow Beach Wine & Spirits, 11100 Hwy 165, Suite 3, North Little Rock, by Patsy Pedigo.

3. City Attorney Amy Beckman Fields, memorandum to North Little Rock City Council re: Risk Management Committee Quarterly Report (Q4, FY 2021).
4. Anita Paul, Mayor's Office memorandum re: *Restaurant Mixed Drink Maximum Permit – New Application*, NAWF of the City B & G, 5107 Warden Road, by Maurice Fields, III.

PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Hartwick announced the presentation of the 2021 North Little Rock Sertoma Club Christmas Parade. The following trophies were presented by Council Members Ross and Hamilton:

Best Equestrian Group	Hearts of Arkansas
Sertoma President's Award	501 Studio Golden Royalty Dance Team
Best Marching Group	North Little Rock High School Marching Band
Best Fire Truck	Gravel Ridge Fire Department
Best Dance/Performing Group	Ms. Karen's Dance
Best Non-Profit	Scimitar Shriners
Best Decorated Commercial/Business	Arkansas Travelers Baseball
Best Boy Scout Award	Cub Scout Pack (number unknown)
Best Club Entry	North Little Rock Wildcat Football
Best Beauty Entry	Arkansas Fair Rodeo Queen (#3)
Chairman's Choice	North Little Rock Department Bearcat
Mayor's Cup	Meadow Park Elementary School

Mayor Hartwick invited North Little Rock High School (NLRHS) Basketball Coach, Johnny Rice to come forward with Mr. Nick Smith, Jr. and Mr. Kel'el Ware. Mayor Hartwick said for the first time since 2013, two students from Arkansas have been named to McDonald's All American Players. This is the first time students from North Little Rock High School were selected. Mayor Hartwick said 760 high school basketball players from across the United States were nominated to participate in the (McDonald's) 45th Anniversary game. Mayor Hartwick said these two young men have lead the Charging Wildcats (Basketball) team to a 20 and 3 record. He presented both with a proclamation declaring it their day in the city. Coach Rice said because of these students (and others) they (NLRHS) have been invited to play games in Dallas, Memphis, Fort Meyers and the King Cotton Tournament in Pine Bluff. They have played some of the best high school teams in the country.

Mayor Hartwick convened a public hearing regarding O-22-11, an ordinance fixing rates for services furnished by the (North Little Rock Waste Water) Sewer System of the City; prescribing other matters pertaining thereto. Mr. Michael Clayton, North Little Rock Waste Water Director presented a Powerpoint Presentation which included illustrations (maps) and rates. Mr. Clayton said North Little Rock Waste Water Utility is a Regional provider which services customers in North Little Rock, Maumelle, approximately one-third of Sherwood and parts of Pulaski County from Galloway to the Morgan area. The area is north of the (Arkansas) river and includes about 42,000 customers or 102,000 residents. The system includes about 715 miles of pipe which consist of Gravity Lines and Forced Mains. There are 75 pump stations throughout the system and four treatment plants (Faulkner

Lake, Maumelle, Five Mile Creek and White Oak Bayou). In 2011, North Little Rock Wastewater entered into a Consent Administrative Order with ADEQ (Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality) to eliminate or reduce sanitary sewer overflow. Prior to that time, there were about 120 sanitary sewer overflows per year. Over the next 10 years, on-going efforts included cleaning and televising lines, inspection work and massive rehabilitation work. This has lowered the number of sanitary sewer overflows to about 25 (in 2021). In 2011, the utility did not have funds to cover secondary sewer or smaller pipes (6, 8, 10 and 12”), which are located within residential neighborhoods. This is the main sewer collection area. The utility did a public financing loan in 2012 and borrowed about \$25 million. The funds were used for treatment plant improvements and rehabilitation work on the collection system. In 2016, they borrowed an additional \$30 million which was allocated toward secondary sewer rehabilitation. Since 2014, they have been adjusting their business model to include annual pipe replacement (or relining) as part of rate payer funds. This makes it part of Maintenance and Operation/Replacements. The next step includes aging secondary sewer lines, which are lines that are over 70 years old. In some areas the age may be 100 years. The useable life of a pipe is about 50 years. Pipes need to be realigned, joints sealed and water removed. About 510,000 feet of pipe has been identified in the older parts of the service area. The plan is to replace most of the pipes over the next 10 years. Another illustration included lines that have been rehabilitated since 2012 and lines that are (currently) under contract. They are in the East Broadway area which are being investigated. Since 2012, over ½ million feet of pipe has been replaced. A list of implemented projects was provided (16 have been completed and 6 are either underway or out for bids). The utility has spent over \$36 million since 2012 toward rehabilitation. Rates are structured in a way to continue to support this effort. The goal is to replace about 68,000 feet of pipe yearly, which is about 2% of the collection system. Over a period of 50 years, the entire system would be turned over. The EPA (Environmental Protection Agency) goal is 2% of the system on an annual basis. Larger pipes are called Interceptors. These consist of 24, 30, 36, 42, 48 and 54 inch pipes. These pipes transport waste for long distances from the source (neighborhood) to the treatment plants. Interceptors are expensive. Most are at least 50 years old and made of concrete. Joints need to be sealed. The best way to do this is using cured in place pipe. The ten year plan requires borrowing funds from the Arkansas Natural Resources Commission. North Little Rock Waste Water Utility has applied for a loan in the amount of \$45 million dollars with an interest rate of .75%, with an effective rate of 1.75%. Mr. Dan Jackson, Vice President of Willdan Financial Services is a rate financial consultant. He has worked for 200 cities across the United States and several foreign nations during his 35 year career. He has worked with the City of North Little Rock for the past 23 years. Periodically, the utility has hired him to review their finances and develop new long-term financial plans. These plans are important. Wastewater Utility systems are expensive to build, maintain and replace. Cities have a responsibility to provide a level of service that is acceptable to rate payers. Keeping rates and costs low is a worthy and admirable goal. That goal has to be balanced with the need to invest into the system to ensure that it continues to work properly. There are utilities with low rates, however, many are in that position because they do not invest in the existing systems, which are often in poor repair. Mr. Jackson went over the current average basic customer rate which is \$18.05 per month for 4 cubic

feet of volume. For every 100 cubic feet beyond that, the rate is \$5.64. (Note: volume is based on winter usage average). Mr. Jackson reviewed a Rate Comparison Chart which included other cities across the state. City of North Little Rock rates are average, meaning lower than some and higher than others. North Little Rock rates are about 30% lower than the rate paid by Little Rock customers. In 2006, the utility had 29,000 customers. Today there are 41,000 which includes the acquisition of the Maumelle Wastewater Utility system. Mr. Jackson said the financial plan is a forecast or prediction. Costs will continue to go up due to inflation. Some debt will be retired, some will be added. The most significant impact on the long-term plan is funding the \$72,119,600 capital improvement plan required to repair, maintain and expand the system. This investment will provide for future users (children, grandchildren, etc.). In 2022, the costs is estimated at \$23,952,795.00. In 2026, the estimated cost is \$27,318,300.00. A multi-year plan would implement a series of annual adjustments. These would begin at a base fee of \$18.05 per 1st 4 cubic feet. By 2026, the fee would be \$23.92. The volume charge would also increase. Mr. Jackson said all major cities are looking to adopt adjusted rates. Costs will continue to rise whether rates are increased or not. Council Member Ross asked what impact the addition of the Maumelle Utility had on North Little Rock rates. Mr. Jackson said there has been a net financial impact to the system. Most utility systems operate on a concept known as "Economies of Scale". It doesn't cost twice as much to serve 2,000 customers as it does to serve 1,000. Additional customers pay minimal charges and volumetric rates, which allows costs to be spread out over a wider group of users. Council Member Ross asked if all customers, whether within the city (limits) or outside pay the same. Mr. Clayton said they do. Council Member Ross asked if the average customer would pay an additional \$10.00 per month (or \$120.00 per year). Mr. Jackson said that was correct. That level of adjustment is required to fund the level of improvement needed. Council Member Ginn asked if the size of the sewer (lines) would need to be increased any time soon. Mr. Clayton said Maumelle has a Wastewater Treatment Plant that was acquired during the acquisition. North Little Rock Waste Water is in the process of consolidating the Maumelle Treatment Plant with the White Oak Plant. Each plant is very expensive to operate. Merging the two plants would save money. Council Member Ginn said she had concerns about businesses close to the sewer system and asked what authority they have in this regard. Mr. Clayton said the lines wouldn't change; the collection system would remain the same. Council Member Ross asked about rates paid by Maumelle customers. Mr. Clayton said residential customers pay the same and commercial customers pay the same. The difference is the type of customer. Council Member Ross asked about the Consent Decree. These recommendations would keep the utility out of it. Council Member Hamilton said the Maumelle system was being poorly run. He added that the Fort Smith system costs a lot more because of the consent order stipulations which drove up their costs. Council Member Hamilton said with the proposed increase, North Little Rock rates would still be less than Little Rock's. Council Member Harris is familiar with utility company operations and supports the proposal.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

R-22-8 (RESOLUTION NO. 10210 – MAYOR HARTWICK)

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF MICHAEL MARION TO THE AT-LARGE POSITION ON THE NORTH LITTLE ROCK ADVERTISING AND PROMOTION COMMISSION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. A motion to adopt was made by Council Member Robinson and seconded by Council Member Ginn. Council Member Ross is not opposed to the appointment of Mr. Marion. She asked what would happen if he left his position with (Simmons Bank) Arena. City Attorney Fields said this is an At-Large position which only requires the person live within the county. This appointment is made by the (Advertising and Promotion) Commission and confirmed by the City Council. On the previous motion, and by consent of all members present, the resolution was adopted (7/0).

R-22-17 (RESOLUTION NO. 10211 – MAYOR HARTWICK)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE A LEASE AGREEMENT TO LEASE CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 800 MAIN STREET IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS FROM HAYBAR PROPERTIES, LLC; AMENDING THE FY2022 BUDGET (RESOLUTION NO. 10174) AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. On the motion of Council Member Baxter and seconded by Council Member Hamilton, and by consent of all members present, the resolution was adopted (7/0).

O-22-04

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A SPECIAL USE TO ALLOW LARGE VEHICLE AND IMPLEMENT OUTDOOR STORAGE IN A C4 ZONE FOR CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1101 EAST BROADWAY STREET IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was called and held at the request of the sponsor, Council Member Taylor. (*applicant: Ester Jackson*)

CONSENT AGENDA

On the motion of Council Member Ross and seconded by Council Member Hight, and by voice vote, consent agenda items R-22-27, R-22-28, R-22-29, R-22-30, R-22-31, R-22-32, R-22-33, R-22-34, R-22-35, R-22-36, R-22-37, R-22-38, R-22-39, R-22-40, and R-22-41 were adopted (7/0). Item R-22-26 was pulled and called under new business. Item R-22-37 was held.

R-22-27 (RESOLUTION NO. 10212 – MAYOR HARTWICK)

A RESOLUTION REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 10060 WHICH CONDEMNED PROPERTY LOCATED AT 4801 ATKINS STREET IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was adopted (7/0). (*owner: Webb Construction & Design, LLC*)

R-22-28 (RESOLUTION NO. 10213 – MAYOR HARTWICK)

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-22-29 (RESOLUTION NO. 10214 – MAYOR HARTWICK)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH OZARK MISSION PROJECT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was adopted (7/0). (\$15,000.00)

R-22-30 (RESOLUTION NO. 10215 – MAYOR HARTWICK)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH ARKANSAS MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was adopted (7/0). (\$100,000.00)

R-22-31 (RESOLUTION NO. 10216 – MAYOR HARTWICK)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH ARGENTA COMMUNITY THEATER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was adopted (7/0). (\$160,000.00)

R-22-32 (RESOLUTION NO. 10217 – MAYOR HARTWICK)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH BUTTERFLY COMMUNITY (SEIS PUENTES PROJECT); AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was adopted (7/0). (\$25,000.00)

R-22-33 (RESOLUTION NO. 10218 – MAYOR HARTWICK)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE NORTH LITTLE ROCK UNIT OF THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF CENTRAL ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was adopted (7/0). (\$66,000.00)

R-22-34 (RESOLUTION NO. 10219 – MAYOR HARTWICK)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO ENTER INTO A PREPURCHASED FOOD AGREEMENT WITH ARKANSAS FOODBANK; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was adopted (7/0). (\$35,000.00)

R-22-35 (RESOLUTION NO. 10220 – MAYOR HARTWICK)

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2022 BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK TO INCLUDE CERTAIN ADDITIONAL EXPENSES IN CERTAIN BUDGETS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was adopted (7/0). (\$800,000.00 – *Fire Training Tower Construction*)

R-22-36 (RESOLUTION NO. 10221 – MAYOR HARTWICK)

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2022 BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK TO INCLUDE ADDITIONAL EXPENSES IN CERTAIN BUDGETS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was adopted (7/0). (\$430,00.00 – *Completion of Batesville Pike*)

R-22-37

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE A REAL ESTATE CONTRACT TO PURCHASE CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 4112 AND 4120 BAUCUM PIKE AND 4132 EAST WASHINGTON AVENUE IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS FROM WAYNE THOMAS RENTAL, LLC; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was called and held by the sponsor, Mayor Hartwick. Mayor Hartwick said he is holding this item until he has Phase I and II of the project. This would be the location of a (public) Health Clinic. (\$475,000.00)

R-22-38 (RESOLUTION NO. 10222 – MAYOR HARTWICK)

A RESOLUTION WAIVING FORMAL BIDDING REQUIREMENTS AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO GENESIS DATACOM, LLC, A SOLE SOURCE VENDOR, FOR THE PURCHASE OF CAMERAS FOR THE NORTH LITTLE ROCK JUSTICE CENTER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was adopted (7/0). (\$36,747.75)

R-22-39 (RESOLUTION NO. 10223 – MAYOR HARTWICK)

A RESOLUTION WAIVING FORMAL BIDDING REQUIREMENTS AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO NOVATIME TECHNOLOGY, INC., A SOLE SOURCE VENDOR, FOR THE RENEWAL OF TIMEKEEPING AND SCHEDULING SOFTWARE FOR THE CITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was adopted (7/0). (\$42,728.40)

R-22-40 (RESOLUTION NO. 10224 – MAYOR HARTWICK)

A RESOLUTION WAIVING FORMAL BIDDING REQUIREMENTS AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO BS&A SOFTWARE, A SOLE SOURCE VENDOR, FOR THE RENEWAL OF ACCOUNTING SOFTWARE FOR THE CITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was adopted (7/0). (\$73,864.00)

R-22-41 (RESOLUTION NO. 10225 – MAYOR HARTWICK)

A RESOLUTION WAIVING FORMAL BIDDING REQUIREMENTS AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO BRANNEN MOTOR COMPANY FOR THE PURCHASE OF TWO 2022 CHEVROLET TAHOES FOR THE NORTH LITTLE ROCK FIRE DEPARTMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was adopted (7/0). (\$77,600.00)

NEW BUSINESS

R-22-26 (RESOLUTION NO. 10226 – MAYOR HARTWICK)

A RESOLUTION CERTIFYING LOCAL GOVERNMENT ENDORSEMENT OF APPLIED TECHNOLOGY GROUP, INC. TO PARTICIPATE IN THE TAX BACK PROGRAM AS AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 15-4-2706(D) OF THE CONSOLIDATED INCENTIVE ACT OF

2003; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. Mayor Hartwick said the Company is ATG which would locate 60 employees initially, then add another 60 for a total of 120. The company will occupy four (4) floors of the US Bank Building. Equipment and improvements is estimated at \$8.5 million. The average annual salary is \$100,000.00. On the motion of Council Member Ross and seconded by Council Member Hamilton, and by consent of all members present, the resolution was adopted (7/0).

R-22-42

A RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN BUILDINGS, HOUSES AND OTHER STRUCTURES LOCATED AT 1724 NORTH POPLAR 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 called and held as the public hearing is scheduled for February 28, 2022. (owner: Tracy Bailey)

R-22-43 (RESOLUTION NO. 10227 – MAYOR HARTWICK)

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

O-22-8 (ORDINANCE NO. 9429 – MAYOR HARTWICK)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE NORTH LITTLE ROCK ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT TO INCLUDE A SECTION ON THE COLLECTION OF DEBT; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. On the motion of Council Member Baxter and seconded by Council Member Hamilton, and by consent of all members present, the readings were suspended (7/0). On the motion of Council Member Baxter and seconded by Council Member Hamilton, 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).

Mayor Hartwick introduced Ms. Jessica Stephens, Interim Director North Little Rock Electric Department and Ms. Jill Ponder, Director of Business.

O-22-9 (ORDINANCE NO. 9430 – COUNCIL MEMBER HARRIS)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 9427, WHICH REZONED CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED IN COUNTRY CLUB OF ARKANSAS PHASE XXV-C IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS, FROM R1 TO R0 AND C3 ZONING CLASSIFICATION,

BY AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 9263; ADOPTING AN AMENDED LAND USE PLAN FOR THE SUBJECT PROPERTY; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. On the motion of Council Member Harris and seconded by Council Member Baxter, and by consent of all members present, the readings were suspended (7/0). On the motion of Council Member Harris and seconded by Council Member Baxter, 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-22-10 (ORDINANCE NO. 9431 – COUNCIL MEMBER ROBINSON)
AN ORDINANCE REZONING CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED AT 715 NORTH OLIVE STREET AND 712 NORTH MAGNOLIA STREET IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS, FROM R4 TO C6 ZONING CLASSIFICATION, BY AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 9263; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. On the motion of Council Member Robinson and seconded by Council Member Ross, and by consent of all members present, the readings were suspended (7/0). On the motion of Council Member Robinson, and seconded by Council Member Hamilton, 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: *GarNat Engineering, LLC*)

O-22-11 (ORDINANCE NO. 9432 – MAYOR HARTWICK)
AN ORDINANCE FIXING RATES FOR SERVICES FURNISHED BY THE SEWER SYSTEM OF THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS; PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS PERTAINING THERETO; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. On the motion of Council Member Hamilton and seconded by Council Member Harris, and by consent of all members present, the readings were suspended (7/0). On the motion of Council Member Hamilton and seconded by Council Member Harris, 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-22-12 (ORDINANCE NO. 9433 – COUNCIL MEMBER BAXTER)
AN ORDINANCE WAIVING SECTION 9.11.A OF THE SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE (ORDINANCE NO. 7946) FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2300 REDDING LANE TO ALLOW THE WAIVER OF SIDEWALK REQUIREMENTS; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. On the motion of Council Member Baxter, and seconded by Council Member Hamilton, and the roll having been called, and all members present, having voted in the affirmative, the readings were suspended (7/0). Council Member Baxter said there has been discussion about a fee associated with waiving sidewalk requirements. The fee could be placed in a drainage improvement fund. Council Member Baxter said this property is just off of MacArthur. There are no other sidewalks in the area. The nearest one is 180' towards the school. Mayor Hartwick convened a public hearing. 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 Hamilton, 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: Konstantin Musiyko*)

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Hartwick announced the following upcoming events:

Monday, February 21, 2022, City Offices will be closed in observance of George Washington’s Birthday. Trash and Garbage routes will be picked up on the regular schedule all week. Mayor Hartwick said Waste Management will be running their regular (recycling) pickup this week. (This is following a delay caused by inclement weather February 3 and 4th. Council Member Baxter asked the status of the new trash trucks and containers. Mayor Hartwick said he will wait until they are all delivered before putting them into service. Training however, will begin soon. The new large residential trash containers will be delivered about two weeks prior to the implementation of the new equipment. The tentative start is planned for late April (2022). Council Member Ross had a lot of calls from residents regarding the lack of service during the inclement weather. Everyone that called complimented North Little Rock Sanitation for their efforts. Mayor Hartwick commended all of the departments that worked during the event (Police, Fire, Electric, etc.)

There being no further business to come before the Council, and on the motion of Council Member Taylor and seconded by Council Member Ginn, and by consent of all members present, with the exception of Council Member Robinson who lost virtual connection, the meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m. (7/0), until the next regularly scheduled meeting to be held on Monday, February 28, 2022, 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 TERRY C. HARTWICK

ATTEST: _____
DIANE WHITBEY, CITY CLERK