

March 28, 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, March 28, 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, MAURICE TAYLOR, LINDA ROBINSON, STEVE BAXTER, RON HARRIS, JANE GINN and CHARLIE HIGHT (8/0). Note: Council Member Hamilton participated virtually. City Clerk/Treasurer Diane Whitbey, Deputy City Clerk/Treasurer Jim Scott and City Attorney Amy Fields were also present.

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

(Note: All council members were present in chambers, with the exception of Council Member Hamilton who was present electronically, via Ring Central.

On the motion of Council Member Ross and seconded by Council Member Hight, and by consent of all members present, (with the exception of Council Member Hamilton who participated virtually and was not heard during the vote, and Council Member Taylor who entered the council chambers at 6:02 p.m., the minutes from the North Little Rock City Council meeting scheduled for Monday, March 14, 2022, were approved, accepted and filed as prepared by the City Clerk, Diane Whitbey (6/2).

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, 4, and 6, were accepted and filed (8/0).

1. Anita Paul, Mayor's Office memorandum re: *restaurant mixed drink minimum permit – new application* for Mr. Cajun Kitchen & Catering, 606 N. Olive, by Lesly Bracely.
2. Ember Strange, Chief Financial Officer – memorandum to Mayor Terry C. Hartwick and City Clerk/Treasurer Diane Whitbey re: December 2021 Financial Update.
3. Via US Mail – Petition for Speed Hump Evaluation Study (West 25th Street) submitted by Diane Bateman, 509 West 25th Street (16 signatures – for).

4. Mayor Terry C. Hartwick (via email) State of the City 2021.
6. Ember Strange, North Little Rock Chief Financial Officer/Chair Energy Risk Management Committee memorandum re: Power Cost Adjustment (PCA) rate for April, 2022 - .0063/kwh (positive).

On the motion of Council Member Ross and seconded by Council Member Robinson, and by consent of all members present, communication #5 was read, accepted and filed (8/0).

5. Via email – from Maria Mitchell, re: Animal Control Officer Darren Ellison Rescue of Abandoned Dog at Stonelinks Disk Golf Course.

PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Hartwick asked Ms. Anna Sawyer to come forward. Ms. Sawyer and Mayor Hartwick were presented a plaque during the Arkansas Municipal League Winter Conference, March 26 – 28, 2022. The City of North Little Rock Community Garden Program was awarded the 2021 Community Garden of the Year Award for its dedication to providing accessibility to local and nutritious food for those in need.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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 Baxter, and by voice vote, consent agenda items R-22-55, R-22-56, R-22-58, R-22-59, R-22-60, R-22-61, R-22-62, R-22-63, R-22-64, R-22-65, R-22-66, R-22-67, R-22-68, and R-22-69 were adopted (8/0).

R-22-54 was pulled and held and R-22-57 was pulled and called under New Business.

R-22-55 (RESOLUTION NO. 10239 – MAYOR HARTWICK)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT TO REHABILITATE PROPERTY FOR CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2304 SCHAER STREET IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was adopted (8/0).

R-22-56 (RESOLUTION NO. 10240 – MAYOR HARTWICK)
A RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN CITY-OWNED ITEMS AND OTHER EQUIPMENT AS SURPLUS; PROVIDING FOR AUCTION THEREOF; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was adopted (8/0).

R-22-58 (RESOLUTION NO. 10241 – MAYOR HARTWICK)
A RESOLUTION WAIVING FORMAL BIDDING REQUIREMENTS AND AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT TO FARO TECHNOLOGIES, INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF A LASER SCANNER FOR THE NORTH LITTLE ROCK POLICE DEPARTMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was adopted (8/0). (*\$71,000.00*)

R-22-59 (RESOLUTION NO. 10242 – MAYOR HARTWICK)
A RESOLUTION WAIVING FORMAL BIDDING REQUIREMENTS AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO JLC COMMUNICATIONS, INC. TO REMOVE AND RELOCATE FIBER OPTIC CABLE FROM 800 MAIN STREET; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was adopted (8/0). (*not to exceed \$50,000.00*)

R-22-60 (RESOLUTION NO. 10243 – 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 (8/0). (*Sales Tax Capital Improvement Fund - \$850,000*)

R-22-61 (RESOLUTION NO. 10244 – MAYOR HARTWICK)
A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2022 BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK TO REAUTHORIZE AND INCLUDE ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURES FOR SPECIFIED DEPARTMENTAL BUDGETS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was adopted (8/0).

R-22-62 (RESOLUTION NO. 10245 – MAYOR HARTWICK)
A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2022 BUDGET FOR THE NORTH LITTLE ROCK ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT TO REAUTHORIZE AND INCLUDE ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURES FOR SPECIFIED DEPARTMENTAL BUDGETS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was adopted (8/0). (*NLR Economic Development \$380,000.00*)

R-22-63 (RESOLUTION NO. 10246 – MAYOR HARTWICK)
A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2022 BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK TO RECLASSIFY EXPENSES IN CERTAIN DEPARTMENTAL BUDGETS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was adopted (8/0). (*ARPA and General Fund*)

R-22-64 (RESOLUTION NO. 10247 – MAYOR HARTWICK)
A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2022 BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK TO RECLASSIFY EXPENSES IN CERTAIN DEPARTMENTAL BUDGETS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was adopted (8/0). (*Neighborhood Services and Fit 2 Live*)

R-22-65 (RESOLUTION NO. 10248 – COUNCIL MEMBER HAMILTON)
A RESOLUTION RENEWING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO ENTER INTO A COMMUNITY GARDEN LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH THE NORTH LITTLE ROCK HIGH SCHOOL; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was adopted (8/0). (*\$485.00*)

R-22-66 (RESOLUTION NO. 10249 – COUNCIL MEMBER HAMILTON)
A RESOLUTION RENEWING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO ENTER INTO A COMMUNITY GARDEN LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH ST. JOSEPH CENTER OF ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was adopted (8/0). (*\$5,000.00*)

R-22-67 (RESOLUTION NO. 10250 – COUNCIL MEMBER HAMILTON)
A RESOLUTION RENEWING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO ENTER INTO A COMMUNITY GARDEN LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH SKYLINE COMMUNITY GARDEN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was adopted (8/0). (*\$1,644.43*)

R-22-68 (RESOLUTION NO. 10251 – COUNCIL MEMBER HAMILTON)
A RESOLUTION RENEWING AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO ENTER INTO A COMMUNITY GARDEN LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH IDLEWILD COMMUNITY GARDEN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was adopted (8/0). (*\$4,100.00*)

R-22-69 (RESOLUTION NO. 10252 – COUNCIL MEMBER HAMILTON)
A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A LICENSE AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO ENTER INTO A COMMUNITY GARDEN LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH PIKE VIEW ELEMENTARY COMMUNITY GARDEN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was adopted (8/0). (*\$4,450.00*)

NEW BUSINESS

R-22-54

A RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING EDWARD NELSON TO THE NORTH LITTLE ROCK WASTE WATER TREATMENT COMMITTEE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was pulled from the consent agenda and held by the sponsor, Mayor Hartwick.

R-22-57 (RESOLUTION NO. 10241 – MAYOR HARTWICK)
A RESOLUTION WAIVING FORMAL BIDDING REQUIREMENTS AND AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT TO FORD OF MURFREESBORO FOR THE PURCHASE OF TWO ~~THREE~~ 2022

FORD INTERCEPTORS FOR THE NORTH LITTLE ROCK POLICE DEPARTMENT; 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 Taylor, and by consent of all members present, the resolution was amended as follows: 4th *Whereas, strike through two and insert THREE, strike through \$12,000.00 and insert \$13,482.00 and strike through \$83,872.00 and insert \$148,335.00, and in Section 1, strike through \$83,872.00 and insert \$148,335.00* (8/0). On the motion of Council Member Ross and seconded by Council Member Taylor, and by consent of all members present, the resolution was unanimously adopted as amended (8/0).

R-22-70 (RESOLUTION NO. 10254 – MAYOR HARTWICK)

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING AN APPLICATION FOR REBUILDING AMERICAN INFRASTRUCTURE WITH SUSTAINABILITY AND EQUITY (RAISE) DISCRETIONARY GRANT FUNDS TO ASSIST THE REBUILDING OF THE MAIN STREET VIADUCT BRIDGE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. A motion to adopt was made by Council Member Ross and seconded by Council Member Taylor. Chief Financial Officer Ember Strange said this grant is a Discretionary Grant fka the Tiger Grant. The city is working with a grant writer to write this application to replace the Main Street Viaduct Bridge. The minimum award amount is \$5 million up to \$25 million. Multiple staff members have been working on this application. If the city is not awarded this grant, the work that has been done can be used to be apply for future grants in this area. Grant funds designated specifically for bridges will be available later in the year. Council Member Ross said this would be a 20% match for the city. She referenced ARPA Funds and asked if some of those funds could be used. On the previous motion, and all members present having voted in the affirmative, the resolution was unanimously adopted (8/0).

R-22-71 (RESOLUTION NO. 10255 – MAYOR HARTWICK)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO ENTER INTO A REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT FOR PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING SERVICES WITH UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY; 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 (8/0). CFO Strange said the city has to enter into a reimbursement agreement with Union Pacific to be able to get their assistance in applying for a grant (see previous discussion). (*estimate - \$150,000.00*)

Mayor Hartwick convened a public hearing on the following items: R-22-72 – 1202 East 17th Street, R-22-73 – 1102 East 16th Street, R-22-74 – 5910 MacArthur Drive, and R-22-75 – 2300 Parkway Drive. Mr. Ralph Cagle owns 5910 MacArthur Drive and 2300 Parkway Drive. Mr. Cagle said he has been sick. The building on MacArthur Drive burned in the past and has been resided (siding). It has no floor and was not rented but used for storage. The building on Parkway has not been rented either. Mr. Cagle stores his personal items in it. He lives cattycorner to the building. He planned to put in a

weight room, library, and video room. He had problems with the property before when the right side of the roof was collapsing. Code Enforcement told him to fix it, which he did. The left side has collapsed. He talked to someone about fixing the other side. He said he was told by Code Enforcement he might be wasting his money if the property is condemned. Mr. Ward Reese, Assistant Code Enforcement Director said he spoke to Mr. Cagle the previous week. Mr. Cagle told him he had not been in the building at 2300 Parkway in 10 years. Mr. Reese said the city had to obtain a search warrant to be able to enter the building which was filled with items. Code staff had to take photos from the front door as entry was not possible. Mr. Reese said 5910 MacArthur was in the same condition. The outside is a little better. Code Enforcement had to obtain a search warrant for this property as well. It was also filled with items. The property used to be used as a Flea Market. Mr. Reese said the floors have deteriorated and referenced the photos provided to City Council. City Attorney Fields advised Mr. Cagle of the process if the property is condemned. He can contact the City Attorney's Office to enter into a Rehabilitation Agreement which would give him an additional 120 days to rehabilitate the properties. He would be required to provide a (cash) bond in the amount of the cost to demolish the structure. Failure to rehabilitate the property would result in the bond being forfeited to raze the structures. Mayor Hartwick said he drove by the properties. He advised Mr. Cagle he had returned his call, however he was unable to leave a message. There being no one else present wishing to be heard, the public hearing was adjourned.

R-22-72 (RESOLUTION NO. 10256 – MAYOR HARTWICK)

A RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN BUILDINGS, HOUSES AND OTHER STRUCTURES LOCATED AT 1202 EAST 17TH 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. On the motion of Council Member Taylor and seconded by Council Member Ross, and by consent of all members present, the resolution was unanimously adopted (8/0). (owner: Benny Lawson c/o Priscilla Lawson)

R-22-73 (RESOLUTION NO. 10257 – MAYOR HARTWICK)

A RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN BUILDINGS, HOUSES AND OTHER STRUCTURES LOCATED AT 1102 EAST 16TH 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. On the motion of Council Member Taylor and seconded by Council Member Robinson, and by consent of all members present, the resolution was unanimously adopted (8/0). (owner: Paula Kay Thomas)

R-22-74 (RESOLUTION NO. 10258 – MAYOR HARTWICK)

A RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN BUILDINGS, HOUSES AND OTHER STRUCTURES LOCATED AT 5910 MACARTHUR 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. On the motion of Council Member Taylor and seconded by Council Member Baxter, and by consent of all members present, the resolution was unanimously adopted (8/0).
(owner: *Ralph Cagle*)

R-22-75 (RESOLUTION NO. 10259 – MAYOR HARTWICK)
A RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN BUILDINGS, HOUSES AND OTHER STRUCTURES LOCATED AT 2300 PARKWAY 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. On the motion of Council Member Taylor and seconded by Council Member Baxter, and by consent of all members present, the resolution was unanimously adopted (8/0).
(owner: *Ralph Cagle*)

Mayor Hartwick convened a public hearing on the following items: R-22-76 – 1723 North Magnolia Street, R-22-77 – 2912 East 4th Street, R-22-78 – 2211 East 2nd Street. There being no one present wishing to be heard, the public hearing was adjourned.

R-22-76 (RESOLUTION NO. 10260 – MAYOR HARTWICK)
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 1723 NORTH MAGNOLIA STREET IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. On the motion of Council Member Hight and seconded by Council Member Ross, and by consent of all members present, the resolution was unanimously adopted (8/0). (amount: *\$5,187.04*)

R-22-77 (RESOLUTION NO. 10261 – MAYOR HARTWICK)
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 2012 EAST 4TH STREET IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. On the motion of Council Member Taylor and seconded by Council Member Baxter, and by consent of all members present, the resolution was unanimously adopted (8/0). (amount: *\$5,202.52*)

R-22-78 (RESOLUTION NO. 10262 – MAYOR HARTWICK)
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 2211 EAST 2ND STREET IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. On the motion of Council Member Taylor

and seconded by Council Member Baxter, and by consent of all members present, the resolution was unanimously adopted (8/0). (*amount: \$5,322.49*)

O-22-20

AN ORDINANCE REDISTRICTING THE WARDS WITHIN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. On the motion of Council Member Ross and seconded by Council Member Taylor, and by consent of all members present, the readings were suspended (8/0). A motion to adopt was made by Council Member Hight and seconded by Council Member Ginn. Council Member Ross asked if the item could be held to allow residents the opportunity to review the maps provided during the meeting. The maps will be added to the city website this week. Mayor Hartwick advised there will be changes in all four (4) Wards of the city. This is due to the recent Census numbers. Mr. Shawn Spencer, Planning Director advised the population from the 2020 Census was 64,591. That number was divided by four (4). The Wards then had to be updated to include approximately 16,148 residents in each. The racial breakdown is close to the existing Ward maps. Council Member Baxter asked that when the map is added to the website that it be viewable in a way that people can zoom in to see the street names. Without objection, the legislation was held.

O-22-21 (ORDINANCE NO. 9441 – MAYOR HARTWICK)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2022 QUOTA ORDINANCE (ORDINANCE NO. 9423) FOR THE TRAFFIC SERVICES DEPARTMENT; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. On the motion of Council Member Ross and seconded by Council Member Taylor, and by consent of all members present, the readings were suspended (8/0). On the motion of Council Member Hight and seconded by Council Member Baxter, 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).

O-22-22 (ORDINANCE NO. 9442 – COUNCIL MEMBER ROSS)

AN ORDINANCE REZONING CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1305 NORTH OLIVE STREET IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS, FROM C3 TO R2 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 Ross and seconded by Council Member Taylor, and by consent of all members present, the readings were suspended (8/0). On the motion of Council Member Ross and seconded by Council Member Taylor, 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). (*applicant: Brandon Eason*)

O-22-23 (ORDINANCE NO. 9443 – COUNCIL MEMBER ROBINSON)

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE TO ALLOW INDOOR RECREATION IN A C6 ZONE FOR CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1112 WEST 9TH STREET B IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND

FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. On the motion of Council Member Robinson and seconded by Council Member Taylor, and by consent of all members present, the readings were suspended (8/0). On the motion of Council Member Robinson and seconded by Council Member Taylor, 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). (*applicant: Marc Massa of Dog Town Fitness*)

O-22-24 (ORDINANCE NO. 9444 – MAYOR HARTWICK)

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF \$45,000,000 PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF SEWER REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2022, BY THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSTRUCTION OF EXTENSIONS, BETTERMENTS AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE SEWER FACILITIES OF THE CITY; PROVIDING FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE SERIES 2022 BONDS; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A BOND PURCHASE AGREEMENT PROVIDING FOR THE SALE OF THE SERIES 2022 BONDS; PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; was read. On

the motion of Council Member Baxter and seconded by Council Member Taylor, and by consent of all members present, the readings were suspended (8/0). A motion to adopt was made by Council Member Hamilton and seconded by Council Member Ginn. Mayor Hartwick convened a public hearing. Council Member Hight asked if this included the sewer ponds in Burns Park. Mr. Michael Clayton, North Little Rock Waste Water Director advised these bonds are designed for mostly interceptor renewal projects. There are large diameter pipes throughout the system that need to be replaced. Improvements also include consolidation of the Maumelle Waste Water Treatment Facility and the White Oak Facility. Council Member Ross asked how many Waste Water Bonds there were now. Mr. Clayton said the percentage of principal and interest is about \$4,107,859.00. The 2022 Bond Ordinance would entail another \$2.6 million plus interest. The total would be about \$6,784,261.00. Compared to annual revenue the percent would be roughly 29%. The Little Rock Waste Water Authority bonds are at about 39%. There being no one present 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 unanimously adopted (8/0). Emergency clause unanimously adopted (8/0).

O-22-25

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 9004; REVOKING A SPECIAL USE FOR A MOBILE HOME IN AN R2 ZONE FOR CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 7001 FAULKNER LAKE ROAD IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS;

DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was called. City Attorney Fields said a public hearing needs to be held on this item. The property owner's attorney contacted Ms. Fields and advised they would not be able to attend this meeting. The ordinance was read. On the motion of Council Member Ross and seconded by Council Member Baxter, the rules were suspended and the ordinance was placed on its second reading (7/1). Mayor Hartwick convened a public hearing. There being no one present wishing to be heard, the public hearing was recessed until Monday, April 11, 2022. Council Member Taylor asked the reason for the appeal. Ms. Fields said the property owner had been granted a Special Use to allow a mobile home for a period of three (3) years. The ordinance was then held by the sponsor, Mayor Hartwick.

O-22-26 (ORDINANCE NO. 9445 – COUNCIL MEMBER TAYLOR)

AN ORDINANCE WAIVING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF SECTION 5.11 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE (ORDINANCE NO. 9263) FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 13101 HIGHWAY 70 TO ALLOW THE WAIVER OF FENCE REQUIREMENTS; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. On the motion of Council Member Taylor and seconded by Council Member Ross, and by consent of all members present, the readings were suspended (8/0). A motion to adopt was made by Council Member Taylor and seconded by Council Member Robinson. Mayor Hartwick convened a public hearing. There being no one present 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 unanimously adopted (8/0). Emergency clause unanimously adopted (8/0). (*applicant: Thomas R. Pownall of Thomas Engineering Company*)

PUBLIC COMMENT

Council Member Hight said a property on Candlewick Drive was condemned thirteen weeks ago. Neighbors had been complaining about the location for years. The council entered into a Rehabilitation Plan giving the owner 6 months to bring the property up to code. Council Member Hight said nothing has been done since then and residents are complaining. Council Member Hight asked what can be done to ensure those who have entered into an agreement with the city actually follow through with it. City Attorney Fields said the owner will be given notice at the end of the six (6) month period and advised they have failed to comply with the terms of the agreement and notice the city will proceed with demolition of the structure. This will result in the city keeping the escrow (bond) that was paid to the city.

There being no further business to come before the Council, and on the motion of Council Member Baxter and seconded by Council Member Ross, and by consent of all members present, the meeting was adjourned at 6:57 p.m. (8/0), until the next regularly scheduled meeting to be held on Monday, April 11, 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