

April 25, 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, April 25, 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.

The roll having been called and the following Council Members answered to their names: DEBI ROSS, NATHAN HAMILTON, STEVE BAXTER, RON HARRIS, JANE GINN and CHARLIE HIGHT (6/0). Council Member DEBI ROSS participated virtually via Ring Central. Council Member LINDA ROBINSON was absent. 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 Mr. Dax Eanes, Cub Scout Troop #427.

Council Member MAURICE TAYLOR entered the Council Chambers at 6:02 p.m.

On the motion of Council Member Hight 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, April 11, 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 Hamilton, and by consent of all members present, with the exception of Council Member Ross who was having technical difficulties, communications #1 and 2 were accepted and filed (6/1).

1. Anita Paul, Mayor's Office memorandum re: small farm winery – wholesale, wholesale beer, wholesale liquor – change of manager, for SGWS, 11101 Smitty Lane, North Little Rock by Derek Teter.
2. Anita Paul, Mayor's Office memorandum re: Mixed Drink minimum permit – replacement / new owner, for Lakewood Feast Restaurant, 4801 North Hills Boulevard, by Juan Matus.

### **PRESENTATIONS**

*None.*

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

*None.*

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

On the motion of Council Member Baxter and seconded by Council Member Hamilton, and by voice vote, consent agenda items R-22-82, R-22-83, R-22-84 and R-22-85 were adopted (7/0).

R-22-82 (RESOLUTION NO. 10267 – MAYOR HARTWICK)

A RESOLUTION CERTIFYING LOCAL GOVERNMENT ENDORSEMENT OF CREATIVE FOAM PRODUCTS LLC 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 adopted (7/0).

R-22-83 (RESOLUTION NO. 10268 – 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-22-84 (RESOLUTION NO. 10269 – 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).

R-22-85 (RESOLUTION NO. 10270 – MAYOR HARTWICK)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE NORTH LITTLE ROCK SANITATION DEPARTMENT TO ORDER TWO SIDE LOADER SANITATION TRUCKS FOR DELIVERY IN 2023; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was adopted (7/0). (\$630,000.00) Mayor Hartwick said new Sanitation Trucks are being purchased now for 2023. Council Member Hight asked when the new garbage cans will arrive. Mayor Hartwick said they are here. Three additional trucks should be in by August at which time the program can begin. Council Member Baxter asked about the number of trucks. Mayor Hartwick said there will be a total of six (6).

## **NEW BUSINESS**

R-22-86

A RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN BUILDINGS, HOUSES AND OTHER STRUCTURES LOCATED AT 910 CURTIS SYKES 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 called and withdrawn by the sponsor, Mayor Hartwick. The structure was removed by the owner.

Mayor Hartwick convened a public hearing on the following items: R-22-87 – clean up lien at 4414 Rogers Street, R-22-88 – clean up lien at 5815 MacArthur Drive, and R-22-89 – certifying amounts of liens to be filed as a result of grass cutting expenses and abatement of other nuisances. There being no one present wishing to be heard, the public hearing was adjourned.

R-22-87 (RESOLUTION NO. 10271 – 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 4414 ROGERS 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 Harris and by consent of all members present, the resolution was adopted (7/0). (\$5,040.02)

R-22-88 (RESOLUTION NO. 10272 – 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 5815 MACARTHUR DRIVE 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 Hamilton, and by consent of all members present, the resolution was adopted (7/0). (\$9,365.17)

R-22-89 (RESOLUTION NO. 10273 – MAYOR HARTWICK)

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. On the motion of Council Member Taylor and seconded by Council Member Hamilton, and by consent of all members present, the resolution was adopted (7/0).

O-22-29 (ORDINANCE NO. 9450 – MAYOR HARTWICK AND COUNCIL MEMBER HAMILTON)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2022 QUOTA ORDINANCE (ORDINANCE NO. 9423) FOR THE FINANCE DEPARTMENT; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. Without objection, Council Member Hamilton was added as a co-sponsor. On the motion of Council Member Hight and seconded by 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 Taylor 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).

O-22-30 (ORDINANCE NO. 9451 – COUNCIL MEMBER ROBINSON)  
AN ORDINANCE VACATING AND ABANDONING A CERTAIN UNUSED EASEMENT ON PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1302 EAST 8<sup>TH</sup> STREET IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. On the motion of Council Member Taylor 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 Hight and seconded by Council Member Taylor, and the roll having been called, and all members present having voted in the affirmative, the ordinance was adopted (7/0). Emergency clause adopted (8/0). (*applicant: Clayton Vanden – Safe Foods*)

O-22-31 (ORDINANCE NO. 9452 – COUNCIL MEMBER ROBINSON)  
AN ORDINANCE REZONING CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1302 EAST 8<sup>TH</sup> STREET IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS; FROM I2 TO I3 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 Taylor 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 Hight 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: Minton Engineering*)

O-22-32 (ORDINANCE NO. 9453 – COUNCIL MEMBER HARRIS)  
AN ORDINANCE REZONING CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED AT COUNTRY CLUB OF ARKANSAS PHASE XXV-C IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS; FROM RO TO RU ZONING CLASSIFICATION, BY AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 9263; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. On the motion of Council Member Harris and seconded by Council Member Taylor, 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 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). (*Holloway Engineering*)

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Council Member Harris said work is underway on the bike trail near Esplanade (Apartments). Mayor Hartwick said an announcement was made last Friday (April 22, 2022) regarding T-Time (which is a golf themed entertainment venue that will be located on the old Wild River Country property). Mayor Hartwick referenced the following upcoming events:

April 29 – May 1 – Ballet Arkansas Live at the Plaza

April 30 – Central Arkansas Heart Walk

May 7 – Great North Little Rock Cleanup

May 14 - Becky Witcher Memorial Golf Scramble

Council Member Ross said there will be open houses at North Little Rock Fire Stations May 2, May 4 and May 6. Council Member Harris asked for volunteers for the City-wide Cleanup on May 7. Council Member Hamilton will be presenting legislation for consideration only regarding Electric Changeable Copy Signs. Mayor Hartwick announced a Prescription Drug Takeback to be held on Saturday, April 30, 2022 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. in the McCain Mall parking lot.

There being no further business to come before the Council, and on the motion of Council Member Ross and seconded by Council Member Hamilton, and by consent of all members present, the meeting was adjourned at 6:17 p.m. (7/0), until the next regularly scheduled meeting to be held on Monday, May 9, 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