

January 9, 2023
Five-thirty 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, January 9, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. was called to order at that time by the Honorable Mayor Terry C. Hartwick.

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, MAURICE TAYLOR, LINDA ROBINSON, STEVE BAXTER, RON HARRIS, VINCE INSALACO, III and CHARLIE HIGHT (8/0). Chief Deputy City Clerk/Treasurer Katelyn Thomas, Deputy City Clerk/ Treasurer/Enforcement Officer Jim Scott, and City Attorney Amy Fields were also present.

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

On the motion of Council Member Hight and seconded by Council Member Ross, and by consent of all members present, the minutes from the North Little Rock City Council meeting scheduled for Tuesday, December 27, 2022, were approved, accepted and filed as prepared by City Clerk Diane Whitbey (8/0).

On the blanket motion of Council Member Baxter and seconded by Council Member Ross, and by consent of all members present, communications #1, 2, 3, and 4 were accepted and filed (8/0).

1. Email re: General Addendum – AEDM LLC from Scott Hilburn.
2. Council Member Hight – Indian Hills Community Club 2022 Financial Statement.
3. Email from Bailey Noland, Community Development Director re: Notice of Public Hearings and Funding Availability – Community Development Block Grant (CDBG).
4. Stacia Chastain, Mayor's Office Manager memorandum to City Clerk Diane Whitbey and Chief Financial Officer Ember Strange re: Schedule for Acting Mayor 2023 – 2026.

PRESENTATIONS

None.

SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARING

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

CONSENT AGENDA

By voice vote and all members present having voted in the affirmative, consent items R-23-1, R-23-2, and R-23-3 were adopted (8/0). R-23-4 was withdrawn by the sponsor, Mayor Hartwick.

R-23-1 (RESOLUTION NO. 10461 – 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-23-2 (RESOLUTION NO. 10462 – MAYOR HARTWICK)

A RESOLUTION WAIVING FORMAL BIDDING REQUIREMENTS AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO ASCENTIS CORPORATION, A SOLE SOURCE VENDOR, FOR THE RENEWAL OF TIMEKEEPING AND SCHEDULING SOFTWARE FOR THE CITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was adopted (8/0). (\$42,728.40)

R-23-3 (RESOLUTION NO. 10463 – MAYOR HARTWICK)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE A REAL ESTATE PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT TO PURCHASE CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 4116 EAST WASHINGTON AVENUE IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS TO GODSEY-THRASHER PROPERTIES LLC; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was adopted (8/0). (\$40,000.00) Note: Council Member Ross asked why the property was being purchased. Mayor Hartwick said it is located next to the property where the new Health Clinic is being built is Rose City.

R-22-4

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE A REAL ESTATE CONTRACT TO SELL CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 929 HEALY STREET IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS TO MARSHALL LAND, JR. AND SHARON R. LAND; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was withdrawn by the sponsor, Mayor Hartwick.

NEW BUSINESS

O-23-1 (ORDINANCE NO. 9539 – COUNCIL MEMBER ROSS)

AN ORDINANCE REZONING CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED AT 603 WEST 45TH STREET IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS, FROM R3 TO R4 ZONING CLASSIFICATION, BY AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 9263; 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 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). (*applicant: Journey Estate Investments*)

O-23-2 (ORDINANCE NO. 9540 –COUNCIL MEMBER ROSS)

AN ORDINANCE REZONING CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1623 CHANDLER STREET IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS, FROM R3 TO R4 ZONING CLASSIFICATION, BY AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 9263; 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 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). (*applicant: Eddie Givens*)

O-23-3 (ORDINANCE NO. 9541 – COUNCIL MEMBERS ROSS AND HAMILTON)

AN ORDINANCE WAIVING SECTION 6.2.3 OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE (ORDINANCE NO. 9263) TO WAIVE MINIMUM PARKING REQUIREMENTS FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 101 SKYLINE DRIVE IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. On the motion of Council Member Ross and seconded by Council Member Hamilton, 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 Hamilton, and by consent of all members present, the ordinance was amended as follows: *add UNITS C AND D to address in the title, first whereas and Section 1* (8/0). On the motion of Council Member Hamilton and seconded by Council Member Taylor, and the roll having been called, and all member present having voted in the affirmative, the ordinance was unanimously adopted as amended (8/0). Emergency clause unanimously adopted (8/0). (*applicant: Tucker Land Surveying*)

O-23-4 (ORDINANCE NO. 9542 – COUNCIL MEMBERS ROSS, HAMILTON, TAYLOR, ROBINSON, BAXTER, HARRIS AND HIGHT)

AN ORDINANCE EXTENDING THE APPLICABILITY OF THE 2017 NATIONAL ELECTRIC CODE TO ELECTRIC PERMITS APPLIED FOR ON OR BEFORE JANUARY 31, 2023, FOR PROJECTS WHICH COMMERCIAL PLANS WERE SUBMITTED ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 30, 2022; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. Without objection, Council Member Ross was added as a cosponsor. On the motion of Council Member Hight and seconded by Council Member Ross, and by consent of all members present, the readings were suspended (8/0). 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 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 unanimously adopted (8/0). Emergency clause unanimously adopted (8/0).

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Hartwick advised city offices will be closed January 16, 2023 in observance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr's. Birthday. Council Member Robinson asked about a meeting date included in Communication #3. Meetings are no longer held at the Rose City Police Substation. Ms. Bailey Noland, Community Development Director said she was advised that location could be used on Wednesday, January 11, 2023, for the upcoming meeting. Council Member Robinson asked that notification go out to make residents of the community aware of this location as they now hold their community meetings at the Rose City Recreation Center. Mayor Hartwick advised moving forward with the scheduled meetings and scheduling an additional meeting if necessary. Ms. Noland said there is an option to extend the public comment period. Council Member Taylor asked about the leaf vacuums. Mayor Hartwick is meeting with Condo Breedlove with the locations and status of leaf pickup. The combination of weather and equipment issues have caused some delays. Council Member Baxter reminded residents there are several factors that can result in delays in leaf pickup. Mayor Hartwick said education of residents regarding the use of the new Sanitation Trash cans and pickup method continues. All trash (household garbage) continues to be picked up.

There being no further business to come before the Council, and on the motion of Council Member Ross and seconded by Council Member Baxter, and by consent of all members present, the meeting was adjourned at 5:47 p.m. (8/0), until the next regularly scheduled meeting to be held on Monday, January 23, 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