

The regular meeting of the North Little Rock City Council was preceded by a Public Meeting. The topic was to discuss the proposed 2024 City of North Little Rock and North Little Rock Electric Department Budgets.

Mayor Terry C. Hartwick convened a public meeting at 5:00 p.m. to discuss the 2024 proposed North Little Rock City Budget. Members of the audience were asked to sign up to speak prior to the meeting convening. Those persons were called in the order they signed in.

Mr. Will Hogg is Treasurer and Vice Chairman for Seis Puentes. The program has been in the City of North Little Rock over 20 years and provides resources to the Hispanic and Latino communities. Over 500 back packs have been given annually to school age children in need, thousands of meals have been prepared and shared, weekly ESL classes, financial classes, issued over 750 ID (cards) through a partnership with the city. The organization assists non-English speaking parents when enrolling their children in the (North Little Rock) School District and have also worked with small businesses in getting their city business license, permits, etc. The (2020) Census estimates 10 percent of North Little Rock's population to be Hispanic or Latino. Seis Puentes has purchased an abandoned property on MacArthur Drive in North Little Rock and look forward to moving to the location in 2024. Their annual operating budget is about \$150,000.00. The building renovation project will be around \$300,000.00. Seis Puentes requested \$150,000.00 in the 2024 city budget. Ms. Allison Allred has been an attorney in North Little Rock since 1997. She is a member of the Seis Puentes Board of Directors and asked other board members to stand. She referenced workers who were present in the city to rebuild following the March 31, 2023 tornado, the majority were Hispanic. Executive Director Raul Fernandez was also present at the podium but did not speak. Ms. Sarah Ruple is the Chief Development Officer for the Arkansas Food Bank. She said they are the largest hunger relief agency in the state. They appreciate the consistent, reliable support from the city. In 2022, the USDA ranked Arkansas first in food insecurity in the U. S. with a rate of 16.6%. Funding from the city supported 17 food pantries in 2023 within the city. Each of the food pantries is a 501c3. Funding is used to acquire more food and build the capacity of their pantry. Ms. Bailey Faulkner is the Executive Director of the Ozark Mission Project. Ms. Margie Evans lives in the Dixie Addition. She said funds from the Ozark Mission Project helped put a much needed new roof on her house. They also built a ramp to her porch and were very nice. She also said the volunteers have been doing good work in the neighborhoods. Ms. Grace Mayweathers said she needs a new roof. She has applied several times. Her insurance agency referred her to different organizations but they were either outside the North Little Rock area or had exhausted funds. She applied for a roof through the Ozark Mission Project and is on the waiting list. Ms. Liza Godwin is with the Ozark Mission Project. She and her husband Hank have been involved in a roof replacement program in North Little Rock. The three \$100,000.00 installments they have received allowed the opportunity to provide a service which allowed residents to stay in their home and retain homeowners insurance. Mrs. Godwin referenced previous comments regarding the use of funds and the benefit to the residents. They are hopeful that the amount provided by CARES Act Funds will be continued through 2024. Their request is for at least \$100,000.00 in 2024. They

have \$15,000.00 remaining which has been allocated to be spent during their Summer Mission Week when students and adults from Arkansas and surrounding states will come to the city and perform tasks like yard work, pressure washing, house painting, and larger tasks such as construction of porches and wheelchair ramps. In the past, there have been families who have to call the Fire Department for assistance in moving a family member from their home just to get to a doctor's appointment. If there are funds leftover following Mission Week, they are used to provide emergency services during the off-season such as assisting stroke or amputee patients. In the past two (2) months, they have built four (4) wheelchair ramps and provided one (1) set of safe steps with handrails in the Levy, Rose City and Baring Cross neighborhoods. Ms. Godwin said they are thankful for the funds and support in the past. Mr. Michael Marion spoke on behalf of ACT (Argenta Community Theater) (I and II). He said he is the General Manager of Simmons Bank Arena. He is the chairman of ACT board and thanked the city for past financial support. Over 25,000 people visit the theater annually for various events. The theater has been a great addition to the downtown area and provides an economic impact. Mrs. Allison Courtney is Director of Development for ACT. The program began in 2012 with 50 students. There are now 2,349 students. In the past year, they opened ACT II which is an education facility and are looking at another expansion in the future. Other programs (Ballet Arkansas, The REP, and the Arkansas Museum of Fine Arts) have reached out to partner with ACT. Ms. Courtney asked for continued support and added there are not a lot of places for students to enjoy the arts. She said there are 60 schools in Little Rock, North Little Rock and Pulaski County with no performing arts programs. Mr. Lane Harbor is Deputy Director and Chief Financial Officer for the Arkansas Museum of the Arts. The city has supported the Museum of the Arts for at least 21 years. The museum is located in Little Rock but serves the whole state with the majority of patrons being from central Arkansas. At the time of their application, they had 70,000 visitors to the new museum which opened in April (2023). The number of visitors today is up to 90,000 with 15.2 percent from North Little Rock. Mr. Harbor added 16 percent of their board members are from North Little Rock. Mayor Hartwick serves as an Ex-officio member of the board. The museum is open free to the public and there are a lot of free programs open for ages toddler through adult. Some services with fees include their theater and art school classes. The Arts Museum has 196 employees with 16 percent of them residing in North Little Rock. They also have a Teacher's Advisory and Teen Advisory Board with members from the city. Mayor Hartwick referenced other organizations who did not sign in and asked if those representatives would like to speak. Ms. Cindy Doramus, Chief Executive Officer of the Boys and Girls Club of Central Arkansas referenced the (Jim) Wetherington Boys and Girls Club located in North Little Rock. The site is currently undergoing refurbishing and upgrades. Youth are in the center daily. The focus is on academics, healthy lifestyles, leadership skills, job skills, and readiness. The facility also has basketball and other sports programs. Participants range from six to eighteen years of age. The goal is to assist youth in graduating on time and going on to secondary education or entering the workforce with job skills. Ms. Doramus said they offer a virtual learning program which includes at least 100 vocations (including nursing, hospitality, HVAC, welding, etc.). Ms. Errin Stanger, Director of the Arkansas Innovation Hub, which Arkansas's first and largest Makers space (located in Argenta). The focus is on S.T.E.A.M. education for youth and adults. She estimated they will serve 10,000 youth in

2023. Funding from the city has allowed them to offer over 371 scholarships to North Little Rock students in Elementary, Middle and High School in 2023. They also offer memberships with 37 percent of those members living in North Little Rock. Earlier this year, following the March 31 tornado, The Innovation Hub closed and designed a “*North Little Rock Strong*” logo then provided T-shirts to city staff. Member went into affected neighborhoods and provided food and activities for youth. Funding allowed youth affected by the tornado to come into the facility and participate in programs at no cost. Ms. Stanger said they are the Microsoft Tech Spark recipient for funding this year and credited the city’s support as a factor. She said their Maker 48 program will be included in four upcoming television episodes to be aired on *This Old House*. Mr. Kelly Bass is the Chief Executive Officer for the Museum of Discovery. He had been aware of the city’s support of (various non-profit) organizations. This is his first year to request funding. The Museum is growing and located in central Arkansas and was named the 6th best museum of its type in the U. S. in a USA Today readers’ poll. They had visitors from across the U. S. As of today, 7,561 North Little Rock residents and 6,265 North Little Rock school children have visited. North Little Rock is their second largest market. Staff have been working in North Little Rock schools through outreach programs. This Saturday will be the unveiling of 78 new exhibits in the science lab and dynamic earth galleries. The cost to run the museum has increased. Payroll doubled in the past 10 years ago. Council Member Robinson asked Mr. Bass how much he was requesting. Mr. Bass said \$100,000.00. Mr. Chris Kent, Executive Director Argenta Downtown Council (ADC) said they have a Clean, Green and Safe Program which keeps the downtown streets clean downtown. Volunteers just planted 20,000 new tulip bulbs for the annual spring bloom. ADC has hosted 26 free family-friendly events which included the Argenta Throw Down, Art Walks, and six (6) Argenta Vibe concert series. Mr. Kent referenced the Safety Ambassador Program which has been in place for 12 years and frees up police officers to work in other areas. The ambassadors help youth and adults get to and from their vehicle safely. ADC also works closely with (North Little Rock) Economic Development in creating a space where businesses will thrive. A new restaurant will opening across the street from City Hall and will bring an additional economic impact to the area (the business will have around 35 employees with an average income of \$40,000.00 a year). Council Member Ross asked the budget request again include the Mid-City area. Mr. Nick Leopoulus, Thea Foundation Executive Director, thanked the city for past support. He said they have helped 34 schools in the (North Little Rock) District this year and have hosted several events featuring North Little Rock students. Council Member Ross asked about their events. Mr. Leopoulus said they have monthly art exhibits and the current featured artist is Jeff Horton. He said THEA is open from 9 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and groups can schedule visits. North Little Rock Police Athletic League Director Officer Shelby Hunter said he grew up on the ball fields at PAL. He has been coaching youth through PAL since 2010 and the past few years have been great. Funding provided by the city was used to renovate the Rose City Ball Park, rebuild bleachers, and build new batting cages. There are 600 kids participating in the baseball / softball program. Another 200 participate in football and there is also a Cheer program with 50 youth participants. Renovations for 2024 include plumbing and refurbishment of North Heights. He thanked the council for their continued support. Council Member Ross said a lot of the work is done by volunteers. He said the

Rose City field is now turf as a result of obtaining the old turf from Dickey Stephens Ball Park. Council Member Hamilton asked how long the city had donated funds to PAL. Chief of Staff Mike Davis said the program has been in existence since the late 1980's. The city has been providing funding since at least 2001. Mr. Steven Morris, Program Director for River City Ministry, thanked the city for their support in 2023. The funds provided the opportunity to hire a cook and get their showers working. They were also able to purchase walk-in coolers/freezers which has aided in providing services. They serve homeless people in this area and a lot of low income people in North Little Rock. The numbers are several hundred and a lot more have become homeless as a result of the pandemic. Mr. Morris said they used to serve an average of 100 to 150 lunches. The numbers are now at 250. Council Member Ross asked how much funding the city recently allocated to River City. Chief Financial Officer Ember Strange said it was \$300,000.00. Mr. Mark Dale is President of the Board of Directors for The Van also known as The One, Inc. He thanked the city for \$50,000.00 donated last year for the Jericho Way. Funds were used to assist with the needs of the unsheltered population in North Little Rock and Little Rock area. Funds provided last year helped pay for fuel and supplies. They were able to purchase a larger commercial ice maker which provided the opportunity to provide ice to "unsheltered" camps. They have a shower trailer that needs repairs and need commercial washers and dryers. Council Member Robinson asked Mrs. Strange about the proposed numbers in the budget for Special Projects as some of the allocations were returned to pre-COVID prices. She said everything increased in price since the beginning of the pandemic. Mayor Hartwick reminded everyone this is not a final budget. There being no one else wishing to be heard, Mayor Hartwick adjourned the public hearing.

November 13, 2023
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, November 13, 2023, was called to order at 6:01 p.m. 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). City Clerk and Treasurer

Diane Whitbey, Chief Deputy City Clerk/Treasurer Katelyn Thomas, Deputy City Clerk/Treasurer Talor Shinn, and City Attorney Amy Fields were also present.

The prayer was led by IT Director John Barber. The pledge of allegiance was led by Boy Scout Pack 427 from Immaculate Conception Church (Leonard Miller, den leader).

On the motion of Council Member Hight and seconded by Council Member Insalaco, III, and by consent of all members present, the minutes from the North Little Rock City Council meeting held Monday, October 23, 2023, were approved, accepted and filed as prepared by City Clerk Diane Whitbey (8/0).

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

1. Petition for Speed Hump Evaluation Study on Sycamore Street between West 14th Street and West 15th Street, submitted by Gerson Garcia (11 signatures – for).
2. Belinda Snow, Executive Director, North Little Rock Housing Authority – email re: Cassandra Williamson issues with Apartment Management.
3. Ember Strange, Chief Finance Officer / Energy Risk Management Committee Chair – memorandum re: Power Cost Adjustment (PCA) for November, 2023 (\$0.0136 kWh [positive]).
4. Stacia Chastain, Mayor’s Office email re: appointment of Council Member Nathan Hamilton to MEMS Board.

PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Hartwick invited Ms. Kim Francisco, Director of Emergency Services / 911, to come forward. Mr. Bud Gray, Deputy Director, joined her at the podium. Ms. Francisco said North Little Rock 911 Operator Brittany Chaperon was recently named the Association of Public Safety Communications Officials Dispatcher of the Year. Ms. Chaperon received the Leadership Award based on her actions at the 911 Center. Ms. Chaperon was invited to come forward and presented the award.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

R-23-216

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT TO REHABILITATE PROPERTY FOR CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 214 WEST 14TH STREET IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was called. The applicant, Mr. Bruce Tate was not present. The legislation was held at the request of the sponsor.

R-23-224

A RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN BUILDINGS, HOUSES AND OTHER STRUCTURES LOCATED AT 812 NORTH I 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. Mayor Hartwick reconvened a public hearing. Ms. Mary Waller spoke about the property which belonged to her deceased mother. Two of her sisters were also present. Ms. Barbara Gilliam filed a small claims affidavit so they can disperse their mother's property. There is a 90 days waiting period which will be up December 17, 2023. The sisters plan to give the property to Ms. Vivian Gilliam who was also present and currently lives in Michigan. Council Member Ross asked if Ms. Vivian Gilliam would have to enter into a rehabilitation agreement once she became the owner of the property. City Attorney Fields said the property is up for condemnation at this time. Ms. B. Gilliam said Ms. V. Gilliam's intent is to tear down the structure and rebuild at a future date. Ms. Waller asked how much it would cost if the city tore down the house and if they could pay back the city. Ms. Fields said it depends but usually is about \$5,000.00. If the city demolishes the structure a lien will be placed against the property. There being no one else wishing to be heard, the public hearing was adjourned. On the motion of Council Member Robinson and seconded by Council Member Taylor, and by consent of all members present, the resolution was unanimously adopted (8/0). (*owner: Retta M. Gilliam*)

R-23-228 (RESOLUTION NO. 10688 – MAYOR HARTWICK)

A RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN BUILDINGS, HOUSES AND OTHER STRUCTURES LOCATED AT 3011 GRIBBLE 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 Robinson and seconded by Council Member Taylor. Mayor Hartwick reconvened a public hearing. Mr. Robert Glasgow referenced photographs taken in November, 2023 which illustrated the current condition of the structure. Mr. Glasgow said building materials have been donated (doors, windows, wood, and a hot water heater). He will try to get the utilities on this week. Code Enforcement Director Felicia McHenry said Mr. Glasgow pulled a fire rehabilitation permit for the structure. She said it is possible the owner will also need electrical and plumbing permits. There being no one else wishing to be heard, the public hearing was adjourned. Mayor Hartwick asked about Mr. Glasgow's construction timeline. Mr. Glasgow said he worked hard for years and never missed a house payment. He raised his children in the house. His neighbors have given him a hard time about the property. He said he would rather live with his son and family. He has another house on Long 17th. Mr. Glasgow said the house (Gribble Street) isn't burned that badly. He could put sheetrock on top of it. Council Member Ross asked when the fire was. Mr. Glasgow said it was two days before Father's Day (2023). On the previous motion, and by consent of all members present, with the exception of Council Member Harris, who voted no, the resolution was adopted (7/1). Ms. Fields went over the process to post a rehabilitation agreement. (*owner: Robert Glasgow*)

O-23-77

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A SPECIAL USE TO ALLOW A TYPE 2 SHORT TERM RENTAL IN AN R1 ZONE FOR CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 4426 ARLINGTON DRIVE IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was called and held by the sponsor, Council Member Hamilton. The applicants, James and Stacie Henson were not present.

O-23-79

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A SPECIAL USE TO ALLOW YOUTH MENTORING IN AN R3 ZONE FOR CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2001 PARKER STREET IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was called. The legislation was amended and a motion to adopt as amended was made on September 25, 2023. The applicant requested by email, the item be held. The legislation was held by the sponsor, Mayor Hartwick.

CONSENT AGENDA

By voice vote and all members present having voted “aye”, consent agenda items R-23-238, R-23-239, R-23-240, R-23-241, and R-23-242 were adopted (8/0).

R-23-238 (RESOLUTION NO. 10689 – MAYOR HARTWICK)

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING COLLEEN BAILEY TO THE NORTH LITTLE ROCK PUBLIC BUILDING AUTHORITY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was adopted (8/0).

R-23-239 (RESOLUITON NO. 10690 – MAYOR HARTWICK)

A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF MANOJ PATEL TO THE NORTH LITTLE ROCK ADVERTISING & PROMOTION COMMISSION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was adopted (8/0).

R-23-240 (RESOLUTION NO. 10691 – MAYOR HARTWICK)

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO EXECUTE A REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT AND PURCHASE AGREEMENT TO SELL CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED ON POPLAR STREET IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS, TO KAL MAKAN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSE, was adopted (8/0).

R-23-241 (RESOLUTION NO. 10692 – MAYOR HARTWICK)

A RESOLUTON AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF AN AMENDMENT TO STATEMENT OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK AND THE FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE, JOHN E. CHARLES LODGE NO. 5; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was adopted (8/0).

R-23-242 (RESOLUTION NO. 10693 – MAYOR HARTWICK)
A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK AND THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF FIRE FIGHTERS A.F.L.-C.I.O., LOCAL NO 35; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was adopted (8/0).

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Hartwick convened a public hearing on the following condemnations:

R-23-243 16 Tolbert Loop owner: Julius Craig
R-23-244 424 Kay Street owner: Lizzie Moreno
R-23-245 1601 Julian Street owner: iRemodel Properties LLC

R-23-246 withdrawn per Code – new owner

R-23-247 800 North Beech, Building 8 owner: SC Apartments AR LLC

Mr. Scott Hilburn and Mr. Randy Grice, Attorneys at Law, spoke on behalf of the owner of SC Apartments AR LLC, 800 North Beech Street. Mr. Hilburn said there was an explosion and fire that damaged one of the buildings and it took some time for insurance proceeds to be awarded. The lender associated with the property held up the funds which prevented the property being rehabilitated. Two weeks ago, a Receiver was appointed by the Pulaski County Circuit Court. Mr. Grice said they have been retained to represent the owner. The referenced explosion was in 2022. The intent of the property owner is to rebuild and salvage what they can. The unit is one of several in a multi-unit complex. The property is owned by a single entity, therefore there were not a lot of funds available at the time of the event for repairs, etc. Mr. Grice asked if the item could be held. Ms. McHenry has been in touch with the Receiver. It was her understanding the intent was to demolish the burnt portion of the building. Mr. David Wallace join the meeting by telephone. He is a representative for the Receiver. Their intention is to demolish the structure and they have bids. Due to the age of the property asbestos testing will be required. They are ready to move forward. There being no one else present wishing to be heard, the public hearing was adjourned.

R-23-243 (RESOLUTION NO. 10694 – MAYOR HARTWICK)
A RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN BUILDINGS, HOUSES AND OTHER STRUCTURES LOCATED AT 16 TOLBERT LOOP IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS, 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 Harris and seconded by Council Member Hamilton, and by consent of all members present, the resolution was unanimously adopted (8/0). (*owner: Julius Craig*)

R-23-244 (RESOLUTION NO. 10695 – MAYOR HARTWICK)

A RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN BUILDINGS, HOUSES AND OTHER STRUCTURES LOCATED AT 424 KAY STREET IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS, 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 Hight, and by consent of all members present, the resolution was unanimously adopted (8/0).
(owner: *Lizzie Moreno*)

R-23-245 (RESOLUTION NO. 10696 – MAYOR HARTWICK)

A RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN BUILDINGS, HOUSES AND OTHER STRUCTURES LOCATED AT 1601 JULIAN STREET IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS, 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 Insalaco, III, and by consent of all members present, the resolution was unanimously adopted (8/0). (owner: *iRemodel Properties LLC*)

R-23-246

A RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN BUILDINGS, HOUSES AND OTHER STRUCTURES LOCATED AT 47 TOLBERT LOOP IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS, 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 withdrawn by the sponsor at the request of Code Enforcement. (owner: *Aperture Properties LLC*)

R-23-247

A RESOLUTION DECLARING CERTAIN BUILDINGS, HOUSES AND OTHER STRUCTURES LOCATED AT 800 NORTH BEECH STREET, BUILDING 8 IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS, 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 by the sponsor, Mayor Hartwick. (owner: *SC Apartments AR LLC*)

R-23-248 (RESOLUTION NO. 10697 – 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 901 NORTH G STREET IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. A motion to adopt was made by Council Member Taylor and seconded by Council Member Hamilton. 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 by consent of all members present, the resolution was unanimously adopted (8/0). (\$5,950.95)

R-23-249 (RESOLUTION NO. 10698 – 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 1721 WEST SHORT 17TH STREET IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHR PURPOSES, was read. A motion to adopt was made by Council Member Taylor and seconded by Council Member Hamilton. 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 by consent of all members present, the resolution was unanimously adopted (8/0). (\$7,334.06)

R-23-250 (RESOLUTION NO. 10699 – 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. A motion to adopt was made by Council Member Taylor and seconded by Council Member Hight. 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 by consent of all members present, the resolution was unanimously adopted (8/0).

O-23-88 (ORDINANCE NO. 9616 - MAYOR HARTWICK)

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR SURVIVOR BENEFITS FOR THE SURVIVING SPOUSE OF A RETIRED CITY CLERK AS ALLOWED BY ARKANSAS CODE § 24-12-121; 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 Hamilton and seconded by Council Member Taylor, and by consent of all members present, the ordinance was amended as follows:: *substitute copy provided this date with corrections* (8/0). On the motion of Council Member Hamilton and seconded by Council Member Robinson, and the roll having been called, and all members present having voted in the affirmative, the ordinance was unanimously adopted as amended (8/0). Emergency clause unanimously adopted (8/0).

O-23-89 (ORDINANCE NO. 9617 – COUNCIL MEMBER BAXTER)

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A SPECIAL USE TO ALLOW THE CONTINUATION OF A TYPE 2 SHORT TERM RENTAL IN AN R2 ZONE FOR CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED 7 LONGVIEW ROAD IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. On the motion of Council Member

Baxter and seconded by Council Member Hight, and by consent of all members present, the readings were suspended (8/0). On the motion of Council Member Baxter and seconded by Council Member Hight, 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: Hattie Tyler*)

O-23-90 (ORDINANCE NO. 9618 - COUNCIL MEMBER BAXTER)

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A SPECIAL USE TO ALLOW THE CONTINUATION OF A TYPE 2 SHORT TERM RENTAL IN AN R1 ZONE FOR CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 105 WISTERIA DRIVE IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read. On the motion of Council Member Baxter and seconded by Council Member Hight, and by consent of all members present, the readings were suspended (8/0). On the motion of Council Member Baxter and seconded by Council Member Hight, 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: Pitts Property Rentals, LLC*)

O-23-91 (ORDINANCE NO. 9619 – COUNCIL MEMBER BAXTER)

AN ORDINANCE GRANTING A CONDITIONAL USE TO ALLOW AUTO SALES IN A C4 ZONE FOR CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 4620 MACARTHUR DRIVE IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, 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). Council Member Baxter said the property had been a mobile home lot (in the 1960's), then a car lot. On the motion of Council Member Baxter and seconded Ross, and by consent of all members present, the ordinance was amended as follows: *strike Section 2: items 3., 4., and 5, and renumber subsequent conditions* (8/0). On the motion of Council Member Baxter 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: Elizabeth Perone of Car World, Inc.*)

O-23-92 (ORDINANCE NO. 9620 – COUNCIL MEMBER ROSS)

AN ORDINANCE REZONING CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED AT 4601 PIKE AVENUE 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: Harwell, LLC*)

O-23-93 (ORDINANCE NO. 9620 – COUNCIL MEMBER ROSS)

AN ORDINANCE REZONING CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED AT 800 NORTH OLIVE 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 Taylor and seconded by Council Member Robinson, and by consent of all members present, the readings were suspended (8/0). On the motion of Council Member Taylor and seconded by Council Member Robinson, 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 Pownall of Thomas Engineering*)

O-23-94 (ORDINANCE NO. 9622 – COUNCIL MEMBERS ROBINSON AND TAYLOR)

AN ORDINANCE REZONING CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED AT 720 NORTH OLIVE 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 Baxter, and by consent of all members present, the readings were suspended (8/0). On the motion of Council Member Taylor and seconded by Council Member Robinson, 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 Pownall of Thomas Engineering*)

O-23-95 (ORDINANCE NO. 9623 – COUNCIL MEMBERS ROBINSON AND TAYLOR)

AN ORDINANCE REZONING CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED AT 11800 MAYBELLINE ROAD IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS, FROM C4 TO I2 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 Insalaco, III, 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 Insalaco, III, 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 Pownall of Thomas Engineering*)

O-23-96 (ORDINANCE NO. 9624 – COUNCIL MEMBERS ROBINSON AND TAYLOR)

AN ORDINANCE WAIVING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF THE SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE (ORDINANCE NO. 7946) FOR CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 7810 BAUCUM PIKE IN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS, TO ALLOW THE WAIVER OF PLATTING REQUIREMENTS; WAIVING CERTAIN SECTIONS OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE (ORDINANCE NO. 9263) TO ALLOW THE WAIVER OF LANDSCAPING REQUIREMENTS; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, was read.

On the motion of Council Member Taylor and seconded by Council Member Hight, 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). (*applicant: Joey Stoll of CIS Enterprises - Blue Rock*)

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Hartwick announced North Little Rock City Offices will be closed (Thursday and Friday) November 23 and 24, 2023, in observance of Thanksgiving. Garbage and trash routes will run one-day delayed (i.e. Thursday's pickup will be Friday and Friday's pickup will be Saturday). Council Member Taylor asked about upcoming projects in the eastern portion of the city. Mrs. Colleen Bailey, Economic Development Director said they have some projects in the works. Mayor Hartwick said the last meeting of the year is scheduled for Monday, December 25, 2023, which is Christmas Day. City offices will be closed Monday, December 25, in observance of Christmas Eve (which is Sunday) and Tuesday, December 26, in observance of Christmas Day. He asked the council to consider rescheduling the meeting until Wednesday, December 27, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. Council Members agreed to the rescheduled date and time.

There being no further business to come before the Council, and on the motion of Council Member Hamilton and seconded by Council Member Insalaco, III, 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, November 27, 2023, 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