MINUTES
Board of Directors Meeting
7:00 PM - Tuesday, April 21, 2020
Board Chambers, City Hall

Invocation written by Pastor Wilbert Bates
Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Pat McCabe
Call to Order

A. ROLL CALL OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Present: Directors Erin Holliday - District 1 (on the phone), Elaine Jones - District 2 (on the phone), Becca Clark - District 3, Carroll Weatherford - District 4, Karen Garcia - District 5 (on the phone), Randy Fale - District 6 (on the phone), Pat McCabe - Mayor

Not Present: none

Also Present: Bill Burrough - City Manager, Brian Albright - City Attorney, Harmony Morrissey - City Clerk

B. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion to Amend the Agenda

Director Garcia made a motion; duly seconded by Director Jones to amend the agenda to remove item #1, R-20-44. Upon voice vote, the motion carried 7-0.

Motion to Approve the Agenda as Amended

Director Clark made a motion, duly seconded by Director Fale to accept the agenda as amended. Upon voice vote, the motion carried 7-0.

C. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES

> Regular Minutes held on April 21, 2020

Motion to Approve the Minutes as Corrected

Director Fale made a motion, duly seconded by Director Garcia to approve the minutes as corrected by removing Item #9. Upon voice vote, the motion unanimously carried 7-0.
D. RECOGNITION OF GUESTS
   - Gary Troutman, President and CEO of Hot Springs Chamber of Commerce and Metro Partnership
   - Cole McCaskill, Chamber of Commerce
   - Proclamation of National Arbor Day, April 24, 2020 presented to Allen Bates, Urban Forestry Director

E. CONSIDER CITY MANAGER’S REPORT
   - Garland County has the eighth largest countywide population in Arkansas, but is only second in total number of tests to Pulaski County. As of April 19, Garland County had completed a total of 1,517 tests, with the number of total tested per 10,000 at 15.4. Pulaski County had done 2,192, and their total tested per 10,000 was 5.6. The county with the second-highest test ratio per 10,000 residents was Faulkner County at 7.8. The highest positivity rate in the county so far has been 9.3%. With it now at around 7%, the hope is that we are trending downward
   - If you are having any symptoms consistent with COVID-19: Call the Hot Springs/Garland County Call Center at 501-760-4307, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m., seven days a week; or go to any of the five COVID-19 drive-thru evaluation sites in Garland County. We now have the locations listed at www.cityhs.net/covid-19.
   - There continue to be domestic violence and mental health issues, which, unfortunately, is a challenge being faced by public safety authorities across the U.S. It is also Childhood Abuse Awareness Month, which was shared by Arkansas First Lady Susan Hutchinson at the Governor’s COVID-19 press conference on Monday. The pandemic has only exasperated the issue of child abuse. As such, individuals are encouraged to call the Child Abuse Hotline at 1-844-Save-A-Child, which is available 24/7, to report suspected abuse.
   - The City is adding $15,000 to the $254,000 of Community Development Block Grant funds being allocated to the COVID-19 response, whether it be for testing supplies or reagents, PPE, homeless outreach, or other pandemic-related needs. The application process will begin soon for these funds, and may be used for past expenses to help the call center and drive-thru clinics.
   - The United Way of the Ouachitas (UWO) is continuing to update the online resource guide at www.hsresourceguide.org, including information or available homeless shelters in the area. Also included is information about available area daycares, along with the comprehensive lists of around 25 categories including health, mental health, children, food, etc.
   - Cornerstone Tank – Painting of the mural has officially started by the tank contractor, CB&L. The internals of the tank are all installed, and the interior of the tank is being sandblasted.
   - Switch Gear Project – The new switch gear for the Ouachita Water Treatment Plant is being started up this week by Kohler, and the new VFD’s and motors will be online next week to bring this project to a completion.
   - Dam Improvements – All four dams -- Bethel, Dillon, Ricks and Sanderson – have been brought up to Arkansas Natural Resources Commission (ANRC) standards. The last
contract, Lake Bethel Bridge, is almost complete with the concrete deck to be installed sometime in the next couple of weeks, weather permitting.

- **Water Supply Projects** – The geotechnical intake drilling is complete, and we are waiting for the geotechnical report and recommendations. Water transmission lines, both raw and finished, are in the process of acquiring easements, getting permits and approvals from other regulatory agencies such as Entergy, USACE, ARDOT and ADH. The new 15 MGD water treatment plant site has been surveyed for a grading plan, and process equipment has been designed.

- Want to applaud Street Division for storm debris removal following the strong storms on Easter, a Street Division crew was called out that Sunday and worked all night clearing roadways from debris. The morning crew took over Monday, and clearing of around 18 blocked roads continued through Wednesday. At least 10 of the blocked roads involved downed power lines, for which work was coordinated with Entergy crews.

- Danny Carder becomes third City employee to earn floodplain certification. Carder, stormwater manager for the City of Hot Springs, was issued his Certified Floodplain Manager credentials on April 13, 2020, after meeting the requirements set forth by the Arkansas Floodplain Management Association, Inc. Carder is now among only just over 100 CFM® recipients in Arkansas and is the third City employee to earn CFM® credentials, joining Public Works Director Denny McPhate and Engineering Senior Project Inspector Pat Watson.

- Police Chief Jason Stachey and Asst. Police Chief Walt Everton announced their upcoming retirements, both effective May 29, 2020. Stachey has served as chief since May 28, 2016, after serving as interim chief since Dec. 1, 2015. Everton was promoted to his position on Sept. 7, 2016. I appreciate the service and leadership both Chief Stachey and Asst. Chief Everton have provided our City and wish them well on their well-deserved retirement.

F. **BOARD OF DIRECTORS ANNOUNCEMENTS REGARDING UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Director Garcia reminded everyone to fill out the Census form

**CONSENT AGENDA SECTION**

**A Motion to Approve the Consent Agenda**

A motion was made by Director Jones, duly seconded by Director Holliday that the Consent Agenda be approved.

Roll Call: Upon roll call, the following voted "aye", Directors Holliday, Jones, Clark, Weatherford, Garcia, Fale and McCabe, total 7. Voting "no", none, total 0. Motion carried 7-0.

1. **Consider Resolution R-20-45** A Resolution Awarding A Bid To Re-Stor-It, Inc. For The Renovation Of The Administrative Building At The Davidson Drive Wastewater Treatment Plant.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Board of Directors

April 21, 2020
1. **Consider Resolution R-20-46**

A Resolution Condemning Certain Real Property Pursuant To Ordinance No. 6069 Located At 213 Meadow Street.

**Motion to Adopt as Read:** Thereafter, a motion to adopt as read was made by Director Weatherford, duly seconded by Director Clark.

**Discussion:** none  
**Speaker:** none present, 2 emails read aloud - one from attorney representing Penny Mac, one from neighbor  
**Staff:** Kathy Sellman - Planning & Development Director

**Roll Call:** Mayor Pat McCabe called for a vote on the motion to adopt; and upon roll call, the following voted "aye", Directors Holliday, Jones, Clark, Weatherford, Garcia, Fale and McCabe, total 7. Voting "no", none, total 0. Motion passed 7-0.

2. **Consider Resolution R-20-47**

A Resolution Condemning Certain Real Property Pursuant To Ordinance No. 6069 Located At 130 Gibson Street.

**Motion to Adopt as Read:** Thereafter, a motion to adopt as read was made by Director Weatherford, duly seconded by Director Jones.

**Discussion:** none  
**Speaker:** none  
**Staff:** Kathy Sellman - Planning & Development Director

**Roll Call:** Mayor Pat McCabe called for a vote on the motion to adopt; and upon roll call, the following voted "aye", Directors Holliday, Jones, Clark, Weatherford, Garcia, Fale and McCabe, total 7. Voting "no", none, total 0. Motion passed 7-0.

3. **Consider Resolution R-20-48**

A Resolution Condemning Certain Real Property Pursuant To Ordinance No. 6069 Located At 621 Crescent Street.

**Motion to Adopt as Read:** Thereafter a motion to adopt as read was made by Director Garcia, duly seconded by Director Clark.

**Discussion:** none  
**Speaker:** none
Staff: Kathy Sellman - Planning & Development Director

Roll Call: Mayor Pat McCabe called for a vote on the motion to adopt; and upon roll call, the following voted "aye", Directors Holliday, Jones, Clark, Weatherford, Garcia, Fale and McCabe, total 7. Voting "no", none, total 0. Motion passed 7-0.

4. **Consider Resolution R-20-49**

A Resolution Condemning Certain Real Property Pursuant To Ordinance No. 6069 Located At 1015 Airport Road.

Motion to Adopt as Read: Thereafter a motion to adopt as read was made by Director Fale, duly seconded by Director Clark.

Discussion: none
Speaker: none
Staff: Kathy Sellman - Planning & Development Director

Roll Call: Mayor Pat McCabe called for a vote on the motion to adopt; and upon roll call, the following voted "aye", Directors Holliday, Jones, Clark, Weatherford, Garcia, Fale and McCabe, total 7. Voting "no", none, total 0. Motion passed 7-0.

5. **Consider Resolution R-20-50**

A Resolution Condemning Certain Real Property Pursuant To Ordinance No. 6069 Located At 512 Crescent Street.

Motion to Adopt as Read: Thereafter a motion to adopt as read was made by Director Jones, duly seconded by Director Weatherford.

Discussion: none
Speaker: none
Staff: Kathy Sellman - Planning & Development Director

Roll Call: Mayor Pat McCabe called for a vote on the motion to adopt; and upon roll call, the following voted "aye", Directors Holliday, Jones, Clark, Weatherford, Garcia, Fale and McCabe, total 7. Voting "no", none, total 0. Motion passed 7-0.

6. **Consider Resolution R-20-51**

A Resolution Condemning Certain Real Property Pursuant To Ordinance No. 6069 Located At 207 Ostego Street.
**Motion to Adopt as Read:** Thereafter a motion to adopt as read was made by Director Clark, duly seconded by Director Fale.

**Discussion:** none  
**Speaker:** none  
**Staff:** Kathy Sellman - Planning & Development Director

**Roll Call:** Mayor Pat McCabe called for a vote on the motion to adopt; and upon roll call, the following voted "aye", Directors Holliday, Jones, Clark, Weatherford, Garcia, Fale and McCabe, total 7. Voting "no", none, total 0. Motion passed 7-0.

7. **Consider Resolution R-20-52**

A Resolution Condemning Certain Real Property Pursuant To Ordinance No. 6069 Located At 114 Francis Street.

**Motion to Adopt as Read:** Thereafter a motion to adopt as read was made by Director Weatherford, duly seconded by Director Garcia.

**Discussion:** none  
**Speaker:** none  
**Staff:** Kathy Sellman - Planning & Development Director

**Roll Call:** Mayor Pat McCabe called for a vote on the motion to adopt; and upon roll call, the following voted "aye", Directors Holliday, Jones, Clark, Weatherford, Garcia, Fale and McCabe, total 7. Voting "no", none, total 0. Motion passed 7-0.

8. **Consider Resolution R-20-53**

A Resolution Condemning Certain Real Property Pursuant To Ordinance No. 6069 Located At 409 Apex Street.

**Motion to Adopt as Read:** Thereafter a motion to adopt as read was made by Director Weatherford, duly seconded by Director Garcia.

**Discussion:** none  
**Speaker:** none  
**Staff:** Kathy Sellman - Planning & Development Director

**Roll Call:** Mayor Pat McCabe called for a vote on the motion to adopt; and upon roll call, the following voted "aye", Directors Holliday, Jones, Clark, Weatherford, Garcia, Fale and McCabe, total 7. Voting "no", none, total 0.
Motion passed 7-0.

9. **Consider Resolution R-20-54**

A Resolution Condemning Certain Real Property Pursuant To Ordinance No. 6069 Located At 110 Liberty Street.

**Motion to Adopt as Read:** Thereafter a motion to adopt as read was made by Director Clark, duly seconded by Director Jones.

**Discussion:** none  
**Speaker:** none  
**Staff:** Kathy Sellman - Planning & Development Director

**Roll Call:** Mayor Pat McCabe called for a vote on the motion to adopt; and upon roll call, the following voted "aye", Directors Holliday, Jones, Clark, Weatherford, Garcia, Fale and McCabe, total 7. Voting "no", none, total 0. Motion passed 7-0.

10. **Consider Resolution R-20-55**

A Resolution Condemning Certain Real Property Pursuant To Ordinance No. 6069 Located At 207 Texas Street.

**Motion to Adopt as Read:** Thereafter a motion to adopt as read was made by Director Weatherford, duly seconded by Director Clark.

**Discussion:** none  
**Speaker:** none  
**Staff:** Kathy Sellman - Planning & Development Director

**Roll Call:** Mayor Pat McCabe called for a vote on the motion to adopt; and upon roll call, the following voted "aye", Directors Holliday, Jones, Clark, Weatherford, Garcia, Fale and McCabe, total 7. Voting "no", none, total 0. Motion passed 7-0.

11. **Consider Resolution R-20-56**

A Resolution Condemning Certain Real Property Pursuant To Ordinance No. 6069 Located At 324 Ozark Street.

**Motion to Adopt as Read:** Thereafter a motion to adopt as read was made by Director Weatherford, duly seconded by Director Fale.

**Discussion:** none
Speaker: none
Staff: Kathy Sellman - Planning & Development Director

Roll Call: Mayor Pat McCabe called for a vote on the motion to adopt; and upon roll call, the following voted "aye", Directors Holiday, Jones, Clark, Weatherford, Garcia, Fale and McCabe, total 7. Voting "no", none, total 0. Motion passed 7-0.

12. Consider Resolution R-20-57

A Resolution Condemning Certain Real Property Pursuant To Ordinance No. 6069 Located At 213 Magnolia Street.

Motion to Adopt as Read: Thereafter a motion to adopt as read was made by Director Clark, duly seconded by Director Jones.

Discussion: none
Speaker: none
Staff: Kathy Sellman - Planning & Development Director

Roll Call: Mayor Pat McCabe called for a vote on the motion to adopt; and upon roll call, the following voted "aye", Directors Holliday, Jones, Clark, Weatherford, Garcia, Fale and McCabe, total 7. Voting "no", none, total 0. Motion passed 7-0.

13. Consider Resolution R-20-58

A Resolution Condemning Certain Real Property Pursuant To Ordinance No. 6069 Located At 445 Walnut Street.

Motion to Adopt as Read: Thereafter a motion to adopt as read was made by Director Garcia, duly seconded by Director Weatherford.

Discussion: none
Speaker: none
Staff: Kathy Sellman - Planning & Development Director

Roll Call: Mayor Pat McCabe called for a vote on the motion to adopt; and upon roll call, the following voted "aye", Directors Holliday, Jones, Clark, Weatherford, Garcia, Fale and McCabe, total 7. Voting "no", none, total 0. Motion passed 7-0.

14. Consider Resolution R-20-59

A Resolution Condemning Certain Real Property Pursuant To Ordinance No.
6069 Located At 333 Ridgeway Street.

**Motion to Adopt as Read:** Thereafter a motion to adopt as read was made by Director Weatherford, duly seconded by Director Clark.

**Discussion:** none  
**Speaker:** none  
**Staff:** Kathy Sellman - Planning &amp; Development Director

**Roll Call:** Mayor Pat McCabe called for a vote on the motion to adopt; and upon roll call, the following voted "aye", Directors Holliday, Jones, Clark, Weatherford, Garcia, Fale and McCabe, total 7. Voting "no", none, total 0. Motion passed 7-0.

15. **Consider Ordinance O-20-25**

**A Motion to Suspend Rules and Read by Title Only:** A motion was made by Director Garcia, duly seconded by Director Clark, that the rules be suspended and the Ordinance read once by title only; and upon voice vote the motion unanimously carried 7-0.

**A Motion Entitled, "An Ordinance Amending The Zoning Map To C-4 Regional Commercial /Open Display District From R-4 Residential Medium-High Density For 11 Acres, More Or Less, Generally Located Between The 2100 Block Of Higdon Ferry And Twin Points Roads, Amending The Future Land Use Plan Map To Business Commercial Center; And For Other Purposes,"** was taken from the agenda and read by title only (City Attorney).

**Motion to Adopt as Read:** Thereafter, a motion to adopt as read was made by Director Weatherford and duly seconded by Director Fale.

**Discussion:** none  
**Speaker:** Brian Dole &amp; Keith Richardson  
**Staff:** Kathy Sellman - Planning &amp; Development Director

**Roll Call:** Mayor Pat McCabe called for a vote on the Motion to Adopt; upon roll call, the following voted "aye", Directors Holliday, Jones, Clark, Weatherford, Garcia, Fale and McCabe, total 7. Voting "no", none, total 0. Motion passed 7-0.

G. **BOARD COMMENTARY**
   - none

H. **ADJOURNMENT**
There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Director Jones, duly seconded by Director Garcia, that the meeting be adjourned; and upon voice vote, the motion was unanimously carried 7-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m. to meet again on Tuesday, May 5, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

May 5, 2020

DATE:

Harmony H. Morrissey, City Clerk

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Pat McCabe, Mayor