

# REGULAR CALLED MEETING BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**Boardroom**

**October 19, 2021**

**5:30 p.m.**

## AGENDA

1. Call to Order Mayor Byrd
2. Invocation
3. Approval of Minutes from October 5,2021 – Mayor Byrd
4. Request to Speak to the Board – Henry Wilson
5. Third Reading of Ordinance Assessing a Five Mill Rate – Gary Brinkley
6. Second Reading of Ordinance to Rezone 215 N 24<sup>th</sup> St, 227 N 24<sup>th</sup> St and a Portion of 2410 Pine St – Gary Brinkley
7. Consider Request to Suspend Rules on 3<sup>RD</sup> Reading – Gary Brinkley
8. Consider Adoption of Emergency Clause – Gary Brinkley
9. City Manager's Report – Gary Brinkley
10. Routine Business – Mayor Byrd
11. Adjournment – Mayor Byrd

Recess into Board Workshop on 2022 Budget :10 following adjournment of Regular Board Meeting

**Regular Meeting:** Citizens speaking to the Board of Directors shall have a speaking time limit of **10 minutes**. The Board of Directors may ask follow up questions which may extend the time limit.

**Open Session Forum:** Speaking time limit is **5 minutes** a speaker may not yield his or her time to another speaker

**REGULAR CALLED MEETING  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**Board Room**

**October 5, 2021**

**5:30 P.M.**

**MEMBERS:**

Taylor Chaney, *Ward 1 Director*  
Chris Porter, *Ward 2 Director*  
Keith Crews, *Ward 3 Director (Absent)*  
Reo Cummings, *Ward 4 Director (Absent)*  
Jason Jones, *Ward 5 Director*  
Roland Gosey, *Assistant Mayor*  
Scott Byrd, *Mayor*

**OTHERS:**

Gary Brinkley, *City Manager*  
Samantha Roybal, *City Clerk*

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

**INVOCATION**

Director Jason Jones

**APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER 7, 2021**

A motion was made by Director Jones, seconded by Director Chaney to approve the minutes from the September 7, 2021 Board Meeting.

**The motion passed on a roll call vote and the vote was as follows:**

<b>Taylor Chaney</b>	<b>“Aye”</b>	<b>Roland Gosey</b>	<b>“Aye”</b>
<b>Chris Porter</b>	<b>“Aye”</b>	<b>Jason Jones</b>	<b>“Aye”</b>
<b>Reo Cummings</b>	<b>“Absent”</b>	<b>Mayor Byrd</b>	<b>“Aye”</b>
<b>Keith Crews</b>	<b>“Absent”</b>		

**SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE TO REZONE FIVE MILL RATE**

The Mayor called for the Clerk to read the Ordinance title only.

The Clerk read the Ordinance Title Only.

AN ORDINANCE ASSESSING A FIVE MILL TAX AGAINST THE REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ARKADELPHIA, ARKANSAS, FOR THE TAXABLE YEAR 2021 COLLECTIBLE IN 2022 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

A motion was made by Assistant Mayor Gosey, seconded by Director Porter to put the ordinance on its third reading title only at the next scheduled Board meeting.

**The motion passed on a roll call vote and the vote was as follows:**

<b>Taylor Chaney</b>	<b>“Aye”</b>	<b>Roland Gosey</b>	<b>“Aye”</b>
<b>Chris Porter</b>	<b>“Aye”</b>	<b>Jason Jones</b>	<b>“Aye”</b>
<b>Reo Cummings</b>	<b>“Absent”</b>	<b>Mayor Byrd</b>	<b>“Aye”</b>
<b>Keith Crews</b>	<b>“Absent”</b>		

**FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE TO REZONE 215 N 24<sup>TH</sup>, 227 N 24<sup>TH</sup> ST  
AND A PORTION OF 2410 PINE STREET**

A motion was made by Director Porter seconded by Assistant Mayor Gosey to place the Ordinance on its first reading.

**The motion passed on a roll call vote and the vote was as follows:**

<b>Taylor Chaney</b>	<b>“Aye”</b>	<b>Roland Gosey</b>	<b>“Aye”</b>
<b>Chris Porter</b>	<b>“Aye”</b>	<b>Jason Jones</b>	<b>“Aye”</b>
<b>Reo Cummings</b>	<b>“Absent”</b>	<b>Mayor Byrd</b>	<b>“Aye”</b>
<b>Keith Crews</b>	<b>“Absent”</b>		

The Mayor called for the Clerk to read the Ordinance.

The Clerk read the Ordinance:

**AN ORDINANCE TO REZONE CERTAIN PROPERTY BEING GENERALLY DESCRIBED AS 215 N 24<sup>TH</sup> STREET, 227 N 24<sup>TH</sup> STREET, AND PORTION OF 2410 PINE STREET IN THE CITY OF ARKADELPHIA AND DESCRIBED A LOTS 13-26 OF BLOCK 2 IN THE PARK HILL ADDITION, AMENDING THE ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF ARKADELPHIA, ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

A motion was made by Director Chaney, seconded by Director Jones to place the Ordinance on its seconding reading, title only at the next scheduled Board meeting.

**The motion passed on a roll call vote and the vote was as follows:**

<b>Taylor Chaney</b>	<b>“Aye”</b>	<b>Roland Gosey</b>	<b>“Aye”</b>
<b>Chris Porter</b>	<b>“Aye”</b>	<b>Jason Jones</b>	<b>“Aye”</b>
<b>Reo Cummings</b>	<b>“Absent”</b>	<b>Mayor Byrd</b>	<b>“Aye”</b>
<b>Keith Crews</b>	<b>“Absent”</b>		

**ARKADELPHIA FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS 2021**

Julie Lacy, Director of Community Engagement & Special Events gave an update on the Festival of the Arts 2021. She invited everyone to attend.

No action was taken.

## **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

**October 5, 2021**

- The basketball court at the Rec Center is completed. Our thanks to Junior Rodemeyer for leading us through the process.
- The Street Dept recently addressed an issue on S. 12<sup>th</sup> by milling out the bridge and relaying the street.
- The striping company that worked on 9/10 & 9/11 is great. Staff is confident that letting the slurry seal set up for over a month before striping will pay dividends. They did a great job. You will note that with so many patches required over the last 3 years, we restriped N.26<sup>th</sup> while the crew was in town.
- In a coordinated effort between Chief Jackson and Kenny Myers, they addressed an issue with the proper queuing of traffic for the Perritt school pick up. It required the Street Dept to widen Walnut and for the PD to coordinate the traffic flow. The plan is working very well.
- The revamping of traffic flow at Peake by Chief Jackson has led to him being nominated for Badger Pride Award a couple of weeks ago.
- Thanks to those who were able to participate in Clark County Parade on 9/15. It is good to be getting back to some semblance of normality.
- We are 10 days out from the Arkadelphia Festival of Arts Event. Please check out our website at <https://arkadelphiafestivalofthearts.org> for the artist, musical line up and more.
- The Motorcycle Cannonball event on Sept 22<sup>nd</sup> in downtown Arkadelphia went swimmingly. Mayor Byrd will elaborate. Our thanks to the Chamber, Southwest Auto group, APSD, and Caddo Valley A&P for their help.
- We have been notified the National Opioid cases are beginning to settle. ArML briefed us today on two such settlements. We are still working to ascertain what that means for Arkadelphia. You will see a staff report once we reach that stage.

### **Dates to Remember:**

- October 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> will be the Festival of the Arts event in downtown Arkadelphia. We are proud to announce Southwest Autogroup as our major sponsor. We are so proud of our 3 areas of concentration, all of

which have been curated. The visual, music, and culinary will all be on display during this 2-day extravaganza.

- Budget Workshops will be scheduled to continue following the next 2 meetings.

## **ROUTINE BUSINESS**

**Taylor Chaney, Ward 1** – Noticed the patching on 26<sup>th</sup> Street and was thankful for it.

**Chris Porter, Ward 2** – Nothing

**Keith Crews, Ward 3** – Absent

**Reo Cummings, Ward 4** – Absent

**Jason Jones, Ward 5** – Nothing.

**Roland Gosey, Assistant Mayor** – Nothing

**Scott Byrd, Mayor** – Informed the Board that the City Manager evaluation has been pushed back. Thanked everyone who attended the Cannonball event and to those that helped. He mentioned Cannonball was a successful event and everyone was impressed with the hospitality.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to discuss, Director Jones made the motion, seconded by Director Chaney to adjourn. **The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 5:54 p.m.**

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Scott Byrd, Mayor

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Samantha Roybal, City Clerk

## **ADDITIONAL ATTENDEES**

Joel Phelps

DeAnna Graves

Jason Hunt

Dr. Lewis Shepherd

Julie Lacy

Jason Jackson


Llewellyn Terry

Scott Nelson



## Memorandum

**To:** Arkadelphia Board of Directors  
**CC:** Ed McCorkle, City Attorney  
**From:** Gary Brinkley, City Manager  
**Date:** October 12, 2021  
**Re:** Request to Speak to the Board – Mr. Henry Wilson



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Attached please find Mr. Wilson, request to address the Board concerning the renaming Pine Street to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Street.

Mr. Wilson requests the Board allow Mr. Dale Charles and Rev. Arthur Hunt to speak with him which has been confirmed but must be kept within the 10 minutes allowed per the Procedural Rules adopted January 7, 2021.

Should a citizen request to address the Board after the meeting, that period of time is limited to 5 minutes.

Thank you.



**NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF COLORED PEOPLE**  
CLARK COUNTY ARKANSAS BRANCH • P. O. BOX 304 • ARKADELPHIA, AR 71923

October 6, 2021

Dear Mr. City Manager,

On behalf of the Clark County Branch NAACP. I am requesting to be placed on the agenda to speak before the Mayor and City Board of Directors during the October 19, 2021 meeting regarding the unfinished business of renaming Pine Street to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Street. Also, I am requesting that Mr. Dale Charles and Rev. Arthur Hunt be allowed a portion of my time to speak on the subject, as well.

I look forward to your response.

Thank you,

  
Henry Wilson, President  
Clark County Branch NAACP



## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Mayor Byrd & Board of Directors  
**From:** Gary Brinkley, City Manager  
**Date:** October 12, 2021  
**Re:** Ordinance for Five Mill Tax

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### **THIS IS NOT A NEW TAX.**

Following the third reading, staff recommends you adopt the ordinance.

Upon adoption, staff will deliver a signed ordinance to the Quorum Court as required to complete the process of tax collection.

Thank you.



**ORDINANCE O-21-\_\_\_\_\_**

**AN ORDINANCE ASSESSING A FIVE MILL TAX AGAINST THE REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ARKADELPHIA, ARKANSAS, FOR THE TAXABLE YEAR 2021 COLLECTIBLE IN 2022 AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY OF ARKADELPHIA, ARKANSAS:**

**Section 1.** That a tax of five (5) mills on the dollar is hereby levied by the City Board of Directors of the City of Arkadelphia, Arkansas on all the real and personal property within the corporate limits of the City of Arkadelphia, for the taxable year 2021, collectible in 2022.

**Section 2.** That a certified copy of this ordinance be delivered by the City Clerk to the County Clerk of Clark County, Arkansas to be certified to the Quorum Court.

PASSED ON THE 19TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2021.

APPROVED:

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Scott Byrd, Mayor

ATTEST:


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Samantha Roybal, City Clerk



## Memorandum

**To:** Arkadelphia Board of Directors  
**CC:** Ed McCorkle, City Attorney  
**From:** Gary Brinkley, City Manager  
**Date:** October 12, 2021  
**Re:** Second Reading of Ordinance to Rezone 215 N 24<sup>th</sup> Street, 227 N 24<sup>th</sup> Street, and a portion of 2410 Pine Street



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Following the second reading, title only, Greenleaf Properties, LLC requests you place the Ordinance on its third and final reading followed by the adoption of the ordinance.

The staff has no objections to Greenleaf's request to move forward with the 3<sup>rd</sup> reading, title only, and adoption of the ordinance tonight. They own all the property in the affected area and there are no extenuating circumstances that should hold up the final reading and adoption.

This approval will aid Greenleaf in the timing of their plans to redevelop this area and meet his future tenant's needs.

Thank you.

**ORDINANCE NO. 0-21-\_\_\_\_\_**

**AN ORDINANCE TO REZONE CERTAIN PROPERTY BEING GENERALLY DESCRIBED AS 215 N 24<sup>th</sup> STREET, 227 N 24<sup>th</sup> STREET, AND PORTION OF 2410 PINE STREET IN THE CITY OF ARKADELPHIA AND DESCRIBED AS LOTS 13-26 OF BLOCK 2 IN THE PARK HILL ADDITION, AMENDING THE ZONING MAP OF THE CITY OF ARKADELPHIA, ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

**WHEREAS**, Greenleaf Properties, LLC requests to rezone property from Medium Density Residential District (R-2) to Highway Commercial (C-2), and;

**WHEREAS**, the Planning Commission of the City of Arkadelphia, Arkansas, held a public hearing to rezone certain property described hereinafter and having considered said request, recommended on September 28, 2021 that the property of Greenleaf Properties, LLC be rezoned from Medium Density Residential District (R-2) to Highway Commercial (C-2);

**THEREFORE:**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY OF ARKADELPHIA, ARKANSAS:**

**SECTION 1:** That the following property, to wit:

**GREENLEAF PROPERTIES, LLC**

This property is generally known as 215 N 24<sup>th</sup> Street, 227 N 24<sup>th</sup> Street and a portion of 2410 Pine Street and more particularly described as Lots 13-26 of Block 2 in Park Hill Addition and also known as Parcels 74-02320-000, 74-02321-000, 74-2322-000 and 74-2323-000.

The above-described property shall be hereby rezoned from Medium Density Residential District (R-2) to Highway Commercial (C-2). The zoning map to the City of Arkadelphia, Arkansas is hereby amended to show said classifications.

**SECTION 2:** Reversion - If the proposed use, or another use permitted in the new zoning classification, has not become operational or if a building permit has not been obtained in conjunction with substantial construction/development, within one year from the effective date of this ordinance, then said property shall revert to its previous zoning classification in effect prior to this ordinance.

**SECTION 3:** Severability – If any section of this ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional or unlawful, only that section of the ordinance shall be affected and all other provisions of the ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION 4:** Any ordinance or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed and this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and publication.

**SECTION 5: Emergency Clause**

NOW THEREFORE, AN EMERGENCY IS HEREBY DECLARED TO EXIST, to ensure the delivery of tenantable space for economic development and for public health and safety, this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.


PASSED AND APPROVED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
Scott Byrd, Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Samantha Roybal, City Clerk



## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Mayor Byrd & Board of Directors   
**From:** Gary Brinkley, City Manager  
**Date:** October 12, 2021  
**Re:** Request to Suspend the Rules and Place Ordinance to Rezone  
215 N 24<sup>th</sup> Street, 227 N 24<sup>th</sup> Street, and a portion of 2410 Pine  
Street

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Having concluded the second reading of the ordinance title only, at the request of Greenleaf Properties, LLC and concurrence with staff, you are hereby requested to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on its third and final reading, title only.

Greenleaf owns all the property in the affected area and there are no extenuating circumstances that should hold up the final reading and adoption.

Following the third reading, title only, staff recommends you adopt the ordinance.

Thank you.

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APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
Scott Byrd, Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Samantha Roybal, City Clerk



## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Mayor Byrd & Board of Directors  
**From:** Gary Brinkley, City Manager  
**Date:** October 12, 2021  
**Re:** Reading and Adoption of Emergency Clause –

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Having concluded the third reading, title only, and adoption of the ordinance you must read the Emergency Clause and vote to adopt the Emergency Clause.

Staff recommends you read and adopt the Emergency Clause as required.

***SECTION 5: Emergency Clause***

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Thank you.