

Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors City of Texarkana, Arkansas 216 Walnut Street Agenda - Monday, July 03, 2023 - 6:00 PM

## \*\*Hotel/Motel/Restaurant Mixed Drink Permit - WORKSHOP - 5PM\*\*

Call to Order

Roll Call

Invocation given by Director Danny Jewel

Pledge of Allegiance led by City Planner Mary Beck

## CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

A limit of five (5) minutes per person is allotted for citizens to express their concerns to the Board of Directors, with a maximum of fifty (50) minutes reserved for Citizens Communication. The Board of Directors cannot respond to citizens' concerns during this time.

Please fill out a Citizen Communication Card with your name and contact information for the City Clerk's records.

### **PROCLAMATION(S)**

1. Proclamation celebrating July as Parks & Recreation Month presented to Parks & Recreation Director Adam Dalby

### **PRESENTATION(S)**

2. Presentation of the City of Texarkana, Arkansas Employee Service Awards. (ADMIN)

## CONSENT

- <u>3.</u> Approval of the minutes of the rescheduled regular meeting June 20, 2023. (CCD) City Clerk Heather Soyars
- <u>4.</u> Adopt a Resolution authorizing the Acting City Manager to enter into a contract for the purchase of chemicals for water and wastewater treatment. (TWU) Executive Director Gary Smith

### REGULAR

- 5. Adopt a Resolution conditionally authorizing the City of Texarkana, Arkansas Public Facilities Board to proceed with the issuance of approximately \$22,000,000 of Waterworks Facilities Revenue Bonds. (TWU) Executive Director Gary Smith
- <u>6.</u> Adopt a Resolution amending the Rules of Order and Procedure Manual for the Board of Directors of the City of Texarkana, Arkansas. (BOD)
- 7. Adopt an Ordinance authorizing the Acting City Manager to enter into an agreement for the purchase of thirty-seven (37) Watchguard Body Cameras and related software, hardware, licenses, and warranties. (TAPD) Captain James Atchley

The applicant requests an emergency clause. An emergency clause requires a separate and distinct vote of the board and is valid only if there is a two-thirds vote of approval by the board. (Hdbk. Const. Amend 7)

8. Adopt an Ordinance to rezone a parcel of land located on the Northeast corner of Grand Avenue and 37th Street from R-3 Low-density residential to R-4 Medium-density residential. (WARD 4) (PWD-Planning) City Planner Mary Beck

The applicant requests an emergency clause. An emergency clause requires a separate and distinct vote of the board and is valid only if there is a two-thirds vote of approval by the board. (Hdbk. Const. Amend 7)

9. Adopt an Ordinance to approve the City of Texarkana, Arkansas, Comprehensive Plan. (PWD-Planning) City Planner Mary Beck

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS' COMMENTARY**

NEXT MEETING DATE: July 17, 2023

### ADJOURN

### 2023 City Calendar

Gateway Farmers Market - Open Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays - 7AM- Noon

Sesquicentennial Ball – July 8th

Gateway Farmers Market National Farmers Market Week - Saturday, July 15th - 7AM - Noon

Gateway Farmers Market Salsa Contest - Saturday, August 5th - 7AM - Noon

Gateway Farmers Market Fall Tailgates & Tables - Saturday, September 16th - 8AM - 2PM

Universal Vibe - Saturday, November 4th - 10AM - 10PM

Gateway Farmers Market Holiday Market - Saturday, November 18th - 10AM - 2PM

Founders' Week Celebration – December 4th - 10th

### <u>Texarkana Rec Center Calendar</u>

Ageless Grace - Mondays - 2PM - 3PM

Gym Open - Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays – 8AM - 7PM & Saturdays - 8AM – Noon Dance Fitness - Tuesdays - 6PM & Saturdays - 11AM



# CITY OF TEXARKANA, AR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

AGENDA TITLE:	Presentation of the City of Awards. (ADMIN)	Texarkana, Arkansas Emp	loyee Service
AGENDA DATE:	July 3, 2023		
ITEM TYPE:	Ordinance $\square$ Resolution $\square$ Other $\boxtimes$ : Presentation		
<b>DEPARTMENT:</b>	City Clerk Department		
PREPARED BY:	Heather Soyars, City Clerk		
<b>REQUEST:</b>	Presentation of employee service awards.		
<b>EMERGENCY CLAUSE:</b>	N/A		
SUMMARY:	Employee Service Awards:		
	Kimberly Stone Adam Dalby John McCoy Jordan Qualls Roger Douglas Bennie C. Muldrew Kyle Caudle Jeremy Hendrix Michael W. Hurst Amy C. Uselton Corey L. Atkinson Barbara M. Baker Lionel L. Stuckey Mary Beck – Retirement	District Court - Probation Parks & Rec Parks & Rec Parks & Rec PWD PWD – Streets TAPD TAPD TWU TWU TWU TWU TWU TWU TWU PWD-Planning	5 Years 5 Years 5 Years 5 Years 5 Years 15 Years 10 Years 5 Years 5 Years 15 Years 20 Years 30 Years 22 Years
<b>EXPENSE REQUIRED:</b>	N/A		
AMOUNT BUDGETED:	N/A		
APPROPRIATION REQUIRED:	N/A		
RECOMMENDED ACTION:	N/A		
EXHIBITS:	None		



# CITY OF TEXARKANA, AR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

AGENDA TITLE:	Approval of the minutes of the rescheduled regular meeting June 20, 2023. (CCD) City Clerk Heather Soyars	
AGENDA DATE:	July 3, 2023	
ITEM TYPE:	Ordinance $\square$ Resolution $\square$ Other $\boxtimes$ : Minutes	
<b>DEPARTMENT:</b>	City Clerk Department	
PREPARED BY:	Heather Soyars, City Clerk	
<b>REQUEST:</b>	Approval of meeting minutes.	
EMERGENCY CLAUSE:	N/A	
SUMMARY:	Approval of meeting minutes	
<b>EXPENSE REQUIRED:</b>	N/A	
AMOUNT BUDGETED:	N/A	
APPROPRIATION REQUIRED:	N/A	
RECOMMENDED ACTION:	The City Clerk recommends Board approval.	
EXHIBITS:	Meeting minutes.	



Rescheduled Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors City of Texarkana, Arkansas 216 Walnut Street Minutes - Tuesday, June 20, 2023 - 6:00 PM

Mayor Allen Brown called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

PRESENT: Mayor Allen Brown, Assistant Mayor Ward 1 Terry Roberts, Ward 2 Director Laney Harris, Ward 3 Director Steven Hollibush, Ward 4 Director Ulysses Brewer, Ward 5 Danny Jewell, and Ward 6 Director Jeff Hart.

ALSO, PRESENT: Acting City Manager/Finance Director TyRhonda Henderson, City Attorney Joshua Potter, and City Clerk Heather Soyars.

ABSENT: Deputy City Clerk Jenny Narens.

Invocation given by Director Ulysses Brewer.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Police Chief Michael Kramm.

## CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

David Peavy, 105 Olive Street, voiced his concerns about flooding and the need for retaining ponds; trains and whistle noise and the need for quiet zones; reviewing the lien laws as they are applied by the City; and the need for a dog park downtown and he suggested the Pocket Park for this use.

Director Harris asked the City Attorney about the Rules of Order and Procedure Manual regarding board meeting presentations. The City Attorney stated that change in the Rules of Order was for time management and decorum for time management. Discussion followed concerning changes to the Rules of Order voiced by Directors regarding presentations and the ability to respond to citizen comments during Citizen Communication.

## **PRESENTATION(S)**

- 1. Presentation of the January 2023 thru March 2023 Budget Variance Report. (FIN) Finance Director TyRhonda Henderson
- 2. Presentation of the Front Street Festival Plaza restrooms. (PWD) Public Works Director Tyler Richards

## CONSENT

Director Harris asked to remove Item 5. Adopt a Resolution authorizing and directing the Acting City Manager to submit a transportation alternatives reimbursable grant application to the Arkansas Highway Transportation Department (AHTD) Arkansas Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) for County Avenue Sidewalk Improvements. (PWD) Public Works Director Tyler Richards and Item 6. Adopt a Resolution authorizing and directing the Acting City Manager to submit a recreational trails reimbursable grant application to the Arkansas Highway Transportation Department (AHTD) Arkansas Recreational Trails Program (RTP) for a Walking Trail. (PWD) Public Works Director Tyler Richards

Director Hart made the motion to adopt the Consent agenda, Seconded by Director Hollibush. The motion carried and the following items were approved:

- 3. Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting June 5, 2023, the special called meeting June 7, 2023, and the special called meeting June 13, 2023. (CCD) City Clerk Heather Soyars
- 4. Resolution No. 2023-54 authorized the Acting City Manager to enter into an agreement with Regions Bank to accept a revolving line of credit of \$300,000.00 associated with a Purchase Power Card. (FIN) Acting City Manager/Finance Director

## REGULAR

5. Resolution No. 2023-55 authorized and directed the Acting City Manager to submit a transportation alternatives reimbursable grant application to the Arkansas Highway Transportation Department (AHTD) Arkansas Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) for County Avenue Sidewalk Improvements. (PWD) Public Works Director Tyler Richards

After a brief discussion, the motion to adopt the resolution made by Director Hollibush, Seconded by Director Hart.

Voting Yea: Mayor Brown, Assistant Mayor Roberts, Director Harris, Director Hollibush, Director Brewer, Director Jewell, and Director Hart.

The motion carried 7-0 and the Mayor declared the resolution adopted.

6. Resolution No. 2023-56 authorized and directed the Acting City Manager to submit a recreational trails reimbursable grant application to the Arkansas Highway Transportation Department (AHTD) Arkansas Recreational Trails Program (RTP) for a Walking Trail. (PWD) Public Works Director Tyler Richards

After a brief discussion, the motion to adopt the resolution made by Director Hart, Seconded by Director Brewer.

Voting Yea: Mayor Brown, Assistant Mayor Roberts, Director Harris, Director Hollibush, Director Brewer, Director Jewell, and Director Hart.

The motion carried 7-0 and the Mayor declared the resolution adopted.

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS' COMMENTARY**

Director Roberts asked if it was possible to reschedule the July 3<sup>rd</sup> board meeting due to the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday. City Attorney Josh Potter said in his opinion, the meeting does not fall on the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday and the meeting could not be rescheduled.

Director Jewell said he was absent from the last meeting and he wanted the towing ordinance to be read the second and third time at subsequent meetings for the public to be aware of this ordinance. He also was concerned with the cost of towing fees. A discussion followed with other Directors voicing their opinions of the towing ordinance.

Director Hollibush announced the Texarkana Regional Airport would present the Airport Master Plan to the community on Wednesday, July 12, 2023, 5:30 - 6:30 PM at the Texarkana Texas Convention Center.

## NEXT MEETING DATE: Monday, July 3, 2023

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

The Board of Directors entered Executive Session at 6:52 PM to discuss the open city manager position.

The Mayor reconvened the meeting at 7:06 PM and no action was taken.

## ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn made by Director Hart, Seconded by Director Hollibush.

Voting Yea: Mayor Brown, Assistant Mayor Roberts, Director Harris, Director Hollibush, Director Brewer, Director Jewell and Director Hart.

The motion carried 7-0 and the meeting adjourned at 7:07 PM.

**APPROVED** this the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of July 2023.

Allen L. Brown, Mayor

Jenny Narens, Deputy City Clerk



# CITY OF TEXARKANA, AR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

AGENDA TITLE:	Adopt a Resolution authorizing the Acting City Manager to enter into a contract for the purchase of chemicals for water and wastewater treatment. (TWU) Executive Director Gary Smith	
AGENDA DATE:	July 3, 2023	
ITEM TYPE:	Ordinance $\square$ Resolution $\boxtimes$ Other $\square$ :	
<b>DEPARTMENT:</b>	Texarkana Water Utilities	
PREPARED BY:	Gary Smith, P.E, Executive Director	
REQUEST:	Resolution authorizing the Acting City Manager to enter into a contract for the purchase of chemicals for water and wastewater treatment.	
EMERGENCY CLAUSE:	N/A	
SUMMARY:	Resolution authorizing the Acting City Manager to enter into a contract for the purchase of chemicals for water and wastewater treatment, with budgeted funds, for fiscal year 2023-2024. Bids were advertised, and thirty-eight chemical specification packages were requested and mailed to prospective bidders in May. Bids were received and opened at 2:00 PM, June 6, 2023, on the following chemicals required for water and wastewater treatment for FY 2023-2024: Sodium Chlorite, Sulphur Dioxide, HTH (100# containers), Caustic Soda (bulk), Liquid Chlorine, Aluminum Sulfate, Ortho-Polyphosphate, Anhydrous Ammonia, Liquid Polymer for the Water Treatment Plant, and Liquid Polymer for the Wastewater Treatment Plant.	
EXPENSE REQUIRED:	Not to exceed amount budgeted in FY 2023-2024 budget.	
AMOUNT BUDGETED:	To be approved in FY 2023-2024 budget.	
APPROPRIATION REQUIRED:	None.	
<b>RECOMMENDED</b> ACTION:	Recommendations are for the low bid price per unit, from the listed vendors as shown on the bid tabulation sheet (ATTH 01), in an aggregate amount not to exceed the amount budgeted in the Texarkana Water Utilities, Departments 410, 420, 490, 520, 530 and 540 Operating Fund Budgets for FY 2023-2024.	
EXHIBITS:	Resolution and ATTH 01 Chemical Bid Tabulation Sheet.	

## **RESOLUTION NO.**

WHEREAS, Texarkana Water Utilities advertised for bids for chemicals for water and wastewater treatment for use at the Wright Patman Water Treatment Plant, Millwood Water Treatment Plant, South Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant and North Texarkana Wastewater Treatment Plant and the low bid price per unit is shown on the attached bid tabulation sheet; and

WHEREAS, the utility staff recommends acceptance of these bids, provided the aggregate amount does not exceed the amounts approved in the FY2023-2024 budget; and

WHEREAS, the Acting City Manager and staff recommend approval;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Board of Directors of the City of Texarkana, Arkansas that the Acting City Manager is authorized to enter into contracts for the chemicals and with the suppliers for the corresponding low bids as specifically set forth on the attached tabulation, provided that the aggregate amounts do not exceed the amounts approved in the FY2023-2024 budget.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 2023.

ATTEST:

Allen L. Brown, Mayor

Heather Soyars, City Clerk

**APPROVED:** 

Joshua L. Potter, City Attorney

### TABULATION OF BIDS - June 6, 2023 FY 2023-2024 CHEMICAL BIDS

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CHEMICAL	COMPANY	BID FY 2024	COST FY 2023	RECEIVED	BIDS REQUESTED
Sodium Chlorite	Evoqua Water Technologies LLC 2650 Tallevast Rd. Sarasota, FL. 34243	\$0.5626 \$0.6970 Per Pound	\$0.5970 Per Pound	2	38
CHEMICAL	COMPANY	BID FY 2024	COST FY 2023	BIDS RECEIVED	BIDS REQUESTED
Sulphur Dioxide	DPC Industries, Inc. 1919 San Jacintoport Blvd Houston, TX. 77015	\$2189.00 Per Ton	\$1894.00 Per Ton	1	38
CHEMICAL	COMPANY	BID FY 2024	COST FY 2023	BIDS RECEIVED	BIDS REQUESTED
HTH (100# Containers)	Harcros Chemicals, Inc. 1011 Jack Wells Blvd Shreveport, LA. 71107	\$3.861 \$3.990 Per Pound	\$3.05 Per Pound	2	38
CHEMICAL	COMPANY	BID FY 2024	COST FY 2023	BIDS RECEIVED	BIDS REQUESTED
Caustic Soda (Bulk) Liquid Weight	TR International Trading Company 22817 102nd Place W. Edmonds, WA. 98020	\$.2450 \$.2575 \$.2651 Per Wet Pound	\$.2800 Per Wet Pound	3	38
CHEMICAL	COMPANY	BID FY 2024	COST FY 2023	BIDS RECEIVED	BIDS REQUESTED
Liquid Chlorine	DPC Industries, Inc. 1919 San Jacintoport Blvd Houston, TX. 77015	\$2147.00 Per Ton	\$1894.00 Per Ton	1	38
CHEMICAL	COMPANY	BID FY 2024	COST FY 2023	BIDS RECEIVED	BIDS REQUESTED
CHEMICAL Aluminum Sulfate	COMPANY Chemtrade Chemicals US LLC 90 East Halsey Rd. Parisppany, NJ. 07054	BID FY 2024 \$379.00 \$384.00 \$495.00 \$561.25 Per Dry Ton	<b>COST FY 2023</b> \$364.48 Per Dry Ton		
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Aluminum Sulfate	Chemtrade Chemicals US LLC 90 East Halsey Rd. Parisppany, NJ. 07054	\$379.00 \$384.00 \$495.00 \$561.25 Per Dry Ton	\$364.48 Per Dry Ton	RECEIVED 4 BIDS	REQUESTED 38 BIDS
Aluminum Sulfate CHEMICAL Ortho-Polyphosphate	Chemtrade Chemicals US LLC 90 East Halsey Rd. Parisppany, NJ. 07054 <b>COMPANY</b> Harcros Chemicals, Inc. 1011 Jack Wells Blvd	\$379.00 \$384.00 \$495.00 \$561.25 Per Dry Ton BID FY 2024 \$11.82 \$13.02 \$27.17	\$364.48 Per Dry Ton <b>COST FY 2023</b> \$11.89	RECEIVED 4 BIDS RECEIVED	REQUESTED 38 BIDS REQUESTED
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CHEMICAL PURCHASES PROJECTED FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 1. 2023 - SEPTEMBER 30, 2024



# CITY OF TEXARKANA, AR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

AGENDA TITLE:	Adopt a Resolution conditionally authorizing the City of Texarkana, Arkansas Public Facilities Board to proceed with the issuance of approximately \$22,000,000 of Waterworks Facilities Revenue Bonds. (TWU) Executive Director Gary Smith
AGENDA DATE:	July 3, 2023
ITEM TYPE:	Ordinance $\square$ Resolution $\boxtimes$ Other $\square$ :
<b>DEPARTMENT:</b>	Texarkana Water Utilities
PREPARED BY:	Gary Smith, P.E., Executive Director
REQUEST:	Adopt a Resolution conditionally authorizing the City of Texarkana, Arkansas Public Facilities Board to proceed with the issuance of approximately \$22,000,000 of Waterworks Facilities Revenue Bonds.
<b>EMERGENCY CLAUSE:</b>	N/A
EMERGENCY CLAUSE: SUMMARY:	N/A This resolution is needed to meet the requirements with Section 5 of Ordinance No. K-9. This resolution is not a final approval by the City of the Facilities Board bonds required under Section 4 of Ordinance No. K-9 and does not obligate the City regarding the bond issue at this time. That will follow at a subsequent meeting of the City Board when the final terms of the bonds can be presented.
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SUMMARY: EXPENSE REQUIRED:	This resolution is needed to meet the requirements with Section 5 of Ordinance No. K-9. This resolution is not a final approval by the City of the Facilities Board bonds required under Section 4 of Ordinance No. K-9 and does not obligate the City regarding the bond issue at this time. That will follow at a subsequent meeting of the City Board when the final terms of the bonds can be presented. N/A
SUMMARY: EXPENSE REQUIRED: AMOUNT BUDGETED: APPROPRIATION	This resolution is needed to meet the requirements with Section 5 of Ordinance No. K-9. This resolution is not a final approval by the City of the Facilities Board bonds required under Section 4 of Ordinance No. K-9 and does not obligate the City regarding the bond issue at this time. That will follow at a subsequent meeting of the City Board when the final terms of the bonds can be presented. N/A N/A

## **RESOLUTION NO.**

RESOLUTION CONDITIONALLY A AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF TEXARKANA, **ARKANSAS PUBLIC FACILITIES BOARD TO ISSUANCE** PROCEED WITH THE OF APPROXIMATELY \$22,000,000 OF WATERWORKS SEWER FACILITIES AND REVENUE PRESCRIBING **BONDS**; AND **MATTERS RELATING THERETO** 

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Constitution and laws of the State of Arkansas, including particularly, Amendment 65 and the Public Facilities Boards Act of 1975, as amended, codified as Arkansas Code Annotated Sections 14-137-101 *et seq*. (the "Act"), and ordinances of the City of Texarkana, Arkansas (the "City"), the City of Texarkana, Arkansas Public Facilities Board (the "Facilities Board") is authorized in furtherance of the public purposes described in the Act to finance various capital improvements of a public nature, including waterworks and sewer facilities, through the issuance of its revenue bonds under the Act for such purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Facilities Board has been requested by the Texarkana Water Utilities to issue approximately \$22,000,000 in principal amount of its Waterworks and Sewer Facilities Revenue Bonds, (together with such series designation as may be appropriate at the time of issuance, the "Bonds"); and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the proceeds of the Bonds will be used to fund additional capital improvements to the City's water and sewer system which will benefit the City and its residents in furtherance of the public purposes of the Act and the ordinances of the City creating the Facilities Board; and in order to provide funds therefor, the Facilities Board desires to proceed with the issuance of the Bonds.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of the City of Texarkana, Arkansas, as follows:

Section 1. Findings. The Board of Directors of the City hereby finds and determines that the issuance of the Bonds will benefit the City and its residents in furtherance of the public purposes of the Act and the ordinances of the City creating the Facilities Board.

<u>Section 2.</u> Conditional Authorization of Issuance of Bonds. Subject to subsequent review of the actual terms and provisions of the Bonds and related documents and subsequent approval of the issuance of the Bonds by resolution of the Board of Directors of the City pursuant to Section 1. of Ordinance No. K-150, adopted by the City on June 17, 1985, ("Ordinance No. K-150"); the City hereby authorizes the Facilities Board to proceed with the issuance of the Bonds in the principal amount of approximately \$22,000,000.

<u>Section 3.</u> Approval of Underwriter. Pursuant to. Section 5(a) of Ordinance No. K-9, adopted by the City on March 5, 1982, ("Ordinance No. K-9"), the City hereby approves the selection by the Facilities Board of Raymond James & Associates, Inc., to act as underwriter in connection with the issuance of the Bonds, the discount, fees, commissions and expenses of such underwriter to be paid from the proceeds of the sale of the Bonds as costs of issuance.

<u>Section 4.</u> Approval of Bond Counsel. Pursuant to Section 5(b) of Ordinance No. K-9, the City hereby approves the selection by the Facilities Board of Rose Law Firm, a Professional Association to act as bond counsel in connection with the issuance of the Bonds, the fees and expenses of such counsel to be paid from the proceeds of the sale of the Bonds as costs of issuance.

<u>Section 5.</u> Conflicts. All resolutions and parts of resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of July 2023.

Allen L. Brown, Mayor

ATTEST:

Heather Soyars, City Clerk

**APPROVED:** 

Joshua Potter, City Attorney

## **RAYMOND JAMES®**

ATTH 01

June 12, 2023

City of Texarkana 216 Walnut Street Texarkana, AR 75184

Attn: Ms. TyRhonda Henderson, Acting City Manager and The Texarkana Public Facilities Board

> Re: Engagement of and Disclosures by Underwriter or Placement Agent, as the case may be Pursuant to SEC Municipal Advisor Rule and MSRB Rule G-17 Waterworks and Sewer Facilities Revenue and/or Refunding Bonds Series 2023

Dear Ms. Henderson:

We are writing to confirm our underwriting or placement agent, as the case may be, engagement and provide you, as Interim City Manager of the City of Texarkana, ("the City") and Chairman of the Texarkana Public Facilities Board ("the "Issuer") with certain disclosures relating to the captioned bond issue (the "Bonds"), as required by the Securities and Exchange Commission's Municipal Advisor Rule, and the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board ("MSRB") Rule G-17 as set forth in MSRB Notice 2019-20 (Nov. 8, 2019).<sup>1</sup>

The Issuer hereby confirms and engages Raymond James & Associates, Inc. ("RJA"), to serve as an underwriter or placement agent, as the case may be, and not as a financial advisor or municipal advisor, in connection with the issuance of the Bonds.

As part of our services as underwriter or placement agent, RJA may provide advice concerning the structure, timing, terms, and other similar matters concerning the issuance of the Bonds.

The following G-17 conflict of interest disclosures are now broken down into three types, including: (I) dealer-specific conflicts of interest disclosures (if applicable), (II) transaction-specific disclosures (if applicable), and (III) standard disclosures.

I. Dealer-Specific Conflicts of Interest Disclosures

RJA has identified the following potential or actual dealer-specific material conflicts or business relationships we wish to call to your attention. When we refer to *potential* material conflicts throughout this letter, we refer to ones that are reasonably likely to mature into *actual* material conflicts during the course of the transaction, which is the standard required by MSRB Rule G-17.

In the ordinary course of its various business activities, RJA and its affiliates, officers, directors, and employees may purchase, sell or hold a broad array of investments and may actively trade securities, derivatives, loans, commodities, currencies, credit default swaps, and other financial instruments for their own account and for the accounts of customers. Such investment and trading activities may involve or

1 Information Way Suite 102 // Little Rock, AR 72202 // 501.671.1324 // raymondjames.com Raymond James & Associates, Inc., member New York Stock Exchange/SIPC

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Revised Interpretive Notice Concerning the Application of MSRB Rule G-17 to Underwriters of Municipal Securities (effective Mar. 31, 2021).

relate to assets, securities and/or instruments of the Issuer (whether directly, as collateral securing other obligations or otherwise) and/or persons and entities with relationships with the Issuer. RJA and its affiliates also may communicate independent investment recommendations, market advice or trading ideas and/or publish or express independent research views in respect of such assets, securities or instruments and at any time may hold, or recommend to clients that they should acquire, long and/or short positions in such assets, securities and instruments.

#### II. Transaction-Specific Disclosures

- Disclosures Concerning Complex Municipal Securities Financing:
  - Because we have recommended to the Issuer a financing structure that may be a "complex municipal securities financing" for purposes of MSRB Rule G-17, attached is a description of the material financial characteristics of that financing structure as well as the material financial risks of the financing that are known to us and reasonably foreseeable at this time.

#### III. Standard Disclosures

- Disclosures Concerning the Underwriters' or Placement Agent's Role:
  - MSRB Rule G-17 requires an underwriter or a placement agent to deal fairly at all times with both issuers and investors.
  - The underwriters' primary role is to purchase the Bonds with a view to distribution in an arm's-length commercial transaction with the Issuer. The underwriters have financial and other interests that differ from those of the Issuer.
  - The placement agent's primary role is to procure one or more purchases of the Bonds in an arm's-length commercial transaction with the Issuer. The placement agent has financial and other interests that differ from those of the Issuer.
  - Unlike a municipal advisor, an underwriter or placement agent does not have a fiduciary duty to the Issuer under the federal securities laws and is, therefore, not required by federal law to act in the best interests of the Issuer without regard to its own financial or other interests.
  - The Issuer may choose to engage the services of a municipal advisor with a fiduciary obligation to represent the Issuer's interest in this transaction.
  - The underwriters have a duty to purchase the Bonds from the Issuer at a fair and reasonable price, but must balance that duty with their duty to sell the Bonds to investors at prices that are fair and reasonable.
  - The placement agent has a duty to procure a purchaser of the Bonds from the Issuer at a fair and reasonable price, but must balance that duty with their duty to place the Bonds with purchasers at prices that are fair and reasonable.
  - The underwriters or placement agent will review the official statement or offering document, if any, for the Bonds in accordance with, and a part of, their respective responsibilities to investors under the federal securities laws, as applied to the facts and circumstances of this

transaction. Under federal securities law, an issuer of securities has the primary responsibility for disclosure to investors. The review of the official statement or offering document, if any, by the underwriters or placement agent, as the case may be, is solely for purposes of satisfying the underwriters' or placement agent's obligations under the federal securities laws and such review should not be construed by an issuer as a guarantee of the accuracy or completeness of the information in the official statement.

Disclosures Concerning the Underwriters' or Placement Agent's Compensation:

- The underwriters will be compensated by a fee and/or an underwriting discount that will be set forth in the bond purchase agreement to be negotiated and entered into in connection with the issuance of the Bonds. Payment or receipt of the underwriting fee or discount will be contingent on the closing of the transaction and the amount of the fee or discount may be based, in whole or in part, on a percentage of the principal amount of the Bonds. While this form of compensation is customary in the municipal securities market, it presents a conflict of interest since the underwriters may have an incentive to recommend to the Issuer a transaction that is unnecessary or to recommend that the size of the transaction be larger than is necessary.
- The placement agent will be compensated by a fee that will be negotiated and entered into in connection with the issuance of the Bonds. Payment or receipt of the placement agent fee or may be contingent on the closing of the transaction and the amount of the fee or discount may be based, in whole or in part, on a percentage of the principal amount of the Bonds. While this form of compensation is customary in the municipal securities market, it presents a conflict of interest since the placement agent may have an incentive to recommend to the Issuer a transaction that is unnecessary or to recommend that the size of the transaction be larger than is necessary

If you or any other Issuer officials have any questions or concerns about these disclosures, please make those questions or concerns known immediately to the undersigned. In addition, you should consult with the Issuer's own financial and/or municipal, legal, accounting, tax and other advisors, as applicable, to the extent you deem appropriate.

Please note that nothing is this letter should be viewed as either (i) a commitment by the underwriters to purchase or sell all the Bonds and any such commitment will only exist upon the execution of any bond purchase agreement or similar agreement and then only in accordance with the terms and conditions thereof, or (ii) a commitment by the placement agent to place the Bonds.

Either (x) you have been identified by the Issuer as a primary contact for the Issuer's receipt of these disclosures, or (y) it is our understanding that you have the authority to bind the Issuer by contract with us; and, in either case, you are not a party to any disclosed conflict of interest relating to the subject transaction. If the preceding sentence is incorrect, please notify the undersigned immediately.

Under SEC and MSRB Rules, we are required to both (i) confirm our role and engagement as underwriter or placement agent of the Bonds, and (ii) seek your acknowledgement that you have received this letter. Accordingly, please send me an email **both** (1) confirming that RJA is engaged as underwriter or placement agent, as the case may be, of the Bonds, **and** (2) acknowledging your receipt hereof. Alternatively, you may sign, scan, and return this letter to me via email.

Depending on the structure of the transaction that the Issuer decides to pursue, or if additional actual or potential material conflicts are identified, we may be required to send you additional disclosures regarding the material financial characteristics and risks of such transaction and/or describing those conflicts. At that time, we also will seek your acknowledgement of receipt of any such additional disclosures.

We look forward to working with you and the Issuer in connection with the issuance of the Bonds. We appreciate your business.

Sincerely,

**RAYMOND JAMES & ASSOCIATES, INC.** 

By: <u>Cheryf Suletteen</u> Cheryl Schluterman, Director

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Confirmed and Acknowledged: City of Texarkana, Arkansas

By: TyRhonda Henderson, Acting City Manager

Confirmed and Acknowledged: **Texarkana Public Facilities Board** 

By:

Eric Ethridge, Vice Chairman

Date: June 15, 2023

Attached:

**Financing Disclosures** 

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#### Fixed Rate Structure Disclosure (3.31.21)

The following is a general description of the financial characteristics and security structures of fixed rate municipal bonds ("Fixed Rate Bonds"), as well as a general description of certain financial risks that are known to us and reasonably foreseeable at this time and that you should consider before deciding whether to issue Fixed Rate Bonds. If you have any questions or concerns about these disclosures, please make those questions or concerns known immediately to us. In addition, you should consult with your financial and/or municipal, legal, accounting, tax, and other advisors, as applicable, to the extent you deem appropriate.

#### **Financial Characteristics**

<u>Maturity and Interest</u>. Fixed Rate Bonds are interest-bearing debt securities issued by state and local governments, political subdivisions and agencies and authorities, whether for their benefit or as a conduit issuer for a nongovernmental entity. Maturity dates for Fixed Rate Bonds are fixed at the time of issuance and may include serial maturities (specified principal amounts are payable on the same date in each year until final maturity) or one or more term maturities (specified principal amounts are payable on each term maturity date) or a combination of serial and term maturities. The final maturity date typically will range between 10 and 30 years from the date of issuance. Interest on the Fixed Rate Bonds typically is paid semiannually at a stated fixed rate or rates for each maturity date.

<u>Redemption</u>. Fixed Rate Bonds may be subject to optional redemption, which allows you, at your option, to redeem some or all the bonds on a date prior to scheduled maturity, such as in connection with the issuance of refunding bonds to take advantage of lower interest rates. Fixed Rate Bonds will be subject to optional redemption only after the passage of a specified period, often approximately ten years from the date of issuance, and upon payment of the redemption price set forth in the bonds, which may include a redemption premium. You will be required to send out a notice of optional redemption to the holders of the bonds, usually not less than 30 days prior to the redemption, which requires you to redeem specified principal amounts of the bonds annually in advance of the term maturity date. The mandatory sinking fund redemption price is 100% of the principal amount of the bonds to be redeemed.

#### Security

Payment of principal of and interest on a municipal security, including Fixed Rate Bonds, may be backed by various types of pledges and forms of security, some of which are described below.<sup>2</sup>

<u>General Obligation Bonds</u>. "General obligation (GO) bonds" are debt securities to which your full faith and credit is pledged to pay principal and interest. If you have taxing power, generally you will pledge to use your ad valorem (property) taxing power to pay principal and interest. The debt service on "unlimited tax"

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The discussion of security characteristics is limited to general obligation and revenue bond structures. This summary should be expanded and modified, as necessary, for other security structures, such as bonds that are secured by a double-barreled pledge (general obligation and revenues), annual appropriations or a moral obligation of the issuer or another governmental entity. If the security for the bonds is known at the time this disclosure is provided to the issuer, include only those portions relevant to the actual security for the bonds.

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GO bonds are paid from ad valorem taxes which are not subject to state constitutional property tax millage limits, whereas "limited tax" GO Bonds are subject to such limits.

General obligation bonds constitute a debt and, depending on applicable state law, may require that you obtain approval by voters prior to issuance. In the event of default in required payments of interest or principal, the holders of general obligation bonds generally will have certain rights under state law to compel you to impose a tax levy.

<u>Revenue Bonds</u>. "Revenue bonds" are debt securities that are payable only from a specific source or sources of revenues. Revenue bonds are not a pledge of your full faith and credit, and you (or, if you are a conduit issuer, the obligor, as described in the following paragraph) are obligated to pay principal and interest on your revenue bonds only from the revenue source(s) specifically pledged to the bonds. Revenue bonds do not permit the bondholders to compel you to impose a tax levy for payment of debt service. Pledged revenues may be derived from operation of the financed project or system, grants or excise or other specified taxes. Generally, subject to state law or local charter requirements, you are not required to obtain voter approval prior to issuance of revenue bonds. If the specified source(s) of revenue become inadequate, a default in payment of principal or interest may occur. Various types of pledges of revenue may be used to secure interest and principal payments on revenue bonds. The nature of these pledges may differ widely based on state law, the type of issuer, the type of revenue stream and other factors.

Some revenue bonds (conduit revenue bonds) may be issued by a governmental issuer acting as a conduit for the benefit of a private sector entity or a 501(c)(3) organization (the obligor). Conduit revenue bonds commonly are issued for not-for-profit hospitals, educational institutions, single and multi-family housing, airports, industrial or economic development projects, and student loan programs, among other obligors. Principal and interest on conduit revenue bonds normally are paid exclusively from revenues pledged by the obligor. Unless otherwise specified under the terms of the bonds, you are not required to make payments of principal or interest if the obligor defaults.

The description above regarding "Security" is only a summary of certain possible security provisions for the bonds and is not intended as legal advice. You should consult with your bond counsel for further information regarding the security for the bonds.

#### **Financial Risk Considerations**

Certain risks may arise in connection with your issuance of Fixed Rate Bonds, including some or all the following (generally, the obligor, rather than the issuer, will bear these risks for conduit revenue bonds):

<u>Issuer Default Risk</u>. You may be in default if the funds pledged to secure your bonds are not enough to pay debt service on the bonds when due. The consequences of a default may be serious for you and, depending on applicable state law and the terms of the authorizing documents, the holders of the bonds, the trustee and any credit support provider may be able to exercise a range of available remedies against you. For example, if the bonds are secured by a general obligation pledge, you may be ordered by a court to raise taxes. Other budgetary adjustments also may be necessary to enable you to provide sufficient funds to pay debt service on the bonds. If the bonds are revenue bonds, you may be required to take steps to increase the available revenues that are pledged as security for the bonds. A default may negatively impact your credit ratings and may effectively limit your ability to publicly offer bonds or other securities

at market interest rate levels. Further, if you are unable to provide sufficient funds to remedy the default, subject to applicable state law and the terms of the authorizing documents, you may find it necessary to consider available alternatives under state law, including (for some issuers) state-mandated receivership or bankruptcy. A default also may occur if you are unable to comply with covenants or other provisions agreed to in connection with the issuance of the bonds.

This description is only a summary of issues relating to defaults and is not intended as legal advice. You should consult with your bond counsel for further information regarding defaults and remedies.

<u>Redemption Risk</u>. Your ability to redeem the bonds prior to maturity may be limited, depending on the terms of any optional redemption provisions. If interest rates decline, you may be unable to take advantage of the lower interest rates to reduce debt service.

<u>Refinancing Risk</u>. If your financing plan contemplates refinancing some or all the bonds at maturity (for example, if you have term maturities or if you choose a shorter final maturity than might otherwise be permitted under the applicable federal tax rules), market conditions or changes in law may limit or prevent you from refinancing those bonds when required.

<u>Reinvestment Risk</u>. You may have proceeds from the issuance of the bonds available to invest prior to the time that you are able to spend those proceeds for the authorized purpose. Depending on market conditions, you may not be able to invest those proceeds at or near the rate of interest that you are paying on the bonds, which is referred to as "negative arbitrage".

<u>Tax Compliance Risk</u>. The issuance of tax-exempt bonds is subject to several requirements under the United States Internal Revenue Code, as enforced by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). You must take certain steps and make certain representations prior to the issuance of tax-exempt bonds. You also must covenant to take certain additional actions after issuance of tax-exempt bonds. A breach of your representations or your failure to comply with certain tax-related covenants may cause the interest on bonds to become taxable retroactively to the date of issuance of the bonds, which may result in an increase in the interest rate that you pay on the bonds or the mandatory redemption of the bonds. The IRS also may audit you or your bonds, in some cases on a random basis and in other cases targeted to specific types of bond issues or tax concerns. If tax-exempt bonds are declared taxable, or if you are subject to audit, the market price of your bonds may be adversely affected. Further, your ability to issue other tax-exempt bonds also may be limited.

This description of tax compliance risks is not intended as legal advice and you should consult with your bond counsel regarding tax implications of issuing the bonds.

ORDINANCE NO. K-9

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. H-505 ADOPTED ON THE 30TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 1978, AND ORDINANCE NO. H-552, ADOPTED ON THE 18TH DAY OF JUNE, 1979 PERTAINING TO THE CITY OF TEXARKANA, ARKANSAS RESIDENTIAL HOUSING FACILITIES BOARD; ENLARGING THE AUTHORITY OF SAID BOARD TO ASSIST IN THE FINANCING OF WATERWORKS AND WATER SUPPLY FACILITIES IN OR NEAR THE CITY; CHANGING THE NAME OF SAID BOARD; PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the City of Texarkana, Arkansas (the "City"), pursuant to Act No. 142 of the Acts of the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas for the year 1975, as amended (the "Act"), is authorized to establish public facilities boards for the purposes set forth in the Act, which purposes include, among others, assisting in the financing of residential housing facilities, waterworks facilities and certain other types of public facilities, within or near the City; and

WHEREAS, by Ordinance No. H-505, duly passed and approved on October 30, 1978 by the Board of Directors of the City, the City created and established a public facilities board, known as the "City of Texarkana, Arkansas Residential Housing Facilities Board" (the "Board"), for the purpose of assisting in the financng of decent, safe and sanitary residential housing facilities within or near the City; and

WHEREAS, by Ordinance No. H-552, duly passed and approved on June 18, 1979, the City amended Section 7(a) of Ordinance No. H-505 to provide that any revenue bonds issued by the Board pursuant to the Act and the City's ordinances would be underwritten by Stephens Inc. and T. J. Raney & Sons, Inc., both of Little Rock, Arkansas; and

WHEREAS, the City is in need of securing additional water supply and waterworks facilities for the present and anticipated future needs of its residents and inhabitants, and for commerce and industry located and to be located in or near the City; and the City desires that such additional water supply and waterworks facilities be financed through the issuance of revenue bonds of the Board, at such time and upon such terms and conditions as may be approved by the Board of Directors.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Directors of the City of Texarkana, Arkansas:

<u>SECTION 1</u>. <u>Findings</u>. The Board of Directors of the City hereby finds and determines:

- (a) As a result of studies performed on behalf of the City, the City reasonably anticipates that it will be faced in the immediate future with a shortage of adequate treated water for its citizens and inhabitants, and for commerce and industry in or near the City, including waterworks, water supply and water treatment facilities relating thereto (herein collectively referred to as the "waterworks facilities"), and there presently exists a need to provide a means to secure financing for the acquisition, construction, and installation of such additional waterworks facilities.
- (b) The securing of financing for additional waterworks facilities will be aided by the enlargement of the authority of the Board to permit it to own, acquire, construct, reconstruct, extend, equip, improve, operate, maintain, sell, lease, contract concerning, lend for the purpose of constructing, acquiring or equipping or to otherwise deal in or dispose of waterworks facilities for the benefit of the City and its inhabitants.

SECTION 2. Change of Name of Board. Section 2 of Ordinance No. H-505 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 2. Creation of Board. Pursuant to the authority of the Act there is hereby created and established the "City of Texarkana, Arkansas Public Facilities Board" (hereinafter referred to as the "Board") with authority as hereinafter provided to accomplish, finance, contract and make or purchase mortgage loans concerning, and otherwise act in such manner as may be permitted by the Act to provide (a) decent, safe and sanitary residential housing facilities within or near the City, and (b) new, additional, expanded or improved waterworks facilities within or near the City."

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SECTION 3. Enlarged Authority of Board. Pursuant to the authority of the Act, Section 4 of Ordinance No. H-505 is hereby amended by the addition of a new Section 4(a), to read as follows:

The Board is also empowered, from time to time, to own, (a) acquire, construct, reconstruct, extend, equip, improve, operate, maintain, sell, lease, contract concerning, lend for the purpose of constructing, acquiring or equipping, or otherwise deal in or dispose of waterworks facilities, within the meaning of the Act, as shall be determined by the Board to be necessary to effect the purposes of this Ordinance to provide waterworks facilities within or near the City, whether wholly or partially within or outside the City, Miller County or, to the extent permitted by law, the State of Arkansas. The Board may enter into such contractual or cooperative agreements with such persons, entities, or governmental bodies or agencies as may, in the Board's discretion, be advisable to accomplish the purposes for which it is established, including, without limitation, the City and/or any other municipality or municipalities, political subdivisions, departments, agencies or instrumentalities of the State of Arkansas, the State of Texas or the United States of America.

SECTION 4. Issuance of Board's Revenue Bonds. A new Section 5(a) is hereby added to Ordinance No. H-505, to read as follows:

"(a) Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 5, the Board is also authorized to issue revenue bonds, from time to time, and to use the proceeds, either alone or together with other available funds and revenues, to accomplish the purposes for which the Board is established as the same relate to the providing of waterworks facilities. Such revenue bonds shall be

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obligations only of the Board and shall not constitute an indebtedness for which the faith and credit of the City or any of its revenues are pledged, and the principal and interest on the bonds shall be payable from and secured by a pledge of revenues derived from the City's waterworks facilities, including those financed in whole or part from bond proceeds and as authorized by, and in accordance with the provisions of the Act, together with such other collateral as may properly be pledged under the Act and as the Board in its discretion may determine. The aggregate principal amount of any revenue bonds issued pursuant to the authority granted by this Section 5(a) and by the Act shall be determined by the Board in its discretion; provided, however, each issuance of such revenue bonds shall be approved by resolution of the Board of Directors of the City.

SECTION 5. Financing and Legal Matters. Section 7 of Ordinance No. H-505 is hereby amended to read as follows:

- (a) Any revenue bonds issued by the Board pursuant to the Act shall be underwritten only by such investment banking firm or firms as may be approved by resolution of the Board of Directors of the City at any time prior to issuance of such bonds.
- (b) The selection of Bond Counsel by the Board in connection with the issuance and sale of any bonds issued by the Board pursuant to the Act shall be approved by resolution of the Board of Directors of the City at any time prior to issuance of such bonds.

SECTION 6. Severability. If any provisions of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions or applications of this Ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable.

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SECTION 7. Repealer. Ordinance No. H-505, as amended hereby, is continued in full force and effect. All other ordinances of the City, or parts thereof, in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

SECTION 8. Emergency. It is hereby found and determined that there is an immediate and urgent need for the providing of additional waterworks facilities to assure an adequate future water supply for residents and inhabitants of the City, and for commerce and industry within or near the City, and that the enlarged authority of the Board and the exercise of the duties and powers provided in this Ordinance are necessary to the preservation of the public peace, health and safety. Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist and this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 5th day of april, 1982.

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ORDINANCE NO. K-150

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. **H-**505 ADOPTED ON THE 30TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 1978, ORDINANCE NO. H-552, ADOPTED ON THE 18TH DAY OF JUNE, 1979, ORDINANCE NO. K-9, ADOPTED ON THE 5TH DAY OF APRIL, 1982, AND ORDINANCE NO. K-24, ADOPTED ON THE 21ST DAY OF JUNE, 1982, PERTAINING TO ENLARGING THE AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF TEXARKANA, ARKANSAS PUBLIC FACILITIES BOARD; FURTHER ENLARGING THE AUTHORITY OF SAID BOARD TO ISSUE REVENUE BONDS FOR THE FINANCING OF RESIDENTIAL HOUSING FACILITIES IN OR NEAR THE CITY OF TEXARKANA, ARKANSAS; PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, the City of Texarkana, Arkansas (the "City"), pursuant to Act No. 142 of the Acts of the General Assembly of the State of Arkansas for the year 1975, as amended (the "Act"), is authorized to establish public facilities boards for the purposes set forth in the Act, which purposes include, among others, assisting in the financing of residential housing facilities, waterworks facilities, health care facilities, off-street parking facilities, recreational and tourist facilities, within or near the City; and

WHEREAS, by Ordinance No. H-505, duly passed and approved on October 30, 1978 by the Board of Directors of the City, the City created and established a public facilities board, known as the "City of Texarkana, Arkansas Residential Housing Facilities Board" (the "Board"), for the purpose of assisting in the financing of decent, safe and sanitary residential housing facilities within or near the City; and

WHEREAS, by Ordinance No. H-552, duly passed and approved on June 18, 1979, the City amended Section 7(a) of Ordinance No. H-505 to provide that any revenue bonds issued by the Board pursuant to the Act and the City's ordinances would be underwritten by Stephens Inc. and T.J. Raney & Sons, Inc., both of Little Rock, Arkansas; and

WHEREAS, by Ordinance No. K-9, duly passed and approved on April 5, 1982, the City amended Ordinance No. H-505 and H-552 to enlarge the authority of the Board to assist in the financing of waterworks and water supply facilities in or near the City; to change the name of the Board; to allow revenue

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bonds issued by the Board to be underwritten by investment banking firms approved by the Board of Directors of the City; and to prescribe certain other matters relating thereto; and

WHEREAS, by Ordinance No. K-24 duly passed and approved on June 21, 1982, the City amended Ordinance Nos. H-505, H-552 and K-9 to enlarge the authority of the Board to assist in the financing of health care facilities, off-street parking facilities, recreational and tourist facilities, sewer facilities, energy facilities, and educational facilities as defined in the Act; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. H-505, as amended by Ordinance Nos. H-552, K-9 and K-24, prohibits more than one issue of bonds for the purpose of financing residential housing facilities; and

WHEREAS, the City has a present and continuing need for the development and improvement of decent, safe and sanitary residential housing facilities within or near the City and therefore, the authority of the Board should be enlarged to permit the issuance of more than one issue of bonds to finance such facilities;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Directors of the City of Texarkana, Arkansas:

Section 1. Issuance of Board's Revenue Bonds. Section 5 of Ordinance No. H-505, as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:

The Board is also authorized to issue revenue bonds, from time to time, and to use the proceeds, either alone or together with other available funds and revenues, to accomplish the purposes for which the Board is established as the same relate to the providing of residential housing facilities, health facilities, off-street parking facilities, care recreational and tourist facilities, sewer facilities, waterworks facilities, energy facilities and educational facilities within the meaning of the Act, as it may be amended from time to time. Such revenue bonds shall be obligations only of the Board and shall not constitute an indebtedness for which the faith and credit of the City or any of its revenues are pledged, and the principal and interest on the bonds shall be payable from and secured by a pledge of revenues derived from the respective projects financed, including those financed in whole or in part from bond proceeds and as authorized by, and in accordance with the provisions of the Act, together with such other

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collateral as may properly be pledged under the Act and as the Board in its discretion may determine. The aggregate principal amount of any revenue bonds issued pursuant to the authority granted by this Section 5 and by the Act shall be determined by the Board in its discretion; provided, however, each issuance of such revenue bonds shall be approved by resolution of the Board of Directors of the City."

Section 2. Severability. If any provisions of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the other provisions or applications of this ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable.

Section 3. <u>Repealer</u>. Ordinance No. H-505, as previously amended and as amended hereby, is continued in full force and effect. All other ordinances of the City, or parts thereof, in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

Section 4: Emergency. It is hereby found and determined that there is an immediate and urgent need for the providing of decent, safe and sanitary residential housing facilities for the public benefit and present and future needs of the City and its residents and inhabitants, and that the enlarged authority of the Board and the exercise of the duties and powers provided in this Ordinance are necessary to the preservation of the public peace, health and safety. Therefore, an emergency is declared to exist and this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this /7th day of June 1985.

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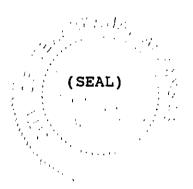
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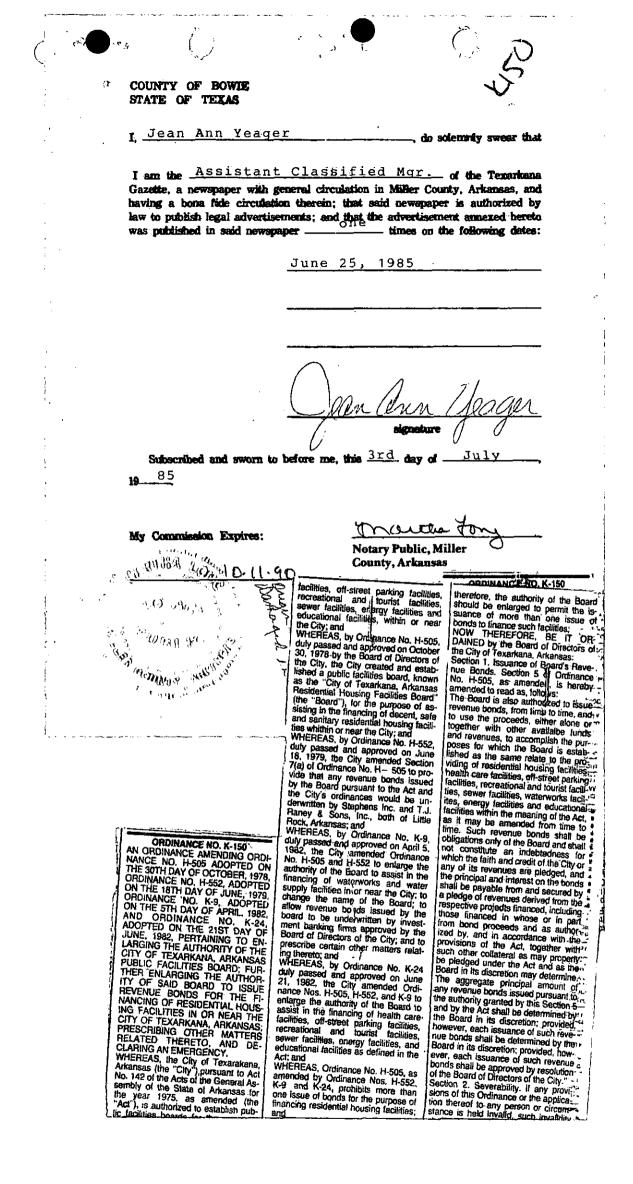
The undersigned, City Clerk of the City of Texarkana, Arkansas, hereby certifies that the foregoing pages are a true and perfect copy of Ordinance No. <u>K-150</u>, adopted at a <u>Regular</u> session of the Board of Directors of the City of Texarkana, Arkansas, held at the regular meeting place in said City at <u>7:00</u> o'clock <u>p.m.</u>, on the <u>17th</u> day of <u>June</u>, 1985, and that the Ordinance is of record in Ordinance Record Book No. <u>K</u>, Page \_\_\_\_\_, now in my possession.

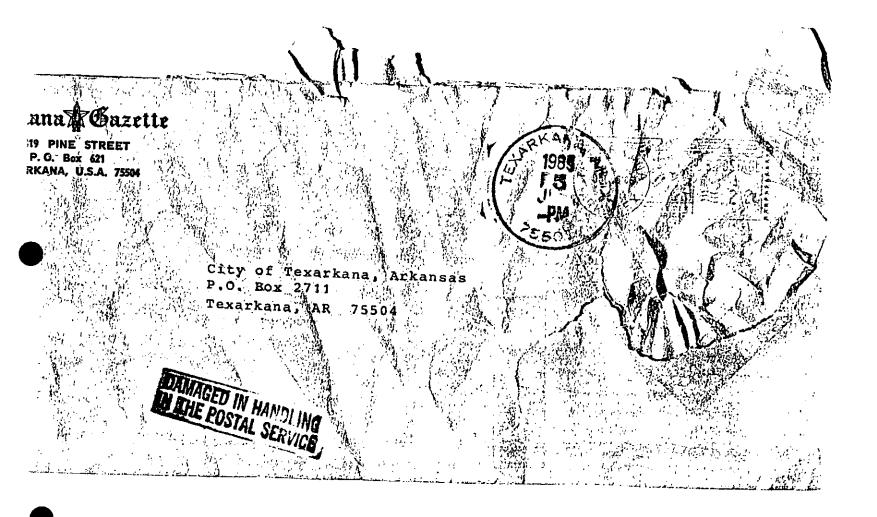
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# CITY OF TEXARKANA, AR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

AGENDA TITLE:	Adopt a Resolution amending the Rules of Order and Procedure Manual for the Board of Directors of the City of Texarkana, Arkansas. (BOD)
AGENDA DATE:	July 3, 2023
ITEM TYPE:	Ordinance $\square$ Resolution $\boxtimes$ Other $\square$ :
<b>DEPARTMENT:</b>	Board of Directors
PREPARED BY:	Heather Soyars, City Clerk
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AMOUNT BUDGETED:	N/A
APPROPRIATION REQUIRED:	N/A
RECOMMENDED ACTION:	
EXHIBITS:	Resolution, and Rules of Order and Procedural Manual

## **RESOLUTION NO.**

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**PASSED AND APPROVED** this 3rd day of July, 2023.

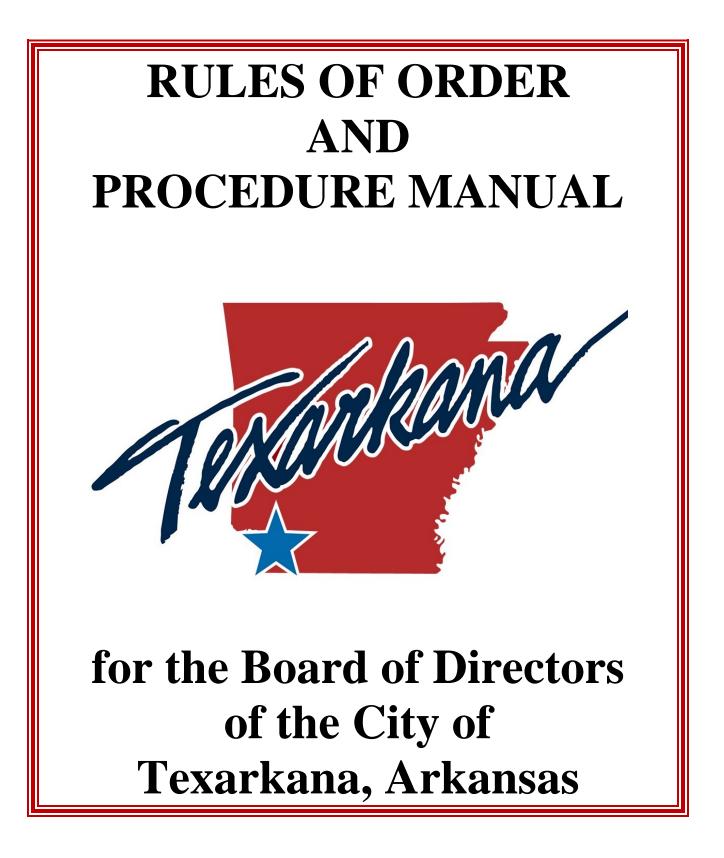
Allen L. Brown, Mayor

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**APPROVED:** 

Joshua L. Potter, City Attorney



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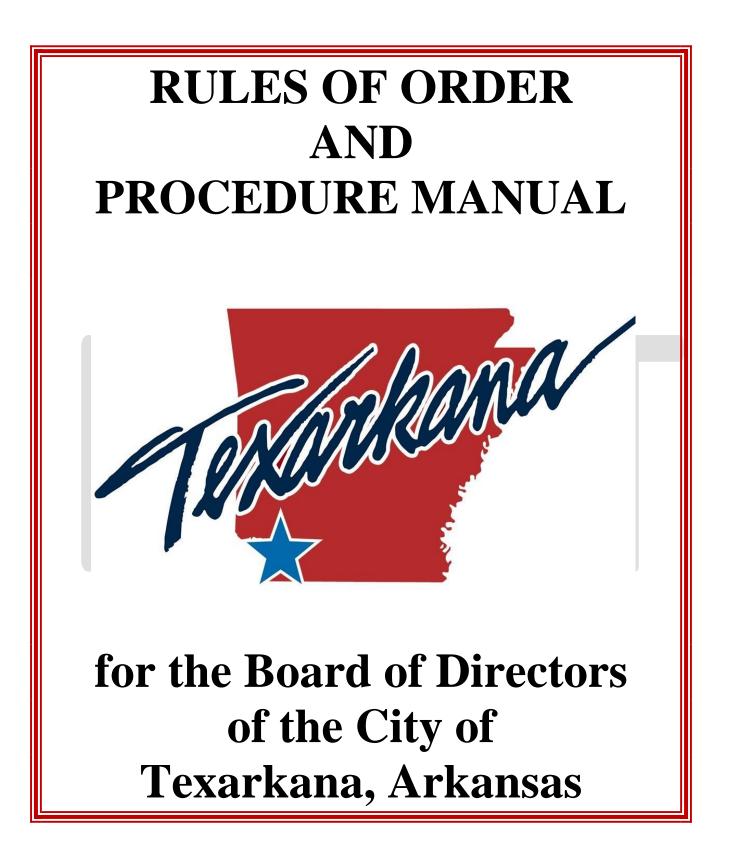
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10. Postpone indefinitely	No	Yes	Yes	No	Majority
Main Motions					
11. General Main Motion	No	Yes	Yes	No	Majority
Incidental Motion					
12. Appeal	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Tie or Majority
13. Point of Order	Yes	No	No	No	No vote
14. Withdraw a Motion	No	No	No	No	No vote
15. Suspend Rules	No	Yes	No	No	Two-thirds
16. Division of a Question	No	No	No	No	No vote
17. Division of Assembly	Yes	No	No	No	No vote

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# CITY OF TEXARKANA, AR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

AGENDA TITLE:	Adopt an Ordinance authorizing the Acting City Manager to enter into an agreement for the purchase of thirty-seven (37) Watchguard Body Cameras and related software, hardware, licenses, and warranties. (TAPD) Captain James Atchley	
	The applicant requests an emergency clause. An emergency clause requires a separate and distinct vote of the board and is valid only if there is a two-thirds vote of approval by the board. (Hdbk. Const. Amend 7)	
AGENDA DATE:	July 3, 2023	
ITEM TYPE:	Ordinance $\boxtimes$ Resolution $\square$ Other $\square$ :	
<b>DEPARTMENT:</b>	Texarkana Arkansas Police Department	
PREPARED BY:	Capt. James Atchley	
REQUEST:	Purchase of Thirty-seven (37) Watchguard Body Cameras and related software, hardware, licenses, and warranties. Watchguard will also provide on-site deployment and training.	

# **EMERGENCY CLAUSE:** Yes

SUMMARY:	
<b>EXPENSE REQUIRED:</b>	\$114,523.19
AMOUNT BUDGETED:	\$114,523.19
APPROPRIATION REQUIRED:	\$0.00
<b>RECOMMENDED</b> ACTION:	Staff recommends approval by the Board of Directors.
EXHIBITS:	Ordinance, purchase request, and quote





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Billing Address: TEXARKANA POLICE DEPT, CITY OF P O BOX 1885 TEXARKANA, AR 71854 US Quote Date:05/17/2023

Expiration Date:08/15/2023

Quote Created By: Matthew Warren Regional Sales Manager Matthew.Warren@ motorolasolutions.com 224-688-1706

End Customer: TEXARKANA POLICE DEPT, CITY OF

Jason Shores shores@txkusa.org 903-798-3130

Freight Terms: PREPAY NO CHARGE TO CLIENT Payment Terms: 30 NET

## Summary:

Any sales transaction resulting from Motorola's quote is based on and subject to the applicable Motorola Standard Terms and Conditions, notwithstanding terms and conditions on purchase orders or other Customer ordering documents. Motorola Standard Terms and Conditions are found at www.motorolasolutions.com/product-terms.

Line #	Item Number	Description	Qty	Term	Sale Price	Ext. Sale Price
	V700					
1	WGB-0740A	V700 BODY WORN CAMERA VERIZON READY	37		\$1,290.00	\$47,730.00
2	WGA00668-KIT	V300/V700 LOCKING MOLLE MNT WITH BWC BOX	37		Included	Included
3	SWV07S03593A	SOFTWARE ENHANCEMENTS	37	3 YEAR	Included	Included
4	LSV07S03512A	ESSENTIAL SERVICE WITH ACCIDENTAL DAMAGE AND ADVANCED REPLACEMENT	37	3 YEAR	\$255.00	\$9,435.00
5	WGB-0138A	V300 TRANSFER STATION II	5		\$1,495.00	\$7,475.00
6	WGA00640-KIT1	V300, USB DOCK, D300, DESK CHGR/UPLD KIT	5		\$195.00	\$975.00
7	WGP02950	VG700 BATTERY, 3.8V, 4180MAH, REMOVABLE	37		\$0.00	\$0.00





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Line #	Item Number	Description	Qty	Term	Sale Price	Ext. Sale Price
8	WGA00635-KIT	V300, WIFI DOCK, D330 VHCL CHGR/UPLD KIT	26		\$295.00	\$7,670.00
	VideoManager EL: Video Evidence Management					
9	WGP02400-500	LICENSE, VIDEOMANAGER EL ON-PREM SITE LICENSE KEY	1		\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
10	WGP02400-510	VIDEOMANAGER EL, 4RE/ M500 ANNUAL DEVICE LICENSE & SUPPORT FEE	29	1 YEAR	\$45.00	\$1,305.00
11	WGP02400-520	VIDEOMANAGER EL, VISTA/ V300 ANNUAL DEVICE LICENSE & SUPPORT FEE*	37	1 YEAR	\$45.00	\$1,665.00
12	WGA00421-217	SVR 16 HDD RAID 6 3U 26-75 5CAL GEN 4.	1		\$11,095.00	\$11,095.00
13	WGA00422-1250	HD VIDEOMANAGER EL ON- PREM 12TB 6GB/S 7200 RPM 256MB ENT 4KN	12		\$810.00	\$9,720.00
14	WGS00160-2016	SOFTWARE, SQL SERVER 2016, STD, W /5 CAL	1		Included	Included
15	WGW00140	EXTENDED WARRANTY, RACK SERVER (WGA00421-116,-216,-117,-217 )) FULL SERVICE ON SITE, 5- YEAR	1	5 YEAR	\$1,175.00	\$1,175.00
16	WGW00122-400	ON-SITE DEPLOYMENT, TRAINING, CONFIGURATION AND PROJECT MANAGEMENT	1		\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
17	WCM000111-020	INTEGRATION VIDEOMANAGER EL WITH MOTOROLA CAD/RMS*	1		\$0.00	\$0.00
Subtota	al					\$104,245.00
Estimat	ted Tax					\$10,278.19
ran	d Total				\$114,523.	

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## Notes:

- Additional information is required for one or more items on the quote for an order.
- Unless otherwise noted in this quote / order, installation of equipment is not included.





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# VIDEOMANAGER EL SOLUTION DESCRIPTION

VideoManager EL simplifies evidence management, automates data maintenance, and facilitates management of your department's devices.

It is compatible with V300 and VISTA body-worn cameras, as well as M500 and 4RE in-car video systems, enabling you to upload video evidence quickly and securely.

The optional SmartControl and SmartConnect smart device applications support live video streaming from body-worn cameras, allowing personnel to view footage captured by the cameras in the app.

## VIDEO EVIDENCE MANAGEMENT

VideoManager EL delivers benefits to all aspects of video evidence management. From streamlining the evidence review process to automatically maintaining your stored data, VideoManager EL makes evidence management as efficient as possible. With VideoManager EL, you minimize the amount of time spent manually managing evidence, allowing your team to spend more time in the field.

## Simplified Evidence Review

VideoManager EL makes evidence review easier by allowing you to upload captured video and audio from your in-field devices, sharing important information that groups relevant evidence together. This information includes a recording's date and time, device used to capture, event ID, officer name, and event type. Incidents recorded from several devices can be found easily and viewed at the same time, eliminating the task of reviewing irrelevant footage.

Its built-in media player includes a visual display of incident data, allowing you to view moments of interest, such as when lights, sirens, or brakes were activated during the event timeline, status of cameras and microphones, and patrol speed graph.

Other relevant files, such as PDFs, spreadsheets, reports, third-party videos, audio recordings, pictures, drawings, and applicable external files can also be grouped together and stored under a specific case entry, allowing all pertinent information to be stored together in VideoManager EL.

## Easy Evidence Sharing

VideoManager EL empowers you to easily share information in the evidence review or judiciary sharing process by exporting evidence data. It is capable of searching for data using various criteria, including import, export, playback, download, share, and modification dates, allowing users to quickly find relevant evidence.

### Automatic Data Maintenance

VideoManager EL lets you automatically organize the evidence data you store, allowing you to save time that would be spent manually managing it. It can schedule the automatic movement or purging of events on any basis, based on how you want to configure the system.





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Security groups and permissions are easily set up in VideoManager EL, allowing you to grant individuals access to evidence on an as-needed basis.

### Integration with In-Car and Body-Worn Cameras

Officers on the road are able to automatically upload encrypted video from in-car systems and body cameras. This eliminates the need for trips to and from the station solely for uploading data into the system.

Video and audio captured by M500, V300, 4RE and VISTA camera systems are automatically linked in VideoManager EL based on time and location. You can then utilize synchronized playback and export of video and audio from multiple devices in the same recording group, where video and audio streams can be matched together.

## **Optional Live Video Streaming**

VideoManager EL integrates with SmartControl, an optional mobile application for Android and iOS that allows officers to review video evidence from their smartphone or tablet while they're still in the field.

SmartControl also allows officers to categorize recordings using event tags, stream live video from, and change camera settings, such as adjusting field of view, brightness, and audio levels.

SmartConnect, an optional smartphone application, provides VISTA body-worn camera users with immediate in-field access to their body cameras. SmartConnect includes the ability to pair with VISTA cameras, adjust officer preferences, categorize recordings with incident IDs and case numbers, and play back recordings.

### **DEVICE MANAGEMENT**

Agencies using VideoManager EL can assign users to devices, track them, and streamline shift changes. You can easily manage, configure, update firmware, and deploy in-car and body-worn cameras. Individual preference settings can be configured based on user profiles, allowing quick device transactions within a pooled or assigned device system. VideoManager EL also enables devices to be quickly exchanged between officers during shift changes. This minimizes the number of devices needed for your fleet.

### **Device Tracking**

You can easily manage, configure, and deploy your in-car and body-worn cameras in VideoManager EL. Devices can be assigned to personnel within VideoManager EL and tracked, helping agencies keep track of which users have specific devices.

### **Faster Shift Changes**

VideoManager EL's Rapid Checkout Kiosk feature allows agencies using a pooled camera system to use fewer cameras. Cameras can be checked out at the start of a shift using an easy-to-use interface. At the end of the shift, the camera can be returned to its dock, where the video is automatically uploaded and the camera is made ready to be checked out and used for the next shift.





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Devices can also be configured to remember individual preference settings for each user, including haptic and audible alert volume level, screen brightness and camera aim. These settings are applied whenever a device is assigned to a specific officer. A variety of settings within VideoManager EL also enable you to configure devices to operate in alignment





# VIDEO EVIDENCE STATEMENT OF WORK

# **Overview**

In accordance with the terms and conditions of the Agreement, this Statement of Work ("SOW") defines the principal activities and responsibilities of all parties for the delivery of the Motorola Solutions, Inc. ("Motorola") system as presented in this offer to the Customer(hereinafter referred to as "Customer"). For the purposes of this SOW, Motorola may include our affiliates, subcontractors, and third-party partners, as the case may be.

Deviations and changes to this SOW are subject to mutual agreement between Motorola and the Customer and will be addressed in accordance with the change provisions of the Agreement.

Unless specifically stated, Motorola work will be performed remotely. Customer will provide Motorola resources with direct network access sufficient to enable Motorola to fulfill its delivery obligations.

The number and type of software or subscription licenses, products, or services provided by or on behalf of Motorola are specifically listed in the Agreement and any reference within this SOW, as well as subcontractors' SOWs (if applicable), does not imply or convey a software or subscription license or service that is not explicitly listed in the Agreement.

# AWARD, ADMINISTRATION, AND PROJECT INITIATION

Project Initiation and Planning will begin following execution of the Agreement.

Following the conclusion of the Welcome/IT Call, Motorola project personnel will communicate additional project information via email, phone call, or additional ad- hoc meetings.

Motorola utilizes Google Meet as its teleconference tool. If Customer desires a different teleconference tool, Customer may provide a mutually agreeable alternate tool at Customer expense.

# **PROJECT MANAGEMENT TERMS**

The following project management terms are used in this SOW. Since these terms may be used differently in other settings, these definitions are provided for clarity.

**Deployment Date(s)** refers to any date or range of dates when implementation, configuration, and training will occur. The deployment date(s) is subject to change based on equipment or resource availability and Customer readiness.

# **COMPLETION CRITERIA**

Motorola Integration Services are complete upon Motorola performing the last task listed in a series of responsibilities or as specifically stated in the deployment checklist. Certain Customer tasks, such as hardware installation activities identified in Section 1.9 of this SOW, must be completed prior to Motorola commencing with its delivery obligations. Customer will provide Motorola written notification that it does not accept the completion of Motorola responsibilities or rejects a Motorola service deliverable within five business days of task completion or receipt of a deliverable, whichever may be applicable.





Service completion will be acknowledged in accordance with the terms of the Agreement and the Service Completion Date will be memorialized by Motorola and Customer in a writing signed by both parties.

# PROJECT ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OVERVIEW

### MOTOROLA PROJECT ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

A Motorola team, made up of specialized personnel, will be assigned to the project under the direction of the Motorola Project Manager. Team members will be multi-disciplinary and may fill more than one role. Team members will be engaged in different phases of the project as necessary.

In order to maximize efficiencies, Motorola's project team will provide services remotely via teleconference, web-conference, or other remote method in fulfilling its commitments as outlined in this SOW.

The personnel role descriptions noted below provide an overview of typical project team members. One or more resources of the same type may be engaged as needed throughout the project. There may be other personnel engaged in the project at the discretion of and under the direction of the Project Manager.

Motorola's project management approach has been developed and refined based on lessons learned in the execution of hundreds of system implementations. Using experienced and dedicated people, industryleading processes, and integrated software tools for effective project execution and control, we have developed and refined practices that support the design, production, and testing required to deliver a high-quality, feature-rich system.

### **Project Manager**

A Motorola Project Manager will be assigned as the principal business representative and point of contact for Motorola. The Project Manager's responsibilities include the following:

- Host the Welcome/IT Call.
- Manage the Motorola responsibilities related to the delivery of the project.
- Coordinate schedules of the assigned Motorola personnel and applicable subcontractors/supplier resources.
- Manage the Change Order process per the Agreement.
- Maintain project communications with the Customer.
- Identify and manage project risks.
- Collaborative coordination of Customer resources to minimize and avoid project delays.
- Conduct remote status meetings on mutually agreed dates to discuss project status.
- Provide timely responses to issues related to project progress.

### System Technologists

The Motorola System Technologists (ST) will work with the Customer project team on system provisioning. ST responsibilities include the following:

- Provide consultation services to the Customer regarding the provisioning and operation of the Motorola system.
- Provide provisioning and training to the Customer to set up and maintain the system.
- Complete the provisioning ownership handoff to the Customer.





- Complete the project-defined tasks as defined in this SOW.
- Confirmation that the delivered technical elements meet contracted requirements.
- Engagement throughout the duration of the delivery.

## **Technical Trainer / Instructor**

The Motorola Technical Trainer / Instructor provides training either on-site or remote (virtual) depending on the training topic and deployment type purchased. Responsibilities include:

 Review the role of the Learning eXperience Portal ("LXP") in the delivery and provide Customer Username and Access Information.

## CUSTOMER PROJECT ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OVERVIEW

The success of the project is dependent on early assignment of key Customer resources. In many cases, the Customer will provide project roles that correspond with Motorola's project roles. It is critical that these resources are empowered to make decisions based on the Customer's operational and administration needs. The Customer's project team should be engaged from project initiation through beneficial use of the system. The continued involvement in the project and use of the system will convey the required knowledge to maintain the system post-completion of the project. In some cases, one person may fill multiple project roles. The project team must be committed to participate in activities for a successful implementation. In the event the Customer is unable to provide the roles identified in this section, Motorola may be able to supplement Customer resources at an additional price.

### **Project Manager**

The Project Manager will act as the primary Customer point of contact for the duration of the project. The Project Manager is responsible for management of any third-party vendors that are the Customer's subcontractors. In the event the project involves multiple locations, Motorola will work exclusively with a single Customer-assigned Project Manager (the primary Project Manager). The Project Manager's responsibilities include the following:

- Communicate and coordinate with other project participants.
- Manage the Customer project team, including timely facilitation of efforts, tasks, and activities.
- Maintain project communications with the Motorola Project Manager.
- Identify the efforts required of Customer staff to meet the task requirements in this SOW and identified in the Welcome/IT Call.
- Consolidate all project-related questions and queries from Customer staff to present to the Motorola Project Manager.
- Approve a deployment date offered by Motorola.
- Monitor the project to ensure resources are available as required.
- Attend status meetings.
- Provide timely responses to issues related to project progress.
- Liaise and coordinate with other agencies, Customer vendors, contractors, and common carriers.
- Review and administer change control procedures, hardware and software certification, and all related project tasks required to meet the deployment date.
- Ensure Customer vendors' readiness ahead of the deployment date.
- Assign one or more personnel who will work with Motorola staff as needed for the duration of the project, including at least one Application Administrator for the system and one or more representative(s) from the IT department.



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- Identify the resource with authority to formally acknowledge and approve change orders, completion of work, and payments in a timely manner.
- Provide building access to Motorola personnel to all Customer facilities where system equipment is to be installed during the project. Temporary identification cards are to be issued to Motorola personnel, if required for access to facilities.
- Ensure remote network connectivity and access to Motorola resources.
- Provide reasonable care to prevent equipment exposure to contaminants that cause damage to the equipment or interruption of service.
- Ensure a safe work environment for Motorola personnel.
- Identify and manage project risks.
- Point of contact to work with the Motorola System Technologists to facilitate the training plan.

## **IT Support Team**

The IT Support Team (or Customer designee) manages the technical efforts and ongoing tasks and activities of their system. Manage the Customer-owned provisioning maintenance and provide required information related to LAN, WAN, wireless networks, server, and client infrastructure. They must also be familiar with connectivity to internal, external, and third-party systems to which the Motorola system will interface.

The IT Support Team responsibilities include the following:

- Participate in overall delivery and training activities to understand the software, interfaces, and functionality of the system.
- Participate with the Customer subject matter experts during the provisioning process and training.
- Authorize global provisioning choices and decisions, and be the point(s) of contact for reporting and verifying problems and maintaining provisioning.
- Obtain inputs from other user agency stakeholders related to business processes and provisioning.
- Implement changes to Customer owned and maintained infrastructure in support of the Evidence Management System installation.

### **Subject Matter Experts**

The Subject Matter Experts (SME or Super Users) are the core group of users involved with delivery analysis, training, and the provisioning process, including making global provisioning choices and decisions. These members should be experienced users in the working area(s) they represent (dispatch, patrol, etc.), and should be empowered to make decisions related to provisioning elements, workflows, and department policies related to the Evidence Management System.

### **General Customer Responsibilities**

In addition to the Customer Responsibilities stated elsewhere in this SOW, the Customer is responsible for the following:

- All Customer-provided equipment, including hardware and third-party software, necessary for delivery of the System not specifically listed as a Motorola deliverable. This will include end user workstations, network equipment, camera equipment and the like.
- Configuration, maintenance, testing, and supporting the third-party systems the Customer operates which will be interfaced to as part of this project.
- Communication between Motorola and Customer's third-party vendors, as required, to enable Motorola to perform its duties.





- Active participation of Customer SMEs in project delivery meetings and working sessions during the course of the project. Customer SMEs will possess requisite knowledge of Customer operations and legacy system(s) and possess skills and abilities to operate and manage the system.
- Electronic versions of any documentation associated with the business processes identified.
- Providing a facility with the required computer and audio-visual equipment for training and work sessions.
- Ability to participate in remote project meeting sessions using Google Meet or a mutually agreeable, Customer-provided, alternate remote conferencing solution.

# **PROJECT PLANNING**

A clear understanding of the needs and expectations of both Motorola and the Customer are critical to fostering a collaborative environment of trust and mutual respect. Project Planning requires the gathering of project-specific information in order to set clear project expectations and guidelines, and set the foundation for a successful implementation.

## WELCOME/IT CALL - TELECONFERENCE/WEB MEETING

A Project Planning Session teleconference will be scheduled after the Agreement has been executed. The agenda will include the following:

- Review the Agreement documents.
- Review project delivery requirements as described in this SOW.
- Provide shipping information for all purchased equipment.
- Discuss deployment date activities.
- Provide assigned technician information.
- Review IT questionnaire and customer infrastructure.
- Discuss which tasks will be conducted by Motorola resources.
- Discuss Customer involvement in provisioning and data gathering to confirm understanding of the scope and required time commitments.
- Review the initial project tasks and incorporate Customer feedback.
- Confirm CJIS background investigations and fingerprint requirements for Motorola employees and/or contractors. Required fingerprints will be submitted on Motorola provided FBI FD-258 Fingerprint cards.
- Review the On-line Training system role in project delivery and provide Customer User Name and Access Information.
- Discuss Motorola remote access requirements (24-hour access to a secured two-way Internet connection to the Motorola system firewalls for the purposes of deployment, maintenance, and monitoring).
- Discuss Customer obligation to manage change among the stakeholder and user communities.
- Review deployment completion criteria and the process for transitioning to support.

## **Motorola Responsibilities**

- Host Welcome/IT Call.
- Request the attendance of any additional Customer resources that are instrumental in the project's success, as needed.
- Review Motorola's delivery approach and its reliance on Customer-provided remote access.
- Provide Customers with steps to follow to register for Online Training.
- · Request user information required to establish the Customer in the LXP.





### **Customer Responsibilities**

Complete the Online Training registration form and provide it to Motorola within ten business days of the Project Planning Session.

- Review the received (as part of order) and completed IT questionnaire.
- Provide a customer point of contact for the project.
- Provide data for completing the policy validation form.
- Provide LXP user information as requested by Motorola.
- · Verify Customer Administrator(s) have access to the LXP.

## Motorola Deliverables

- Welcome Call presentation and key meeting notes
- Send an email confirming deployment date and ST assigned email
- Communicate with the Customer via email confirming shipment and tracking information.
- Instruct the Customer on How to Register for Training email.
- Provide and review the Training Plan.

# SOLUTION PROVISIONING

Solution provisioning includes the configuration of user configurable parameters (unit names, personnel, and status codes). The system will be provisioned using Motorola standard provisioning parameters and will incorporate Customer-specific provisioning.

## IN-CAR VIDEO PROVISIONING SCENARIO

If in-car video is a part of the system, the Motorola Application Specialist will complete the following provisioning tasks.

### Motorola Responsibilities

- Conduct a remote review of the standard provisioning database with the Customer prior to the start of provisioning.
- Provide and review the Provisioning Export Worksheets with the Customer.
- Conduct a conference call with the Customer to review the completeness of the Provisioning Export Worksheets prior to the start of provisioning.

## BODY WORN CAMERA PROVISIONING SCENARIO

If body worn cameras are a part of the system, the provisioning of the in-car system will generally follow the completion of the base in-car video provisioning.

### **Motorola Responsibilities**

Configure transfer stations for connectivity to the evidence management server.

- Configure devices within the evidence management system.
- Check out devices and create a test recording.





• Verify successful upload from devices after docking back into the transfer station or USB dock.

# SOFTWARE INSTALLATION

## **ON-SITE SOFTWARE INSTALLATION**

Client software will be installed on one workstations and up to 5 mobile devices to facilitate provisioning training to Customer personnel. Customer will complete software installation on the remaining workstations and cameras.

### **Motorola Responsibilities**

- Verify system readiness.
- Request client software.
- Deliver the pre-installation preparation checklist.

• Provide instruction on client software installation and install client software on one workstation and up to five mobile devices.

- Total of training overview sessions shall not exceed 4 hours.
- Provide instruction on client software deployment utility.

## **Customer Responsibilities**

- Provide and install workstation/mobile device hardware in accordance with specifications.
- Assign personnel to observe software installation training.
- Complete installation of client software on remaining workstations and mobile devices.
- · Attend onsite deployment training sufficient to enable user proficiency.
- Complete online training.

### Motorola Deliverables

- Provide a pre-installation preparation checklist.
- Provide installation guide.

• Provide training overviews on hardware/software and system administration for customers during deployment dates.

# **INFRASTRUCTURE VALIDATION**

Hardware will be installed on the network to facilitate provisioning, testing, and will be used to provide instruction to Customer personnel after the complete software installation.

## Motorola Responsibilities

- Verify that the server is properly racked and connected to the network.
- Verify that access points are properly installed and connected to the network.
- Verify that transfer stations are connected to the network and configured.

### **Customer Responsibilities**





- Verify that the server network has access to the internet for software installation and updates.
- Verify that the network routing is correct for the transfer stations and access points to communicate with the server.
- Verify that the client computers can access the server on the required ports.

#### HARDWARE INSTALLATION

Physical installation of hardware (i.e. servers, cameras, Access Points, WiFi docs, etc.) is not included in the standard scope of the solution. If a custom quote for installations is included in this purchase, Motorola will manage the subcontractor and their deliverables as part of this SOW. Customers who perform or procure their own installations assume all installation responsibilities including cost, oversight and risk.

### SYSTEM TRAINING

Motorola training consists of both computer-based (online) and instructor-led (on-site or remote). Training delivery methods vary depending on course content. Self-paced online training courses, additional live training, documentation, and resources can be accessed and registered for on the Motorola's LXP.

#### **ONLINE TRAINING**

Online training is made available to the Customer via Motorola's LXP. This subscription service provides the Customer with continual access to our library of online learning content and allows users the benefit of learning at times convenient to them. Content is added and updated on a regular basis to keep information current. This training modality allows the Customer to engage in training when convenient.

A list of available online training courses can be found in the Training Plan.

#### Motorola Responsibilities

- Designate a LXP Administrator to work with the Customer.
- Establish an accessible instance of the LXP for the Customer.
- · Organize content to align with the Customer's selected technologies.
- Create initial Customer user accounts and a single Primary Administrator account.
- During on-boarding, assist the Customer with LXP usage by providing training and job aids as needed.
- Create and maintain user role Learning Paths defined by the Customer.
- Install security patches when available.
- Provide technical support for user account and access issues, base system functionality, and Motorola Solutions-managed content.
- Monitor the Learning Subscription server. Provide support for server incidents.

#### **Customer Responsibilities**

- Provide user information for the initial creation of accounts.
- Provide network and internet connectivity for the Customer's users to access the LXP.
- The customer's primary LXP administrator should complete the following self-paced training: LXP Introduction online course (LXP0001), LXP Primary Site Administrator Overview online course (LXP0002), and LXP Group Administrator Overview (LXP0003)
- · Advise agency learners of the availability of training via the LXP.
- Ensure users complete LXP training in accordance with the Project Schedule.





- · Order and maintain subscriptions to access Motorola's LXP.
- Contact Motorola Solutions to engage Technical Support when needed.

#### Motorola Deliverables

• LXP Enable

#### **INSTRUCTOR-LED TRAINING (ONSITE AND REMOTE)**

A list of Instructor-Led and Virtual Instructor-Led courses can be found in the Training Plan.

#### Motorola Responsibilities

- Deliver User Guides and training materials in electronic .PDF format.
- Perform training in accordance with the Training Plan.
- Provide Customer with training Attendance Rosters and summarize any pertinent observations that may impact end user training.

#### **Customer Responsibilities**

- Supply classrooms with a workstation for the instructor (if Onsite) and at least one workstation for every student based on the requirements listed in the Training Plan.
- Designate training representatives who will work with the Motorola trainers in the delivery of training.
- Conduct end user training in accordance with the Project Schedule.

#### Motorola Deliverables

- Electronic versions of User Guides and training materials.
- Attendance Rosters.
- Technical Training Catalog.

#### FUNCTIONAL VALIDATION AND PROJECT CLOSURE

The objective of Functional Validation is to demonstrate the features and functions of the system in the Customer's provisioned environment. The functional demonstration may not exercise all functions of the system, if identified as not being applicable to the Customer's operations or for which the system has not been provisioned. The functional demonstration is a critical activity that must occur following the completion of provisioning.

#### Motorola Responsibilities

- Conduct a power on functional demonstration of the installed system per the deployment checklist
- Manage to resolution any documented punch list items noted on the deployment checklist.
- Provide trip report outlining all activities completed during the installation as well as outstanding follow up items
- Provide an overview of the support process and how to request support.
- Walk through support resources, web ticket entry and escalation procedures.
- Provide a customer survey upon closure of the project.

#### **Customer Responsibilities**





- Witness the functional demonstration and acknowledge its completion via signature on the deployment checklist.
- Participate in prioritizing the punch list.
- Coordinate and manage Customer action as noted in the punch list.
- Provide signatory approval on the deployment checklist providing Motorola with final acceptance.
- Complete Customer Survey.





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#### V700 BODY-WORN CAMERA SOLUTION DESCRIPTION

The V700 body-worn camera captures clear video and audio of every encounter from the user's perspective. Its continuous- operation capabilities allow constant recording, helping the user to capture every detail of each situation and create a reliable library of evidence for case-building and review. The V700 can stream live video and report real time GPS location through a built-in LTE modem, directly to the suite of CommandCentral applications.

The V700 is easy to operate, with four control buttons. Its innate Record-After-the-Fact® (RATF) technology enables the device to capture important video evidence that can be retrieved hours or days after an incident occurs, even if a recording is not triggered by the user or sensor. With RATF, officers can prioritize response to immediate threats versus manually activating their camera.



#### 1.1. Key Features of the V700

- **Detachable Battery** The V700's detachable battery allows officers to switch to a fully-charged battery if their shift goes longer than expected. Since the battery charges without being attached to the V700, the battery is kept fully charged in the dock ready for use. This feature is especially helpful for agencies that share body-worn cameras with multiple officers.
- Wireless Uploading Recordings made by the V700 are uploaded to the agency's evidence management system via LTE. Upload over WiFi will be available soon. This enables easy transfer of critical recordings to headquarters for immediate review or long-term storage.
- **Real-time Location and Video Streaming** With built-in LTE connectivity, the V700 paired with CommandCentral Aware will send location updates and stream live video to a dispatch center or Real Time Crime Center (RTCC) giving the agency a complete and accurate view of their officers for better coordination and quicker response times.
- LTE Service Ready The V700 is approved for use on Verizon and FirstNet networks in the U.S. and Bell Mobility in Canada. The V700 will ship with a pre-installed SIM from both carriers, ready for service activation upon arrival with a data plan that best suits the agency's needs. LTE service activation would be on the agency's carrier account. Motorola Solutions does not provide LTE service for the V700 camera.
- **Data Encryption** The V700 uses FIPS-140-2 compliant encryption at-rest and in-transit. This ensures recordings made by the agency's officers are secure from unauthorized access.
- **Record-After-The-Fact**® Our patented Record-After-the-Fact® technology captures footage even when the recording function is not engaged. The camera user or admin can request video footage from a specific point in the past to be uploaded to the evidence management system, hours or even days after the event occurred.
- Natural Field of View The V700 eliminates the fisheye effect from wide-angle lenses that warps video footage. Distortion correction ensures a clear and complete evidence review process. The V700's high quality, low light sensor captures an accurate depiction of recorded events, even in challenging lighting conditions.
- SmartControl Application To maximize efficiency in the field, the Motorola Solutions SmartControl app enables V700 users to preview video recordings, add or edit tags, change camera settings and view live video from the camera. The app is available for both iOS and Android phones.
- In-Field Tagging The V700 enables easy in-field event tagging. It allows officers to view event tags and save them to the appropriate category directly from the body-worn camera or via the SmartControl app.





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Auto Activation – The V700 body-worn camera(s) paired with an M500 or 4RE in-car video system(s) can form a recording group, which automatically starts recording when one of the devices begins to record. Each device can be configured to initiate a group recording using triggers like lights, sirens, doors, gun racks, and other auxiliary inputs. Up to eight V700s can form a recording group and collaborate on recordings, without a corresponding in-car video system, using similar triggers. Group recordings are uploaded and automatically linked to the evidence management system as part of one event.

#### 1.2. V700 AND IN-CAR VIDEO INTEGRATION

The V700 integrates seamlessly with the M500 or 4RE in-car video systems, capturing video of an incident from multiple vantage points. This integration includes the following features:

- **Distributed Multi-Peer Recording** Multiple V700 body-worn cameras and in-car video systems can form a recording group and based on the configuration, automatically start recording when one of the devices begins to record. Group recordings are uploaded and automatically linked to the evidence management system as part of one incident.
- Automatic Tag Pairing Recordings captured by integrated V700 body-worn cameras and in-car video systems can be uploaded to the evidence management system with the same tags. From the in-car video system's display, videos can be saved under the appropriate tag category. The tag is then automatically shared with the V700 video and uploaded as part of one incident along with the officer's name.
- Evidence Management Software When V700 body-worn cameras and in-car video systems record the same incident, the Motorola Solutions evidence management software automatically links those recordings based on officer name, date, and time overlap.
- Additional Audio Source The V700 can serve as an additional audio source when integrated with the in-car video system. The V700 also provides an additional view of the incident and inherits the event properties of the in-car video system's record, such as officer name, event category, and more, based on configuration.

#### 1.3. V700 AND APX RADIO INTEGRATION

Motorola Solutions' APX two-way radios can pair with V700 body-worn cameras to automate video capture through Bluetooth. When the APX's emergency mode button is pressed, or the ManDown feature is activated, the V700 is triggered to start recording immediately. The recording will continue until manually stopped by the officer via the start/stop button on the V700 or group in-car video system.

#### **1.4.** HOLSTER AWARE<sup>™</sup> INTEGRATION

The V700 integrates with a Holster Aware<sup>™</sup> sensor through Bluetooth. If configured, the sensor automatically prompts the V700 to record the moment the holstered equipment is drawn. The holster sensor information is stored with the V700 user profile and uploaded to the evidence management system. If the user is assigned to a different camera, the hoster sensor information will be applied to the new camera. The holster sensor allows officers to record high-stress events as they unfold, without having to sacrifice situational awareness by manually activating the V700.





#### **1.5.** DOCKING STATIONS

The V700 has three docking options:



**Transfer Station** – The Transfer Station is built for large, multi-location agencies with large numbers of V700 cameras in service at any given time. It can charge up to eight fully assembled body-worn cameras or individual batteries. The eight docking slots include an LED indication of a battery charging and upload status. While the V700 charges, the Transfer Station can automatically offload recordings from the camera to the evidence management system via an integrated 2.5Gb switch. The Transfer Station connects directly to the LAN for fast offload of recorded events to storage, while charging the body-worn camera battery. The Transfer Station supports comprehensive device management capabilities, such as camera configuration, checkout and officer assignment options; rapid checkout, kiosk, and individual camera checkout; automatic firmware and configuration updates.





**USB Base** – The USB Base charges the battery of a single V700 or standalone battery pack. The USB Base can be mounted in a vehicle or attached to a desktop or Mobile Data Computer with 12V or USB connection for power. The USB Base has LED indications for battery charging status and upload, and an ambient light sensor for optimal LED brightness control from bright sunlight to the dim interior of a patrol car. When connected to a laptop or desktop computer, the USB Base can be used to upload recordings to the evidence management system, as well as, receive firmware and configuration updates.

**Wi-Fi Base** – The Wi-Fi Base is mounted in a vehicle. It facilitates V700 upload of video evidence to the evidence management system, firmware updates, communication between V700 and in-car video system group devices and charges fully assembled V700s or individual battery packs. It has LED indications of battery charging status and upload, and an ambient light sensor for optimal LED brightness control, from bright sunlight to the dim interior of a patrol car.





#### **1.6.** MOUNTING SOLUTIONS

V700 is compatible with the entire line of V300 mounting solutions as depicted below.



Magnetic Center Shirt Mount

Tek-Lok Belt Mount

Molle Locking Mount

Shirt Clip

Heavy

Jacket Clip

Heavy Jacket Magnetic Mount



### Purchase Request Form

Division: TAPD

- Section: Patrol Division
- Date: 06/08/23

Quantity Pri	се	Type of Item	Cost
37		V700 Body Worn Camera Verizon Ready	\$47,730.00
37	\$0.00	V300/V700 Locking Molle Mount W/ BWC Box	\$0.00
37		Software Enhancements	\$0.00
37	\$255.00	Essential Service W/ Accidental Damage/Adv Repl.	\$9,435.00
5		V300 Transfer Station II	\$7,475.00
5		V300, USB Dock, D300 Desk Chgr/Upld Kit	\$975.00
37		VG700 Battery, 3.8V, 4180MAH, Removable	\$0.00
26		V300, WIFI Dock, D330 VHCL Chgr/Upld Kit	\$7,670.00
1		License, Video Manager EL On-Prim Site Key	\$1,000.00
29	\$45.00	Video Manager EL 4RE/M500 Annual Lisc/Support	\$1,305.00
		Video Manager EL, Vista/V300 Annual	
37	\$45.00	Lisc/Support	\$1,665.00
1	\$11,095.00	SVR 16 HHD RAID 6 3U 26-75 5Cal gen 4	\$11,095.00
		HD Video Manager EL On-Prem 12TB 6GB/S	
12	\$810.00	7200RPM 256MB ENT 4KN	\$9,720.00
1	\$0.00	Software, SQL Server 2016, STD, W /5 CAL	\$0.00
		Extended Warranty Rack Server (WGA00421-116,-	
		216,-117,-217)) FULL SERVICE ON SITE, 5-	
1	\$1,175.00	YEAR	\$1,175.00
		ON-SITE DEPLOYMENT,	
		TRAINING, CONFIGURATION	
		AND PROJECT	
1	\$5,000.00	MANAGEMENT	\$5,000.00
1	\$0.00	INTEGRATION VIDEOMANAGER EL WITH MOTC	\$0.00
1			\$0.00
		Invoice Number	\$0.00
		Sub total	\$104,245.00
		Shipping, handling, taxes?	\$10,278.19
		Total Expense	\$114,523.19

## Funding Source: Arkansas State Equipment Grant \$100,524.1950501-54058Motorola Solutions/WatchGurad Credit \$14,000

Vendor: Address:	Motorola Solutions 415 Century Parkway Allen, Texas 75013	
Purpose:	Body Camera Update/Expansion	
Officer :	Capt. James Atchley	
Approved:		
	Division Commander	
	(Are Bids/Justifications Attached?)	yes
Comments:	Sole Source	

### ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE WAIVING COMPETITIVE BIDDING; AUTHORIZING THE ACTING CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS, INC., FOR THE PURCHASE OF THIRTY-SEVEN WATCHGUARD BODY CAMERAS; FOR DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the Texarkana, Arkansas Police Department is requesting the Board of Directors approve the purchase of thirty-seven (37) Watchguard Body Cameras and related software, hardware, licenses, and warranties; and

WHEREAS, this request is made in order to update and expand its current body camera system; and

WHEREAS, Motorola Solutions, Inc., has submitted a proposal to upgrade and expand the Body Camera system at a total cost \$114,523.19; and

**WHEREAS,** a \$100,000 Arkansas State Equipment grant was previously awarded and is available as well as a \$14,000 Motorola Solutions/Watchguard credit; and

WHEREAS, Motorola Solutions, Inc., is the same company the City used to purchase its existing body camera system and they have the unique ability to upgrade and expand the existing system; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 14-47-138, the Board of Directors may waive the requirements of competitive bidding in exceptional situations where competitive bidding is not feasible; and

WHEREAS, it is not feasible or practicable to engage in competitive bidding because Motorola Solutions, Inc., is considered a sole source; and

WHEREAS, in consideration of and for the reasons set forth above, the Texarkana, Arkansas Police Department does request that any competitive bidding practices otherwise required by applicable statue and ordinance be waived as permitted by Ark. Code Ann. § 14-47-138 and § 2-27 of the *City of Texarkana, Arkansas, Code of Ordinances* and the purchase of the items described above be approved;

WHEREAS, the Acting City Manager and Staff recommend approval;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Board of Directors of the City of Texarkana, Arkansas:

<u>Section 1</u>: The competitive bidding practices contemplated by applicable law and ordinance are waived and the Acting City Manager is authorized to enter into any agreement with Motorola Solutions, Inc., thirty-seven (37) Watchguard Body Cameras and related software, hardware, licenses, and warranties described herein on the terms, conditions, and in an amount not to exceed \$114,523.19.

<u>Section 2</u>: This action being necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety (including the need to commence prompt acquisition and installation of said needed hardware, software and support), and a separate and distinct vote having been taken on this emergency clause, an emergency is therefore declared to exist, and this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 2023.

Allen L. Brown, Mayor

ATTEST:

Heather Soyars, City Clerk

**APPROVED:** 

Joshua L. Potter, City Attorney



### CITY OF TEXARKANA, AR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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AGENDA TITLE:	Adopt an Ordinance to rezone a parcel of land located on the Northeast corner of Grand Avenue and 37 <sup>th</sup> Street from R-3 Low-density residential to R-4 Medium-density residential. (WARD 4) (PWD-Planning) City Planner Mary Beck
	The applicant requests an emergency clause. An emergency clause requires a separate and distinct vote of the board and is valid only if there is a two-thirds vote of approval by the board. (Hdbk. Const. Amend 7)
AGENDA DATE:	July 3, 2023
ITEM TYPE:	Ordinance $\boxtimes$ Resolution $\square$ Other $\square$ :
<b>DEPARTMENT:</b>	Public Works/Planning
PREPARED BY:	Mary Beck
REQUEST:	A developer Brandon Kennedy is requesting a rezoning from R-3 Low- density residential to an R-4 Medium-density residential zone in order to build a three-section townhouse at the corner of Grand Avenue and 37 <sup>th</sup> Street for rental property. Currently the zoning requirements would only allow for a two-section townhouse as the property has less than the 15,000 feet required for three family units in that zone.
EMERGENCY CLAUSE:	An emergency clause is requested to be able to begin construction.
SUMMARY:	The Planning Commission recommendation is approval of this rezoning with no opposition voted. Because housing needs are at a premium development of residential properties is being encouraged to meet those needs.
<b>EXPENSE REQUIRED:</b>	0
AMOUNT BUDGETED:	0
APPROPRIATION REQUIRED:	0
<b>REQUIRED:</b>	
RECOMMENDED ACTION:	Adoption of a rezoning ordinance is recommended by the Planning Commission.

### ORDINANCE NO.

#### AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. K-286, AS AMENDED; FOR DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, an application to amend the Land Use Plan was filed with the Planning Commission of the City of Texarkana, Arkansas, requesting the following described land located on the Northeast corner of Grand Avenue and 37<sup>th</sup> Street, be rezoned, as applicable, from R-3 Low density residential to R-4 Medium-density residential:

ALL OF LOTS NUMBERED SEVEN (7) AND EIGHT (8) IN BLOCK NUMBERED TEN (10) OF COUNTY AVENUE COLLGE HEIGHTS 1<sup>ST</sup> ADDITION TO THE CITY OF TEXARKANA, MILLER COUNTY, ARKANSAS

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission, after public hearing, has approved said application and recommended that the Board of Directors of the City of Texarkana, Arkansas, adopt the ordinance affecting said rezoning request; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Board of Directors of the City of Texarkana, Arkansas that:

<u>Section 1.</u> Ordinance No. K-286, as amended, should be amended to rezone the above-described property in the City of Texarkana, Arkansas, from R-3 Low density residential to R-4 Medium-density residential. This is solely a rezoning and no other action, conveyance, or release of interest.

Section 2. This action being necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety, and a separate and distinct vote having been taken on this emergency clause, an emergency is therefore declared to exist, and this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 2023.

Allen L. Brown, Mayor

ATTEST:

Heather Soyars, City Clerk

**APPROVED:** 

Joshua L. Potter, City Attorney

IRS DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE CINCINNATI OH 45999-0023

> KRE HOLDINGS LLC BRANDON K KENNEDY SOLE MBR 24 HEATHER RDG TEXARKANA, AR 71854

Date of this notice: 06-18-2013 Employer Identification Number: 46-2989387 Form: SS-4 Number of this notice: CP 575 G

For assistance you may call us at: 1-800-829-4933

## IF YOU WRITE, ATTACH THE STUB AT THE END OF THIS NOTICE.

## WE ASSIGNED YOU AN EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

Thank you for applying for an Employer Identification Number (EIN). We assigned you EIN 46-2989387. This EIN will identify you, your business accounts, tax returns, and documents, even if you have no employees. Please keep this notice in your permanent records.

When filing tax documents, payments, and related correspondence, it is very important that you use your EIN and complete name and address exactly as shown above. Any variation may cause a delay in processing, result in incorrect information in your account, or even cause you to be assigned more than one EIN. If the information is not correct as shown above, please make the correction using the attached tear off stub and return it to us.

A limited liability company (LLC) may file Form 8832, Entity Classification Election, and elect to be classified as an association taxable as a corporation. If the LLC is eligible to be treated as a corporation that meets certain tests and it will be electing S corporation status, it must timely file Form 2553, Election by a Small Business Corporation. The LLC will be treated as a corporation as of the effective date of the S corporation election and does not need to file Form 8832.

To obtain tax forms and publications, including those referenced in this notice, visit our Web site at www.irs.gov. If you do not have access to the Internet, call 1-800-829-3676 (TTY/TDD 1-800-829-4059) or visit your local IRS office.

## IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

- \* Keep a copy of this notice in your permanent records. This notice is issued only one time and the IRS will not be able to generate a duplicate copy for you. You may give a copy of this document to anyone asking for proof of your EIN.
- \* Use this EIN and your name exactly as they appear at the top of this notice on all your federal tax forms.
- \* Refer to this EIN on your tax-related correspondence and documents.

If you have questions about your EIN, you can call us at the phone number or write to us at the address shown at the top of this notice. If you write, please tear off the stub at the bottom of this notice and send it along with your letter. If you do not need to write us, do not complete and return the stub.

Your name control associated with this EIN is KREH. You will need to provide this information, along with your EIN, if you file your returns electronically.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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#### WARRANTY DEED (CORPORATION)

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That FENIX INDUSTRIES, INC., AN ARKANSAS CORPORATION, hereafter called Grantor(s), for and in consideration of the sum of TEN Dollars (\$10.00) and other good and valuable consideration to us in hand paid by KRE HOLDINGS, LLC, hereafter called Grantee(s), receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, do hereby grant, bargain, sell and convey unto Grantee(s), and unto his/her/their/its heirs, successors and/or assigns forever, the following lands lying in the County of Miller and State of Arkansas:

#### ALL OF LOTS NUMBERED SEVEN (7) AND EIGHT (8) IN BLOCK NUMBERED TEN (10) OF COUNTY AVENUE COLLEGE HEIGHTS 1<sup>ST</sup> ADDITION TO THE CITY OF TEXARKANA, MILLER COUNTY, ARKANSAS

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the same unto Grantee(s) and unto his/her/their/its heirs, successors and/or assigns forever, with all appurtenances thereunto belonging.

AND GRANTOR(S) hereby covenant with Grantee(s) and unto his/her/their/its heirs, successors and/or assigns forever, that they will forever warrant and defend the title to said lands against all lawful claims whatever, subject to existing easements, building lines, restrictions and assessments of record, if any.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, the name of the Grantor is hereunto affixed by its (Title) and its seal affixed this 4 day of an 107 2023.

FENIX INDUSTRIES, INC., AN ARKANSAS CORPORATION

By: Name: TE ENTU Title: PRESIDENT

I hereby certify under penalty of false swearing that documentary stamps or a documentary symbol in the legally correct amount has been placed on this instrument. Exempt or no consideration paid if none shown.

GRANTEE(S) OR AGENT:

**GRANTEE'S ADDRESS:** 

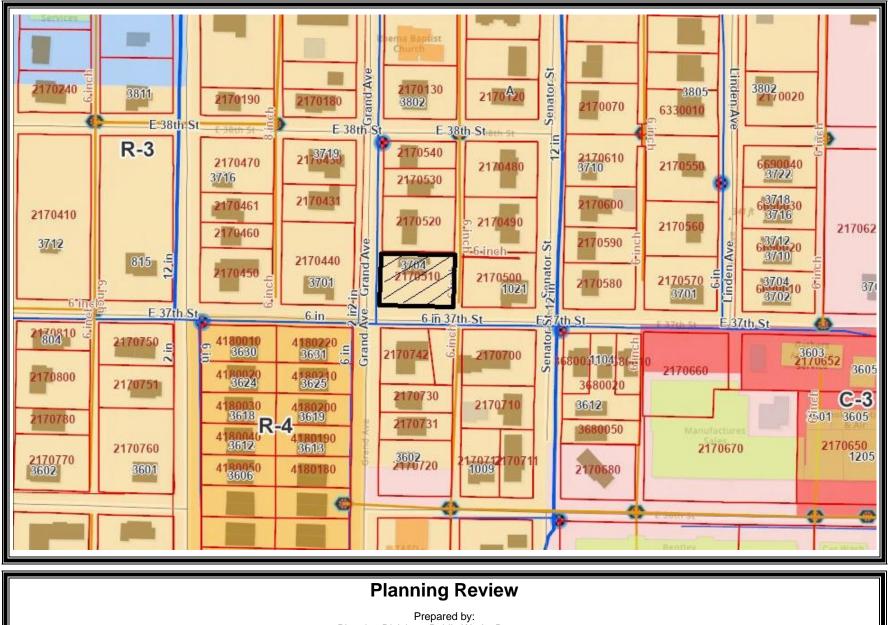
STATE OF COUNTY OF

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

BE IT REMEMBERED that on this day came before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public within and for the -County and State aforesaid. duly commissioned and acting, (Name,), to me well known (or satisfactorily proven to be), who VINI stated they were the 000 Lut (Title) of FENIX INDUSTRIES, INC., AN ARKANSAS CORPORATION, and were duly authorized in his/her respective capacity to execute the foregoing instrument for and in the name and on behalf of said entity, and further stated and acknowledged that they had so signed, executed and delivered the foregoing instrument for the consideration and purposes therein mentioned and set forth.

WITNESS my hand and seal as such Notary Public this day of 2023. Notary Public KRYSTAL RICHARDSON TATE OF MY COMMISSION # 12704605 NOTARY EXPIRES: June 6, 2028 PUSLIC Miller County

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Planning Division - Public Works Department

City of Texarkana, Arkansas



CITY OF TEXARKANA, ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS 216 WALNUT STREET 71854-6024 PO BOX 2711 – TEXARKANA, ARKANSAS 75504-2711 PHONE (870) 779-4971 – FAX (870) 773-2395

### **MEMORANDUM**

- TO: TyRhonda Henderson, Acting City Manager
- **FROM:** Mary Beck, City Planner
- **DATE:** June 14, 2023

**SUBJECT:** Board of Directors Agenda item for July 3, 2023 – Request by Brandon Kennedy, KRE Holdings, LLC, 3413 East Broad Street, Texarkana, AR 71854-9345, in order to rezone from R-3 Low-density residential to R-4 Medium density residential in order to build townhouses. The location of the property is the corner of Grand Avenue and E. 37<sup>th</sup> Street.

#### LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

The property is legally described as Lots 7 & 8, Block 10, COUNTY AVENUE COLLEGE HEIGHTS 1<sup>ST</sup> SUBDIVISION, Texarkana, Miller County, Arkansas, and contains .3 acres more or less.

#### **REASON FOR REQUEST:**

The planned construction of income producing rental property in the current zoning would allow for two-dwelling units whereas the rezoning would allow for three townhouses instead of two.

EXISTING LAND USES:	East	vacant residential lot single-family dwelling single-family dwelling single-family dwelling single-family dwelling
EXISTING ZONING:	Site: North: South: East: West:	R-3 Low-density residential R-3 Low-density residential R-3 Low-density residential R-3 Low-density residential R-3 Low-density residential

COMPATIBILITY WITH EXISTING ZONING:

The 1988 Long term comprehensive plan recommends single-family land use in this area and the majority of the surrounding areas. The majority of the zoning is R-3 Low-density residential and R-4 Medium-density residential that both allow for development of duplexes and townhomes. The requested R-4 zoning is a slightly higher density requiring only 4000 sq. ft. per family instead of the 5,000 sq. ft. required by the current R-3 zone. With many vacant lots in the City where spot blight housing has been demolished development such as these townhouses have room to be constructed to fill the need for low and medium cost rental units that are in high demand. With adequate infrastructure in place to serve the property and similar surrounding land usage, no conflicts are anticipated.

								Setback	(S			
Zoning		Lot Area	Lot Area	Lot Width At	Lot	Fror	In	Side Exterior Lot		Rear	Maxim Height	
District	Use	(Square Feet)	Per Family	Building Line	Coverage Max. %	Front Yard	Interior	Backing Up To Side Yard	Backing Up To Rear Yard	Yard>	Stories	Feet
R-3	Townhouses	5,000°	5,000°	22 <sup>d</sup>	40	25	5 <sup>e</sup>	25	10	25	3	36
R-4	Townhouses	4,000°	4,000°	22 <sup>d</sup>	60	25	5 <sup>e</sup>	25	10	20	3	36

#### **UTILITIES & TRANSPORTATION NETWORK:**

Local :	Grand Avenue 37 <sup>th</sup> Street
Collector:	none
Arterial:	none
Water:	6" in Grand Avenue
Sewer:	6" in alley
Fire hydrant:	E. 37 <sup>th</sup> Street & Senator Street
	approximately 200' from the property

#### CONFORMANCE WITH APPLICABLE ORDINANCES AND/OR STATE STATUTES:

The *Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated (14-56-422B)* requires the following – "All plans, recommended ordinances, and regulations shall be adopted through the following procedure for adoption of plans and regulations:

(A) The Planning Commission shall hold a public hearing on the plans, ordinances, and regulations proposed under this subchapter.

(B) Notice of public hearing shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the city, at least (1) time fifteen days prior to the hearing.

(2) Following the public hearing, proposed plans may be adopted, and proposed ordinance and regulations may be recommended as presented, or in modified form, by a majority vote of the entire commission.

(3) Following it adoption of plans and recommendation of ordinances and regulations, the commission shall certify adopted plans of recommended ordinances of and regulations to the legislative body of the city for its adoption.

(4) The legislative body of the city may return the plans and recommended ordinances and regulations to the commission for further study or rectification, or, by a majority vote of the entire membership, may, by ordinance or resolution, adopt the plans and recommended ordinances or regulations submitted by the commission. However, noting in this subchapter shall be construed to limit the city board's authority to recall the ordinances and resolutions by a vote of a majority of the council.

(5) Following adoption by the legislative body, the adopted plans, ordinances, and regulations shall be filed in the office of the City Clerk. The City Clerk shall file, with the county recorder of the counties in which territorial jurisdiction is being exercised such plans, ordinances, and regulations as pertain to the territory beyond the corporate limits.

The required notice was published in the Sunday, May 28, 2023, edition of the Texarkana Gazette. The City notified twenty-seven (27) property owners by regular postal mail within three hundred feet (300') as required by the Texarkana, Arkansas Code of Ordinances.

#### **OPPOSITION:**

None to date.

#### PLANNING COMMISSION CERTIFICATION:

The Planning Commission met on June 13, 2023, and on a motion by Mr. Adger Smith, seconded by Mr. Mike Jones to approved passed 7-0 without opposition. All commissioners were present.

Anderson Neal	Yes
Mike Jones	Yes
Boots Thomas	Yes
Adger Smith	Yes
Bertha Dunn	Yes
Jason Dupree	Yes
Randall Hickerson	Yes

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS ACTION REQUESTED:**

Consider the recommendation for approval of the Planning Commission to adopt an ordinance to change zoning from R-3 Low-density residential to R-4 Medium-density residential zoning on the parcel located on the NE corner of Grand Avenue and 37<sup>th</sup> Street. *The Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated* requires every ordinance to be read three times before adoption. These three readings may all occur at the same meeting or at the second and third subsequent meetings after the first reading of the ordinance.



### CITY OF TEXARKANA, AR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

AGENDA TITLE:	Adopt an Ordinance to approve the City of Texarkana, Arkansas, Comprehensive Plan. (PWD-Planning) City Planner Mary Beck	
AGENDA DATE:	July 3, 2023	
ITEM TYPE:	Ordinance $\boxtimes$ Resolution $\square$ Other $\square$ :	
<b>DEPARTMENT:</b>	Public Works/Planning	
PREPARED BY:	Mary Beck	
<b>REQUEST:</b>	Adopt the comprehensive plan prepared by Garver, planning professionals, by ordinance.	
EMERGENCY CLAUSE:	N/A	
SUMMARY:	A planning document is required by the State of Arkansas for municipalities "related to safety, morals, order, convenience, prosperity, and general welfare of citizens" quoted from a summary of A.C.A. 14-56-401-426.	
	Requirements include:	
	A Master Street Plan	
	A Land Use Plan	
	A Community Facilities Plan	
	Considerations include territorial jurisdiction one mile beyond the City limits	
	Home types	

<b>EXPENSE REQUIRED:</b>	0
AMOUNT BUDGETED:	0
APPROPRIATION REQUIRED:	0
<b>RECOMMENDED</b> ACTION:	Adopt an ordinance.
EXHIBITS:	Ordinance, summary of Arkansas State Statute requiring a plan, and a copy of the draft consolidated plan.

### ORDINANCE NO.

#### AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE CITY OF TEXARKANA, ARKANSAS COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, a planning document is required by the State of Arkansas for municipalities "related to safety, morals, order, convenience, prosperity, and general welfare of citizens" (A.C.A. 14-56-401to 406); and

WHEREAS, Garver, LLC., who the City previously hired to prepare an updated, modern comprehensive plan, has submitted the attached plan for approval; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Board of Directors of the City of Texarkana, Arkansas, that the Comprehensive Plan, which is attached hereto and made part hereof as though set out in full, is hereby approved.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 2023.

Allen L. Brown, Mayor

ATTEST:

Heather Soyars, City Clerk

**APPROVED:** 

Joshua L. Potter, City Attorney

#### Summary of A.C.A. 14-56-401 – 426

#### Arkansas Code/Local Government/Municipal Government/ Municipal Building and Zoning Regulations - Planning

#### **Purpose:**

Plans should promote both present and projected needs related to safety, morals, order, convenience, prosperity, and general welfare of citizens thru coordinated, adjusted and harmonious development.

Plans should provide for:

- 1) Efficiency and economy of the process of development
- 2) Appropriate and best use of land
- 3) Convenience of traffic and circulation of people and goods
- 4) Safety from fire and other dangers
- 5) Adequate light and air in the use and occupancy of buildings
- 6) Healthful and convenient distribution of population
- 7) Good civic design and arrangement
- 8) Adequate public utilities and facilities
- 9) Wise and efficient expenditure of funds

#### **Requirements:**

- 1) Shall prepare a **Planning Area Map** showing location of streets, public ways, public property and boundaries of the area, including territorial jurisdiction, for which it will prepare plans, ordinances and regulations. This is to be filed with the city clerk and county recorder.
- Shall conduct Comprehensive Studies of present conditions as well as probable growth of the municipality and its neighboring territory. To be conducted after preparation of the Planning Area Map but before the Plan.
- 3) May prepare Plans of Area for all, or any portion of, the area encompassed by the map to consist of maps, plats, charts, diagrams, necessary documents and descriptive matter: Plan of Area may include but not limited to:

#### a. Master street plan

- i. Designate the general location, characteristics and functions of streets and highways
- ii. Locations of streets and highways to be reserved for future acquisition
- iii. Provide for the removal, relocation, widening, narrowing, vacating, abandonment, change of use or extension of any public ways

Following filing of a master street plan, regulations regarding the development of land should be enacted to include:

- i. Provision of access to lots and parcels
- ii. Extension or provision of utilities
- iii. Subdividing land into lots and blocks
- iv. Parceling of land
- v. Procedure for plat approval

May include:

- i. Minimum requirements regarding information to be provided on the plat
- ii. Design and layout of subdivisions
- iii. Standards for improvements to be installed by developer
  - a. Grading and pavement
  - b. Curbs, gutters and sidewalks
  - c. Water, storm and sewer mains
  - d. Lighting
- iv. The reservation for future acquisition of land for public or community use
- v. Established set backs
- vi. Control of entry onto major street and highways

#### b. Land use plan

- i. The preservation or reservation of open spaces
- ii. Preservation of natural and historical features, sites and monuments
- iii. Existing uses to be retained without change
- iv. Existing uses proposed for change
- v. Areas of new development
- vi. Areas of redevelopment, rehabilitation, renewal or similar programs

Following filing of a land use plan, a zoning ordinance consisting of the following should be submitted:

Shall include:

- i. Both text and maps
- ii. Provisions for administration and enforcement
- iii. Designate districts or zones of such shape, size and characteristics as deemed advisable
- iv. Allow for uniform regulations in all districts
- v. Allow and regulate home-based work
- vi. Allow for a Board of Adjustments

#### May include:

- i. Location, height, bulk, number of stories and size of buildings, open space, lot coverage, density, distribution of population
- ii. Off street parking and loading requirements
- iii. Districts, of compatible uses, for large scale unified development, for eliminate of uses not in conformance with the ordinance and for matters necessary for the health, safety and general welfare of the public.

#### c. Community facilities plan

- i. Facilities such as schools, playgrounds, recreational areas, hospitals, special education facilities and cultural facilities
- ii. Governmental buildings and areas
- iii. Public and private utility terminals and lines
- iv. Transportation terminals and lines
- v. Areas to be reserved for future public acquisition or use

Territorial jurisdiction is one mile beyond corporate limits.

#### **Considerations:**

#### 1) Mobile and Manufactured Homes:

- a. Definition: "Manufactured home" means a dwelling unit constructed in a factory in accordance with the federal standards and meeting the definitions set forth in the federal standards and under § 20-25-102. "Mobile home" means a dwelling unit constructed in a factory before the enactment of the federal standards
- b. Shall allow the placement of manufactured homes on individually owned lots in at least one (1) or more residential zones.
- c. May prohibit the placement of mobile homes in all residential zones or restrict the placement to designated mobile home parks, subdivisions or land-lease communities

#### 2) Family Homes I & II:

- a. "Family Home I" means a community-based residential home licensed by the division that provides room and board, personal care, habilitation services, and supervision in a single-family environment for not more than eight (8) developmentally disabled persons. "Family Home II" means a community-based residential home licensed by the division that provides room and board, personal care, habilitation services, and supervision in a multifamily environment for more than eight (8) but fewer than sixteen (16) developmentally disabled persons;
- b. A Family Home I and II are residential uses of property for the purposes of zoning and shall be treated as permitted uses in all residential zones or districts.

## JUNE 2023 COMPREHENSIVE GROWTH PLAN TEXARKANA ARKANSAS

A FUTURE VISION FOR THE CITY OF TEXARKANA, ARKANSAS



TEXARKANA, ARKANSAS

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## TEXARKA

## 2040 Comprehensive Growth Plan Texarkana, AR

INTRODUCTION TO THE COMPREHENSIVE GROWTH PLAN

#### 2040 Texarkana, Arkansas Comprehensive Plan

In February 2022, the City of Texarkana, Arkansas, began the process to create the 2040 Texarkana, AR Comprehensive Plan as an update of its previous Comprehensive Plan created in 1988. This Plan articulates a vision for the community and identifies how development, mobility, housing, public services, and character interrelate and will guide Texarkana's bright future. The plan drafting process has engaged residents, elected, and appointed officials, community leaders and stakeholders, and others.

This document contains the Comprehensive Plan for Texarkana, Arkansas.

#### WHAT IS THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN?

The Comprehensive Plan is not a legal document. Rather, it is an official guide adopted by the city for orderly management of growth. The Plan includes recommendations directly addressing specific challenges the city currently faces. Divided into key sections, the Comprehensive Plan is developed through a process of city-specific demographic research, community-wide input and evaluation, a careful assimilation of various opportunities, and challenges related to the future growth and development of the city.



The Comprehensive Plan serves all citizens and property owners within the city and city's planning area as well as others who may have a stake in the future of the Texarkana, Arkansas. The plan serves as an official policy statement of the City of Texarkana for directing growth and development within its city limits and planning area. A steering and advisory committee directed the preparation of the plan throughout the preliminary phase, which included careful study of the community. Areas of analysis include Texarkana's history, demographics, projected population, topography, utility capacity, transportation systems (mobility), existing infrastructure, and surrounding land use. The plan will help guide the decisions of both the Planning Commission and Board of Directors during the next planning period of approximately 20 years.



The Comprehensive Plan provides a broad guideline for orderly growth and development. It is not meant to direct land use arrangement precisely nor is it a zoning ordinance. It serves as an instrument to blend public and private interests to best suit the entire community. Citizens and business interests may consider the plan as a reference guide for the City of Texarkana, Arkansas. This is a living document and over time will need to be updated to meet new challenges and growth issues as the need arises.

Planning should be based on sound development principles. The land usage areas depicted on the future land use map are created according to long-term community needs, not short-term individual gains. While the plan is flexible and modification of land uses will occur over time, changes and modifications should always be amended through the lens of community good and en-betterment.

#### WHY PLAN NOW?

Cities are vessels of wealth and economic growth. They are subject to fluctuations in the state economy as well as positive or detrimental events in the national economy. Individuals want and expect different amenities and services from their cities, and many communities are grappling with how to meet their citizens' expectations and create a higher quality of life for their residents. Texarkana has already seen its landscape change because of these factors. Adopting a Comprehensive Plan now requires an objective assessment of the city as it is and an envisioning of what it can become. Resilient communities embark on this in-depth process and planning for the future must not commence at the arrival of local or national economic shocks. Undertaking a Comprehensive Plan is to prepare the way for Texarkana's best and plan for the worst.

#### PLANNING PROCESS TIMELINE

The diagram below depicts the process for developing the Comprehensive Plan.



## Comprehensive Plan: Authority and Jurisdiction

#### AUTHORITY

The purpose of the Comprehensive Plan is consistent with the provisions of Arkansas Codes, Annotated (A.C.A.), §14-56-403. This section requires that plans of a municipality be "... prepared in order to promote, in accordance with present and future needs, the safety, morals, order, convenience, and general welfare of the citizens." The statutes further state that plans may provide for, among other things, the following

- Efficiency and economy in the process of development
- The appropriate and best use of land
- Convenience of traffic and circulation of people and goods
- Safety from fire and other dangers
- Adequate light and air in the use and occupancy of buildings
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#### PLANNING AREA JURISDICTION

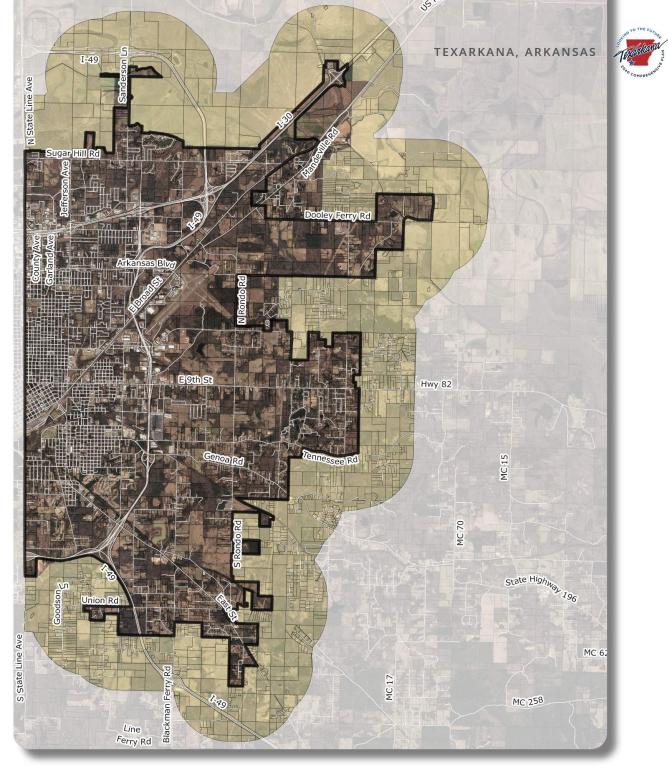
The Texarkana, Arkansas Planning Area Boundary appears in graphic form on the following map. The Planning Area Map was prepared in accordance with statutes found in the Arkansas Codes, Annotated § 14-56-413. The Planning Area Boundary includes those lands within the territorial jurisdiction of Texarkana for which it may prepare plans, ordinances, and regulations. This area extends beyond the city limits to include those areas most likely to become a part of the city in the future. The City of Texarkana, in accordance with A.C.A. § 14-56-422, is required to file the plans, ordinances, and regulations as they pertain to the territory beyond the corporate limits with the county recorder of Miller County.

The Planning Area Boundary comprises those areas surrounding the city that may likely grow to become part of Texarkana in the future.

#### COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Community outreach is an important part of the development of 2040 Texarkana Comprehensive Plan. Early in the plan process, we asked the community about the challenges facing Texarkana, Arkansas and the ways those challenges can be addressed. The community outreach summary contains an overview of the responses we received throughout the planning process.





TEXARKANA, AR PLANNING AREA BOUNDARY

The following events and forms of outreach have been held.

- Steering and Advisory Committee Workshops
- Key Person Interviews
- Stakeholder and Student Group Discussions
- Interactive Polls
- Public Website & Online Website Feedback Form

- Visioning Workshop
- City Staff Committee meetings
- Public Input Survey
- Final Public Input Meeting



HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE PROVIDES AN UNDERSTANDING OF A COMMUNITY AND HELPS TO SHAPE THE FOUNDATION OF A PLANNING PROCESS. THE PHYSICAL AND DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS OF TEXARKANA, ARKANSAS INFORM HOW PEOPLE LIVE AND WORK. UNDERSTANDING THE COMMUNITY'S CHARACTERISTICS, HISTORY, AND VALUES HELPS TO FRAME THE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE PLAN. THIS REPORT PROVIDES AN OVERVIEW OF A BRIEF HISTORIC AND EXISTING CONTEXT.

#### HISTORY

Before the European Settlement establishment, several native Indian groups, known as the Caddo Indians on the Great Southwest Trail, held permanent households, and farmed in the Texarkana area for over 1,000 years. The last of the Caddo settlements were abandoned by the end of the 18th century. By 1840, new European settlers came into the area and eventually established a settlement that paved the way for Texarkana becoming a town site on the Texas and Pacifc Railroad. As white settlers continued to move in from the east and settle the area, slaves were brought in, and Native Americans were pushed out. The area was rural and agrarian, home to farms of all sizes incorporating slavery in varying degrees. In Lafayette County, Arkansas (portions of which became modern-day Miller County in 1874), 39% of the total population were slaves in 1850, which decreased to 33% in 1860.

U.S. Courthouse and Post Office in Texarkana (Photo by John Gill) Modern Era (1968 - the Present)

Texarkana was formally founded in the interim when the Texas and Pacific railroad sold the first town lots on December 8, 1873.

In the late 1850s, the builders of the Cairo and Fulton Railroad laid tracks in Arkansas, completing the railway to the Texas border in 1873. At the place where they would meet the Texas and Pacific Railroad (running east/west), a town site was established on December 8, 1873, selling town lots. The first lot was sold to J. W. Davis and today is the site of the Hotel McCartney across from Union Station.



Broad Street (Photo Courtesy of the Butler Center for Arkansas Studies, Central Arkansas Library System) Civil War through Reconstruction (1861-1874)

TEXARKANA, ARKANSAS

Map of Texarkana, Arkansas, and Texas (Photo Courtesy of Library of Congress Prints and Photographs Division) Post Reconstruction through the Glided Age (1875-1900)

Texarkana, Texas was granted a charter on June 12, 1874. In 1880, twenty-one citizens met and petitioned to incorporate Texarkana, Arkansas. The city was granted a charter on August 10, 1880, by County Judge H. W. Edwards. On November 12, 1880, the city government was established, and H. W. Beidler was elected mayor. Throughout the 1880s, schools and churches were established in Texarkana, including a school for African Americans on the Texas side that was established in 1885, the same year ragtime legend Scott Joplin left Texarkana to pursue a career in music.

Regarding employment and economy, Texarkana, Arkansas, and Texas are generally viewed as one economic area. There is one chamber of Commerce organization that serves both cities. The State of Texas does not assess a state income tax. While there is state income tax in Arkansas, special legislation allows the residents of Texarkana, Arkansas, exemption from income tax. State Line Avenue, the main street, was intentionally designed to lie on the dividing line between the two states. Texarkana, Texas and Texarkana, Arkansas have separate local governments serving each City. While there are joint operations of water and sewer facilities and the justice center, each City maintains its police and fire departments, parks, and sanitation departments.



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PERSPECTIVE MAP OF.



# Local and Regional Plans and Reports

#### CONTEXT AND TRENDS

The comprehensive plan is important because it serves as the framework for future vision of the community. Texarkana, Arkansas's most recent comprehensive plan was adopted in 1989 and touched on various topics on land use. transportation, housing, and parks; important topics still relevant today. Over the last forty years, the city has experienced growth and changes that have impacted development within the city and region. Local and region-wide plans have also informed development and growth within Texarkana, Arkansas, and the surrounding region. The Local and Regional Plans summary provides a general overview of the latest plans and reports which have impacted, or will impact, the city and region.

#### 1989 TEXARKANA, ARKANSAS

#### COMPREHENSIVE PLAN (LOCAL)

The previous Texarkana, Arkansas comprehensive plan began with an endorsement from the Board of Directors in August of 1988 and was adopted in 1989. The plan included strategies for housing, industry expansion, urban growth, and expansion of the open space and the transportation system. The Comprehensive plan included a two-page document with a land-use map with public facilities, transportation roadways, and other areas.

#### 2014 THE CITY OF TEXARKANA, ARKANSAS HOUSING PLAN (LOCAL)

The City of Texarkana produced a five-year plan addressed to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) related to standard public housing updates and assessments that included how many units are managed and owned by the city. A further report on housing called the Texarkana, Arkansas Assessment of Fair Housing was conducted in 2022.

#### 2015-2020 CITY OF TEXARKANA, ARKANSAS PARKS AND RECREATION PLAN (LOCAL)

The five-year Parks and Recreation Plan completed by the City of Texarkana, Arkansas, is a document that details the available facilities and programs for citizens of the city and surrounding area. The Parks and Recreation plan is utilized as an assessment tool that is helpful for planning future parks and recreation development and opportunities.

## 2022 STATELINE AVENUE CORRIDOR STUDY (LOCAL)

The US 71/Stateline Avenue Corridor Study evaluates the need for, and feasibility of, improvements to enhance safety and efficiency of the 3.25-mile Stateline Avenue corridor for all modes of transportation. Stateline Avenue is the key north/ south highway in Bowie and Miller Counties. The Corridor Study provides a vision for the future of the corridor, evaluates the economic development potential, transit facility feasibility, general aesthetics, traffic operations, and other aspects of Stateline Avenue.



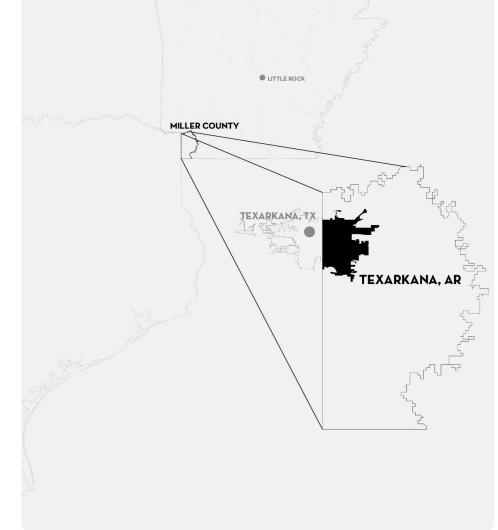
Scott Joplin of Texarkana, AR Mural (photo by Eric Ethridge)

#### 2018 TEXARKANA MPO ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION MASTER PLAN (REGIONAL)

The Texarkana Metropolitan Planning Organization (TMPO) produced the 2018 Active Transportation Plan provides a unified vision for bicycle and pedestrian investments and analysis that shows the need for accessibility, connectivity, and mobility through the Texarkana Metropolitan area. This plan focuses on providing connected and accessible regional facilities.

#### 2018 TEXARKANA, TEXAS COMPREHENSIVE PLAN-RENEW TEXARKANA (REGIONAL, NOT DIRECTLY RELATED TO TEXARKANA, ARKANSAS)

Renew Texarkana is the updated comprehensive plan for Texarkana, Texas that was completed in 2018. The comprehensive plan for Texarkana, Texas is like this process for provides existing conditions, analyzes constrains and opportunities, and develops a roadmap for the next 20 years for the neighboring city. Texarkana, Texas, and Arkansas both are separate by State lines that divides Arkansas and Texas but together they are called "Texarkana, USA" regional facilities.



#### TEXARKANA REGIONAL MAP

#### TEXARKANA, ARKANSAS IN CONTEXT

The city of Texarkana, Arkansas is located 143 miles southwest of Little Rock, 72 miles north of Shreveport, Louisiana, 184 miles south of Fort Smith, AR and 180 miles northeast of Dallas. Texarkana is the county seat of Miller County near the southwest border of the state. The city was founded at a railroad intersection on December 8, 1873, and was incorporated in Arkansas on August 10, 1880. Texarkana, Arkansas, and its counterpart Texarkana, Texas are the primary major cities of the Texarkana Metropolitan Area.

The city's most prominent waterway is Nix Creek, a southwest-flowing tributary of Days Creek, part of the Sulphur River watershed leading to the Red River. Two major interstate highways converge here: Interstate 30 (I-30) and Interstate 49 (I-49). The city has long been a trading center, historically originating at the intersection of major railroads serving Texas, Arkansas, and north into Missouri.

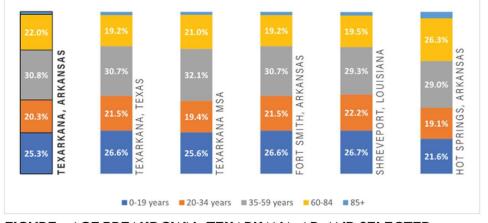
Texarkana is home to the University of Arkansas Hope-Texarkana (UAHT). One of the major employers in Texarkana, Arkansas is Cooper Tire and Rubber with over 1,750 employees.



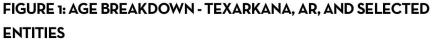
## Texarkana Trends

#### POPULATION

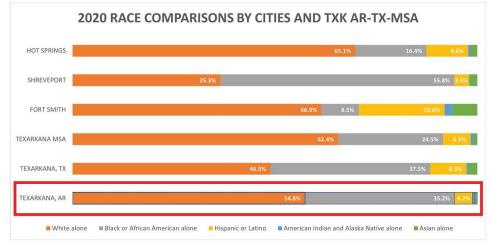
Source: 2020 Decennial Census, U.S. Census Bureau



The largest age cohort for the city is the age range of 30-58 years old at 38%, followed by the age range from 0-19 years old at 25.3%. **The median age in Texarkana, Arkansas, is 39.5 years**, with 37.5 years for the male population and 40.9 years for the female population, as shown in Figure 1.



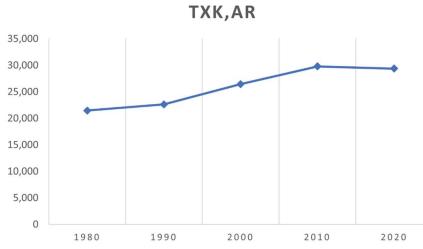
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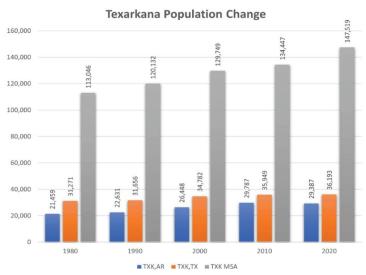
## FIGURE2: RACE POPULATION COMPARISON - TEXARKANA, AR AND SELECTED ENTITIES

The racial makeup for Texarkana, Arkansas, is 54.8% White (Non-Hispanic), 35.2% Black or African American (Non-Hispanic), 1.64% White (Hispanic), 1.3% Two+ (Non-Hispanic), and 1% Other (Hispanic) are displayed in Figure 2. White residents make up a majority of the population in Texarkana, Arkansas, at 54.8%, which is similar to each of the selected entities except Shreveport, Louisiana. Shreveport has a majority of black residents at 55.8%, as shown in Figure 2. The second majority population in Texarkana. Arkansas. consists of Black or African American (Non-Hispanic) at **33.5%.** The remaining population includes both Hispanic or Latino residents and a population of two or more races at **4.2%.** The U.S. Census considers Hispanic an ethnicity, so those individuals who categorize themselves as Hispanic may also identify with another racial group.





#### Source: 2020 Decennial Census, U.S. Census Bureau FIGURE 3: POPULATION GROWTH - TEXARKANA AR



Source: 2020 Decennial Census, U.S. Census Bureau

FIGURE 4: POPULATION CHANGE - TEXARKANA, AR, TEXARKANA, TX, AND THE TEXARKANA METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA (MSA)

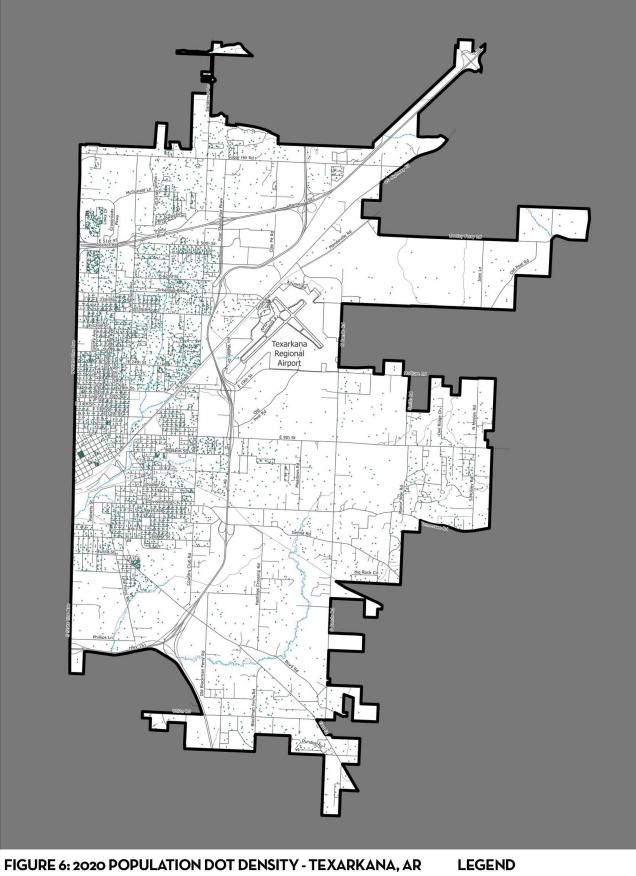


Source: 2019. American Community Survey, U.S. Census Bureau

FIGURE 5: POPULATION BY GENDER - TEXARKANA, AR

## The City of Texarkana's residential population experienced a slight decrease from 2010 to

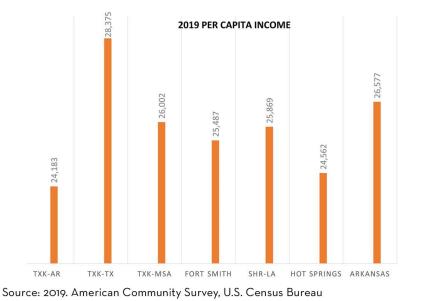
**2020.** The city has experienced varied rates of growth over its history. From the 1980s- 2010, the city of Texarkana experienced a steady increase in the population, as shown in Figure 3. From 2010 to 2020, the city's population declined by approximately -1.0%, losing almost 400 residents. **As of the 2020 United States Census, Texarkana, Arkansas, has a population of 29,387, as shown in Figure 3.** 



1 DOT = 1 PERSON



#### INCOME



According to the 2000 census, the per capita income in Texarkana, Arkansas, was \$17,130. In 2019, the per capita income of Texarkana, Arkansas, increased by \$7,053, making it \$24,183. **The per capita income of Texarkana, Arkansas remains lower than the state average of \$26,577 and lower than the 2020 national average of \$63,416**. Local incomes should be considered when planning for housing and economic development. Incomes partially determine the cost of living (along with housing prices and other costs).

The income demographics shown depict

several measures related to income per capita, household, and family income.

#### FIGURE 7: PER CAPITA INCOME - TEXARKANA, AR AND SELECTED

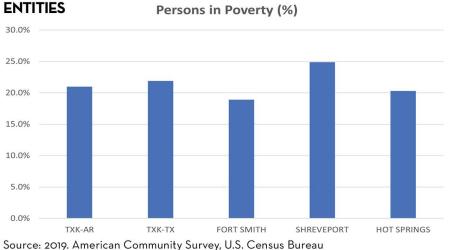


FIGURE 8 : PERSONS IN POVERTY IN TEXARKANA, AR AND SELECTED

#### ENTITIES

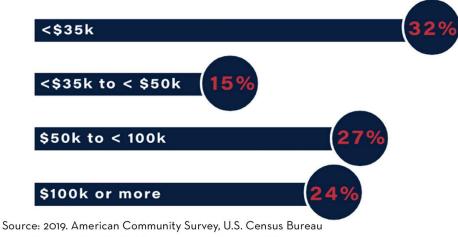
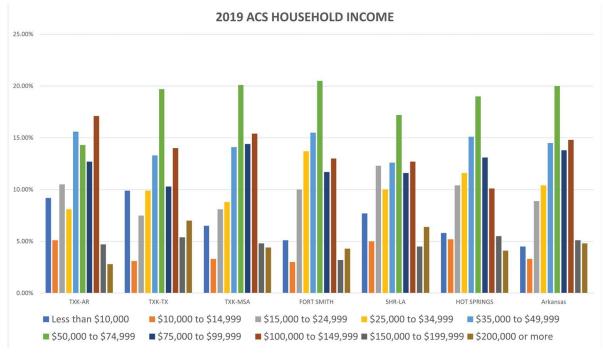


FIGURE 9: FAMILY INCOME - TEXARKANA, AR



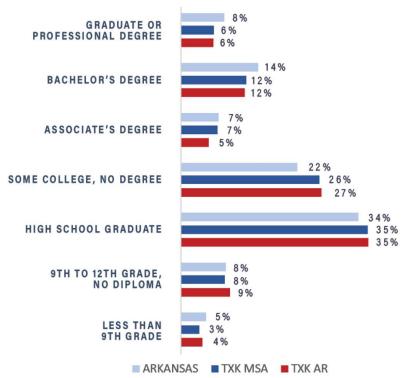


Source: 2019. American Community Survey, U.S. Census Bureau

#### FIGURE 10: HOUSEHOLD INCOME - TEXARKANA, AR AND SELECTED ENTITIES

**The city's median household income for 2019 was \$41,873** as shown in Figure 10. Approximately 33 percent of Texarkana, Arkansas households earn less than \$25,000; 26 percent of households earn \$25,000 to \$49,999; 12.5 percent of households earn \$50,000 to \$74,999; and 27 percent of households earn \$75,000 or more shown in Figure 10.

#### EDUCATION



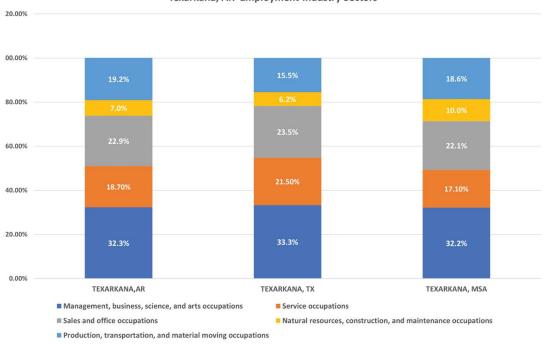
Source: 2019. American Community Survey, U.S. Census Bureau

Educational attainment identifies the level of education completed by individuals in the Texarkana. Arkansas workforce. The educational attainment of the Texarkana. Arkansas workforce is compared to the workforce for the Texarkana Metropolitan Region and the State of Arkansas, as shown in Figure 11. A majority of the City of Texarkana's workforce completed high school or some college; the same applies to the metropolitan area. In the 2019 Census, approximately 18.4% of residents aged 25 and older obtained a bachelor's degree or higher in Texarkana, compared to the state average of 23%. For the same period and age group, 86.4% of residents were high school graduates or had some higher education compared to the state average of 86.5% (Source: U.S. Census Bureau).

FIGURE 11: EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT - TEXARKANA, AR, TEXARKANA, MSA, AND ARKANSAS



#### EMPLOYMENT



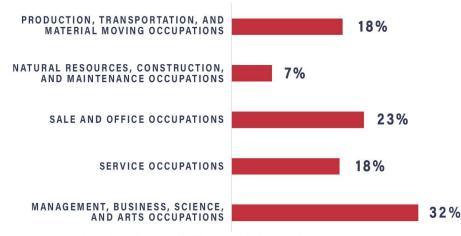
#### Texarkana, AR Employment Industry Sectors

Source: 2019. American Community Survey, U.S. Census Bureau

#### FIGURE 12: INDUSTRY BY OCCUPATION IN TEXARKANA, AR, TEXARKANA, TX, AND TEXARKANA

#### **METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREA (MSA)**

In Texarkana, Arkansas, **from 2018 to 2019, employment grew at a rate of 1.15%**, from 12,100 employees to 12,300 employees. Nearly 32.3% across the Texarkana Arkansas and the region have job sectors related to the Management, Business, Science, or Arts occupation sectors.



Source: 2019. American Community Survey, U.S. Census Bureau

#### FIGURE 13: INDUSTRY BY OCCUPATION IN TEXARKANA, AR

Based on employee numbers, the most common jobs held by residents of Texarkana, Arkansas are Office & Administrative Support Occupations (1,451 people), Sales & Related Occupations (1,360 people), and Management Occupations (1,278 people). The 2019 lowest-paid jobs held by Texarkana, Arkansas residents by median earnings are Service Occupations (\$17,368), Life, Physical and Social Science Occupations (\$14,538), Building and Grounds Cleaning and Maintenance Occupations (\$14,375), and Personal Care and Service Occupation (barbers, stylists, etc.) at \$6,316.



#### HOUSING

	TEXARKANA AR	TEXARKANA TX	ARKANSAS
TOTAL HOUSING UNITS	13,407	16,668	1,370,281
OCCUPIED HOUSING UNITS	85.1%	84.1%	84.5%
VACANT HOUSING UNITS	14.9%	15.9%	15.5%

Source: 2019. American Community Survey, U.S. Census Bureau

#### FIGURE 14: HOUSING OCCUPANCY

	TEXARKANA AR	TEXARKANA TX	ARKANSAS
TOTAL HOUSING UNITS	13,407	16,668	1,370,281
BUILT 2014 OR LATER	1.6%	0.3%	3.0%
BUILT 2010 TO 2013	2.8%	5.5%	4.0%
BUILT 2000 TO 2009	14.1%	13.0%	16.4%
BUILT 1990 TO 1999	15.7%	13.0%	17.8%
BUILT 1980 TO 1989	12.8%	13.0%	15.0%
BUILT 1970 TO 1979	18.3%	19.8%	18.1%
BUILT 1960 TO 1969	10.6%	14.9%	10.3%
BUILT 1950 TO 1959	11.7%	9.3%	6.9%
BUILT 1940 TO 1949	6.0%	5.4%	3.7%
BUILT 1939 TO EARLIER	6.3%	5.7%	4.8%

In Texarkana, **the median rental costs in recent years are \$739 per month, and the median house value is \$127,500**, less than the state and national average. In 2019, the median property value in Texarkana, Arkansas declined from the previous year's value of \$120,100 to \$119,700.

Source: 2019. American Community Survey, U.S. Census Bureau

#### FIGURE 15: YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT



There are 65.6% owneroccupied units in the State of Arkansas compared to the 56.1% in the City of Texarkana, as shown in Figure 16.

Source: 2019. American Community Survey, U.S. Census Bureau

FIGURE 16: RENTER VS. OWNER OCCUPIED UNITS



HOUSING TENURE	TXK AR		T	ΤΧΚ ΤΧ		Arkansas	
Occupied housing							
units	11,404		1	14,025		1,158,071	
Owner-occupied	6,396	56.1%	7,114	50.7%	759,455	65.6%	
Renter-occupied	5,008	43.9%	6,911	49.3%	398,616	34.4%	
Average household size of owner-							
occupied unit	2.57	(X)	2.65	(X)	2.57	(X)	
Average household							
size of renter-							
occupied unit	2.41	(X)	2.37	(X)	2.42	(X)	

There are more renteroccupied units in Texarkana, Texas, at 49.3%, as Texarkana, Arkansas, has 43.9%. As shown in Figure 17, the State of Arkansas has 34.4% of rental occupied units in the entire state.

Source: 2019. American Community Survey, U.S. Census Bureau

#### FIGURE 17: HOUSING TENURE

HOUSING VALUE	TXK AR		ΤΧΚ ΤΧ		Arkansas	
Owner-occupied units	6,	396	7,114		759,455	
Less than \$50,000	931	14.6%	925	13.0%	105,371	13.9%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	1,721	26.9%	1,601	22.5%	182,592	24.0%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	1,243	19.4%	1,487	20.9%	156,381	20.6%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	1,169	18.3%	1,266	17.8%	121,851	16.0%
\$200,000 to \$299,999	626	9.8%	1,091	15.3%	109,571	14.4%
\$300,000 to \$499,999	542	8.5%	478	6.7%	59,195	7.8%
\$500,000 to \$999,999	164	2.6%	238	3.3%	19,330	2.5%
\$1,000,000 or more	0	0.0%	28	0.4%	5,164	0.7%
Median (dollars)	119	9,700	130,600		127,800	

Source: 2019. American Community Survey, U.S. Census Bureau

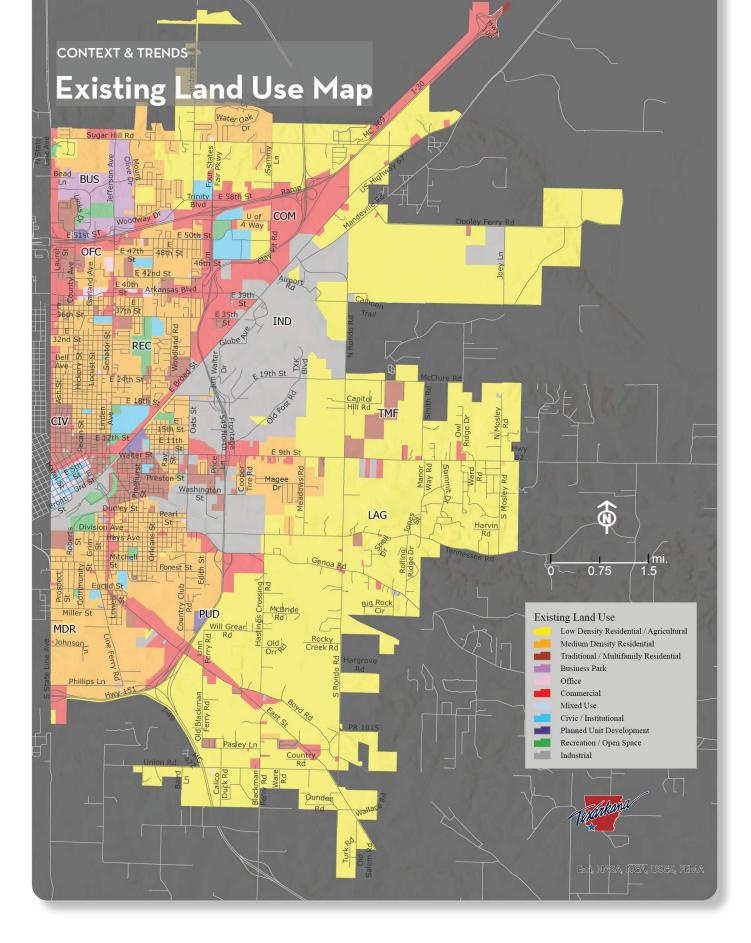
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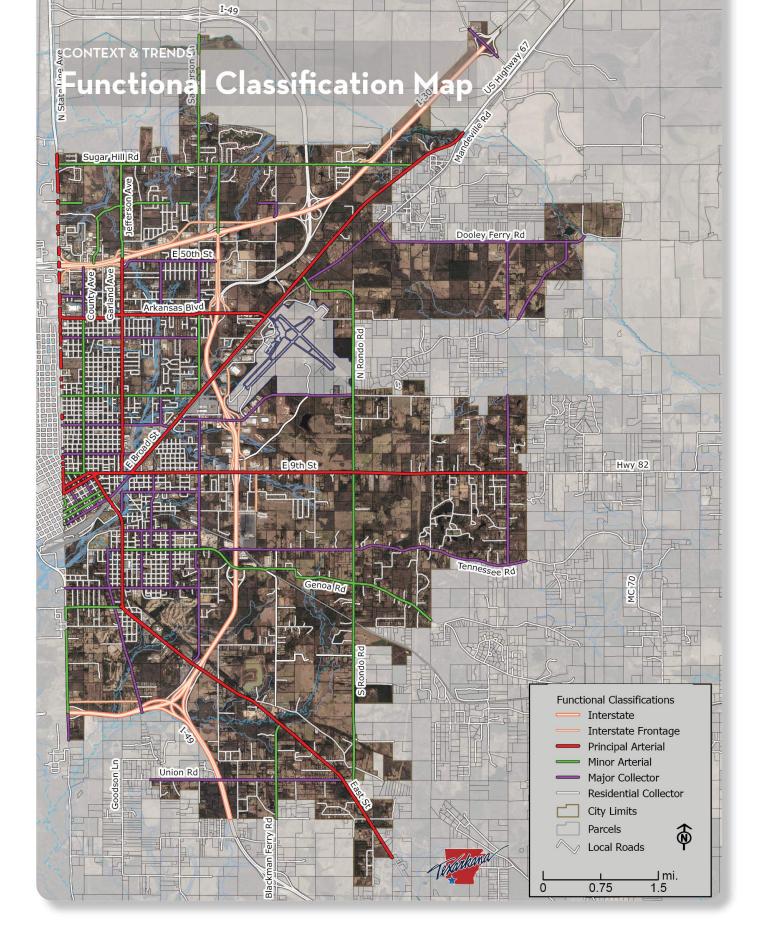
UNITS IN STRUCTURE	TXK AR	ТХК ТХ 16,668		Arkansas	
Total housing units	13,407			1,3	1,370,281
1-unit, detached	67.80%	11,046	66.30%	955,714	69.7%
1-unit, attached	1.00%	260	1.60%	21,735	1.6%
5 to 9 units	8.30%	1,046	6.30%	49,000	3.6%
10 to 19 units	5.70%	835	5.00%	51,599	3.8%
20 or more units	4.70%	1,218	7.3%	37,689	2.8%
Mobile home	3.90%	315	1.9%	165,147	12.1%
Boat, RV, van, etc.	0.00%	0	0.0%	1,951	0.1%

The housing unit structures in Texarkana, Arkansas, display **that a majority of the units in the city, 67.8% are 1-unit,** detached structures.

Source: 2019. American Community Survey, U.S. Census Bureau

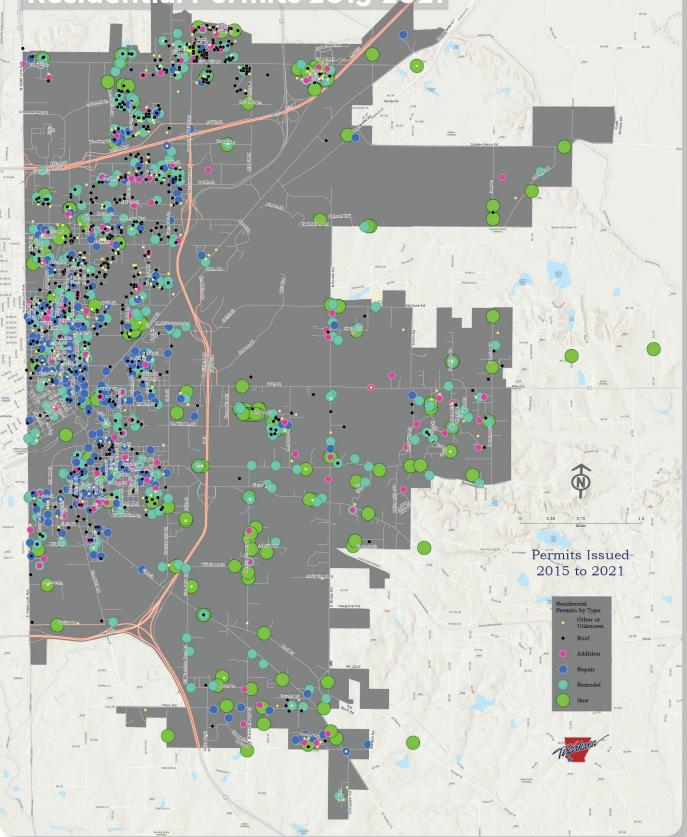
FIGURE 19: UNITS IN STRUCTURE

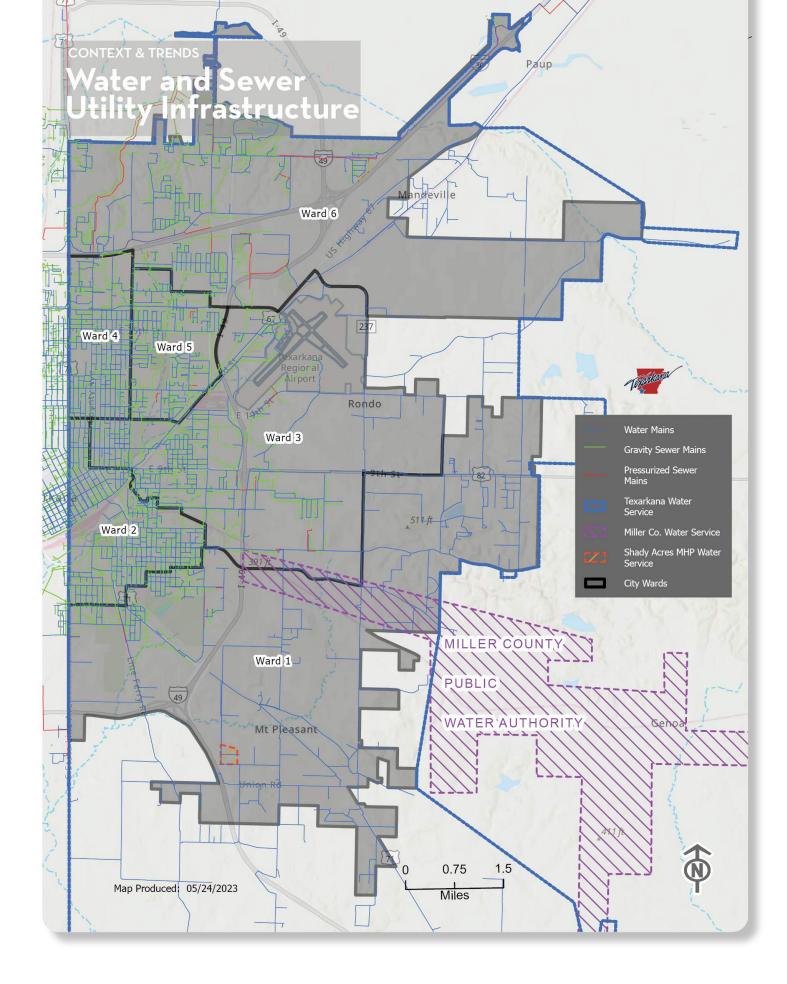






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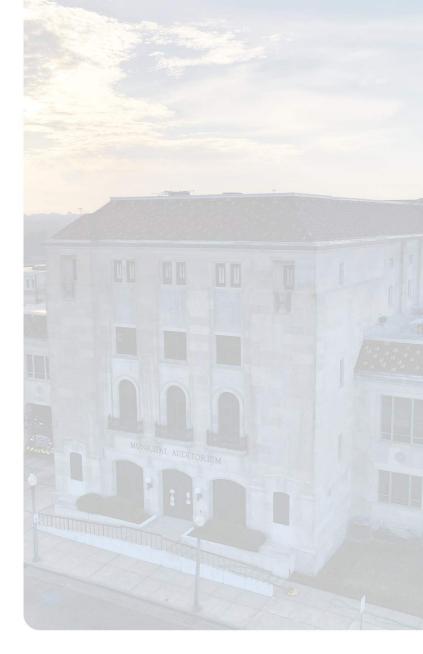
## Vision, Goals, and Community Input

VISION, GOALS, AND OBJECTIVES

#### **VISION STATEMENT**

The City of Texarkana, Arkansas is a vibrant community and the home to a diverse economy. This plan will respect the city's history and unique neighborhood characteristics, while allowing the city to thoughtfully plan for safe and sustainable infill, growth, and development.

This plan encourages continued city investment in public infrastructure to foster quality of life improvements and provide a foundation for ongoing economic growth and opportunity. This plan creates a framework to facilitate the management of appropriate development and supporting infrastructure of all types in order to provide for a high quality of life and place enjoyed by current and future residents, organizations, and businesses within the city.



#### **VISIONING GOAL AREAS**

The following goals and objectives have been created to help direct action in key finding areas within the plan. These goals help facilitate the actualization of the vision.



## ENDURING NEIGHBORHOODS



QUALITY OF LIFE AND IMAGE



INFRASTRUCTURE AND FISCAL HEALTH





#### ENDURING NEIGHBORHOODS AND PLACES

Texarkana, Arkansas will grow and develop in a smart way that meets the needs of its population. The city will effectively manage growth which respects the character of the existing neighborhoods and commerce areas within the city while planning for future growth and encouraging residential and commercial infill and redevelopment within the city.

The city will capitalize on existing assets, strive to preserve enduring historic areas, respond to changes in demographic trends and market preferences, foster economic vitality respect the environment, and closely steward taxpayer dollars.



#### QUALITY OF LIFE AND IMAGE

Texarkana, Arkansas will become a model city in the region by striving to provide a high quality of life and built environment. The community will be a desirable destination for new residents with excellent social, economic, and recreational amenities.

The city will have a strong identity and community pride aided by development that creates attractive community gateways, corridors, and districts. The city will enhance its community and recreational assets to serve its diverse population. Pursuit of creative and strategic economic development, funding, and grant opportunities with a focus on quality of life should continue.

#### GOAL 3



#### INFRASTRUCTURE AND FISCAL HEALTH

Texarkana, Arkansas will provide and maintain public infrastructure as a foundation for the city's economy and tax base.

The city will pursue policies, programs, and actions which coordinate growth, multimodal transportation, related to key findings and utilities in an efficient and effective manner.

Master planning of water, wastewater, stormwater, and transportation system infrastructure should be pursued and utilized infrastructure investment decisionmaking to promote the fiscal health of the city and careful stewardship of tax dollars.

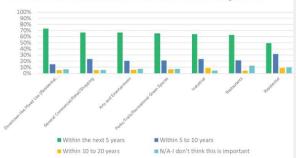
# Community Input

VISION, GOALS, AND COMMUNITY INPUT

Extensive public input is critical to the success of any comprehensive planning process. If a plan is to effectively communicate a community's values and address its needs, the first step in the planning process must be to discover the nature of existing values and needs. The primary goal of the public input process is to gain an understanding of what the city's residents and stakeholders think, feel, and believe about Texarkana, Arkansas. Many different concepts and ideas were discussed and assimilated.

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# Trinity 15th E Grand Highway Drive B Sanderson



What types of development would you like to see in Texarkana, AR over the next 20 years?

#### When asked about the types of developments residents would like to see over the next 20 years, nearly 72% mentioned they would like to see Downtown-like Mixed Use within the next five years.

#### WHAT WE HEARD

The survey kicked off in April 2022 and received 818 responses over five weeks. Questions focused on the current and future growth of the city as well as input about the city's character, retention of younger citizens, and development/redevelopment potential. The survey was shared on the city's website, Facebook page, the regional newspapers, other social media outlets, and through word of mouth.

Respondents were asked a wide variety of questions ranging from why they choose to live in Texarkana, Arkansas, to what types of development they would like to see in the next 5-20 years, as well as what investments in the community should prioritize in the next few years. Additionally, as part of the public input process, we received input from Texarkana, Arkansas High School students. They provided feedback regarding factors that may attract members of the young adult population to stay in the city after graduation.

#### **Response Themes**

The city is perceived as a community "where you can live close to family and friends" and one that provides an "affordable cost of living," yet many respondents feel that the city lacks job and business opportunities, and voiced concerns regarding housing and blighted areas of the city.

Many respondents expressed a desire for better jobs, more retail and commercial options, and cultural and entertainment events.

There is consensus that Texarkana. Arkansas downtown is successfully revitalizing and becoming a core attraction within the city.

Concerns about road infrastructure. crime, and a need for a more positive perception of the Texarkana, Arkansas school system were shared by the public. There is a strong desire for future infill development and revitalization of housing within the city and that new development occurs in an organized and controlled manner to avoid further sprawl.

Support was expressed to increased commercial and industrial development and for have more affordable singlefamily and multi-family housing options.

Respondents are interested in city clean-up and blight reduction, walking trails, tourism attractions, outdoor community gathering spaces, and parks.





Several meetings were held with the steering and advisory committee members throughout the planning process. The body represented a range of city, stakeholder, and community interests. The committees' role was to meet periodically and discuss strategic milestones of the project, and to provide direction, feedback and review throughout the process.



A public input visioning meeting was held on April 28, 2022, at 6:00 P.M. The meeting occurred at the new Texarkana Recreation Center located at 1 Legion Drive in Texarkana, Arkansas. Residents, community members, organizations, city staff, elected officials, and other public members attended the meeting, with an estimated attendance of sixty-seven (67) people.

The meeting began with an overview/presentation of the comprehensive plan, an update of city initiatives. Interactive visual display stations and city comment maps provided information regarding the comprehensive plan process offering participants a chance to give feedback and preferences regarding what they would like to see in the city.

Over 50 attendees participated in an interactive visioning poll during the meeting. The poll encouraged participation and the opportunity to obtain additional input regarding the community's priorities and needs.



The final public meeting was held on March 21, 2023. A total of 16 people attended the meeting. The public open house included a final meeting with the steering and advisory committee members, as well as a forum open to the public to view the draft plan updates and facilitate discussion regarding vision and goals, existing condition updates, the proposed future land use categories and map, updated master street map, options for active transportation, and infill and redevelopment focus areas.

# Infill Areas

#### THE IMPORTANCE OF INFILL HOUSING

#### DEVELOPMENT

The addition of new housing to existing neighborhoods within the city is a positive investment in the legacy neighborhoods within the city. It is also a sound fiscal pursuit for the city as it allows for population growth in the city without the cost of extending new stretches of infrastructure (water, sewer, sidewalks, roadways, etc.) to serve the development. IT can also provide for other positive fiscal outsomes such as increasing the property values of the neighbors surrounding the infill development, as well as the parcels being directly developed. This helps to support school district, county, and city services.

## STEPS TO FACILITATE INFILL HOUSING DEVELOPMENT

The comprehensive plan recommends updates be made to the existing zoning code to encourage new housing development in legacy neighborhoods throughout the city. Additionally, the plan encourages the creation of a committee consisting of city staff, members of the local home builder/development community, neighborhood representatives within legacy neighborhoods, and local financial institutions who provide development financing. It is recommended that the committee meet regularly to identify shared goals and potential roadblocks regarding infill development within the community.



RECOMMENDED FOCUS AREAS FOR INFILL HOUSING DEVELOPMENT

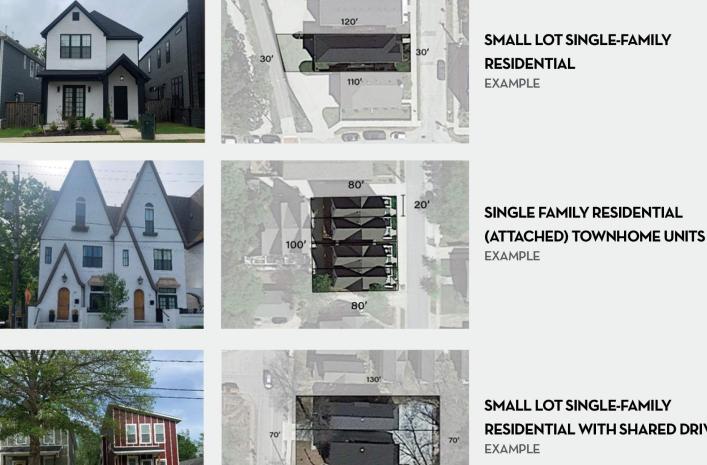
#### COLLEGE HILL INFILL DISTRICT

FOCUS AREA

Housing infill development plays a crucial role in the comprehensive plan for College Hill in Texarkana, Arkansas, aiming to address the community's evolving housing needs and contribute to the neighborhood's revitalization. The College Hill area comprises small to medium-sized single-family homes and very limited and small apartment buildings. It has a mixture of owners and renters, with many residences built between 1940 and 1969 and others between 1970 and 2000. College Hill faces the issues of vacant and blighted properties in multiple areas. College Hill in the comprehensive plan prioritizes inclusion of various housing options, including single-family homes, townhouses, and small-scale multiunit housing to cater to the differing needs of residents, including families, students and professionals.

When developing infill housing projects in College Hill, the design chracter of new multi-unit housing should be guided by the neighborhood's architectural heritage to ensure that new construction complement the existing character and overall aesthetic appeal of the area. Furthermore, future investment by both public and private entities within the College Hill community should emphasize the importance of walkability, green spaces, and provide enhanced connectivity to amenities and public transportation. By promoting housing infill development, the comprehensive plan aims to create an inclusive and livable community that meets the diverse housing needs of its residents.





130'

EXAMPLES OF NEW CONSTRUCTION ON SMALL AND NARROW LOTS

SMALL LOT SINGLE-FAMILY **RESIDENTIAL WITH SHARED DRIVEWAY** 

#### JEFFERSON AVE AND N. STATELINE INFILL DISTRICT

FOCUS AREA

The district spanning from the east and west between N. State Line Avenue to Jefferson Avenue encompasses twelve blocks with a mix of housing types. However, multiple locations within this district suffer from blight and areas of vacant lots. Given the smaller lot sizes in this historically significant part of town, infill development is strongly recommended as one tool to help combat the existing issues within areas of the district. This strategic approach aims to maximize land use efficiency while preserving the existing neighborhood fabric, and contribute to a vibrant and thriving community.



The potential for infill development is clear with eleven vacant parcels within these two blocks in the Jefferson Ave. and N Stateline Infill District. Existing structure footprints are denoted in yellow; while the gray footprints indicate areas where structures have been removed/ demolished. (data Courtesy of TWU and Miller County)

## Neighborhood Focus Areas

#### NEXT STEPS

Within the process of Comprehensive Planning, specific neighborhoods are identified as areas needing more detailed study and planning. This plan recommends that Special Neighborhood Plans should be undertaken for the Downtown and Ozan-Inghram and Iron Mountain Neighborhoods Comprehensive plans cover large areas. These neighborhoods have very specific opportunities and constraints, warranting a more tailored approach. The goal of a neighborhood plan is to create a comprehensive and coordinated plan that promotes sustainable development and enhances the quality of life for the people living and working in the area. Through focused community engagement and detailed research and analysis, the special neighborhood plan provides detailed guidance on land use and development, helps ensure that development is compatible with the natural and built environment and that the unique needs of the neighborhood are met.

#### DOWNTOWN AREA AND GATEWAYS

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Historical Landmarks Residential Development Synergy Civic Property Public-Private Partnership Opportunity

PLAN OR STUDY IMPLEMENTATION Cohesion with Texarkana, TX Entertainment District Plan Downtown Bike and Pedestrian Connections Greenspace Plan Market Study for Downtown Land Uses

#### OZAN-INGHRAM IRON MOUNTAIN

Floodplain-Floodways Within Neighborhoods

Highway Barriers Railroad Track Barriers Strong History and Cultural Landmarks Washington School Carver School



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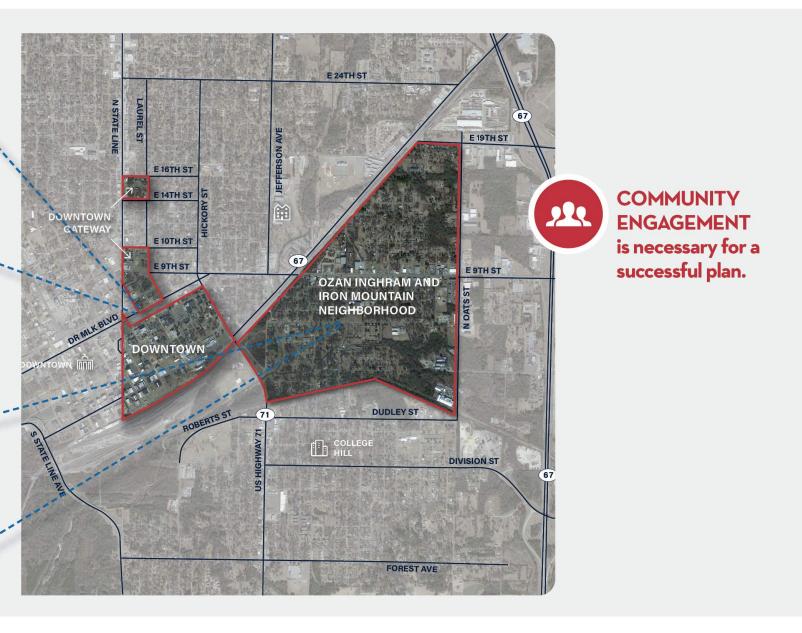
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#### DOWNTOWN AND DOWNTOWN GATEWAY

#### FOCUS AREA

The downtown area is unique in many aspects. Over the past few decades, the City and private entities have invested significantly in the downtown. A neighborhood plan focused on the downtown and its gateways is strongly recommended to assure continued investment in this vital area of the city. A plan will facilitate the creation of a clear vision for the downtown and a framework for future development within the area. Many investors want to have a clear picture and reasonable expectation of the future of downtown so they understand that what happens around their investment will be compatible and complementary to their development in the future. The plan can take a more detailed look at the types of potential development planned for certain areas of downtown and make recommendations regarding the infrastructure and support elements necessary to facilitate the success of the desired land uses. For instance, an analysis of existing rights-of-way and infrastructure within the downtown can determine the amount of on-street parking available to support future residential and commercial developments downtown, as well as explore different configurations of striping and parking layouts which may greatly increase parking capacities within existing rights of way and can be implemented solely through the minimal cost of re-striping. This minor exercise alone can give private investors and developers the confidence they need to move forward with plans for new residential spaces and commerce within the downtown core.





Likewise, the utility capacities of water and sewer within the downtown area can also be evaluated so that potential developers are aware of portions of the downtown that have existing capacity to support their proposed developments and improvements planned and undertaken by the City or TWU are completed in an efficient and effective manner

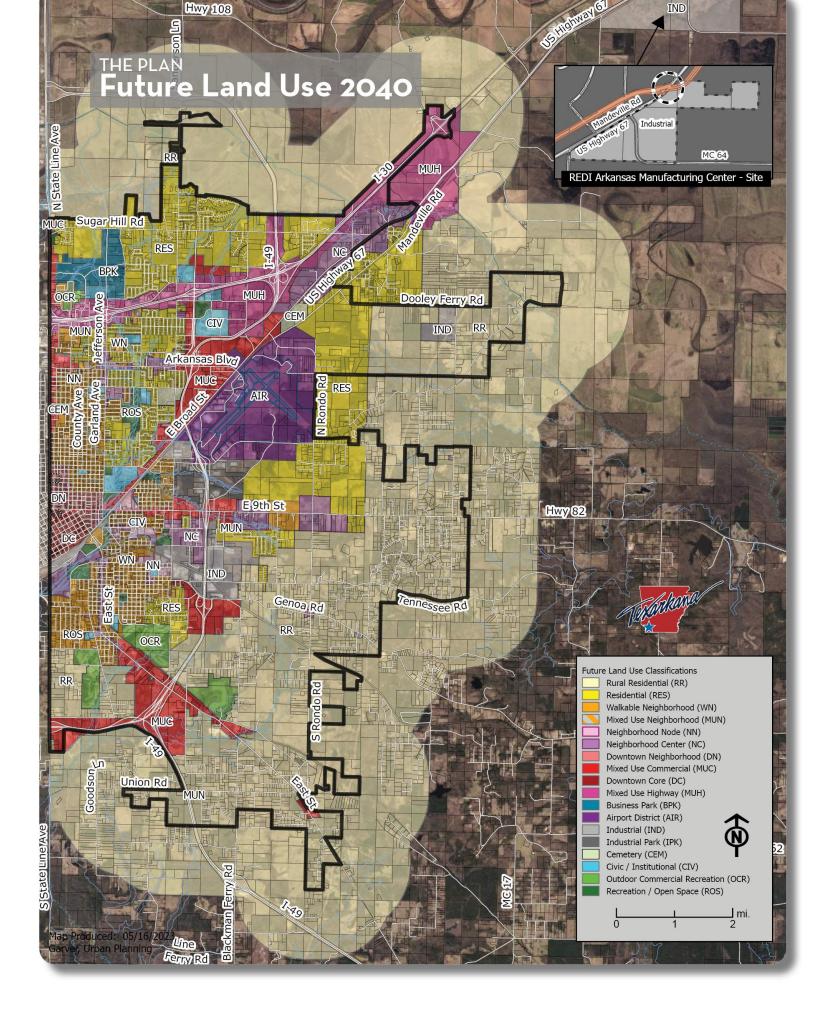
The plan should also address a number of other factors including its relationship with the planned uses and improvements on the Texas side of downtown, an evaluation of greenspace and civic property opportunities downtown, a detailed land use plan, specific street sections for individual streets within the downtown neighborhood, and detailed bike and pedestrian connectivity plans.

It is recommended that a detailed downtown plan be completed for both the Texas and Arkansas sides concurrently if possible.

#### **OZAN-INGHRAM**

FOCUS AREA

This neighborhood has many challenges and an array of infrastructure needs. The prevalence of floodplain and floodways within the neighborhood create a barrier to redevelopment and the construction of new housing. Federal and State grants may be a funding option for some existing flood mitigation measures, this could be further explored in this plan. This area could also benefit from a detailed land use plan- especially the Iron Mountain area where land use conflicts and the commercial corridor come into play. Community input regarding cultural and community landmarks is also recommended.



# Future Land Use

#### CATEGORY DESCRIPTIONS

The intended character, form, and uses in the future of your city are described through the use of broad land use categories. The future land use map and its corresponding categories are intended as a guide for decisions regarding future zoning and development decisions. On the following pages, key future land use districts are described. The detailed descriptions for all categories are included in Appendix D.

#### DOWNTOWN GATEWAY FOCUS AREA

Transition nodes which act as gateways to the Downtown neighborhood and Downtown Core Areas of the City.

These nodes encourage the movement of residents, visitors, development, and citizens to adjacent downtown districts. Includes non-residential and residential uses.

#### DOWNTOWN CORE

The heart of your city! This redeveloping area contains some of the highest development/redevelopment potential within the city.

Designed to accommodate some of the densest development in the city adjacent to the greatest variety of buildings in a downtown development pattern.

Primarily mixed uses with pedestrian access to residential, office, commercial, and civic uses coupled with open space amenities.

#### DOWNTOWN NEIGHBORHOOD

Serves as a transition district between the Downtown Core and adjoining Walkable Neighborhood and Mixed Use Commercial districts. This area contains multiple residential types including single-family and small multifamily residential options and pedestrian access.

Smaller-scale commercial and civic uses are also integrated within this area.. Many structures are historic in nature and built of enduring materials.

#### **RECREATION/OPEN SPACE**

Includes parks, recreational areas, floodways, wetlands, and environmentally sensitive lands. Integrating this type of development throughout the entire city benefits citizens, visitors, and employers.,

#### DOWNTOWN FUTURE LAND USE

The future land use plan focuses on defining the differences in form and character between the downtown core and its adjacent neighborhoods and commercial corridors. The development of transitional gateway areas that "announce" your entrance to downtown as you approach from the north area also included.





#### **NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER**

Neighborhood Center areas allow for people to live, work, shop and play in the same area. Designed to accommodate a variety of uses and development and serve the surrounding neighborhoods. Neighborhood centers include mixed use, residential, office, civic and commercial with pedestrian access to adjoining neighborhoods. Residential users include multifamily developments and single family residential which would likely be patio homes, town homes or row house models.

#### **NEIGHBORHOOD NODE**

Primarily located within the walkable neighborhood districts. Neighborhood Nodes allow for denser residential and a wider variety of uses to serve the immediate neighborhood areas. This district encourages the opportunity to investment in individual neighborhoods and allow for vibrant neighborhood activity nodes areas. These areas might include small multifamily housing, small offices, live work units, civic uses, day care facilities, or other neighborhood-scale services.

#### WALKABLE NEIGHBORHOOD

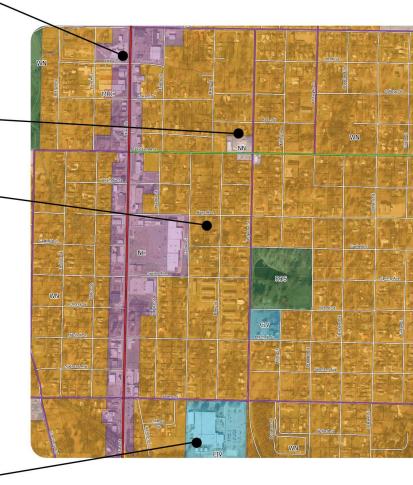
Traditional neighborhood development that encompasses most neighborhoods built before 1950. This district has higher densities than strictly single-family residential neighborhoods and provide a mix of non-residential and residential uses. Single-family and some lower density multifamily may be found within this area. The focus of this area is primarily residential, but institutional and neighborhood-scale commercial uses are incorporated and are anticipated to provide services to the surrounding residential uses. Moderate density is idea with residential, office, and commercial uses, with some open space and recreational areas within the development. For neighborhood-scale commercial uses; structure footprint size is limited to size that is appropriate for compatibility with the surrounding development and uses.

#### CIVIC/INSTITUTIONAL

Includes government buildings and services, schools, community buildings, educational institutions, and cultural facilities. Should be integrated into the fabric of each zoning district except for industrial. Integral to a community and its citizens by providing services and social connection to the city.

#### College Hill Future Land Use

The proposed future land uses within this area are reflective of the unique character found in the legacy neighborhoods within the city. There are areas of mixed use, a diversity of housing options, and smaller nodes of mixed use and commercial that serve and support the residential neighborhoods.





#### MIXED USE HIGHWAY

Includes high intensity commercial uses. Non-residential uses vary and are located along connecting corridors with connectivity between neighborhoods Encourages connectivity while acknowledging existing conventional, large-scale commercial development patterns.

#### MIXED USE NEIGHBORHOOD

Neighborhood scale commercial mixed with single-family and multifamily residential. Encompasses existing office land use areas. Primarily to serve a particular area or neighborhood with a mix of land uses. Residential densities of six (6) to ten (10) dwelling units/ acre.

#### MIXED USE COMMERCIAL

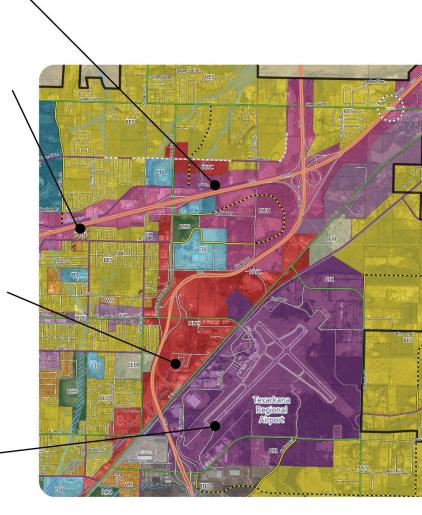
Mixed use commercial areas allow for people to live, work, shop and play in the same area. Designed to accommodate a mix of uses and development in the City with a variety of buildings in a more traditional square, node, or downtown-like development pattern. Residential, office, commercial, and open space amenities are included in the development site with pedestrian access. Residential uses include multifamily developments and single family residential which would likely be patio homes, townhomes or row house models. Up to 18 dwelling units/acre. For non -residential uses; structure footprint size is limited to a size that is appropriate for compatibility with the surrounding developments and uses.

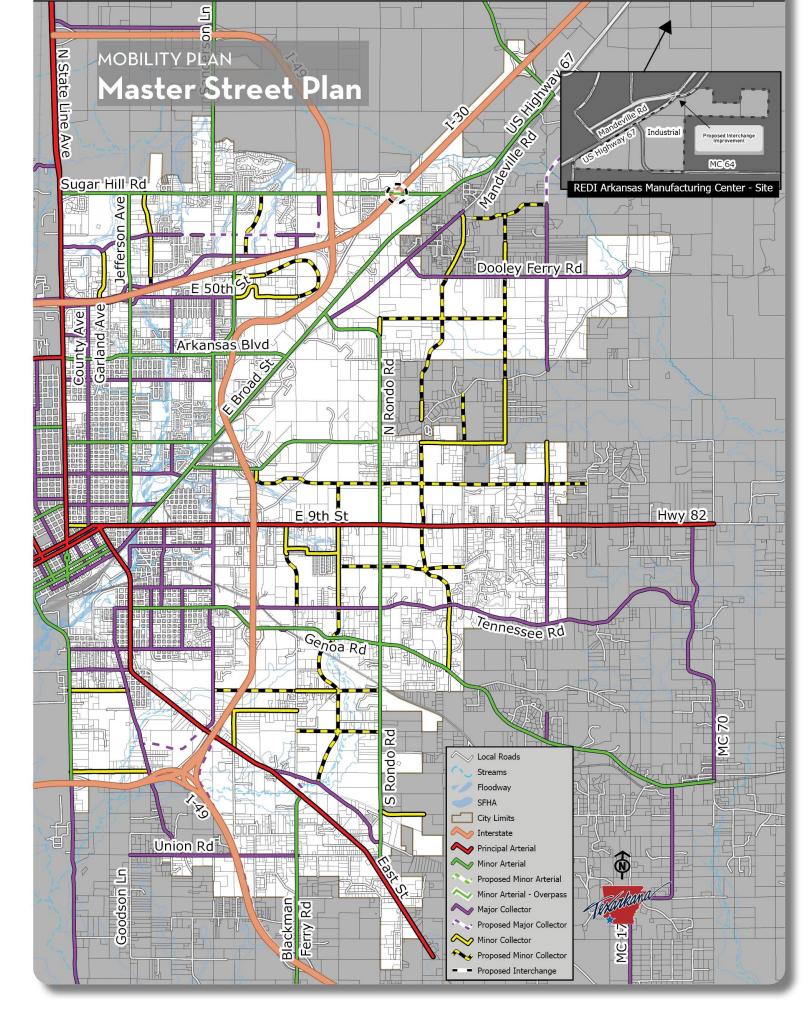
#### AIRPORT DISTRICT

Existing area of Texarkana Regional Airport. Serves to accommodate the types of land uses adjacent to the airport.

#### I-30/I-49 AND AIRPORT FUTURE LAND USE

This area of the city contains some of the most intense uses within the city including the airport and related industrial development as well as the high traffic areas along the interstate.







# **Master Street Plan**

The Master Street Plan, a part of the city's Mobility plan, classifies roadways, and proposes future roadway connections and interchanges. The Master Street Plan focuses on establishing vehicular connections to leverage future development in the city. An additional section of the plan focuses on active transportation, such as strategic locations for multi-modal, shared use trails and onstreet bicycle infrastructure.

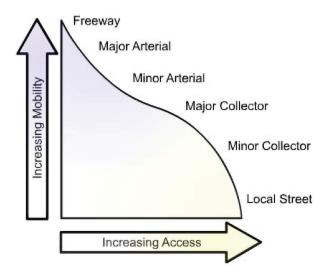
#### Future Street Connectivity and Proposed Master Street Plan

The street classification system is a hierarchical breakdown of how roadways function now and how they are planned to function in the future. This Master Street Plan (MSP) provides for three overarching types of functional classifications: Arterials, Collectors, and Local streets. A street function classification system should represent a well-planned network operating like a circulatory system.

**Arterial-** Arterials provide for increased mobility by moving traffic. Arterials are typically designed around permitting unimpeded or semi controlled traffic flow and are not primarily designed to provide high property access. This Master Street Plan provides for Interstates as well as both 'Principal' and 'Minor' Arterials. I-30, I-49 are Interstate Arterials, while Hwy 82/9th Street and State line are considered principal arterials in Texarkana. Drive spacing requirements and access limitations are common to these higher classifications of Arterial streets. Alternatively, E. Broad Street, Genoa Road, and Arkansas Blvd. are classified as Minor Arterials.

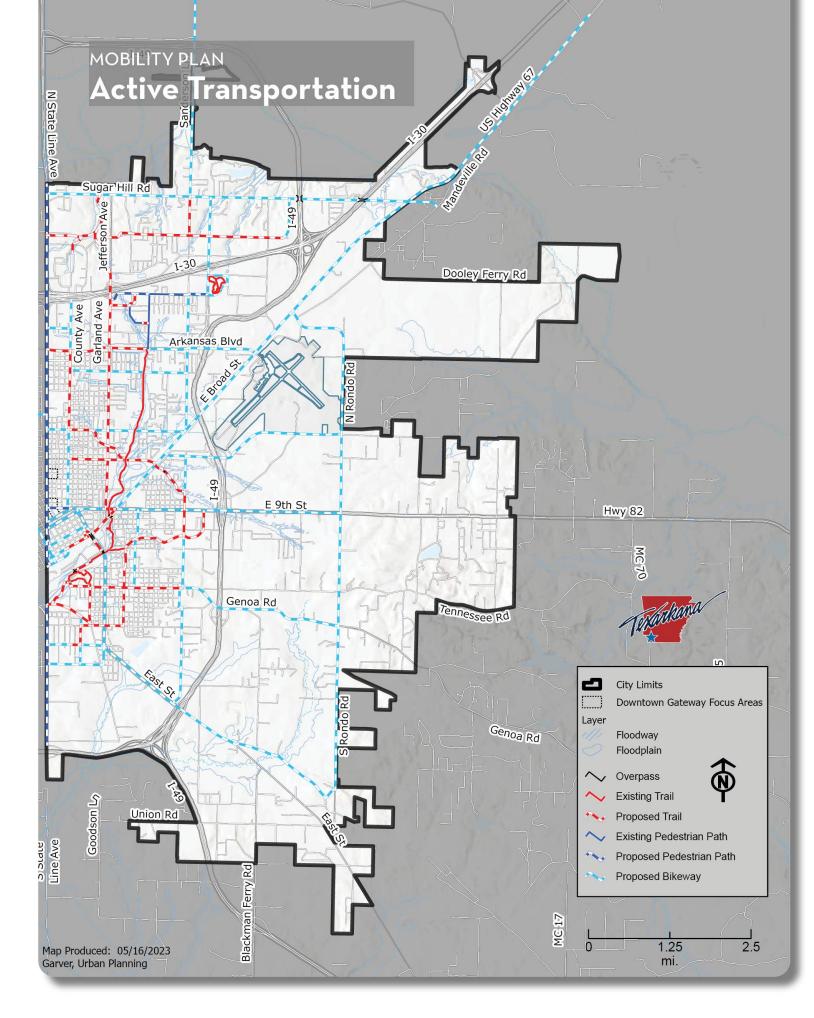
**Collector -** Collector streets connect the arterial roadway network to the local streets and accommodate access to adjoining land. They are designed to balance adjacent land access standards with providing sufficient traffic flow to permit greater mobility within the city. This MSP provides for Major and Minor Collectors. Tennessee Road and Genoa Rod are examples of Major Collectors, while E. 50th is a minor collector.

**Local -** Local streets are intended to connect traffic with collectors and ultimately to the arterial roadway network.



Access Management: Balance Mobility vs. Access Source: U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration

**Note:** While the MSP proposes numerous future roads, it is intended that many of these road projects be built and constructed as property is developed. In this way, existing residents and the taxpayers will not bear all of the burdens of the cost for these road projects. Rather, the appropriate portions of those costs will be borne by the developers/developments that create the necessity for the new roads. However, circumstances may arise where it is advantageous for the city to be proactive in widening or constructing roads to meet the needs of the community and help direct growth in an orderly manner.





## Active Transportation Plan

The Active Transportation Plan is the portion of the mobility plan which focuses on bicycle and pedestrian connectivity throughout the city. The public survey responses indicated strong support for trails and bicycle/ pedestrian infrastructure expansion throughout the city. The existing Nix Creek trail is well utilized by all age ranges of Texarkana citizens and future connectivity to that trail system is currently underway.



Option 1: Provide a below grade crossing under E. Broad and the railroad tracks, along with a bike/pedestrian bridge to cross the creek and connect to the rail near Chelsea/Marietta Streets.

Option 2: Extend the trail across the Railroad (via the existing Hickory Street Bridge) to connect with the trails, parks and amenities on the south side of the railroad.



#### ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION FOCUS AREAS

Options to provide critical connections across E.Broad/ HWY 67 and the Railroad Tracks

East Broad Street/HWY 67 and the railroad tracks are substantial barriers to bike and pedestrian access and access to existing trail and recreation infrastructure on either side. This exhibit shows examples of how the trail could potentially cross both E.Broad and the Railroad tracks in two different locations.

The Nix Creek Trail currently ends at Broad Street due to the difficulties in crossing the railroad at this location. This proposed trail extension would utilize the existing Hwy. 71/ Hickory Street bridge to cross the railroad by restriping the road to remove the bike lanes and widening the sidewalk to become a shared-use path/trail. This would allow for continuous, two-directional travel for pedestrians and cyclists between Nix Creek Trail and the Texarkana Recreation Center, located south of the railroad, without ever having to cross traffic on Hwy. 71 / Hickory Street. The new route would also cross under a separate spur of the railroad near the Ermer Dansby Pondexter Sports Complex. This would provide connectivity to the parks, trails, and neighborhoods on the south side of this railroad spur.

To be successful, both projects would require early and consistent coordination with ARDOT and Union Pacific Railroad.