R-17-84 – Special Call

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH TAGGART ARCHITECTS FOR THE DESIGN, SCHEMATICS AND CONSTRUCTION SUPERVISION OF THE DOWNTOWN PLAZA; APPROPRIATING FUNDS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of North Little Rock ("the City") owns certain property located at 510 Main Street and desires to create a multi-faceted public gathering place for a variety of activities and events, referred to as the "Downtown Plaza"; and

WHEREAS, the City sent out a Request for Qualifications ("RFQ") seeking architectural and design professionals to provide services in the design and schematic phases of the Downtown Plaza, including construction management; and

WHEREAS, based upon proposals submitted and interviews conducted, the Selection Committee selected Taggart Architects, with offices located in North Little Rock, as the architectural firm for the design, schematic and construction management phases of the Downtown Plaza Project; and

WHEREAS, the Taggart Architects proposal includes partnering with DLandStudio, a landscape architecture firm, and bringing together a team of consultants to include the following (*see* Exhibit "A" attached hereto):

- Thomas Engineers – Civil Design;
- Brown Engineers – Mechanical, Electrical and Plumbing Design;
- Robbins Engineering – Structural Design;
- Renfro Design Group – Specialty Lighting Services;
- Electrosonic – Audio Visual Systems;
- Delta Fountains – Water Features Design; and

WHEREAS, for some time, certain city-owned properties have been sold and he proceeds thereof placed in the City's Carry Forward Fund, and sufficient funds are available to move forward with the Downtown Plaza Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1: That the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Taggart Architects for the design, schematic and construction management services (as outlined hereinabove) related to the Downtown Plaza. Total project costs are estimated to be $3,000,000.00, and compensation and fees for all services provided under this Resolution shall not exceed fifteen percent (15%) of the total project cost.

SECTION 2: That all contracts/agreements pertinent to the work outlined and approved herein will be reviewed and approved by the City Attorney's Office prior to execution thereof.

SECTION 3: That the cost of the work described herein, not to exceed $400,000.00, is hereby appropriated from the Carry Forward Fund.

SECTION 4: That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

PASSED:

APPROVED:

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Mayor Joe A. Smith

SPONSOR:

ATTEST:

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Mayor Joe A. Smith

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Diane Whitbey, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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C. Jason Carter, City Attorney

PREPARED BY THE OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY/b