

MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2019

Public Hearing: Rates & Fees; Water/Sewer, etc.
Meeting Called to Order
Invocation
Roll Call
Review of Minutes: September 9, 2019 Regular Council Meeting

COMMUNITY COMMENTS

1. Public Comment (Item(s) Not on Presented Agenda)
2. Main Street Gentry Chamber of Commerce – Janie Parks
3. Gentry Senior Activity Center – Maxine Foster
4. Gentry Public Schools – Terrie Metz

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Dawn Hill East Bridge Update
2. Park Master Plan Update
3. Water Storage Facility Update
4. State Aid Street Project Update
5. Gee Property Purchase Update
6. Hwy 12&43 Waterline Relocation Update
7. CDBG Project Administrator Resolution
8. Anti-Displacement Plan Resolution
9. ACEDP Grant Application Resolution
10. Excessive Force Prohibition Resolution
11. Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity Policy Resolution

NEW BUSINESS

1. Water/Sewer Rates & Tier Structure Ordinance
2. Condemnation Process Notification – 119 N. Nelson
- 3.

Any items that may arise after the publication of this Agenda must be voted on, to be heard, by the majority of the City Council.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Planning Commission Meeting, 2019 @ 7pm

	<u>2017</u>	<u>2018</u>	<u>2019</u>
City Sales & Use	\$49,620.36	\$53,532.64	\$108,058.82
County Tax	\$60,959.24	\$66,204.38	\$71,322.77

RESOLUTION NO. _____

CITY OF GENTRY, ARKANSAS

A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT AS CDBG (COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT) PROJECT ADMINISTRATOR

WHEREAS, the City of Gentry, Arkansas, is applying to the Arkansas Economic Development Commission for a grant under the Community Development Block Grant (“CDBG”) program;

WHEREAS, the City of Gentry recognizes the need for assistance administering the anticipated CDBG in compliance with applicable federal, state and local laws;

WHEREAS, the City of Gentry has an existing relationship with the Northwest Arkansas Economic Development District (“NWAEDD”) and believes NWAEDD will administer the above-referenced project competently;

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the City of Gentry hereby authorizes the Mayor to designate NWAEDD the project administrator and enter into an administrative-services contract regarding the above-referenced CDBG, subject to award.

PASSED and APPROVED, this 7th day of October 2020.

ATTEST:

Kevin D. Johnston, Mayor

Tonya Carney, Director of Finance

RESOLUTION NO. _____

CITY OF GENTRY, ARKANSAS

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING AN ANTIDISPLACEMENT PLAN FOR THE CITY OF GENTRY, ARKANSAS, IN COMPLIANCE WITH AEDC (ARKANSAS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION) GRANTS PROGRAMS

WHEREAS Gentry understands its obligation in receiving funds under the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 (the "HCDA") to replace all low and moderate income ("LMI") dwellings demolished or converted to another use as a direct result of work funded under the grant within three years of the commencement of demolition; and

WHEREAS Gentry shall provide relocation assistance to each LMI household so displaced; and

WHEREAS Gentry shall in such cases provide the following:

Section 1. The location and approximate number of dwelling units that will be demolished or converted as a direct result of the assisted activity;

Section 2. A schedule for commencement and completion of the demolition or conversion;

Section 3. The location and approximate number of dwelling units by size that will be provided as replacements;

Section 4. The funding source for replacement; and

Section 5. The basis for concluding that each replacement dwelling will remain an LMI dwelling unit for at least 10 years from initial occupancy.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF GENTRY, that consistent with the goals and objectives of the HCDA, the City will make every effort to minimize the displacement of persons from homes.

PASSED and APPROVED, this 7th day of October 2019.

Kevin D. Johnston, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tonya Carney, Director of Finance

RESOLUTION NO. _____

CITY OF GENTRY, ARKANSAS

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF GENTRY TO SUBMIT AN ACEDP
(ARKANSAS COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM)
GRANT APPLICATION TO THE STATE OF ARKANSAS.**

WHEREAS the City of Gentry is applying for grant funds through the Arkansas Community and Economic Development Program (“ACEDP”);

WHEREAS the application process requires compliance with certain conditions;

WHEREAS to meet such conditions, Gentry has conducted a public hearing and has an active Citizen Participation Plan/Community Development Plan; and

WHEREAS under such plan, Gentry will receive and consider comments from the community in identifying and prioritizing community development and housing needs.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor of Gentry is hereby authorized to apply to the State of Arkansas for funds under ACEDP Economic Development provisions, and to expend funds under the terms of any grant approved under the application.

PASSED and APPROVED, this 7th day of October 2019.

Kevin D. Johnston, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tonya Carney, Director of Finance

RESOLUTION NO. _____

CITY OF GENTRY, ARKANSAS

A RESOLUTION PROHIBITING THE USE OF EXCESSIVE FORCE BY LAW ENFORCEMENT WITHIN GENTRY'S JURISDICTION AGAINST INDIVIDUALS ENGAGED IN NONVIOLENT CIVIL RIGHTS DEMONSTRATIONS.

WHEREAS, the City of Gentry is applying for Arkansas Economic Development Commission funding; and

WHEREAS, the City must adopt a policy to comply with the relevant section of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 as a condition of funding;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY OF GENTRY SHALL ENSURE AND ENFORCE THE FOLLOWING:

1. Law enforcement agencies under the City's jurisdiction shall not use excessive force against any individual engaged in a nonviolent civil rights demonstration.
2. Law enforcement agencies under the City's jurisdiction shall not physically bar the entrance or exit of a facility or location which is the subject of a nonviolent civil rights demonstration.
3. The City's response to such nonviolent civil rights demonstrations shall endeavor to protect, to the extent reasonably possible, the rights of all nonviolent demonstration participants, persons located in the vicinity, and persons owning property in the vicinity.
4. If a nonviolent civil rights demonstration should occur, force shall only be permitted when deemed necessary to protect the rights of individuals or to uphold the law.

PASSED and APPROVED, this 7th day of October 2019.

Kevin D. Johnston, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tonya Carney, Director of Finance

RESOLUTION NO. _____

CITY OF GENTRY, ARKANSAS

**A RESOLUTION AFFIRMING THE CITY OF GENTRY'S
FAIR HOUSING AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY POLICY**

WHEREAS the United States Congress has declared that all U.S. citizens have the same right to inherit, purchase, lease, sell, hold, and convey real property; and

WHEREAS Congress has declared that fair and open housing is the law of the land; and

WHEREAS Congress has also declared that all citizens have an equal opportunity for employment;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY OF GENTRY, that the City shall prohibit discrimination, in accordance with Section 109 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, on the ground of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, familial status, disability, or age, in public and private housing, in property ownership, and in employment opportunities. Be it further resolved that the City of Gentry supports and shall promote open housing and equal opportunity employment.

PASSED and APPROVED, this 7th day of October 2019.

ATTEST:

Tonya Carney, Director of Finance

Kevin D. Johnston, Mayor