

City of Conway, Arkansas CITY COUNCIL Agenda • March 12, 2024

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Elected Officials

Mayor Bart Castleberry City Clerk Michael O. Garrett City Attorney Charles Finkenbinder

Ward 1 Position 1 – Andy Hawkins

Ward 1 Position 2 – David Grimes

Ward 2 Position 1 – Woodrow Cummins

Ward 2 Position 2 – Shelley Mehl

Ward 3 Position 1 – Mark Ledbetter

Ward 3 Position 2 – Cindy Webb

Ward 4 Position 1 – Theodore Jones Jr.

Ward 4 Position 2 – Shelia Isby

5:30pm: 6:00pm: Call to Order: Roll Call:

Minutes Approval:

No Committee Meeting City Council Meeting • Conway Municipal Building • 1111 Main Street Bart Castleberry, Mayor Michael O. Garrett, Clerk/Treasurer February 27, 2024

A. Public Hearing

- 1. Public Hearing -Ordinance to approve the abandonment of a fifteen-foot utility easement running along the west line of Lot 1 Rock-Tenn Subdivision.
- B. Community Development Committee (Airport, Community Development, Code Enforcement, Permits, Inspections, & **Transportation, Planning & Development)**
 - 1. Consideration to approve waiving all three readings for the ordinances on the March 12, 2024, City Council agenda.
 - Ordinance amending the electrical and plumbing sections of the Conway Municipal Code for the Permits Department.
 - 3. Ordinance to update the building permit fee schedules of the Conway Municipal Code for the Permits Department.
 - 4. Ordinance to approve the abandonment of fifteen-foot utility easement running along the west line of Lot 1 of the Rock-Tenn Subdivision.
 - Resolution to approve on-call professional engineering services for the City of Conway.
 - Resolution accepting the low bid for the realignment of Lower Ridge Road for the Transportation Department.
 - 7. Consideration to approve the request from Elaine & Grant Goode to waive the twelve-month waiting period before a rezoning request may be submitted after City Council denial.
- C. Public Service Committee (Physical Plant, Parks & Recreation, & Sanitation)
 - 1. Ordinance to approve a contract amendment for Pompe Park.
- D. Public Safety Committee (District Court, Department of Information Systems & Technology, Animal Welfare, CEOC (Communication Emergency Operations Center), Police, Fire, & Office of the City Attorney)
 - 1. Ordinance appropriating funds for the purchase of conversion software for the Conway Emergency Operations Center.

Adjournment



City of Conway, Arkansas Ordinance No. O-24-

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Whereas, after due notice as required by law, the Council has, at the time and place mentioned in the notice, heard all persons desiring to be heard on the question and has ascertained that the easement or the portion thereof, hereinbefore described, has heretofore been dedicated to the public use as a utility easement herein described; that all the owners of the property abutting upon the portion of the easement to be vacated have been afforded the opportunity to file with the council their written consent to the abandonment; and the public interest and welfare will not be adversely affected by the abandonment of this portion of the easement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CONWAY ARKANSAS:

Section 1. The City of Conway, Arkansas releases, vacates, and abandons its rights, together with the rights of the public generally, in and to the portions of the easement, designated as follows:

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Section 2. A copy of the ordinance duly certified by the city clerk shall be filed in the office of the recorder of the county and recorded in the deed records of the county.

PASSED this 12 th day of March, 2024.	Approved:
Attest:	Mayor Bart Castleberry
 Michael O. Garrett	
City Clerk/Treasurer	



January 19, 2024

City of Conway 1111 Main Street Conway, AR 72032

RE: Rock Tenn Easement on West side of property.

To Whom it May Concern:

Conway Corporation does not have an issue with closing the east 6' of the west 15' of easement running along the west line of Lot 1 Rock-Tenn Subdivision to the City of Conway, as shown on plat of record in plat book J, page 187, records of Faulkner County, Arkansas.

If you have any questions, please give me a call.

Sincerely,

CONWAY CORPORATION

Leslie Guffey

Engineering & Planning



Todd R. Gregory AT&T Arkansas Right-of-Way & Joint Pole Use Mgr. P.O. Box 6505 Hot Springs, AR 71901 Phone: (501) 321-3207 Cell: (501) 276-3791 tg5473@att.com

Transmitted via E-mail

The Honorable Bart Castleberry Mayor of Conway City Hall 1111 Main Street Conway, AR 72032

RE: Rock -Tenn Subdivision Lot 1,

Dear Mayor Castleberry:

AT&T Arkansas has no objections to abandoning the 6' utility easement located in the Rock - Tenn Subdivision described below:

On behalf of Davis Properties, LLC, our firm is intending to petition closing the east 6' of the west 15' of the easement running along the west line of Lot 1 Rock-Tenn Subdivision, to the City of Conway, as shown on plat of record in plat book J, page 187, records of Faulkner County, Arkansas.

AT&T Arkansas has no facilities within the Utility Easement. Also AT&T has no plans to utilize it in the future.

Todd R. Gregory

January 18, 2024

Ms. Starla Wood Central Arkansas Professional Surveying, LLC 1021 Front St. Conway, AR 72032

Ms. Wood,

The City of Conway Transportation Department concurs with the request to vacate the east 6' of the west 15' of the easement running along the west line of Lot 1 Rock-Tenn Subdivision, shown on plat of record in plat book J, page 187, records of Faulkner County, Arkansas.

If there are questions, please contact me via email at kurt.jones@conwayarkansas.gov or by phone at 501-450-6165.

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City Engineer



Summit Utilities

1400 Centerview Dr Suite 100 Little Rock, AR 72211

UTILITY RELEASE FORM

General Utility Easement, Public Access Easement, Alley, Street,

R.O.W. Utility Company: <u>Sum</u>	ımit Utilities	Date:	1/30/2024
Requested Abandonment:	ROCK TENN LC	OT 1 Desc	scription:
PORTION OF EASEMENT TO	BE ABANDONED:		
			RUNNING ALONG THE WEST LINE OF LOT 1,
UTILITY COMPANY COMMENT	·S:		
X No objections to the aba	ndonment(s) des	cribed al	above.
No objections to the abaretained (Exhibit A).	ndonment (s) de	scribed a	above, provided the following easements are
Objects to the abandonn	nent(s) described	l above, r	reason described below.
Described reasons for objection or easements to be retained.			
Blake Sanders			Gas Engineer
Signature of Utility Company I	Representative		Title

City of Conway, Arkansas Office of the Mayor

Memo:

To: Mayor Bart Castleberry

CC: City Council Members

From: Felicia Rogers

Date: March 8th, 2024

Re: March 12th, 2024 City Council Agenda

The following ordinances are included on the March 12th, 2024 for consideration of waiving the three readings of each ordinance:

- 1. B-2 Ordinance amending the electrical and plumbing sections of the Conway Municipal Code **for** the Permits Department.
- 2. B-3 Ordinance to update the building permit fee schedules of the Conway Municipal Code for the Permits Department.
- 3. B-4 Ordinance to approve the abandonment of fifteen foot utility easement running along the west line of Lot 1 of the Rock-Tenn Subdivision.
- 4. C-1 Ordinance to approve a contract amendment for Pompe Park....
- 5. D-1 Ordinance appropriating funds for the purchase of conversion software for the Conway Emergency Operations Center.



City of Conway, Arkansas Ordinance No. O-24-____

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ELECTRICAL AND PLUMBING SECTIONS OF THE CONWAY MUNCIPAL CODE FOR THE CONWAY PERMITS AND INSPECTIONS DEPARTMENT; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES:

Whereas, the City of Conway Permits and Inspections Department is constantly working toward continually improving the requirements for building within the city limits, and

Whereas, the Department of Permits and Inspections requests the following amendment be made to the following section of the Municipal Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CONWAY, ARKANSAS:

Section 1: That <u>11.04.06 Bond Required</u> in the Conway Municipal Code be hereby amended to read as follows:

Every master electrician doing business in the City of Conway shall execute and deliver to the City a bond with a surety bonding company in the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to indemnify the City or any citizen for the damage caused by the failure of such master electrician to comply strictly with the provisions of this chapter. No electrical permit shall be issued to any master electrician unless this bond has been delivered to the City and is in full force and effect.

Section 2: That <u>11.08.06 Bond Required</u> in the Conway Municipal Code be hereby amended to read as follows:

Every master plumber doing business in the City shall execute and deliver to the City a bond with a surety bonding company in the sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) to indemnify the City or any citizen for the damage caused by the failure of such master plumber to comply strictly with the provisions of this chapter. No plumbing permit shall be issued to any master plumber unless this bond has been delivered to the City and is in full force and effect.

Section 3: <u>Water Heaters</u>. New construction and extensive renovations water heater installations shall not be installed in the attic. Replacement water heaters will be ok to be re-installed where the existing water heater was installed.

Section 4: This ordinance is necessary for the protection of the public peace, health and safety; an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

Passed this 12th day of March, 2024.

Approved:

Mayor Bart Castleberry

Michael O. Garrett

City Clerk/Treasurer



City of Conway, Arkansas Ordinance No. O-24-____

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 11.16 SECTION 11.16.06 OF THE CONWAY MUNICIPAL CODE FOR THE CONWAY PERMITS & INSPECTIONS DEPARTMENT; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES:

Whereas, the City of Conway would like to update the building permit fee schedules for buildings within the city limits, we request the following amendment be made to the following section of the Municipal Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CONWAY, ARKANSAS:

Section 1: That <u>11.16.06 Amendments to the code</u> in the Conway Municipal Code be hereby amended to read as follows:

Make checks payable to the City of Conway.

Note: Commencing work before permit issuance shall result in doubling of the appropriate permit fee.

Building Permit Fees		
Residential		
New Construction	\$0.12 per total under roof square footage	Minimum of \$250
Addition	\$0.12 per total under roof square footage	Minimum of \$50
Remodeling	\$1 per \$1,000 of total cost of construction	Minimum of \$50
Accessory	\$0.12 per total under roof square footage	Minimum of \$50
Re-Inspect/Additional	\$25 per inspection	
Inspection fee		

Building Permit Fees		
Commercial		
New Construction	\$0.14 per total under roof square footage	Minimum of \$250
Addition	\$0.14 per total under roof square footage	Minimum of \$100
Remodeling	\$1 per \$1,000 of total cost of construction	Minimum of \$100
Accessory	\$0.14 per total under roof square footage	Minimum of \$100
Temporary Structure	\$0.14 per total under roof square footage	Minimum of \$250
Re-Inspect/Additional	\$25 per inspection	
Inspection fee		

Trade Fees (Plumbing, Mechanical, Electrical, Gas)		
Plumbing + Building	Residential: 47% of Building	Minimum of \$50
Permit	permit fee	NA: nine von af 675
	Commercial: 35% of Building permit fee	Minimum of \$75
Gas	\$40	
Plumbing Stand Alone	Residential \$50	Commercial \$75
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Demolitions	of total cost of construction	
	Commercial -\$1 per \$1,000 of total cost of construction	Minimum of \$100
Building Code Appeals	\$250	
Permit Review Fee	\$25	

^{*}State Trade Fee shall be determined by staff for all Commercial Projects according to the state rate.

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City of Conway, Arkansas Resolution No. R-24-____

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR PROFESSIONAL ON-CALL SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF CONWAY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES:

Whereas, the City of Conway accepted statements of qualifications and performance data from prospective consulting firms to provide engineering and support services for public projects; and

Whereas, the City of Conway has projects that require special expertise, including but not limited to aviation services, structural engineering, transportation engineering, and hydraulic modeling; and

Whereas, the City of Conway requests approval of the following firms for professional oncall services:

Crafton Tull – Engineering and Surveying
Garver – Engineering, Landscape Architecture and Airport Services
Jacobs – Engineering and Landscape Architecture
McClelland – Engineering and Landscape Architecture
TEC – Engineering
Terracon – Engineering
Central Arkansas Professional Surveying – Surveying
Vaughn Appraisal Company – Appraisals
Pinnacle - Appraisals

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVEDED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CONWAY, ARKANSAS THAT:

Section 1. The City of Conway shall accept the Request for Qualifications and allow the City to enter into on-call agreements with the listed firms:

Crafton Tull – Engineering and Surveying
Garver – Engineering, Landscape Architecture and Airport Services
Jacobs – Engineering and Landscape Architecture
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TEC – Engineering
Terracon – Engineering
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PASSED this 12 th day of March, 2024.	Approved:
Attest:	Mayor Bart Castleberry
Michael O. Garrett City Clerk/Treasurer	

approval.

Section 2. This resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and



City of Conway, Arkansas Resolution No. R-24-

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE LOWEST BID AND ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT FOR LOWER RIDGE ROAD IMPROVEMENT FOR THE CONWAY TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Whereas, Conway City solicited bids to extend and improve approximately .25 miles of Lower Ridge Road on a new location in Conway, AR, and

Whereas, The City of Conway received five bids as follows: Paladino Construction, Inc. \$1,217,725.15, JCI Construction, Inc. \$1,271,791.70, Curtis Construction Inc. \$1,293,426.64, DKM Construction Co. \$1,349,912.47, and Redstone Construction Group \$1,384,439.50, and

Whereas, The City of Conway recommends that Council approve the lowest bid from Paladino Construction, Inc. and allow the City to enter into contract for the amounts stated above.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY CONWAY CITY COUNCIL THAT:

Section I: The City of Conway accepts the lowest bid for Lower Ridge Road Improvements from Paladino Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$1,217,725.15.

Section II: The City of Conway shall enter into an agreement with Paladino Construction, Inc. for this project.

THIS Resolution passed this 12th day of March, 2024

Approved:	
Mayor Bart Castleberry	



CITY OF CONWAY 1111 Main Street
Planning and Development Conway, AR 7203.

Conway, AR 72032 T 501.450.6105 F 501.450.6144 www.conwayarkansas.gov

MEMO

To: Mayor Bart Castleberry Cc: City Council Members

Re: WAIVER REQUEST: 12 MONTH ZONING AMENDMENT MORATORIUM AFTER DENIAL

From: Anne Tucker, Director of Planning & Development

Date: March 12, 2024

Re: Request to waive the 12-month waiting period before a rezoning request may be submitted after

City Council denial

On behalf of the applicant, Mr. Bobby French, acting as authorized agent for property owners Elaine & Grant Goode, have requested the waiver to submit an amendment application to the Planning Commission to rezone the lot from A-1 (Agricultural) to PUD (Planned Unit Development). If approved by a two-thirds majority, the applicant must adhere to all applicable rezoning requirements such as applications, public input meeting, fees, and public notice requirements. The item would be heard by the Planning Commission after all submittal requirements are met. If approved by the Planning Commission, the rezoning will be forwarded to the City Council for consideration.

At the October 10, 2023, meeting of the City Council, the Appeal of the Planning Commission's Denial for a requested rezone of ±80.0 acres surrounding 1 Eagle Wing Dr from A-1 to R-1 was denied. There was considerable public opposition to the consideration and the applicant wishes to develop the site under a different zoning classification. The Zoning Code prohibits a rezoning application within one (1) year from the effective date of final denial action unless authorized by the City Council.

<u>Staff recommendation</u>: Staff recommends <u>APPROVAL</u> of the request.

Please advise if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Anne Tucker

Director of Planning & Development

City of Conway, Arkansas

June Ducker

Central Arkansas Professional Surveying, LLC

1021 Front Street Conway, AR 72032 501.513.4800 501.513.0900-fax

February 29, 2024

Re: 1 Eagle Wing Dr. Conway, AR 72032 Request to Refile

To Whom It May Concern,

On behalf of Elaine W. Goode and Grant Goode, we are asking for approval to re-submit a rezoning application on the following described property:

1 Eagle Wing Dr., Conway, Arkansas 72032 (3.20 acres +/- acres)

Lakeview Acres Dr., Conway, Arkansas 72032 (76.80 +/- acres)

S ½ SW ¼ OF SECTION 30, T6N, R13W, FAULKNER COUNTY, ARKANSAS.

(710-08169-000) AND (710-08169-001)

Our intent is to file a rezoning from A1 to a PUD.

We are requesting that we be put on the City Council agenda for March 12, 2024 for this request to be considered.

Sincerely,

Robert French, P.S. 1363

Central Arkansas Professional Surveying, LLC



City of Conway, Arkansas Ordinance No. O-23-____

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS AND APPROVING CHANGE ORDER #1 AND AMENDMENT #1 FOR POMPE PARK PHASE II FOR CONWAY PARKS & RECREATION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Whereas, City Council approved Crafton Tull & Associates for the Pompe Park Phase I & II project; which includes Veteran Plaza in 2021; and

Whereas, the City would like to add within Phase III; additional parking, trail connection and a sidewalks to complete this project; and

Whereas, the City of Conway has funds available in the A&P Fund and would like to appropriate funds for this project.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CONWAY, ARKANSAS THAT:

Section 1. The City of Conway shall approve Amendment #2 for Crafton Tull for the Pompe Park Phase III project to provide civil engineering design & construction administration for the necessary work of Phase III consisting of a new parking area, trail connection, and sidewalks.

Section 2. The City of Conway shall appropriate \$200,000 from the A&P Fund Balance Appropriation account 252-000-4900 into the A&P CIP - Misc account 252-165-5990.

Section 3. All ordinances in conflict herewith are repealed to the extent of the conflict.

PASSED this 12th of March, 2024.

	Approved:
	Mayor Bart Castleberry
Attest:	
Michael O. Garrett	
City Clark/Treasurer	



City of Conway, Arkansas Ordinance No. O-24-

AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE PURCHASE OF CONVERSION SOFTWARE FOR THE CONWAY EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES:

Whereas, the Conway Emergency Operations Center (CEOC) needs to purchase GeoBackOffice software from Southern Software, and GBO software enables the integration of all county and new city roads into our CAD system for efficient dispatching purposes; and

Whereas, the funds for these purchases will initially come from the General Fund, and once the consolidation takes place, we will receive reimbursement from state grant funding; and

Whereas, the Conway Emergency Operations Center (CEOC) budget does not include funds for this purchase.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CONWAY, ARKANSAS, THAT:

Section 1. The City of Conway shall appropriate \$11,245 from the General Fund Balance Appropriation account (001-119-4900) into the Computer Equipment/Software account (001-125-5930) for the purchase of the GeoBackOffice software.

Section 2. All ordinances in conflict herewith are repealed to the extent of the conflict.

PASSED this 12th day of March, 2024.

	Approved:	
	Mayor Bart Castleberry	
Attest:		
Michael O. Garrett		
City Clerk/Treasurer		