



Pine Bluff City Council Meeting
February 3, 2025 @ 5:30 P.M.

Agenda

Public Comments – Agenda Items

Meeting Called to Order

Invocation – Rev. Alvin Dunlap, Grace Evangelical Baptist Church

Pledge Allegiance led by – Hunter Wright, Forrest Park / Greenville Preschool

Roll Call

Approval of Minutes (January 21, 2025)

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS & REPORTING

Ways & Means – Council Member Mays, Sr. Chair **(1 Budget Adjustment)**

Ordinances & Resolutions – Council Member Mays, Sr. Chair

Economic & Community Development – Council Member Frazier Chair

Public Health & Welfare – Council Member Denton Chair

Public Works – Council Member Lockett Chair

Development & Planning – Council Member Fells, III Chair

Traffic & Aviation – Council Member Brunson Chair

Administration – Council Member Holcomb, Jr. Chair

Public Safety – Council Member Brown, Jr. Chair

PROPOSED ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

1. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 16 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PINE BLUFF, ARKANSAS TO ADD NEW ARTICLE VIII REGARDING SMOKE SHOPS AND VAPE SHOPS FROM DOING BUSINESS IN CERTAIN LOCATIONS WITHIN THE CITY, AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES **(up for the 2nd reading)**
2. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE III IN CHAPTER 16 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PINE BLUFF, ARKANSAS, RESPECTING ABANDONED, WRECKED, DIMANTLED OR INOPERABLE MOTOR VEHICLES, AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES **(up for the 2nd reading)**
3. AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING THAT LEGISLATION APPROPRIATING FUNDS SPECIFY THE FUNDING SOURCE IN THE BODY OF THE LEGISLATION; AMENDING SECTION 2-54 IN CHAPTER TWO, ARTICLE II, DIVISION 2, OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF PINE BLUFF, ARKANSAS, AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES **(up for the 1st reading)**

4. AN ORDINANCE PRESCRIBING THE MEANS FOR ADJUSTMENTS, AMENDMENTS, OR OTHER CHANGES TO THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET; AMENDING SECTION 2-144 IN CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE V, DIVISION ONE, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PINE BLUFF, ARKANSAS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES (**up for the 1st reading**)
5. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF APPLICATIONS WITH THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION, AN OPERATING ADMINISTRATION OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, FOR FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE AUTHORIZED BY 49 U.S.C. CHAPTER 53; TITLE 23, UNITED STATES CODE, OR OTHER FEDERAL STATUTES ADMINISTERED BY THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION
6. A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2025 MUNICIPAL BUDGET TO PROVIDE FOR A FIXED TRAVEL EXPENSE FOR THE CITY CLERK

Announcements

Adjournment

Public comments non-Agenda



Public Comments – Agenda Items

There were no public speakers.

Minutes of the Council Meeting

Mayor Flowers called the Pine Bluff City Council regular meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. on January 21, 2025.

Roll Call – City Clerk Roberts called the roll. Council Members answering present were Mays, Sr., Holcomb, Jr., Brown, Jr., Lockett, Frazier, Denton, and Fells, III. Council Member Brunson was absent.

The Invocation was given by Rev. Judy Rudd, Lakeside United Methodist Church, Pine Bluff.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Bryson Cross, James Matthews Elementary School.

Approval of Minutes – Council Member Holcomb, Jr. moved for approval of the minutes from the January 6, 2025 meeting, seconded by Council Member Brown, Jr. and the motion carried 7/0.

Committee Reports

Council Member Mays, Sr. – Chair of Ways & Means. Council Member Brown, Jr. chaired the committee meeting. There were no budget adjustments.

The committee discussed “An ordinance requiring that legislation appropriating funds specify the funding source in the body of the legislation; amending section 2-54 in Chapter 2, Article II, Division 2, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Pine Bluff, Arkansas, and for related purposes” and it was forwarded to the council with a “do pass”.

Council Member Mays, Sr. – Chair of the Ordinances and Resolutions. Council Member Holcomb, Jr. chaired the committee. The committee met prior to this meeting and recommended the following:

- Items No. 1 & 2 up for the 3rd and final reading
- Items No. 3 was pulled by sponsor
- Item No. 4 up for the 1st reading
- Item No. 5 was pulled by sponsor
- Item No. 6 was up for the 1st reading
- Item No. 7 was pulled
- Item No. 8 will be heard and completed

Council Member Frazier - Chair of the Economic & Community Development
Committee reported: No report.

Council Member Denton - Chair of the Public Health & Welfare Committee reported:
No report.

Council Member Lockett - Chair of the Public Works Committee reported: No report.

Council Member Fells, III - Development & Planning Committee reported: The committee met on January 14th. We discussed agenda item # 4 and # 6, and they were forwarded to the full council with a “do pass”. Ms. Chandra Griffin and Mr. Watley discussed how they are spending down the remaining 2017 Sales Tax Funds. Ms. Lakeshia Hill gave us an update on the Tiny Houses and Event Center Task Forces. The Event Center Task Force will meet on January 31st and 3:00 p.m. in the Det. Kevn Collins Center and the Tiny Houses Task Force will meet on January 31st and 4:00 p.m. in the Det. Kevin Collins Center. These task forces will be electing their officers and going over their initial set ups. Council Member Fells, III acknowledged Ms. Verna Perry along with a group of students who will be working in collaboration with Clean and Beautiful who have adopted a spot to clean every Saturday in the year of 2025 between South Blake St and South Gum St (from west to east) and West 15th Ave and West 12th Ave (from north to south). Ms. Teki Hunt presented Ms. Perry with a certificate for being the 2024 4H Volunteer of the Year for her initiation, implementation, and innovation in forming the “Kid on The Block 4H Club” leading youth to become beyond ready. Also, Ms. Kelli Kennedy presented Ms. Perry with a Certificate of Participation for their pledge to adopt a spot to clean up.

Council Member Brunson - Chair of the Traffic & Aviation Committee reported: No report.

Council Member Holcomb, Jr. - Chair of Administration Committee reported: No report; however, Council Member Holcomb, Jr. invited everyone to the Neighborhood Watch that is being held at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, January 27th at the Mt. Harmony Missionary Baptist Church.

Council Member Brown, Jr. - Chair of Public Safety Committee reported; however, the next scheduled committee meeting will be February 5th at 1:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers and via zoom.

Ordinances & Resolutions

- (1) AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE REZONING OF CERTAIN TERRITORY IN THE CITY OF PINE BLUFF, ARKANSAS (2200 BLOCK OF HUTCHINSON – EAST SIDE) (**up for the 3rd and final reading**) was read by the City Attorney. Council Member Brown, Jr. moved **for adoption**, seconded by Council Member Lockett and the motion carried 7/0.
- (2) AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE REZONING OF CERTAIN TERRITORY IN THE CITY OF PINE BLUFF, ARKANSAS (300 BLOCK OF BRYANT STREET EAST SIDE) (**up for the 3rd and final reading**) was read by the City Attorney. Council Member Brown, Jr. moved **for adoption**, seconded by Council Member Lockett and the motion carried 7/0.

- (3) AN ORDINANCE PRESCRIBING THE MEANS FOR ADJUSTMENTS, AMENDMENTS, OR OTHER CHANGES TO THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET; AMENDING SECTION 2-144 IN CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE V, DIVISION ONE, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PINE BLUFF, ARKANSAS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES (**up for the 1st reading**) was pulled by the sponsor.
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- (7) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A MODIFIED AGREEMENT WITH DEPAUL USA, INC. TO OPERATE THE OPPORTUNITY HOUSE was pulled by the sponsor.
- (8) A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR PLACEMENT OF COSTS OF CORRECTING CERTAIN NUISANCES ON TAX BOOKS AS DELINQUENT TAXES AND COLLECTED AS SUCH was heard. Council Member Brown, Jr. moved **for adoption**, seconded by Council Member Lockett and the motion carried 7/0.

Adjournment

Council Member Holcomb Jr. called for adjournment at 6:06 p.m., seconded by Council Member Lockett and the motion carried 7/0.

Announcements and Comments

(See attached)

Public Comments Non-Agenda Items

Speaker Name	Summary Comments

PINE BLUFF CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Mayor Vivian L. Flowers

Announcements

January 21, 2025



1. The Pine Bluff Regional Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner is scheduled for Thursday January 23, 2025 6p at the Pine Bluff Country Club. This year's featured speaker is our Honorable Mayor Vivian L. Flowers please contact Jennifer Kline 870-535-0110 for tickets and sponsorships.
2. The requirements to speak at the City Council Meetings have changed. Speakers will be required to sign-up in the Council Chambers between 4:30-5:20 pm on the day of the council meeting.
3. The Youth Basketball League presents" Honoring Our Legends in the Community Alumni Basketball Game". Saturday February 8th, 5:00 PM Bel Air Middle School Gym, 1301 Commerce Road, \$10 Admission.
4. Reminder: The City of Pine Bluff will be closed Monday, February 17, in observance of President's Day. The City Council Meeting will resume on Tuesday February 18, 2025.
5. The City of Pine Bluff is embarking on an exciting new chapter, and Mayor Vivian Flowers invites you to be a part of it. As we transition to a new administration, we are forming a Transition Advisory Board (TAB) to help guide our priorities and ensure an inclusive, people-powered beginning. Application will be accepted until Thursday January 23, 2025 End of Business 5 pm. Please visit the City of Pine Bluff Website, and CLICK
Cityofpinebluff-ar.gov>Cityinformation>BoardsandCommisions>TransitionAdvisoryBoa
rdApplication to apply.

Request for Budget Adjustment

To:

City Council
2/3/2025

From:

Finance Department

Adjustment Requested:

\$0.00 in the General Fund

Reason Required:

2024 Year End Budget Adjustment

Department:

All

01-01-000 4007	4.00 Retirement	
01-01-000 4006	(4.00) Social Security	
01-01-000 4106	9,316.00 Operating Expense	
01-01-000 4103	(6,377.00) Consulting Fees	
01-01-000 4104	(5,561.00) Technology Svcs	
01-01-000 4908	2,622.00 Capital Purchases	
01-02-000 4001	6,421.00 Salaries	
01-02-000 4006	3,077.00 Social Security	
01-02-000 4007	4,600.00 Retirement	
01-02-000 4008	7,854.00 Group Insurance	
01-02-000 4301.01	1,255.00 Telephone Expense	
01-02-000 4302	(5,000.00) Electric Expense	
01-02-000 4303	(1,000.00) Water Expense	
01-02-000 4304	(800.00) Gas Expense	
01-03-000 4121	3,670.00 Janitorial Contract	
01-03-000 4205	56,882.00 Repair & Maintenance	Machinery
01-03-000 4207	5,234.00 Repair & Maintenance	Building
01-03-000 4208	(10,535.00) Repair & Maintenance	Grounds
01-03-000 4302	(31,629.00) Electric Expense	
01-03-000 4304	(23,622.00) Gas Expense	
01-05-000- 4107	179.00 Janitorial Expenses	
01-05-000 4301.01	460.00 Telephone Expense	Landline
01-05-000 4304	23.00 Gas Expense	
01-05-000 4501	224.00 Insurance	Auto
01-05-000- 4106	(476.00) Operating Expenses	
01-05-000 4301.02	(186.00) Telephone Expense	Cell
01-05-000 4905	(\$224.00) Purchases	Machine & Equipment
01-06-110 4001	\$7,725.00 Salaries	
01-06-110 4301.01	270.00 Telephone Expense	Landline
01-06-110 4501	\$21,464.00 Insurance	Auto
01-06-450 4001	\$3,197.00 Salaries	
01-06-602 4001	\$87,346.00 Salaries	
01-06-602 4002	\$127,937.00 Overtime	
01-06-602 4003	\$109,244.00 Scheduled Overtime	
01-06-602 4007	\$84,854.00 Retirement	
01-06-604 4001	\$6,954.00 Salaries	
01-06-110 4002	(\$4,441.00) Overtime	
01-06-110 4007	(\$1,880.00) Retirement	
01-06-110 4102	(\$1,590.00) Office Supplies	
01-06-110 4106	(\$15,566.00) Employee Assistance Program	
01-06-110 4301.02	(27,437.00) Telephone Expense	Cell
01-06-110 4908	(\$9,321.00) Capital Purchases	
01-06-450 4002	(\$9,333.00) Overtime	
01-06-450 4603	(\$4,788.00) Training Expense	
01-06-602 4006	(\$5,206.00) Social Security	
01-06-602 4012	(\$3,231.00) Uniform Expense	

01-06-602 4107	(\$2,384.00)	Janitorial Expenses	
01-06-602 4108	(\$11,345.00)	Gas, Oil & Lube	
01-06-602 4207	(\$5,661.00)	Repair & Maintenance	Building
01-06-602 4302	\$10,365.00	Electric Expense	
01-06-602 4304	(\$9,430.00)	Gas Expense	
01-06-604 4002	(\$13,510.00)	Overtime	
01-08-110 4108	\$3,447.00	Gas, Oil & Lube	
01-08-110 4202	\$1.00	Repair & Maintenance	Auto
01-08-110 4301.01	\$16,236.00	Telephone Expense	Landline
01-08-110 4501	\$2,194.00	Insurance	Auto
01-08-110 4911	\$1,314.00	Capital Lease	Principal
01-08-110 4912	\$23,442.00	Capital Lease	Interest
01-08-110 4132	(\$23,810.00)	Auto Loan Payments	
01-08-110 4908	(\$22,824.00)	Capital Purchases	
01-08-430 4001	(\$418,294.00)	Salaries	
01-09-000 4001	\$34,883.00	Salaries	
01-09-000 4006	\$1,830.00	Social Security	
01-09-000 4007	\$278.00	Retirement	
01-09-000 4104	\$282.00	Technology Svcs	
01-09-000 4109	\$14,639.00	Construction Surcharge	
01-09-000 4109	\$6.00	Purchases	Machine & Equipment
01-09-000 4108	(\$5,238.00)	Gas, Oil & Lube	
01-09-000 4602	(\$2,588.00)	Travel Expense	
01-11-000 4001	\$3,468.00	Salaries	
01-11-000 4104	\$1,427.00	Technology Svcs	
01-11-000 4505	(\$4,895.00)	Employee Assistance Program	
01-12-000 4301.01	\$402.00	Telephone Expense	Landline
01-12-000 4301.02	(\$402.00)	Telephone Expense	Cell
01-14-000 4007	\$224.00	Retirement	
01-14-000 4006	(\$224.00)	Social Security	
01-15-000 4101	\$7,095.00	Postage	
01-15-000 4001	(\$4,542.00)	Salaries	
01-15-000 4006	(\$1,000.00)	Social Security	
01-15-000 4102	(\$1,553.00)	Office Supplies	
01-17-000 4001	\$97.00	Salaries	
01-17-000 4007	\$966.00	Retirement	
01-17-000 4301.01	\$919.00	Telephone Expense	Landline
01-17-000 4102	(\$1,982.00)	Office Supplies	
01-18-000 4011	\$23,557.00	Worker's Comp	
01-19-000 4301.01	140.00	Telephone Expense	Landline
01-19-000 4301.02	(140.00)	Telephone Expense	Cell
01-20-000 4007	706.00	Retirement	
01-20-000 4301.01	1,101.00	Telephone Expense	Landline
01-20-000 4301.02	203.00	Telephone Expense	Cell
01-20-000 4001	(2,010.00)	Salaries	
01-30-110 4002	149.00	Overtime	
01-30-110 4006	1,226.00	Social Security	
01-30-110 4133	542.00	Event Supplies	
01-30-110 4301	1,107.00	Telephone Expense	
01-30-110 4301.01	190.00	Telephone Expense	Landline
01-30-110 4301.02	166.00	Telephone Expense	Cell
01-30-110 4001	(149.00)	Salaries	
01-30-110 4633	(3,231.00)	Equipment Rental	
01-30-132 4001	12,860.00	Salaries	
01-30-132 4006	751.00	Social Security	
01-30-132 4501	1,597.00	Insurance	Auto
01-30-132-4881.05	18,806.00	FEMA Project-Electrical	
01-30-135 4007	\$126.00	Retirement	
01-30-142 4002	297.00	Overtime	

01-30-341 4001	14,150.00	Salaries	
01-30-341 4002	273.00	Overtime	
01-30-341 4006	6,249.00	Social Security	
01-30-341 4112	2,049.00	Fertilizer & Chemicals	
01-30-110 4503	(10,563.00)	Insurance	Building
01-30-132 4304	(10,074.00)	Gas Expense	
01-30-135-4911	(34,521.00)	Capital Lease	Principal
01-30-135-4912	(2,000.00)	Capital Lease	Interest
01-41-000 4001	29,928.00	Salaries	
01-41-000 4002	384.00	Overtime	
01-41-000 4006	2,086.00	Social Security	
01-41-000 4102	707.00	Office Supplies	
01-41-000 4107	1,028.00	Janitorial Expenses	
01-41-000 4112	6,088.00	Fertilizer & Chemicals	
01-41-000 4118	669.00	Equipment & Supplies	
01-41-000 4205	71,936.00	Repair & Maintenance	Machine & Equipment
01-41-000 4207	10,660.00	Repair & Maintenance	Building
01-41-000 4208	1,637.00	Repair & Maintenance	Grounds
01-41-000 4305	1,367.00	Alarm	
01-41-000 4302	(93,754.00)	Electric Expense	
01-41-000 4304	(32,736.00)	Gas Expense	
01 52 000 4418	5.00	911 Communications	
01 52 201 4000	743.00	Hwy 63 Sewer Extension	
01 52 202 4000	(743.00)	University Drive Sewer Extension	
01 52 207 4000	(2,249.00)	Street Projects	Expenses
01 52 207 4911	1,650.00	Street Projects	Lease Principal
01 52 207 4912	599.00	Street Projects	Lease Interest
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\$	866,100.00	Total Funds Adjusted	

Method of Financing: None required

Requested by



Gina Devers

Finance Department

2/3/2025

Date

Approved by



Vivian L. Flowers

Mayor

2/3/2025

Date

Motion passes by Council action on

Date

Janice L. Roberts
City Clerk

1 **CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PINE BLUFF, ARKANSAS**

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3 **ORDINANCE NO. _____**

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5 **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 16 OF THE CODE OF**
6 **ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PINE BLUFF, ARKANSAS, TO**
7 **ADD NEW ARTICLE VIII REGARDING SMOKE SHOPS AND VAPE**
8 **SHOPS FROM DOING BUSINESS IN CERTAIN LOCATIONS WITHIN**
9 **THE CITY, AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES**

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11 **WHEREAS** there exists a multitude of smoke and vape shops within the city; and

12 **WHEREAS** oversaturating the community with these businesses leads to activities which
13 are deleterious to public health; and

14 **WHEREAS** smoking, vaping, recreational drug use, and associated paraphernalia,
15 associated with these businesses is to particularly be discouraged for children and youth, and
16 should not be permitted near schools and places of worship; and

17 **WHEREAS** existing smoke and vape shops within the prohibited area will be allowed to
18 continue to do business at their present location, but any expansion of the store or shop footprint
19 is prohibited.

20 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY**
21 **OF PINE BLUFF, ARKANSAS:**

22 **Section 1.** Chapter 16 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Pine Bluff, Arkansas, is
23 amended to add new Article VIII to the Chapter, which includes new Sections 16-101 through
24 104:

25 **ARTICLE VIII. SMOKE SHOPS AND VAPE SHOPS**

26 **Sec. 16-101. Definitions.**

- 27 (a) "Vape shop" (including a "head shop") is a retail store or shop that specializes in the sale
28 of paraphernalia used for the consumption of tobacco, cannabis, herbs, or recreational
29 drugs, including, but not limited to pipes, "one hitter" pipes, water pipes (also referred to
30 as "bongs"), vaporizers, roach clips, rolling papers, rolling machines, small weighing
31 scales, and herb grinders. Sales make also include, but not limited to, novelty items,

decorative items, art, posters, and music, which may be related to or illustrative of drug culture themes. A "Vape shop" or "head shop" does not include cannabis retail sales or cannabis production/distribution facilities permitted by law.

- (b) "Smoke shop" (including a Retail tobacco store") is a retail store used primarily for the sale of tobacco products, other than vapor products, alternative nicotine products, and accessories, and whose primary business is selling tobacco products and tobacco smoking accessories, as evidenced by fifty percent (50%) or more of completed sales transactions.

Sec. 16-102 Certain sites prohibited.

A Smoke shop or Vape shop is prohibited from locating or doing business within 1500 feet of any public or private school or any place of worship within the City of Pine Bluff, Arkansas.

Sec. 16-103. Penalty.

The owner or operator of a Smoke shop or Vape shop in violation of the provisions of Section 16-102 is guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof may be fined a sum between \$250.00 to \$1,000.00, or incarcerated for a period up to thirty (30) days, or both fine and incarceration. Each day of unlawful operation shall constitute a discrete offense for which the person may be charged and prosecuted. In addition, the occupation license for the business shall be suspended for a period of six (6) months.

Sec. 16-104. Exemption.

A Smoke shop or Vape shop located within a prohibited area prior to the effective date of this Ordinance may continue operation but any expansion of the store or shop is prohibited.

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

Section 3. The sections, subsections, paragraphs, sentences and phrases of this Ordinance are declared to be severable. Such any of the aforesaid be held unlawful, the remainder shall continue to be given full force and effect.

Section 4. This Ordinance being of a general or permanent nature, the clerk will ensure it is published as required by Arkansas law.

Section 5. This Ordinance takes effect on the 31st day after its adoption.

1 PASSED AND APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2025.

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3 APPROVED:

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7 MAYOR

8 SPONSOR(S):

9 William Feller III (1)
10 James Denton (1)
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16 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

17 [Signature]
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19 CITY ATTORNEY
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ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF PINE BLUFF

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE III IN CHAPTER 16 OF THE CODE OF
ORDINANCES AS THE CITY OF PINE BLUFF, ARKANSAS, RESPECTING
ABANDONED, WRECKED, DISMANTLED OR INOPERABLE MOTOR VEHICLES,
AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES

1 **WHEREAS**, there are far too many abandoned, wrecked, dismantled or inoperable motor
2 vehicles on vacant lots as well as parked on city streets and right-of-way impeding traffic; and

3 **WHEREAS**, these vehicles are “attractive nuisances: to children; serve as havens for
4 vermin; leak hazardous fluids; and constitute public nuisances; and

5 **WHEREAS**, city regulations concerning vehicles of this sort should be strengthened to
6 permit the city departments with jurisdiction to act to ameliorate the situation and abate the
7 nuisance.

8 **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY**
9 **OF PINE BLUFF, ARKANSAS:**

10 **Section 1.** Article III in Chapter 16 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Pine Bluff,
11 Arkansas, is amended to add new section 16-58, to provide as follows

12 **Sec. 16-58. – Additional remedial provisions.**

- 13 (A) It is unlawful for a motor vehicle, as defined in Section 16-52(b), (c), (d) and (e), to be
14 parked in the right-of-way of any city street or on any city property and the Code
15 Enforcement Department, Street Department or Police Department is Authorized to have
16 the vehicle removed from the location by a towing service.
17 (B) A motor vehicle, as defined in Section 16-52(b), (c), (d) and (e), which is parked on a
18 vacant lot, or on a lot which contains an unoccupied structure which itself has been
19 declared a public nuisance, is declared to be unlawful, and the Code Enforcement
20 Department of Police Department may have the vehicle removed from the location by a
21 towing service after compliance with subsection (d).

1 (C) The towing service which removes a vehicle at the direction of the Code Enforcement,
2 Police, or Street Departments shall follow the procedures outlined in A.C.A. Sections 27-
3 50-1201 et seq., as applicable, for disposition of the vehicle, or, if requested, hold the
4 vehicle until further notice.

5 (D) Prior to a vehicle being removed pursuant to subsections (a) or (b), a notice shall be
6 affixed to the vehicle warning that the vehicle is believed to be in violation of this Article,
7 and will be removed from the location, within – in the case of (a), twenty-four (24), or –
8 in the case of (b), seventy-two (72) hours, unless first removed by the owner or operator.

9 (1) The notice shall contain the name of the department issuing the notice; the date and
10 time it was issued; the date and time of expiration of the seventy-two (72) hour
11 period; the name and contact information of the issuing officer; and an explanation of
12 how the owner or operator may contest the determination that the vehicle is believed
13 to be in violation of this Article. If the officer or official has actual knowledge of the
14 identity of the owner or operator of the vehicle, the office or official shall make
15 reasonable effort to contact the individual and provide a copy of the notice to the
16 individual by reasonable means.

17 (2) An owner or operator who contests the determination that the vehicle is believed to be
18 in violation of this Article may seek a review of the determination by the Code
19 Enforcement Board of Adjustments and Appeals pursuant to Sections 7-271 et seq. of
20 this Code. The vehicle will not be removed until the appeal is completed. The
21 request for review must be communicated with the time window indicated on the
22 notice, and the request may be verbal or written

23 (E) Actions taken in accordance with the provisions of this Section must be documented and
24 photographed, which shall be maintained in a file available for inspection by the owner,
25 operator, or the public

26 [Sections 16-59 through 75 are reserved.]

27 **Section 2.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are repealed to the
28 extent of the conflict.

29 **Section 3.** The sections, subsections, paragraphs, sentences and phrases of this
30 Ordinance are declared severable and should any be found unlawful the remainder shall continue
31 to be given force and effect.

32 **Section 4.** This Ordinance being of a general or permanent nature, the clerk will cause it
33 to be published as required by law.

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Section 5. This Ordinance will take effect on the 31st day after its adoption, or the date of its publication, whichever is later.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2025.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

City Clerk

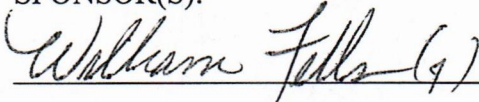
VIVIAN FLOWERS, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

SPONSOR(S):



City Attorney



**CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF PINE BLUFF, ARKANSAS**

ORDINANCE NO. _____

**AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING THAT LEGISLATION
APPROPRIATING FUNDS SPECIFY THE FUNDING SOURCE IN
THE BODY OF THE LEGISLATION; AMENDING SECTION 2-54 IN CHAPTER
TWO, ARTICLE II, DIVISION 2, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE
CITY OF PINE BLUFF, ARKANSAS, AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.**

WHEREAS informed decision making, transparency, and specificity in spending and budgeting is promoted by legislation specifying the funding source for an appropriation included within the measure.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
PINE BLUFF, ARKANSAS:**

SECTION 1. Section 2-54 in Division 2 of Article II in Chapter 2 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Pine Bluff, Arkansas, is amended in these aspects:

(a) Change title of the section to read – **“Ordinances and resolutions, written requirement; appropriation measures must specify funding source in the legislation.”**

(b) Designate existing language as subsection (a).

(c) Insert this language as new subsection (b): **“An ordinance or resolution including language appropriating funds for any purpose must specify the funding source for the appropriation.”**

SECTION 3. The sections, subsections, sentences and phrases of this Ordinance are declared severable and should any of the aforesaid be declared unlawful the remaining shall continue to be given full force and effect.

SECTION 5. This Ordinance will take effect on the 31st day after its passage.

APPROVED:

SPONSOR:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PINE BLUFF, ARKANSAS

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE PRESCRIBING THE MEANS FOR ADJUSTMENTS,
AMENDMENTS, OR OTHER CHANGES TO THE MUNICIPAL
BUDGET; AMENDING SECTION 2-144 IN CHAPTER 2, ARTICLE V,
DIVISION ONE, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY
OF PINE BLUFF, ARKANSAS; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES

WHEREAS as the annual municipal budget has historically been adopted via resolution,
and on rare occasion by ordinance; and

WHEREAS the council has from time-to-time during the year utilized a council order called
a "budget adjustment" to change or modify the line items within the budget; and

WHEREAS it is now desired to codify within the city code a more formal procedure for
making periodic changes to the budget.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF PINE BLUFF, ARKANSAS:**

Section 1. Section 2-144 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Pine Bluff, Arkansas, is
amended to provide as follows-

**Sec. 2-144. "Adjustments, amendment or changes to the municipal budget;
Reallocation of budget line items."**

(a) An adjustment, amendment or other change to the annual municipal budget must be
made by resolution duly adopted by the city council. Should the annual budget have
been adopted by ordinance, then the adjustment, amendment or change must be made
by ordinance.

(b) Take the existing language in the Section and insert this language as new subsection (b).

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

SPONSOR: Glen Brown Jr. 6/1

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF PINE BLUFF, ARKANSAS

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF APPLICATIONS WITH
THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION, AN OPERATING
ADMINISTRATION OF THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION, FOR FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE
AUTHORIZED BY 49 U.S.C. CHAPTER 53; TITLE 23, UNITED STATES
CODE, OR OTHER FEDERAL STATUTES ADMINISTERED BY THE
FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION.

WHEREAS, the Federal Transit Administrator has been delegated authority to award
federal financial assistance for a transportation project;

WHEREAS, the grant or cooperative agreement for federal financial assistance will
impose certain obligations upon the applicant, and may require the applicant to provide the
local share of the project cost;

WHEREAS, the applicant has or will provide all annual certifications and assurances to
the Federal Transit Administration required for the project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF PINE BLUFF, ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. That the mayor is authorized to execute and file an application for
federal assistance on behalf of City of Pine Bluff, Arkansas, Transit Department with the
Federal Transit Administration for federal assistance authorized by 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53,
title 23, United States Code, or other federal statutes authorizing a project administered by
the Federal Transit Administration. The State of Arkansas has granted the city the right to
file such an application.

SECTION 2. That the mayor is authorized to execute and file with its applications the
annual certifications and assurances and other documents the Federal Transportation
Administration requires before awarding a federal assistance grant or cooperative agreement.

1 **SECTION 3.** That the mayor is authorized to execute grant and cooperative
2 agreements with the Federal Transit Administration on behalf of the City of Pine Bluff,
3 Arkansas, Transit Department.

4 PASSED AND APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF JANUARY, 2025.

6 APPROVED:

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9 HON. VIVIAN FLOWERS, MAYOR

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12 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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14 CITY ATTORNEY

15 SPONSOR(s):

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20 **CERTIFICATION**

21 The undersigned duly qualified CITY CLERK, acting on behalf of the CITY OF PINE
22 BLUFF, ARKANSAS, certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution
23 adopted at a legally convened meeting of the CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PINE
24 BLUFF, ARKANSAS, held on January _____, 2025.

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27 *(Seal of the City of Pine*
28 *Bluff, Arkansas)*

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30 HON. JANICE ROBERTS, CITY CLERK

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32 (Date)

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IN THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PINE BLUFF, ARKANSAS

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2025 MUNICIPAL BUDGET
TO PROVIDE FOR A FIXED TRAVEL EXPENSE FOR THE CITY
CLERK.

WHEREAS to promote efficiency it is desired to amend the 2025 municipal
budget to provide a line item providing for a fixed travel expense for the city clerk.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY
OF PINE BLUFF, ARKANSAS:

The 2025 municipal budget is amended as regards the Executive Department,
City Clerk's office, to create a line item for "travel expense" in the amount of \$1,200.00
for job-related travel by the city clerk.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2025.

APPROVED:

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



CITY ATTORNEY

SPONSOR:

