

**ORDINANCE NO. 2023 - 43**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2023-05, THE BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF SEARCY FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2023; WAIVING THE REQUIREMENT OF COMPETITIVE BIDDING WITH RESPECT TO CERTAIN EXPENDITURES; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEARCY, ARKANSAS, TO-WIT:**

**Section 1.** The budget for the City of Searcy, Arkansas, is amended in the following manner:

- a. Appropriate \$10,000.00 from .025% Fire Protection Services Tax Fund unappropriated reserves to the ‘VEHICLE MAINTENANCE/REPAIR’ expenditure account (#18 5-070-03-02);
- b. Appropriate \$20,000.00 from .025% Fire Protection Services Tax Fund unappropriated reserves to the ‘ENGINE 1 ENGINE REBUILD’ expenditure account (#18 5-070-53-08) for an engine rebuild for Engine 1;
- c. Appropriate \$40,000.00 from General Fund unappropriated reserves to the Parks and Recreation Department ‘BUILDING MAINTENANCE/REPAIR’ expenditure account (#01 5-080-02-01);
- d. Appropriate \$48,000.00 from 2014 Eight Year Plan Tax Fund unappropriated reserves to the ‘CLOVERDALE DRAINAGE DITCH’ expenditure account (#14 5-130-05-08) for Corps of Engineers Permit/Stream Credits;
- e. Appropriate \$10,969.01 to General Fund ‘FEDERAL FORFEITURES’ revenue account (#01 4-000-20-04) and appropriate \$10,969.01 to the Police Department ‘FEDERAL DRUG FORFEITURES EXPENDITURES’ expenditure account (#01 5-060-05-10) for the receipt and use of Federal Forfeiture funds;
- f. Appropriate \$474,032.97 from American Rescue Plan Act Fund unappropriated reserves to ‘TRANSFER TO GENERAL FUND’ expenditure account (#21 5-010-05-01) and appropriate \$474,032.97 to the General Fund ‘TRANSFER FROM ARPA FUND’ (#01 4-000-99-58) and appropriate \$474,032.97 to the Parks and Recreation Department ‘PROPERTY 1800 VETERANS BOULEVARD’ expenditure account (#01 5-080-53-12) for the purchase of property located at 1800 Veterans Boulevard for the Parks and Recreation

Department maintenance facilities;

- g. Appropriate \$26,669.55 from American Rescue Plan Act Fund unappropriated reserves to 'TRANSFER TO GENERAL FUND' expenditure account (#21 5-010-05-01) and appropriate \$26,669.55 to the General Fund 'TRANSFER FROM ARPA FUND' (#01 4-000-99-58) and appropriate \$26,669.55 to the Parks and Recreation Department 'PROPERTY ELM AND HWY 267' expenditure account (#01 5-080-53-13) for the purchase of property located at Elm Street and Hwy 267 (Lincoln) for the Parks and Recreation Department;
- h. Appropriate \$22,953.28 to the Street Fund 'INSURANCE CLAIMS REIMBURSEMENT' revenue account (#02 4-000-70-01) and appropriate \$69,626.00 to the Street Department 'DAMAGED PROPERTY REPLACEMENT' expenditure account (#02 5-900-02-13) for replacement of roof due to storm damage;
- i. Appropriate \$7,875.00 from General Fund unappropriated reserves to the Community Service/Cemetery 'GROUNDS MAINTENANCE' expenditure account (#01 5-030-02-06) for removal and trimming of trees at the city-owned Oak Grove Cemetery;
- j. Appropriate \$114,000.00 from General Fund unappropriated reserves to the Community Service/Cemetery 'BUILDING MAINTENANCE/REPAIR' expenditure account (#01 5-030-02-01) for replacement of the roof of the Community Service facility;
- k. Transfer the following amounts from the Swim Center Department General Fund accounts:
  - Transfer \$45,000.00 from #01 5-082-01-01 'SALARIES' to #01 5-082-02-01 'BUILDING MAINTENANCE/REPAIRS';
  - Transfer \$3,442.50 from #01 5-082-01-02 'SOCIAL SECURITY/MEDICARE' to #01 5-082-02-01 'BUILDING MAINTENANCE/REPAIRS';
  - Transfer \$6,894.00 from #01 5-082-01-05 'APERS RETIREMENT' to #01 5-082-02-08 'BUILDING MAINTENANCE/REPAIRS';
- l. Appropriate \$5,187.89 to the 2014 Eight Year Plan Fund 'LIBRARY RENOVATION REIMBURSEMENT' revenue account (#14 4-000-70-03) and

appropriate \$5,187.89 to the 'LIBRARY RENOVATION' expenditure account (#14 5-020-54-02) for architectural services on the new Library Building renovation project;

- m. Appropriate \$41,050.00 from Eight Year Plan Tax Fund unappropriated reserves to the 'DAVIS DRIVE IMPROVEMENT' expenditure account (#14 5-900-54-10) for engineering services for the Davis Drive improvement project;
- n. Appropriate \$9,328.75 from General Fund unappropriated reserves to the Lightle Center 'LIGHTLE CENTER REPAIRS' expenditure account (#01 5-010-02-13) for replacement of the Lightle Center kitchen air conditioner;
- o. Appropriate \$1,293.56 to 'HOLIDAY OF LIGHTS DONATIONS' revenue account (#01 4-000-90-10) and appropriate \$1,293.56 to the Parks and Recreation Department 'HOLIDAY OF LIGHTS DONATIONS EXPENSED' expenditure account (#01 5-080-05-18) for the receipt and use of a donation for Holiday of Lights;
- p. Appropriate from General Fund unappropriated reserves the following for the salary and associated costs for the Sports Program Director position in the Parks and Recreation Department:
  - #01 5-080-01-01 'SALARY' - \$55,000.00
  - #01 5-080-01-02 'SOCIAL SECURITY/MEDICARE' - \$4,207.50
  - #01 5-080-01-03 'HEALTH BENEFIT' - \$5,904.96
  - #01 5-080-01-05 'APERS RETIREMENT. - \$8,426.00

**Section 2.** The Mayor and City Clerk are authorized to expend the following sums:

- a. \$51,447.52 to Stephenson Oil Company for fuel for all departments;
- b. Transfer \$474,032.97 from the American Rescue Plan Act Fund to the General Fund for the purchase of property located at 1800 Veterans Boulevard (21 5-010-05-01);
- c. Transfer \$26,669.55 from the American Rescue Plan Act Fund to the General Fund for the purchase of property located at Elm Street and Highway 267 (21 5-010-05-01);
- d. \$224,538.33 to Hart Construction, LLC for construction services for the new library renovation project (#14 5-020-54-02);

- e. \$69,626.00 to Quality Roofing Contractors (through the TIPS/TAPS purchasing program) for roof replacement to the new Street Department facility (#02 5-900-02-01);
- f. \$114,000.00 to Quality Roofing Contractors (through the TIPS/TAPS purchasing program) for roof replacement for the Community Service building (#01 5-030-02-01)
- g. \$5,187.89 to Hoffmann Architectural for architectural services on the new Library building renovation project (#14 5-020-54-02);
- h. \$41,050.00 to Davidson Engineering for engineering services for the Davis Drive improvement project (#14 5-900-54-10);
- i. \$9,328.75 to Bruce's Heat & Air Inc. for the replacement of the Lightle Center kitchen air conditioner (#01 5-010-02-13);
- j. Transfer \$271,628.10 from the 'FEDERAL FORFEITURES' revenue account (#01 4-000-20-04) to open a Certificate of Deposit for the Searcy Police Department using Federal Forfeiture/Seizure funds that were received;

**Section 3.** To the extent not otherwise required by law, the requirement of competitive bidding with respect to the expenditures described in Section 2 hereof is hereby waived.

**Emergency Clause.** The need to maintain the fiscal affairs of the City of Searcy in accordance with the requirement of law being necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare, an emergency is hereby declared and this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 12<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2023.

/s/ Mat Faulkner  
Mayor of Searcy

ATTEST:

/s/ Jerry Morris  
City Clerk