

Aldermen

Ward 1 Position 1 - Robert Reynolds
Ward 1 Position 2 - Brenda Thiel
Ward 2 Position 1 - Kyle B. Cook
Ward 2 Position 2 - Vacant
Ward 3 Position 1 - Robert K. Rhoads
Ward 3 Position 2 - Robert Ferrell
Ward 4 Position 1 - Shirley Lucas
Ward 4 Position 2 - Lioneld Jordan

Mayor Dan Coody
City Attorney Kit Williams
City Clerk Sondra Smith



**City of Fayetteville Arkansas
Special City Council Meeting Minutes
October 19, 2006**

A meeting of the Fayetteville City Council was held on October 19, 2006 at 4:15 PM in Room 326 of the City Administration Building located at 113 West Mountain Street, Fayetteville, Arkansas.

Mayor Coody called the meeting to order.

PRESENT: Alderman Reynolds, Thiel, Ferrell, Lucas, Jordan, Mayor Dan Coody, Attorney Kit Williams, City Clerk Sondra Smith, Staff, Press, and Audience.

ABSENT: Alderman Cook and Rhoads.

Pledge of Allegiance

New Business:

Gregg Avenue Widening by the Arkansas Highway and Transportation Department: A resolution to approve an additional payment of Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$800,000.00) to the Arkansas Highway and Transportation Department for the widening of Gregg Avenue between Township and I-540 and to approve a budget adjustment of \$800,000.00 to fund this payment.

Alderman Jordan: This passed the Street Committee.

Ron Petrie, City Engineer: The three options for payment were using money that was to go to the Township project and reimbursing that money later, fund it completely through the street bond issue and the third option that was recommended by the Street Committee was to use the remainder of our funds that we have in our street cost share account, which is a little over \$500,000 and the remainder will be paid from the proceeds of the bond issue. We had set \$8.8 million from the bond program to go toward cost shares, right of way acquisition and those sorts of things. That is what the Street Committee recommended. We have \$587,900 in our existing

CIP account for cost shares and we are asking the remaining \$212,100 to come from the proceeds of the bond issue.

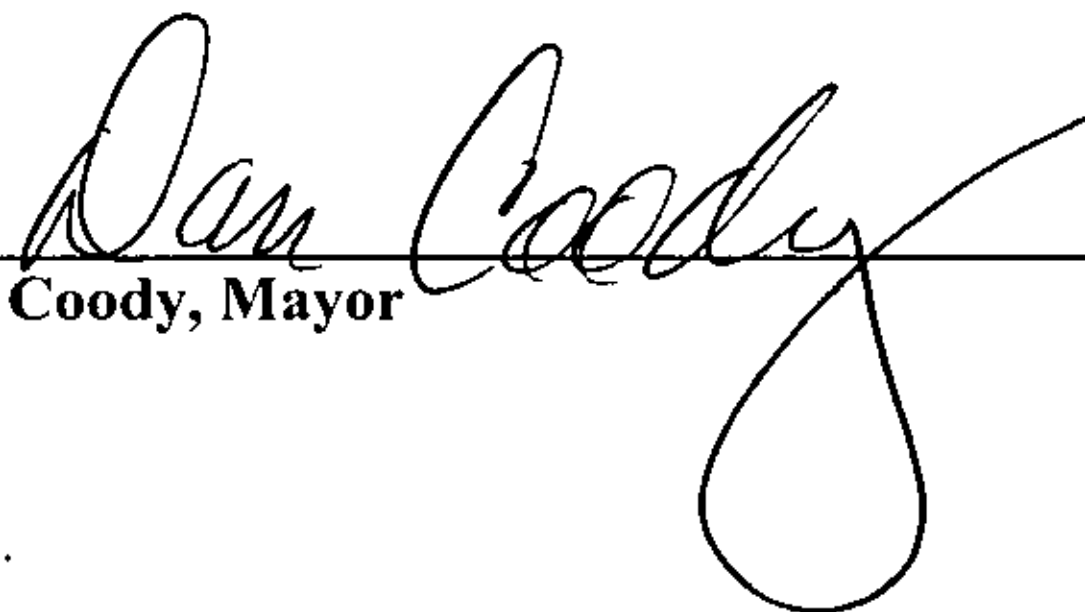
Alderman Jordan: That is what we decided. We thought that would be the simplest thing to do.

Mayor Coody: We need to do this because we partnered with the Highway Department to rebuild Gregg Avenue from two lanes to four lanes from Township north to I-540. The city's part was to move the utilities and purchase the right of way which we did. All costs have escalated because of the increase cost of cement, asphalt, steel, oil and everything else, therefore the Highway Department opted to not do the job because the bids were coming in higher than they anticipated unless the City of Fayetteville kicked in some more money. Every city has been going through this kind of problem and this is just another example of it. The city decided that this project was so important that we needed to go ahead and do this. We already had \$2 million invested in it so we needed to finish the job. That is why we are asking the City Council to approve this resolution to move the \$800,000 to the Highway Department. They will not release the bid until they get our money. That is why I wanted to do this quick meeting instead of waiting three weeks and hold the project up.

Alderman Jordan moved to approve the resolution. Alderman Reynolds seconded the motion. Upon roll call the resolution passed 5-0. Alderman Cook and Rhoads were absent.

PASSED AND SHALL BE RECORDED AS RESOLUTION NO. 174-06.

Meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.



Dan Coody, Mayor



Sondra Smith, City Clerk/Treasurer