



City of Conway, Arkansas  
Resolution No. R-15-71

**A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL IN SUPPORT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS COMMUNITY DESIGN CENTER AND THEIR APPLICATION TO THE US EPA URBAN WATERS GRANT TO FUND THE SCHEMATIC DESIGN OF THE VISION FOR THE REDEVELOPMENT OF THE FORMER CONWAY SCRAP METALS PROPERTY LOCATED ON MARKHAM STREET.**

**Whereas**, the City of Conway has supported numerous actions promoting redevelopment of the Markham Street Neighborhood (part of the NEOCA and Pine Street Neighborhood), which actions include R-13-47 supporting the Jump Start Program for Markham Street, O-13-101 appropriating funds for acquisition of the former Conway Scrap Metals property, O-13-111 appropriating match funds for the \$180,000 Jump Start Grant for re-imagining Markham Street, O-14-107 appropriating match funds for a \$200,000 US EPA Brownfield grant to clean up the former Conway Scrap Metals site, and O-15-28 adopting the Markham Street Neighborhood Specific Plan (MSN-SP); and

**Whereas**, the City of Conway, as part of the MSN-SP intends to redevelop the former Conway Scrap Metals site to provide public park space and storm water mitigation strategies to reduce flooding downtown, which support for grant funding the necessary designs in partnership with the University of Arkansas Community Design Center (UACDC) was given by City Council through R-15-07, but which grant application to NEA was unsuccessful; and

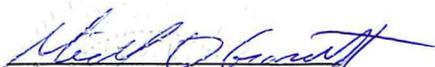
**Whereas**, the City of Conway desires to partner with the UACDC in their application to seek funding through the US EPA Urban Waters Grant to facilitate this design process leading to future opportunities for grant funding the Engineering and Construction portion of this project.

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

**Section 1:** That the City of Conway, Arkansas does hereby express its support to the UACDC in their application to the US EPA for an Urban Waters grant to fund the schematic design for the former Conway Scrap Metals property located at 1110 Spencer Street, integrating Low Impact Development Strategies, Park Space, storm water mitigation, and ecologically-based water treatment landscapes with urban land use. In addition, the City of Conway will consider the recommendations brought forth in the design process as is financially feasible and publicly supported. The Project Manager and/or Mayor is hereby given the authority to sign agreements and contracts regarding this grant proposal.

**PASSED** this 24<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2015

**Attest:**

  
Michael O. Garrett  
City Clerk/Treasurer

**Approved:**

  
Mayor Tab Townsell