

RESOLUTION

R-87-45

WHEREAS, during the past several weeks serious, concerned and legitimate differences of opinion have arisen pertaining to the method of appointment of members to city boards and commissions and of the accountability of these boards and commissions to the public; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council recognizes the need for an open, formal, unbiased evaluation of all city boards and commissions, including the method of selection of members, their accountability and responsibility to the public, and their method of operation.

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

THAT a Blue Ribbon Committee of unbiased, non-aligned, non-partisan residents of the City of Conway be appointed to prepare a WHITE PAPER report of the boards and commissions of the City of Conway; and,

THAT this report shall include, but is not limited to, a study of the methods of appointment to the boards, a study of the accountability and responsibility to the public of the boards, their methods of operation, and any recommendations for improvements; and,

THAT this Blue Ribbon Committee shall consist of two members appointed by the Mayor, two members appointed by the City Council, one member appointed by each of the following: the Planning Commission, Civil Service Commission, Conway Housing Authority, Oak Grove Cemetery Board, Conway Corporation, Conway Regional Hospital, Inc.; and,

THAT no present or past member of any board or commission may be selected by that board or commission as its appointment to the committee. No elected official shall serve as a member or employee of the committee. No employee of the City, Conway Corporation, or Conway Regional Hospital shall serve as a member or employee of the committee; and,

THAT all appointments to this committee shall be submitted, in writing, to the Mayor's office within 15 days from the adoption of this Resolution. Should any of the above fail to submit a nominee, the committee shall be composed of those nominees submitted. The Mayor and City Council shall then, within 15 days, draft and adopt by resolution a written charge to the committee, setting forth its mission and the scope of its mission along with a time frame for completion; and,

THAT the City Council shall appropriate such funds as may be required for travel, legal, clerical and/or secretarial expenses, but no member of the committee shall receive compensation.

PASSED this 26th day of May, 1987.

ATTEST:


City Clerk

APPROVED:


Mayor