ORDINANCE AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2015 BUDGET AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS TO ESTABLISH THE SEWER OPERATIONS CONSENT DECREE INITIATION PROGRAM 5620 TO PROVIDE YEAR 2015 STAFFING ASSOCIATED WITH THE CONSENT DECREE

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY OF FORT SMITH, ARKANSAS, that:

WHEREAS, the City of Fort Smith has entered into a Consent Decree which stipulates that certain Capacity, Management, Operations and Maintenance (CMOM) functions be established to assure the proper operation and maintenance of its wastewater collection and transmission systems; and,

WHEREAS, the Consent Decree sets specific time periods for the City to prepare and implement the CMOM functions and establishes stipulated penalties for failure to meet said time periods; and,

WHEREAS, the City must establish staffing to initiate CMOM functions with critical staff positions engaged at program inception; and,

WHEREAS, Utility Department Staff has reviewed and utilized the Consent Decree, the Water and Sewer Operations Efficiency Study prepared by HDR Engineering in 2013, the Consent Decree Staffing Study prepared by Burns & McDonnell in 2015 and the Water Environment Research Foundation Benchmark profiles to identify and prepare a staffing plan for Years 2015, 2016 and 2017:

NOW THEREFORE, there is hereby authorized an appropriation in the amount of \$1,123,380.00 from the unobligated balance of the Water and Sewer Fund to amend the Fiscal Year 2015 Budget and establish Consent Decree Initiation Program 5620 personnel and operations

budget, attached hereto as Exhibit A, is hereby approved.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 19 day of May 2015.

APPROVED:

Mayo

ATTEST:

City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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