

RESOLUTION NO. 660

A RESOLUTION AFFIRMING THE CITY OF EUREKA SPRINGS' POLICY PROHIBITING THE USE OF EXCESSIVE FORCE BY LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES WITHIN THE CITY'S JURISDICTION AGAINST INDIVIDUALS ENGAGED IN NON-VIOLENT CIVIL RIGHTS DEMONSTRATIONS

WHEREAS, the City of Eureka Springs is applying for funds through the Arkansas Community and Economic Development Program; and

WHEREAS, as required by the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, it shall be the policy of the City of Eureka Springs to ensure that the following are true:

1. The City of Eureka Springs has adopted and is enforcing this policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations.
2. The City of Eureka Springs will ensure that all law enforcement agencies within its jurisdiction will enforce all applicable State and local laws against physically barring entrance to, or exit from, a facility or location which is the subject of such non-violent civil rights demonstrations within its jurisdiction.
3. In response to non-violent civil rights demonstrations, the City of Eureka Springs will be mindful and protective of the rights of all participants in such demonstrations, as well as any onlookers, bystanders, or any other persons located in the vicinity or owning property in the vicinity.
4. In connection with such demonstrations, the use of force shall be permitted only when necessary to protect the rights of individuals or to uphold the law. In no event shall the use of force be permitted in excess of that necessary to achieve the lawful goals of the City of Eureka Springs.

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

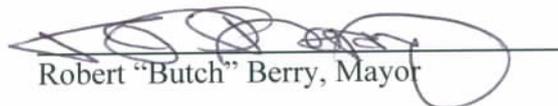
That consistent with the goals and objectives of activities assisted under the Act, as amended, the City of Eureka Springs will adopt and enforce the policy contained herein.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 23rd DAY OF MARCH, 2015.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:


Ann Armstrong, City Clerk/Treasurer


Robert "Butch" Berry, Mayor

All present voted "Aye" – James DeVito, David Mitchell, Mickey Schneider, Bob Thomas, Joyce Zeller and Terry McClung