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AN ORDINANCE TO INCREASE THE COMPETITIVE BIDDING THRESHOLD TO \$40,000.00 BY AMENDING § 34.23 OF THE FAYETTEVILLE CODE OF ORDINANCES

WHEREAS, Act 435 of 2021 amended Arkansas state procurement law concerning competitive bidding and purchasing procedures and allowed municipalities to increase bidding thresholds up to \$35,000.00 for goods and services; and

WHEREAS, on November 2, 2021, City Council passed Ordinance 6502 that modified the competitive bidding threshold for purchases and contracts for goods and services from \$20,000.00 to \$35,000.00; and

WHEREAS, Ark. Code Ann. § 14-58-303(b) authorizes an annual adjustment to the bidding threshold to reflect the percentage increase in the Consumer Price Index; and

WHEREAS, the percentage increase and corresponding updated amounts are provided by the Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration (DFA) who determined on January 1, 2025 the percentage increase to be 22.63%, thereby adjusting the bidding threshold to \$42,921.00 for cities and counties in Arkansas; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends approval of an increase of the bidding threshold to \$40,000.00 because it will help streamline operations, increase staff efficiency, and speed up processing time for end-user departments and divisions to procure goods and services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FAYETTEVILLE, ARKANSAS:

Section 1: That the City Council of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas hereby repeals the title of § 34.23 and enacts a replacement title "*Purchases and Contracts for Goods and Services Not in Excess of \$40,000.00.*"

Section 2: That the City Council of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas hereby repeals the first sentence of § 34.23(C) and enacts a replacement as follows: "Contracts for goods and services not in excess of \$40,000.00 shall be made by the Mayor."

Section 3: That the City Council of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas hereby replaces \$35,000.00 in the last sentence of § 34.23(C) with \$40,000.00.

Section 4: That the City Council of the City of Fayetteville, Arkansas hereby amends § 34.23(E) by changing "Purchasing Manager" to "Purchasing/Procurement Director."

PASSED and APPROVED on June 3, 2025

Approved:



Molly Rawn, Mayor

Attest:



Kara Paxton, City Clerk Treasurer

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