

ORDINANCE NO. 741

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 446 OF  
THE CITY OF MONTICELLO INCREASING THE AMOUNT  
OF MAYOR'S AUTHORIZED AMOUNT OF EXPENDITURE  
WITHOUT COMPETITIVE BIDDING AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 446 of the City of Monticello established the purchasing procedures for the City of Monticello, which ordinance has been subsequently amended by ordinances no. 559, 621, and 696-A (codified as 697) of the City of Monticello; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid ordinances authorize the Mayor to expend up to the sum of \$10,000.00 without the necessity of invitation for competitive bidding thereon; and

WHEREAS, Arkansas Code Ann. § 14-58-303 authorizes cities of the first class to extend the Mayor's authority to a sum not exceeding \$20,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the City of Monticello deems it necessary and appropriate due to increasing costs of materials and equipment that the Mayor be granted the full purchasing authority available to mayors of first class cities pursuant to law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of Monticello, Arkansas as follows:

Section 2-106 of the code of ordinances of the City of Monticello, Arkansas, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Where the amount of any expenditure for any purchase or contract authorized in Section 2-104 exceeds the sum of \$20,000.00, the Mayor or his designated representatives shall invite competitive bidding thereon by legal advertisement published at least one time in any local newspaper authorized published legal notices. Bids received pursuant to said advertisement shall be open not less than fifteen (15) days following the date of the first publication of the invitation to bid; provided, however, that, in the event of an emergency, the Mayor may invite competitive bidding to be opened not less than five (5) days following the date of the first publication of the invitation to bid. There upon, the Mayor shall transmit to the City Council a tabulation of all bids as received thereon and the City Council, with the recommendation of the Mayor, by resolution duly passed, shall authorize the purchase or contract to the lowest responsible bidder; provided, however, the City Council may reject any and all bids."

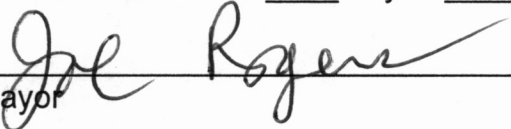
2. That the necessity to resort to competitive bidding for purchases in excess of \$10,000.00 and less than \$20,000.00 may result in a delay of purchase of necessary services or equipment thereby delaying purchases of emergency equipment or otherwise delaying services which may endanger the health and safety of the citizens of Monticello,

it is therefore determined to be necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety that this ordinance shall become effective immediately from and after its passage.

ADOPTED on this 18 day of January, 2007.

  
City-Clerk-Treasurer

APPROVED on this 18 day of January, 2007.

  
Mayor