ORDINANCE NO. 17-792

AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE BID LIMIT FOR THE PURCHASE OF ITEMS BY THE CITY OF CLARKSVILLE TO THIRTY FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$35,000.00) AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the bid limit for the purchase of items by the City of Clarksville is presently set at twenty thousand (\$20,000.00), and,

WHEREAS, the City Council is desirous of increasing that limit to the current state limit of Thirty Five Thousand (\$35,000.00), and

WHEREAS, the City Council further desires to allow the city to follow the state bid limit as amended in the future.

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

SECTION 1: The mayor or his duly authorized representative, shall have the exclusive power and responsibility to make purchases of all supplies, apparatuses, equipment, materials, and other things required for public purposes in and for the city, and to make all necessary contracts for work and labor to be done, or material or other necessary things to be furnished for the benefit of the city, or in carrying out any work or undertaking of a public nature thereof.

SECTION 2: The mayor or his duly authorized representative shall not be required to invite competitive bidding for making purchases which do not exceed the current state bid amount.

SECTION 3: Where the amount of expenditure for any purpose or contract exceeds the current state bid limit, the mayor or his duly authorized representative shall invite competitive bidding thereon by legal advertisement in any local newspaper.

- A. Bids received pursuant to the advertisement shall be opened and read on the date set for receiving the bids in the presence of the mayor or his duly authorized representative.
- B. The mayor or his duly authorized representative shall have exclusive power to award the bid to the lowest responsible bidder, but may reject any and all bids received.
- C. The City Council, by ordinance, may waive the requirement of competitive bidding in exceptional situations where the procedure is deemed not favorable or practical.

SECTION 4: All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Passed this 11th day of September, 2017.

APPROVED:

Mark Simpson, Mayor

ATTEST

Barbara Blackard, City Clerk/Treasurer