## **ORDINANCE NO. 24-938**

## AN ORDINANCE SETTING THE BID LIMIT FOR THE PURCHASE OF ITEMS BY THE CITY OF CLARKSVILLE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, A.C.A.§ 22-9-203, A.C.A. § 14-58-104, and A.C.A.§ 14-58-303 specifies procedures for purchases and contracts by municipalities.

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 follow the State law and subsequent revisions and have the exclusive power and responsibility to make purchases 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:** Except as provided under A.C.A. § 14-58-303, the municipal governing body of any city of the first class shall provide by ordinance the procedure for making all purchases which do not exceed the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000.00). Additionally, except as provided under § 14-58-303, in a city of the first class in which the amount of expenditure for any purpose or contract exceeds the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000), the mayor or the mayor's authorized representative shall invite competitive bidding. However, the governing body by resolution may waive the requirements of competitive bidding in exceptional situations where this procedure is deemed not feasible or practical or as provided under A.C.A. § 14-58-104.

**SECTION 3:** Pursuant to A.C.A. § 22-9-203 and except as provided under A.C.A. § 14-58-105, a contract providing for the making of major repairs or alterations, for the erection of buildings or other structures, or for making other permanent improvements shall not be entered into by municipality with any contractor in instances in which all estimated costs of the work exceed the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) unless the municipality follows the competitive bid process set forth in A.C.A. § 22-9-203.

**SECTION 4**: Except as is provided for purchases as set out above, and when the amount of expenditure for any purpose or contract does not exceed the competitive bid limit set forth in A.C.A. § 22-9-203 or the limits set out in A.C.A. § 14-58-303, now or as may be hereafter amended, the mayor or his duly authorized representative shall solicit quotes or estimates from qualified vendors. A minimum of two (2) quotes or estimates shall be presented for evaluation and awarded to the vendor that the Mayor or his duly authorized representative determines to be most qualified and in the best interest of the City of Clarksville.

**SECTION 5:** All prior ordinances or parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of any inconsistency.

Passed this 11th day of March 12, 2024.

APPROVED:

David Rieder, Mayor

ATTEST:

Barbara Blackard, City Clerk/Treasurer