

ORDINANCE NO. 30

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING CERTAIN PROCEDURES REGARDING THE EXPENDITURES OF FUNDS OF THE CITY OF GOSHEN; AND TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, A.C.A. 14-58-303(B) provides that a city of the second class may provide by ordinance, the procedure for making all purchases.

WHEREAS, without such an ordinance, the Mayor has exclusive power to make all purchases and contracts without consultation with the City Council or without limitation as to the amount of the expenditure.

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City Council to be involved in the decisions regarding expenditures so that full discussion of expenditures is a matter of public debate.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to establish a procedure which to establish a maximum amount which may be expended by the Mayor under his exclusive power without council approval and a procedure for approval of expenditures by the council without mayoral action if necessary.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council for the City of Goshen, Arkansas:

SECTION 1. That any and all expenditures by the City of Goshen which exceed the amount of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) must first be approved by the City Council by a majority vote.

SECTION 2. That the City Council may, by two-thirds (2/3) vote approve expenditures and make contracts on behalf of the city for the benefit of the city in any amount, with or without

mayoral concurrence.

SECTION 3. That when a purchase, expenditure or contract exceeds \$10,000, the Mayor shall invite competitive bidding thereon by legal advertising in local newspapers of Washington and Benton Counties, with bids being received pursuant to procedure provided in A.C.A. 14-58-303.

SECTION 4. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 3, the City Council may waive the requirements of competitive bidding in exceptional situations where competitive bidding is deemed not feasible nor practical.


SECTION 5. EMERGENCY CLAUSE: It is hereby found and determined that an ordinance regarding appropriations is needed to protect the City of Goshen; that an emergency exists and this Ordinance, being necessary for the immediate protection of the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Goshen, Arkansas, shall be in effect immediately upon its passage, approval and publication.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 11th Day of February, 2003.

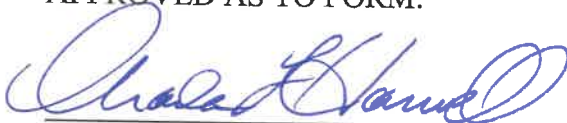


Andy Bethell, Mayor

Attest:


Sharon Baggett, City Recorder

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Charles Harwell
City Attorney