1	ORDINANCE NO		
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3	AN ORDINANCE TO DECLARE IT IMPRACTICAL AND UNFEASIBLE		
4	TO BID; TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A		
5	SOLE-SOURCE AGREEMENT WITH SOUTHWESTERN BELL		
6	TELEPHONE COMPANY, D/B/A AT&T ARKANSAS, FOR THE AT&T		
7	HOSTED VESTA 911 SERVICE TELEPHONE UPGRADE AND AT&T		
8	MAINTENANCE FOR THESE SERVICES; TO DECLARE AN		
9	EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.		
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11	WHEREAS, the current 911 telephone equipment in use by the City of Little Rock, Arkansas, is a		
12	Motorola VESTA Call Handling System, Version 4.3. The current version of VESTA being tested in		
13	AT&T Labs is Version 7.7; and,		
14	WHEREAS, to upgrade the City's current 911 Telephone System to Version 7.7 would require		
15	incremental upgrades to multiple versions prior to reaching Version 7; and,		
16	WHEREAS, it is impossible to go straight from Version 4.3 to Version 7.7, as there is not a feasible,		
17	cost effective solution for those individual upgrades without a complete system hardware/software		
18	replacement; and,		
19	WHEREAS, the AT&T Hosted VESTA 911 Service is a product, sold and distributed by only		
20	AT&T Arkansas and no other item is available for purchase that would serve the same purpose or		
21	function; and,		
22	WHEREAS, the purchase of the AT&T Hosted VESTA 911 Service will provide the City with a		
23	NexGen911 service capable of interoperability and guaranteed to receive consistent software upgrades.		
24	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY		
25	OF LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS:		
26	Section 1. The Board of Directors declares that it is impractical and unfeasible to submit the		
27	upgrade and associated maintenance of the City's 911 Telephone System to a competitive bid process,		
28	and, therefore, waives competitive bidding.		
29	Section 2. The City Manager is hereby authorized to execute a Sole-Source Agreement with		
30	Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, d/b/a AT&T Arkansas, for the AT&T Hosted VESTA 911		
31	Service telephone upgrade for a total upfront amount not to exceed Seven Hundred Thousand Dollars		
32	(\$700,000.00), and for an amount not to exceed Twelve Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars (\$12,500.00)		
33	per month for AT&T maintenance for these services, plus any applicable taxes and fees.		

1	Section 3. Funding is available from the 911 Wireless Fund Account, Account No. 220512-63375.		
2	Section 4. Severability. In the event any title, section, paragraph, item, sentence, clause, phrase, or		
3	word of this ordinance is declared or adjudged to be invalid or unconstitutional, such declaration of		
4	adjudication shall not affect the remaining portions of the ordinance which shall remain in full force an		
5	effect as if the portion so declared or adjudged invalid or unconstitutional was not originally a part of the		
6	ordinance.		
7	Section 5. Repealer. All ordinances and resolutions, and parts thereof, which are in conflict wit		
8	any provision of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.		
9	Section 6. Emergency Clause. The need for an immediate, uninterrupted and updated 91		
10	Telephone System and maintenance services for this system is necessary to protect the City's critical 91		
11	Dispatch System for essential city services, and, therefore, is crucial to protect the public health, safet		
12	and welfare; an emergency is, therefore, declared to exist and this ordinance shall be in full force and		
13	effect from and after the date of its passage.		
14	ADOPTED: May 4, 2021		
15	ATTEST:	APPROVED:	
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18	Susan Langley, City Clerk	Frank Scott, Jr., Mayor	
19	APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:		
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