

1 (2) If, during the fourteen (14- day period, any member of the Board of Directors,
2 including the Mayor, wishes to discuss the proposed Professional Service at a
3 public meeting, the desire shall be made a discussion item for the next regular
4 meeting, or regularly scheduled agenda meeting, of the Board of Directors;

5 (3) Failure to follow this procedure for any reason whatsoever shall mean that the
6 City is not authorized to enter into such a contract, which is a condition of any
7 Professional Service that will be placed in the Request for Qualifications
8 submitted to make the selection decision.

9 **Section 2.** Little Rock, Ark., Rev. Code § 2-243 (1988) is hereby amended to include an introduction
10 before Subsection (a) to read as follows:

11 Subject to the provisions of Little Rock, Ark., Rev. Code § 20242 (e) (1988):

12 **Section 3.** The provisions of this ordinance do not apply to true emergency situations caused by acts
13 of God, natural disasters, fires, explosions, or insurrections, when the purchase of supplies, apparatus,
14 equipment, material, professional services, and other things, must be made on an emergency basis to be
15 later ratified by the Mayor and Members of the Board of Directors in order to address the immediate
16 situation.

17 **Section 4.** If a future amendment of the Little Rock, Ark., Rev. Code of Ordinances (1988), would
18 alter the numerical section, or subsection, designations set forth in this ordinance, but otherwise fail to note
19 such a change in enumeration, the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed automatically amended to
20 comply with appropriate enumeration, and otherwise shall remain in full force and effect from and after the
21 passage of this ordinance.

22 **Section 5. Severability.** In the event any title, section, paragraph, item, sentence, clause, phrase, or
23 word of this ordinance is declared or adjudged to be invalid or unconstitutional, such declaration or
24 adjudication shall not affect the remaining portions of the ordinance which shall remain in full force and
25 effect as if the portion so declared or adjudged invalid or unconstitutional were not originally a part of the
26 ordinance.

27 **Section 6. Repealer.** All ordinances, resolutions, bylaws, and other matters inconsistent with this
28 ordinance including the provisions of Chapter 2, Article IV, Division 4 of the Little Rock, Ark., Rev. Code
29 (1988), are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

30 **Section 6. Emergency.** *The ability of the City, and the Mayor and Members of the Board of Directors*
31 *to assure that all professional services are selected in an open, transparent method, while also assuring*
32 *that the City Manager has the authority to execute contractual agreements on behalf of the City without*
33 *undue delay, is essential to the , to the public health, safety, and welfare; an emergency is, therefore,*
34 *declared to exist and this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage.*

1 **PASSED: December 6, 2022**

2 **ATTEST:**

APPROVED:

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5 **Susan Langley, City Clerk**

_____ **Frank Scott, Jr., Mayor**

6 **APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:**

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9 **Thomas M. Carpenter, City Attorney**

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