ORDINANCE NO. ______

AN ORDINANCE TO DISPENSE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS FOR COMPETITIVE BIDS AND TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH NORTHRUP GRUMMAN, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED ONE HUNDRED NINETY-TWO THOUSAND, TWO HUNDRED SEVEN DOLLARS ($192,207.00), PLUS ANY APPLICABLE TAXES, TO PURCHASE TWELVE (12) MONTHS OF SUPPORT SERVICE FOR THE NGIT ALTARIS APPLICATION OF THE 911 COMPUTER-AIDED DISPATCH SYSTEM; TO DECLARE AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Computer-Aided Dispatch and Mapping System Software that the City utilizes to manage is 911 Dispatch System was initially purchased from PRC Public Sector, Inc., in 1996, and subsequently PRC Public Sector, Inc., was purchased by Grumman Northrup; and,

WHEREAS, Northrup Grumman has a proprietary interest in the software that the City utilizes which makes it impractical and unfeasible to bid a Maintenance Agreement in a competitive manner; and,

WHEREAS, such a system is absolutely essential to the 911 Dispatch System;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY OF LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS:

Section 1. The City Manager is authorized to enter into an agreement with Northrup Grumman, or its designated subsidiary, in an amount not to exceed One Hundred Ninety-Two Thousand, Two Hundred Seven Dollars ($192,207.00), and any applicable taxes, for the purchase of twelve (12) months of support service for the NGIT Altaris Application of the 911 Computer-Aided Dispatch System.

Section 2. Because the software for this system, initially purchased in 1996 after a competitive selection process, is proprietary to Northrup Grumman, the Board of Directors determines that it is impractical and unfeasible to submit this service to a competitive selection process, and therefore, waives any requirement for competitive bids.

Section 3. Funds for this purchase are available in the annual operating budget of the Information Technology Department, Account No. 103030-61330.

Section 4. Severability. In the event any title, section, paragraph, item, sentence, clause, phrase or word of this ordinance is declared or adjudged to be invalid or unconstitutional such declaration or adjudication...
shall not affect the remaining portions of the ordinance which shall remain in full force and effect as if the portion so declared or adjudged invalid or unconstitutional were not originally a part of the ordinance.

Section 5. Repealer. All laws, ordinances, resolutions, and parts of the same that are inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 6. Emergency Clause. The ability to operate and maintain a computer aided dispatch system as a part of the 911 emergency communications system of the City of Little Rock is essential to the public health, safety and welfare, and the need to have a maintenance contract in place to assure prompt, efficient, and reliable services and assistance for this system is also a necessity; an emergency is, therefore, declared to exist and this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage.

PASSED: March 21, 2017

ATTEST:                        APPROVED:

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Susan Langley, City Clerk         Mark Stodola, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

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Thomas M. Carpenter, City Attorney

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