AN ORDINANCE TO DECLARE IT IMPRactical AND UNFEASIBLE TO BID; TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO ISSUE A PURCHASE ORDER TO AXCON ENTERPRISE, INC., IN THE AMOUNT OF SEVENTY-TWO THOUSAND, SIXTY-TWO AND 73/100 DOLLARS ($72,062.73), FOR THE PURCHASE OF EIGHTEEN (18) LESS-THAN-LETHAL ELECTRONIC CONTROL TASER DEVICES FOR THE LITTLE ROCK POLICE DEPARTMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, there is a need to purchase eighteen (18) Less-Than-Lethal Electronic Control Taser Devices to be used by the Little Rock Police Department (LRPD); and

WHEREAS, Axon Enterprise, Inc., is the sole supplier of the Taser Devices which meet LRPD specifications and has the ability to record actions during the deployment of the device; and,

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

Section 1. The Board of Directors hereby authorizes the City Manager to purchase eighteen (18) Less-Than-Lethal Electronic Control Taser Devices to be used by the Little Rock Police Department.

Section 2. Funds for this purchase in the amount of Seventy-Two Thousand, Sixty-Two and 73/100 Dollars ($72,062.73), including taxes, are available from the Training Division’s Budget, and Tools and Minor Apparatus Account No. 105220-60050.

Section 3. Axon Enterprises, Inc., is the sole manufacturer for the Less-Than-Lethal Electronic Control Taser Devices, and the Board of Directors declared it is impractical and unfeasible to submit this purchase to competitive bids.

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ordinances, resolutions, or parts of the same, that are inconsistent with the provisions of this resolution, are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 6. Emergency Clause. The ability to have an adequate number of Less-Than-Lethal Electronic Control Devices for Little Rock Police Officers is essential to the public health, safety and welfare; 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: April 17, 2018

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