

ORDINANCE NO. 17-751

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF GENTRY, ARKANSAS TO EXECUTE AN INTER-MUNICIPAL EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH THE CITY OF SILOAM SPRINGS REGARDING AMBULANCE SERVICE; WAIVING COMPETITIVE BIDDING; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of Gentry is in need of Advanced Life Support Emergency Medical Services with transport capabilities and has no such service available within the City; and

WHEREAS, The City of Siloam Springs possesses the expertise and personnel to provide such services; and

WHEREAS, it is neither feasible nor practical to procure such services through the use of competitive bidding.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GENTRY, ARKANSAS:

Section 1. The City Council hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute an Inter-Municipal Emergency Medical Services Contract with The City of Siloam Springs, Arkansas, by which it will provide certain emergency medical related services within the City of Gentry for a fee of \$63,702.69 for 2017; with such Agreement continuing on an annual basis thereafter through 2021, with an annually escalating fee up to \$127,406.38 for 2021, and including certain cancellation provisions as set forth therein.

Section 2. The City Council of the City of Gentry, Arkansas finds the existence of exceptional circumstances which deem in neither feasible nor practical to obtain the described services through the use of competitive bidding. Accordingly, the City Council of the City of Gentry, Arkansas deems it infeasible and impractical to submit this matter for competitive bidding and finds that it is in the best interests of the citizens and residents of the City of Gentry, Arkansas to forego such competitive bidding procedures in connection with the services to be provided pursuant to the Inter-Municipal Emergency Medical Services Contract.

Section 3. Emergency. In order for the City to continue to receive the contemplated services without interruption, an immediate contract is required. Accordingly, the Counsel finds that this Ordinance being necessary for the immediate protection of the public peace, health and safety of the citizens of Gentry, it shall take effect immediately on its passage and approval.

PASSED and APPROVED this 9th day of January, 2017.

Kevin D. Johnston, Mayor

Attest:

Director of Finance