

ORDINANCE NO. 18-789

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF GENTRY, ARKANSAS TO EXECUTE AN AMBULANCE SERVICE AGREEMENT HAVING NORTHWEST ARKANSAS PARAMED TRANSFER, LLC AS PROVIDER; 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, Northwest Arkansas Paramed Transfer, LLC 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 Ambulance Service Agreement with Northwest Arkansas Paramed Transfer, LLC, Arkansas (which Agreement includes the City of Decatur Arkansas and Benton County Arkansas as additional clients), by which it will provide certain emergency medical related services within the City of Gentry for the fees set forth in the Agreement all effective January 1, 2019, for an initial three (3) year term, with automatic renewal for two subsequent three year periods, as specified in said Agreement. Said Agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein.

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 Ambulance Service Agreement.

Section 3. Emergency. In order for the City to receive the services contemplated by the Agreement, an immediate contract is required. Accordingly, the Counsel finds that this Ordinance being necessary for the 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 5th day of November, 2018.

Kevin D. Johnston, Mayor

Attest:

Tonya Carney, Director of Finance