RESOLUTION NO. 20-613

CITY OF GENTRY, ARKANSAS

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS TO PURCHASE A 2003 FREIGHTLINER AERIAL FIRE TRUCK; WAIVING COMPETITIVE BIDDING; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City Fire Department is in need of a replacement aerial fire truck;

WHEREAS, the Chief Cripps has located a truck meeting the City's requirements: a 2003 Freightliner American LaFrance Aerial Fire Truck (the "Fire Truck"), in Richland, Mississippi;

WHEREAS, the Fire Truck is currently available to purchase for a reasonable price, but is unlikely to be available for long;

WHEREAS, there will likely be additional costs to deliver the Fire Truck to Gentry;

WHEREAS, the City of Gentry has allocated funds to purchase such a unit in the Fire Equipment Sinking Fund in the 2020 Budget; and

WHEREAS, it is neither feasible nor practical to procure the Fire Truck through use of competitive bidding;

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

Section 1. The City Council of the City of Gentry, Arkansas finds that exceptional circumstances exist, including the urgent need for a replacement truck, the City's unique specifications, and the desire to utilize pre-owned equipment to minimize cost, such that the competitive bidding procedure outlined by Ark. Code Ann. § 14-58-303 is deemed not feasible or practical. Accordingly, the City Council of the City of Gentry, Arkansas finds that it is in the best interests of the citizens and residents of the City of Gentry, Arkansas to forego competitive bidding in connection with the purchase of the Fire Truck.

Section 2. The Mayor or his designated representative is hereby authorized and directed to execute all necessary documents to purchase the Fire Truck from Restaurant and Bar Equipment of Jackson, 705 S State Street, Jackson, MS 39201, in a timely fashion, at a price not to exceed \$88,000.00.

Section 3. The Mayor or his designated representative is further authorized to contract with other individuals and/or entities to transport the Fire Truck to Gentry for a reasonable additional sum.

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PASSED and APPROVED in special session this 21st day of January 2020.

Attest:

Tonya Carney, Director of Finance

