

ORDINANCE NUMBER 605

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A MAXIMUM AMOUNT FOR PURCHASES WITHOUT PUBLIC ADVERTISEMENT AND COMPETITIVE BIDDING

WHEREAS the City of Clinton Code of Ordinances currently requires public advertisement and competitive bidding for all purchases exceeding ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) except for those purchases specifically exempted from advertisement and bidding by the Municipal Purchasing Law of 1983; and

WHEREAS the Municipal Purchasing Law of 1983 allows the City to raise the sealed bid limit to a maximum of \$25,000 and to raise the limit under which bidding is not required to a maximum of \$10,000; and

WHEREAS the City Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the City of Clinton to increase said amounts; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLINTON, TENNESSEE, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Public advertisement and competitive bidding shall be required for the purchase of all goods and services exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) except for those purchases specifically exempted from advertisement and bidding by the Municipal Purchasing Act of 1983.

SECTION 2. An invitation to bid shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation and posted on the City's website at a minimum of ten (10) days prior to scheduled bid opening for all bids requiring public advertisement.

SECTION 3. All bids subject to Section 1 will be opened at the time and date as specified on the bid request. All bids will be secured by the City Manager or his/her designee and clearly marked with the arrival date and time. All bids will be opened publicly and read aloud, with a tabulation provided to all vendors participating. No bids received after closing time will be accepted and will be returned unopened to the vendor.

SECTION 4. All exceptions from competitive bidding shall be in compliance with *T.C.A.* §6-56-304, except in regards to dollar amount limits.

SECTION 5. All purchases of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) or less, but more than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000), shall not require public advertisement, but shall whenever possible, be based on at least three (3) competitive bids.

This ordinance shall take effect from and after its final passage, the public welfare requiring it.

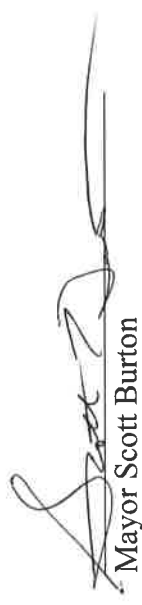
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ATTEST:


Regina Ridenour, City Recorder

APPROVED:


Mayor Scott Burton