

1 **ORDINANCE NO. _____**

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3 **AN ORDINANCE TO DISPENSE WITH THE REQUIREMENT OF**

4 **COMPETITIVE BIDDING AND TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER**

5 **TO PURCHASE A CURVED LED SIGN FOR THE CREATIVE**

6 **CORRIDOR'S MAIN STREET MALL BUILDING; AND FOR OTHER**

7 **PURPOSES.**

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9 **WHEREAS**, it has been requested that the City Manager be authorized to dispense with the

10 requirement of competitive bids for the purchase of a Curved LED Sign to be located on the Creative

11 Corridor's Main Street Mall Building at 101 East Capitol Avenue in Little Rock, Arkansas; and,

12 **WHEREAS**, the sign will be utilized to promote performances and other civic events much like the

13 former sign in the front of the Robinson Auditorium; and,

14 **WHEREAS**, Ace Sign Company of Little Rock has provided estimates on three (3) signs, all of which

15 were significantly less expensive than those from other vendors, and the price includes installation and a

16 five (5)-year warranty; and,

17 **WHEREAS**, ACE is a local company that can readily provide warranty or post-warranty service; and,

18 **WHEREAS**, the proprietary software will be the same as that used for the ticker tape sign approved

19 for purchase by the Board by the adoption of Resolution No. 21,139 on December 1, 2015, and will facilitate

20 the operation of the sign by the Little Rock Convention and Visitors Bureau Engineer; and,

21 **WHEREAS**, the cost of the sign including installation and a five (5)-year warranty is Fifty-Three

22 Thousand, Six Hundred and 60/100 Dollars (\$53,600.60), plus tax; and,

23 **WHEREAS**, the sign will be purchased using 100% grant funding from the ArtPlace Foundation.

24 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY**

25 **OF LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS:**

26 **Section 1.** Because the funds for this purchase come from a grant that does not require competitive

27 bids, the Board of Directors finds that it is impractical and unfeasible to submit this matter to a competitive

28 bid process and, therefore, dispenses with competitive bidding.

29 **Section 2.** The Board of Directors hereby authorizes the City Manager to dispense with the

30 requirement of competitive bids and to authorize the purchase of a Curved LED Sign to be installed on the

31 Creative Corridor's Main Street Mall Building at 101 East Capitol Avenue.

32 **Section 3.** The sign will be purchased using 100% grant funding from the ArtPlace Foundation, at a

33 cost of Fifty-three Thousand, Six Hundred and 60/100 Dollars (\$53,600.60), plus tax.

1 **Section 4.** Funds for this purchase are available from Accounting Unit 270129, Activity Code G030166
2 and G030167.

3 **Section 5. Severability.** In the event any section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, subparagraph,
4 item, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this ordinance is declared or adjudged to be invalid or
5 unconstitutional, such declaration or adjudication shall not affect the remaining provisions of this
6 ordinance, as if such invalid or unconstitutional provision were not originally a part of this ordinance.

7 **Section 6. Repealer.** All ordinances, resolutions, bylaws, and other matters inconsistent with this
8 ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

9 **ADOPTED: February 2, 2016**

10 **ATTEST:**

APPROVED:

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13 **Susan Langley, City Clerk**

_____ **Mark Stodola, Mayor**

14 **APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:**

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17 **Thomas M. Carpenter, City Attorney**

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