

**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMUNICATION
FEBRUARY 18, 2025 AGENDA**

Subject:	Action Required:	Approved By:
<p>Authorization to use certain cooperative agreements as options for the purchase of commodities and services.</p> <p>Submitted By:</p> <p>Finance Department</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Ordinance ✓ Resolution</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Susan Altrui Acting City Manager</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">SYNOPSIS</p>	<p>A resolution to authorize the City of Little Rock (“City”) to access contracts with certain cooperative agreements that are already competitively bid, thus saving time and money during the procurement process.</p>	
<p style="text-align: right;">FISCAL IMPACT</p>	<p>None.</p>	
<p style="text-align: right;">RECOMMENDATION</p>	<p>Approval of the resolution.</p>	
<p style="text-align: right;">BACKGROUND</p>	<p>The cooperative purchasing agreements are: BuyBoard, Choice Partners, General Services Administration (“GSA”), Houston-Galveston Area Council (“H-GAC”), Minnesota Cooperative Purchasing Venture (“CPV”), National Association of State Procurement Officials (“NASPO”), National Purchasing Partners (“NPPGov”), Omnia Partners, SHI International Corporation, Sourcewell, State of Arkansas State Contracts State Contracts - Arkansas Department of Transformation and Shared Services, Texas Department of Information Resources (“Texas DIR”), and The Interlocal Purchasing System (“TIPS”).</p> <p>All of these cooperative purchasing agreements meet or exceed all of the competitive requirements set forth by the City and the State of Arkansas for bid solicitations. The City has used several of these contracts before, but as some of the contracts are new to the City and others have been limited in scope by the City, it is in the best interests of the City to have the ability</p>	

to utilize any of these contracts for any services and commodities when doing so would be advantageous to the City.