

**A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER
INTO CERTAIN COOPERATIVE CONTRACTS WITHOUT
COMPETITIVE BIDS AS PART OF THE COOPERATIVE PURCHASE
AGREEMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

WHEREAS, cooperative purchasing contracts are beneficial in that they provide access to pre-negotiated contracts for goods and services and help secure better terms, reduce costs, and streamline the procurement process by eliminating the need for the City to engage in competitive bidding; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Little Rock ("City") has a need to enter into certain additional cooperative purchasing contracts; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Little Board of Directors is asked on an annual basis to continue to authorize the use of cooperative purchasing for the City; and,

WHEREAS, these cooperative purchasing contracts will allow the City to procure commodities and services through vendor contracts that the cooperative purchasing contracts may enter into; and,

WHEREAS, these cooperative purchasing contracts shall be made available to the City and staff will generally be able to utilize and leverage the cooperative contracts by issuing a purchase order directly to the vendor; and,

WHEREAS, the City wishes to enter into these cooperative purchasing contracts in a form and format approved by the City Attorney.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY
OF LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS:**

Section 1. The City Manager is authorized to enter into each of the following cooperative purchasing contracts in a form and format approved by the City Attorney:

- a. Equalis Group;
- b. RFxPremier;
- c. Axia Cooperative;
- d. National Association of Counties (NACo) Public Promise Procurement;
- e. Alliance for Innovation;
- f. TxShare;
- g. CoreTrust;
- h. GovMVMT;
- i. BuyBoard;
- j. Choice Partners;

- k. General Services Administration (“GSA”);
- l. Houston-Galveston Area Council (“H-GAC”);
- m. Minnesota Cooperative Purchasing Venture (“CPV”);
- n. National Association of State Procurement Officials (“NASPO”);
- o. National Purchasing Partners (“NPPGov”);
- p. Omnia Partners;
- q. SHI International Corporation;
- r. Sourcewell;
- s. State of Arkansas State Contracts State Contracts – Arkansas Department of Transformation and Shared Services;
- t. Texas Department of Information Resources (“Texas DIR”); and
- u. The Interlocal Purchasing System (“TIPS”).

Section 2. Any limitation on any of these cooperative purchasing contracts shall be imposed by the City's Chief Financial Officer or his designee.

Section 3. Severability. In the event any title, section, paragraph, item, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this resolution is declared or adjudged to be invalid or unconstitutional, such declaration or adjudication shall not affect the remaining portions of the resolution which shall remain in full force and effect as if the portion so declared or adjudged invalid or unconstitutional was not originally a part of the resolution.

Section 4. Repealer. All laws, ordinances, resolutions, or parts of the same, that are inconsistent with the provisions of the is resolution, are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

ADOPTED: February 3, 2026

APPROVED:

Allison Segars, City Clerk

Frank Scott, Jr., Mayor

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

Thomas M. Carpenter, City Attorney

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