ORDINANCE NO. O-07-09

AN ORDINANCE WAIVING BIDS FOR NETWORK APPLICATIONS AND SYSTEM SUPPORT, DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the City of Conway uses outside vendors to assist in supporting the city’s wide area network (WAN); and

WHEREAS, Business Network Solutions has provided reliable network applications and systems support to the City of Conway for over 6 years; and

WHEREAS, Business Network Solutions has a long-term relationship with the City of Conway and has knowledge of the intricate workings of the city’s wide area network (WAN) to include Fire and Law Enforcement sensitive hardware and software; and

WHEREAS, Business Network Solutions has a signed security agreement with ACIC (Arkansas Crime Information Center); and

WHEREAS, Business Network Solutions hourly rate of $65.00 is substantially lower than the current market rate of $120.00 per hour for network applications and systems support;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CONWAY, ARKANSAS THAT:

SECTION 1. That the City of Conway shall waive the requirement of obtaining bids for the providing of network applications and systems support for the city of Conway wide area network (WAN) and shall contract with Business Network Solutions as a sole source vendor to provide network applications and systems support for a period of six months.

SECTION 2. All ordinances in conflict herewith are repealed to the extent of the conflict.

SECTION 3. This ordinance is necessary for the protection of the public peace, health and safety and an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

PASSED this 23rd day of January, 2007

APPROVED:

[Signature]
Mayor Tab Townsell

ATTEST:

[Signature]
Michael O. Garrett
City Clerk/Treasurer