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AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO PURCHASE THROUGH THE NATIONAL IPA (INTERGOVERNMENTAL PURCHASING ALLIANCE COMPANY) FOR THE PURPOSE OF FURNISHING AND PURCHASING EQUIPMENT FOR THE CONWAY PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City is in need of equipment and furnishings for the existing Conway park facilities and those facilities under construction; and

WHEREAS, National Intergovernmental Purchasing Alliance Company (National IPA) works with public and non-profit agencies, who *as* Principal Procurement Agencies competitively solicit national master agreements for aggregated use. This cooperative purchasing strategy offers lower costs, plus time and resource savings, to participating agencies.

WHEREAS, the City believes that substantial savings on the purchase cost of certain furnishings and equipment can be gained through purchasing equipment through the National IPA Contract vendor sources which will provide the City with the opportunity to participate in volume purchasing and volume discounts; and

WHEREAS, the City finds that the use of cooperative purchasing on additional items will result in significant savings in the expenditure of public funds and is therefore in the public interest;

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

SECTION 1: The City Council of the City of Conway hereby authorizes the Mayor to enter into Purchase Agreements with vendors associated with National IPA as needed for the purchase of equipment and furnishings for the Conway Parks Department and for other City purchases during the 2009 / 2010 fiscal year if such is economically beneficial when total cost is compared to total cost of like goods and services offered through State contract pricing.

SECTION 2. The City Council of the City of Conway hereby waives the requirement for competitive bids for the purchase of a Toro Groundmaster 4700-D, Toro Sand Pro 3040, & Toro Turf Aerator 686.

SECTION 3. The City Council of the City of Conway hereby waives the requirements for competitive bids for the purchase of equipment for maintenance of park facilities currently existing or under construction for items to be purchased during 2009 and 2010 from National IPA Contract vendor sources provided that such prices are favorable as compared to state contract prices.

SECTION 4: All ordinances in conflict herewith are repealed to the extent to the conflict.

PASSED this 22nd day of September, 2009.

APPROVED:

Mayor Tab Townsel

ATTEST:

Michael O. Garrett City Clerk/Treasurer