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**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO PURCHASE THROUGH U. S. COMMUNITIES FOR THE PURPOSE OF FURNISHING AND PURCHASING EQUIPMENT FOR THE NEW POLICE FACILITY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

**WHEREAS**, the City is in need of equipment and furnishings for the new police facility, which is being constructed and furnished through the 2006 Sales and Use Tax Bonds; and

**WHEREAS**, U.S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance (U.S. Communities), a division of U.S. Communities Public Services Alliance was designed in cooperation with an Advisory Board of local and state government purchasing officials and is jointly sponsored by the Association of School Business Officials International (ASBO), the National Association of Counties (NACo), the National Institute of Governmental Purchasing (NIGP), the National League of Cities (NLC), and the United States Conference of Mayors (USCM). U.S. Communities provides a national purchasing forum for local and state government agencies, school districts (K-12), higher education and non-profits nationwide by pooling the purchasing power of over 87,000 public agencies.

**WHEREAS**, the City believes that substantial savings on the purchase cost of said furnishings and equipment can be gained through purchasing equipment through the U. S. Communities vendor sources which will provide the City with the opportunity to participate in volume purchasing and volume discounts; and

**WHEREAS**, at the April 8, 2008 meeting of City Council, the City Council of the City of Conway authorized the purchase of filing equipment from a U S Communities supplied vendor at a substantial discount over other vendor prices. 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 U. S. Communities as needed for the purchase of equipment and furnishings for the new police facility and for other City purchases during 2008 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 filing system to be purchased for the new police facility and for additional equipment and furnishings to be identified and approved for purchase by City Council and funded through the Sales and Use Tax Bond proceeds.

**SECTION 3:** All ordinances in conflict herewith are repealed to the extent to the conflict.

PASSED this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2008.

APPROVED:

Mayor Tab Townsell

ATTEST:

Michael O. Garrett  
City Clerk/Treasurer