

ORDINANCE NO. 2182

**AN ORDINANCE WAIVING THE REQUIREMENTS OF
COMPETITIVE BIDDING FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING
HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS**

WHEREAS, the City of Eureka Springs, Arkansas, (City) is desiring to change healthcare providers; and

WHEREAS, the City's Director of Finance, Lonnie Clark, has contacted several insurance agencies to determine the one best desirable for the City's Employee Health Insurance needs; and

WHEREAS, the City believes that to advertise for bids on an insurance agency would not prove feasible or practical due to the unique nature of such insurance and the scarcity of suppliers in the State of Arkansas and the United States, and that it is beneficial to the City to allow the Finance Director to use his professional expertise and opinion to choose the insurance agency which would best serve the interest of the City;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EUREKA SPRINGS, ARKANSAS:

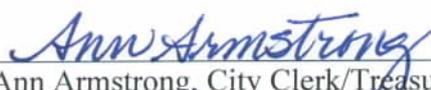
1. That pursuant to the provisions of Section 3.04.02 of the Eureka Springs Municipal Code, the Council of said City finds that this, being an exceptional situation in which the procedure for competitive bidding is deemed not feasible or practical, does therefore waive the requirements of competitive bidding so as to allow the Director of Finance to enter into an agreement for healthcare insurance with Brown, Hiller, Clark and Associates.
2. That all ordinances or resolutions, and parts thereof, in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.
3. That each of the provisions of this ordinance are severable and the decision of any court having jurisdiction as to the validity of any provision shall not affect the remaining provisions.

Emergency Clause

The City Council and Finance Director of the City of Eureka Springs, Arkansas find that, because of the need for immediate purchase of employee health insurance, it is in the best interests and for the health and safety of the citizens of Eureka Springs, that an emergency exists and therefore this ordinance shall go into full force and effect immediately upon its passage.

PASSED AND ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EUREKA SPRINGS, ARKANSAS, THIS 17th DAY OF MAY, 2013.

ATTEST:


Ann Armstrong, City Clerk/Treasurer

APPROVED:


Morris Pate, Mayor