CITY OF CUYAHOGA FALLS, OHIO

ORDINANCE NO. 35 - 2021

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT OR CONTRACTS, WITHOUT COMPETITIVE BIDDING, WITH AT&T CORP. FOR THE LEASE OF PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS AND RELATED EQUIPMENT AND SOFTWARE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, Article I, Section 2 of the City Charter, adopted pursuant to Art. XVIII, Sections 3 and 7 of the Ohio Constitution, authorizes this Council to make exception to the competitive bidding procedures set forth in the Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, AT&T Corp. is the sole source purveyor of proprietary phone lines used for public safety dispatch in the City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cuyahoga Falls, County of Summit and State of Ohio, that:

<u>Section 1.</u> The Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into a contract or contracts, without competitive bidding, with AT&T Corp. for the lease of Public Safety Answering Points and related equipment and software, for a period of three years, with a the option to extend the agreement for two 1-year successive terms.

<u>Section 2.</u> The Director of Finance is hereby authorized to increase appropriations in the General Fund, Communications, line item Other Operations by \$60,000, and decrease appropriations in the Capital Projects Fund, line item Capital Outlay, by the same. Furthermore, the Director of Finance is authorized to make payment from the General Fund, Communications, line item Other Operations.

<u>Section 3.</u> Any other ordinances and resolutions or portions of ordinances and resolutions inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, but any ordinances and resolutions or portions of ordinances and resolutions not inconsistent herewith and which have not previously been repealed are hereby ratified and confirmed.

Section 4. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this ordinance were taken in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of any committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements including Chapter 107 of the Codified Ordinances.

Section 5. This ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, convenience and welfare of the City of Cuyahoga Falls and the inhabitants thereof, and provided it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members elected or appointed to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force at the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed: 5-24-2021

President of Council

Clerk of Council

Approved: 5-25-202/

Mayor

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