

ORDINANCE NO. 255

AN ORDINANCE WAIVING COMPETITIVE BIDDING FOR THE PURCHASE OF SEVERE WEATHER WARNING SYSTEM

WHEREAS, the City of Barling presently has an inadequate severe weather warning system inasmuch as there are only two systems, one of which is inoperable and cannot be repaired;

WHEREAS, three operable severe weather warning systems are necessary to adequately provide audible warning of severe weather to residents of the City of Barling;

WHEREAS, the threat from severe weather, including tornados, given the status of the present severe weather warning system and particularly at this time of year, creates a dire situation for the residents of the City of Barling;


WHEREAS, there is insufficient time under the circumstances to follow the process for competitive bidding as set forth in Arkansas statutes;

WHEREAS, the Acting City Administrator has acquired bids from various competitors;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED by the Board of Directors of the City of Barling, Arkansas:

Section 1. An exceptional situation is hereby declared to exist based upon the foregoing recitation such that, pursuant to A.C.A. §14-48-129, the requirements of competitive bidding are not feasible and are therefore waived. Pursuant thereto, the Acting City Administrator is authorized to expend up to \$30,000.00 for the purchase of the necessary severe weather warning system.

Section. 2. The enactment of this Ordinance would ensure the protection of the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Barling by providing adequate warning for severe weather such that an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

  
Paul Rivaldo, Mayor

Attest:

  
Sharon Stockton, City Clerk

