

ORDINANCE NO. 364

AN ORDINANCE WAIVING COMPETITIVE BIDDING FOR THE REPAIR OR PURCHASE OF THE NECESSARY ITEMS REQUIRED FOR THE SEVERE WEATHER WARNING SYSTEM

WHEREAS, the City of Barling presently has an inadequate severe weather warning system inasmuch as there are three systems, two of which are inoperable and must be repaired or replaced;

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;

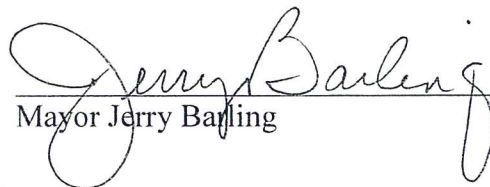
WHEREAS, the City Administrator will acquire bids from various competitors;

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 City Administrator is authorized to expend up to \$10,000.00 for the repair or purchase of the items necessary to make the severe weather warning system operable.

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.

Passed and approved this 11th day of May 2010.


Mayor Jerry Barling

ATTEST:


City Clerk Kristi St. Cyr

