**ORDINANCE No. 2023 - _____**

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT FOR ADDITIONAL SERVICES WITH THE BRYANT HISTORICAL SOCIETY; WAIVING COMPETITIVE BIDDING; DECLARING AN EMERGENCY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

**WHEREAS,** the City Council has previously appropriated funds for historical education programs within the city; and

**WHEREAS,** Bryant Historical Society is an Arkansas nonprofit corporation created for the purpose of providing historical education programs; and

**WHEREAS,** Bryant Historical Society is in a unique position to provide such education on behalf of the City of Bryant; and

**WHEREAS,** Ark. Code Ann. §§ 14-47-138 and 14-58-303 provide that the City may, by ordinance, waive the requirements of competitive bidding in exceptional situations where such procedure is found to be not feasible or practicable.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Bryant Arkansas:

**Section 1. Authority To Execute Contract**

The Council hereby approves a contract between the City of Bryant Arkansas and the Byrant Historical Society in the amount of $10,000 to provide historical education programs, in addition to those enumerated in and provided in consideration for the contract for use of 200 SW 3rd in Bryant for the 2024 calendar year. The Mayor is hereby authorized to enter into a "Contract for Services" with the Bryant Historical Society, wherein the Historical Society agrees to provide certain historical education on behalf of the City of Bryant, Arkansas during 2024, in exchange for, *inter alia*, payment in the amount of $10,000, payable in the manner specified in the Contract attached hereto as Exhibit A.

**Section 2. Waiver of Competitive Bidding**

Given the variety of services offered by the Bryant Historical Society, the City Council for the City of Bryant Arkansas hereby finds that circumstances exist which constitute an exceptional situation where competitive bidding is not feasible or practical and waives the requirements of formal competitive bidding.

**Section 3. Severability**

The provisions of this Ordinance are separable and in the event that any section or part hereof shall be held to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remainder of this Ordinance.

**Section 4. General Repealer**

All ordinances and resolutions and parts thereof in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

**Section 5. Emergency Clause**

The City Council wishes to avoid any interruption to the services provided by the Bryant Historical Society due to late payment by the City and hereby declares an emergency, placing this Ordinance in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and approval.

PASSED and APPROVED this _____ day of_____, 2023.

Approved:

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Mayor Rhonda Sanders

Attest:

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Mark Smith, City Clerk