ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE TO DISPENSE WITH THE REQUIREMENT OF COMPETITIVE BIDDING AND TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT IN THE AMOUNT OF SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED EIGHTY-FIVE DOLLARS ($75,585.00), WITH MED-ENG, AS THE SOLE-SOURCE PROVIDER FOR THE PURCHASE OF THREE (3) EOD 9 BOMB SUITS FOR THE LITTLE ROCK FIRE BOMB SQUAD TECHNICIANS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, since September 11, 2011, the City of Little Rock has become eligible for several emergency service equipment grants; and,

WHEREAS, the Little Rock City Manager's Office/Emergency Management Division is committed to improving explosive ordnance disposal operations throughout the City; and,

WHEREAS, in order to accomplish this goal, the Emergency Management Division proposes the purchase of three (3) EOD 9 Bomb suits, for use by the Little Rock Fire Department Bomb Squad; and,

WHEREAS, the EOD 9 Bomb Suit is the current suit utilized and approved by the Little Rock Fire Bomb Technicians, and the ability to maintain one type of specialized equipment makes it impractical and unfeasible to competitively bid this item, such bidding should be waived and the contract awarded to MED-ENG, as the sole-source provider for the purchase of three (3) EOD 9 Bomb Suits, at a cost of Seventy-Five Thousand, Five Hundred Eighty-Four Dollars, ($75,584.00), for use by the Little Rock Fire Department Bomb Squad;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY OF LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS:

Section 1. The Board of Directors finds that it is impractical and unfeasible to bid these items, and authorizes the City Manager to enter into a contract in the amount of Seventy-Five Thousand, Five Hundred Eighty-Four Dollars, ($75,584.00), with MED-ENG, as the sole-source provider for the purchase of three (3) EOD 9 Bomb Suits for the Little Rock Fire Bomb Squad.

Section 2. The State Homeland Security Grant program is providing 100% of the funds for this purchase with no fiscal impact on the City of Little Rock.

Section 3. ***Severability.*** In the event any title, section, paragraph, item, sentence, clause, phrase, or word of this ordinance is declared or adjudged to be invalid or unconstitutional, such declaration or

adjudication shall not affect the remaining portions of the ordinance which shall remain in full force and effect as if the portion so declared or adjudged invalid or unconstitutional were not originally a part of the ordinance.

Section 4. ***Repealer.*** All ordinances and resolutions, and parts thereof, which are in conflict with any provision of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

PASSED: May 20, 2014

ATTEST: **APPROVED:**

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Susan Langley, City Clerk **Mark Stodola, Mayor**

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

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Thomas M. Carpenter, City Attorney

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