## ORDINANCE NO. 12794

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHATTANOOGA CITY CODE, ARTICLE V, SECTIONS 2-549 AND 2-551, RELATIVE TO PURCHASES, CONTRACTS, AND PROPERTY DISPOSITION, RELATIVE TO BIDS.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE:

<u>SECTION 1</u>. That Article V, Sections 2-549 and 2-551, of the Chattanooga City Code is hereby amended by deleting it in its entirety and substituting in lieu thereof the following:

## Sec. 2-549. Approval not required for expenditures not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars.

Where the amount of a requisition or voucher or contract does not exceed twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00), approval by the city council shall not be necessary for the issuance of a purchase order or payment of a voucher or the execution of a contract. In no event shall a requisition, voucher or contract be split or divided into two (2) or more with the intent of evading the necessity for having competitive bids and/or the necessity of obtaining the approval of the city council.

(Code 1986, § 2-349; Ord. No. 9590, § 1, 8-6-91; Ord. No. 9654, § 2, 1-6-92; Ord. No. 10903, § 1, 9-14-99; Ord. No. 11103, § 2, 11-28-00)

## Sec. 2-551. Approval of expenditures exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars.

Whenever any requisition or voucher or contract calls for the expenditure of more than twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00), the issuance of a purchase order or the payment of a voucher, or the award of a contract shall be subject to the approval of the city council, and shall not be binding on or create any liability against the city until approved by the city council. Such approval shall be by resolution or by motion adopted by majority vote of the city council; provided, however, that such approval shall not be necessary where a voucher or requisition is issued pursuant to a prior lawful contract or pursuant to an ordinance authorizing such expenditure.

(Code 1986, § 2-351; Ord. No. 9590, § 1, 8-6-91; Ord. No. 9654, § 2, 1-6-92; Ord. No. 10903, § 1, 9-14-99; Ord. No. 11103, § 2, 11-28-00)

## SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That this Ordinance shall take effect two

(2) weeks from and after its passage.

Passed on second and final reading: January 7, 2014

APPROVED: UDISAPPROVED:\_