

ORDINANCE NO. 89-2019 (F)

By Council Member Cobb

An Ordinance adding Section 171.15, “Houston-Galveston Area Council Cooperative Purchasing Program” to Chapter 171, *Contracts*, of the Cleveland Heights Codified Ordinances; and declaring an emergency.

WHEREAS, this Council has determined that its rules and regulations concerning bidding requirements need to be revised to reflect the current state of the market place; and

WHEREAS, one recent development in the market place includes the emergence of third-party agents with expertise to obtain the best bids in specialized areas; and

WHEREAS, this Council has determined that the use of such third-party agents may be in the best interests of the City and its residents, provided Council has the opportunity to review the circumstances prior to engaging such agents; and

WHEREAS, an additional development in the market place includes the offering of products and services from the Houston-Galveston Area Council Cooperative Purchasing Program at a lower cost than the City would be able to obtain on its own; and

WHEREAS, this Council has determined that it is in the best interests of the City and its residents for the City to be able to participate in the Houston-Galveston Area Council Cooperative Purchasing Program to contract for goods and services where the cost to do so is lower than the City would be able to obtain on its own.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, that:

SECTION 1. Chapter 171, “Contracts,” of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Cleveland Heights shall be and hereby is amended to adopt and enact a Section 171.15, with said Section to henceforth read as follows:

171.15 “Houston-Galveston Area Council Cooperative Purchasing Program.” The City Manager is hereby authorized to complete any and all necessary applications and forms, and take all other actions as required by the Houston-Galveston Area Council Cooperative Purchasing Program for acceptance into and participation in the program it administers pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 9.48 for the purchase of equipment, material, supplies or services, and to participate in such program to the extent that it would be in the City’s best interests as determined by the City Manager. All contracts and agreements entered into pursuant to this section shall be in forms approved by the Director of Law.

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SECTION 2. Notice of the passage of this Ordinance shall be given by publishing the title and abstract of its contents, prepared by the Director of Law, once in one newspaper of general circulation in the City of Cleveland Heights.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety of the inhabitants of the City of Cleveland Heights, such emergency being the need to timely execute favorable contracts for essential services. Wherefore, provided it receives the affirmative vote of five or more of the members elected or appointed to this Council, this Ordinance shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage; otherwise, it shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest time allowed by law.

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CAROL ANN ROE, Mayor  
President of the Council

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SUSANNA NIERMANN O'NEIL  
Acting Clerk of Council

PASSED: October 7, 2019