ORDINANCE NO. 204

AN ORDINANCE WAIVING THE REQUIREMENT OF NOTICING FOR AND OBTAINING COMPETITIVE BIDS FOR EQUIPMENT WITH A COST OF MORE THAN \$10,000 TO BE PURCHASED WITH GRANT FUNDS, PROVIDING FOR THE EMERGENCY CLAUSE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Bethel Heights hereby finds it in the public interest, and in furtherance of the public health, safety and welfare, that the requirement for taking competitive bids for certain fire equipment with an estimated cost in excess of \$10,000.00 to be purchased with grant funds should be waived.

WHEREAS, the City is in receipt of certain grant funds which must be utilized within a time certain or be surrendered.

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that the best public use of these funds is the purchase of a thermal imaging camera for use by the Fire Department which camera has an estimated cost of approximately \$14,500.00.

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that the best source of such equipment which conforms to the specifications of the Fire Department would be from a local vendor who could provide timely service work and maintenance of the equipment.

AND WHEREAS the City Council has determined that the bid process would jeopardize the use of the funds within the required time and thereby would jeopardize the utilization of these funds for the benefit of the citizens of Bethel Heights.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Bethel Heights that the requirement for obtaining competitive bids for equipment with a cost in excess of \$10,000.00 is hereby waived and the Mayor is instructed to expend the grant funds in the purchase of the thermal imaging camera from the local vendor as soon as possible.

EMERGENCY CLAUSE: WHEREAS, in order to provide equipment for Station 42 an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this ordinance being necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, and safety shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval.

APPROVED

Recorder

Mayor