

**RESOLUTION NO. 22-674**

**CITY OF GENTRY, ARKANSAS**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND  
DIRECTOR OF FINANCE TO ENTER INTO A SERVICE  
CONTRACT WITH PAFFORD MEDICAL SERVICES, INC.**

WHEREAS, the City of Gentry, Arkansas currently has a contract with Northwest Arkansas Paramed Transfer, LLC (“Northwest”) to provide emergency medical and related transport services (“EMS”) for the City;

WHEREAS, Northwest has given notice of its intent to terminate the contract as of the end of the year;

WHEREAS, the City has joined with Benton County, Arkansas and several other cities within the County to publish a request for qualifications (“RFQ”), seeking a replacement EMS provider, which RFQ is attached hereto as Exhibit “A”;

WHEREAS, Pafford Medical Services, Inc. (“Pafford”) submitted a response to the RFQ proposing to provide such services, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit “B”;

WHEREAS, the City and other governmental entities have negotiated a proposed contract with Pafford, a copy of which is attached hereto;

WHEREAS, pursuant to A.C.A. § 14-266-105, cities of the first class are authorized to franchise, license, and contract with, exclusively or otherwise, emergency medical services, ambulances, ambulance companies, and their relative properties, facilities, equipment, personnel, and any aspects attendant to emergency medical services and ambulance operations; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 14-14-910, the City is authorized to enter into interlocal agreements with other counties and political subdivisions for the performance of any activity which any contracting party is authorized by law to perform;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the City Council for the City of Gentry, Arkansas:

Section 1. That the Mayor and Director of Finance are hereby authorized to execute the attached Contract with Pafford in the form attached hereto, together with various ancillary documents related thereto, on behalf of the City of Gentry, Arkansas.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 7th day of November, 2022.

Attest: Tonya Carney  
Tonya Carney, Director of Finance

Kevin Johnston, Mayor  
THE CITY OF GENTRY ARKANSAS  
Gentry  
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