ORDINANCE NO. //3

AN ORDINANCE to amend Section 4.05 of the Charter of the City and Ordinance No. 3, Section 2-101, so as to authorize the City Council to make contracts and purchases in amounts not to exceed \$3000 without requiring bids, and to amend Section 2.07 of the Charter of the City, so as to permit the City to designate and use alternative newspapers as the official city newspaper.

WHEREAS, Section 4.05 of the Charter of the City presently provides, <u>inter alia</u>, that the city purchasing agent making contracts and purchases must publicize, advertise, and conduct a competition by sealed bids for expenditures exceeding One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00); and

WHEREAS, Section 2-101 of the Code of Ordinances of the City, as set forth in Ordinance No. 3, provides, <u>interallia</u>, that where a requisition, voucher, or contract calls for an expenditure exceeding One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00), a public advertisement for competitive bids is required; and

WHEREAS, economic pressures, including inflation, have greatly increased the prices of nearly all products and services since the passage of the Charter and Ordinance No. 3, and the City Council has determined that it would be in the City's best interests to raise the dollar amount of expenditures not requiring bids; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.07 of the Charter of the City presently provides that the Council by resolution shall designate a newspaper of general circulation in the City as the official city newspaper; and

WHEREAS, although the City Council has previously designated the Walker County Messenger as the official City newspaper, the Council has determined that other newspapers have an equivalent or greater general circulation in the City;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Lookout Mountain, Georgia, and IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED as follows:

Section 1. Pursuant to the authority conferred upon the City by Official Code of Georgia Annotated §36-35-3, the City hereby amends Section 4.05 of its Charter by the deletion of the second sentence of Section 4.05 and the substitution in its place of the following:

Any expenditure or contract for more than Three Thousand (\$3,000.00) Dollars shall be made only after publication, advertisement, and competition by sealed bids, as prescribed by ordinance, and an award shall be made to the lowest and best bidder; provided that bids need not be required for professional services or for services for which the rates or prices are regulated by public authority.

Section 2. Pursuant to the authority conferred upon the City by Official Code of Georgia Annotated §36-35-3 and its Charter, the City hereby amends its Code of Ordinances by the deletion of the first sentence of Section 2-101 of its Code of Ordinances, as set forth in Ordinance No. 3, and the substitution in its place of the following:

Whenever any requisition, voucher, or contract calls for an expenditure exceeding Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00), the City shall publicly advertise for competitive bids

Section 3. Pursuant to the authority conferred upon the City by Official Code of Georgia Annotated §36-35-3, the City hereby amends its Charter by the deletion of the text of Section 2.07 of the Charter and the substitution in its place of the following:

Section 2.07. Official City Newspapers. Whenever the City must publish a notice in accordance with the provisions of the City Charter, the Ordinances of the City, or the Georgia Code, the City Council by resolution may provide that the notice shall be published in any one or more of the official city newspapers. The official city newspapers are and shall be The Walker County Messenger, The Chattanooga Times, and The Chattanooga News-Free Press.

Section 4. It is the intention of the City Council of the City of Lookout Mountain, Georgia and it is hereby

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ordained that the provisions of this ordinance shall become and be made a part of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Lookout Mountain, Georgia, and the sections of this ordinance may be renumbered to accomplish this intention.

Section 5. If any section, subsection, sentence or clause of this ordinance be adjudged invalid, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole or any section, subsection, sentence, or clause hereof not adjudged invalid.

Section 6. All other ordinances or parts thereof heretofore enacted by the City in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Section 7. This ordinance shall be effective ten (10) days after its adoption by at least three members of the Council of the City of Lookout Mountain, Georgia, after two readings at least one (1) week apart.

APPROVED ON FIRST READING ON June 20, 1985.

Member of City Council

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Member of City Council

Member of City Council

Mayor of Lookout Mountain, Georgia

APPROVED AND ADOPTED ON SECOND READING ON July 22, 1985.

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ATTEST:

City Clerk for the City of Lookout Mountain, Georgia