

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LEAGUE CITY, TEXAS, INCREASING THE CITY MANAGER'S PURCHASING AND APPROVAL AUTHORITY TO \$100,000 AND INCREASING THE CITY'S COMPETITIVE PROCUREMENT THRESHOLD TO \$100,000.01, BOTH IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 252.021(a) OF THE TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE AS AMENDED BY SENATE BILL 1173, EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2025; PROVIDING FOR REPEALER, SEVERABILITY, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE

WHEREAS, Article VII, Section 14 of the Charter of the City of League City authorizes the City Council to delegate to the City Manager the authority to contract for expenditures within the approved budget without further action by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the City Council previously delegated purchasing and contracting authority to the City Manager under Ordinance Nos. 2015-23, 2017-25, and 2020-05, aligning that authority with the statutory limit in Section 252.021(a) of the Texas Local Government Code, which at that time required competitive procurement for expenditures over \$50,000; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill 1173, enacted by the 89th Texas Legislature and effective September 1, 2025, amended Section 252.021(a) of the Texas Local Government Code to require formal competitive procurement for expenditures exceeding \$100,000 rather than \$50,000; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds it necessary to align the City's internal purchasing authority and competitive procurement threshold with current state law to improve administrative efficiency and reflect the rising cost of goods and services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LEAGUE CITY, TEXAS:

Section 1. Findings. The foregoing recitals are hereby found to be true and correct and are adopted as findings of the City Council.

Section 2. Purchase Authority. Pursuant to Article VII, Section 14 of the League City Charter, the City Manager's authority to approve and execute contracts, purchase orders, and agreements for budgeted expenditures is hereby increased to \$100,000 in alignment with Section 252.021(a) of the Texas Local Government Code, as amended by Senate Bill 1173.

Section 3. Competitive Procurement Threshold. The City hereby requires competitive procurement for expenditures exceeding \$100,000, consistent with Section 252.021(a) of the Texas Local Government Code, except for expenditures that qualify for a procurement

exemption, in which case state law shall control.

Section 4. Policy Updates. The City Manager is authorized to make the appropriate updates and amendments to the City's procurement processes and policies consistent with this direction and as necessary to ensure continued alignment with state law and to enhance business efficiency and operational effectiveness.

Section 5. Savings. All rights and remedies which have accrued in favor of the City under this Ordinance and amendments thereto shall be and are preserved for the benefit of the City.

Section 6. Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

Section 7. Repealer. All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed but only to the extent of such conflict.

Section 8. Open Meeting. It is hereby found and determined that the meeting at which this Ordinance was passed was open to the public and that advance public notice of the time, place, and purpose of said meeting was given as required by law.

Section 9. Publication and Effective Date. The City Secretary shall cause this Ordinance, or its caption, to be published in the official newspaper of the City of League City, upon passage of such Ordinance. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage and publication as required by law

PASSED first reading the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

PASSED AND ADOPTED the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

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NICK LONG  
Mayor

ATTEST:

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DIANA M. STAPP  
City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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MICHELLE L. VILLARREAL  
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