

ORDINANCE NO. 6322

AN ORDINANCE AWARDING AN EXCLUSIVE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT TO LIFENET, INC. FOR THE PROVISION OF MEDICAL EMERGENCY AND NON-EMERGENCY AMBULANCE SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

**WHEREAS**, the Municipal Ambulance Licensing Act (A.C.A. §14-266-107) grants cities the right and power to franchise, exclusively or otherwise, emergency medical services and ambulance operations within the City; and

**WHEREAS**, The City of Hot Springs and LifeNet, Inc. entered into a franchise agreement on December 16, 2014 expiring December 31, 2019 that contained an option to renew for an additional five (5) year term; and

**WHEREAS**, said franchise agreement was extended in December 2019 through March 31, 2020 to allow for negotiations on renewal terms; and

**WHEREAS**, the City and LifeNet have agreed upon renewal terms for an additional five (5) year period; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interests of the City and its environs to approve the exclusive franchise agreement for ambulance services with LifeNet for one (1) additional five (5) year term to expire March 31, 2025.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Board of Directors of the City of Hot Springs, Arkansas, as follows:

**SECTION 1.** . That LifeNet, Inc. is hereby granted an exclusive franchise for the provision of "Emergency Medical Services" and "Non-Emergency Ambulance Services" which is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

**SECTION 2.** That subject to the termination clause of the attached franchise agreement, the term of this agreement shall commence upon April 1, 2020, and shall continue in full force and effect until March 31, 2025. Provided further, said agreement may be extended for one (1) additional five (5) year term upon completion of a review of services provided after completion of fourth year of the agreement.

PASSED: March 17, 2020

APPROVED: [Signature]  
PAT McCABE, MAYOR

ATTEST: [Signature]  
HARMONY MORRISSEY, CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM: [Signature]  
BRIAN W. ALBRIGHT, CITY ATTORNEY

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

STATE OF ARKANSAS  
COUNTY OF GARLAND

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 17<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2020

[Signature]  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires:  
11-04-2029

