

ORDINANCE NO. 369

An ordinance to increase the amount of contracts requiring Council approval, an engineer's estimate and the advertising of bids; providing for the repeal of all or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith; and providing for an effective date.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GOTHENBURG, DAWSON COUNTY, NEBRASKA:

SECTION I. That Chapter 1, Article 8, Section 809 of the Gothenburg Municipal Code of 1974, as amended, be amended to read as follows:

FISCAL MANAGEMENT; CONTRACTS. The Governing Body shall, before entering into any contract for labor, materials, or any public improvement which exceeds Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and no/100ths (\$7,500.00) in cash as estimated by the Municipal Engineer, advertise for bids once each week for three (3) consecutive weeks in a legal newspaper of general circulation in the Municipality, or post a printed or written copy thereof in each of three (3) public places in the Municipality. Provided, that in case of a public emergency which is a serious danger to life, health, or property, estimates of costs and advertising for bids may be waived in the emergency ordinance when adopted by three-fourths (3/4) vote of the Governing Body.

If after advertising for bids as provided in this Section, the Governing Body receives fewer than two (2) bids on a contract for any work or improvement, or if the bids received by the Governing Body contain a price which exceeds the estimated cost of the project, the Governing Body shall have the authority to negotiate a contract in an attempt to complete the proposed project at a cost commensurate with the estimate given.

If the materials are of such a nature that, in the opinion of the manufacturer and with the concurrence of the Governing Body or Board of Public Works, no cost can be estimated until the materials have been manufactured or assembled to the specific qualifications of the purchasing Municipality, the Governing Body or Board of Public Works, may authorize the manufacture and assemblage of such materials and may thereafter approve the estimated cost expenditure when it is provided by the manufacturer.

SECTION II. That the original Section 1-809 and any ordinance or Section passed and approved prior to the passage, approval, and publication or posting of this

ordinance and in conflict with its provisions, is hereby repealed.

SECTION III. This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage, approval, and publication or posting as required by law.

Passed and approved this 20th day of ~~October~~^{November}, 1979.

CITY OF GOTHENBURG, DAWSON COUNTY,
NEBRASKA,

BY: MacRiehl
Mayor.

ATTEST:

Connie Stull
City Clerk.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Steve Winkum
City Attorney.