

**ORDINANCE NO. MC - 1094**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2 OF THE HOMewood  
MUNICIPAL CODE INCREASING THE BID THRESHOLD FOR ALL  
PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS, PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS, AND GENERAL  
PURCHASES TO \$25,000 PER STATE STATUTE**

WHEREAS, the Village of Homewood is a non-home rule municipality that derives its authority from the Illinois Municipal Code and Illinois Constitution; and

WHEREAS, Section 8-9-1 of the Illinois Municipal Code (65 ILCS 5/8-9-1) provides that in municipalities of less than 500,000 population, any work or other public improvement costing \$25,000 or more, and all material valued at \$25,000 or more and used in the construction of the work or other public improvement, shall be performed by or purchased from the lowest responsible bidder, unless exempted by statute; and

WHEREAS, the threshold in the Homewood Municipal Code triggering competitive bidding is set at \$20,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Village Manager's purchasing authority without prior authorization from the Village Board is set at \$20,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees of the Village of Homewood finds it to be in the Village's best interest to align the Homewood Municipal Code bidding threshold with state law and to adjust the Village Manager's purchasing authority accordingly.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the President and Board of Trustees of the Village of Homewood, Cook County, Illinois, as follows:

**SECTION ONE – AMENDMENTS TO THE HOMewood MUNICIPAL CODE:**

Sections 2-166, 2-430, and 2-464 of the Homewood Municipal Code are amended as follows (additional language underlined, deleted language ~~stricken~~):

**Sec. 2-166. Powers and duties**

It shall be the duty of the village manager to:

(8) Make, in the ordinary course of business, all purchases of materials and supplies necessary for the village as provided for in the annual budget, provided that for purchases of more than \$25,000.00 ~~\$20,000.00~~ he shall first procure the approval of the board of trustees. In all cases he shall comply with the statutory provisions as to solicitation of bids.

**Sec. 2-430. Bids**

All contracts for the making of any public improvements to be paid for in whole or in part by special assessment shall be let to the lowest responsible bidder, in manner and form as is prescribed by statute. All other contracts for materials, supplies, labor or public improvements, where the cost thereof exceeds \$25,000.00 ~~\$20,000.00~~ shall be let to the lowest responsible bidder in manner and form provided in this section, except that any such contract may be entered into without advertising for bids by a vote of two-thirds of the trustees elected. When the requirement for advertising of bids is waived by the village board of trustees, the reason for the waiver must be stated publicly. Acceptable reasons for waiver of the bid requirement include, but are not limited to:

- (1) An emergency purchase;
- (2) Only one vendor available;
- (3) Equipment standardization;
- (4) The technical nature of an item makes competition impractical; or
- (5) Use of a joint governmental purchasing program.

**Sec. 2-464. Authority to designate budget changes; authority of village manager**

(b) The village board hereby delegates authority to the village manager to delete, add or change items budgeted previously to a department, board, or commission, provided the deletion, addition, or change is valued at \$25,000.00 ~~\$20,000.00~~ or less.

**SECTION TWO - EFFECTIVE DATE:**

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval and publication in accordance with law.

PASSED and APPROVED this 10<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2026.

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Village President

ATTEST:

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Village Clerk

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