AN ORDINANCE DEFINING WHAT CONSTITUTES A RESPONSIBLE BIDDER OF AND FOR VARIOUS FORMS OF CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

WHEREAS, the city of Chicago Heights, Illinois (the “City”) is a home rule unit of government pursuant to Article VII, Section 6 of the Illinois Constitution of 1970, and hereby acts with the requisite authority thereof; and

WHEREAS, the City Code (Chapter 2, Article VI. Purchasing Procedures) requires that all purchases and contracts for goods, supplies and services that exceed an amount of ten thousand dollars, shall be “let to the lowest responsible bidder;” and

WHEREAS, with respect to work to be performed in various forms of construction projects for which the City may receive bids, the City deems it necessary, advisable, and appropriate to specify further the definition of “lowest responsible bidder;” and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Mayor and the City Council of the City of Chicago Heights, Cook County, Illinois, as follows:

SECTION I

The recitals are incorporated into this Ordinance as set forth herein.

SECTION II

That in consideration of the work to be performed in and for various forms of construction projects the definition of “lowest responsible bidder” shall include therein the following requirements:

Lowest Responsible Bidder for construction contracts is a bidder who meets all of the following applicable criteria, and submits evidence of such compliance:

1. All applicable laws prerequisite to doing business in Illinois

2. Evidence of compliance with:
   (a) Federal Employer Tax Identification Number of Social Security Number (for individual)
   (b) Provisions of Section 2000 (e) of Chapter 21, Title 42 of the United States Code and Federal Executive Order No: 11246 as amended by Executive Order No. 11375 (known as the Equal Opportunity Employer provisions).

3. Certificates of insurance indicating the following coverage’s: general liability, worker’s compensation, completed operations, automobile, hazardous occupation, product liability, and professional liability.

4. Compliance with all provisions of the Illinois Prevailing Wage Act, including wages, medical and hospitalization insurance and retirement for those trades as covered in the Act.

5. Participation in apprenticeship and training programs approved and registered with the United States Department of Labor’s Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training.

SECTION III

That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect following its passage, approval and publication in pamphlet form as required by law.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Chicago Heights, Cook County, Illinois this 19th day of March, 2001.