1st reading: May 18, 2009 2nd reading: June 1, 2009

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 2 ADMINISTRATION, ARTICLE 2.7, PURCHASING, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF ROSWELL

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council are the governing authority of the City of Roswell, Georgia; and

WHEREAS, Mayor and Council are charged with the protection of the public health, safety and general welfare; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council have determined that Chapter 2, Article 2.7, *Purchasing*, of the Code of Ordinances should be amended in order to comply with guidelines of the *Green Communities Program* promulgated by the Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC):

NOW THEREFORE, to accomplish the foregoing, the Mayor and Council of the City of Roswell, pursuant to their authority, do hereby adopt the following Ordinance:

1.

Article 2.7, *Purchasing*, is amended by adding to Section 2.7.2, *Definitions*, a new definition to read as follows:

Sustainability means reducing the amount of resources used as well as reducing the amount of waste and emissions produced in order to limit the environmental impact or ecological footprint. The City will improve sustainability efforts through an environmentally preferred purchasing program that provides for the present generation and needs of the organization while honoring our past and allowing for the needs of future generations.

2.

Article 2.7, *Purchasing*, is further amended by deleting subsection (a) from Section 2.7.4, *Powers and Duties of the Purchasing Manager*, and substituting therefore a new subsection (a) to read as follows:

(a) Procure or oversee the procurement of all goods and services needed by the city with full consideration of sustainable and environmentally preferred products and advertise for bids for such goods and services as required by Section 2.7.12. Consistent with this ordinance and subject to the approval of the city administrator and city finance director, the purchasing manager may adopt operating procedures related to the purchase of goods and services for the city and may publish a handbook or manual containing those procedures.

3.

Article 2.7, *Purchasing*, is amended by adding thereto new Section 2.7.8, *Promoting Sustainability*, to read as follows:

The City of Roswell (City) is a significant consumer of goods and services. The City desires to encourage the procurement of sustainable and environmentally preferred products and services. The City of Roswell Mayor and Council have resolved that the City will take an active role to promote the analysis of life cycle costs for products and services to encourage protection of the environment by showing preference for the procurement of sustainable products and services for the use in City operations.

- (a) In general, environmentally preferable products and services are those that would reduce negative effects on human health and environment when compared with the competing products and services. More specifically, this comparison would include consideration of all phases of the product's life cycle, including raw materials acquisition, production, manufacturing, packaging, distribution, operation, maintenance and disposal, including potential for reuse or ability to be recycled.
- (b) In practice, the objective is to purchase products that have been environmentally certified or eco labeled because they have reduced environmental impact due to the way they are made, used, transported, stored, packaged and disposed. It means looking for products that do not harm human health, are less polluting and that minimize waste, maximize use of bio-based or recycled materials, conserve energy and water, and reduce the consumption of and disposal of hazardous materials.
- (c) Therefore, the City of Roswell will implement an environmentally preferable purchasing program that accounts for life cycle costs and gives preference to products that are recycled, recyclable and otherwise more environmentally friendly than traditional products; purchase Energy Star rated equipment and appliances when possible to do so and, purchase recycled copy, computer, and fax paper with at least 30% recycled content whenever the use of the paper makes it possible to do so.

4.

All ordinances, parts of ordinances, or regulations in conflict herewith are repealed.

5.

Severability. Should any court of competent jurisdiction declare any section of this Ordinance invalid or unconstitutional, such declaration shall not affect the validity of the Ordinance as a whole or any part thereof, which is not specifically declared to be invalid or unconstitutional.

6.

It is the intention of the Mayor and Council, and it is hereby ordained that the provisions of this Ordinance shall become and be made a part of the City of Roswell Code of Ordinances and the sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered to accomplish such intention.

This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the date of its adoption, the public welfare demanding it.

The above Ordinance was read an approved by the Mayor and Council of the City of Roswell, Georgia on the $1^{\rm st}$ day of June, 2009.

Attest:

Jere Wood, Mayor

Sue H. Creel, City Clerk
(Seal)

Councilmember Jerry Orlans

Councilmember Rebecca Wynn

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