

First Reading: 09/05/2017

Second Reading: 09/19/2017

ORDINANCE NO. 974

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BENTON CITY,
WASHINGTON, AMENDING SECTION 3.32.080
"SPENDING LIMITATIONS"**

WHEREAS, the City of Benton City has reviewed its provisions in BCMC Section 3.32.080 and identified the need to increase the Mayor's authorized spending limit. NOW, THEREFORE,


THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BENTON CITY, WASHINGTON, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That Section 3.32.080 entitled "Spending limitations" of the Benton City Municipal Code shall be and hereby is amended and shall read as follows:

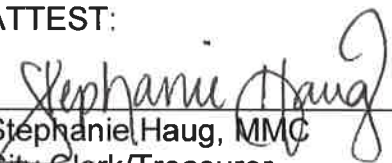
3.32.080 **Spending limitations.** Except for the payment of products or services specifically provided by contract or budget, the Mayor shall not expend funds for products or services from the current expenses having cost in excess of two thousand five hundred twenty-five dollars (\$2,500~~525~~.00) per expenditure without the prior approval of the City Council; provided, however, that the Mayor is authorized to make emergency expenditures above and beyond two thousand five hundred twenty-five dollars (\$2,500~~525~~.00). An emergency is defined as an unforeseen event which requires immediate action by the City to prevent immediate physical or financial harm to the City or its citizens; presents a risk of the immediate loss or suspension of essential public services; requires immediate action to preserve a substantial saving or benefit to the City, or other similar emergencies. (Ord. 779, May 2004; Ord. 559, March 1992.)

Section 2. This Ordinance shall take full force and effect five (5) days after its approval, passage, and publication as required by law.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Benton City, Washington, and approved as provided by law this 19 day of September, 2017.


Linda Lehman, Mayor

ATTEST:


Stephanie Haug, MMC
City Clerk/Treasurer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Kerr Law Group, City Attorney