## CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CORDOVA, ALABAMA

## ORDINANCE NO. 04-2023

AN ORDINANCE TO LEASE A PORTION OF THE CORDOVA COMMUNITY CENTER TO INNOVATIVE NETWORK OF KNOWLEDGE FOR THE PROVISION OF CHILDREN PROGRAMS.

**WHEREAS**, the City of Cordova, Alabama, (the "City") has established the Cordova Community Center which is located at 65 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Cordova, Alabama 35550, and situated on both Parcel ID No. 23 03 05 4 000 201.000 and 23 03 05 4 000 202.000 (the "Community Center"):

**WHEREAS**, the Community Center is currently used for senior citizen programs, aftercare programs for school-aged children, and events;

WHEREAS, Innovative Network of Knowledge ("INK") is a non-profit that promotes childhood development by providing comprehensive services for educators and families including learning standards and strategies, child development, and family health and wellbeing;

**WHEREAS,** INK has developed an Early Head Start program that provides holistic services for infants and toddlers under the age of three (3) and pregnant women;

WHEREAS, INK desires to establish its Early Head Start program in the City;

**WHEREAS,** INK desires to lease a portion of the Community Center so it may provide its program and related services to residents in the City and neighboring areas;

WHEREAS, INK's program requires two classrooms and some play areas for children;

**WHEREAS**, the portion of the Community Center that INK desires to lease (the "Property") is currently not suited for INK's needs and would need to be modified to provide areas suitable for children:

**WHEREAS,** INK is willing to provide the building materials for the renovation, but will require assistance from the City with labor and equipment;

**WHEREAS,** in consideration of INK leasing out space at the Community Center for the limited purpose of providing INK-related services, the City agrees to provide labor and equipment needed to modify the space in accordance with INK's needs:

**WHEREAS,** the City Council of the City of Cordova, Alabama (the "City Council") desires to lease the Property to INK pursuant to the terms set forth in the Lease Agreement ("Agreement") attached hereto as Exhibit A;

**THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the City Council of the City of Cordova, Alabama while in regular session on Tuesday, December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 6:30 p.m. as follows:

<u>Section 1.</u> The City Council of the City of Cordova, Alabama (the "City Council") hereby finds that it is in the best interest of the City and its residents to lease the Property to Innovative Network of Knowledge for providing its Early Head Start program and other related services.

<u>Section 2.</u> The Mayor is hereby authorized to execute a lease with INK according to the terms set forth in the Agreement, contingent upon the execution of a lease agreement in a form to be approved by the Mayor and the City Attorney.

Section 3. The Mayor is further authorized to negotiate contract terms with INK in order to provide more favorable lease terms for the City.

Section 4. The provisions, sections, paragraphs, sentences, clauses, phrases, and parts thereof of this Ordinance are severable, and if any provision, section, paragraph, sentence, clause, phrase, or part thereof of this Ordinance shall be declared unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, then such ruling shall not affect any other provision, section, paragraph, sentence, clause, phrase, or part thereof since the same would have been enacted by the City Council without the incorporation of any such unconstitutional or invalid provision, section, paragraph, sentence, clause, phrase, or part thereof.

<u>Section 5.</u> This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon adoption and publication as provided by law.

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED** THIS THE 12<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF DECEMBER, 2023.

JEREMY PATE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

DeLaina Gilbert, City Clerk

## CERTIFICATION OF CITY CLERK

STATE OF ALABAMA ) WALKER COUNTY )

I, DeLaina Gilbert, City Clerk of the City of Cordova, Alabama, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of an Ordinance duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Cordova, Alabama, on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2023.

The above and foregoing Ordinance was published on the	day of December, 2023, by
posting copies thereof in three public places within the City of	Cordova, one of which was the
Mayor's office.	

Witness my hand and seal of office this \_\_\_\_ day of December, 2023.

De Laina Gilbert, City Clerk