

## RESOLUTION NO. 001-2023

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY WHICH IS NOT NEEDED FOR PUBLIC USE, OR IS OBSOLETE OR UNFIT FOR THE USE FOR WHICH IT WAS ACQUIRED, BY INTERNET AUCTION, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Findlay, State of Ohio:

SECTION 1: The internet auction of property which is not needed for public use, or is obsolete or unfit for the use for which it was acquired will be conducted in accordance with the policy and procedures established for such online internet auctions as set forth in in "Exhibit A" as amended from time to time, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein as if fully rewritten herein.

SECTION 2: All items offered for sale through online internet auction shall be offered for sale for a period of time to be determined by the administration but which period shall be not less than ten (10) days, including Saturdays, Sundays and all legal holidays.

SECTION 3: The City of Findlay will contract with a representative(s) to conduct the auction, however the general terms and conditions of sale shall be established by the city. The administration, in consultation with the auditor, shall determine and select authorized representatives to conduct the online internet auctions which representatives may change from time to time.

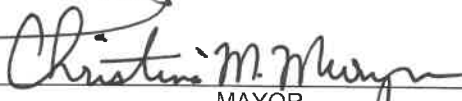
SECTION 4: The Clerk of Council is directed to publish, in a newspaper of general circulation in the municipal corporation or as provided in section 7.16 of the Revised Code, notice of the City of Findlay's intent to sell unneeded, obsolete, or unfit municipal personal property by internet auction all in accordance with R.C. 721.15(D).

SECTION 5: Notice of the City of Findlay's intent to sell unneeded, obsolete, or unfit municipal personal property by internet auction shall be posted continually throughout the calendar year in a conspicuous place in the office of the city auditor, in the office of the mayor and on the city web site.

SECTION 6: The City of Findlay retains the right to establish a minimum price and may establish other terms and conditions of any particular sale, including requirements for pick-up or delivery, method of payment, and sales tax. Such information shall be provided on the internet at the time of the auction and may be provided before that time upon request after the terms and conditions have been determined by the legislative authority.

WHEREFORE, this Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor.

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PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

  
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MAYOR

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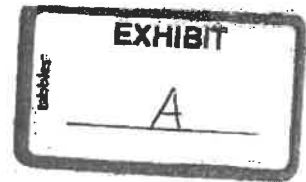
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CLERK OF COUNCIL

APPROVED

January 3, 2023



## Procedures for Online Internet Auctions (R.C.721.15(D))

The Auditor's Office will receive a request from the City department who wishes to auction an item which is not needed for public use, or is obsolete or unfit for the use for which it was acquired. Items must have already been offered to other departments via e-mail.

The Auditor's Office selects the proper form i.e. vehicle inspection forms, office equipment inspection forms, etc. for the department to complete for the specific item of personal property. Forms are completed by the department so that all pertinent information regarding the item is known and given to the Auditor's Office along with pictures of the item, the minimum bid for the item and a reserve or minimum price, if so desired.

The Auditor's Office will prepare a draft auction write-up of the item based on the information given and release it to the department for review. Any corrections that should be made are noted. The department supervisor then signs the draft auction write-up thus giving his/her approval. The write-up is then forwarded to the Service Director or Safety Director for their approval to sell the asset via online internet auction.

Once the draft auction write-up is received back by the Auditor's Office with the two required signatures, any noted changes are made and the auction is released on the online internet auction site for a minimum period of 10 days. There is a link on the City's website that will bring up anything that the City of Findlay is currently offering at auction on the online internet auction sites. Otherwise, any person can search by entity (City of Findlay) and see what is currently offered.

When the auction ends the Auditor's office receives an e-mail notification from the online internet auction provider indicating whether or not the asset sold. If sold, the e-mail will include the selling price and the name and contact information for the seller. This e-mail is forwarded to the department supervisor.

Another e-mail is received once the online internet auction site receives payment for the item. All payments are to be made directly to the online internet auction provider. The City does not accept direct payment for auctioned items. This e-mail is forwarded to the department supervisor.

For assets other than vehicles, the buyer is to schedule pick up arrangements through the department supervisor or designee. A bill of sale is printed from the online internet auction site and sent to the department supervisor. Once buyer arrives and inspects the item, they are to sign the bill of sale and remove the item from City property.

If the asset is a vehicle, the buyer needs to verify with the Auditor's Office the name in which they would like the vehicle titled. This information is sent to the City Clerk so that she may get the title transferred and ready for the new owner. If needed, the title information is corrected on the online internet auction provider bill of sale and the bill of sale is printed. Pick up is arranged so that the new owner first stops at the Auditor's Office to sign off on the bill of sale and pick up the transferred title. The buyer then travels to the physical location of the vehicle and removes it from City property.

Once the auction item has been removed from City property, the department notifies the Auditor's Office by sending them the signed bill of sale. Item is then marked as picked up on the online internet auction site. Routinely the online internet auction providers generate payment for items marked picked up to the Auditor's Office.

When the payment from the online internet auction provider is received, the auditor's staff breaks down the payment for accounts receivable to show the gross sale amount, the auction fee (if applicable), and the net amount received per item. A copy of the account receivable receipt is then sent to the department to notify them of payment posting.