

Introduced by: Councilmember Williams

1st Reading: 8 March 2004
2nd Reading: 15 March 2004

ORDINANCE NO. 2004-9

**AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN ONGOING CONTRACT WITH
K&S CONSTRUCTION CONSULTING**

WHEREAS, the Commission on Landlord-Tenant Affairs (COLTA) is empowered to rule on landlords' requests for rent increases due to capital improvements to a rental property; and

WHEREAS, in October 2003, K&S Construction Consulting, Inc. was selected by the City of Takoma Park, in accordance with adopted procurement procedures, to inspect all capital improvement petitions to verify the completion of the improvements and to evaluate the reasonableness of the costs of included in the petition; and

WHEREAS, the construction inspection has improved the rent increase petition process by providing a professional evaluation of the cost and the work done, thus streamlining the process and enabling COLTA to rule on petitions in a more efficient and effective manner; and

WHEREAS, the cost for the services provided by K&S Construction are estimated at \$12,500 per year; and

WHEREAS, sufficient funds are available within the Housing and Community Development Department's FY04 budget to continue this program.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND**

SECTION 1. The City Manager is hereby authorized to enter into a twelve (12) month contract with K&S Construction Consulting, Inc. for construction management services for Capital Improvement Petitions at a cost of \$75.00 per hour.

SECTION 2. The City Manager is further authorized to renew, as appropriate, such contract for up to five additional one year terms.

Adopted this 15th day of March 2004, by roll-call vote as follows:

Aye: Mayor Porter, Austin-Lane, Barry, Mizeur, Elrich, Seamens, Williams

Nay:

Absent:

Abstain: