

RESOLUTION NO. RS-06-028

(Award of a contract for the purchase of office furnishings ("Office Furnishings") for use by the Washington County Circuit Court ("Circuit Court"), from Office Suppliers, Inc. of Hagerstown, Maryland, through U. S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance ("U.S. Communities") under an intergovernmental cooperative purchasing arrangement with Fairfax County, Virginia, pursuant to Section 1-106.3 of the Code of the Public Local Laws of Washington County, Maryland)

RECITALS

The Code of the Public Local Laws of Washington County, Maryland (the "Public Local Laws"), §1-106.3, provides that the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland (the "Board") "may procure goods and services through a contract entered into by another governmental entity in accordance with the terms of the contract, regardless of whether the county was a party to the original contract."

Subsection (c) of §1-106.3 provides that: "A determination to allow or participate in an intergovernmental cooperative purchasing arrangement under subsection (b) of this section shall be by resolution and shall either indicate that the participation will provide cost benefits to the county or result in administrative efficiencies and savings or provide other justifications for the arrangement."

Acquisition of the Office Furnishings by "piggy-backing" on a bid processed by U.S. Communities (sponsored by the National Association of Counties) through Fairfax County, Virginia and eliminating the Board's bid process would result in administrative efficiencies for both the Circuit Court and the Purchasing Department. Using the Fairfax County, Virginia contract award, the Board will be able to acquire from Office Suppliers, Inc. the Office Furnishings for a total price of \$53,068.30.

The Board expressly finds that entering into a contract with Office Suppliers, Inc. to purchase the Office Furnishings would be in the best interests of the citizens of Washington County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board, pursuant to §1-106.3, a contract is hereby awarded to Office Suppliers, Inc., of Hagerstown, Maryland for the purchase of Office Furnishings under an intergovernmental cooperative purchase of services with Fairfax County, Virginia.

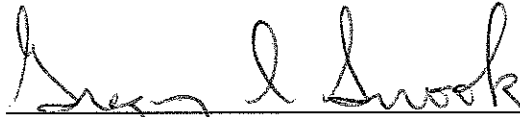
Adopted and effective this 8th day of August, 2006.

ATTEST:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, MARYLAND



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Approved as to form
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