

RESOLUTION NO. RS-2019- 28

(Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchase of Playground Equipment from Miracle Recreation Equipment Company of Monett, Missouri and to Utilize the Sourcewell contract No. 030117-LTS)

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."

The Parks and Facilities Department seeks to purchase new playground equipment to replace the playground equipment at Black Rock Regional Park. There will be three (3) areas where the new playground equipment will be installed. Area One will include a two (2) deck play structure. Area Two will include a four (4) bay and a swing designed for tots. Area Three will contain a play structure that will consist of fitness equipment and climbers that are designed for kids ages five-twelve (5-12) years old. The benefit of the outdoor play equipment is that the equipment can help children develop physical, emotionally, socially, and intellectually.

Sourcewell is a nationwide strategic sourcing program designed by public purchasing professionals for use by government agencies and public-benefit non-profits throughout the country. Acquisition of the equipment by utilizing the Sourcewell contract and eliminating the County's bid process would result in administrative efficiencies for the Parks and Facilities Department as well as overall better pricing due to economies of scale offered by the subject contract.

The Board of County Commissioners determines that participation by Washington County will result in cost benefits or administrative efficiencies. Any bid received as a result of an independent County solicitation would exceed the spend savings that the State of Maryland provides through this agreement. Additionally, the County will realize savings through administrative efficiencies as a result of not preparing, soliciting, and evaluating a bid. The savings and cost avoidance would be significant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board, pursuant to §1-106.3, to purchase playground equipment from Miracle Recreation Equipment Company of Monett, Missouri, and to utilize the Sourcewell contract No. 030117-LTS for the total amount of \$179,714.

Adopted and effective this 3rd day of December, 2019.

ATTEST:




Krista L. Hart, Clerk

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