## RESOLUTION NO. RS-2020-14

(Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchase [INTG-20-0037] One [1] John Deere Utility Tractor for Highway Department)

## 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 Highway Department seeks to purchase one (1) John Deere 5100M Utility Tractor for a total cost of \$66,695.39, and to utilize another jurisdiction's contract that was awarded by Baltimore County Public Schools (contract 001B0600298) to John Deere of Cary, North Carolina.

The Board of County Commissioners determines that participation by Washington County would result in a cost benefits or administrative efficiencies, and approves the procurement of the equipment in accordance with the Public Local Laws referenced above, and determines that participation would result in cost benefits in administrative efficiencies. The County will benefit with the direct cost savings in the purchase of this equipment because of economies of scale this contract has leveraged. Additionally, the County will realize savings through administrative efficiencies as a result of not preparing, soliciting, and evaluating a bid. Acquisition of the equipment by utilizing the Baltimore County Public Schools contract and eliminating our County's bid process would result in an administrative and cost savings for the Highway Department and Purchasing Department in preparing specifications.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board, pursuant to §1-106.3 of the Public Local Laws, to approve the purchase of one (1) John Deere 5100M Utility Tractor for a total cost

of \$66,695.39, and to utilize another jurisdiction's contract that was awarded by Baltimore County Public Schools (contract001B0600298) to John Deere of Cary, North Carolina.

Adopted and effective this <u>H±h</u> day of July, 2020.

ATTEST:

Krista L. Hart, Clerk

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