RESOLUTION NO. RS-2020-33

(Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchase [INTG-20-0050] Playground Equipment for Parks and Facilities)

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 playground equipment from Playground Specialist Inc. of Thurmont, Maryland, and to utilize the Houston-Galveston Area Council (HGAC) Contract No. PR11-20 (HGAC Contract) for the total sum of \$148,680.58. The new playground equipment will replace the existing playground equipment at Marty Snook Park located in Hagerstown, Washington County, Maryland.

The HGAC Contract 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 playground equipment by utilizing the HGAC Contract and eliminating the County's bid process will result in administrative efficiencies for the Parks and Facilities Department as well as secure overall better pricing due to economies of scale leveraged by the HGAC Contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board, pursuant to §1-106.3 of the Public Local Laws, to authorize by Resolution the purchase of said playground equipment from Playground Specialist Inc. of Thurmont, Maryland, and to utilize the HGAC Contract No. PR11-20 for the total sum of \$148,680.58.

Adopted and effective this third day of November, 2020.

ATTEST:

Krista L. Hart, Clerk

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, MARYLAND

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