

RESOLUTION NO. RS-2021- 30

***(Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchase/Installation of Playground Equipment
[INTG-21-0069])***

RECITALS

The Code of 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 Recreation Department seeks to purchase and have installed playground equipment at various parks within Washington County from Playground Specialist, Inc., of Thurmont, Maryland, and to utilize the Houston-Galveston Area Council (HGAC) Contract #PR11-20 in the amount of \$374,050.76. The Parks and Recreation Department also seeks to purchase various playground equipment from Kompan, Inc., of Austin, Texas, and to utilize Charlotte, North Carolina's Omnia Contract #2017001135 in the amount of \$399,888.76.

Acquisition of the equipment by utilizing HGAC and Omnia's contracts and eliminating this County's bid process would result in administrative and cost savings for the Parks and Recreation Department. The County will benefit with the direct cost savings in the purchase of this equipment because of the economies of scale the aforementioned contracts have leveraged. Additionally, the County will realize savings through administrative efficiencies as a result of not preparing, soliciting, and evaluating bids.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board, pursuant to §1-106.3 of the Public Local Laws, that the Parks and Recreation Department is approved to purchase and have installed playground equipment at various parks within the County, to utilize Houston-Galveston Area Council Contract #PR11-20 to Playground Specialists, Inc. of Thurmont, Maryland, and to utilize the City of Charlotte, North Carolina's Omnia Contract #2017001135 to Kompan, Inc., of Austin, Texas, for a total amount of \$773,939.52.

Adopted and effective this 19th day of October, 2021.

ATTEST:



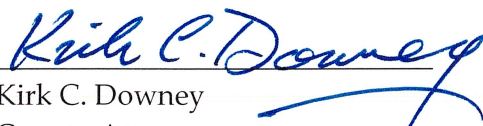
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