## RESOLUTION NO. RS-2022- %

(Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchase [INTG-22-0077] Network Infrastructure and Cabling at 747 Northern Avenue)

## 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 Information Systems Department seeks to purchase and have installed network infrastructure, cabling, and all related hardware from High Performance Cabling Inc., of Hagerstown, Maryland, at the contracted unit prices totaling \$136,000 based on the contract awarded by Washington County Public Schools (WCPS) (Bid #2020-09). This purchase is a necessary and vital step in relocating staff and offices from the 80 West Baltimore Street Annex to 747 Northern Avenue, Hagerstown, Maryland. The contract term is effective December 1, 2021, through November 30, 2022.

Utilizing WCPS' contract and eliminating the County's bid process results in administrative and cost savings for the Information Systems Department. The County will benefit with direct cost savings because of the economy of scale the aforementioned contract has leveraged. Additionally, the County will realize savings through administrative efficiencies achieved 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 Information Systems Department is authorized to purchase and have installed network infrastructure, cabling, and all related hardware, for a total cost of \$136,000, and to utilize another jurisdiction's contract awarded by WCPS to High Performance Cabling Inc., of Hagerstown, Maryland, (Bid #2020-09).

Adopted and effective this \_\\\_ day of January, 2022.

ATTEST:

Krista L. Hart, Clerk

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: \_

Jeff Cline, President

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