RESOLUTION NO. RS-2022- 27

(Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchase [INTG-22-0093] Eight [8] John Deere Zero Turn Mowers)

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 Building, Grounds, and Parks Department is requesting replacement of eight (8) mowers that are ten to twenty years old, which exceeds the County's Vehicle and Equipment Types and Usage Guidelines. The Building, Grounds, and Parks Department seeks to use a contract that was awarded by Baltimore County Public Schools (Contract LKO-402-20-001) to purchase eight (8) John Deere 5Z950M ZTrak Mowers for a total cost of \$79,564.16 from John Deere of Cary, North Carolina.

Utilizing the Baltimore County Public Schools' contract and eliminating the County's bid process result in administrative and cost savings for the Building, Grounds, and Parks 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 administrative efficiencies and savings 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 Building, Grounds, and Parks Department is authorized to purchase, pursuant to the contract awarded by Baltimore County Public Schools (Contract LKO-402-20-001) to John Deere of Cary, North Carolina, eight (8) John Deere 5Z950M ZTrak Mowers at a total contracted cost of \$\$79,564.16.

Adopted and effective this **2** day of August, 2022.

ATTEST:

Krista L. Hart, County Clerk

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, MARYLAND

BY: _

Jeffrey A. Cline, President

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:

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