RESOLUTION NO. RS-2024-0\

(Intergovernmental Cooperative Purchase [INTG-23-0138] Fire Hoses and Accessories for Division of Emergency Services)

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 Division of Emergency Services seeks to purchase fire hoses and accessories from Whitmer Public Safety Group, Inc., of Coatesville, Pennsylvania, at the contracted unit prices based on the contract awarded by Montgomery County, Maryland (solicitation #1114636) for the total cost of \$92,392.32.

Eliminating the County's bid process will result in administrative and cost savings for the Division of Emergency Services. The County will benefit from 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 Division of Emergency Services is authorized to purchase fire hoses and accessories from Whitmer Public Safety Group, Inc., of Coatesville, Pennsylvania, at the contracted prices awarded by Montgomery County, Maryland (solicitation #1114636) for the total cost of \$92,392.32.

Adopted and effective this <u></u> day of January, 2024.

ATTEST:

Dawn L. Marcus, County Clerk

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:

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