

A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN EXEMPTION FROM COMPETITIVE BIDDING REQUIREMENTS AND APPROVING THE USE OF A COOPERATIVE PURCHASING METHOD TO ACQUIRE PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT FOR MEADOW RIDGE PARK; AND AUTHORIZING THE PARKS AND RECREATION DIRECTOR TO AWARD AND EXECUTE A CONTRACT TO PURCHASE PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT FROM NORTHWEST PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT, INC. USING A COOPERATIVE CONTRACT BETWEEN NATIONAL PURCHASING PARTNERS AND NORTHWEST PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT, INC. FOR \$273,684.50

WHEREAS, Meadow Ridge is a 1.8-acre park in development in east Albany between Meadow Ridge Elementary and Timber Ridge Middle schools; and

WHEREAS, the parks and recreation department must purchase playground equipment for the new park; and

WHEREAS, National Purchasing Partners (NPP), based in Seattle, WA, is an interstate cooperative purchasing organization offering a portfolio of competitively bid and publicly awarded contracts to its members nationwide; and

WHEREAS, Oregon Revised Statutes 279A.220 and Oregon Administrative Rules 137-046-0400 to 480 allow local governments access to competitively bid contracts using interstate cooperative procurements for the purchase of goods and services; and

WHEREAS, as the lead agency, the League of Oregon Cities conducted a formal, competitive request for proposals for Park, Playground, and Recreation Equipment (RFP No. 2060), included cooperative language for NPP and LOC members to use, and the solicitation was advertised in the Daily Journal of Commerce in Oregon; and

WHEREAS, a contract was awarded to Northwest Playground Equipment, Inc., on May 12, 2021, with a condition that the Master Price Agreement's price, terms, and conditions could be assigned to NPP and LOC members; and

WHEREAS, the Master Price Agreement includes specifications for playground equipment that meet the needs of Meadow Ridge Park.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Albany City Council approves an exemption from competitive bidding requirements and approves the use of a cooperative purchasing method to acquire playground equipment for Meadow Ridge Park from Northwest Playground Equipment, Inc. through an existing contract between NPP and Northwest Playground Equipment, Inc.; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Albany City Council authorizes the parks and recreation director to award and execute a contract with Northwest Playground Equipment, Inc. for \$273,684.50 for the purchase of playground equipment.

DATED AND EFFECTIVE THIS 10TH DAY OF MAY 2023.

Mayor

ATTEST