

COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF RIVERDALE PARK, MARYLAND
Resolution 2022-R-10

Introduced By: CM Aaron Faulx
Date Introduced: April 23, 2022
Date Adopted: April 23, 2022
Date Effective: April 23, 2022

A RESOLUTION CONCERNING

Acquisition of Vehicles – Suspension of Competitive Bidding

FOR the purpose of waiving certain competitive bidding requirements for the acquisition of certain Town vehicles and authorizing the Town Manager to acquire certain vehicles subject to satisfaction of certain conditions.

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT: Section 623 of the Town Charter requires that contracts for certain purchases in excess of twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) to be subject to competitive bidding requirements unless the Town Council, by four (4) affirmative votes, suspends such competitive bidding requirements because of emergency or exigent circumstances, where, in the opinion of the Council, the suspension is reasonably necessary for public policy, health, safety, or well-being.

The Town has budgeted for the acquisition of fleet vehicles in the 2022 fiscal year. The acquisition of these vehicles is necessary for the safe and efficient operation of the Town government. Although the Town typically has identified specific vehicles for purchase by “riding” or “piggy-backing” onto vehicle purchase contracts established through competitive bidding by other government entities, the Town has been unable to locate vehicles available for purchase through this process. Additionally, after research, the Town has determined that because of auto industry supply chain issues and a very tight vehicle market, the Town will need to respond rapidly to purchase opportunities as they may arise. The Town Council has determined that these circumstances constitute an exigent circumstance that warrants suspension of competitive bidding requirements for the acquisition of Town vehicles for the remainder of the 2022 fiscal year, subject to the parameters set forth below.

Now, therefore,

SECTION 1: BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF RIVERDALE PARK, that, as authorized by Section 623 of the Town Charter, the Council (i) suspends the requirements

for competitive bidding for the acquisition of Town vehicles during the remainder of the 2022 Fiscal Year, and (ii) authorizes the Town Manager to effectuate the acquisition of such vehicles, under the following conditions:

1. The vehicles meet the make, model and other material specifications of one or more of the vehicles set forth on the "Vehicle Specifications Listing" attached to this Resolution as Exhibit 1 and incorporated herein by reference;
2. The cumulative cost of all vehicles purchased under this authorization shall not exceed the amount appropriated and available for vehicle acquisition in the Approved CIP Budget Expenditure Accounts; and
3. The acquisition cost for any one vehicle shall not exceed \$68,000.

SECTION 2: BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF RIVERDALE PARK, that Resolution 2022-R-09 is hereby repealed; and

SECTION 3: AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF RIVERDALE PARK, that, having been approved by at least four (4) members of the Council, this Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage by the Council.

ATTEST:

COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF
RIVERDALE PARK



Jessica E. Barnes, Town Clerk



Alan K. Thompson, Mayor

Exhibit 1: Resolution 2022-R-10 Acquisition of Vehicles – Suspension of Competitive Bidding

Vehicle Specifications Listing

- **Make:** Ford, GMC, Chevrolet, or Dodge
- **Model:** Greater than a 1/2 Ton Pick-up Truck
- **Specifications:**
 - 4 - Wheel Drive
 - Single or Crew Cab
 - No less than 6 ' 6" Size Bed
 - Electric, Diesel or Gas
 - Automatic Transmission
 - Standard Options and Interior