

THE TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS

RESOLUTION 76-18

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH VERIZON CONNECT RELATING TO FLEET VEHICLE MONITORING SYSTEM FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS

Introduced by: Habeeb-Ullah Muhammad

WHEREAS, the Town Charter, § 33-63(f) authorizes the Town to forego the normal procurement process through cooperative purchasing in certain cases where another government entity has already made a competitive purchase of said item and therefore the Mayor and Council may, without soliciting bids, purchase the item in question at the bid price from the successful bidder, if the Mayor and Council determines that the bid price is competitive, and

WHEREAS, the Town Charter, § 33-63(g) further authorizes the Mayor and Council by a two-thirds vote to waive the competitive bidding requirements of said Charter section for good cause shown for sole source procurements of unique products and services, and that written findings as to the basis of such waiver shall be placed in the journal of the Council's proceedings, and

WHEREAS, the Town Ordinance Code, § 20.4(a)(6) states that upon written findings entered into the journal, the Mayor and Council may exempt the purchase of a good or service from competitive selection processes when the purchase qualifies as a sole source procurement as a result of several circumstances including: One vendor is the only one qualified or eligible or is quite obviously the most qualified or eligible to provide the good or service or the procurement is of such a specialized nature or related to a specific geographic location that only a single source, by virtue of experience, expertise, proximity, or ownership of intellectual property rights, could most satisfactorily provide the good or service; and

WHEREAS, for the health safety and welfare of its employees as well as residents the Town strives to ensure that all vehicles are properly maintained on a regular basis; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council has determined that it would be of great assistance to the maintenance and safety monitoring of their fleet to have an electronic system in place whereby they can receive notification of vehicle maintenance needs directly from systems installed into the vehicles; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council desire to make one payment (\$550.72) for the POLICE DEPARTMENT to acquire six (6) GPS/DIAGNOSTICS units from Verizon Connect; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council desire to make one payment (\$360.26) for the PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT to acquire four (4) GPS/DIAGNOSTICS units from Verizon Connect; and

WHEREAS, the Treasurer has certified that the funds are available under line item 7073 for the POLICE DEPARTMENT/ 7101 for the PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT and it has been verified that the Verizon Connect is a unique provider has made government sales, and the procurement is for items of a specialized nature in accordance with Section 20.4(a)(6) of the Ordinance Code for the Town of Forest Heights.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, RESOLVED that the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Forest Heights, Maryland hereby authorize the Mayor to enter into the attached hardware and service order with Verizon Connect for installation of equipment and the necessary computer software require to monitor all vehicles for a period of one (1) year, for a current monthly fee of (\$113.70) for the POLICE DEPARTMENT based on a quantity of six (6) units and for a current monthly fee of (\$75.80) for the PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT based on a quantity of four (4) units. This transaction will proceed as further described herein and in the above recitals which are incorporated by reference herein.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect upon its passage.

PASSED this 19th day of December 2018.

APPROVED: By Resolution of the Town Council of The Town of Forest Heights, Maryland

<u>ROLL CALL VOTE</u>	<u>YEA/NAY/ABSTAIN/ABSENT</u>
MUHAMMAD	<u>Yea</u>
KENNEDY II	<u>absent</u>
MCLAURIN	<u>absent</u>
BARNES	<u>Yea</u>
HINES	<u>Yea</u>
WASHINGTON	<u>Yea</u>
BROWNSON	<u>Nay</u>

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above Resolution No. 76-18 was passed by the required yea and nay vote of the Mayor and Council of Forest Heights on the 19th day of December 2018.

ATTEST:

THE TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS

SIGNATURE ON FILE

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Sherletta B. Hawkins, Town Clerk

By: Habeeb-Ullah Muhammad, Mayor

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By: Calvin Washington, Council President

CERTIFICATION

I, hereby certify, as the duly appointed Town Clerk of the Town of Forest Heights, Maryland, that on the 19th day of December 2018 with 4 Yea votes and 7 Nay votes the aforesaid Resolution 76-18 passed.

SIGNATURE ON FILE

Sherletta Hawkins, Town Clerk

[Exhibit A]