

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Front-End Loader for Parks and Recreation – Sourcewell Cooperative Purchase
INITIATED BY:	Finance Department

It is requested that Council approve the purchase of one (1) Front-End Loader (2023 John Deere 524 P Wheel Loader with Tag Manufacturing Log & Lumber Forks w/Single Paddle Style Top Clamp) from Dobbs Equipment (Albany, GA), in the amount of \$201,210.69. The purchase will be accomplished by Cooperative Purchase via Sourcewell Contract #032119-JDC.

The front-end loader will be used by the Park Services Division of the Parks and Recreation Department throughout the various park properties around the City. The front-end loader, with the log and lumber forks attachment, will enable the staff to effectively remove deadfall and other waste that would ordinarily be too bulky or heavy for staff to safely remove. The loader will be able to put the debris directly into the dump trucks and trailers for removal from the parks. With the still-limited staffing numbers in the division, the front-end loader would increase staff productivity exponentially. This is new equipment.

The purchase will be accomplished by Cooperative Purchase via Request for Proposal (RFP) #032119, initiated by Sourcewell, whereby John Deere Construction Retail Sales, was one of the successful vendors contracted to provide Heavy Construction Equipment with Related Accessories, Attachments, and Supplies. Dobbs Equipment is an authorized dealer under the John Deere contract. The contract, which commenced May 13, 2019, is good through May 13, 2023, with an option to renew for a fifth year. Sourcewell is a State of Minnesota local government agency and service cooperative created under the laws of the State of Minnesota (Minnesota Statutes Section 123A.21) that offers cooperative procurement solutions to government entities. Participation is open to federal, state/province, and municipal governmental entities, higher education, K-12 education, nonprofit, tribal government, and other public entities located in the United States and Canada. The RFP process utilized by Sourcewell meets the requirements of the City’s Procurement Ordinance; additionally, Cooperative Purchasing is authorized per Article 3-118 of the Procurement Ordinance.

Funds are budgeted in the FY23 Budget: General Fund – Parks & Recreation – Park Services – Off Road Equipment; 0101-270-2100-PSRV-7725.

RESOLUTION

NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) FRONT-END LOADER (2023 JOHN DEERE 524 P WHEEL LOADER WITH TAG MANUFACTURING LOG & LUMBER FORKS W/SINGLE PADDLE STYLE TOP CLAMP) FROM DOBBS EQUIPMENT (ALBANY, GA), IN THE AMOUNT OF \$201,210.69. THE PURCHASE WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED BY COOPERATIVE PURCHASE VIA SOURCEWELL CONTRACT #032119-JDC.

WHEREAS, the front-end loader will be used by the Park Services Division of the Parks and Recreation Department throughout the various park properties around the City. The front-end loader, with the log and lumber forks attachment, will enable the staff to effectively remove deadfall and other waste that would ordinarily be too bulky or heavy for staff to safely remove. The loader will be able to put the debris directly into the dump trucks and trailers for removal from the parks. With the still-limited staffing numbers in the division, the front-end loader would increase staff productivity exponentially. This is new equipment; and,

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NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

That the City Manager is hereby authorized to purchase one (1) Front-End Loader (2023 John Deere 524 P Wheel Loader with Tag Manufacturing Log & Lumber Forks w/Single Paddle Style Top Clamp) from Dobbs Equipment (Albany, GA), in the amount of \$201,210.69. The purchase will be accomplished by Cooperative Purchase via Sourcewell Contract #032119-JDC. Funds are budgeted in the FY23 Budget: General Fund – Parks & Recreation – Park Services – Off Road Equipment; 0101-270-2100-PSRV-7725.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held the _____ day of _____, 2023 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of members of said Council.

Councilor Allen voting _____.
Councilor Barnes voting _____.
Councilor Cogle voting _____.
Councilor Crabb voting _____.
Councilor Davis voting _____.
Councilor Garrett voting _____.
Councilor House voting _____.
Councilor Huff voting _____.
Councilor Thomas voting _____.
Councilor Tucker voting _____.

Sandra T. Davis, Clerk of Council

B.H. "Skip" Henderson III, Mayor