

THE TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS

RESOLUTION 29-16

A RESOLUTION TO PURCHASE LAPTOP COMPUTERS

Introduced by: Councilwoman Cynthia Mann

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, the Council finds that it is prudent and necessary to purchase fully refurbished "Like New" Panasonic Toughbook portable laptop computers as the current laptop computers (CF- 30) used by the Forest Heights Police (FHPD) will no longer be compatible with the newly implemented Prince George's County Police (PGCPD) Record Management System/Computer Aided Dispatch (RMS/CAD). As PGCPD has absorbed the current systems for all users of the County's dispatch system, all law enforcement agencies depending on this system will be required to possess a compatible computerized system at least a (CF-31) in order to continue operational communication functions.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council desire to purchase seven (7) fully refurbished Panasonic Toughbook Laptop Computers from Telrepc, of Wallingford, Connecticut. Forest Heights and other municipalities have purchased items from Telrepc before, and as such, is hereby considered to be quite obviously the most qualified or eligible vendor to provide the good or service and/or the procurement is of such a specialized

nature or related to a specific geographic location that only a single source is reasonably available, by virtue of experience, expertise, and proximity, and

WHEREAS, the Treasurer has certified that the funds are available under line item 7203 and it has been verified that the company, Telreco, of Wallingford, Connecticut is a unique or sole provider of this merchandise, said provider has made government sells, 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 that the Mayor and Town Council of Town of Forest Heights, Maryland hereby authorize the Chief of Police or his designee to purchase seven (7) fully refurbished Panasonic Toughbook Laptop Computers from Telreco, of Wallingford, Connecticut for a purchase price not to exceed \$13,490.00 (\$1,595.00 per unit plus shipping.) 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 2nd day of May, 2016.

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>
GOODALL	<u>YEA</u>
KENNEDY II	<u>ABSENT</u>
MCLAURIN	<u>YEA</u>
BARNES	<u>YEA</u>
MUHAMMAD	<u>ABSENT</u>
SMITH-BARNES	<u>YEA</u>
MANN	<u>YEA</u>

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above Resolution No. 29-16 was passed by the required (2/3rds) yea and nay votes of the Mayor and Council of the Town of Forest Heights on the 2nd day of May, 2016.

ATTEST:

THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE
TOWN OF FOREST HEIGHTS

Signature on file

Bonita C. Anderson, Town Clerk

Signature on file

By: _____
Jacqueline Goodall, Mayor

Signature on file

By: _____
Cynthia Mann, Council President