

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATION
TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT
FOR THE PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT**

WHEREAS, the Administration has recognized the necessity of purchasing a new backhoe/loader and a new mini-excavator in order to provide optimal water/sewer services to the citizens of Laurel; and

WHEREAS, the Administration also has recognized the need of a new Kubota tractor with attachment in order to provide adequate services in the Public Works Department; and

WHEREAS, Section 31-7-12(3) of the Mississippi Code of 1972 Annotated provides for the procurement by a governing authority of “commodities approved by the Department of Finance and Administration from the state contract vendor or from any source offering the identical commodity, at a price not exceeding the state contract price established by the Department of Finance and Administration for such commodity, without obtaining or advertising for competitive bids, when such purchases involve an expenditure of more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00); and

WHEREAS, the list of commodities allowable for purchase under the State Contract includes backhoe/loader, mini-excavator, and tractor/attachment; and

WHEREAS, Administration has determined that the lowest and best bid for said backhoe/loader is the bid on State Contract from Puckett Machinery Company in the amount of one hundred two thousand two hundred forty-seven (\$102,247.00) dollars; and

WHEREAS, Administration has determined that the lowest and best bid for said mini-excavator is the bid on State Contract from Puckett Machinery Company in the amount of forty-two thousand fifty-nine and 81/100 (\$42,059.81) dollars; and

WHEREAS, the Administration has determined that the lowest and best bid for said tractor with attachment is the bid on State Contract from McNeil Tractor and Equipment Company in the amount of one hundred fourteen thousand three hundred and eighty (\$114,380.00) dollars; and

WHEREAS, the Administration is also recommending a 5-year financing plan for all of the equipment.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Laurel City Council that the Mayor is authorized to sign all documents that are necessary for purchasing said backhoe/loader and mini-excavator from Puckett Machinery Company and the tractor/attachment from McNeil Tractor and Equipment Company – all items on State Contract.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that the Finance Director be authorized to perform whatever budget amendments that may be necessary for the implementation of the foregoing Order.

IT IS ALSO FURTHER ORDERED, that the Finance Director be authorized to obtain quotes from financial institutions for the financing of said equipment.

SO RESOLVED, this the 4th day of December, 2018.

Motion was made by Councilperson Capers, and seconded by Councilperson S. Comegys, that the foregoing Resolution be adopted.

YEAS: Capers, Wheat, Thaxton, Camichael, S. Comegys, T. Comegys, Page

NAYS: None

ABSTAINING: None

ABSENT: None

The President thereupon declared the motion carried and the Resolution adopted, this the 4th day of December, A.D., 2018.

President of the Council

ATTESTED AND SUBMITTED TO THE MAYOR BY THE CLERK OF THE COUNCIL ON
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CLERK OF THE COUNCIL

APPROVED () DATE_____

VETOED () DATE_____

MAYOR

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

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