

OHIO TURNPIKE AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMISSION

Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of Three Wheel Loaders in the Total Amount of \$381,115.21 Under the Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Program

WHEREAS, on March 9, 2020, Governor Mike DeWine issued Executive Order 2020-01D declaring a State of Emergency for the entire State of Ohio in response to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, during the State of Emergency, the Commission continued operations as Essential Infrastructure and Essential Governmental Functions under orders issued by the Director of Health, specifically the “Director’s Stay Safe Ohio Order,” dated April 30, 2020, and the “Updated and Revised Order for Business Guidance and Social Distancing,” dated May 29, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on April 5, 2021, the Director of Health rescinded several health orders, including those under which the Commission was continuing its operations, and issued a new order titled “Director’s Order for Social Distancing, Facial Coverings and Non-Congregating,” which was amended on April 8, 2021 and contains requirements applicable to all Ohioans to prevent the spread of COVID-19, including requirements for wearing face coverings, social distancing, congregating, sanitation, large gatherings, signage (i.e., requiring masks), ventilation in buildings accessible to the public, procedures for confirmed cases, and more; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Engineer recommends that the Commission finds and determines that the purchase of three wheel loaders approved pursuant to this Resolution is necessary for the Commission to continue its operations and that all activities required to participate in the contract described herein shall comply with the requirements of the “Director’s Amended Order for Social Distancing, Facial Coverings and Non-Congregating,” as may be amended from time to time, unless or until such order is lifted entirely; and

WHEREAS, the Commission is authorized to participate in contracts awarded by Sourcewell, formerly National Joint Powers Alliance, a political subdivision cooperative purchasing program, for the purchase of equipment, materials, supplies or services under Ohio Revised Code Section 9.48, and the Commission authorizes its continued membership in the Sourcewell cooperative purchasing program; and

WHEREAS, the Chief Engineer has determined that the purchase of three wheel loaders is necessary for the continued efficient operation of the Maintenance Department; and

WHEREAS, the Maintenance Department staff has recommended that the best equipment available to perform its operations is the 2021 Caterpillar 914 Wheel Loader with two (2) yard Buckets and other options; and

WHEREAS, the three (3) wheel loaders are available for acquisition through the Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Program, under Sourcewell Contract No. 032119-CAT from Caterpillar Inc., of Peoria, Illinois, in the total amount of \$381,115.21; and

WHEREAS, Commission action is necessary under Article V, Section 1.00 of the Commission’s Code of Bylaws because the expenditure required to purchase the three wheel loaders exceeds \$150,000.00; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Director and Chief Engineer have reviewed the recommendation of the Maintenance Department and concur with the recommendation that the Commission approve the purchase of three wheel loaders from Caterpillar Inc. through the Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, by the Ohio Turnpike and Infrastructure Commission that the purchase of three wheel loaders, specifically the 2021 Caterpillar 914 Wheel Loader with two (2) yardBuckets with other options, from Caterpillar, Inc. through the Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Program under Contract No. 032119-CAT, in the total amount of \$381,115.21, is approved; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Commission finds and determines that all activities required to purchase three wheel loaders from Caterpillar Inc. through the Sourcewell Cooperative Purchasing Program under Contract No. 032119-CAT, as authorized above, shall comply with the requirements of the “Director’s Amended Order for Social Distancing, Facial Coverings and Non-Congregating,” as may be amended from time to time, unless or until such order is lifted entirely.

(Resolution No. 20-2021 adopted April 19, 2021)