

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GLENDALE,
CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING STANDARDIZATION OF
MANUFACTURER, DISPENSING WITH COMPETITIVE BIDDING AND
AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASING ADMINISTRATOR TO PURCHASE
STIHL AND HUSQVARNA BATTERY OPERATED LANDSCAPE
MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT**

WHEREAS, the Parks Services Section of the Community Services and Parks Department ("CSP"), in a continued effort to reduce carbon emissions, run a sustainable operation, and be environmentally friendly; and

WHEREAS, in order to achieve Green Zone Certification, must remove the routine or more frequently used gas-powered equipment at certain City facilities and replace them with zero emission battery powered equipment; and

WHEREAS, CSP will be expanding its Green Zone Certification program from 8 parks to all 47 park and recreational facilities; and

WHEREAS, on March 30, 2023, the Southern California Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) released its equipment exchange program (SCAQMD Exchange Program), in which public agencies may exchange gas powered landscape equipment with battery operated equipment at significant reductions on the manufacturers suggested retail price, and imposed a new like for like requirement; and

WHEREAS, CSP staff established a list of equipment necessary for the continued success of the operation, identified the ideal manufacturer based on results from field use by staff, and narrowed down the list of vendors based on availability and support finalizing the purchase utilizing the SCAQMD Exchange Program; and

WHEREAS, the CSP staff determined that under the SCAQMD Exchange Program, the purchase price for all necessary equipment for the CSP Department to convert to battery operated program will be \$208,355.05, a savings of \$138,202.48.

WHEREAS, CSP staff, working in conjunction with the American Green Zone Alliance ("AGZA"), determined that there are a limited number of suppliers able to fulfill the necessary order for a full transition to battery operation equipment; and

WHEREAS, B&M Lawn & Garden, a local vendor, is prepared to meet the City's needs, has the ability to navigate through the SCAQMD Exchange Program, and is considered one of the most experienced battery / electric and after-market support / dealer in the southland; and

WHEREAS, B&M Lawn & Garden has agreed to allow for a transitional period of one week for exchange of the equipment to allow continuity of maintenance services,

while CSP staff inventory the equipment in the order, assign it to appropriate park/ routes /staff, have the proper charging stations created, and train the staff; and

WHEREAS, the City of Glendale has a policy of competitive purchasing practices wherever practicable and the purchasing policy recognizes that in some cases, there is a need for standardization on the purchase of some specialized items; and

WHEREAS, STIHL and Husqvarna brand products are the only brands through B&M Lawn & Garden that has all the equipment with appropriate power readily available to support the City's landscape maintenance needs.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GLENDALE:

1. That the City Council hereby approves the standardization of the manufacturer of battery-operated equipment for landscape maintenance to STIHL and Husqvarna to ensure efficiency, with the understanding that reasonable effort will be made in the purchase of such equipment to obtain competitive pricing.

2. That the determination to standardize STIHL and Husqvarna will be reviewed by the Parks Services Section of the Community Services and Parks Department and Purchasing Section at least every five years and the Parks Services Section will seek approval from City Council at least every ten years.

3. That the foregoing facts are deemed to be true and correct and a basis for dispensing with competitive bidding and the Council hereby finds that it is in the best interests of the City to dispense with competitive bidding.

4. The Purchasing Administrator is hereby authorized to issue a Purchase Order to B&M Lawn & Garden in the amount of \$208,355.05 for the purchase of STIHL and Husqvarna brand battery operated landscape maintenance equipment.

Adopted this _____ day of _____, 2023.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Clerk

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
) SS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES)

I, Suzie Abajian Ph.D., Clerk of the City of Glendale, certify that the foregoing Resolution No. _____ was adopted by the Council of the City of Glendale, California, at a regular meeting held on the _____ day of _____, 2023, and that same was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes:

Noes:

Absent:

Abstain:

City Clerk