

**METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
777 NORTH CAPITOL STREET, NE  
WASHINGTON, DC 20002**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COG TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT TO PERFORM REFORESTATION-RELATED SERVICES**

**WHEREAS**, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) needs to enter into a contract with Empire Landscape, LLC to perform the site preparation, installation of trees, and maintenance of those installed trees; and

**WHEREAS**, Maryland National Capital Park and Planning, Montgomery County, has issued a competitively awarded contract (Control No. 33207-001) to the Empire Landscape, LLC for the implementation of similar projects that included the COG Rider Clause allowing for a cooperative purchase by COG of services from the Empire Landscape, LLC; and

**WHEREAS**, COG desires to contract with Empire Landscape, LLC in accordance with COG's procurement policies and requirements; and

**WHEREAS**, COG has received the Memorandum of Understanding to assist Prince George's County to perform reforestation-related services with the Natural Filters on Public Land grant; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THAT:**

The Executive Director, or his designee, is authorized to expend up to \$715,000 to fund procurement of a contractor(s) to enter into a contract with Empire Landscape, LLC to perform the site preparation, installation of trees and maintenance of those installed trees. Funding for this effort is available in the budget of the Department of Environmental Programs. No COG matching funds are required.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT the foregoing resolution was adopted by the COG Board of Directors on June 8, 2016.**

**Laura Ambrosio  
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