COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF RIVERDALE PARK, MARYLAND

Resolution 2014-R-06

Resolution towards the Establishment of Local Purchasing Preference Policy

Introduced by: CM Jonathan Ebbeler

Date Introduced: May 5, 2014

Date Adopted: May 5, 2014

Date Effective: May 5, 2014

WHEREAS, the Town of Riverdale Park strives towards continued quality of life improvements and a thriving and inviting economy for small businesses; and

WHEREAS, the goal of a local purchasing preference policy is to take into consideration the multiplier effect of purchasing goods and services from local independent businesses; and

WHEREAS, supporting local independent businesses benefits a municipality's finances by boosting local economic activity, employment, and ultimately tax revenue; and

WHEREAS, dollars spent locally generate additional economic activity even beyond the value of the initial contract as the local supplier in turn sources goods and services locally; and

WHEREAS, Section 622 (d) of Riverdale Park's charter specifies that "Any and all other rules and regulations pertaining to purchasing and contracts, competitive and negotiated bids, bond, penalties, and conditions therefore shall be prescribed by ordinance or resolution by the mayor and council at a regular or special public meeting";

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Town Council of Riverdale Park is committed to supporting local businesses and shall include a notice of local purchasing preferences availability to an invitation to bid and in all advertisements issued upon passage of this resolution:

"The Town of Riverdale Park reserves the right to show preference to local bidders in the purchase of supplies, equipment and services. The amount shall not exceed 5% of the amount bid or quoted and/or $50,000, whichever is less. A "local bidder" is defined as an individual or business who maintains a place of business or maintains an inventory of merchandise and/or equipment in the incorporated municipal boundaries of the Town of Riverdale Park, is licensed by the Town of Riverdale Park and/or the State of Maryland, if required, and is subject to the Town of Riverdale Park's real and/or personal property taxes. Any local bidder in default on payment of any local, county, or state tax or license shall not be eligible to receive preference until all taxes or licenses due are paid."

ATTEST:

Sara Imhulse, Town Administrator

COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF RIVERDALE PARK

Vernon Archer, Mayor

Certification Statement

Local/EPP Vendor Preference

I certify that my company meets all of the following qualifications to be eligible for the local vendor preference:

1. That my company maintains an office within the legally defined boundaries of the Town of Riverdale Park and have a majority of full time employees, chief officers, and managers regularly conducting work and business from these offices.
2. That my company has held a valid Town Business License for a consecutive period of at least two (2) years prior to the date for application for certification.
3. That my company complies with Environmentally Preferable Purchasing guidelines, produce minimal waste, and use recycled products to the greatest extent practicable.

I make this certification with the full knowledge that should any information provided prove to be false, that my company could be excluded from bidding on Town requirements for a period of three years.

Company Name: _____

Address: _____

Type of Products or Services: _____

Business License Number: _____

Phone Number: _____

Owner's Name: _____

Signature: _____

To be completed by Authorized Town Representative:

Vendor Certified: _____ **Date:** _____

Authorized Signature