

MEMORANDUM

P.O. Box 4100 ◆ Frisco, Colorado 80443

To: MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL

FROM: KATIE BARTON, ADVENTURE PARK GENERAL MANAGER

RE: RESOLUTION 21-22, CONCERNING THE PURCHASE OF A PRINOTH HUSKY SNOWCAT

DATE: SEPTEMBER 28, 2021

<u>Summary and Background:</u> A variety of projects or portions of capital projects were deferred from 2020 and not budgeted in 2021 in anticipation of an economic slowdown during the pandemic. In spite of the recovery the Town had experienced to date, staff did not recommend many changes for the 2021 budget amendment. However, Council requested staff to reevaluate capital equipment purchases that could result in operational efficiencies. At a work session on March 23, 2021, Council addressed changes to the Town's financial position since adoption of the 2021 budget and reconsidered capital appropriations and other items not requested during the budget process. One of those capital equipment purchase requests was a new snowcat for the Nordic Center at the cost of \$235,000.

This purchase was approved through the adoption of Ordinance 21-05, an Ordinance amending the 2021 annual budget by revising certain revenues and appropriations and appropriating additional sums of money in the General Fund, Capital Improvement Fund, SCHA 5A Fund, Lodging Tax Fund and Marina Fund. Ordinance 21-05 was adopted on second and final reading on May 11, 2021.

The request is before Council at this time for authorization to purchase one (1) Husky Nordic snowcat from Prinoth. This purchase is to add an additional snow cat to the Nordic operation in order to minimize down time and provide consistant grooming.

<u>Analysis:</u> Pursuant to Chapter 9 of the Town Code, a Request for Proposals (RFP) was produced and publicized on August 20, 2021, with bids due no later than September 10, 2021. One bid was received by the deadline. The bid was from Prinoth in the amount of \$238,000.

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<u>Financial Impact</u>: Passage of the recommended motion to purchase the listed equipment will result in a total cost of \$238,000. The amount budgeted in the 2021 budget for this purchase is \$235,000 from the Capital Improvement Fund, Capital Equipment Purchases (20-2000-4101). The additional \$3,000 for this purchase is from the Nordic and Trails general fund budget (10-1170-4703).

Alignment with Strategic Plan: The Town of Frisco recognizes recreational, historical, artistic, and cultural assets and experiences as foundational to the Town's vibrancy and the quality of life for residents and visitors. The Town recognizes the importance of its recreational opportunities as essential to the Town's vibrancy, providing unique opportunities for visitors and locals to explore, play, experience, and share with the broader community. The purchase of this snowcat helps provide appropriate, reliable equipment to efficiently and effectively perform the Nordic grooming operations.

<u>Environmental Sustainability:</u> Electric and hybrid alternatives are in their infancy in the snowcat market. Staff will continue to research such alternatives on an annual basis and will bring appropriate recommendations to Council.

<u>Staff Recommendation:</u> Based on the information contained in this report, it is recommended the Town Council make a motion to adopt the attached Resolution, 21-22 "A RESOLUTION FOR THE PURCHASE OF ONE (1) HUSKY SNOW CAT FROM PRINOTH, FOR GROOMING USE AT THE FRISCO NORDIC CENTER."

Approved By:

Tony O'Rourke, Town Manager Bonnie Moinet, Finance Director Diane McBride, Assistant Town Manager / Recreation & Culture Director

Attachments:

Attachment 1: Resolution 21-22

Attachment 2: Prinoth Proposal