

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

**Recommendation to approve the purchase of a John Deere 6135E Cab Tractor from Deere & Company utilizing Cooperative Procurement Piggyback 222 “110719 - JDC Agricultural Tractors & Equipment”, using Tourist Development Tax fund 1105 in the amount of \$102,422.49, and make a finding that this expenditure promotes tourism.**

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**OBJECTIVE:** To replace a beach tractor used to maintain Collier County beaches.

**CONSIDERATIONS:** Collier County Coastal Zone Management (CZM) utilizes cab-enclosed 4-wheel drive tractors to tow various beach cleaning attachments which are used for raking and debris removal from the County’s beaches. The harsh saltwater environment in which the tractors are used causes corrosion in the equipment, deteriorating various metal parts of the tractors. The corrosion limits the tractors’ life cycle, causing the replacement of the equipment sooner to sustain quality levels and maintain the County’s beaches. The suggested replacement of the current Tractor (CC2-1427) is noted on the FY2024 Recommended Non-Motor Pool Capital Equipment Replacement List (dated: 12/2/2022) for the Transportation Management Services Department and was budgeted in the FY24.

One of CZM's current tractors (CC2-1427) purchased in 2016, has significant corrosion, high engine hours, and has had significant repairs and maintenance costs. The County's Fleet Management has indicated the tractor has met the criteria to be replaced and is on the FY24 replacement recommendation list. CZM received a quote from Deere & Company, in the amount of \$102,422.49 using cooperative procurement “Piggyback 222” program through Sourcewell contract “110719-JDC Agricultural Tractors & Equipment”.

This item is consistent with the Quality of Place Objectives of the County’s Strategic Plan.

**GROWTH MANAGEMENT IMPACT:** This item is consistent with the Conservation and Coastal Management Element of the Growth Management Plan.

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS:** This item will be presented to the Coastal Advisory Committee (CAC) on November 9, 2023, and the Tourist Development Council (TDC) on November 20, 2023.

**LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS:** This item is approved as to form and legality and requires majority vote for approval. – CMG

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Funding in the amount of \$102,422.49, is available within the Tourist Development Tax Beach Renourishment Fund (1105) in the Beach Cleaning project (90533). Source of funding is tourist development tax.

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