

CITY OF COLUMBUS

BID WAIVER INFORMATION FORM

TO ACCOMPANY LEGISLATION WHICH WAIVES ANY PROVISIONS OF COLUMBUS CITY CODES CHAPTER 329
(LIMIT YOUR RESPONSE TO THIS SHEET)

1. Reasons for waiving City Code bid procedure:

- emergency breakdown causing unplanned need
- item to be purchased is of a perishable nature
- need to extend an existing contract
- there is not enough time to obtain formal bids to satisfy need
- non-price error on either the bidder's or the City's part in the bid proposal
- a new law or regulation requires immediate compliance

Other: Demonstrations, testing and actual experience in using and maintaining a multi pro sprayer have shown that the Toro Multi Pro MP5800 sprayer will save time and resources in comparison to other mowers with similar but not equivalent specifications.

2. Detailed explanation of reason (must be completed by the division):

See attached explanation

3. Informal procedure used:

- telephone quotations
- written quotations

negotiations

4. Informal bids received and prices for each:

5. If lowest bid was not accepted; explain criteria for award:

See attached quote from Century.

Century is a direct link for Toro as they are the distributor for Toro products in Ohio, West Virginia, Kentucky, Michigan, Indiana and Pennsylvania. They have been a distributor for over 60 years. They also has the State of Ohio Contracts for Toro products and 2016 is seeing a decrease in pricing from 2015 which is a good thing for the City because they quote that same low pricing.

ORDINANCE#: TBA

APPROVED BY: _____

DATE: November 10, 2015

Explanation

Turnberry Golf Course, a bentgrass course, has a need to replace their Toro Multi Pro Sprayer with another Toro Multi Pro. This is necessary as the Toro Multi Pro Sprayer has aggressive agitation and faster response times to consistently and accurately apply desired spray rates. Turnberry's golfers expect a manicured course that reflects the greens fee they pay to play.

Turnberry requests the Toro Multi Pro 5800 Sprayer as the replacement. This has a six diaphragm over-sized pump that satisfies the highest spray rates while simultaneously supplying generous agitation flow. Its 300 gallon chemical tank, which has been redesigned, incorporates four, 30-degree, side-mounted agitation nozzles to ensure the homogenous mixing of chemicals for application accuracy. The tank is made of polyethylene material and will not crack, dent, rust, chip or peel. It has a rugged triangular spray boom; three section, 18.5 feet boom width that provides fore and aft breakaway on impact while protecting nozzles. It raises into a crisscross position for storage and transportation. The sprayer has a center control console that positions operational switches and throttle at the operator's fingertips for convenient access and control. The highly productive work attachments and accessories save time and money by simplifying the mixing and spraying processes which saves on labor and chemical costs. The 35.5 horsepower engine is able to climb the steep green banks which are part of Turnberry's terrain. This sprayer is also of benefit in protecting the turf as bentgrass courses are high maintenance and any problem with spraying inaccuracies or leaks can cause great damage to the course as well as additional turf problems all of which require immediate repair.

The Turnberry Golf Course staff has done research including demonstrations and talking with other superintendents in the area. The staff attends the yearly Ohio Turfgrass Foundation Trade Show which brings vendors and equipment into one site with the availability to explore the marketplace. Through their years of experience in using the equipment, especially the multi-pro sprayer and maintaining the equipment, they have learned what works best with Turnberry's bentgrass turf and terrain.