

# City of Columbus

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# Legislation Text

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This ordinance authorizes the Director of Finance and Management to enter into contract with Century Equipment Inc. to purchase a Toro Multi Pro Sprayer for Turnberry Golf Course.

**Background:** Turnberry Golf Course, a bentgrass course, has a need to replace their Toro Sidewinder mower with another Toro Sidewinder. This is necessary as the Toro Sidewinder mower has contour decks coupled with the sidewinder capabilities, which makes it the best choice for the terrain and turf of the course. Turnberry's golfers expect a manicured course that reflects the greens fee they pay to play.

Turnberry requests the Toro Groundsmaster 3500-D with Sidewinder System as the replacement. This is a triplex rotary mower designed for superior performance trimming. The new contour plus cutting technology, only on a Toro, takes the quality of the cut to a new level, with air inlet pockets which keep the grass standing tall for the cleanest possible cut. The ground-following design of each contour plus free-floating deck permits mowing the most challenging berms without scalping, as two front rollers and a rear roller allow the deck to smoothly pass over the turf

One of the greatest benefits of this mower is the sidewinder system, which unlike any other mower on the market, enables great productivity as the 68-inch, width-of-cut permits mowing generous swaths, yet its compact size and having the sidewinder capability allows tight maneuvers in trim areas. Because the sidewinder system shifts the cutting units left and right by a total of 24 inches, it increases the cutting unit overhang for precise trimming, and the tire tracks can also be shifted within the mowing path to reduce wear and stress on the turf. Thus, a daily mowing job that normally would require two different machines can be handled by one which saves time and automatically increases productivity.

Safety to the operator with this mower is very favorable. It is important to note that Turnberry has very steep green banks that have to be navigated and the hydrostatic transmission of this mower is much easier as compared to a manual four-speed. The patented Toro series/parallel traction drive system provides steady traction in all conditions, even in wet grass and over undulating terrain. Its full-time, three-wheel drive system maintains power to two of the three wheels at all times, minimizing tire spinouts and scuffing. Please note that in addition to operator safety, the safety to the turf is also very important as bentgrass courses are high maintenance and any scuffing or scalping 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 extensive 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 market place. Through their years of experience in using the equipment, especially the sidewinder and maintaining the equipment, they have learned what works best with Turnberry's bentgrass turf and terrain.

#### **Prinicpal Parties:**

Century Equipment Inc. 5959 Angola Road Toledo, OH 43615

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**Emergency Justification:** An emergency exists in the usual daily operations of the Recreation and Parks Department in that it is immediately necessary to enter into contract with Century Equipment Inc. so the Toro Groundsmaster 3500-D is placed on January Council's agenda so that it is ordered, purchased, delivered and ready for use by March 2016, thereby preserving the public health, safety and welfare.

**Fiscal Impact:** \$30,596.46 is required and budgeted in the Voted Parks and Recreation Bond Fund 702 and 712 to meet the financial obligations of this contract.

To authorize the Director of Finance and Management to enter into a contract with Century Equipment; to authorize the expenditure of \$30,596.46 from Recreation and Parks' Voted Bond Funds; to waive the competitive bidding provisions of the Columbus City code; and to declare an emergency. (\$30,596.46)

WHEREAS, it is necessary to authorize the Director of Finance and Management to enter into contract with Century Equipment for the purchase of golf course equipment for the Recreation and Parks Department; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary to waive the competitive bidding provisions of Columbus City Code Chapter 329 in order to enter into this contract as Century Equipment, Inc. is the regional supplier of the Toro Groundsmaster 3500-D; and

**WHEREAS,** it is necessary to authorize the expenditure of \$30,596.46 from the Recreation and Parks Voted Bond Fund 702 and 712; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Recreation and Parks Department in that it is immediately necessary to authorize the Finance and Management Director to enter into said contract so that the Toro Groundsmaster 3500-D is purchased and ready for use by March 2016, thereby preserving the public health, safety and welfare; NOW, THEREFORE

## BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS:

**SECTION 1.** That the Director of Finance and Management be and is hereby authorized to enter into contract with Century Equipment for the purchase of golf course equipment for the Recreation and Parks Department.

**SECTION 2.** That this Council finds it in the City's best interest to waive the competitive bidding provisions of Columbus City Code Chapter 329.

**SECTION 3.** That the funds necessary to carry out the purpose of this ordinance are hereby deemed appropriated, and the City Auditor shall establish such accounting codes as necessary.

**SECTION 4.** That the City Auditor is authorized to make any accounting changes to revise the funding source for all contracts or contract modifications associated with this ordinance.

**SECTION 5.** That the City Auditor is hereby authorized to transfer the unencumbered balance in a project account to the unallocated balance account within the same fund upon receipt of certification by the Director of the Department administering said project that the project has been completed and the monies are no longer required for said project.

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**SECTION 6.** For the purpose stated in Section 1, the expenditure of \$30,596.46 or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the cost thereof, be and is hereby authorized from the Voted Recreation and Parks Bond Funds 702 and 712, as follows:

Project	Fund	OCA Code	Object Level 3	Amount
510429-100001 (Golf Equipment Replacement)	702	752291	6651	\$21,943.33
510429-100001 (Golf Equipment Replacement)	712	753901	6651	\$8,653.13

**SECTION 7.** That for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor, or 10 days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.