

NEW HAVEN CITY PLAN COMMISSION ADVISORY REPORT

RE: **RESOLUTION OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS** authorizing the Mayor to enter into a three year lease agreement with New England Golf Cars DBA Yamaha Motor Finance Corporation, Inc, for 75 used golf carts and related services.

Submitted by: New Haven Department of Parks & Public Works

REPORT: 1632-18

ADVICE: Approval with conditions

BACKGROUND

The City of New Haven maintains a fleet of golf carts for use at Alling Memorial Golf Course. The carts are funded through use charges and paid for out of the enterprise fund. The current lease agreement is expiring July 31st. The City solicited bids to replace the fleet with newer cars. Two bids were received and the bid from New England Golf Cars for 75 – 2019 golf cars was determined to be the most favorable.

New England Golf Cars executes its leases through Yamaha Motor Finance Corporation, Inc. This is the same instrument that was used for the prior lease agreement. The term of the lease will be three years. The current lease is also through New England Golf Cars so no change to coverage is anticipated between the two fleets.

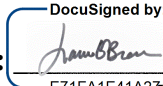
PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

This proposal secures the use of 75 gas-powered golf carts for the next three years. This is not aligned with the City’s electrification goals. Golf courses already require extensive maintenance, from watering, landscaping, and mowing, and as a result require large amounts of water and energy for upkeep. We believe that energy burden could be offset by deploying electric golf carts.

ADVICE

Approval with condition that that future golf cart purchases or leases will be electric.

ADOPTED: June 21, 2023
Leslie Radcliffe
Chair

ATTEST:  June 23, 2023 | 12:23 PM EDT
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