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ORDER OF THE BOARD OF ALDERS OF THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, TRAFFIC AND PARKING TO PURCHASE SMART PARKING EQUIPMENT TO REPAIR AND REPLACE SINGLE- AND MULTI-SPACE PARKING METERS CITY-WIDE FROM IPS GROUP INC. AND PARKEON INC (DBA AS FLOWBIRD), RESPECTIVELY, AS DESIGNATED SOLE SOURCE VENDORS, UPTO A TOTAL AMOUNT OF ONE MILLION AND ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND US DOLLARS (\$1,100,000), AS PER THE FY 24 BOARD OF ALDERSS APPROVED BUDGET.

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WHEREAS, The Department of Transportation, Traffic and Parking (“TT&P”) is responsible for all aspects of traffic safety and control as well as management of all on-street parking in the City; and

WHEREAS, TT&P is responsible for the management and enhancement of the on-street parking systems, which encompasses parking meters, prepaid vouchers, credit card transactions, coin transactions, mobile payment applications, meter bag payments and management, and the design and management of neighborhood residential parking zones; and

WHEREAS, TT&P currently manages more 2000 spaces served by a combination of single space parking units and multi-space parking kiosks city-wide accepting various forms of payment including credit cards, coins, and mobile payments; and

WHEREAS, a majority the parking meters are now obsolete because of outdated communications and mechanical equipment and are anticipated to lose technical support due to industry transition to next generation communications (4G) and payment technologies; and

WHEREAS, TT&P is looking to drastically enhance customer service and improve on-street parking payment options by upgrading communications and mechanical equipment in single-space meters along with smart-payment technologies along with introducing more multi-space pay stations; and

WHEREAS, as part of FY 2023-2024 budget, the Board of Alders approved a total \$1,100,000 to upgrade meters and kiosks; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Alders approved funding will be used to modernize existing parking systems and test and implement new technologies such as radar sensing and video-based meters; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Alders approved funding may also be used to cover additional hardware, software, planning/design, training, licensing, data conversion, project management, legal/consulting, and any other associated costs necessary for the upgrades; and

WHEREAS, IPS Inc Group Inc. has supplied equipment to operate and maintain single-space parking systems to the City of New Haven and TT&P for more than a decade; and

WHEREAS, Parkeon Inc, doing business as Flowbird has supplied equipment to operate and maintain multi-space parking systems to the City of New Haven and TT&P for more than a decade; and

WHEREAS, TT&P will purchase single-space parking meter systems and equipment from IPS Group Inc. based on sole source designation, using funds approved (and adopted on May 22, 2023) by the Board of Alders; and

WHEREAS, TT&P will purchase multi-space parking meter systems and equipment from Parkeon Inc, dba as Flowbird based on sole source designation, using funds approved (and adopted on May 22, 2023) by the Board of Alders; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED by Board of Alders of the City of New Haven that TT&P is authorized to spend up to Board of Alders approved amount of \$1,100,000 to purchase single- and multi-space smart parking equipment.