

## **Procurement Services**

**Procurement Authority Thresholds and Guidelines Effective Date:** 

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Procurement Dollar Threshold	Commitment Type(s)	Method of Solicitation	Estimated Lead Time Guidelines	* Commitment Signed/Approved by:	Additional Conditions/ Guidelines
\$0.01 to \$1,000	P-Card /Purchase Order	Informal process - one verbal quote	Varies		For P-Card Transactions - receipts required and monthly reconciliation - see P Card Procedures.  Purchase Orders - attach price quote / proposal to Requisition (PR) in Financial System. Procurement Reviews and processes PO.
\$1,000.01 to \$10,000	Purchase Order	Informal process - Dept. obtains at least 1 written quote	3 - 14 days	Director	Purchase Orders- Attach price quote/proposal to Requisition (PR) in Financial System. Transactions/purchases made to a single vendor that are not the result of a informal/formal procurement process are limited to a maximum \$10,000 in combined expenditures, per department, per vendor, per fiscal year. Countywide expenditures under this category shall not exceed \$20,000 per vendor, per fiscal year, combined for all departments. Procurement will solicit for product/service in excess of these limitations.
\$10,000.01 to \$100,000	Purchase Order and possibly Contract	Informal Solicitation - issued by Procurement through VendorLink	14 - 45 days	Services Director, up to \$50,000 - Deputy County Manager or Asst.	Dept. enters Solicitation Request in Project Request System with scope of services or description of goods, budget/account number. Procurement issues RFQ through VendorLink with an advertised period of at least 2 weeks. Agreements (including renewals and amendments) or POs resulting from an RFQ issued at this level should not exceed a cumulative amount of \$100,000.
\$100,000.01 to \$150,000	County Manager Approval Form, Purchase Order, possibly Contract	Formal Solicitation issued by Procurement through VendorLink	60 -100 days; 120 + days for complex solicitations	up to \$75,000 - Chief Operating Officer, up to \$150,000 - County Manager / Designee in Absence	Dept. enters Solicitation Request in the Project Request System with scope of services or description of goods and or services requested, and a budget amount /account number. Requires formal solicitation process including public advertising period of typically 30 days and public bid or proposal opening. May require Evaluation Committee meeting(s) and presentations.
\$150,000.01 or more	Board Approval, Purchase Order, probably Contract	Formal Solicitation issued by Procurement through VendorLink	60 – 120 days; 120 + days for complex solicitations	BOCC Approval / Chair/Vice- Chair signature	Dept. enters Solicitation Request in Project Request System with the scope of work or description of goods/services and budget / account number. Requires formal solicitation process including public advertising period submittal of sealed bids/proposals and public bid or proposal opening. Possibly Pre-Bid/Pre-Proposal meeting. May require Evaluation Committee meeting(s) and presentations. Will likely require a Contract and may require Legal review. Must be approved by BOCC.

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<sup>\*</sup> NOTE: The Chief Operating Officer has authority for all thresholds less than \$75,000.

## **Additional Guidelines**

- 1. Non-County agreements will require legal review which may take a week or more.
- 2. Depending on the goods or services purchased, one or more Certificate(s) of Insurance may be required.
- 3. Lead time guidelines are estimates only, individual solicitations may require additional or modified procedures.
- 4. Procurement may change the solicitation method when in the best interest of the County.
- 5. Procurement may consolidate multiple requests for the same or similar products/services to achieve cost savings through volume purchasing.
- 6. Department Administrator/Director refers to the highest authority in a Division. (i.e.: Any dept in Public Works = Public Works Director, Any dept in Community Development = Community Development Administrator, etc)
- 7. Departments shall maintain adequate record of their procurement activities at all times.
- 8. Departments shall attach agreements, amendments, task authorizations, quotes applicable to their requisitions.
- The Deputy and Assistant County Managers' approval authority is for Departments/Offices that do not directly report to them unless they are acting in the capacity of the County Manager/Chief Operating Officer due to absence.
- 10. Exceptions to the thresholds above may apply to the Employee Appreciation Committee and at the County Manager's discretion.

Approved by:

Donald S. Fisher, County Manager

Date

<sup>\*</sup> NOTE: The County Manager has authority for all thresholds less than \$150,000, with delegated approval authority identified above.