

PIERCE COUNTY FIRE COMMISSIONERS' ASSOCIATION

MINUTES January 24, 2019 Gig Harbor Fire & Medic One – 10222 Bujacich Rd NW

CALL TO ORDER – FLAG SALUTE

President O Harra Buttz called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the flag salute.

WELCOME and THANK YOU TO HOST

President O Harra Buttz thanked Gig Harbor Fire for hosting tonight's meeting. Chief Burgess welcomed the group to the station. Today was Legislative Day and saw several of you there. Fire District is going well, hiring final 4 of 12.

ROLL CALL – SELF-INTRODUCTIONS

Roll was taken with self-introductions, according to the sign-in sheet, 10 Districts were represented by 24 attendees made up of Commissioners, Chiefs, Secretaries and/or visitors.

PROGRAM – Auditor Mark Rapozo

Vice President Sutich introduced Mark Rapozo from the State Auditor's Office. Bryson Bristol is with him as well. He is the go to person for fire related issues. Talking about GEMT tonight. Thanked CPFR for all of their work on that and Chief Wright for spearheading. Handouts distributed, copy attached. Flowchart on procurement (copy attached). Turned over to Bryson, went through handout of slide presentation. Goal is to let know what looking for from their office so can avoid issues. GEMT - what has been done and what they will do when they audit. HCA administers the program. 2017 calendar year piece will go away. 2018 moving forward based on figures submitting to HCA. In line with practices HCA has in place with hospitals, etc. Assurance from HCA level, so won't be drilling down into specific figures behind those numbers for revenue to HCA. Mark stated it goes through the State, not Federal. Service providers, not sub recipients, transport and submit bill. Bryson stated the next topic is Best Value - Auditors will look for establishing metric criteria evaluating the purchase. Have criteria set ahead of time and included in bid proposal and specs. Keep documentation, auditor's will want to see it. Discussion followed. Key is documenting the process and being transparent. Evaluation criteria should be included in the bid specs. List of criteria would be sufficient, not necessarily the details of how weighting the items, etc. 3rd topic is piggybacking - recommending starting a bid file at the beginning of the process. Request documentation from cooperative from how they solicited prior to their procurement. Copy of bid solicitation, bid tabulations and criteria used for selecting the vendor. If you do that up front you will be in good shape. Caveat with best value piece is that cooperative may have set up criteria specific to them and not necessarily the district. Analysis of how cooperative's criteria for best value meets and is applicable to the District.

Mark Rapozo regarding DeltaWorx SS911 enhanced 911 money. Last year there was a meeting held with Andrew Neidtitz regarding this. Page 29 of consultant report - County not provided stakeholders with clear use of funds. Understanding use of funds is challenging. County reporting lacks consistency and clarity. Decision making on use of funds also lacks transparency. Looking at 2017 and 2018 enhanced 911 money. Answers back from state wide coordinator so close to a conclusion on this. Hopefully more to share at a later date. Audit scheduled for next two months. Hoping to have an answer by the end of March.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Commissioner Kadow moved and Commissioner Mitchell seconded to approve the agenda as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

MINUTES OF November 15, 2018 MEETING and Treasurer's Report – See attached

It was moved by Commissioner Eckroth and seconded by Commissioner Sutich to approve the November 15, 2018 minutes and the Treasurer's Report (see attached copy on backside of Agenda) as presented. MOTION CARRIED.

SGT. AT ARMS – NAME BADGES

President O'Harra Buttz appointed Commissioner Allison to be Sargent at Arms. Commissioner Allison collected from those who forgot their name badges.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

REGULAR REPORTS:

a) Regional Representative Report – Gene Dobry

Reported actual Board meeting occurs this Saturday. Notification of Saturday Seminars have gone out. If not receiving legislative report that is published every Friday, contact Jordon Murray to add you to the list. 2019 Mileage reimbursement is 58 cents per mile. Commissioner compensation is \$128.00 per day. If you have District successes or things to share with the Board, please email so he can share with the Board. Email address is <u>generae72@msn.com</u>. Won't be at next meeting will be visiting son and new grandchild in Australia.

b) Legal - Joe and/or Eric Quinn

Paid Family Leave Act and premiums being collected this year with no benefits until next year. WFCA attorney requested not to oppose yet - amendment to law via legislative approach. Advising clients that they are wrong that you are not in employment of your agency. Definition of employee under Federal FMLA states elected officials are excluded. 58.04 section 900 on how to read with other laws and says Federal law will control. Not hired as a Commissioner, you are elected. Feels it is a winning argument. Also, Commissioners don't work enough hours to receive benefits, so why pay for a benefit one can never use. Volunteers also don't count. September 2017 – if in a contract prior to then, do not have to pay until contract renegotiated. Discussion followed. March 2nd and 16th are doing part of Saturday Seminars. First one at Snoqualmish other one is in Spokane.

STANDING COMMITTEES:

a) Fire Chiefs Association - Dan Rankin / Tom Sutich

Commissioner Sutich reported 911 outage. In November we as a group sent a letter endorsing the Governance Board. Brought up to the new President that maybe in the future we could do a joint letter together to give a unified front.

b) Legislative - Dale Mitchell

Reported some at the Legislative Day today. Touched on some items – spoke to State Mobilization change of language. Volunteer Pension enhancement fund. Funding for Wildland fires. Hilary Franz working hard on this. Fire Training Academy. Sprinklers. Property tax change bills are concerning. Paid family leave bill is also a concern. Legislative team meeting early next month to put everything together.

c) Bates Technical College - Dan Rankin

Reported a meeting on January 15th. Bates submitted proposal to build new fire training facility for 31 million dollars. Awaiting for approval. Looking for a new director for South Campus. Chiefs meeting will be held at Bates South Campus on February 8th, speaker will be Red Cross.

d) Fund Raising Activities - Ed Egan

Commissioner Egan had Chief Burgess draw the winning ticket. Commissioner Egan had the winning ticket and won \$30.00.

e) Annual Picnic – DORMANT - Bill Eckroth and Arlene Dannat

f) Annual Banquet – Mike Cathey

Reported the beer was cold and most of the hot food was as well. They realized they had some problems logistically.

g) Scholarship & Education - Tom Sutich / Stan Moffett

Commissioner Moffett stated any scholarship requests get in to Denise. They need to be submitted 2 months prior to conference/seminars, etc.

h) Awards Committee – Sheila Niven

Not present.

i) Membership – Kevin Gorder

No report.

j) Programs – Tom Sutich

Reported February speaker will be Julie Anderson the County Auditor.

k) Sunshine - Arlene Dannat

No report.

I) NAEFO – Gerry Gustafson

Reported changed name slightly. People retired out of fire service can remain as members.

m) Nominating - DORMANT - Dan Rankin / Sheila Niven

President O'Harra Buttz stated the years of service awards pins last year were brought to a meeting and someone offered to keep them, she cannot remember who that was and cannot find them. Does anyone here have them or recall who might have them? She will take care of getting them replaced.

Commissioner Sutich was awarded the Bill Jarmon Lifetime Achievement Award at the Banquet.

n) Audit – Dan Rankin / Margaret O'Harra Buttz

Commissioner Rankin reported the audit has been completed and all was well.

o) SS911 Committee – Dan Rankin

Reported December meeting was cancelled. Policy Board met and presented timeframe for construction. Also governance board was discussed. Andrew going to 6 agencies and hoping to get everyone to vote in April and then governance board get together in July. During study

session discussions were held and tabled to next meeting on February 27th. New Chair Doug Richardson and Vice Chair is Bill Pugh from Sumner. PC Executive notified DEM has new person, Jody Ferguson. She had been with DEM before and happy to have her back.

President O'Harra Buttz stated Chiefs talked about sending a letter to DEM regarding lack of communication. Anyone know anything about that? DEM is working on improving communication.

OLD BUSINESS:

Nothing at this time.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Insurance Coverage – President O Harra Buttz

Reported WFCA sent notice in early December regarding no insurance coverage as of 12/31/18. She, Sutich, Allison and Cathey researched insurance coverages. Then received another letter from WFCA that Enduris insurance would continue coverage through August 31, 2019. The Enduris insurance does not cover the Board. WFCA Enduris insurance is \$100.00. Coverage through Liberty Mutual does cover the Board and costs \$255.00 for the year. Commissioner Sutich stated he spoke with Roger Ferris today who recommends we stay with the Liberty Mutual Insurance and that he will be working to see if they can't help with coverage, etc. Commissioner Mitchell moved and Commissioner Cathey seconded to stay with the Liberty Mutual Insurance coverage plan. MOTION CARRIED.

B. SS911 Representative Election Committee – Vice President Sutich

Reported met before the meeting tonight and came up with 2 options -2 year term, director and an alternate, 2 largest districts (Central and West Pierce) will not be eligible as they will each have their own representative already, leaves at large position. Not etched in stone and not time sensitive. Vote on process at next meeting.

Process 1 - Nominations March and April and election in April or May and term begins in July ? Process 2 – no elections, president and vice president is alternate.

Commissioner Egan explained his reasoning for suggesting the second process. Commissioner Mitchell suggested going with Process 1. Attorney Quinn suggested each District having 1 vote. Discussion followed. Add to next months agenda to discuss further.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

Website update it is being worked on.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, it was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Submitted by:

Denise Menge, Secretary/Treasurer

2019 Meeting Dates and Locations:

January 24, 2019 - FPD # 5 – Gig Harbor – 10222 Bujacich Rd NW February 28, 2019 – FPD # 6 – Central Pierce – 17520 22nd Ave E, Tacoma March 28, 2019 – FPD # 22 – East Pierce – 18421 Veterans Memorial Dr, Bonney Lake April 25, 2019 – FPD # 13 – Browns/Dash Point – 4815 Wa-Tau-Ga Ave NE May 23, 2019 – FPD # 18 – Orting Valley – 401 Washington Ave SE June 27, 2019 – FPD # 16 – Key Peninsula – 8911 Key Peninsual Hwy KPN July 25, 2019 – BBQ – August 22, 2019 – FPD # 21 – Graham – 23014 70th Ave E

Sept. 26, 2019 – FPD # 17 South Pierce – Sta. 171 302 McNaught St, Roy October 24, 2019 - NO MEETING – STATE CONFERENCE

November 21, 2019 - FPD #3 - West Pierce - 5000 Steilacoom Blvd SW

(3rd Thursday due to 4th Thursday being Thanksgiving) December 5, 2019 – NO MEETING – ANNUAL BANQUET



Office of the Washington State Auditor Pat McCarthy

2019 Fire District Hot Topics

Pierce County Fire Commissioners Association

January 24, 2019

⁶ Mark Rapozo, CPA Assistant Director of Local Audit **Bryson Bristol** Program Manager; Team Olympia Audit Manager

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Hot Topics for Fire District audits in 2019



Ground Emergency Medical Transport (GEMT) – How will auditors review GEMT when they come to your Fire District?

Best Value – How to stay in compliance with procurement requirements when using "best value"

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Piggybacking — Reminders and resources on how to correctly procure through purchasing cooperatives.

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Hot Topics: 1 - GEMT

Ground Emergency Medical Transport (GEMT)

- Health Care Authority (HCA) required to administer program.
 - Including reviewing validity of transport figures
- SAO limited role in review of transport figures

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 Exception – If HCA identifies concerns with specific Districts, SAO may review

Best Value AG opinion in June 2018. If best value is used, auditors will look for: Best value criteria was established before bidding occurred and included with bid specification in advertisement. Price MUST be included in the best value criteria Desumatation is maintained of value spaces for

Hot Topics: 2 - Best Value

 Documentation is maintained of value scores for each responsive bid and supports selected bid/vendor.

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Hot Topic: 3 - Piggybacking

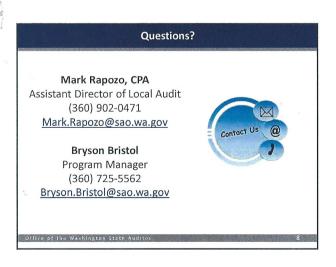
Piggybacking

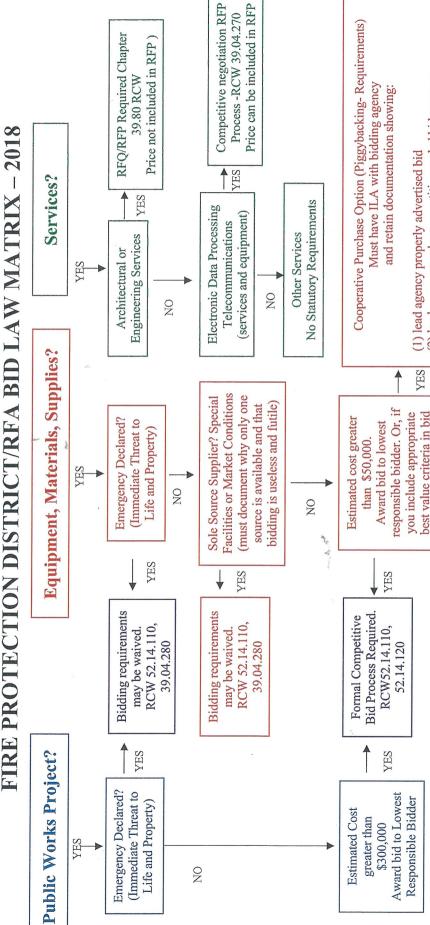
- Ensure the following:
- Start bid file Request documentation of the cooperatives solicitation, bid tabulation and criteria for selected vendor.
- Determine if cooperatives' procurement method meets WA requirements
 - Washington procurement statutes differ from other states'
 - Use SAO checklist and contact SAO helpdesk with questions
- interlocal agreement is created before purchase through cooperative

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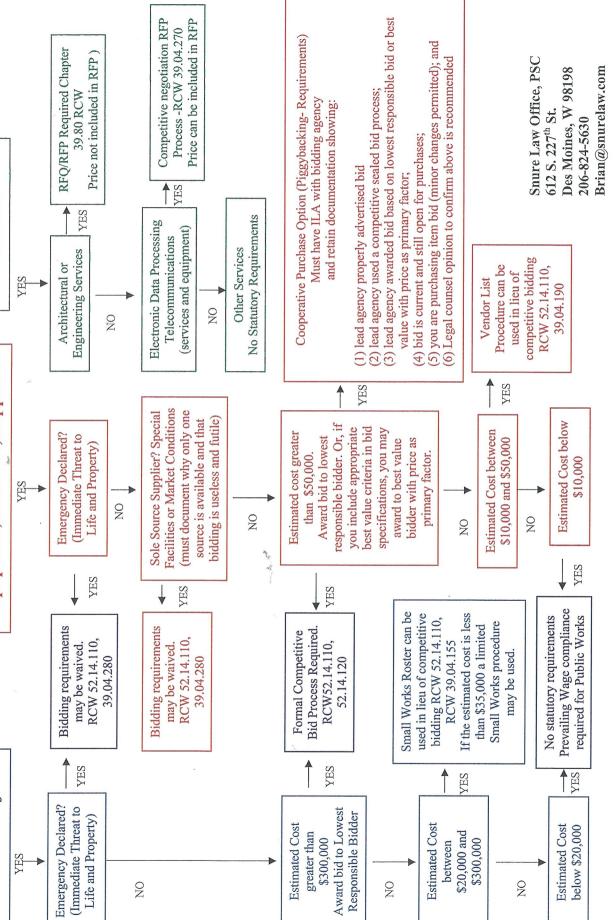
Hot Topics – Resources SAO Piggybacking Office of the Washington State Auditor Performance Center Checklist Using Others' Awards ('Piggybacking') FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT/RFA BID LAW MATRIX - 2018 Procurement oject? Equip ptest Flowchart – Snure Law Office The Perils of Piggybacking MRSC's Article and Extensive guide to piggybacking Consult with legal and submit a **SAO Helpdesk** if you need further assistance Office of the Washington State Auditor







FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT/RFA BID LAW MATRIX - 2018





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Using Others' Awards ('Piggybacking')

Purpose

Local government employees responsible for procurement can refer to this guidance when considering using the bid awards of others, also known as "piggybacking." This guidance should help local governments meet the requirements of this method of procurement, an area of frequent audit issues. In the appendix, there is an optional checklist that may be used.

Disclaimer

This guidance is intended to assist entities with procurement requirements in this area, however it does not constitute legal advice and does not address all possible situations or issues that might arise with procurement processes. Local governments are encouraged to seek legal advice when entering into contracts with other organizations or when questions or issues arise. Ultimately, management is responsible for compliance with federal, state and local laws, as well as its own policies. Management is also responsible for evaluating and selecting the procurement methodology that meets its needs and circumstances. This guidance is not intended to be a resource for that evaluation. The purpose of this resource is to address compliance questions and supplement existing internal control processes and procedures.

Instructions

Refer to this information as questions arise regarding piggybacking responsibilities. Consider using the optional checklist to help track compliance requirements. If additional questions arise, consider contacting your legal counsel or submitting questions to our help desk.

What is piggybacking?

To be "carried" by another in a contracting sense is to participate in a cooperative purchasing arrangement where one party is doing most of the work (such as advertising, bid opening, and tabulating bids). In a piggybacking situation, generally a larger entity (lead government) procures goods or services in a competitive environment and then extends the pricing to other entities (participating governments). This might benefit the larger entity allowing it to obtain better pricing due to the economies of scale of including the buying power of other entities. It might benefit those participating in the contract by potentially obtaining better pricing and avoiding the time and resources it takes to conduct the public bidding process.

What Washington State laws govern the use of "piggybacking"?

Washington State law allows this alternative to a competitive bidding process, providing the applicable requirements in RCW 39.34.030 are satisfied. Each government should also check its local policy to determine if it allows this option, as well as evaluate the most optimal form of procurement for the goods or services sought. This procurement method might have advantages – primarily in saving some time and possibly better pricing, but it is does not guarantee a lower price or a suitable quality item. It also could have disadvantages such as not advertising the purchase or project in the government's local area. Further discussion of whether this type of procurement is preferable to other methods is outside the scope of this document.

Can a local government use another's bid award for a public work project?

Local governments are allowed by state law to use another's bid award for public works projects providing the requirements are met. However, we recommend exercising due care in this area. In order for a local government to piggyback, the project of the lead government and the project of the participating government must be essentially the same. Specifically, the lead government and those later relying upon the bid should each have the same project plans and specifications. The only differences should be the quantities purchased. For example, in the case of a roofing contract, if the lead government procured a metal roof, then those participating would also have to procure the same metal roof with no changes in scope such as adding a gutter system that was not part of the original bid. The only difference in the projects would be the amount of the metal roofing purchased. Governments should ensure the labor paid is consistent with the bidded labor price after compensating for any changes in roof size or differences in prevailing wage rates that might vary by region.

What are the responsibilities of the lead government(s)?

The lead government or group of governments must (in accordance with RCW 39.34.030(5(b)):

- Comply with its own bid requirements.
- Advertise in accordance with its own statutory requirements. If these requirements are satisfied, the advertising requirements for other participating governments are also satisfied even if they are different from those of the lead government.
- Post the bid or solicitation notice on its website or provide an access link on the state's web portal to the notice.
- Ensure that its request for bids and final contract allows for the eventual contract to be used by more than one local government. This obligates the vendor to provide its product or service to other participating governments at the same price and terms.

What are the responsibilities of the participating governments?

The local government must ensure it complies with its own policies and procedures. In addition, a local government that desires to rely on another's procurement and bid award process must:

Step 1: Read the lead government's contract. The local government should confirm the lead agency's contract with the prospective vendor has not expired and will be open and active for the time period desired. Also, the local government should ensure the original solicitation and resulting contract specifically allows for others to use it post-award (may be referred to as an assignability clause). This is important because the bid process needs to fairly describe the scope as it could affect those that might choose to bid, and the pricing offered. The lead government must have conducted the actual procurement process (it cannot already be a participating government relying on the bid award of another).

There are other reasons to read the contract as well, such as to gain a complete understanding of the specifications or deliverables and other contract terms that might impact the decision to move forward.

Step 2: Ensure the bid award meets your requirements. For example, if the local government must award the bid to, or purchase from, the lowest responsible bidder, it may only use another government's contract if the award was to the lowest responsible bidder. Also, if the project or purchase amount is above the local government's formal bid limit, then the other jurisdiction's contract must have been formally bid. Many cooperatives use a request for proposal (RFP) process instead of formal sealed bidding. Since many governments have a requirement to award a contract to the lowest responsible bidder, the RFP process may not meet bid law requirements.

Local governments should be aware that bid laws can vary significantly between different types of municipalities. Governments should be particularly cautious when looking to piggyback on contracts entered into by entities that are out-of-state or of a different government type. For example, school

districts have a process requirement that is unique to schools in our state. School Districts have a special requirement to hold a public bid opening as per RCW 28A.335.190. Consequently, school districts should ensure this process requirement has been met by the cooperative or the lead government in order to access their contract.

Governments should also be cautious if the bid award contains both products and services. In this case, the local government should evaluate the substance of the contract. If the contract is for the purchase of a product that has a service agreement, the local government would be subject to bidding requirements for purchases.

Step 3: Document that the award met its own bid requirements. The participating government must retain documentation of the bid process to demonstrate its own bid laws were satisfied by the lead government. This is best accomplished by keeping copies of the lead government's bid documents. These documents might include: advertisement/affidavit of publication, bid tabulation or summary of bids received, competitive negotiation scoring for professional services, and governing body approval of the contract in meeting minutes.

Local governments are not required to retain bid documentation if using the Department of Enterprise Services' (DES) Master Contracts Usage Agreement (MCUA). RCW 43.19.005 allows local governments to use DES's contracts and these are formally, competitively procured.

Step 4: Enter into an interlocal agreement or contract. After steps 1-3, local governments must enter into interlocal agreements or contracts to use another's bid award, unless they are already a member of the cooperative and all requirements are met with the membership agreement.

Can a local government make purchases using a cooperative's contract?

Local governments often purchase through contracts procured by cooperatives. In order to do this, the participating local government must first become a member of the cooperative or enter into an interlocal agreement, otherwise it would not be authorized to make purchases through the cooperative. In order to use a membership agreement, participating local governments should consult with legal counsel to ensure it satisfies all the interlocal agreement act requirements found in RCW 39.34.030 (2).

The State Auditor's Office does not evaluate cooperatives or provide an approved list. Each local government must evaluate cooperatives and make their own determination.

How do all governments involved comply with the various advertising requirements?

The lead government will advertise in accordance with its requirements. If the lead government's advertising requirements are satisfied, the advertising requirements for all participating governments are satisfied even if they are different. It is not necessary for participating governments relying on the bid award to ensure it is advertised locally. However, those participating governments should retain evidence that advertisement occurred.

What if a local government would like to change contract specifications (i.e. exercise contract options)?

This circumstance might arise in cases like buying an ambulance, where a government might want different add-ons or options than what was included in the original lead government's bid award. State law does not provide for this scenario. If the government has questions in this area, it should consult its legal counsel.

Is it possible to extend the contract?

Contracts can be extended as long as the lead government's original contract language allows for extensions. State law does not address contract extensions or renewals. However, when governments have multi-year contracts, they should have policies and controls in place to evaluate and demonstrate the ongoing reasonableness of the contract. For example, such internal controls might include formal evaluations of price and service prior to contract extension, independent extension approval, and limits on contract lengths (ex: no more than five years).

Can a government "piggyback" on the small works roster of another?

Yes, the participating government would need to follow the requirements outlined above when relying on the bid award process of another. The participating government would need to ensure that the roster had been established and maintained in accordance with RCW 39.04.155.

Some governments use the Municipal Research and Services Center (MRSC) small works roster. This is allowable so long as the local government is a member.

Do state bus bids result in a "piggybacking" situation?

State law (RCW 28A.160.195) covers bus purchases through the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI). As long as the statute's requirements are followed, this would not be considered a "piggybacking" situation subject to this guidance.

Can I piggyback if I'm using federal funds to procure the goods or services?

The Uniform Guidance, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 2 CFR 200.318 (e) - General Procurement Standards provides an option for piggybacking:

"To foster greater economy and efficiency, and in accordance with efforts to promote cost-effective use of shared services across the Federal government, the non-Federal entity is encouraged to enter into state and local intergovernmental agreements or inter-entity agreements where appropriate for procurement or use of common or shared goods and services."

However, federal grantors may have procurement guidelines or limitations within specific awards that must be followed. For example, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) has specific requirements. Consequently, local governments are encouraged to carefully review grant award documentation and program guidance. In addition, a local government might want to contact the respective granting agency for specific guidance. This may be accomplished by reaching out to the contact listed in the award documentation.

If piggybacking is allowable under the terms of the grant, and absent any specific guidance from the grantor on piggybacking, the local government should also consider some potential problem areas:

- **More restrictive requirements:** Any local government using federal funding must ensure they are following the most restrictive of federal or state procurement laws. In many cases, federal procurement requirements are more restrictive. For example, the procurement of services (method and advertisement) is an area of significant difference under federal requirements as compared to state laws. In another example, state law allows for use of small works roster for projects under \$300,000 but the federal requirements do not coincide with this threshold. Local governments should make sure they are aware of the various differences between state and federal requirements to ensure they are following the most restrictive requirements.
- Plan ahead if you might want to use federal funds: Occasionally a government might unexpectedly receive federal dollars that it could use to cover some contract costs. However, if a contract has already been awarded, and federal requirements were not considered or followed during the procurement process, then project costs cannot be charged to federal funds at any point in the future. If there is any possibility a local government might receive federal funding for a project, they should plan ahead and handle the procurement process in a manner that will allow for this future possibility.
- **Federal contract provisions:** Any government using federal funding must ensure the contract with its vendor contains the applicable provisions described in the Uniform Guidance, 2 CFR Section 200.326 Contract provisions. Examples include prevailing wages clauses (Davis-Bacon Act) and termination for cause.
- **Suspension and Debarment:** This requirement is to ensure payment is not made to any parties excluded from doing business with the federal government. It requires checking a website of excluded parties, obtaining a certification, or including language in the contract. If the lead government verified that the vendor was not suspended or debarred, this would not fulfill the local government's requirement to do its own verification. It is the sole responsibility of the local government to comply with this requirement.
- Use of a consultant's roster: For qualification-based procurements, requests for proposals must be publicized and identify all evaluation factors and their relative importance. Local governments should be cautious when using the roster of another when spending federal funds and ensure all federal requirements were met.

There are many different federal requirements and it is not within the scope of this guidance to include all the requirements that should be considered. If a local government has questions about complying with a federal award, it should contact its grantor directly.

For assistance

This resource has been developed by the Performance Center of the Office of the Washington State Auditor. Please send any questions, comments, or suggestions to **performance@sao.wa.gov**. For specific questions about procurement practices or federal grants, please submit questions to the help desk available through the client portal at **www.sao.wa.gov**.

Checklist item	Yes/no	Reviewer notes
 Has the government evaluated all procurement options and determined piggybacking is the best viable option for the procurement? 		
1a. Does the government's procurement policy support use of this procurement method?		
2. Has the lead government solicitation and contract been obtained and reviewed for the original bid award?		
2a. Did the lead government handle the procurement process itself? (if not, cannot piggyback)		
2b. Does the solicitation and contract allow for others to use the bid award (i.e. contain an assignability clause)?		
2c. Does it include the goods or service sought?		
2d. Is the contract active and will it be open for the period desired (including renewal options) and the option for piggybacking valid, if applicable?		
2e. Does the quality, specifications or deliverables meet expectations?		
2f. Has the government evaluated the impact or drawback to any changes or options it would like, but that this procurement method would not provide for?		
2g. Is the price reasonable when compared to a cost or price analysis?		
3. Have you evaluated whether the bid meets your requirements?		
3a. Did the lead government follow its own bid requirements and complete a proper evaluation of bids?		
3b. Was it advertised in accordance with the lead government's requirements and notice posted on its website?		
3c. Does the bid award adhere to the local government's procurement requirements?		
3d. Was documentation obtained to support the bid process and various requirements were met? Retain records for your files.		
4. If using federal funds, did you ensure all federal procurement requirements are met?		
4a. Does the lead government's procurement process meet federal procurement requirements?		
4b. Did you ensure compliance with suspension and debarment requirements before entering into a contract with the vendor (do not rely on the lead agency)?		
4c. Did you consider any specific guidance the federal agency might have?		
4d. Does your draft or proposed contract with the vendor include required contract language such as for the Davis Bacon Act/prevailing wages?		
5. Did you enter into an interlocal agreement or contract with the lead government or entity after completing the steps above?		
5a. Did you ensure any interlocal agreement meets legal requirements per RCW 39.34.030?		
5b. Did you become a member if using a cooperative?		
5c. If relying on a membership agreement in place of an interlocal agreement, did you ensure it met applicable requirements?		

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