

CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK CITY COUNCIL AGENDA COVER SHEET

Meeting Date June 13, 2024

Originating Department Finance Department

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Title Resolution 24-1956/Adopting purchasing and acquisition policy

Legislative History

First Presentation
 May 16, 2024 – Budget & Finance Committee

Second Presentation
 June 13, 2024 – Regular Meeting

Attachments:

- 1. Resolution 24-1956/Adopting the purchasing and acquisition policy
- 2. Resolution 617
- 3. Resolution 1399

Executive Summary

Resolution 24-1956 will adopt new procurement policies for the city to align with the increased procurement limits passed by the legislature in HB 1621. For instance, the legislature amended the amounts when small works rosters in RCW 39.04.190 can be used. The small works rosters provide a faster, simpler process than formal competitive bidding. The proposed Resolution references RCW 39.04 "as amended," so the City will always use the updated amounts. The Resolution also includes policies for purchases of real property that are routine development dedications or within a budget already approved by the Council for a project.

Background

The current purchasing policies were adopted with Resolution 617 in 2001 and amended with Resolution 1399 in 2014. Following the passage of HB 1621 by the state legislature, the administration

deemed it necessary to streamline and improve the purchasing policies. The new resolution will adopt updated procurement policies while repealing Resolutions 617 and 1399.

After feedback during the Budget and Finance Committee presentation in May, the administration redrafted the resolution to have the Council adopt the purchasing policies and removed the purchasing procedures for separate adoption by the administration. The administration will continue to update the procurement procedures, consistent with the adopted policies, that will be used internally by all City staff.

You'll see that the proposed Resolution refers to "Public Works" in multiple places, which are a category of projects defined by statute as "all construction, alteration, repair, or improvement other than ordinary maintenance, executed at the cost of the ... municipality . . ." The largest categories of items purchased by the City that are not Pubic Works are probably goods and services.

Alternatives

| Options | Results |
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| Adopt the resolution | The new procurement policies will become effective upon passage by the Council. |
| Reject the resolution | The current policy will remain in place. |
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Staff Recommendation

Review the draft resolution and procurement policy and provide feedback to the staff for final adoption anticipated at the June 27th City Council Meeting.