

July 24, 2019 AGENDA ITEM #6

Amend Mobility Authority Policy Code Chapter 4, Article 16, Section 401.013 Purchase Threshold Amounts to comply with federal procurement requirements

Strategic Plan Relevance: Transparency/Accountability

Department: Finance

Contact: William Chapman, CFO

Associated Costs: N/A

Funding Source: N/A

Action Requested: Consider and act on draft resolution

Because CTRMA is the recipient of federal awards, it is the desire to amend Section 401.013 *Purchase Threshold Amounts* of Article 16 <u>General Goods and Services</u>, of the current Policy code as it pertains to procurements, to be consistent with federal guidelines.

Backup Provided: Draft Resolution

Draft Policy Change

GENERAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CENTRAL TEXAS REGIONAL MOBILITY AUTHORITY

RESOLUTION NO. 19-0XX

AMENDING MOBILITY AUTHORITY POLICY CODE SECTION 401.013

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 12-016 dated February 29, 2012, the Board of Directors adopted the Mobility Authority Policy Code ("Policy Code"); and

WHEREAS, subsequent to its initial adoption, the Board of Directors has amended the Policy Code from time to time in order to modify existing policies and incorporate new policies beneficial to the operation of the Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority ("Mobility Authority"); and

WHEREAS, as a recipient of federal financial assistance, the Mobility Authority is required to comply with federal procurement procedures; and

WHEREAS, the methods of procurement to be followed by a non-federal entity are set forth in Title 2, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 200.320; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Director recommends amending Policy Code Section 401.013 as shown in Exhibit A to be consistent with federal regulations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby amends Section 401.013 of the Mobility Authority Policy Code as shown in Exhibit A attached hereto.

Adopted by the Board of Directors of the Central Texas Regional Mobility Authority on the 24th day of July 2019.

Submitted and reviewed by:	Approved:
Geoffrey Petrov, General Counsel	Nikelle Meade Vice Chair, Board of Directors

Exhibit A

Article 16. GENERAL GOODS AND SERVICES

401.012 Approval of Board.

- (a) Every procurement of general goods and services costing more than \$50,000 shall require the approval of the board, evidenced by a resolution adopted by the board.
- (b) A large procurement may not be divided into smaller lot purchases to avoid the dollar limits prescribed herein.

401.013 Purchase Threshold Amounts.

- (a) ____The authority may procure general goods and services costing \$50,0003,000 or less by such method and on such terms as the executive director determines to be in the best interests of the authority. ____These purchases may be awarded without soliciting competitive quotations if the Executive Director, Chief Financial Officer or Controller determines the price offered to be reasonable. To the extent practicable, purchases made by this method should be distributed equitably among qualified suppliers.
- (b) The authority may procure general goods and services costing \$150,000 or less by using informal procurement methods to obtain price or rate quotes from three or more qualified sources. In the event price and rate quotes from only two sources are available, documentation of the authority's efforts to obtain quotes from additional sources must be provided.
- (c) General goods and services costing more than \$150,000 shall be procured using competitive bidding or competitive sealed proposals.
- (d) A large procurement may not be divided into smaller lot purchases to avoid the dollar limits prescribed herein.

401.014 Competitive Bidding Procedures.

Competitive bidding for general goods and services shall be conducted using the same procedures specified for the competitive bidding of construction contracts, except that:

- (1) with respect to a particular procurement, the executive director may waive the qualification requirements for all prospective bidders;
- (2) the executive director may waive the submission of payment or performance bonds (or both) and/or insurance certificates by the successful bidder if not otherwise required by law;
- (3) notice of the procurement shall be published once at least two weeks before the deadline for the submission of responses in the officially designated newspaper of the authority, as well as on the authority's website (www.ctrma.org).
- (4) in addition to advertisement of the procurement as set forth in subsection 7.3(c) above, the authority may solicit bids by direct mail, telephone, Texas Register publication, advertising in other locations, or via the Internet. If such solicitations are made in addition to newspaper advertising, the prospective bidder may not be solicited by mail, telephone and internet or in