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Chapter 56 - ADMINISTRATIVE CODE FOR MILWAUKEE COUNTY >>

56.20. - Centralized administration of public works contracts and construction.

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Policy. Uniformity of bid documents, contracts and procedures for construction of public works projects and centralization in one (1) office of related activities is essential to efficient management of public construction programs.

(2)

Definitions. As used in this ordinance:

(a)

"Public work project" means all projects for construction, repair, remodeling or major maintenance or capital improvements subject to s. 59.08, Wis. Stats., and authorized by the county board or departments of county government, including boards and commissions.

(b)

"Administration" means preparation of preliminary and final plans, specifications, project and professional service cost estimates, and bid documents; analysis of bids, preparation of schedules for plans, bidding and construction completion, making recommendations for award of contract, contract drafting, inspection of construction during work progress and reporting scheduled progress to responsible department on a monthly basis; drafting and recommending contract change orders and certificates of payment, and maintaining project records; establishment of a program for maintaining structural integrity of all capital improvements and routine major maintenance; recommending professional architectural, engineering and specialized trade consultants, drafting contracts and issuance of certificates of payment for such professional service, and review of all plans and specifications prepared by such professional consultants.

(3)

Central office. Administration of all public work projects shall be the function of, and centralized in, the department of public works.

(4)

Service charge. The cost of all services performed by the department shall be charged, where applicable, against the project account, the department for which the services are rendered, or the revolving fund established in conformity with section [56.12](#) of the Code.

56.30. - Professional services.

(4)

Professional services procedures. It shall be the responsibility of the administrator to conform with the following provisions when entering into a professional services contract and expending budgeted funds:

(a)

Professional services—Capital improvements. The following conditions shall apply to all capital projects.

(1)

During its annual budget process, departments shall provide a list to the county board of which capital projects contained in the recommended budget are intended to require the assistance of a professional services consultant. Departments are authorized to enter into contractual services or professional services agreements as may be required for specific capital improvement projects which have been approved by the county board through the budget process. Expenditures shall only be for those projects and professional services specifically identified in the budget write-up reviewed by the committee on finance and audit during the budget review process and approved by the county board, or for those projects approved by action of the county board. The budget write-up shall contain specific information as to the scope of the project, professional services required and estimated cost of the professional services work to be performed. The department of public works shall provide in February of each year to the committee on finance and audit and the committee on transportation, public works and transit an updated report on public works capital projects requiring the use of a professional services contract. Any professional services work costing more than twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) which is not identified in the February report shall require county board approval.