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It is the policy of the Board of Directors of Dublin San Ramon Services District that the District:

- Perform purchasing activities with the highest ethical standards.
- Purchase materials, supplies, non-professional services, technical services and equipment using processes to ensure the appropriate quality is received for a reasonable price.
- Secure professional services using an equitable, quality-based selection process.
- Incorporate environmental sustainability into purchasing decisions as a Green Business practice.
- Provide fair and open competition.
- Define authority for the purchasing function.

Purchasing Agent

The General Manager is designated as Purchasing Agent. The Purchasing Agent shall:

1. Establish written purchasing guidelines and update them as needed, in conformance with the California Uniform Construction Cost Accounting Act (the Act), District Code Chapter 7.40, this policy, and applicable laws.
2. Negotiate and execute contracts, including purchase orders, work orders, task orders and agreements, within the authority outlined in the Act, District Code Chapter 7.40, and this policy.
3. Purchase or contract for supplies, services and equipment required by the District, in accordance with the Act, District Code Chapter 7.40, and this policy.

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Purchasing Authority

1. The Purchasing Agent, or designee is authorized to negotiate and execute all contracts including purchase orders, work orders, task orders and agreements, made in conformance with the purchasing guidelines up to \$175,000.
2. The Purchasing Agent or designee is authorized to negotiate and execute contracts in any amount for recurring, operational purchases such as:
 - Utility payments
 - Scheduled debt payments and related debt administration services
 - Chemical purchases
 - Payments to a District Joint Powers Agency within contractual agreements
 - Water purchase
 - Insurance payments
 - Retirement contributions
 - Payroll
 - Dougherty Valley Standby Charge District
3. In case of an emergency:
 - a. In accordance with Public Contract Code 22050 the General Manager may let contracts for any amount without giving notice for bids for repair or replacement of a public facility, take any directly related and immediate action required by that emergency, and procure the necessary equipment, services, and supplies for those purposes.
 - b. Any emergency action taken by the General Manager shall be reviewed by the Board of Directors no later than seven days after the action or at its next regularly scheduled meeting if that meeting will occur no later than fourteen day after the action.

Credit Cards

The General Manager is authorized on behalf of the District to enter into credit card agreements, designate who may receive and use credit cards issued on behalf of the District, execute security agreements with respect to the District’s credit card accounts and otherwise bind the District with respect to its credit card accounts.

Adjustment of Contracts

For those contracts in excess of \$175,000 that were originally approved by the Board, the General Manager has the authority to make adjustments of up to \$175,000, unless additional authority is delegated in an approving resolution.

Public Works Contracts

The General Manager is authorized to award, and make associated decisions relating to, Public Works Contracts up to his purchasing authority of \$175,000 in accordance with the California Uniform

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Construction Cost Accounting Act, District Code Chapter 7.40, and this policy. In addition, the General Manager is authorized to adjust Public Works Contracts in excess of \$175,000 that were originally approved by the Board, by a maximum adjustment of \$175,000, unless additional authority is delegated in an approving resolution. This delegation expressly encompasses related discretionary decisions such as the responsibility to accept one of two or more tied bids, to reject all bids, to require bid bonds, to utilize emergency procedure set forth in the Code, sole source findings, post award determinations regarding subcontractor substitutions, determining whether to waive irregularities, determining whether to accept or reject a bid protest, and making determinations regarding the substitution of a subcontractor claimed to have been inadvertently listed under the procedures set forth in Public Contract Code section 4107.5. However, in the case where a bid protest is filed, the General Manager shall refer approval of the Public Works contract to the Board of Directors.