Procurement Policy June, 2020 06/09/20 - JF

BILL NO.

RESOLUTIONS NO.

A RESOLUTION UPDATING THE PROCUREMENT POLICY FOR THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI.

WHEREAS, the City of Independence has an important responsibility to its residents to carefully expend taxpayer public funds; and,

WHEREAS, the procurement integrity of our City government is of utmost importance and the codification of a set procurement policy is a key element in maintaining this integrity; and,

WHEREAS, the formalization of a procurement policy for the City is consistent with the Council's recently adopted Strategic Plan goal to Ensure City Finances are Stable and Sustainable through improved long-range financial planning and decision making in the procurement process; and,

WHEREAS, a written and adopted procurement policy has many benefits, such as assisting the City Council and City Manager in providing the foundation for managing procurement of goods, construction, and services for the City, saving time and energy when discussing procurement matters, engendering public confidence, and providing continuity over time as City Council and staff members change; and,

WHEREAS, the Procurement Agent upon suggestion of the Audit and Finance Committee, upon consult from Rubin Brown (consultant); and,

WHEREAS, research identified sections of the City's Procurement Policy for revision, clarification, and update to current standards, which would increase compliance for solicitations of goods and services where federal funding is granted by the Procurement Division; and,

WHEREAS, Solicitation Types Used by the City of Independence, includes a requirement of documentation for rationale of solicitation type (Invitation to Bid vs. Request for Proposal vs. Request for Qualification vs. Request for Information) and evaluations being retained in bid file for every solicitation; and,

WHEREAS, Requires that conflicts of interest, when become known, will result in an award not being given to those vendors of conflict, regardless of solicitation type; and,

WHEREAS, Purchases made with the assistance of federal and grant funding will require the contracting firm to provide documentation the firm is not on a list of being suspended or debarred with the federal government, includes a requirement the City will adhere to Federal Regulations §§200.318 General procurement standards through 200.326. Verbiage will also include being subject to Federal Regulation 2 CFR 200.330 and 2 CFR 200.320.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

<u>SECTION 1</u>. That the Procurement Policy for the City of Independence, attached hereto and incorporated by reference, is hereby adopted, with an effective date of June 15, 2020.

PASSED THIS ____ DAY OF ____ THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI.

, 2020 BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF

Presiding Officer of the City Council of the City of Independence, Missouri

ATTEST:

City Clerk

APPROVED - FORM AND LEGALITY:

City Counselor

REVIEWED BY:

City Manager