

Business /Noninstructional Operations

Bids

In order to ensure transparency and the prudent expenditure of public funds, the Governing Board shall award contracts in an objective manner and in accordance with law. District equipment, supplies, and services shall be purchased using competitive bidding when required by law or if the Board determines that it is in the best interest of the district to do so.

When the Board has determined that it is in the best interest of the district, the district may piggyback onto the contract of another public agency or corporation to lease or purchase equipment or supplies to the extent authorized by law. (Public Contract Code 20118)

Bid specifications shall be carefully designed and shall describe in detail the quality, delivery, and service required.

To assist the district in determining whether bidders are responsible, the Board may require prequalification procedures as allowed by law and specified in administrative regulation.

Legal Reference:

EDUCATION CODE

- 17595 Purchases through Department of General Services
- 38083 Purchase of perishable foodstuffs and seasonable commodities
- 38110-38120 Apparatus and supplies
- 39802 Transportation services

GOVERNMENT CODE

- 4330-4334 Preference for California-made materials
- 6252 Definition of public record
- 53060 Special services and advice
- 54201-54205 Purchase of supplies and equipment by local agencies

PUBLIC CONTRACT CODE

- 1102 Emergencies
- 2001-2001 Responsive bidders
- 3002 Roofing projects
- 3400 Bids, specifications by brand or trade name not permitted
- 3410 United States produce and processed foods
- 6610 Bid visits
- 12200 Definitions, recycled goods, materials and supplies
- 20103.8 Award of contracts
- 20107 Bidder's security
- 20111-20118.4 Contracting by school districts
- 20189 Bidder's security, earthquake relief
- 22002 Definition of public project
- 22030-22045 Alternative procedures for public projects (UPCCAA)
- 22050 Alternative emergency procedures
- 22152 Recycled product procurement

COURT DECISIONS

Marshall v. Pasadena USD, (2004) 119 Cal.App.4th 1241

Konica Business Machines v. Regents of the University of California, (1988) 206
Cal.App.3d 449

City of Inglewood-Los Angeles County Civic Center Authority v. Superior Court,
(1972) 7 Cal.3d 861

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