LAKE WENATCHEE WATER DISTRICT RESOLUTION 2013- 6-27 A

RESOLUTION OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE LAKE WENATCHEE WATER DISTRICT ESTABLISHING A SMALL WORKS ROSTER PROCESS TO AWARD PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS.

WHEREAS, the Washington State Legislature in Chapter 138, Laws of 2000 and in Chapter 284, Laws of 2001, amended RCW 39.04.155 and other laws regarding contracting for public works by municipalities, allowing certain contracts to be awarded by a small works roster process; and

WHEREAS, in order to be able to implement small works roster processes, the Lake Wenatchee Water District is required by law to adopt a resolution establishing specific procedures;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE LAKE WENATCHEE WATER DISTRICT, CHELAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

The following small works roster procedures are established for use by the Lake Wenatchee Water District pursuant to RCW 57.08.050 and chapter 39. 04.

- 1. Cost. The Lake Wenatchee Water District need not comply with formal sealed bidding procedures for the construction, building, renovation, remodeling, alteration, repair, or improvement of real property where the estimated cost does not exceed Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00), which includes the costs of labor, material, equipment and sales and/or use taxes as applicable. Instead, the Lake Wenatchee Water District may use the small works roster procedures for public works projects as set forth herein. The breaking of any project into units or accomplishing any projects by phases is prohibited if it is done for the purpose of avoiding the maximum dollar amount of a contract that may be let using the small works roster process
- 2. **Number of Rosters.** The Lake Wenatchee Water District may create a single general small works roster, or may create a small works roster for different specialties or categories of anticipated work. Said small works rosters may make distinctions between contractors based upon different geographic areas served by the contractor.
- 3. Contractors on Small Works Roster(s). The small works roster(s) shall consist of all responsible contractors who have requested to be on the roster(s), and where required by law are properly licensed or registered to perform such work in this state. Contractors desiring to be placed on a roster or rosters must keep current records of any applicable licenses, certifications, registrations, bonding, insurance, or other appropriate matters on file with the Lake Wenatchee Water District as a condition of being placed on a roster or rosters.
- 4. **Publication.** At least once a year, the Lake Wenatchee Water District shall publish in a newspaper of general circulation within the jurisdiction a notice of the existence of the roster or rosters and solicit the names of contractors for such roster or rosters. Responsible contractors shall be added to an appropriate roster or rosters at any time that they submit a written request and necessary records. The Lake Wenatchee Water District may require master contracts to be signed that become effective when a specific award is made using a small works roster. An inter-local contract or agreement between Lake Wenatchee Water District and other local governments establishing a small works roster or rosters to be used by the parties to the agreement or contract must clearly identify the lead entity that is responsible for implementing the small works roster provisions.

- **5. Electronic Rosters.** In addition to paper and/or electronic rosters kept on file in the appropriate department, the Lake Wenatchee Water District may also use that state wide electronic database developed and maintained jointly by the Daily Journal of Commerce and the Municipal Research and Services Center of Washington.
- 6. **Telephone or Written Quotations.** The Lake Wenatchee Water District shall obtain telephone, written or electronic quotations for public works contracts from contractors on the appropriate small works roster to assure that a competitive price is established and to award contracts to the lowest responsible bidder, as defined in <u>RCW 39.04.350</u>, as follows:
 - a) A contract awarded from a small works roster need not be advertised. Invitations for quotations shall include an estimate of the scope and nature of the work to be performed as well as materials and equipment to be furnished. However, detailed plans and specifications need not be included in the invitation. This paragraph does not eliminate other requirements for architectural or engineering approvals as to quality and compliance with building codes.
 - b) Quotations may be invited from all appropriate contractors on the appropriate small works roster. As an alternative, quotations may be invited from at least five contractors on the appropriate small works roster who have indicated the capability of performing the kind of work being contracted, in a manner that will equitably distribute the opportunity among the contractors on the appropriate roster.

If the estimated cost of the work is from one hundred fifty thousand dollars to three hundred thousand dollars, the Lake Wenatchee Water District may choose to solicit bids from less than all the appropriate contractors on the appropriate small works roster but must also notify the remaining contractors on the appropriate small works roster that quotations on the work are being sought. The Lake Wenatchee Water District has the sole option of determining whether this notice to the remaining contractors is made by:

- (i) publishing notice in a legal newspaper in general circulation in the area where the work is to be done;
- (ii) mailing a notice to these contractors; or
- (iii) sending a notice to these contractors by facsimile or other electronic means.
- c) For purposes of this resolution, "equitably distribute" means that the Lake Wenatchee Water District may not favor certain contractors on the appropriate small works roster over other contractors on the appropriate small works roster who perform similar services. At the time bids are solicited, the Lake Wenatchee Water District representative shall not inform a contractor of the terms or amount of any other contractor's bid for the same project;
- d) A written record shall be made by the Lake Wenatchee Water District representative of each contractor's bid on the project and of any conditions imposed on the bid. Immediately after an award is made, the bid quotations obtained shall be recorded, open to public inspection, and available by telephone inquiry.
- 7. Limited Public Works Process. If a work, construction, alteration, repair, or improvement project is estimated to cost less than thirty-five thousand dollars, the Lake Wenatchee Water District may award such a contract using the limited public works process provided under RCW 39.04.155, subsection (3). For limited public works project, the Lake Wenatchee Water District will solicit electronic or written quotations from a minimum of three contractors from the appropriate small works roster and shall award

the contract to the lowest responsible bidder as defined under RCW 43.19.1911(9). After an award is made, the quotations shall be open to public inspection and available by electronic request.

For limited public works projects, the Lake Wenatchee Water District may waive the payment and performance bond requirements of chapter 39.08 RCW and the retainage requirements of chapter 60.28 RCW, thereby assuming the liability for the contractor's nonpayment of laborers, mechanics, subcontractors, material men, suppliers, and taxes imposed under Title 82 RCW that may be due from the contractor for the limited public works project. However, the Lake Wenatchee Water District shall have the right of recovery against the contractor for any payments made on the contractor's behalf.

The Lake Wenatchee Water District shall maintain a list of the contractors contacted and the contracts awarded during the previous twenty-four months under the limited public works process, including the name of the contractor, the contractor's registration number, the amount of the contract, a brief description of the type of work performed, and the date the contract was awarded.

- 8. **Determining Lowest Responsible Bidder.** The Commissioners shall award the contract for the public works project to the lowest responsible bidder as set forth on <u>RCW 39.04.350</u> provided that, whenever there is a reason to believe that the lowest acceptable bid is not the best price obtainable, all bids may be rejected and the Commissioners may call for new bids.
- 9. **Award.** All of the telephone bids or quotations shall be collected and presented at the same time to the Commissioners for consideration, determination of the lowest responsible bidder, and award of the contract.
- 10. **Award.** For public works projects over \$5,000 the Commissioners shall award all public works contracts by resolution.

ADOPTED by the BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS of the LAKE WENATCHEE WATER DISTRICT, Chelan County, Washington at a regular meeting thereof, this ____ day of _____ 2013.

Bruce Harris, President/Commissioner

Bonnie Klasell, Commissioner

Lan Bohn, Commissioner