

Purchasing Policy Summary of Changes

The change to the Purchasing Policy was necessary due to one major change per legislation in the 89th Regular Session of the State of Texas Legislature, increasing the dollar threshold for solicitations from \$50,000 to \$100,000.

Additionally, the updated Purchasing Policy and Procedure Manual incorporates revisions to the version approved May 10, 2022, including expanded mission and compliance provisions, reorganization of policies into 28 sections, clearer requisition and purchase order procedures, improved requirements for noncompetitive and sole source purchases, clarified processes for bids, proposals, and evaluation committees, and revised federal procurement standards under 2 CFR 200. Additional updates include sections on contracts and project management, updated information on procurement card use, a strengthened environmental policy, vendor performance, and property disposition, firming up compliance, transparency, and efficiency in County purchasing practices.