

SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL
Snohomish County, Washington



ORDINANCE NO. 94- 095

AMENDING CHAPTER 3.04 OF THE SNOHOMISH COUNTY CODE RELATING TO REQUIREMENTS ON PURCHASES
AND CONTRACTS

BE IT ORDAINED:

Section I. Snohomish County Code Section 3.04.015, added by Ordinance No. Ord. 86-003, February 12, 1986; and last amended by Ord. 92-085, August 12, 1992 is amended to read as follows:

3.04.015 Exemptions.

The following shall be exempt from the requirements of this chapter:

- (1) Settlements of claims for taxes or damages of any sort, whether based upon tort, contract, or otherwise;
- (2) Contracts of employment, whether negotiated through duly authorized labor representatives or not, and payroll disbursements or any other payments incidental to such contracts;
- (3) Travel and living expenses of officers and employees;
- (4) Insurance and surety bond purchases;
- (5) The following proprietary purchases:
 - (a) Utility billing (water, power, etc.),
 - (b) Postage, permit, fee, license involving a single source or governmental agency,
 - (c) Any care, training, or professional services for the physically and/or mentally ill by any county agency;
- (6) Interdepartmental transactions;
- (7) Performance of work by day labor by county employees as allowed by state law;
- (8) The furnishing of any property, materials, construction, work or labor by any person or entity in accord with any condition of any variance, rezoning, platting, replatting, conditional use permit, or any other permit issued by the county;
- (9) Foods. If the products being purchased by the county are of a perishable nature, such as meats, fish, fresh or frozen fruits and vegetables, bakery products, dairy and poultry items, the purchase may be made by the department involved by direct negotiation, subject to the approval of the purchasing manager and such regulations as may be required by the county executive. Nonperishable foods (dry stores) shall be placed on bid at least once annually to determine the existence of a competitive base. If such a base at reasonable prices does not exist, the food involved may be purchased by direct negotiation by the department involved, subject to the approval of the executive;
- (10) Purchases, sales, leases, licenses, or other contracts affecting real property;
- (11) Any sale, lease, licensing, or other disposal of any other personal property or services by the county (see chapter 4.46 SCC);
- (12) Any acquisition of property by the county by the exercise of the power of eminent domain;
- (13) All contracts funded by a federal and/or state grant-in aid program or project and which are controlled by applicable federal or state law, rule or regulation; and all contracts with subgrantees or subrecipients under grants in aid programs;
- (14) Contracts for the purpose of debt collection with collection agencies holding a valid license as required by chapter 19.16 RCW when said contracts have been reviewed and approved by the executive;
- ~~((15)-Any purchase transaction valued at \$250.00 or less exclusive of sales tax does not require use of a purchase order.))~~
- ~~((16))~~(15) Any contract for goods and services required for the prosecution of litigation including expert witnesses, expert witness costs, medical evaluations, other expert evaluations, transcripts, court reporter's fees, copying and other items relating to litigation, which contracts may be negotiated by the prosecuting attorney;
- ~~((17))~~(16) Any other transaction the procedures with respect to which are controlled by any other code section or for which an exemption to competitive bidding requirements is provided under state law.

PASSED this 12th day of October 1994.

SNOHOMISH COUNTY COUNCIL
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Chairperson

Barbara Sitawit
Clerk of the Council, *ASST.*

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DATE:

10/19/94
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County Executive

ATTEST:

Approved as to form only:

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Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

Marilyn B. Abel