

CONTRACT REVIEW AND PURCHASING

Relative Information: It is the policy of the State of Oregon to encourage public contracting competition that supports openness and impartiality to the maximum extent possible. State Law requires the Attorney General to develop and establish model public contract rules. The model rules were first published in 1984, and are updated periodically, with significant revision occurring in 2005.

Public agencies may establish their own local contract review board and adopt all or part of the Model Public Contracting Rules as their own rules by means of resolution. Fire District 3 took this step with the adoption of Resolution No. 05-03 and declared a number of exceptions in addition to the Model Rules through Exhibit A.

The purpose of the Resolution and adopted rules is to achieve uniformity in the competitive bidding process, minimize expense, and ensure compliance with state regulations.

Policy Statement: It is the policy of the Board of Directors to serve as the public contract review authority for the District by establishing itself as the local contract review board as authorized in state law and to adopt the Model Public Contracting Rules as published and periodically amended by the Oregon Attorney General, with identified and adopted exceptions exclusive to the District.