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SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT POLICY

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PURPOSE	The purpose of this manual is to provide a set of policy guidelines and procedures to regulate the procurement system of Makana Municipality.
AIMS AND OBJECTIVES	The Policies and Procedures are designed to establish a standard procurement system that is cost effective, competitive, equitable, transparent and fair. To give effect to the provisions of the MFMA
POLICY CUSTODIAN Directorate:	Budget and Treasury
RELATED POLICIES AND LEGISLATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Constitution of the Republic of South Africa 1996. Act 108 of 1996 • Municipal Finance Management Act No. 56 of 2003 • Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act No. 5 of 2000 • Preference Procurement Regulations 2011 • Batho Pele Principles • Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act No.53 of 2003 • Construction Industry Development Board Act No. 38 of 2000

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APPROVING AUTHORITY	Council
APPLICABILITY	This policy shall apply to the entire Municipality and must be strictly adhered to when
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Procuring services and goods • Disposing of goods no longer needed
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STAKEHOLDERS CONSULTED	Yes

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1. Definitions

In this policy and any bid documentation or directive issued in terms thereof, the singular includes the plural and vice versa, any one gender includes both genders and, unless the context otherwise indicates, a word or expression to which a meaning has been assigned in the Municipal Finance Management Act has the same meaning as in this Act and -

“Accounting Officer” means the manager of the municipal administration and accounting officer of the municipality appointed by the council in terms of section 54A of the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act No. 32 of 2000 and includes any employee of the municipality who acts in his stead and, in the event of the municipality being subject to an intervention in terms of section 139 of the Constitution or any other applicable law, includes the “Administrator” appointed as a consequence of such intervention or in terms of the conditions pertaining thereto;

"All applicable taxes" includes value-added tax, pay as you earn, income tax, skills development levies and unemployment insurance fund contributions;

"B-BBEE" means broad-based black economic empowerment as defined in section 1 of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;

"B-BBEE status level of contributor" means the B-BBEE status received by a measured entity based on its overall performance using the relevant scorecard contained in the Codes of Good Practice on Black Economic Empowerment;

“Bid” means a written offer in a prescribed or stipulated form in response to an invitation to bid issued by the municipality for the procurement of goods, services or works through price quotations, advertised competitive bidding processes, limited bids or proposals or for the disposal of assets and **“tender”** has a corresponding meaning;

“Bid Committees” means the committees established in terms of this policy to prepare bid specifications, bid documentation, evaluate responsive bids and, where so authorized, to adjudicate responsive bids and any reference in section 117 of the Municipal Finance Management Act to municipal tender committees shall be construed as a reference to the aforesaid committees;

“Bid documentation” means all documentation relating to or necessary in order to complete a procurement or disposal including but not limited to such specification, bidding, certification and contractual documentation as may be prescribed by National

Treasury or the Construction Industry Development Board, as the case may be, for municipal supply chain management purposes and the implementation of this policy;

“Bidder” means any person who submits a bid or quotation to the municipality in response to an invitation to bid or quote and includes a **“tenderer”**;

“Bid rigging” means a prohibited collusive bidding practice in terms of which bidders that would normally be expected to compete in a procurement process either singularly or by association with other persons or firms in a horizontal relationship, secretly conspire to raise prices or lower the quality of goods and/or services or agree not to compete against each other in such process;

"Black people" is a generic term which means Africans, Coloureds and Indians;

"Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act" means the Broad-Based Black

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Economic Empowerment Act No. 53 of 2003;

“Chief Financial Officer” means the official of the municipality designated as such in terms of section 80(2)(a) of the Municipal Finance Management Act;

“CIDB” means the Construction Industry Development Board;

“CIDB regulations” means any regulations issued in terms of the Construction Industry Development Board Act No. 38 of 2000;

“Codes of Good Practice” means the Codes of Good Practice on Black Economic Empowerment issued in terms of section 9 (1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act and contained in General Notice 12 of 9 February 2007;

“Comparative price” means the price after the factors of a non-firm price and all unconditional discounts that can be utilized, have been taken into consideration;

“Competitive bidding process” means a transparent procurement method in which bids from competing contractors, suppliers or vendors are invited by openly advertising the scope, specifications, terms and conditions of the proposed contract as well as the criteria by which responsive bids received will be evaluated;

“Competitive bid” means a bid in terms of a competitive bidding process;

“Consortium or joint venture” means an association of persons for the purpose of combining their expertise, property, capital, efforts, skill and knowledge in an activity for the execution of a contract;

“Construction works” or **“works”** means the provision of a combination of goods and services arranged for the development, extension, installation, repair, maintenance, renewal, removal, renovation, alteration, dismantling or demolition of a fixed asset including building and engineering infrastructure;

“Contractor” means a person or body of persons who undertakes to execute and complete procured construction works for or on behalf of the municipality;

“Contract” means the agreement that results from the acceptance of a bid by the municipality in accordance with this policy;

“Council” means the council of Makana Municipality;

“Day” unless expressly otherwise provided in this policy, means a calendar day, provided that when any particular number of days is prescribed for the doing of any act, or for any other purpose, the same shall be reckoned exclusively of the first and inclusively of the last day, unless the last day happens to fall on a Sunday or on any public holiday, in which case the time shall be reckoned exclusively of the first day and exclusively also of every such Sunday or public holiday;

“Delegating authority” means the council, a duly authorized political structure or office bearer thereof, the Accounting Officer or other employee to whom original powers are assigned in terms of legislation and, in relation to a sub-delegation of a power, that delegated body;

“Delegation” means the issuing of a written authorization by a delegating authority to a delegated body to act in his stead and, in relation to a duty, includes an instruction or request to perform or to assist in performing the duty and “delegate” and sub-delegate has a corresponding meaning;

“Delegated body” in relation to the delegation of a power means the person to whom a power has been delegated by the delegating authority in writing;

“Designated Official” means the official of the municipality to whom the accounting officer or the chief financial officer, as the case may be, have, in accordance with sections 79 and 82 of the Municipal Finance Management Act No. 56 of 2003 delegated or sub-delegated powers, functions and duties in connection with the application and implementation of this policy provided that a sub-delegation by the chief financial officer to an official that has not been allocated to him by the accounting officer or to a person contracted by the municipality for the work of its budget and treasury office may only be so authorized with the concurrence of the accounting officer and provided further that the said chief financial officer is satisfied that effective systems and procedures are in place to ensure control and accountability by the person concerned;

"Designated sector" means a sector, sub-sector or industry that has been designated by the Department of Trade and Industry in line with national development and industrial policies for local production, where only locally produced services, works or goods or locally manufactured goods meet the stipulated minimum threshold for local production and content;

“Disposal” means a process of preparing, negotiating and concluding a written contract relating to the alienation or a capital asset whether movable or immovable owned by or under the control of the municipality or rights in respect thereof, by means of a sale, lease, donation or cession and **“dispose of”** has a similar meaning;

“Emergency” means a serious, unexpected, unforeseen and potentially dangerous and damaging situation requiring immediate action and which is not due to lack of planning

“Final award” in relation to bids or quotations submitted for a contract, means the final decision on which a bid or quote was accepted;

"Firm price" means the price that is only subject to adjustments in accordance with the actual increase or decrease resulting from the change, imposition, or abolition of

customs or excise duty and any other duty, levy or tax which, in terms of any applicable law or regulation, is binding on the contractor and demonstrably has an influence on the price of any supplies or the rendering costs of any service, for the execution of a contract;

“Formal written price quotations” means quotations referred to in paragraph 12 (1) (c) of this policy;

“Functionality” means the measurement according to predetermined norms, as set out in the bid specification, of a service or commodity that is designed to be practical and useful, working or operating, taking into account, among other factors, the quality, reliability, viability and durability of a service and the technical capacity and ability of a bidder;

“Fronting” means a deliberate circumvention or attempted circumvention of the "Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act and the Codes of Good Practice;

“Head of Department” means a senior manager as defined in the Municipal Finance Management Act and who is responsible for a vote as assigned by the accounting

"Imported content" means that portion of the bid or tender price represented by the cost of components, parts or materials which have been or are still to be imported (whether by the supplier or its sub-contractors) and which costs are inclusive of the costs abroad, plus freight and other direct importation costs, such as landing costs, dock dues, import duty, sales duty or other similar tax or duty at the South African port of entry;

“In the service of the state” means to be -

(a) A member of -

(i) any municipal council;

(ii) Any provincial legislature; or

(iii) The National Assembly or the National Council of Provinces;

(b) A member of the board of directors of any municipal entity;

(c) An official of any municipality or municipal entity;

(d) An employee of any national or provincial department, national or provincial public entity or constitutional institution within the meaning of the Act and the Public Finance Management Act, 1999 (Act No. 1 of 1999);

(e) A member of the accounting authority of any national or provincial public entity; or

(f) An employee of Parliament or a provincial legislature;

“Line manager” means a manager reporting directly to a senior manager and who is responsible for a cost centre as assigned by the relevant senior manager;

"Local content" means that portion of the bid or tender price which is not included in the imported content, provided that local manufacture does take place;

"Long term contract" means a contract with a duration period exceeding one year;

"List of accredited prospective providers" means the list of accredited prospective providers which the municipality must keep in terms of paragraph 15 of this policy;

"Mayor" means the councillor elected by the council as Mayor in terms of section 48 of the Local Government: Municipal Structures Act No. 117 of 1998 read with section 58 of the Municipal Finance Management Act;

"Municipality" means the Makana Municipality, a local municipality established in terms of section 12 of the Local Government: Municipal Structures Act No. 117 of 1998 and includes any employee entitled to or duly authorized to perform any function or duty in terms of this policy and/or is responsible for the implementation of this policy or any part thereof;

"Municipal Finance Management Act" means the Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act No. 56 of 2003 and, unless otherwise stated in this policy, any reference to "the Act" shall mean a reference to this Act; Makana Municipality Supply Chain

"Municipal Systems Act" means the Local Government: Municipal Systems Act No. 32 of 2000 and includes the regulations under this Act;

"Non-firm prices" means all prices other than "firm" prices;

"Other applicable legislation" means any other legislation applicable to municipal supply chain management, including but not limited to -

(a) The Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act No. 5 of 2000;

(b) the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act No. 53 of 2003;

(c) the Construction Industry Development Board Act No. 38 of 2000;

(d) The Local Government: Municipal Systems Act No. 32 of 2000 (Municipal Systems Act)

(e) The Promotion of Administrative Justice Act No. 3 of 2000;

(f) the Promotion of Access to Information Act No. 2 of 2000;

(g) the Protected Disclosures Act No. 26 of 2000;

(h) The Competition Act No. 89 of 1998;

(i) the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act No. 12 of 2004;

"Person" includes an enterprise, partnership, trust, association, consortium, joint venture or a juristic person;

"Petty cash" means a relatively small amount of cash kept at hand for making immediate payment for miscellaneous small expenses incurred the municipality.

“Preferential Procurement Regulations” means the Preferential Procurement Regulations, 2011 contained in Government Notice R 502 of 8 June 2011 promulgated in Government Gazette No. 34350 of this date;

“Procurement” means the processes leading to the negotiation and conclusion of contracts whether in writing or verbally for the acquisition of goods, services or construction works or any combination thereof or the disposal of assets whether movable or immovable or any rights in such assets by means of purchase, sale, lease or donation and includes the preparation of all associated bid and contractual documentation and **“procured”** or **“procuring”** has a similar meaning;

“Quotation” means a stated price that a supplier expects to receive for the provision of specified services, goods or works;

“Responsive bid” means a bid that complies in all material aspects with the requirements set out in or contained in an invitation to bid including the applicable specification;

"Small enterprise" means a separate and distinct business entity, together with its branches or subsidiaries, if any, including cooperative enterprises, managed by one owner or more predominantly carried on in any sector or sub-sector of the economy mentioned in column 1 of the Schedule to the National Small Business Act No. 102 of 1996 which is contained in Annexure B to this policy and classified as a micro-, a very small, a small or a medium enterprise by satisfying the criteria mentioned Makana in columns 3, 4 and 5 of the said schedule;

“Sole providers” can be broadly defined as manufacturers, licence holders, publishers, intellectual property holders or service providers appointed by a sole provider as their sole agent or distributor in a specific area:

"Stipulated minimum threshold" means that portion of local production and content as determined by the Department of Trade and Industry from time to time;

"Sub-contract" means the primary contractor's assigning, leasing, making out work to, or employing, another person to support such primary contractor in the execution of part of a project in terms of a contract;

"Rand value" means the total estimated value of a contract in South African currency excise duties;

Calculated at the time of bid invitations, and includes all applicable taxes and

“SANAS” means the South African National Accreditation System;

"Total revenue" bears the same meaning assigned to this expression in the Codes of Good Practice;

"Trust" means the arrangement through which the property of one person is made over or bequeathed to a trustee to administer such property for the benefit of another person;

"Trustee" means any person, including the founder of a trust, to whom property is bequeathed in order for such property to be administered for the benefit of another person;

"Treasury guidelines" means any guidelines on supply chain management issued by the Minister of Finance in terms of section 168 of the Municipal Finance Management Act;

"The Regulations" means the Local Government: Municipal Finance Management Act, 2003: Municipal Supply Chain Management Regulations published by Government Notice 868 of 2005;

"Verbal Quotations" means a verbal process of inviting quotations from an identified limited number of potential suppliers for the supply goods, services and/or works;

"Verification Certificate" means a B-BBEE certificate issued in compliance with the B-BBEE Codes of Good Practice and all Sector Codes issued in terms of Section 9(1) of the Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act;

"Written quotations" means quotations referred to in paragraph 12 (1) (c) of this

CHAPTER 1 IMPLEMENTATION OF SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT POLICY

2. Supply chain management policy

(1) All officials and other role players in the supply chain management system of the municipality must implement this policy in a way that -

(a) gives effect to –

(i) Section 217 of the Constitution; and

(ii) Part 1 of Chapter 11 and other applicable provisions of the Act;

(b) is fair, equitable, transparent, competitive and cost effective;

(c) complies with –

(i) the Regulations; and

(ii) any minimum norms and standards that may be prescribed in terms of section 168 of the Act

(D) is consistent with other applicable legislation;

(e) Does not undermine the objective for uniformity in supply chain management systems between organs of state in all spheres; and

(f) is consistent with national economic policy concerning the promotion of investments and the conduct of business with the public sector.

(2) This policy applies when the municipality -

(A) Procures goods or services or undertakes construction works through a procurement process;

(b) Disposes of goods no longer needed;

(c) selects contractors to provide assistance with the provision of municipal services otherwise than in circumstances where Chapter 8 of the Municipal Systems Act applies;

or

(d) Selects external mechanisms referred to in section 80 (1) (b) of the Municipal Systems Act for the provision of municipal services in circumstances contemplated in section 83 of that Act.

(3) This policy, except where provided otherwise, does not apply in respect of the procurement of goods and services contemplated in section 110(2) of the Act, including, but not limited to -

(a) water from the Department of Water Affairs or a public entity, another municipality or a municipal entity; and

(b) electricity from Eskom or another public entity, another municipality or a municipal entity.

(4) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this policy, the municipality shall not award a contract to a contractor in respect of the undertaking, carrying out or completion of any construction works or a portion thereof in terms of a competitive bidding or quotation process provided for in this policy unless such contractor is registered with the Construction Industry Development Board established by section 2 of the Construction Industry Development Board Act No. 32 of 2000 and holds a valid registration certificate issued by such Board or is exempted from such registration either in terms of this Act or the "CIDB Regulations".

3. Amendment and adoption of the supply chain management policy

(1) The accounting officer must –

- (i) at least annually review the implementation of this policy; and
- (ii) When necessary, submit proposals for the amendment thereof to the council through the Mayor acting in conjunction with the mayoral committee.

(2) If the accounting officer submits proposed amendments to this policy to the council, he must ensure that same comply with the Regulations and Treasury guideline standards determining standards for municipal supply chain management policies.

(3) The accounting officer must report any deviation from the Regulations and Treasury guideline standards determining standards for municipal supply chain management policies to the National and Eastern Cape Provincial Treasuries.

(4) When amending this policy, the need for uniformity in supply chain practices, procedures and forms between all spheres of organs of state particularly to promote accessibility of supply chain management systems for small businesses, must be taken into account.

4. Delegation of supply chain management powers and duties

(1) The council hereby delegates all powers and duties to the accounting officer which are necessary to enable him –

(a) To discharge the supply chain management responsibilities conferred on accounting officers in terms of -

(i) Chapters 8 or 10 of the Act; and

(ii) This policy; and

(b) To maximize administrative and operational efficiency in the implementation of this policy; and

(c) To enforce reasonable cost-effective measures for the prevention of fraud, corruption, favouritism and unfair and irregular practices in the implementation of this policy; and

(d) To comply with his responsibilities in terms of section 115 and other applicable provisions of the Act.

(2) Sections 79 and 106 of the Act apply to the sub-delegation of powers and duties delegated to an accounting officer in terms of subparagraph (1).

(3) The accounting officer may not sub-delegate any supply chain management powers or duties to a person who is not an official of the municipality or to a committee which is not exclusively composed of officials of the municipality.

(4) This paragraph may not be read as permitting an official to whom the power to make final awards has been delegated, to make a final award in a competitive bidding process otherwise than through the committee system provided for in paragraph 27 of this policy.

5. Sub - delegations

(1) The accounting officer may, in terms of section 79 of the Act, sub-delegate any supply chain management powers and duties, including those vested in him in terms of legislation or delegated to him in terms of this policy or by resolution of the council, but any such sub-delegation must be consistent with subparagraph (2) and paragraph 4 of this policy.

(2) The power to make a final award -

(a) above R5 million (VAT included) may not be sub-delegated by the accounting officer;

(b) above R200,000 (VAT included), but not exceeding R5 million (VAT included), may be sub-delegated by the accounting officer but only to a bid adjudication committee of which the chief financial officer or a senior manager is a member;

(c) not exceeding R200,000 (VAT included) may be sub-delegated by the accounting officer but only to –

(i) the chief financial officer;

(iii) a manager directly accountable to the chief financial officer or a senior manager or a senior manager in the Finance Directorate; or

(iv) a bid adjudication committee

(3) An official or bid adjudication committee to whom or which the power to make final awards has been sub-delegated in accordance with subparagraph (2) must, within five days of the end of each month, submit to the official referred to in subparagraph (4) a written report containing particulars of each final award made by such official or committee during that month, including -

(i) the amount of the award;

- (ii) the name of the person to whom the award was made; and
- (iii) the reason why the award was made to that person.
- (iv) the status of the suppliers level of contribution

(4) A written report referred to in subparagraph (3) must be submitted-

(a) to the accounting officer, in the case of an award by –

(i) the chief financial officer;

(iii) a manager directly accountable to the chief financial officer or senior manager in the Finance Directorate; or

(iii) a bid adjudication committee

(b) to the chief financial officer or the senior manager responsible for the relevant bid, in the case of an award by -

(i) a manager referred to in subparagraph (2)(c)(ii); or

(ii) a bid adjudication committee of which the chief financial officer or a senior manager was not a member

(5) Subparagraphs (3) and (4) do not apply to procurements out of petty cash.

(6) This paragraph may not be interpreted as permitting an official to whom the power to make final awards has been sub-delegated, to make a final award in a competitive bidding process otherwise than through the committee system provided for in paragraph 27 of this policy.

(7) No supply chain management decision-making powers may be delegated to an advisor or consultant.

(8) All delegation of powers must be acknowledged in writing with appended signatures by those assigned with such delegations to hold them responsible and accountable.

6. Oversight role of the council

(1) A councillor cannot be a member of a bid committee or any other committee evaluating or approving quotations, contracts or bids nor attend any meeting of such committees as an observer

(2) It is the prerogative of councillors to edit and discuss the SCM policy holistically on annual basis prior approval and adoption..

(2) The council must maintain oversight over the implementation of this policy to ensure that the accounting officer implements all supply chain management activities in accordance therewith.

(3) For the purposes of such oversight, the accounting officer must -

(a) within 30 days of the end of each financial year and, notwithstanding subparagraph 4, submit a report on the implementation of this policy to the council through its mayor;

(b) in case of an award referred to in paragraph 5. 2 (c)(i), submit to the Finance, Administration, Monitoring and Evaluation Portfolio Committee (FAME) of the council, on a monthly basis, a report containing at least the following information:

(i) the tender number;

(ii) the date of the meeting of the Bid Adjudication Committee;

(iii) the name of the successful tenderer;

(iv) details of the tender concerned;

(v) the tender amount;

(vi) the locality of the successful tenderer or his place of business; and

(vii) the B-BBEE status of the successful tenderer.

(c) whenever there are serious and material problems in the implementation of this policy, the report referred to in subparagraph (b) must state the nature of such problems and contain a recommendation on whether or not same must be considered by the council.

(4) The accounting officer must, within 10 days of the end of each quarter, submit a report on the implementation of this policy to a meeting of the Finance, Administration, Monitoring and Evaluation Portfolio Committee (FAME) of the council.

(5) The aforesaid reports must be made public in accordance with section 21A of the Municipal Systems Act.

(5) A report on all tenders awarded annually must be incorporated into the annual report of the council.

7. Supply chain management unit

(1) A supply chain management unit is hereby established to implement this policy.

(2) Subject to subparagraph (3), the supply chain management unit shall operate under the direct supervision of the chief financial officer to whom this duty is hereby delegated by the accounting officer in terms of section 79 of the Act.

(3) Where, due to operational reasons, the council appoints a senior manager to be responsible for the direct supervision of the supply chain unit referred to in subparagraph (1), the application and implementation of this policy and the municipality's supply chain management system, the accounting officer shall, in terms of section 79 of the Act, delegate appropriate duties, functions and powers to such senior manager to enable him to perform his duties aforesaid and such senior manager shall be included in the definition of "designated official" in section 1 of this policy.

(6) Where the council appoints a senior manager in terms of subparagraph (3) for the purposes stated therein, any reference to the chief financial officer in paragraph 5 (2) of this policy shall be construed as reference to the said designated official acting

after consultation with the chief financial officer.

(7) Where the senior manager has been appointed in terms of

(6) above, it must be strictly stated that he/she should report directly to the CFO.

8. Training of supply chain management officials

The training of officials involved in implementing this policy should be in accordance with any Treasury guidelines on supply chain management training and applicable prescribed competency level requirements.

CHAPTER 2

SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

9. Format of supply chain management system

This policy provides systems for –

Part 1;

(i) Demand management;

Part 2

(ii) Acquisition management;

Part 3

(iii) Logistics management;

(iv) Disposal management;

(v) Risk management; and

(vi) Performance management.

Part 1: DEMAND MANAGEMENT

10. System of demand management

(1) The accounting officer must establish and implement an appropriate demand management system in order to ensure that the resources required by the municipality supports its operational commitments and its strategic goals as outlined in the municipality's Integrated Development Plan.

(2) The demand management system must -

(a) include timely planning and management processes to ensure that all goods, services and works required by the municipality are quantified, budgeted for and timely and effectively delivered at the right locations and at the critical delivery dates and are of the appropriate quality and quantity procured at a fair cost;

(b) take into account any benefits of economies of scale that may be derived in the case of procurements of a repetitive nature;

(c) provide for the compilation of the required specifications to ensure that municipal needs are met;

(d) allow for the undertaking of appropriate industry analysis and research to ensure that innovations and technological benefits are maximized

(3) The accounting officer must, prior to issuing an invitation to bid-

(a) properly plan for, and, as far as possible, accurately estimate the costs for the provision of goods, services and/or works for which an invitation to bid is to be

issued;

(b) determine the appropriate preference point system to be utilized in the evaluation and adjudication of bids to be received in response to the contemplated invitation to bid; and

(c) determine whether the goods, services and/or works for which an invitation to bid is to be issued has been designated for local production and content in terms of section 9 of the Preferential Procurement Regulations and paragraph

29 (5) of this policy.

(4) The accounting officer must indicate in a an invitation to submit a bid and in the applicable bid specification or terms of reference-

(a) that such bid will be evaluated on functionality and, in such event, the following shall be clear stated:

(i) the evaluation criteria for measuring functionality which criteria must be objective;

(ii) the weight of each criterion which should not be generic but be determined separately for each bid on a case by case basis;

(iii) the applicable values that will be utilized when scoring each criterion which values must be objective;

(iv) the minimum qualifying percentage scored for functionality should be stated prior in order for bids to be further evaluated for price in terms in terms of this policy.

(v) Values will always range from 1 □ 5 inter alia:- 1 = Poor; 2 = Acceptable; 3 = Good; 4 = Very Good & 5 = Excellent. Scoring of points by Bid Evaluation Committee members will always be subjective.

(b) the fact that no bid will be regarded as an acceptable bid if the bidder or the goods, services and/or works to be procured, as the case may be, fails to achieve the minimum qualifying score for functionality as indicated in the invitation to bid and the relevant bid specification or terms of reference; and

(c) Preference points as per Preference Procurement Regulations 2011 promulgated on 7 December 2011 will be added on points scored for price to determine the final score of each bid/bidder

(d) That bids that have achieved the minimum qualification score for functionality will be evaluated further in terms of the preference point systems referred to in paragraphs 29(3) and 29(4) of this policy (point "c" should be numbered "b" vice versa).

(5) Any system designed in terms of this paragraph shall take cognizance of the provisions of this policy

Part 2: Acquisition management

11. System of acquisition management

(1) The accounting officer must implement an efficient system of acquisition management in order to ensure -

(a) that goods, services and works are procured by the municipality in accordance with authorized processes only;

(b) that expenditure on goods, services and works is incurred in terms of an approved budget in terms of section 15 of the Act;

(c) that the threshold values for the different procurement processes are complied with;

(d) that bid documentation, evaluation and adjudication criteria and the general conditions of a contract, are in accordance with any applicable legislation; and

(e) that any Treasury guidelines on acquisition management are properly taken into account.

(2) When procuring goods or services from an organ of state as contemplated in section 110 (2) of the Act, the accounting officer must make public the fact that such goods or services are procured otherwise than through the municipality's supply chain management system, including -

(a) the kind of goods or services; and

(d) the name of the supplier.

12. Range of procurement processes

(1) Goods and services may only be procured by way of -

(a) petty Cash purchases to a transaction value of R2000 (VAT included) for items specified in municipality's Petty Cash policy as being of a minor nature;

(b) at least one (1) price quotation for procurements of a transaction value up to R2000 (VAT Included)

(b) at least three (3) written price quotation for procurements of a transaction value over R2 001 up to R10 000 (VAT included).

(c) at least three(3) formal written quotations for procurements of a transaction value over R10 001 up to R30 000 (VAT included).

(d) Above R 30 000 up to R 200 000 (VAT included) at least three formal written quotations to be obtained and should be advertised on the municipal website, notice boards and accessible public buildings for a period of seven (7) working days.

(e) A competitive bidding process for –

(i) Procurements above a transaction value of R200 000 (VAT included); and

(ii) the procurement of long term contracts.

(2) The accounting officer may, in writing

(a) lower but not increase, the different threshold values specified in subparagraph (1) above; or

(b) direct that one written quotation be obtained for any specific procurement of a transaction value lower than R2 000.

(c) direct that three (3) formal written price quotations be obtained for any specific procurement of a transaction value lower than R30 000; or

(d) direct that a competitive bidding process be followed for any specific procurement of a transaction value lower than R200 000 through advertisements on the website for a period of seven (7) working days;

. (3) Calls for quotations and bids for the procurement of goods or services may not deliberately be split into parts or items of a lesser value merely to avoid complying with the requirements of this policy or any applicable legislation. When determining transaction values, a requirement for goods or services consisting of different parts or items must, as far as possible, be treated and dealt with as a single transaction

13. Broad Based Black Economic Empowerment Status Level Category Enterprises

In order to promote B-BBEE and comply with applicable legislation including the Codes of Good Practice, this policy recognizes the following special categories of bidders and suppliers:

13.1 Exempted Micro-Enterprise

(a) An exempted Micro-Enterprise (EME) is an entity with an annual turnover of R5 million or less provided that this amount may be reduced in accordance with sector charter thresholds for specific sectors or industries.

(b) The current thresholds for the Tourism and Construction Sector charters are R2.5 million and R1.5 million respectively.

(c) Exempted Micro-Enterprises are deemed to possess a B-BBEE Status of "Level Four Contributor", having B-BBEE procurement recognition of 100%.

(d) An Exempted Micro-Enterprise qualifies for a promotion to a B-BBEE Status of "Level Three Contributor" having a B-BBEE procurement recognition of 110% if it is more than 50% owned by black people or by black women.

(e) Exempted Micro-Enterprises are allowed to be measured in terms of the QSE scorecard contained in the applicable code of good practice in the event of them wishing to maximize their points and move to the next procurement recognition level.

(f) Sufficient evidence of qualification as an Exempted Micro-Enterprise is an auditor's certificate or similar certificate issued by an accounting officer of a closed corporation or a verification agency accredited by SANAS.

13.2 Qualifying Small Enterprise

(a) Any enterprise with an annual Total Revenue of between R5 million and R35 million qualifies as a Qualifying Small Enterprise.

(b) Enterprises claiming qualifying small enterprise status must include in any bid submitted to the municipality, an original and valid B-BBEE status level certificate or a certified copy thereof, substantiating their B-BBEE rating. This certificate must be issued by a verification agency accredited by SANAS or a Registered Auditor approved by the Independent Regulatory Board of Auditors.

13.3 Start-up enterprises

(a) Start-up enterprises must be measured as Exempted Micro-Enterprises for the first year following their formation or incorporation. This provision applies regardless of the expected total revenue of the start-up enterprise.

(b) Start-up Enterprises are deemed to have a "B-BBEE Status of Level Four Contributor".

(c) In order to qualify as a Start-up Enterprise, the enterprise must provide an independent confirmation of its status.

(d) Despite subparagraphs (a) and (b), Start-up Enterprises must submit a QSE Scorecard when tendering for any contract or seeking any other business with a value higher than R5 million but less than R35 million. For contracts above R35 million, they should submit the generic scorecard. The preparation of such scorecards must use annualized data.

(e) The accounting officer shall reserve the right to require a Start-up Enterprise referred to in subparagraph (d) to submit a verification certificate issued by either a verification agency

approved by SANAS or a Registered Auditor approved by the Independent Regulatory Board of Auditors.

14. General preconditions for consideration of written quotations or bids

(1) A written quotation or bid may not be considered unless registered in the Makana Municipal database before Makana Municipality registered on Centralised Supplier Database (CSD), after Makana Municipality registered on CSD, we only consider bids registered on Centralised Supplier Database -

(a) has furnished his / her -

- (i)** full name or names including trading name;
- (ii)** identification number or company or other registration number;
- (iii)** tax reference number and VAT registration number, if any;

(b) In the case of formal written quotations, that is transactions exceeding R 10 000.00 to R200 000.00 including VAT:

(i) a valid original Tax Clearance Certificate or valid Tax Status report issued with the Pin must accompany the bid documents unless the bidder is registered on the Accredited Supplier Database of the Municipality or on the Centralised Supplier Database and the Municipality has a valid original Tax Clearance Certificate or Tax Status report issued with the PIN on record or on CSD(Centralised Supplier Database). The onus is on the service provider / bidder to ensure that the Municipality has a valid original Tax Clearance Certificate or Tax Status report with PIN Issued on record. If the South African revenue Services (SARS) cannot provide a valid original Tax Clearance Certificate; the bidder must submit a letter from SARS on a original SARS letterhead that their matters are in order.

(d) has provided the municipality with a "Certificate of Independent Bid Determination" on Form MBD 9 or a similar form;

(e) has provided a certificate issued by the municipality or any other municipality to which he may be indebted to the effect that he and, in the event of the bidder being a company, also any of its directors, is not indebted to the municipality or to any other municipality or municipal entity for rates, taxes and/or municipal service charges which are in arrear for a period of more than three months and that no dispute exists between such bidder and municipality or municipal entity concerned in respect of any such arrear amounts;

(f) has submitted an affidavit certifying -

(i) that he is not in the service of the state or has been in the service of the state in the previous twelve months;

(ii) that, in the event of the bidder not being a natural person, none of its directors, managers, principal shareholders or stakeholders are in the service of the state nor have they been in the service of the state in the previous twelve months;

(iii) that neither his spouse, child or parent nor a director, manager, shareholder or stakeholder referred to in subparagraph (ii) is in the service of the state or has been in the service of the state in the previous twelve months;

(iv) that he is not an advisor or consultant contracted by the municipality to advise it on the procurement under consideration;

(2) This paragraph must be read in conjunction with paragraph 22 of this policy

15. Lists of accredited prospective providers

(1) The accounting officer must -

(a) keep a list of accredited prospective providers of goods and services that must be used for procurements through written or verbal quotations and formal written price quotations; and

(b) at least once a year through newspapers commonly circulating locally, the municipal website and any other appropriate ways, invite prospective providers of goods or services to apply for evaluation and listing as accredited prospective providers;

(c) specify the listing criteria for accredited prospective providers; and

(d) disallow the listing of any prospective provider whose name appears on the National

Treasury's database as a person prohibited from doing business with the public sector.

(3) The aforesaid list must be updated at least quarterly to include any additional prospective providers and any new commodities or types of services. Prospective providers must be allowed to submit applications for listing at any time.

(4) As in terms of Paragraph 47, no award may be given to a person who is in the service of the State, it is expected of all prospective bidders to declare their interest in the application form for listing on the Accredited Supplier Database.

(5) The aforesaid list must also be compiled per commodity and per type of service.

16. Petty cash purchases

(a) Petty cash purchases may only be made in accordance with the Petty Cash policy of the municipality.

(b) The accounting officer may delegate responsibility for the management of petty cash to an official directly or indirectly reporting to the chief financial officer.

(c) No item that is an approved stores item may be purchased by means of a petty cash transaction.

(d) No fixed asset regardless of value may be purchased through petty cash.

- (e)** The council must, from time to time, determine the maximum amount of the permissible petty cash expenditure per month;
- (f)** A weekly reconciliation report must be provided to the chief financial officer within five days of the end of each month by the official authorized to make petty cash purchases and such report shall contain particulars of each final award made by such official during that month, including:
 - (i)** the total amount of petty cash purchases for that month; and
 - (ii)** receipts and supporting documents for each purchase

17. Written price quotations

The conditions for the procurement of goods or services through written quotations are as follows:

- (a)** Quotations must be obtained from at least three different providers preferably from, but not limited to, providers whose names appear on the list of accredited prospective providers of the municipality or CSD, provided that if quotations are obtained from providers who are not so listed, such providers must meet the listing criteria determined by the accounting officer in terms of paragraph 15(1) (c) of this policy;
- (b)** To the extent feasible, providers must be requested to submit such quotations in writing;
- (c)** The designated officer must record the names of the potential providers requested to provide quotations with their quoted prices; and
- (d)** If a quotation was submitted verbally, the order may be placed only against written confirmation of the price and conditions of supply from the selected provider within the period stipulated in the invitation to submit quotations

18. Formal written price quotations – R 2001 to R 30 000.00

The conditions for the procurement of goods or services through formal written price quotations are as follows:

- (a)** Quotations must be obtained in writing from at least three different providers whose names appear on the list of accredited prospective providers on Centralised Supplier Database (CSD) and of the municipality;
- (b)** The conditions for the procurement of goods or services through formal written price quotations are as follows:
 - (a)** Quotations must be obtained in writing from at least three different providers whose names appear on the list of accredited prospective providers on Centralised Supplier Database (CSD) and of the municipality;

(b) In the event of it not being possible to obtain quotations from at least three different providers whose names appear on the list of accredited prospective providers of the municipality, quotations may be obtained from providers who are not so listed, provided that such providers meet the listing criteria determined by the accounting officer in terms of paragraph 15(1)(c) of this policy and, provided further, that the reasons for obtaining such quotations from the providers concerned must be recorded on the invitation to submit quotations and can be approved by the Chief Financial Officer.

(c) If it's not possible to obtain three quotation regulation 17(c) states "that if it is not possible to obtain at least three quotations , the reasons must be recorded and approved by the Chief financial officer or an official designated by the Chief Financial Officer". The Supply Chain Manager must request in writing stating the reasons why CFO should approve the quotation without three minimum quotations being obtained.

19. Procedures for procuring goods or services through written quotations and formal written price quotations – R 30 000 to R 200 000.00

The procedure for the procurement of goods or services through written quotations or formal written price quotations is as follows:

(a) When using the list of accredited prospective providers, the accounting officer must promote on going competition amongst providers by inviting providers to submit quotations on a rotation basis;

(b) Requirements for quotations above R 10 000 and up to R 30 000 may be procured by inviting written quotations from as many as possible providers on the prospective provider list.

(c) Where no suitable providers are available from the list, quotations may be obtained from other possible providers not on the list.

(d) Requirements for quotations above R 30 000 and up to R 200 000 must be advertised for at least 7 days on the website and an official notice board of the Municipality , these will be advertised on shopping malls and government departments as well so to encourage local SMME's to submit their bids and deposited in the bid box specified by the specified time on the due date accompanied by a valid tax clearance certificate issued by SARS.

(e) The AO must record the names of the potential providers and their written quotations

(f) The Municipality must apply the prescripts of the PPPFA for procurement above R10 000.

- (g)** Offers received must be evaluated on a comparative basis taking into account unconditional discounts;
- (h)** Offers below R10 000 (all taxes included) must be awarded based on compliance with specifications, conditions of contract, ability, capacity and capability to deliver the required goods and/or services and lowest price; provided that the accounting officer may direct, in appropriate cases, that the applicable provisions of the Preferential Procurement Regulations be applied in respect of the calculation of preference points for price;
- (i)** Offers above R10 000 (all applicable taxes included) must be awarded based on compliance with specifications, conditions of contract, ability, capacity and capability to deliver the required goods and/or services and lowest price provided that the accounting officer may direct, in appropriate cases, that the applicable provisions of the Preferential Procurement Regulations be applied in respect of the calculation of preference points for price;
- (j)** Prior to the award of a contract with a price in excess of R10 000, the designated official must verify the status of recommended bidders (including their directors(s), owners(s) or trustee(s) by checking the Data Base of Restricted Suppliers maintained by National Treasury in order to ensure that no recommended bidder or any of its directors/owners/trustees are listed as companies or persons prohibited from doing business with the public sector;
- (k)** A call for quotations in terms of the preceding paragraphs must be in writing and contain a specification for the goods and/or services to be procured as well as details of the preference points system to be used in adjudicating quotations
- (l) For a request for Quotation (RFQ) that is formal quotation more than R30 000 and less than R200 000, the Bid Specification Committee shall evaluate the specification submitted by the User Department or project manager.
- (J) The Bid Specification shall only consist of the Bid Specification Chairperson, SCM Manager, Project Manager and Bid Specification Secretary. All Four members do not need to be present but as long as the quorum is met that 50% plus 1 which is three members
- (k) At the evaluation stage, the RFQ must be evaluated at least by the Bid Evaluation Committee Chairperson, SCM Manager, Bid Evaluation Secretary and the Project manager. All Four members do not need to be present but as long as the quorum is met

that 50% plus 1 which is three members. The RFQ Bid Evaluation committee will then recommend the quotation to the CFO for approval to award.

(l) The Chief Financial Officer will then approves the recommendation on RFQ and MM will award. A letter of appointment will be sent to the winning bidder and regret letters will be sent to unsuccessful bidders.

(m) Supply Chain Management may at any given time request user departments to assist with the evaluation of the quotations and the results of such evaluation shall be submitted to the Supply Chain Manager for approval;

(m) The designated official must, in writing, notify the chief financial officer within 3 days after the end of each month of all written, verbal and formal written price quotations accepted or approvals given in terms of this paragraph;

(n) In the event that responses are not obtained from the advertisement due to non-responsive quotations, the reasons must be recorded and approved by the CFO or an employee designated by him or her. The Supply Chain manager shall write an internal Memorandum requesting CFO to approve the bid where three quotations could not be obtained stating the reasons.

(o) In the event that quotations have been invited for a service or product via the notice boards and website of the Municipality, additional quotations need to be obtained should the number of responses be less than 3 (three) this means invitation should be sent at least twice to proof sufficient coverage of scope and no prejudice of any supplier what so ever. Where three (3) quotations could not be obtained from the re-advertisement, the Supply Chain Manager must request CFO in writing to approve the bid after its evaluation where three quotations could not be obtained as per regulation17(c).

(p) The chief financial officer must ensure that adequate systems are in place to meet the requirements for proper record keeping;

(q) The bid contract must be awarded to the bidder who scored the highest points in accordance with the stipulated preference points system

20. Quotation Prices

All quotations prices shall be deemed to be fixed (not subject to contract price adjustments) unless otherwise stated in the quotation

21. Nonresponsive quotations

- Quotations that are non-responsive (i.e. technically unacceptable) will be disqualified
- Quotations that do not respond to any of the technical requirements of the scope of work or do not meet any of the technical specifications outlined in the enquiry document.

22. Exemption from obtaining three (3) quotations

The following procurement of goods, services or works shall be exempted from obtaining three (3) quotations, irrespective of the monetary value and the inclusion of service providers of service providers on the supply chain management accredited list of service providers. For all this exemptions the accounting officer authorizes the sourcing of 1 (one) quotation based on the following reasons:.

1. Newspaper adverts – Sole supplier
2. Stamp and postage –Sole supplier
3. Annual subscriptions and membership –Sole supplier
4. Annual registration / licence fees –Impractical to follow SCM process
5. Registration and licencing –Impractical to follow SCM process
6. General repairs and maintenance of agent products –Sole Supplier
7. Medical products and services –Impractical to follow SCM process/Sole supplier
8. Repairs for certificate of roadworthy- Impractical to follow SCM process/Sole supplier
9. Newspapers for municipal libraries and other municipal offices –Sole Supplier
10. Strip and quote –Impractical to follow SCM process
11. The acquisition of food for municipal official attending to an emergency as stipulated in the Municipality's overtime Policy.-Impractical to follow SCM process/Emergency

23. Competitive bidding process

(1) Subject to paragraph 11 (2) of this policy, goods, services or works above a transaction value of R200 000 (VAT included) and long term contracts may only be procured through a competitive bidding process.

(2) Subject to subparagraph (3), no requirement for goods or services above an estimated transaction value of R200 000 (VAT included) may deliberately be split into

parts or items of lesser value merely for the sake of procuring the goods or services otherwise than through a competitive bidding process.

(3) The accounting officer may split unduly large quantities of work into smaller contracts (units) to promote manageability and provide opportunities for emerging entrepreneurs. This procedure may only be followed when technically, logistically and financially feasible.

(4) A senior manager responsible for a vote must submit the under-mentioned information to the chief financial officer prior to the publication of any public invitation of bids in respect of procurements estimated to exceed R10m (all taxes included):

(i) proof that budgetary provision exists for the procurement concerned;

(ii) details of any ancillary budgetary implications related to the bid concerned;

(iii) details of any multi-year budgetary implications associated with a project which will be undertaken over a period of more than one year as well as details of the anticipated expenditure per financial year.

(5) A procurement referred to in subparagraph (4) may only be advertised for competitive bids after the chief financial officer has verified in writing that budgetary provision exists to enable the relevant project to commence.

(5) Procurement requirements referred to in subparagraph (4) may not be deliberately split into parts or items of lesser value merely to avoid the information being.

24. Process for competitive bidding

The procedures for the following stages of a competitive bidding process are as follows:

(a) Compilation of bidding documentation as detailed in paragraph 25

(b) Public invitation of bids as detailed in paragraph 26

(c) Site meetings or briefing sessions as detailed in paragraph 26

(d) Handling of bids submitted in response to public invitation

(e) Evaluation of bids as detailed as detailed in paragraph 41

(f) Award of contracts as detailed as detailed in paragraph 42

(g) Administration of contracts - after the award of a bid, the accounting officer and the bidder must enter into a written agreement.

(h) Proper record keeping;

(i) Original/legal copies of written contracts agreements should be kept in a secure place for reference and audit purposes.

25. Bid documentation for competitive bids

Bid documentation for a competitive bidding process must, in addition to compliance with the requirements listed in paragraph 14, comply with the following requirements:

(a) Take into account -

(i) the general conditions of contract and any special conditions of contract, if specified;

(ii) any Treasury guidelines on bid documentation;

(iii) the requirements of the Construction Industry Development Board (CIDB), in the case of a bid relating to construction works;

(iv) relevant B-BBEE verification and certification requirements;

(v) relevant local content or production requirements

(b) Include the preference points system to be used in adjudicating bids, namely 80/20 or

90/10 as prescribed in the Preferential Procurement Regulations; from the 1st of April 2017 or date announced by Treasury for the implementation of New PPPFF for the municipalities which states that the 80/20 will be applicable to all tenders above R10 million and 30% to be local content.

(c) Compel bidders to declare, by means of an affidavit, any conflict of interest they may have in the transaction for which the bid is submitted;

(d) If the value of the transaction is expected to exceed R5 million (VAT included), require bidders to furnish -

(i) if the bidder is required by law to prepare annual financial statements for auditing, his audited annual financial statements -

(a) for the past three years; or

(b) since establishment, if established during the past three years;

(ii) a certificate signed by the bidder certifying that he has no undisputed commitments for municipal services towards a municipality or other service provider in respect of which payment is overdue for more than 30 days;

(iii) particulars of any contracts awarded to the bidder by an organ of state during the past five years, including particulars of any material non-compliance or dispute concerning the execution of such contracts;

(iv) a statement indicating whether or not any portion of the goods or services required by the municipality are expected to be sourced from outside the Republic, and, if so, what portion and also whether or not any portion of the payment to be made by the municipality is expected to be transferred out of the Republic; and

(e) Stipulate that disputes must be settled by means of mutual consultation, mediation (with or without legal representation), or, when unsuccessful, in a South African court of law.

(f) Joint Ventures must submit the following documents in order to qualify as a Bidders for Joint Ventures:-

- Legal Agreement
- BBBEE Certificate with the name of JV
- Original Tax Clearance Certificate in the name of the JV or Tax status report with PIN Issued
- Company Composition Certificate in the name of the JV

26. Public invitation for competitive bids

(1) The procedure for the invitation of competitive bids is as follows:

(a) any invitation to prospective providers to submit bids must be by means of a public advertisement in newspapers commonly circulating locally, the website of the municipality and in any other appropriate manner (which may include an advertisement in the Government Tender Bulletin); and

(b) the information contained in such public advertisement, must include -

(i) subject to subparagraph 2, the closure date for the submission of bids, which may not be less than 30 days in the case of transactions over R10 million (VAT included) or which are of a long term nature or 14 days in any other case, reckoned from the date on which the advertisement is first placed in the aforesaid newspapers;

(ii) a statement that bids may only be submitted on the bid documentation provided by the municipality; and

(iii) the date, time and venue of any compulsory site meeting or briefing session;

(iv) a statement to the effect that a bid from a prospective bidder who did not attend a prescribed compulsory site meeting or briefing session referred to in subparagraph (iii) will not be considered.

(2) The accounting officer may determine a closure date for the submission of bids which is less than the 30 or 14 working days requirement, but only if such shorter period can be justified on the grounds of urgency or emergency or in any exceptional case where it is impractical or impossible to follow the official procurement process and such fact shall, for auditing purposes, be recorded in the authority to invite bids.

(3) Bids submitted must be sealed and marked in a manner stipulated in the invitation to bid.

(4) Where the municipality invites expressions of interest or bids for construction works with a value in excess of R30 000, it must publish such invitations on the website of the CIDB.

(6) The municipality must also comply with the applicable provisions of the Standard for Uniformity in Construction Procurement contained in Board Notice No. 86 of 2010 issued by the Construction Industry Development Board insofar as such provisions relate to the invitation of bids.

(7) Unless otherwise indicated in the bid documents, the Municipality shall not be liable for any expenses incurred in the preparation and submission of a bid.

27. Issuing of bid documentation

(i) Bid documents and any subsequent notices shall only be issued by the SCM department.

(ii) A non-refundable bid charge, as required in the bid notice, may be raised by the municipality for the bid documents.

(iii) Details of all prospective bidders who have been issued with bid documents shall be recorded by the SCM department. Such details shall include:

(a) The legal and full name of the person/company/close corporation/ firm drawing the documents:

(b) A contact person;

(c) A contact telephone number

(d) A contact fax number

(e) A postal address

(f) A physical address

(g) An e-mail address (if possible)

(iv) Details recorded as required above shall remain confidential for the duration of the bid period.

28. Validity periods

(a) The period for which bids are to remain valid and binding shall be indicated in the bid documents. The period is calculated from the closing time and bids shall remain in force and binding until the end of the final day of the period.

(b) The period of validity may be extended by mutual consent in writing between the Municipality and the bidder, provided that the original validity period has not expired, and that all bidders shall have an opportunity to extend such period.

(c) In the event that the events that the municipality failed to extend the bid validity period before its expiry date, such extension may be requested and granted by the municipal Manager.

(d) If, in exceptional circumstances, it becomes necessary to extend the bid period, a notice shall be published in the press at least one week prior to the original bid closing date. This notice shall also be posted on the notice boards at municipal offices and a notice to all bidders of bids received at that stage to this effect shall be issued.

(e) In the event that validity period is not indicated in the bid document the validity period shall remain 120 days AS PER INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS WHEN FUNDING IS FROM OUTSIDE RSA BUT ACCORDING TO RSA STANDARDS VALIDITY PERIOD WILL BE 90 DAYS..

29. Increase in scope of work

The municipality has the right to increase the original scope of work by extending or modifying such scope of work after the conclusion of a contract without re-tendering, if:

(a) Due to unforeseen circumstances, additional work becomes necessary in order to complete the project based on the original objective set out in the original bid document. The revised amount shall not exceed 15% of the original contract amount on goods and services whilst it will be 20% on infrastructure/construction contract projects..

(b) Bid / contract scope of work shall only be recommended by the Bid Evaluation Committee for approval by the Bid Adjudication Committee provided that such bid / contract was initially considered by these committees.

30. Samples

(a) When samples are called for in the bid documents, samples (marked with the bid and item number as well as the bidder's name and address) shall be delivered to the address mentioned in the bid documents by no later than the closing time and date of the bid.

(b) If samples are not submitted as requested, the bid concerned may be declared non responsive.

(c) Samples shall be supplied by a bidder at his own expense and risk. The Municipality shall not be obliged to pay for such samples or compensate for the loss thereof, unless otherwise specified in the bid documents, and shall reserve the right not to return such samples and dispose of them at its own discretion.

(d) Where a bid is accepted for the supply of goods according to a sample submitted by the bidder, such sample shall become the contract sample. All goods / materials supplied shall comply in all respects to the contract sample.

(e) In the event that the service provider is unable to provide the goods/materials as per the contract sample, then the service provider must provide reasons and evidence to substantiate the difference, and the contract price shall be re-negotiated. The continued procurement shall be at the sole discretion of the Municipality.

(f) ALL TERMS OF REFERENCE AND ADVERTISEMENTS MUST BE APPROVED BY THE A/O OR HIS/HER DELEGATE PRIOR GOING OUT TO BIDDERS AND PUBLIC.

31. Procedure for handling, opening and recording of bids

The procedures for the handling, opening and recording of bids, are as follows:

(a) Bids -

(i) must be opened only in public;

(ii) must be opened at the same time and as soon as possible after the published closing time or period for the submission of bids; and

(iii) received after the published closing time or period should not be considered and be immediately returned to the bidder, unopened;

(iv) Bids or Request for Quotations (RFQ's) which arrive after the specified closing time or which arrive after the specified closing time or which are deposited at an incorrect tender box will be regarded as late or inadmissible Bids and will not be considered.

(b) Any bidder or member of the public has the right to request that the names of the bidders who submitted bids before the closing time or period be read out and, if practical, also each bidder's total bidding price;

(a) As soon as a bid has been opened, the bid document shall be stamped with the official stamps, and where necessary, endorsed with the opening employee's signature.

(c) No information, except the information referred to in subparagraph (b), relating to a bid should be disclosed to bidders or other persons until the successful bidder is notified of the award of the relevant bid; and

(d) The designated official opening received bids must -

(i) record in a register to be provided for this purposes, all bids received before the closing time or period for the submission of same and such register shall contain as least the following information in addition to such information as may be prescribed in terms of section 75 of the Act:

(a) the reference number of the bid concerned;

(b) the description of the relevant goods, services or works project to be procured;

(c) the names of all bidders;

(d) the B-BBEE status level of contribution of all bidders, where applicable;

(e) the local content percentages of the goods offered, where applicable;

and

(f) where practical, the total price submitted by all bidders that submitted bids in relation to the relevant bid invitation;

(ii) make the aforesaid register available for public inspection during the normal office hours of the municipality; and

(iii) publish the entries in the aforesaid register on the website of the municipality within ten (10) working days from the date referred to in subparagraph (i) and ensure that such entries remain on the website for a period of at least thirty (30) days from date of publication.

32. Invalid bids

(a) Bids shall be considered as invalid and shall be endorsed and recorded as such (in the bid opening register) by the responsible employee who opened the bid, in the following instances;

(i) Where the bid document has not been signed

(ii) Where the bid form is signed, but the name of the bidder is not stated, or is Impossible to read;

(iii) Where an original and valid tax clearance certificate is not submitted with the bid document on the closing date and time of the bid unless service provider has previously submitted a valid tax clearance certificate for the current year and section 29(5)(a)(i) of the Municipal Supply Regulations 2005 and section 14 of Preference Procurement Regulations 2011 have been taken into consideration.

(iv) Where a copy of the company registration certificate is not submitted with the bid on the closing date and time of the bid. (except for sole traders and partnerships)

(v) Where there is no proof that municipal rates and taxes are not in arrears;

(vi) Where there is no proof that the bidder is leasing / sub – leasing a property and the lease / sub – lease agreement is not submitted with the bid document on the closing date and time of the bid

(vii) Where original certified Identities of all the directors is not submitted with the bid on the closing time and date of the bid

33. Negotiations with preferred bidders

(1) The accounting officer may negotiate the final terms of a contract with bidders identified through a competitive bidding process as preferred bidders, provided that such negotiation -

(a) does not allow any preferred bidder a second or unfair opportunity;

(b) is not to the detriment of any other bidder; and

(c) does not lead to a higher price than the bid as submitted; and

(d) will not be contrary to any legal requirement or amount to a prohibited practice.

(e) when procuring goods and services from a single or sole provide.

(2) Minutes of such negotiations must be kept for record and audit purposes.

34. Request for withdrawal of a Bid

Where a bidder requests in writing, after the closing of bids prior to the evaluation and adjudication process, that the bid be withdrawn, then such a request may be granted by the Municipal Manager if it is in the best interest of the Municipality.

35. Annual Bids

(a) Where different selections of items are required from the same bid and it is not possible or practical to split the orders, then the adjudication process will have to be carried out in respect of each application. Individual orders will then be placed (or contracts awarded) on the basis of the highest total adjudication points received per allocation.

(b) Where the selected service provider in terms of the bid adjudication process followed, is unable to provide the required goods, services or construction works at the required time and confirms as such in writing, then the bidder with the next highest adjudication points may be selected.

36. Two-stage bidding process

(1) A two-stage bidding process is permissible for -

(a) large complex projects;

(b) projects where it may be undesirable to prepare complete detailed technical specifications; or

(c) long term projects with a duration period exceeding three years.

(2) In the first stage, technical proposals on conceptual design or performance specifications should be invited, subject to technical as well as commercial clarifications and adjustments.

(3) In the second stage, final technical proposals and priced bids should be invited

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1. Subject to prior approval by the AO or delegated authority, the Municipality may engage in procurement by means of two-stage bidding, or request for proposals, in the following circumstances:

2. If it is not feasible for the Municipality to formulate detailed specifications for the goods or construction or, in the case of services, to identify their characteristics and, in order to obtain the most satisfactory solution to its procurement needs.

3. If it seeks bids, proposals or offers as to various possible means of meeting its needs.

4. When the Municipality seeks to enter into a contract for the purpose of research or study.

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1. Normally the invitation to bid for major contracts is preceded by a detailed design and engineering of the goods, services and works to be provided, including the preparation of technical specifications and other bidding documents. However, in the case of turnkey contracts or contracts for large complex plants or works of a special nature, it may be undesirable or impractical to prepare complete technical specifications in advance. In such a case, a two-stage bidding procedure may be used, under which first un-priced technical proposals on the basis of a conceptual design or performance specifications are invited, subject to technical as well as commercial clarifications and adjustments, to be followed by amended bidding documents and the submission of final technical proposals and priced bids in the second stage.

2. These procedures are also appropriate in the procurement of equipment, which is subject to rapid technological advances, such as major computer and communications systems.

3. The method of evaluation, including the allocation of points, must be clearly specified in the bidding documents.

4. Further directives in this regard may be issued by the relevant Treasury or the SCM Unit.

5. Evaluation of Two- stage bidding:

First functionality must be assessed and then in accordance with the Preference Points System prescribed in Preferential Procurement Regulations.

(1) First stage evaluation of functionality:

1. Evaluate bids in terms of the evaluation criteria embodied in the bid documents. Amendment of evaluation criteria, weights, applicable values and/or the minimum qualifying score for functionality after the closure of bids is not allowed as this may jeopardize the fairness of the process.

2. Consider a bid if it achieves the prescribed minimum qualifying score for functionality

3. Bids that fail to achieve the minimum qualifying score for functionality must be disqualified.

4. Score sheets should be prepared and provided to panel members to evaluate the bids.

5. The score sheet should contain all the criteria and the weight for each criteria as well as the values to be applied for evaluation as indicated in the bid documents.

6. Each panel member should after thorough evaluation independently his/her own value to each individual criteria.

7. Score sheets should be signed by panel member as if necessary, written motivation may be requested by panel members were vast discrepancies in the values awarded for each criterion exists

8. If the minimum qualifying score for functionality is indicated as a percentage in bid documents, the percentage scored for functionality may be calculated as follows:

- Value awarded for each criterion should be multiplied by the weight for the relevant criterion to obtain the score for the various criteria;
- The score for each criterion should be added to obtain the total score; and
- The following formula should be used to convert the total score to percentage for functionality:

where

PS = percentage scored for functionality by bid under consideration

SO = total score of bid under considerations

MS = Maximum possible score

9. Percentage of each panel member should be added and divided by the number of panel members to establish the average percentage obtain by each bidder for functionality.

(2) Second stage: Evaluation in terms of the 80/20 or 90/10 preference points system

1. Only bids that achieve the minimum qualifying score/ percentage for functionality must be evaluated further in accordance with the 80/20 or 90/10 preference points systems prescribed in preferential procurement regulations.

37. Committee system for competitive bids

(1) The accounting officer shall establish a procurement committee system for competitive bids consisting of at least the following committees:

- (a) a bid specification committee;
- (b) a bid evaluation committee; and
- (c) a bid adjudication committee;

(2) The accounting officer shall, in writing, appoint the members of each committee in respect of each competitive bid invitation, taking into account the provisions of section

117 of the Act in terms of which no councillor may be a member of any such committee nor attend any of its meetings as an observer.

(3) A neutral or independent observer, appointed by the accounting officer, may attend or oversee a committee when this is appropriate for ensuring fairness and promoting transparency.

(4) The committee system must be consistent with -

(a) paragraphs 28, 32 and 33 of this policy; and

(b) any other applicable legislation.

(5) The accounting officer may, in appropriate cases and in his sole discretion, apply the committee system to formal written price quotations.

(6) The following persons shall not be eligible to become members of a bid committee –

(a) A councillor of any municipality; and

(b) A member of the Municipality's audit committee or performance audit committee

(c) No councillor of any municipality may attend a meeting of a bid committee in any capacity, nor may a councillor make a presentation or representations to or conduct an interview with a bid committee in any capacity.

(d) A majority of the members of Bid committee must be present before the committee concerned may consider any matters and the quorum must be (50+1).

38. Bid specification committees

(1) A bid specification committee must compile the specifications or, where applicable, the terms of reference for the procurement of goods, services or works by the municipality.

(2) A bid specification committee must be composed of one or more officials of the municipality preferably the line manager responsible for the function concerned and may, when appropriate, include external specialist advisors.

(3) No person, advisor or corporate entity involved with the bid specification committee or director of such a corporate entity may bid for any resulting contracts.

(4) Where a bid specification or terms of reference are compiled with due regard to the findings and recommendations contained in a prior, associated feasibility study, the person, advisor or corporate entity who or which prepared the said

feasibility study may be prohibited from bidding for the resulting contracts in circumstances where such person, advisor or corporate entity may or is likely to obtain an unfair advantage or where a conflict of interest may arise.

(5) A specification or terms of reference referred to in this paragraph must be approved

by the accounting officer in writing prior to publication of the invitation for bids in terms of paragraph 23.

39. Bid Specifications or Terms of Reference

39.1 General Requirements

Bid Specifications or terms of reference, as the case may be –

(a) must be drafted in an unbiased manner to allow all potential suppliers to offer their goods or services to the municipality;

(b) must take account of any accepted standards such as those issued by Standards South Africa, the International Standards Organization or an authority accredited or recognized by the South African National Accreditation System with which the equipment or material or workmanship should comply;

(c) must, where possible, be described in terms of performance required rather than in terms of descriptive characteristics for design;

(d) may not create trade barriers in contract requirements in the forms of specifications, plans, drawings, designs, testing and test methods, packaging, marking or labelling of conformity certification;

(e) may not make reference to any particular trade mark, name, patent, design, type, specific origin or producer unless there is no other sufficiently precise or intelligible way of describing the characteristics of the work, in which case such reference must be accompanied by the word “equivalent”;

39.2 Functionality

Where functionality is utilized as an evaluation criterion, bid specifications or terms of reference, as the case may be, must clearly specify:

the evaluation criteria for measuring functionality which criteria must be objective, the weight of each criterion, the applicable values and the minimum qualifying score for functionality; and Makana Municipality Supply Chain Management Policy

(ii) the fact that no bid will be regarded as an acceptable bid if it or the relevant bidder fails to achieve the minimum qualifying score for functionality as indicated in the bid specification or terms of reference concerned; and

(ii) that bids or bidders that have achieved the minimum qualification score for functionality will be evaluated further in terms of the preference point systems referred to in subparagraphs 29.3 and 29.4 below.

39.3 80/20 Preference Points System

(3.1) Where applicable, bid documentation must include the following preference points evaluation system for the procurement of goods, services or works up to a Rand value of R1 000 000 (all applicable taxes included):

(i) the following formula will be used to calculate the points for price in respect of bids (including price quotations) with a Rand value equal to, or above R 10 000 and up to a Rand value of R1 000 000 (all applicable taxes included):

$P_s = 80 \frac{P_t - P_{min}}{P_{min}}$

P_t – Price of bid or offer under consideration;

P_{min} – Price of lowest acceptable bid or offer.

Where:

P_s = Points scored for comparative price of bid or offer under consideration;

P_t = Comparative price of bid or offer under consideration; and

P_{min} = Comparative price of lowest acceptable bid or offer.

B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor	Number of Points
1	20
2	18
3	16

4	12
5	8
6	6
7	4
8	2
Non-compliant contributor	0

Or,

In respect of Exempted Micro Enterprises (EME's)

Black Ownership of EME	Deemed B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor	Number of Preference Points
More than 50%	3	16
Less than 50%	4	12

(iii) a maximum of 20 points may be allocated under subparagraph (ii);

(iv) the points scored by a bidder in respect of B-BBEE contribution contemplated in subparagraph (ii) must be added to the points scored for price as calculated in accordance with subparagraph (i);

(3.2) The B-BBEE status level attained by a bidder must be used to determine the number of points contemplated in subparagraph 3.1 (ii) above.

(3.3) Bid documentation must also must provide that, in the event of all bids received exceeding the estimated Rand value of R1 000 000, the bid invitation will be cancelled, provided that if one or more of the acceptable bids received are within the aforesaid threshold of R1 000 000, all bids received will be evaluated in accordance with this preference point system

39.4 90/10 Preference Points System

(4.1) Where applicable, bid documentation must include the following preference points evaluation system for the procurement of goods, services or works with a Rand value above R1 000 000 (all applicable taxes included) from 1 April 2017 it will be applicable for a Rand value above R10 000 000:

(i) the following formula will be used to calculate the points for price in

respect of bids $1 - \frac{P_t - P_{min}}{P_t - P_{min}}$

with a Rand

value above R1

000 000 (all

applicable taxes

included): $P_s =$

90

P_{min}

P_{min} = Comparative price of lowest acceptable bid or offer.

(ii) subject to subparagraph (iii), points must be awarded to a bidder for attaining the B-BBEE status level of contributor in accordance with the following tables:

B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor	Number of Points
1	10
2	9
3	8
4	5
5	4
6	3
7	2
8	1
Non-compliant contributor	0

Or

In respect of Exempted Micro Enterprises (EME's)

Black Ownership of EME	Deemed B-BBEE Status Level of Contributor	Number of Preference Points
More than 50%	3	8
Less than 50%	4	5

(iii) a maximum of 10 points may be allocated under subparagraph (ii) above.

(iv) the points scored by a bidder in respect of the level of B-BBEE contribution contemplated in subparagraph (ii) must be added to the points scored for price as calculated in accordance with subparagraph (i);

(4.2) The B-BBEE status level attained by a bidder must be used to determine the number of points contemplated in subparagraph 4.1 (ii) above.

(4.3) Bid documentation must also provide that, in the event of all bids received being equal to, or below R1 000 000, the invitation to bid will be withdrawn and all bids received shall be regarded as having been cancelled provided that, if one or more of the acceptable bids received are above the prescribed threshold of R 1 000 000, all bids received will be evaluated in accordance with this preference point system.

39.5 Local Production

(5.1) Where, in the case of bids in designated sectors, local production and content is of critical importance, the relevant bid documentation must clearly state, as a bid condition, that only locally produced goods, services or works or locally manufactured goods, with a stipulated minimum threshold for local production and content, will be considered.

(5.2) The relevant bid documentation must also stipulate:

(a) that the exchange rate to be used for the calculation of local content or local production will be the exchange rate published by the South African Reserve Bank at 12:00 on the date, one week (7 calendar days) prior to the closing date of the invited bid;

(b) that only the South African Bureau of Standards X X 100

(SABS) approved technical specification number SATS 1286:201x will be used to calculate local content in

accordance with the following

formula: $LC = 1 - \frac{Y}{x}$

Y

Where

x imported content

y bid price excluding value added tax (VAT)

and that the prices referred to in the determination of x must be converted to Rand (ZAR) by using the exchange rate published by the

South African Reserve Bank at 12:00 on the date, one week (7 calendar days) prior to the closing date of the bid;

(c) that Form MBD 6.2 (Declaration Certificate for Local Content) issued by National Treasury, duly completed and signed, must form part of the bid documentation;

(d) that the municipality reserves the right to verify the accuracy of the rates of . quoted by the bidder in paragraph 4.1 of the aforesaid Certificate

(5.3) The accounting officer may decide to include in any bid documentation a specific bidding condition that only locally produced goods, services or works or locally manufactured goods with a stipulated minimum threshold for local production and content will be considered on condition that such prescript and threshold(s) are in accordance with the specific directives issued for this purpose by National Treasury in consultation with the Department of Trade and Industry and, in such event, the requirements stipulated in subparagraph 5.2 shall be inserted in the relevant bid documentation.

(5.4) Where necessary, bid documentation for bids referred to in subparagraph 5.1 may state that a two- stage bidding process will be followed, where the first stage will involve functionality and minimum threshold for local production and content and the second stage price and B-BBEE status with the possibility of price negotiations only with the short listed bidders with a view to effecting cost savings in circumstances where the tendered prices are obviously inflated or to ensure the award of the bid concerned within budgetary constraints provided that, where such negotiations take place, the principles contained in paragraph 25.1 of this policy shall be applied.

(5.5) Any bid specification issued in terms of this subparagraph must be capable of being measured and audited.

39.6 B-BBEE status level certificates and scorecards

Bid documentation must provide that:

(i) Those bidders who qualify as Exempted Micro Enterprises (EME's) in terms of the

Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment Act, must submit, together with their bid, a certificate to this effect issued by a registered auditor, accounting officer (as contemplated in section 60(4) of the Close Corporations Act, 1984 (Act No. 69 of 1984)) or an accredited verification agency provided that a certificate issued by an Accounting Officer of a closed corporation must be on his letterhead which should also contain his practice number and contact number clearly specified on the face of such certificate.

(ii) Bidders other than Exempted Micro-Enterprises (EME's) must submit, with their bid, their original and valid B-BBEE Status Level Verification Certificate complying at least with the provisions of subparagraphs (v) and (vi) below, or a certified copy thereof, in support of their B-BBEE rating.

(i) A trust, consortium or joint venture will qualify for points for its B-BBEE status level as a legal entity, provided it submits its B-BBEE Status Level Verification Certificate with its bid.

(iv) A trust, consortium or joint venture will qualify for points for its B-BBEE status level as an unincorporated entity, provided that it submits its consolidated B-BBEE scorecard as if were a group structure and, provided further, that such a consolidated B-BBEE scorecard is prepared for every separate bid.

(v) As a minimum requirement, all valid B-BBEE Status Level Verification Certificates should have the following information detailed on the face of the certificate:

The name and physical location of the measured entity;

The registration number and, where applicable, the VAT number of the measured entity;

The date of issue and date of expiry;

The certificate number for identification and reference purposes;

The scorecard that was used (for example EME, QSE or Generic);

The name and / or logo of the Verification Agency;

The SANAS logo

The signature of the authorized person from the Verification Agency concerned;

and

The B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution obtained by the measured entity.

(vi) The format and content of B-BBEE Status Level Verification Certificates issued by registered auditors approved by the Independent Regulatory Board of Auditors (IRBA) must -

Clearly identify the B-BBEE approved registered auditor by the auditor's individual registration number with IRBA and the auditor's logo;

Clearly record an approved B-BBEE Verification Certificate identification reference in the format required by SANAS;

Reflect relevant information regarding the identity and location of the measured entity;

Identify the Codes of Good Practice or relevant Sector Codes applied in the determination of the scores;

Record the weighting points (scores) attained by the measured entity for each scorecard element, where applicable, and the measured entity's overall B-BBEE Status Level of Contribution;

Reflect that the B-BBEE Verification Certificate and accompanying assurance report issued to the measured entity is valid for 12 months from the date of issuance;

Reflect both the issuance and expiry date of the Verification Certificate.

39.7 Additional Conditions

Bid documentation must include a reference to the following additional conditions, where applicable:

39.7.1 Sub-contracting

(a) A bidder will not be awarded points for B-BBEE status level if it is indicated in the bid documents that such a bidder intends sub-contracting more than 25% of the value of the contract to any other enterprise that does not qualify for at least the points that such a bidder qualifies for, unless the intended sub-contractor is an exempted micro enterprise that has the capability and ability to execute the sub-contract.

2. A bidder awarded a contract may not sub-contract more than 25% of the value of the contract to

any other enterprise that does not have an equal or higher B-BBEE status level than the bidder concerned, unless the contract is sub-contracted to an exempted micro enterprise that has the capability and ability to execute the sub- contract.

(c) A bidder awarded a contract in relation to a designated sector, may not sub-contract in such a manner that the local production and content of the overall value of the contract is reduced to below the stipulated minimum threshold.

39.8 Miscellaneous Special Conditions of Contract

Bid documentation must, inter alia, include the following conditions as Special Conditions of Contract:

39.8.1 General

- (a)** Only a bidder who has completed and signed the declaration part of a bid may be considered;
- (b)** When comparative prices must be calculated, any discounts which have been offered unconditionally will be taken into account;
- (c)** A discount which has been offered conditionally will, despite not being taken into account for evaluation purposes, be implemented when payment to a bidder in respect of an accepted bid is effected;
- (d)** Points scored in any applicable scoring system will be rounded off to the nearest 2 decimal places.
- (e) (i)** In the event that two or more bids score equal total points, the successful bid will be the one scoring the highest number of preference points for B- BBEE;
- (ii)** However, when functionality is part of the evaluation process and two or more bids have scored equal points including equal preference points for B-BBEE, the successful bid will be the one scoring the highest score for functionality.
- (ii)** Should two or more bids be equal in all respects, the award shall be decided by the drawing of lots.

39.8.2 Cancellation of a bid invitation

- (a)** The accounting officer may, prior to the award of a bid, by notice in the media in which the original bid was advertised, cancel such bid invitation if, due to changed circumstances, there is no longer a need for the goods, services or works requested or if funds are no longer available to cover the total envisaged expenditure or if no acceptable bids are received.

39.8.3 Declarations

- (a)** A bidder must -
 - (i)** declare that the information provided in any bid document is true and correct;
 - (ii)** declare that the signatory to a bid document is duly authorized; and
 - (iii)** undertake to submit documentary proof regarding any bidding issue when required to the satisfaction of the municipality.

39.8.4 Remedies

- (a)** In addition to the action contemplated in paragraph 41 of this policy which shall be read in conjunction with this subparagraph:

(i) The municipality will, upon detecting that the B-BBEE status level of contribution has been claimed or obtained by a bidder on a fraudulent basis or any of the conditions of a contract awarded to such bidder or person have not been fulfilled, act against such bidder or person.

(ii) The municipality may, in addition to any other remedy it may have against the person contemplated in subparagraph (i) above -

(a) disqualify the person concerned from participating in any future bidding process with the municipality;

(b) recover all costs, losses or damages it has incurred or suffered as a result of that person's conduct;

(c) cancel the relevant contract and claim any damages which it has suffered as a result of having to make less favourable arrangements due to such cancellation;

(iii) The municipality may restrict a bidder or contractor, its shareholders and directors or only the shareholders and directors, as the case may be, who acted on a fraudulent basis in connection with a bid, from obtaining business from the municipality for a period not exceeding 10 years, provided that, before exercising this right, the municipality shall give the persons or parties concerned an opportunity to make representations and be heard in defence of such contemplated action; and

(iv) The municipality may refer any fraudulent action on the part of a bidder or contractor or any party aforesaid to the South African Police Services with a view to criminal prosecution.

(b) Where a bidder or contractor is restricted in terms of subparagraph (h)(iii) above, the accounting officer shall forward the relevant details to National Treasury for inclusion in the Central Database of Restricted Suppliers.

39.9 Savings

(a) In terms of section 7 of the Preferential Procurement Regulations, a contract may be awarded to a bidder that did not score the highest number of points only in accordance with section 2 (1)(f) of the Preferential Procurement Policy Framework Act No. 5 of 2000.

(b) In the application of section 2 (1)(f) of the aforesaid Act, the accounting officer may, for justifiable reasons which must be substantiated, explicitly determine in any bid documentation that a bidder shall be required to attain a specific goal or goals other than and excluding the goals of contracting with historically disadvantaged persons and implementing Reconstruction and Development Programmes in order to qualify for the award of a contract.

40. Procurement from tertiary institutions

(a) Where the municipality is in need of a service provided by only tertiary institutions, such services must be procured through a bidding process with the identified tertiary institutions.

(b) Tertiary institutions referred to in subparagraph (a) will be required to submit their B-BBEE status in terms of the specialized scorecard contained in the B-BBEE Codes of Good Practice.

(c) Should the municipality require a service that can be provided by one or more tertiary institutions or public entities and enterprises from the private sector, the appointment of a contractor will be done by means of a bidding process.

(d) Public entities must be required to submit their B-BBEE status in terms of the specialized scorecard contained in the B-BBEE Codes of Good Practice.

(e) For purposes of this paragraph, a bidding process includes a written offer in a prescribed or stipulated form in response to an invitation by the municipality for the provision of services, through price quotations, advertised competitive bidding processes or proposals.

41. Re-invitation of bids

The accounting officer must re-invite bids cancelled in terms of paragraphs 29 (3.3) and 29 (4.3) and must, in the new bid documents, stipulate the correct preference point system to be applied.

42. Bid evaluation committees

(1) A bid evaluation committee must, as far as possible, be composed of-

- (a)** officials from departments requiring the goods, services or works; and
- (b)** at least one supply chain management practitioner of the municipality.

(2) A bid evaluation committee must -

(a) evaluate bids in accordance with the relevant bid specification or terms of reference, as the case may be, inclusive of unconditional discounts, sub- contracting and this policy; and

(b) evaluate each bidder's ability to execute the contract provided that, where bids are invited on the basis of functionality as a criterion, they must be evaluated in the following two stages:

(i) First stage - evaluation of functionality

(a) bids must be evaluated in terms of the evaluation criteria embodied in the bid specification or terms of reference, as the case may be. The amendment of evaluation

criteria, weights, applicable values and/or the minimum qualifying score for functionality after the closure of bids is not allowed as this may jeopardize the fairness of the process;

(b) a bid will be considered further if it achieves the prescribed minimum qualifying score for functionality;

(c) bids that fail to achieve the minimum qualifying score for functionality must be disqualified;

(d) score sheets should be prepared and provided to panel members to evaluate the bids;

(e) a score sheet should contain all the criteria and the weight for each criterion as well as the values to be applied for evaluation as indicated in the bid specification or terms of reference concerned;

(f) each panel member should, after thorough evaluation, independently award his own value to each individual criterion;

(g) score sheets should be signed by panel members and if necessary, a written motivation may be requested from panel members where vast discrepancies in the values awarded for each criterion exist -provided that if the minimum qualifying score for functionality is indicated as a percentage in the bid specification or terms of reference, as the case may be, the percentage scored for functionality may be calculated as follows:

(h) the value awarded for each criterion should be multiplied by the weight for the relevant criterion to obtain the score for the various criteria;

(i) the scores for each criterion should be added to obtain the total score; and

(j) the following formula should be used to convert the total score to percentage for functionality:

$$Ps = \frac{So}{Ms} \times 100$$

Ms

Where:

Ps = percentage scored for functionality by bid under consideration

So = total score of bid under consideration

Ms = maximum possible score

(k) the percentage of each panel member should be added and divided by the number of panel members to establish the average percentage obtained by each bidder for functionality.

(ii) Second stage - Evaluation in terms of the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point systems

Only bids that achieve the minimum qualifying score / percentage for functionality must be evaluated further in accordance with the bid specification or terms of reference for the bid concerned, as the case may be;

(c) evaluate bids based on a stipulated minimum threshold for local production and content as required in the relevant bid specification in the following two stages:

(i) First stage - Evaluation in terms of the stipulated minimum threshold for local production and content

(a) bids must be evaluated in terms of the evaluation criteria stipulated in the bid specification. The amendment of the stipulated minimum threshold for local production and content after the closure of bids is not allowed as this may jeopardize the fairness of the process;

(b) a bid must be disqualified if:

the bidder fails to achieve the stipulated minimum threshold for local production and content; and

the Declaration Certificate for Local Content (Form MBD 6.2) is not submitted as part of the bid;

(c) calculate the local content (LC) as a percentage of the bid price in accordance with the SABS approved technical specification number SATS 1286: 201x;

(d) verify the accuracy of the rates of exchange quoted by the bidder in paragraph 4.1 of the Declaration Certificate for Local Content (Form MBD 6.2);

(ii) Second stage - Evaluation in terms of the 80/20 or 90/10 preference point systems

(a) only bids that achieve the minimum stipulated threshold for local production and content must be evaluated further in accordance with the relevant preference point system referred to in the bid specification;

(b) where appropriate, prices may be negotiated only with short listed or preferred bidders. Such negotiations must, however, not prejudice any other bidders;

(d) check in respect of the recommended bidder whether or not such bidder's municipal rates and taxes and municipal service charges are not in arrears;

(e) verify the status of recommended bidders (including their directors(s), owners(s) or trustee(s)) by checking the Data Base of Restricted Suppliers maintained by National Treasury in order to ensure that no recommended bidder or any of its directors/owners/trustees are listed as companies or persons prohibited from doing business with the public sector;

(f) submit to the adjudication committee a report and recommendations regarding the award of the bid or any other related matter provided that:

(i) a contract must be awarded to the bidder who scored the highest total number of points in terms of the preference points systems referred to in paragraphs 29(3.3) and 29(4.3) as may be applicable; and

(ii) in exceptional circumstances and as provided in paragraph 29.9 of this policy, a contract may be awarded to a bidder that did not score the highest number of points provided that the reasons for such a recommendation must be recorded for audit purposes and be defensible in a court of law.

43. Bid adjudication committees

(1) A bid adjudication committee must consist of at least four senior managers of the municipality which must include -

(a) the chief financial officer or, if the chief financial officer is not available, another manager in the budget and treasury office reporting directly to the chief financial officer and designated by the chief financial officer; and

(b) at least one senior supply chain management practitioner who is an official of the municipality; and

(c) a technical expert in the relevant field who is an official of the municipality if the municipality has such an expert.

(2) The accounting officer must appoint the chairperson of the committee who shall preferably be the chief financial officer. If the chairperson is absent from a meeting, the members of the committee who are present must elect one of them to preside at the meeting and such election must be recorded in the minutes of the meeting concerned.

(3) Only with the consent of the accounting officer and upon request by the bid adjudication committee, a member of a bid specification, bid evaluation committee and/or an advisor or person assisting these committees may attend a meeting of a bid adjudication committee only for the purpose of providing clarity and an explanation of difficult technical aspects relating to the bid being adjudicated and without having any right to vote on the said bid being adjudicated.A

(4) A bid adjudication committee must -

(a) consider the report and recommendations of the bid evaluation committee submitted in terms of paragraph 32; and

(b) either -

- (i) depending on its delegations, make a final award or a recommendation to the accounting officer to make the final award; or
- (ii) make another recommendation to the accounting officer on how to proceed with the relevant procurement.
- (5) If the bid adjudication committee decides to award a bid other than the one recommended by the bid evaluation committee, the bid adjudication committee must, prior to awarding the bid

 - (a) check in respect of the preferred bidder whether that bidder's municipal rates and taxes and municipal service charges are not in arrears; and
 - (b) notify the accounting officer.
- (6) The accounting officer may -

 - (a) after due consideration of the reasons for the deviation, ratify or reject the decision of the bid adjudication committee referred to in subparagraph 5; and
 - (b) if the decision of the bid adjudication committee is rejected, refer the decision of the adjudication committee back to that committee for reconsideration.
- (7) The accounting officer may, at any stage of a bidding process, refer any recommendation made by the evaluation committee or the adjudication committee back to that committee for reconsideration of the recommendation.
- (8) If a bid other than the one recommended in the normal course of implementing this policy is approved, the accounting officer must, in writing and within 10 working days, notify the Auditor-General and the National and Provincial Treasuries of the reasons for deviating from such recommendation.
- (9) Subparagraph 8 does not apply if a different bid was approved in order to rectify an irregularity.
- (10) Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in this paragraph or any other provision in this policy:

 - (a) contracts above a value of R10m (all applicable taxes included) may only be awarded to the preferred bidder after the chief financial officer has verified in writing that budgetary provision exists for the procurement concerned and that it is consistent with the Integrated Development Plan of the municipality.
 - (b) during a competitive bidding and adjudication process or before the award of a contract, the accounting officer may, at his/her discretion, specifically request the internal audit function of the municipality or, when so required, an independent external audit service provider (including an organ of state)(TO BE EXCLUDED) to carry out audit procedures and provide an opinion on compliance of the bidding process with supply

chain management legislation applicable to the municipality. All bids above the threshold of R1 000 000 (90/10) must be approved by the Internal Audit Unit.

(11) The accounting officer shall cause details of all bids awarded through a competitive bidding process to be advertised on the website of the municipality and such notification shall include at least the following information:

- (a)** Contract numbers and description of goods, service or works projects procured;
- (b)** Names of the successful bidder(s) and the B-BBEE level of contribution claimed;
- (c)** The contract prices(s);
- (d)** Brand names and dates for completion of contracts.

44. Procurement of banking services

(1) A contract for banking services -

- (a)** must be procured through competitive bidding;
- (b)** must be consistent with section 7 of the MFMA or 85 of the Act; and
- (c)** may not be for a period of more than five years at a time.

(2) The process for procuring a contract for banking services must commence at least nine months before the end of an existing contract.

(3) The closure date for the submission of bids may not be less than 60 days from the date on which the advertisement is placed in a newspaper in terms of paragraph 23 (1).

(4) Bids must be restricted to banks registered in terms of the Banks Act, 1990 (Act No. 94 of 1990).

45. Procurement of IT related goods or services

(1) The accounting officer may request the State Information Technology Agency (SITA) to assist with the acquisition of IT related goods or services through a competitive bidding process.

(2) Both parties must enter into a written agreement to regulate the services rendered by, and the payments to be made to, SITA.

(3) The accounting officer must notify SITA together with a motivation of the IT needs if -

- (a)** the transaction value of IT related goods or services required in any financial year will exceed R50 million (VAT included); or
- (b)** the transaction value of a contract to be procured, whether for one or more years, exceeds R50 million (VAT included).

(4) If SITA comments on the submission and the municipality does not agree with such comments, the comments and the reasons for rejecting or not following such comments

must be submitted to the council, the National and Provincial Treasuries and the Auditor-General.

46. Procurement of goods and services under contracts secured by other organs of state

(1) The accounting officer may procure goods or services under a contract secured by another organ of state, but only if -

(a) the contract has been secured by that other organ of state by means of a competitive bidding process applicable to that organ of state;

(b) there is no reason to believe that such contract was not validly procured;

(c) there are demonstrable discounts or benefits to do so; and

(d) that other organ of state and the provider concerned have consented to such procurement in writing. Makana Municipality Supply Chain Management Policy

(2) Subparagraphs (1) (c) and (d) do not apply if -

(a) a municipal entity procures goods or services through a contract secured by its parent municipality; or

(b) a municipality procures goods or services through a contract secured by a municipal entity of which it is the parent municipality.

47. Procurement of goods necessitating special safety arrangements

(a) The acquisition and storage of goods in bulk (other than water), which necessitate special safety arrangements, including gasses and fuel, should be avoided where ever possible.

(b) Where the storage of goods in bulk is justified, such justification must be based on sound reasons, including the total cost of ownership, cost advantages and environmental impact and must be approved by the accounting officer.

48. Appointment of consultants

(1) The accounting officer may procure consulting services provided that any Treasury guidelines in respect of consulting services are taken into account when such procurements are made.

(2) Consultancy services must be procured through competitive bids if -

(a) the value of the contract exceeds R200 000 (VAT included); or

(b) the duration period of the contract exceeds one year.

(3) In addition to any requirements prescribed by this policy for competitive bids, bidders must furnish particulars of -

(a) all consultancy services provided to an organ of state in the last five years;
and

(b) any similar consultancy services provided to an organ of state in the last five years.

(4) The accounting officer must ensure that copyright in any document produced and the patent rights or ownership in any plant, machinery, thing, system or process designed or devised by a consultant in the course of the consultancy service is vested in the municipality.

49. Deviation from and ratification of minor breaches of procurement processes

(1) The accounting officer may -

(a) Dispense with the official procurement processes established by this policy and procure any required goods or services through any convenient process, which may include direct negotiations, but only -

(i) in an emergency;
(ii) if such goods or services are produced or available from a single or sole provider only in circumstances where such supplier:

(a) Manufactures or provides goods and services which satisfies the unique requirements of a procurement;

(b) the goods and services required are already in the municipality's value chain or employ and are only supplied by an Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) or by a licensed agent thereof provider further that a licensed agent must produce a certificate from the OEM concerned certifying that he is a licensed agent;

(c) there is a requirement for compatibility, continuity and alignment;

(iii) For the acquisition of special works of art or historical objects where specifications are difficult to compile;

(iv) Acquisition of animals for zoos and/or nature and game reserves; or

(v) In any other exceptional case where it is impractical or impossible to follow the official procurement processes; and

(b) Ratify any minor breaches of the procurement processes by an official or committee acting in terms of delegated powers or duties which are purely of a technical nature.

(2) The accounting officer must record the reasons for any deviations in terms of subparagraphs (1) (a) and (b) of this policy and report them to the next meeting of the council and also include such reasons as a note to the annual financial statements of the municipality.

(3) Subparagraph (2) does not apply to the procurement of goods and services contemplated in paragraph 11(2) of this policy.

(4) In case of emergencies, the following procedure should be followed;

(a) Written recommendations must be obtained within 3 (three) working days from SCM as well as the CFO;

(b) Final approval will be obtained from the Accounting Officer, before an order will be issued;

50. Unsolicited bids

(1) An unsolicited bid is a bid that is submitted by a prospective supplier to the municipality without any procurement requirement first having been identified and advertised. This situation arises when a supplier identifies an opportunity to render services or supply products not ordinarily required by the municipality.

(2) In accordance with section 113 of the Act, there is no obligation upon the municipality to consider unsolicited bids received outside a normal bidding process.

(3) The accounting officer may decide in terms of section 113(2) of the Act to consider an unsolicited bid but only if –

(a) the product or service offered in terms of the bid is a demonstrably or proven unique innovative concept;

(b) the product or service will be exceptionally beneficial to the municipality or have exceptional cost advantages;

(c) the person who made the bid is the sole provider of the product or service concerned; and

(d) the reasons for not going through the normal bidding processes are found to be sound by the accounting officer.

(4) If the accounting officer decides to consider an unsolicited bid that complies with subparagraph (3), his decision must be made public in accordance with section 21A of the Municipal Systems Act, together with -

(a) reasons as to why the bid should not be open to other competitors;

(b) an explanation of the potential benefits if the unsolicited bid were accepted; and

(c) an invitation to the public or other potential suppliers to submit their comments on the proposal within 30 days of the publication of the relevant notice

(5) The accounting officer must submit all written comments received pursuant to subparagraph (4), including any responses from the unsolicited bidder, to the National and Provincial Treasuries for comment.

(6) Subject to subparagraphs (7) and (8) below, the adjudication committee must consider the unsolicited bid and may, depending on its delegations, award the bid or make a recommendation to the accounting officer.

(7) A meeting of the adjudication committee to consider an unsolicited bid must be open to the public.

(8) When considering the matter, the adjudication committee must take into account -

(a) any comments submitted by the public; and

(b) any written comments and recommendations of the National and Provincial Treasuries.

(9) If any recommendations of the National and Provincial Treasuries are rejected or not followed, the accounting officer must submit to the Auditor-General and the National and Provincial Treasuries the reasons for rejecting or not following those recommendations.

(10) Such submission must be made within seven days after the decision on the award of the unsolicited bid is taken, but no contract committing the municipality to the bid may be entered into or signed within 30 days of the submission.

(11) The processes to be followed by the municipality with regard to the acceptance or rejection of an unsolicited bid shall clearly be made known to the bidder who submits the unsolicited bid concerned.

(12) The council shall exercise caution when interviewing a potential supplier or a person who may wish to offer services to the municipality in circumstance which may be tantamount to the submission of or negotiation with regard to an unsolicited bid and shall not do anything or cause anything to be done which may be contrary to this policy.

51. Combating of abuse of supply chain management system

(1) The accounting officer must-

(a) take all reasonable steps to prevent abuse of the supply chain management system;

(b) investigate any allegations against an official or other role player of fraud, corruption, favouritism, unfair or irregular practices or a failure to comply with this policy, and when justified -

(i) take appropriate steps against such official or other role player; or

(ii) report any alleged criminal conduct to the South African Police Service;

(c) check the National Treasury's database prior to awarding any contract to ensure that no recommended bidder or any of its directors, is listed as a person prohibited from doing business with the public sector;

(d) reject any bid from a bidder -

(i) if any municipal rates and taxes or municipal service charges owed by that bidder or any of its directors to the municipality or to any other municipality or municipal entity, are in arrears for more than three months; or

(ii) who, during the last five years, has failed to perform satisfactorily on a previous contract with the municipality or any other organ of state after written notice was given to that bidder that performance was unsatisfactory;

(e) reject a recommendation for the award of a contract if the recommended bidder or any of its directors has committed a corrupt or fraudulent act in competing for the particular contract;

(f) cancel a contract awarded to a person if -

- (i) such person committed any corrupt or fraudulent act during the bidding process or the execution of the contract; or
- (ii) an official or other role player committed any corrupt or fraudulent act during the bidding process or the execution of the contract that benefited that person; and
- (g) Reject the bid of any bidder if that bidder or any of its directors -
 - (i) has abused the supply chain management system of the municipality or has committed any improper conduct in relation to such system;
 - (ii) has been convicted for fraud or corruption during the past five years;
 - (iii) has wilfully neglected, reneged on or failed to comply with any government, municipal or other public sector contract during the past five years; or
 - (iv) has been listed in the Register for Tender Defaulters in terms of section 29 of the Prevention and Combating of Corrupt Activities Act (No. 12 of 2004).
- (2) The accounting officer must inform the National and Provincial Treasuries in writing of any actions taken in terms of subparagraphs (1)(b)(ii), (e) or (f) above.
- (3) If the accounting officer, on reasonable grounds, believes that a bidder or a contractor has engaged in bid rigging, he shall refer the matter to the Competition Tribunal for investigation and the taking of action against the bidder or contractor concerned in a manner contemplated in the Competition Act No. 89 of 1998.

Part 3: Other matters

52. Prohibition on awards to persons whose tax matters are not in order

- (1) No award above R15 000 may be made in terms of this policy to a person whose tax matters have not been declared by the South African Revenue Service to be in order.
- (2) Before making an award to a person, the accounting officer must first check with SARS whether that person's tax matters are in order.
- (3) If SARS does not respond within 7 days of a request for confirmation in terms of subparagraph (2), such person's tax matters may for purposes of subparagraph (1) be presumed to be in order.

53. Prohibition on awards to persons in the service of the state

Irrespective of the procurement process followed, no award may be made to a person in terms of this policy -

- (a) who is in the service of the state;
- (b) if that person is not a natural person, of which any director, manager, principal shareholder or stakeholder is a person in the service of the state; or
- (c) who is an advisor or consultant contracted with the municipality.

54. Awards to close family members of persons in the service of the state

The accounting officer must ensure that the notes to the annual financial statements disclose particulars of any award of more than R2 000 to a person who is a spouse, child or parent of a person in the service of the state, or has been in the service of the state in the previous twelve months, including –

- (a) the name of that person;
- (b) the capacity in which that person is in the service of the state; and
- (a) the amount of the award.

55. Ethical standards

(1) The code of ethical standards annexed to this policy as Annexure A shall apply to all officials and other role players in the supply chain management system of the municipality in order to promote -

- (a) mutual trust and respect; and
- (b) an environment where business can be conducted with integrity and in a fair and reasonable manner.

(2) A breach of the aforesaid code of ethics must be dealt with as follows -

- (a) in the case of an employee, in terms of the disciplinary procedures of the municipality envisaged in section 67(1)(h) of the Municipal Systems Act;
- (b) in the case of a role player who is not an employee, through other appropriate means with due regard to the severity of the breach;
- (c) in all cases, financial misconduct must be dealt with in terms of chapter 15 of the Act and for applicable regulations pertaining to financial misconduct by officials.

56. Inducements rewards gifts and favours to municipalities officials and other role players

(1) No person who is a provider or prospective provider of goods or services or a recipient or prospective recipient of goods disposed of or to be disposed of may either directly or through a representative or intermediary promise, offer or grant -

- (a) any inducement or reward to the municipality for or in connection with the award of a contract; or
- (b) any reward, gift, favour or hospitality to -
 - (i) any official; or

(2) The accounting officer must promptly report any alleged contravention of subparagraph 1 to the National Treasury for considering whether the offending person, and any representative or intermediary through which such person is alleged to have acted, should be listed in the National Treasury's database of persons prohibited from doing business with the public sector.

(4) Subparagraph (1) does not apply to gifts less than R350 in value.

57. Sponsorships

The accounting officer must promptly disclose to the National and Eastern Cape Provincial Treasury any sponsorship promised, offered or granted, whether directly or through a representative or intermediary by any person who is -

(a) a provider or prospective provider of goods or services to the municipality; or

(b) a recipient or prospective recipient of goods disposed of or to be disposed of by the municipality.

(c) This paragraph must not be confused with sponsorships that are made during the Municipality's day-to-day operations, which are approved by other committees, such as the Mayoral Committee (or the Executive Mayor through his/her discretion). Such sponsorships or donations must be dealt with outside the ambit of this Supply Chain Management Policy.

58. Objections and complaints

Persons aggrieved by decisions or actions taken in the implementation of the supply chain management system, may lodge with the accounting officer, within 14 days of the decision or action, a written objection or complaint against the decision or action concerned.

59. Resolution of disputes, objections, complaints and queries

(1) The accounting officer must appoint an independent and impartial person who is not directly involved in the supply chain management processes -

(a) to assist in the resolution of disputes between the municipality and other persons regarding -

(i) any decisions or actions taken in the implementation of the supply chain management system; or

(ii) any matter arising from a contract awarded in the course of the supply chain management system; or

(b) to deal with objections, complaints or queries regarding any such decisions or actions or any matters arising from such contract.

(2) The accounting officer or another official designated by the accounting officer is responsible for assisting the appointed person to perform his or her functions effectively.

(3) The person appointed must -

(a) strive to resolve promptly all disputes, objections, complaints or queries received; and

(b) submit monthly reports to the accounting officer on all disputes, objections, complaints or queries received, attended to or resolved.

(4) A dispute, objection, complaint or query may be referred to the Eastern Cape Provincial Treasury if -

(a) if it is not resolved within 60 days of lodgment; or

(b) no response is forthcoming within 60 days of lodgment.

(5) If the Eastern Cape Provincial Treasury does not or cannot resolve the matter, the dispute, objection, complaint or query concerned may be referred to the National Treasury for resolution.

(6) This paragraph must not be read as affecting a person's rights to approach a competent court, at any time, for such order as may be just and necessary in the circumstances.

60. Contracts providing for compensation based on turnover

If a service provider acts on behalf of the municipality to provide any service or act as a collector of fees, service charges or taxes and the compensation payable to him is fixed as an agreed percentage of turnover for the service concerned or the amount collected, the contract between such service provider and the municipality must stipulate -

(a) a cap on the compensation payable him; and

(b) that such compensation must be performance based.

61. Contract Management - issue of expansion and variation orders

(a) The accounting officer or nominee may, subject to the provisos to this subparagraph and subparagraphs (b) to (d) authorize the issue of expansion or variation orders in respect of contract specifications or conditions of contract in order to accommodate

(b) costs for additional work either unforeseen when contracts were awarded for infrastructure projects, essential or necessary additional work or in instances where factors beyond the control of an appointed contractor has led to or will lead to a delay in a contract completion date provided that:

(i) No expansion or variation order may be authorized for an amount exceeding 20% of the initial contract price for works related goods, services and/or infrastructure projects; or

(ii) 15% for all other goods and/or services; and, provided further – that any expansion or variation order issued in excess of the aforesaid thresholds shall be dealt with in a manner provided in section 116 (3) of the Act.

(c) The accounting officer or nominee may, subject to subparagraphs (b) to (d) authorize the issue of variation orders in respect of contract specifications or conditions of contract in order to accommodate costs for additional work either unforeseen when contracts were awarded for infrastructure projects, essential or necessary additional work or in instances where factors beyond the control of an appointed contractor has led to or will lead to a delay in a contract completion date.

(d) A variation order may only be issued after –

(i) the need for such order has been fully motivated by the responsible project manager and supported by the head of department concerned; and

(ii) the chief financial officer has certified that funds are available to cover the cost the required additional work.

(e) A request for the issue of a variation order in an amount exceeding R200 000 shall first be referred to the Bid Adjudication Committee which considered the initial bid for approval provided that the accounting officer may constitute a new Bid Adjudication Committee for this purpose.

(f) No request for a variation order may be approved in circumstance where new bids may be invited for the additional work concerned.

(g) The line manager responsible for the implementation of a project undertaken either departmentally or through an appointed contractor must keep a proper record of all variation orders issued in respect of a project.

(h) The original copy of an issued variation order must be filed with the original bid and contract documents.

(i) The responsible line manager must, upon completion of additional work or the expiry of any extended contract period authorized by a variation order, certify that the terms and conditions of such variation order have been complied with.

62. Application of policy to municipal entities

(a) The provisions of this policy generally do not apply to municipal entities.

(b) The supply chain management system of a municipal entity shall be applied with due regard to the provisions of this policy and the Regulations and, in the event of conflict, the provisions of the Regulations shall enjoy preference.

63. Fronting

(a) For purposes of this paragraph, “fronting” shall include the under-mentioned acts on the part of a bidder or any person or party associated with a bidder:

(i) Window-dressing: This includes cases in which black people are appointed or introduced to an enterprise on the basis of tokenism and may subsequently be discouraged or inhibited from substantially participating in the core activities of the enterprise concerned and/or be discouraged or inhibited from substantially participating in the declared areas and/or levels of their participation;

(ii) Benefit Diversion: This includes initiatives where the economic benefits received by an organization for having B-BBEE Status do not flow to black people in the ratio specified by law;

(iii) Opportunistic Intermediaries: This includes enterprises that have concluded agreements with other enterprises in order to leverage the Opportunistic intermediary’s favourable B-BBEE status in circumstances where the agreement involves:

(a) Significant limitations or restrictions on the identity of the opportunistic intermediary’s suppliers, service providers, clients or customers;

(b) The maintenance of their business operations in a context reasonably considered improbable having regard to resources; and

(c) Terms and conditions that are not negotiated at arms-length on a fair and reasonable basis.

(c) Where the accounting office detects fronting, he must act against the bidder concerned in terms of paragraph 29(8.4) and, in addition, report such fronting to the Department of Trade and Industry

64. Proudly SA Campaign

The Municipality supports the Proudly SA Campaign to the extent that, all things being equal, preference is given to procuring local goods and services from:

1. Firstly – suppliers and businesses within the municipality or district;
2. Secondly – suppliers and businesses within the relevant province;
3. Thirdly – suppliers and businesses within the Republic.

65. PRE-BID INFORMATION/SITE MEETINGS

⌘ Minutes of the meeting should be provided to all prospective bidders

⌘ Any additional information, minutes of meetings, clarification, correction of errors, or modifications of bid documents should be sent to each recipient of the original bid documents in sufficient time before the closing date and time for receipt of bids to enable bidders to take appropriate actions

66. CHANGING INFORMATION BEFORE CLOSING TIME

POLICY

- It is preferable to cancel a bidding invitation and to invite fresh bids if conditions or the specification or any other information have to be materially changed before the closing time or if mistakes are discovered in the documents before the closing time.
- In this regard also adhere to the provisions of the PPPFA Regulations where all bids received are above or below the stipulated preference scoring.

PRINCIPLES

- Where the information that has to change is not material or will not have a material influence on the bidders proposals, all prospective bidders must be informed before the closing date of the bid and in time to take the information into consideration.
- Where the information that has to change is material or will have a material influence of the disposals, the bid must rather be cancelled and fresh bids invited with the amended information

67. POSTPONEMENT OF CLOSING DATE

POLICY

The closing date may be postponed only if all prospective bidders can be advised of the postponed date in writing before the original closing date and in the case of an advertised bid invitation, the closing date may be postponed only if the postponed date can be timely advertised, before the original closing date.

PRINCIPLES

The closing date may only be postponed if there is a valid reason for the postponement and if there is not sufficient time to advertise the postponement, the cancellation of the bid must be considered and fresh bids must be invited.

68. RECEIPT AND OPENING OF BIDS

Written quotation above R30 000 up to R200 000

POLICY

(iii) Quotations must be submitted in writing preferably by hand to the RFQ box

(iv) RFQ box procedures must be used at all times for RFQs.

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(v) Quotations received by post, courier means should be administratively dealt with and immediately be channelled to the physical address where quotations are to be received. The messenger should be instructed or guided by SCM Official where to submit the RFQ and not be submitted by the SCM Official.

(vi) The quotations should be date stamped and sorted according to their particular quotation numbers.

(vii) Where a quotation is received, without a quotation number on the envelope, it must be opened, the quotation number ascertained, written on the envelope

(viii) All the pages of the quotations received should be initialled, checked for any alterations and if affirmative, two officials are to co-initial at the place of alteration.

(ix) Any documents not signed or not submitted should be noted.

(x) Information on quotations that may be a register/list/spread sheet that must contain at least the following information:-

- Quotation number.
- Closing date.
- Date and time received.
- Name of the person/organization that sent the quotation or from whom the quotation

was received.