

Joint Powers Cooperative Agreements



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Cooperative Purchasing is a Tool

What is it and how does it work

471.345 UNIFORM MUNICIPAL CONTRACTING LAW

§ Subdivision 15. Cooperative Purchasing

A municipality may contract for the purchase of supplies, materials, or equipment if the purchase is through a national municipal association's purchasing alliance or cooperative created by a joint powers agreement that purchases items from more than one source on the basis of competitive bids or competitive quotations.



Cooperative Contract Due Diligence

Considerations

- Conformance with state or local law
- Review specifications, price, terms and conditions
- Verify application and eligibility
- Compare multiple contracts
- Negotiate with large quantities

Cooperative Contract Benefits

- ❖ Saves time
- ❖ Reduces costs
- ❖ Connects with top suppliers
- ❖ Delivers value



State of Texas Contract Facts

Highlights:

- ✓ Ready to use
- ✓ Compliant
- ✓ Competitive pricing
- ✓ Satisfies procurement process



Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) Required



- Statutory authority for two government units to share power.
- JPA required to utilize State of Texas cooperatives.
- JPA requires Council approval.

Proposed Action

That the Metropolitan Council authorize the Regional Administrator to negotiate and execute Joint Powers Cooperative Agreements 24I060 and 24I061 with the State of Texas to allow the Council to utilize their contracts for cooperative purchasing of goods and services.

Thank you

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