



County of Monterey

Item No.27

Board Report

Board of Supervisors
Chambers
168 W. Alisal St., 1st Floor
Salinas, CA 93901

Legistar File Number: ORD 22-045

November 08, 2022

Introduced: 10/31/2022

Current Status: Scheduled AM

Version: 1

Matter Type: Ordinance

- a. Adopt an ordinance amending Paragraph F of Section 2.32.030 of the Monterey County Code to authorize the Purchasing Agent to engage independent contractors to perform services for the County and the offices thereof, with or without the furnishing of material, where the aggregate cost does not exceed \$200,000; and.
- b. Approve the County Administrative Office, Contracts and Purchasing division Purchasing Policy to ensure stewardship and transparency in alignment with amended Government Code Section 25502.5.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors:

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- b. Approve the County Administrative Office, Contracts and Purchasing division Purchasing Policy to ensure stewardship and transparency in alignment with amended Government Code Section 25502.5.

SUMMARY/DISCUSSION:

California Government Code Sections 25500-25509 authorized the Board of Supervisors to employ a Purchasing Agent and such assistants as are necessary to properly fulfill the duties of the position. Effective in 2019, California Government Code Section 25502.5 amendment permits counties having a population of 200,000 or more for the County's Board of Supervisors a) to authorize the purchasing agent to engage independent contractors to perform services for the County or County Officers, with or without furnishing materials, when the annual aggregate cost does not exceed two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000); and, b) to establish rules and regulations to effectuate the purpose of this section.

On May 15, 2007, the Board of Supervisors approved to amend Paragraph F of Section 2.32.030 of the Monterey County Code to increase the signature authority of the Purchasing Agent to engage independent contractors to perform services for the County and the offices thereof, with or without the furnishing of material, where the aggregate cost does not exceed one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00). Approval of this ordinance would increase the amount to two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000).

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The proposed amendment to the Monterey County Code is consistent with the foregoing sections of the Government Code.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The CAO concurs in the recommendation.
County Counsel's Office has reviewed the ordinance as to form.

FINANCING:

This action has no financial impact not otherwise incurred by the County.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS STRATEGIC INITIATIVES:

Mark a check to the related Board of Supervisors Strategic Initiatives

- Economic Development
- X Administration
- Health & Human Services
- Infrastructure
- X Public Safety

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Attachments:

1. County of Monterey Ordinance Section 2.32.030
2. Cal. Gov. Code 25502.5
3. Updated Ordinance Section 2.32.030 (Signed)
4. Red-lined Ordinance Section 2.32.030 (redline)