

City of Pittsburgh

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Ordinance amending and supplementing the City of Pittsburgh Code, Title One ("Administrative"), Article VII ("Procedures"), by amending Chapter 161 ("Contracts") with respect to procurement procedures for small non-professional service agreements (i.e. \$10,000 or less) utilized by the Department of Parks & Recreation and the Department of Public Safety, Office of Special Events for recreational and instructional purposes.

WHEREAS, the City of Pittsburgh, through its Department of Parks & Recreation and Department of Public Safety, Office of Special Events, seeks to maximize the public's enjoyment of its various parks and playgrounds; and

WHEREAS, the City's Department of Parks and Recreation and Department of Public Safety, Office of Special Events, seek to amend and supplement the City of Pittsburgh Code in order to facilitate more efficient procurement and legislative procedures with regard to agreements valued at \$10,000 or less for recreational and instructional non-professional services such as performers, artists and referees; and

WHEREAS, such services are time-sensitive, of relatively nominal dollar value and are not well-suited to the City's usual procurement or legislative requirements; and

WHEREAS, such amendments will expedite procurement procedures for such non-professional services and enhance the programming offered in the City's parks and playgrounds and for its special events.

Be it resolved by the Council of the City of Pittsburgh as follows:

Section 1. City of Pittsburgh Code, Title One ("Administrative"), Article VII ("Procedures"), Chapter 161, Section 161.01A is hereby amended by adding a new subsection 161.01A(b)(5) and Section 161.02B is hereby amended by adding a new subsection 161.02B(a)(15) as follows:

§161.01A - REQUIRED APPROVALS FROM CITY COUNCIL FOR DESIGNATED CITY CONTRACTS

- (b) The Mayor, or his/her designee, are authorized to purchase all commodities and enter into contracts for the furnishing of non-professional services subject to the following requirements:
- (5) For those non-professional services subject to a competitive bidding exception under 161.02(B)(15), an annual resolution may be presented to City Council to authorize multiple contracts with a stated not-to-exceed amount for each and specifying the account(s) from which payments may be made. § 161.02B EXEMPTIONS FROM COMPETITIVE PROCESS.

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(a) The following contracts are exempt from the requirement of a competitive process for selection, contingent upon obtaining a written waiver issued by the Director of the Office of Management and Budget or his/her designee, confirming that a recognized exemption applies to the contract because it falls within one (1) or more of the following categories:

(15) Non-professional service agreements with performers, instructors, artists, referees, and persons with specialized skills in connection with recreational, instructional, and special events services needed by the Department of Parks & Recreation and/or the Department of Public Safety, Office of Special Events that are valued at Ten Thousand Dollars or less per agreement.