

## HARTNELL COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

### **BP 6341      Selection of Contractor Based Upon Best Value**

**References:** Pub. Cont. Code Section 20651.7; Board Policy 6340

The Board has determined that for certain services and procurement of materials, equipment and supplies, it can expect long-term savings through the use of life-cycle cost methodology, the use of more sustainable goods and materials, and reduced administrative costs by selecting the lowest responsible bidder on the basis of best value.

Best value means most advantageous. Balance of price, quality, services, performance, and other elements and determined by objective performance criteria that may include price, features, long-term functionality, life-cycle costs, overall sustainability, and required services.

Any contract award based on best value shall be awarded based upon criteria set forth in a request for proposal that objectively evaluates, as applicable, to the particular services or project.

The Board shall award the contract at an open public meeting, identifying the bidder to which the award is made, the price proposal of the contract awarded the contract, and the overall combined rating on the request for proposal evaluation factors. The announcement shall also include the ranking of the contractor awarded the contract in relation to all other responsive bidders and their respective price proposals and summary of the rationale for the contract award.

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See Administrative Procedure 6341