3.2.6.2 Board of Regents Purchasing Authority for Construction/Pub Works

Policy Statement
The purchasing authority for Construction and Public Works services vested in the University of Georgia is delegated by the Board of Regents (BOR) of the University System of Georgia. The University of Georgia is exempt from DOAS purchasing regulations in this area; however, BOR regulations must be followed. The DPA for construction and public works projects handled by the UGA Procurement Office is $5,000,000.

Reason for policy
To provide information on the purchasing authority for construction/public works services held by the UGA Procurement Office.

Procedures
The University of Georgia must follow the Contracts and Services, Bidding and Advertising rules and regulations established by the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia, Office of Real Estate and Facilities. A link to these rules is provided below in Related Information. It is the responsibility of the UGA Procurement Office to determine if a project or service meets the definition of “construction” or “public works” in order to conduct the purchase in accordance with the applicable rules and regulations.

Additional contacts
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Policy definitions
Construction or Public Works: ”Construction” or “public works” projects and services includes contracts for design, engineering, construction, alteration, modification, demolition, maintenance and repair of fixed assets, as well as consultant contracts relative to such activities. Public works contracts also include all public contracts that are covered by the statutory requirements for a payment or performance bond. As a general rule, if the contract is to be performed on public property and involves a fixed asset, the contract is a public works contract. For additional information regarding the definition of public works contracts, please access Attorney General’s Informal Advice Letter of April 25, 2017.
DOAS: Department of Administrative Services
DPA: Delegated Purchasing Authority

Responsibilities
Responsible University Senior Administrator: Vice President for Finance & Administration
Responsible University Administrator: Procurement Officer
Policy Owner: Procurement
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Related information
USG BOR Bid, Advertising, and Bond Requirements

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