AN ORDINANCE DEFINING RESPONSIBLE BIDDER

WHEREAS, the definition of responsible bidder needs to be expanded in the case of bidders for construction projects (construction of new facilities, renovation of current facilities or road construction projects) over $20,000.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD, AS FOLLOWS:

Lowest responsible bidder for construction contracts means a bidder as determined by application of the factors set forth in 55 ILCS 5/5-1022(b). In order to be considered a lowest responsible bidder, the bidder must also meet the following criteria:

1. Compliance with all applicable laws prerequisite to doing business in Illinois.

2. Evidence of compliance with
   a. Federal Employer Tax Identification Number or Social Security Number (for individuals)
   b. Provisions of Section 2000(e) of Chapter 21, Title 42 of the United States Code and Federal Executive Order No. 11246 as amended by Executive Order No. 11375 (known as the Equal Opportunity Employer provisions).

3. Certificates of Insurance indicating the following coverages: general liability, worker's compensation, completed operations, automobile, hazardous occupation, product liability, and professional liability.

4. Compliance with all provisions of the Illinois Prevailing Wage Act, including wages, medical and hospitalization insurance and retirement for those trades as covered in the Act.

5. Active participation in apprenticeship and training with craft specific programs approved and registered with the United States Department of Labor's Bureau of Apprenticeship and training.

6. Highway Department projects shall be exempt from provisions in this Ordinance that are not in concurrence with Illinois Department of Transportation rules.

7. The provisions of this Ordinance shall not apply to federally funded construction projects if such application would jeopardize the receipt or use of federal funds in support of such a project.

8. All contractors and sub-contractors are required to turn in certified payroll on a weekly basis.

9. This Ordinance and every provision thereof shall:
   A. Be considered separable and the invalidation of any provision(s) shall not affect the
validity of the remainder.

B. Supercede any other Ordinances or Resolutions or parts thereof, in conflict herewith.

C. Take effect following its passage, approval, adoption, recording, inspection and publication as may be required by law.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 15TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, A.D. 2009.

BY AND FOR THE WHITESIDE COUNTY BOARD

Tony Arduini, Chair

ATTEST:

Dana Nelson, County Clerk