

AMENDMENTS TO PROCUREMENT POLICIES

May of 2009

American Recovery & Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA):

In May of 2009, Resolution 4926 was passed by the Seattle Housing Authority's Board of Commissioners. The Resolution acknowledges that Public Housing Authorities are to follow 24 CFR 85.36 in procuring goods and services for its ARRA funded projects and, incorporates into the Procurement Policies the Buy American requirements of Section 1605 of the American Recovery & Reinvestment Act (ARRA). See page 2 of this document for a copy of the executed Resolution.

RESOLUTION NO. 4926

RESOLUTION APPROVING A CHANGE TO SEATTLE HOUSING AUTHORITY PROCUREMENT POLICIES TO INCORPORATE BUY AMERICAN REQUIREMENTS FOR PROJECTS FUNDED UNDER THE 2009 AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT (ARRA)

WHEREAS, Seattle Housing Authority (SHA) has adopted Procurement Policies that provide standards and procedures for purchasing goods and services and contracting for construction projects; and,

WHEREAS, as a result of the ARRA of 2009, funds were provided for Capital Projects in the amount of \$17,069,888 to the Seattle Housing Authority; and,

WHEREAS, in March of 2009, the SHA Board of Commissioners approved by way of Resolution No. 4925 an amendment to SHA's Fiscal Year 2009 Moving To Work Annual Plan outlining the plan for allocation of the ARRA funds; and,

WHEREAS, the ARRA requires that Public Housing Authorities amend procurement standards and policies as necessary in order to comply with the ARRA requirements and to facilitate the use of the funds; and,

WHEREAS, any requirements relating to the procurement of goods and services arising under state and local laws and regulations shall not apply to Capital Fund Stimulus Grants under ARRA; PHAs shall instead follow 24 CFR Part 85.36 requirements; and,

WHEREAS, the ARRA requires that PHAs comply with Buy American requirements as specified in Section 1605 of the Recovery Act, which allows only the use of iron, steel and manufactured goods produced in the United States in projects funded with ARRA funds, unless the PHA is granted an exception on a per project basis.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the City of Seattle, as follows:

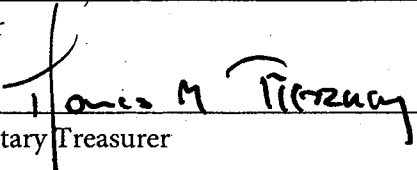
That changes to purchasing policies to incorporate the Buy American requirements referenced above are approved and the Board directs that modifications be made to SHA's Procurement Policy Manual to effect these changes, as they apply specifically to projects funded from ARRA monies; such modifications shall not require further Board action, so long as the modifications reflect the Board's intent.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED by a majority of all members of the Board of Commissioners and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passages this 18th day of May, 2009.



Chair

CERTIFIED BY:



Secretary | Treasurer