

# **Introduction of an Ordinance amending Sections 2.55.030 and 2.55.040, and adding Section 2.55.050 to Chapter 2.55 of Title 2 of the San Mateo County Ordinance Code**



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# Introduction of an Ordinance (Chapter 2.55)

## Introduction of an Ordinance:

- ❖ **Amending Section 2.55.030** “Competitive Bidding on Construction or Repair Contracts – When Required” of Chapter 2.55 of Title 2 of the San Mateo County Ordinance Code; and
- ❖ **Amending Section 2.55.040** “Informal Bidding Ordinance” of Chapter 2.55 of Title 2 of the San Mateo County Ordinance Code; and
- ❖ **Adding Section 2.55.050** “Adjustment” to Chapter 2.55 of Title 2 of the San Mateo County Ordinance Code.

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California Public Contract Code (CPCC) Section 22030, et seq. provide public agencies with certain procedures regarding **bidding and contracting** of construction projects.

Effective January 1, 2025, Assembly Bill 2192 updates CPCC Section 22030, et seq. and increases the cost threshold by which public projects can be:

- performed by employees
- procured under informal bidding procedures
- procured by a formal bidding procedure

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- On June 14, 1994 this Board adopted Resolution No. 58373 authorizing the County to become subject to the Uniform Construction Cost Accounting Procedures pursuant to CPCC, Section 22030, et seq.
- County Ordinance Code, Title 2 - Chapter 2.55 - Procedures for Contracting for Public Projects, codifies certain procedures contained in the CPCC, which are subject to regular revisions.
- The project values currently specified in the County's Ordinance Code need to be updated to conform with recent amendments to CPCC, which took effect January 1, 2025.

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## Section 2.55.030 - “Competitive Bidding on Construction or Repair Contracts – When Required”

	Existing San Mateo County Ordinance Code	Proposed San Mateo County Ordinance Code (Consistent with CPCC)
<b>Formal Bidding Procedures (2.55.030a)</b>	Projects expected to be greater than \$200,000	Projects expected to be greater than \$220,000
<b>Informal Bidding Procedures (2.55.030b)</b>	Projects expected to be less than \$200,000	Projects expected to be less than \$220,000
<b>Force Account Labor or “in-house” Projects (2.55.030c)</b>	Projects expected to be \$60,000 or less	Projects expected to be \$75,000 or less

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## Section 2.55.040 - “Informal Bidding Ordinance”

	Existing San Mateo County Ordinance Code	Proposed San Mateo County Ordinance Code (Consistent with CPCC)
<b>Award of Informally-Bid Projects by the Board (2.55.040c)</b>	Projects expected to be \$200,000 or less, but are between \$200,000 and \$212,500	Projects expected to be \$220,000 or less, but are between \$220,000 and \$235,000

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## Section 2.55.050 – Adjustment

1. The State of California periodically changes the cost thresholds that determine when informal bidding methods are appropriate and/or work can be performed “in-house”. The addition of this section incorporates State changes to those cost thresholds when they become effective.
2. The cost thresholds in Chapter 2.55 would be read and interpreted as whatever the maximum amounts authorized pursuant to the terms of CPCC Section 22030, et seq., or as such amounts have been adjusted by the State Controller in accordance with CPCC Section 22020.
3. No amendment of Chapter 2.55 would be necessary for the County to utilize the higher cost thresholds if such amount has been authorized by the State.

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- The proposed ordinance modifications do not:
  - ❖ impact or change the Board's discretionary authority to approve projects and appropriate project funding pursuant to other applicable County policies and procedures.
  - ❖ circumvent other established CPCC procedures.
- The proposed ordinance modifications will conform County Ordinance Code to the amended CPCC.
- The Department recommends adoption of the proposed ordinance to bring Chapter 2.55 into conformity with the CPCC, which promotes statewide uniformity of the cost accounting standards and creates greater transparency for those entities wishing to contract with the County for public projects.



**Thank You**

