TITUS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT

Public Participation Form

Instructions: Fill out all appropriate blanks. Please print or write legibly.

NAME: NIGEL D, CHRISTOPHER
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Do you represent any particular group or organization? HYSELF
If you do represent a group or organization, please state the name of such group or organization?
Which agenda item (or items) do you wish to address? 11. BUSINESS MANAGER
Do you wish to make an inquiry under Section 551.042 of the Open Meetings Act?
Signature: <i>M. Aut</i> Date: 4-22-13_

Note: This Public Participation Form must be presented to the County Clerk prior to the time that the agenda item (or items) you wish to address are discussed before the Court.

- (3) damages for unabsorbed home office overhead.
- (d) This section does not waive a defense or a limitation on damages available to a party to a contract, other than a bar against suit based on sovereign immunity.
- (e) This section does not waive sovereign immunity to suit in federal court.

Acts 2003, 78th Leg., ch. 1203, Sec. 2, eff. Sept. 1, 2003.

SUBCHAPTER B. PURCHASING AGENTS

Sec. 262.011. PURCHASING AGENTS. (a) A board composed as provided by this subsection, by majority vote, may appoint a suitable person to act as the county purchasing agent. In a county with a population of 150,000 or less, the board is composed of the judges of the district courts in the county and the county judge. In any other county, the board is composed of three judges of the district courts in the county and two members of the commissioners court of the county unless the county has fewer than three district court judges, in which case the board is composed of one district court judge and one member of the commissioners court. If members of the board who are district judges must be selected, the selection is made by a majority vote of all the district judges in a county having more than one district judge. If members of the board who are members of the commissioners court must be selected, the selection is made by a majority vote of the commissioners court. The term of office of the county purchasing agent is two years.

- (b) The board may remove the county purchasing agent from office.
- (c) A person appointed under this section must execute a bond in the amount of \$5,000, payable to the county, conditioned that the individual will faithfully perform the duties of county purchasing agent.
- (d) The county purchasing agent shall purchase all supplies, materials, and equipment required or used, and contract for all repairs to property used, by the county or a subdivision, officer, or employee of the county, except purchases and contracts required by law to be made on competitive bid. A person other than

the county purchasing agent may not make the purchase of the supplies, materials, or equipment or make the contract for repairs.

- (e) The county purchasing agent shall supervise all purchases made on competitive bid and shall see that all purchased supplies, materials, and equipment are delivered to the proper county officer or department in accordance with the purchase contract.
- (f) A purchase made by the county purchasing agent shall be paid for by an electronic transfer, check, or warrant drawn by the county auditor on funds in the county treasury in the manner provided by law. The county auditor may not draw and the county treasurer may not honor an electronic transfer, check, or warrant for a purchase unless the purchase is made by the county purchasing agent or on competitive bid as provided by law.
- (g) The county purchasing agent may cooperate with the purchasing agent of a municipality in the county to purchase any item in volume as may be necessary. The county treasurer shall honor an electronic transfer, check, or warrant drawn by the county auditor to reimburse the municipality's purchasing agent making the purchase for the county.
- (h) The county purchasing agent is not required to make purchases for a municipal-county hospital or other joint undertaking of the municipality and county.
- (i) On July 1 of each year, the county purchasing agent shall file with the county auditor and each of the members of the board that appoints the county purchasing agent an inventory of all the property on hand and belonging to the county and each subdivision, officer, and employee of the county. The county auditor shall carefully examine the inventory and make an accounting for all property purchased or previously inventoried and not appearing in the inventory.
- (j) To prevent unnecessary purchases, the county purchasing agent, with the approval of the commissioners court, shall transfer county supplies, materials, and equipment from a subdivision, department, officer, or employee of the county that are not needed or used to another subdivision, department, officer, or employee requiring the supplies or materials or the use of the equipment.