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SECTION 1. OVERVIEW

1.1 PURPOSE

The Presidio Trust Procurement Policy (the "Procurement Policy or the "Policy") establishes policy and guidance to provide an efficient and effective way to obtain needed goods and services for the fulfillment of the Presidio Trust's mission.

1.2 LEGAL AUTHORITY

The Presidio Trust (the "Trust") initially developed this Procurement Policy pursuant to the Presidio Trust Act (16 U.S.C.§460bb appendix, the "Act"). Section 104(b) of the Act directed the Trust to establish and promulgate procedures applicable to its procurement of goods and services including, but not limited to, the award of contracts on the basis of contractor qualifications, price, commercially reasonable buying practices, and reasonable competition. The Act states that federal laws and regulations governing procurement by federal agencies shall not apply to the Trust, with the exception of laws and regulations related to federal government contracts governing working conditions and wage rates and any civil rights provisions otherwise applicable thereto. Although the Presidio Trust is exempt from most federal procurement laws and regulations, it has the discretion to adopt as part of its Procurement Policy the substance of those laws or regulations it deems appropriate. Unless stated specifically in a) this Procurement Policy, b) procedures enacted pursuant to this Policy, c) the Trust Act or d) legislation subsequently enacted, no procurement statute or regulation shall apply to the Trust's procurements.

1.3 LEGAL EFFECT OF THIS DOCUMENT

This Procurement Policy states all procurement policy and establishes guiding principles for the Presidio Trust's procurement activities. It replaces all earlier Procurement Policies adopted by the Presidio Trust Board of Directors. Nothing in this document creates or conveys any substantive rights.

1.4 MODIFICATION OF THIS POLICY

The Presidio Trust may modify this Policy from time to time, as deemed appropriate by the Board of Directors.

1.5 APPLICABILITY

This Procurement Policy applies to all procurements by the Presidio Trust with the exception of the solicitation of tenants, purchase of utilities, and issuance of cooperative and interagency agreements.

Waivers or deviations from this Policy may be approved by the Executive Director, provided such waivers or deviations are reported to the Board of Directors in a timely manner.

1.6 KEY PRINCIPLES

The Presidio Trust Procurement Policy embodies four key principles considered essential for achieving good procurement management. These are:

- ► Effectiveness the timely and cost-effective procurement of products and services.
- Flexibility the ability to make good decisions based on best practices for particular circumstances rather than rigid adherence to standard procedures.
- ► Efficiency simple processes that achieve desired results without undue oversight or waste of resources.
- Public trust achieved through fairness and open and honest communications with contractors, vendors, and the public.

1.7 KEY FEATURES

The following are key features of the Policy:

- Establishes reasonable competition as the preferred method of source selection.
- Enables innovative and creative tailoring of procurement processes to meet individual requirements so that the right contractor is selected for each requirement.
- Selects contractors and vendors on the basis of the best overall value to the Trust when considering all its needs.

SECTION 2. PROCUREMENT POLICY

2.1 CONTRACTING AUTHORITY

Through this Policy, approved by The Presidio Trust Board of Directors, the Executive Director is designated the authority for carrying out all functions, powers, and duties related to the procurement and maintenance of property and equipment of the Trust. Subject to the provisions of this policy, the Executive Director, or his/her designee, has broad authority to enter into and perform such contracts, leases, cooperative agreements, or other transactions as may be necessary to carry out the functions of the Trust with any federal agency, or any instrumentality of the United States, any territory, or possession, or political subdivision thereof, any other governmental entity, or any person, firm, association, corporation, or educational institution, on such terms and conditions as the Executive Director may consider appropriate.

The Executive Director may delegate to the Trust's Procurement Program Manager broad authority to manage its contracting functions. Contracts, agreements and other transactions may be approved on behalf of the Trust as follows:

Procurements up to \$500,000	Executive Director or Executive Director's
	Designee

Procurements between \$500,000

and \$1,000,000

Executive Director or Board Chairperson

Procurements of \$1,000,000

or greater

Board of Directors (budget approval constitutes procurement approval; ExecutiveDirector or Board Chairperson

may execute transaction)

2.2 UNAUTHORIZED CONTRACTUAL COMMITMENTS

Only those persons to whom authority has been specifically delegated by the Executive Director are authorized to commit the Trust to an expenditure of funds for materials/services. The Trust's employees, other than those who have received written delegation of authority, are not authorized to commit funds or enter into written or oral agreements with suppliers on behalf of the Presidio Trust.

2.3 CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Any Presidio Trust employee or Board or other non-governmental member who has a real or apparent conflict of interest may be unable to render impartial,

technically sound, and objective assistance, advice, or decisions regarding procurement. Any employee or Board or other non-governmental member who has a real or apparent conflict of interest, must withdraw from participation in the procurement if law or regulation requires it.

2.4 CONTRACTS WITH EMPLOYEES OF THE PRESIDIO TRUST OR U. S. GOVERNMENT

Unless approved by the Executive Director, the Presidio Trust shall not knowingly award a contract to a Trust or U.S. Government employee or to a business concern or other organization owned or substantially owned or controlled by one or more Trust or U.S. Government employees. This policy is intended to avoid any conflict of interest that might arise between the employee's interests and his/her Government duties and to avoid the appearance of favoritism or preferential treatment by the Trust toward its employees.

2.5 DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION

Except as may be required by law, the basis on which a procurement selection is made shall not be disclosed to or discussed with anyone other than Presidio Trust personnel and consultants on a need to know basis.

2.6 ORGANIZATIONAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

The Presidio Trust is to avoid awarding contracts to contractors that have unacceptable organizational conflicts of interest. An organizational conflict of interest means that, because of activities or relationships with other persons, a proposed contractor is unable or potentially unable to render impartial assistance to the Trust, or the contractor's objectivity in performing the contract work is or might be impaired, or the contractor has an unfair competitive advantage.

Persons with an actual or potential organizational conflict of interest should be instructed to contact the Trust at the earliest possible time to evaluate whether any conflicts of interest can be avoided or mitigated. The Trust will resolve organizational conflict of interest issues on a case-by-case basis. When necessary to further the interests of the Trust, an actual or potential conflict may be waived or mitigated at the Trust's discretion. As used herein, the term "person" includes any legal entity including a partnership, corporation, or association.

2.7 ETHICS

All Presidio Trust employees are held to the highest standards of ethical conduct in the performance of their duties, and must conduct themselves so as to avoid even the appearance of any impropriety. All employees must employ the highest ethical business practices in source selection, negotiation, determination of awards and the administration of all purchasing activities.

2.8 GUIDANCE

The following should be considered in planning for procurements.

- **a. Best Value.** The Presidio Trust's Policy is to procure products and services from sources that offer the best value to satisfy the Presidio Trust's mission needs. In selecting sources, the preferred method is to compete requirements for products and/or services among two or more sources.
- **b. Preference for Commercial Items.** Preference should be given to using commercial items whenever possible. Development of a product, and its associated costs and risks, should be avoided unless commercial items capable of meeting the Trust's needs are not available. If developmental items are required, the need should be documented in a specific procurement plan including quality assurance requirements.
- **c. Single-Source Approval.** The Procurement Program Manager shall determine whether the procurement may be conducted on a single source basis. The rationale for the single source procurement and its approval shall be documented in writing and shall become a part of the procurement file.