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Local Law

BEST VALUE PURCHASES

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41 State Street, Albany, NY, 12231

Town of Fine

Local Law No. 1 of the year 2016

A LOCAL LAW PROVIDING FOR BEST VALUE PURCHASES

Be it enacted by the Town Board of the Town of Fine, in the County of St. Lawrence, as follows:

SECTION 1

PURPOSE AND INTENT

This local law provides for the improvement of purchases in terms of both cost and quality. The best value award process is used to improve the procurement process.

SECTION 2

AUTHORIZATION TO USE BEST VALUE APPROACH

The Town may award purchase contracts, including contracts for services, on the basis of "best value," as that term is defined in New York State Finance Law § 163. All awards based on best value shall require Town Board approval.

SECTION 3

APPLICABILITY; THRESHOLDS

The provisions of this law apply to Town purchase contracts, including contracts for services, involving an expenditure of more than \$20,000, but excluding purchase contracts necessary for the completion of a public works contract pursuant to Article 8 of the New York Labor Law and any other contract that may in the future be excluded under state law from the best-value option. If the dollar thresholds of New York General Municipal Law § 103 are increased or decreased in the future by the State Legislature, the dollar thresholds set forth herein shall be deemed simultaneously amended to match the new General Municipal Law thresholds.

SECTION 4

DOCUMENTATION; STANDARDS FOR BEST VALUE

Whenever any contract is awarded on the basis of best value instead of lowest responsible bidder, the basis for determining best value shall be thoroughly and accurately documented.

Goods and services procured and awarded on the basis of best value are those that the Town Board determines optimize quality, cost and efficiency, among responsive and responsible bidder or offerors. The determination shall be based on an objective analysis of clearly described and documented criteria as they apply to the rating of bids or offers. Where possible, such determination shall also be based upon and include a quantifiable analysis of the same. The criteria may include, but shall not be limited to, any or all of the following: cost of maintenance; proximity to the end user if distance or response time is a significant term; durability; availability of replacement parts or maintenance contractors; longer product life; product performance criteria; and quality of craftsmanship.

SECTION 4

SURVIVAL

If any section of this local law shall be held unconstitutional, invalid, or ineffective, in whole or in part, such determination shall not be deemed to affect, impair, or invalidate the remainder of this local law.

SECTION 5 EFFECTIVE DATE

This local law shall take effect immediately upon filing in the office of the New York State Secretary of State in accordance with section 27 of the Municipal Home Rule Law.

2016, of the Town of Fine was duly passed by the 2016, in accordance with the applicable provision	
(Seal)	Hope M. Dolan, Clerk Town of Fine Date: 4/13/2016
STATE OF NEW YORK)	

I hereby certify that the Local Law annexed hereto, designated as Local Law No. 1 of

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing Local Law contains the correct text and that all proper proceedings have been had or taken for the enactment of the local law annexed hereto.

) ss.:

Christopher E. Cooper, Town Attorney Town of Fine

Date: 12 April 2016

COUNTY OF ST. LAWRENCE