GLOSSARY OF PURCHASING TERMS

A **Request for Tender (RFT)** is a method of procurement that is used when the owner has exact specifications for the deliverables, there are two or more sources of supply, and vendors are only required to submit pricing information. RFTs are awarded to the lowest compliant bidder.

A **Request for Proposal (RFP)** is a method of procurement that is used where the deliverables are not clearly specified and it is anticipated that proponents may propose a variety of alternatives to fulfill the Region's requirements. The evaluation of proposals includes both a technical (80%) and financial (20%) evaluation, and the award is made to the highest scoring proponent.

A **Request for Quotation (RFQ)** is a similar to an RFT except that the procurement is issued to a limited audience of bidders who are invited to submit bids (referred to as quotes). RFQs are generally awarded to the lowest compliant bidder.

A **Request for Pre-Qualification (RFPQ)** is a procurement process that is used to select qualified vendors to respond to a future RFT or RFP. RFPQ submissions are evaluated based upon factors such as experience of similar work, references, verification of qualifications, licences and permits, and financial capability.

A **Request for Expressions of Interest (EOI)** is a method used to determine whether there are potential vendors who offer certain deliverables, or who may be interested in participating in a future procurement for certain deliverables.

A **Request for Information (RFI)** is a method used to solicit information or feedback regarding deliverables from potential vendors before issuing a formal procurement.

AWARD LIMITS UNDER THE PURCHASING BYLAW

TOTAL COST (including all renewal terms)	AWARD	RENEWAL
RFQ Under \$150,000	Commissioner	Commissioner
RFT & RFP \$100,000 to \$500,000	Commissioner	Commissioner
RFT \$500,000+	CAO	CAO
RFP \$500,000 to \$2,000,000	CAO	CAO
RFP \$2,000,000+	Council	Council

Table 1 Transportation Services April 1, 2019 - June 30, 2019

CAO CONTRACT AWARDS			
Contract and Description			
P-18-253	No. of Bids	2	
Design, Integration and Manufacturing of Long Term Evolution (LTE) Communication Modem Boards	Contractor	NeuronicWorks Inc.	
	Amount	\$561,887.30	
Term: Three years from notification to commence with an option to renew for one additional two year term	Estimated Value of Contract	\$561,887.30	
T-16-06	Renewal	4th year of 5 year term	
Traffic Data Collection and Data Submission	Contractor	Ontario Traffic Inc.	
The previously approved amount of \$433,110.00 includes the initial three year term of the contract.	Previously Approved	\$433,110.00	
	Amount	\$144,370.00	
Term: Three years with the option to renew for two additional one year terms	Estimated Value of Contract	\$577,480.00	
T-16-19	Renewal	4th year of 5 year term	
Debris Pick up and Disposal and Grass Cutting in the City of Vaughan	Contractor	Cutting Edge Property Services	
The previously approved amount of \$761,514.54 includes the initial three year term of the contract.	Previously Approved	\$761,514.54	
	Amount	\$231,095.51	
Term: Three years with the option to renew for two additional one year terms	Estimated Value of Contract	\$992,610.05	
T-17-169	Renewal	2nd year of 3 year term	
Supply and Delivery of Water-Borne Traffic Paint for Pavement Marking for The Regional Municipality of York	Contractor	PolyMight International Inc.	
The previously approved amount of \$367,650.00 includes the initial one year term of the contract.	Previously Approved	\$367,650.00	
	Amount	\$376,841.25	
Term: One year with the option to renew for two additional one year terms	Estimated Value of Contract	\$744,491.25	

T-17-17	Renewal	3rd year of 5 year term
Site Preparation, Excavation & Installation of Concrete Transit Pads, Sidewalks and Sidewalk Links	Contractor	Aqua Tech Solutions Inc.
The previously approved amount of \$1,046,746.80 includes the initial one year term of the contract, plus the first option year.	Previously Approved	\$1,046,746.80
	Amount	\$494,264.43
Term: May 15, 2017 - May 14, 2018, with the option to renew for four additional one year terms.	Estimated Value of Contract	\$1,541,011.23
T-18-21	Renewal	2nd year of 3 year term
Emergency Guiderail Repair	Contractor	Powell (Richmond Hill) Contracting Ltd.
The previously approved amount of \$262,500.00 includes the initial one year term of the contract.	Previously Approved	\$262,500.00
	Amount	\$269,062.50
Term: One year with the option to renew for two additional one year terms	Estimated Value of Contract	\$531,562.50
19-190	No. of Bids	4
Routing, Cleaning and Crack Sealing on Various Roads within The Regional Municipality of York	Contractor	2228977 Ontario Inc. o/a RanN Maintenance
	Amount	\$458,600.00
Completion date: 25 working days from notice to commence work	Estimated Value of Contract	\$458,600.00
T-18-291	No. of Bids	11
Asphalt Repair to Existing Shoulders Various Locations in The Regional Municipality of York	Contractor	Brennan Paving & Construction Ltd.
	Amount	\$416,120.20
Completion date: 30 working days from notice to commence	Estimated Value of Contract	\$416,120.20
19-155	No. of Bids	5
Partial Depth Removal of Asphalt, Warm Mix Asphalt Paving and Intersection Improvements on Warden Avenue (Y.R. 65) from 50m south of 14th Avenue (Y.R. 71) to 45m south of 16th Avenue (Y.R. 73) in the City of Markham	Contractor	D. Crupi & Sons Ltd
to 4311 South of Total Avenue (T.N. 73) in the City of Markhain	Amount	\$3,827,266.00
Completion date: 53 working days from notice to commence	Estimated Value of Contract	\$3,827,266.00
T-18-283	No. of Bids	2
Supply and Operation of Gradall Excavators at Various Locations in The Regional Municipality of York	Contractor	Don Cordingley Gradall Rental Ltd.
	Amount	\$124,800.00
Term: April 1, 2019 - March 31, 2020, with the option to renew for one additional one year term.	Estimated Value of Contract	\$124,800.00

T-15-131	Renewal	4th year of 5 year term
Supply & Delivery of Hydraulic Hoses, Cylinders, Pumps, Motors, Valves, Fittings and Related Items	Contractor	Cummins Hydraulics Ltd.
*The previously approved amount of \$333,373.82 includes the first three years of the five year contract. Sufficient funds were included in the original purchase order to		\$333,373.82
cover the costs of the renewal. No additional increase in funds is being requested or expected at this time.	Amount	\$0.00
Term: One year with the option to renew for four additional one year terms	Estimated Value of Contract	\$333,373.82
T-19-106	No. of Bids	2
Design, Fabrication and Storage of Two Precast Concrete Box Culverts for The West Don River Crossing in the City of Vaughan	Contractor	Decast Ltd.
	Amount	\$1,000,070.00
Torm: From the date of notification of award until hills 0, 2010	Estimated	A 1 000 055 55
Term: From the date of notification of award until July 9, 2019	Value of Contract	\$1,000,070.00
CRFT-2019-01	No. of Bids	4
Vehicle and Heavy Equipment Rental Registry	Contractor	Refer to Contract Description
Contractor Amount United Rentals \$191,252.00 Brock & Sons Construction Ltd. \$578,240.00	Amount	\$1,361,099.00
Battlefield Equipment Rentals \$191,607.00 PGC Services Inc. \$400,000.00 Term: Three years with the option to renew for up to two additional one year terms	Estimated Value of Contract	\$1,361,099.00
RFP-2018-TPI-067*	No. of Bids	2
Metrolinx Cooperative Purchase Supply and Delivery of Eight Metre Low Floor Specialized Transit Buses	Contractor	Creative Carriage Ltd.
*This purchase was awarded under the Cooperative Purchase provisions (Section 14) of the Purchasing Bylaw.	Amount	\$1,512,616.58
Term: One year from the date of notification of award	Estimated Value of Contract	\$1,512,616.58
T-17-01	Renewal	3rd year of 4 year term
Catch Basin Cleaning Including Disposal of Liquid and Solid Materials	Contractor	Flow-Kleen Technology Ltd.
The previously approved amount of \$1,046,271.41 includes the initial two year term of the contract.	Previously Approved	\$1,046,271.41
Term: Two years with the option to renew for two additional one year terms	Amount	\$544,160.13
	Estimated Value of Contract	\$1,590,431.54

P-17-69			Renewal	4th year of 4 year term
	nspection and Appraisal of Bridges, e Overhead Sign Supports	Large Culverts, Structural	Contractor	GHD Limited
The previously approved the contract.	d amount of \$323,210.00 includes the	he initial two year term of	Previously Approved	\$323,210.00
			Amount	\$331,290.25
Term: Two years with the	option to renew for one additional t	two year term	Estimated Value of Contract	\$654,500.25
T-15-61			Renewal	4th year of 5 year term
Makes/Models and Equip			Contractor	Refer to Contract Description
The previously approved the contract plus the first	I amount of \$616,974.85 includes the two option years.	he initial one year term of	Previously Approved	\$621,409.29
Primary Contract Groups A-D&F Group E Group G	Contractor VISCO Industrial B&B Dixon Automotive Avenue Motorworks	Amount \$0.00 \$7,630.30 \$25,709.49	Amount	\$50,530.55
Secondary Contract Groups B Groups C, F&G Group E Term: One year with the	Contractor Vaughan Automotive B&B Dixon Automotive Visco Industrial option to renew for four additional o	Amount \$1,371.99 \$14,633.82 \$1,184.95 one year terms	Estimated Value of Contract	\$671,939.84
T-16-107			Renewal	4th & 5th years of 5 year term
	airs at York Region Transit Location		Contractor	AFNA Contracting Inc.
The previously approved amount of \$574,560 included the initial three year term of the contract, plus the value of the two year renewal option. This renewal therefore extends the term of the contract by two years, with no additional funds.		Previously Approved	\$574,560.00	
			Amount	\$0.00
Term: Three years with the option to renew for one additional two year term		al two year term	Estimated Value of Contract	\$574,560.00
19-150			No. of Bids	7
Asphalt Removal, Warm Locations in the City of V	Mix Asphalt Paving and Intersection aughan	n Improvements at Various	Contractor	Fermar Paving Ltd.
			Amount	\$12,019,322.01
Completion date: 125 wo	rking days from notice to commenc	e	Estimated Value of Contract	\$12,019,322.01
P-18-322			No. of Bids	6
Detailed Design and Eng 400 to Jane Street	ineering Services on Major Macken	nzie Drive from Highway	Contractor	Parsons Inc.
			Amount	\$1,748,800.00
Completion date: January	<i>i</i> 29, 2021		Estimated Value of Contract	\$1,748,800.00

19-180	No. of Bids	2
Type III Modified Microsurfacing at Various Locations in the Towns of Richmond Hill and East Gwillimbury and the City of Markham	Contractor	Miller Paving Ltd
	Amount	\$2,294,931.89
Completion date: 50 working days from notice to commence	Estimated Value of Contract	\$2,294,931.89
19-181	No. of Bids	2
Type III Modified Microsurfacing at Various Locations in the City of Vaughan and the Township of King	Contractor	Duncor Enterprises Inc.
	Amount	\$1,912,501.70
Completion date: 50 working days from notice to commence	Estimated Value of Contract	\$1,912,501.70
19-101	No. of Bids	3
Culvert Replacement and Road Reinstatement at West Don River on Major Mackenzie Drive (Y.R.25) from McNaugton Road/Avro Road to 250m east of McNaughton Road/Avro Road in the City of Vaughan	Contractor	Coco Paving Inc.
Road/Avio Road in the City of Vaughan	Amount	\$5,983,774.82
Completion date: September 27, 2019	Estimated Value of Contract	\$5,983,774.82
T-19-53	No. of Bids	6
Oil-Grit Separator Structure Cleaning, Including Disposal of Collected Liquid and Solid Material at Various Locations in The Regional Municipality of York	Contractor	Flow-Kleen Technology Ltd.
- , ,	Amount	\$209,200.00
Completion date: 30 working days from notice to commence	Amount Estimated Value of Contract	\$209,200.00 \$209,200.00
	Estimated Value of Contract	\$209,200.00
Completion date: 30 working days from notice to commence	Estimated Value of	
Completion date: 30 working days from notice to commence T-17-129E Armoured Car Services Department Transportation Services \$706,500.00	Estimated Value of Contract	\$209,200.00 Emergency purchase to prevent
Completion date: 30 working days from notice to commence T-17-129E Armoured Car Services Department Amount	Estimated Value of Contract Emergency ³	\$209,200.00 Emergency purchase to prevent serious delay in service delivery 3 Sixty Secure Corp. (formerly
Completion date: 30 working days from notice to commence T-17-129E Armoured Car Services Department Amount Transportation Services \$706,500.00 Finance \$8,900.00	Estimated Value of Contract Emergency ³ Contractor Amount	\$209,200.00 Emergency purchase to prevent serious delay in service delivery 3 Sixty Secure Corp. (formerly Inkas Security Services Ltd.)

COMMISSIONER CONTRACT AWARDS		
Contract and Description		
T-18-22	Renewal	2nd year of 3 year term
Supply & Delivery of Treated Lumber to York Region District Maintenance Facilities	Contractor	Trans Canada Wood Products Ltd.
The previously approved amount of \$139,900.00 includes the initial one year term of the contract.	Previously Approved	\$136,900.00
	Amount	\$140,322.50
Term: One year with the option to renew for two additional one year terms	Estimated Value of Contract	\$277,222.50
PO93672 Emergency Culvert Removal & Replacement	Emergency ³	Emergency purchase to prevent a threat to the health and safety of residents and motorists
*An emergency purchase of services was required to repair a significant roadway depression on 15th Sideroad in the Township of King which posed a threat to the health and safety of residents and motorists.	Contractor	Clearway Construction Inc.
	Amount	\$36,048.48
Term: 7 a.m. on February 24, 2018 - 6 p.m. on Saturday February 24, 2018	Estimated Value of Contract	\$36,048.48
T-15-142	Renewal	4th year of 5 year term
Supply of Mobile Screening Plant Rental and Services	Contractor	A & G The Road Cleaners Ltd.
The previously approved amount of \$110,400.00 includes the first three years of the five year contract	Previously Approved	\$110,400.00
	Amount	\$37,462.40
Term: Three years with the option to renew for two additional one year terms	Estimated Value of Contract	\$147,862.40
T-16-31	Renewal	4th & 5th year of 5 year term
Supply and Delivery of As-Required Services, Equipment, Personnel and Restoration	Contractor	Accuworx Inc.
The previously approved amount of \$419,836.50 includes the initial three year term of the contract. Sufficient funds were included in the original purchase order to cover the costs of the one year extension. No additional increase in funds is being requested or	Previously Approved	\$419,836.50
expected at this time.	Amount	\$0.00
Term: Three years with the option to renew for two additional one year terms	Estimated Value of Contract	\$419,836.50
P-18-334	No. of Bids	4
Provision of Consulting, Engineering and Design Services for Intelligent Transportation Systems	Contractor	LEA Consulting Ltd.
	Amount	\$162,000.00
Term: Three years with the option to renew for one additional year term	Estimated Value of Contract	\$162,000.00

T-18-331	No. of Bids	2
Supply, Printing, Storage and Delivery of Fare Media for York Region Transit (YRT)	Contractor	Canada Ticket Inc.
Town Associated the second sec		\$88,135.36
Term: Approximately one year commencing upon the date of notification of award and ending on April 30, 2020		\$88,135.36
T-19-69	No. of Bids	6
Supply and Delivery of CCTV Cameras Complete with Genetic Camera Connection Licences and Pro-Rated SMA Fee Increases	Contractor	Metrobit Inc.
	Amount	\$171,794.25
Term: September 1, 2019 - December 31, 2020	Estimated Value of Contract	\$171,794.25
25 CAO Awards - Transportation Services TOTAL		\$36,636,604.12
7 Commissioner Awards - Transportation Services TOTAL		\$635,762.99

Table 2 Environmental Services April 1, 2019 - June 30, 2019

CAO CONTRACT AWARDS		
Contract and Description		
T-18-280	No. of Bids	7
Construction & Installation of Sludge Truck Loading Station Access Platforms at Six Locations in The Regional Municipality of York	Contractor	Robert B. Somerville Co. Limited
	Amount	\$651,165.00
Completion Date: 220 working days from notice to commence	Estimated Value of Contract	\$651,165.00
T-18-206	No. of Bids	3
Mount Albert Wells 1 & 2 Standby Generator Replacement located at 20 Hi View Drive, in Mount Albert in the Town of East Gwillimbury	Contractor	Peak Engineering & Construction Ltd.
	Amount	\$708,500.00
Completion Date: 220 working days from notice to commence	Estimated Value of Contract	\$708,500.00
T-18-263	No. of Bids	6
Watermain Servicing on McCowan Road from 200 metres north of Major Mackenzie Drive to 1000 metres south of Elgin Mills Road East in the City of Markham	Contractor	Accurate Railroad Construction Ltd.
	Amount	\$654,908.68
Completion Date: 40 working days from notice to commence	Estimated Value of Contract	\$654,908.68

	+	\$276,937.06
6 CAO Awards - Environmental Services TOTAL		\$101,054,238.59
Term: February 1, 2019 - June 30, 2022	Estimated Value of Contract	\$313,493.00
	Amount	\$168,900.00
The previously approved amount of \$144,593 was for the anticipated duration of the contract. The contract was increased by \$168,900, to accommodate the extended duration of construction.	Previously Approved	\$144,593.00
Upgrades - Project No. L01, 78515 - El17010	Contractor	ETO Solutions Corp.
PO90790 Contract Administration and Site Inspection Services Dr. Kay Sewage Pumping Station	Contract Increase and Extension	See description
Term: Two (2) years with the option to renew for one (1) additional one (1) year term	Estimated Value of Contract	\$310,731.57
	Amount	\$108,037.06
* The previously approved amount of \$202,694.51 includes the initial two year term of the contract.	Previously Approved*	\$202,694.51
Supply and Delivery of Rental Uniforms and Miscellaneous Items within The Regional Municipality of York	Contractor	Canadian Linen and Uniform Service
T-17-58	Renewal	3rd year of 3 year term
COMMISSIONER CONTRACT AWARDS Contract and Description		
Completion Date: 150 working days from notice to commence	Contract	\$601,605.86
received: could not quote competitively, current heavy workload, could not form a partnership with an engineering firm.	Estimated Value of	
*Only one bid was received in response to this RFP. The other plan takers were contacted to ascertain their reasons for not submitting, the following responses were received; could not guite competitively, current heavy workload, could not form a	Amount	\$601,605.86
Engineering Services for Monitoring Well Decommissioning in the Town of Newmarket	Contractor	EXP Services Inc.
P-18-242	No. of Bids	1*
Completion Date: December 31, 2021	Estimated Value of Contract	\$803,949.05
	Amount	\$803,949.05
Design, Contract Administration and Site Inspection Services for the Richmond Hill North Reservoir and Maple North Reservoir Upgrades	Contractor	Associated Engineering (Ont.) Ltd.
P-18-335	No. of Bids	5
Completion Date: 785 working days from notice to commence	Estimated Value of Contract	\$97,634,110.00
	Amount	\$97,634,110.00
York Durham Sewage System (YDSS) Force main Twinning Project in the Town of Newmarket	Contractor	Ward & Burke Microtunnelling Ltd.
T-18-131	No. of Bids	2

Table 3 Corporate Services April 1, 2019 - June 30, 2019

CAO CONTRACT AWARDS			
Contract and Description			
T-18-307		No. of Bids	7
Year Round Grounds Maintenance Services for Various Envi and Wastewater Properties	ironmental Services Water	Contractor	Refer to Contract and Description
Contractor 2627616 Ontario Inc. o/a The Grounds Guys of Newmarket	Amount \$633,680.00	Amount	\$1,114,580.00
1963349 Ontario Ltd. o/a Kirbyco General	\$480,900.00	Value of Contract	
Term: April 15, 2019 - October 14, 2022			\$1,114,580.00
1 CAO Award - Corporate Services	TOTAL		\$1,114,580.00
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	Finance		
April 1.	2019 - June 30, 2019)	
CAO CONTRACT AWARDS			
Contract and Description			
T-19-119		No. of Bids	5
Microsoft Enterprise Agreement		Contractor	CDW Canada Corp.
		Amount	\$6,798,468.96
Term: July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2022		Estimated Value of Contract	\$6,798,468.96
COMMISSIONER CONTRACT AWARDS			
Contract and Description			
PO93728 Symantec Endpoint Protection, Licences & Maintenance		Emergency ³	Emergency purchase to prevent the disruption of essential services
*This payment was made to the vendor to maintain licensing prevent the disruption of essential services.	compliance in order to	Contractor	Softchoice Corporation
		Amount	\$16,710.00
Term: from award of the contract until December 22, 2020		Estimated Value of Contract	\$16,710.00
1 CAO Awards - Finance	TOTAL	Contidot	\$6,798,468.96
1 Commissioner Awards - Finance	TOTAL		\$16,710.00
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Table 5 Community & Health Services April 1, 2019 - June 30, 2019

CAO CONTRACT AWARDS		
Contract and Description		
T-19-95	No. of Bids	1*
West Nile Virus Abatement, Mosquito Larvae Surveillance and Adult Mosquito Trapping Program	Contractor	Canadian Centre for Mosquito Management
*Only one bid was received in response to this RFT. The other plan takers were contacted to ascertain their reasons for not submitting, and no responses were		\$1,175,796.00
received. Staff concluded that one bid was acceptable due to the specialized nature of the project.	Estimated Value of	
Term: 31 months from notification of award, ending on October 31, 2021. With the option to renew the contract for two additional one year terms	Contract	\$1,175,796.00
PO89335	Renewal	4th year of 4 year term
Supply and Delivery of Pharmaceuticals for Paramedic Services	Contractor	Ontario Medical Supply Inc.
The previously approved amount of \$1,057,416.66 includes the initial one year term of the contract, plus the first two option years.	Previously Approved	\$1,057,416.66
	Amount	\$336,000.00
Term: One year with the option to renew the contract for three additional one year terms	Estimated Value of	
	Contract	\$1,393,416.66
COMMISSIONER CONTRACT AWARDS		
Contract and Description		
T-16-32	Renewal	4th year of 5 year term
Supply and Delivery of Clinical Dental Supplies	Contractor	Henry Schein Canada Inc.
The previously approved amount of \$150,000.00 includes the initial one year term of the contract, plus the first two option years.	Previously Approved	\$150,000.00
	Amount	\$35,000.00
Term: One year with the option to renew for four additional one year terms	Estimated Value of Contract	\$185,000.00
PO93805	_	Emergency purchase to prevent
Emergency Transformer Repairs at the Newmarket Health Centre	Emergency ³	the disruption of essential services
*An emergency purchase of services was required to repair degraded volt feeder cable insulation in order to prevent the disruption of essential services.	Contractor	Black & McDonald Limited
	Amount	\$29,400.00
Term: Approximately 2 weeks	Estimated Value of Contract	\$29,400.00

T-19-60		No. of Bids	4
Year Round Grounds Maintenance at the Newmarket & Maple Health Centres		Contractor	Refer to Contract and Description
Contractor Green Earth Canada Contracting Ltd. Markham Property Services Ltd.	Amount \$95,700.00 \$104,850.00	Amount	\$200,550.00
Term: May 1, 2019 - April 30, 2021	,	Estimated Value of Contract	\$200,550.00
T-16-20		Renewal	4th year of 5 year term
Transportation Requirements for the Keswick Adult Day Program		Contractor	Parkview Transit Inc.
The previously approved amount of \$147,220.00 includes the initial three year term of the contract. Term: Three years with the option to renew for two additional one year terms		Previously Approved	\$147,220.00
		Amount	\$51,497.82
		Estimated Value of Contract	\$198,717.82
2 CAO Awards - Community and Health Services	TOTAL		\$1,511,796.00
4 Commissioner Awards - Community and Health Serv	rices TOTAL		\$316,447.82
TOTAL CAO Awards (35)			\$147,115,687.67
TOTAL Commissioner Awards (14)			\$1,245,857.87
TOTAL Awards (49)			\$148,361,545.54

Definitions:

'Amount' pertains to the current contract price and excludes HST

'Estimated Value of Contract' pertains to the potential dollar value of the contract, i.e. the 'Amount' plus the pricing for future years should all optional terms be renewed

'Working days' equate to business days

Notes to Award Categories:

Fast Track¹: Under section 12.5 (a) of the Purchasing Bylaw, the Regional Chair and CAO may jointly authorize the purchase of additional deliverables required to prevent interruption in service delivery or to avoid incurring extra costs

Co-operative Purchasing ²: Under section 14.2 of the Purchasing Bylaw, where another level of government, municipality, agency or public authority has completed a competitive procurement and offers to extend to the Region the same terms and pricing offered by the successful bidder, the Region may enter a contract with the successful bidder without issuing a further call for bids.

Emergency³: Under section 9.3 of the Purchasing Bylaw, the Commissioner may authorize the purchase provided that the total costs does not exceed one hundred and fifty thousand dollars.