



# Broward County

## Legislation Text

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### **Broward County Commission Regular Meeting**

**Director's Name:** Andrew J. Meyers

**Department:** County Attorney

### **Information**

#### **Requested Action**

**MOTION TO ADOPT** Resolution Amending the Broward County Administrative Code, the title of which is as follows:

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, PERTAINING TO CHAPTER 21 OF THE BROWARD COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE CODE ("ADMINISTRATIVE CODE"); REPEALING AND REPLACING THE BROWARD COUNTY PROCUREMENT CODE AS CURRENTLY PROVIDED IN CHAPTER 21 OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

#### **Why Action is Necessary**

A Resolution directing the County Administrator to publish notice of public hearing to consider adoption of the Resolution Amending the Broward County Administrative Code was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners at its meeting of December 8, 2020.

#### **What Action Accomplishes**

Permits the Board to consider adopting a comprehensive rewrite of the Broward County Procurement Code.

#### **Is this Action Goal Related**

No

#### **Previous Action Taken**

#### **Summary Explanation/Background**

The Office of the County Attorney has completed a comprehensive rewrite of the Procurement Code with the following goals: (1) to simplify, streamline, and clarify; (2) to codify Board direction and key practices not currently captured in the Procurement Code; and (3) to update to reflect best practices. To facilitate this significant undertaking, we reviewed the procurement codes of other Florida counties and other model codes, and worked closely with the County's Finance and Administrative Services Department, including the Director of Purchasing and other Purchasing Division staff, the Office of the County Auditor, and the Office of the County Administrator.

The resulting document (Exhibit 2) is a comprehensive revision of the Procurement Code. Because much of the revision was nonsubstantive (simplifying, restructuring, and reorganizing), the normal amendment format (showing deletions in strikethrough text and additions in underlined text) was not practical. Therefore, the Office of the County Attorney prepared a memorandum (Exhibit 3) to summarize the key changes.

We are continuing to discuss the new proposed code with a group of attorneys and other stakeholders active in County procurement matters. We have already received valuable input, and expect to receive more at upcoming scheduled meetings. We expect to edit the proposed code based on this input, and we will provide an additional memorandum summarizing any additional proposed material edits. Because these discussions are ongoing as of the time this agenda item is being printed, and to ensure that all proposed edits are sufficiently analyzed and drafted, it is anticipated that we will request that the public hearing be opened and continued to one of the Board's February meeting dates.

**Source of Additional Information**

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**Fiscal Impact**

**Fiscal Impact/Cost Summary**

None.