

IT Contract & Procurement Specialist III



Job Code	20000768	Job Family	Financial Management & Controls	Professional / Knowledge Worker	
Department	ITS Administration Management	Reports to	Sr Mgr ITS Program Management	Union Status	Non-Represented
FLSA Status	Exempt	Pay Grade	2057	This Job is a Lead	No
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Accountability for Workplace Culture

Our PUD values are at the center of our culture. Putting the safety, health, and well-being of our communities and those we work with is valued above all else and everyone on Team PUD must meet this commitment daily. Nothing we do in achieving our Mission is worth a single injury, and all who interact with us must feel they are valued and welcomed as individuals.

Everyone on Team PUD, in all positions, is accountable for achieving this safe and welcoming culture by:

1. Taking full ownership for the safety of themselves and their coworkers, while ensuring everyone feels valued and welcomed.
2. Taking action to identify and eliminate their own and others' at-risk behaviors, including the behaviors that may undermine another's feelings of being welcomed and valued.
3. Following all safety rules and regulations and ensuring the PUD's expectations for conduct and respect are maintained.
4. Openly sharing near-misses, safety learning opportunities, and ways we can learn to be a more welcoming place while encouraging others to do the same.
5. Utilizing Stop Work Authority to intervene with anyone, anytime, in any place.
6. Intervening or seeking guidance to stop actions that are harmful to the wellbeing, health, or sense of belonging of others, and which are detrimental to our PUD values.

Job Summary

Supports IT Management and staff in reviewing, managing, and renewing vendor contracts through contract lifecycle management. The Specialist ensures adherence to policies, laws, and directives. Facilitates procurement of hardware, software, maintenance, and professional services through formal and informal processes such as Request for Proposal (RFP), Request for Information (RFI), and bids.

Accountabilities

Accountability #1

Ensure transparency and the trust of our customers and stakeholders while supporting technology enhancements by coordinating the procurement processes to develop specifications, acquire bids and proposals (RFPs) to select vendors for information technology hardware, software and services. Coordinates with Contracts and Purchasing, Legal, Risk management, managers, project managers and end users to prepare contracts and Commission documents ensuring areas of liability and risk are managed to protect District interests. Supports procurement for small, medium, and large procurements, and similar responsibilities.

Accountability #2

Ensures transparency with our vendors and ensures the financial interest of the District by assisting ITS leadership in software and hardware license audits by providing accurate and timely information and reports related to contracts, payments and software licenses. Maintains current understanding and best practices for complex software licensing and contract agreements. Supports District compliance with licensing requirements for software and hardware contracts, and similar responsibilities.

Accountability #3

Ensures the practice of cost-control to effectively utilize funds and manage operating costs by managing the renewal process for complex technology contracts (maintenance and support). Works closely with contract leads to determine renewal terms. Performs detailed analysis and comparisons on complex contracts and quotes to understand variances and cost increases. This includes negotiating terms to ensure caps on cost increases and changes in terms are favorable to the District. Looks for opportunities and manages the process to consolidate and co-term contracts, and similar responsibilities.

Accountability #4

Maintains vendor management to control costs and ensure quality by facilitating contracting process for professional services contracts. Manages status of individual contracts and overall contracting program. Working with managers, project managers and project leads, assists in needs assessment to define requirements for contracts, provides recommendations to meet contracting requirements and similar responsibilities.

Accountability #5

Ensures consistency and adherence to processes across all procurements and contract work by mentoring Contract & Procurement Specialist II and I on procedures, providing guidance and other similar responsibilities.

Accountability #6

Supports timely and accurate remittance of payments to avoid late charges and errors as a backup to the Business Operations Coordinator for processing invoice payments and Service Entry Sheets.

Accountability #7

Accountability #8

Accountability #9

Accountability #10

Minimum Qualifications Note

The minimum qualifications listed below are representative of the knowledge, skills, and abilities needed to perform this job successfully, as described in the Accountabilities. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential Accountabilities (duties and responsibilities) of this position. If you need assistance and/or a reasonable accommodation due to a disability during the application or recruiting process, please contact Human Resources at HRRecruiting@snopud.com, or by phone at 425-783-8655.

Qualifications – Education and Experience

Minimum Required Education and Experience:

Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration, Public Administration, Law, or related field, AND Four (4) years of experience in contracts and procurement;

OR

Eight (8) years of experience in contracts and procurement.

Preferred Education and Experience:

Qualifications – License(s) and/or Certification(s)

Minimum Required License(s) and/or Certification(s):

Preferred License(s) and/or Certification(s):

NIGP-CPP – National Institute of Government Purchasing Certified Procurement Professional, or CPPB – Certified Professional Public Buyer, or license/certification from other contract management organizations such as UPPC, ISM, and/or NCMA.

Qualifications – Skills and Abilities

Minimum Required Skills and Abilities:

Information Technology contracts and procurement experience

Strong research and analytical techniques

Read and interpret contracts and statements of work to identify relevant legal, privacy, cyber security and information technology terms and conditions that must be negotiated

Negotiation skills to establish vendor/supplier relationships

Ability to multitask in order to direct, manage and administer multiple functions, programs, and projects

Experience developing, negotiating and administering technology and service contracts

Interpret and understand Federal, State, and local regulations and laws

Strong problem management and resolution skills

Manage confidential information related to contracts and procurements
Independent and discretionary judgement
Communicate effectively (verbal and written) with all levels of the organization
Strong team and collaboration skills
Strong business acumen including financial literacy, strategic thinking, ability to evaluate opportunities, risks and outcomes

Preferred Skills and Abilities:

Utility industry experience
Public procurement experience
Information Technology project management theories and practices
Vendor management

Competencies

The following competencies describe the cluster of behaviors associated with job success in the job group identified as “Professional / Knowledge Worker”.

- Adaptability
- Building Customer Loyalty
- Building Partnerships
- Communication
- Continuous Improvement
- Continuous Learning
- Courage
- Decision Making
- Earning Trust
- Emotional Intelligence Essentials
- Facilitating Change
- Influencing
- Initiating Action
- Innovation
- Leveraging Feedback
- Mentoring
- Planning and Organizing
- Positive Approach
- Professional Knowledge and Aptitude

- Stress Tolerance
- Technology Savvy
- Valuing Differences
- Work Standards

Physical Demands

Physical Demands List

Frequency

Sit	Constant (67-100%)
Walk	Seldom (1-10%)
Stand	Seldom (1-10%)
Drive	Seldom (1-10%)
Work on ladders	Never
Climb poles or trees	Never
Work at excessive heights (note heights in open text box below)	Never
Twist	Seldom (1-10%)
Bend/Stoop	Seldom (1-10%)
Squat/Kneel	Seldom (1-10%)
Crawl	Never
Reach	Never
Work above shoulders (note specific activity in open text box below)	Never
Use Keyboard /mouse	Constant (67-100%)
Use wrist (flexion/extension)	Seldom (1-10%)
Grasp (forceful)	Never
Fine finger manipulation	Constant (67-100%)
Operate foot controls	Seldom (1-10%)
Lift (note weight in open text box below)	Never
Carry (note weight in open text box below)	Never
Push/Pull (note specifics in open text box below)	Never
Work rapidly for long periods	Occasional (11-33%)
Use close vision	Never
Use distance vision	Seldom (1-10%)
Use color vision	Occasional (11-33%)
Use peripheral depth perception	Never
Speak	Frequent (34-66%)
Hear	Frequent (34-66%)

Additional Physical Demands not listed above and associated frequency below.

Mental Demands

Communication

Frequency

Understand and carry out simple oral instructions	Constant (67-100%)
Understand and carry out complicated oral instructions	Frequent (34-66%)
Train other workers	Occasional (11-33%)
Work alone	Frequent (34-66%)
Work as a member of a team	Frequent (34-66%)
Follow standards for work interactions	Frequent (34-66%)
Write communications for clarity and understanding	Constant (67-100%)
Speak with clarity with others	Frequent (34-66%)

Comprehension

Frequency

Read and carry out simple instructions	Constant (67-100%)
Read and carry out complicated instructions	Constant (67-100%)
Retain relevant job information	Constant (67-100%)

Reasoning

Frequency

Read and interpret data	Constant (67-100%)
Count and make simple arithmetic additions and subtractions	Frequent (34-66%)
Use intermediate and/or advanced math	Occasional (11-33%)

Organization

Frequency

Plan own work activities	Constant (67-100%)
Plan work activities of others	Occasional (11-33%)
Direct work activities of others	Seldom (1-10%)

Resilience

Frequency

Work under pressure	Frequent (34-66%)
Work for long periods of time	Occasional (11-33%)
Work on several tasks at the same time	Constant (67-100%)

Additional Mental Demands not listed above and associated frequency below.

Work Environment

Environmental Conditions List	Frequency
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Exposure to weather	Never
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Wet and/or humidity	Never
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Atmospheric conditions	Never
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Confined/restricted working environment	Never
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Vibratory Tasks – High	Never
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Vibratory Tasks – Low	Never
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Additional Environmental Conditions in this job not listed above and the associated frequency below.

Risk Conditions List	Frequency
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Exposure to Heights	Never
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Exposure to Electricity	Never
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Exposure to Toxic or Caustic Chemicals	Never
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Working with Explosives	Never
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Exposure to Radiant Energy	Never
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Extreme Cold	Never
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Extreme Hot	Never
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Proximity to Moving Mechanical Parts	Never
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Noise Intensity	Never
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Exposure to animals	Never
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Working with angry customers	Seldom (1-10%)
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Additional Risk Conditions present in this job not listed above and the associated frequency below.

On-Call Status and Frequency

On-Call is required.

- Yes
- No

On-call activities and frequency.

Work Location

The primary assignment for this position is:

- Remote
- Office Hybrid
- On-Site
- Field/Job Site

While this description has provided an accurate overview of responsibilities, it does not restrict management's right to assign or reassign duties and responsibilities to this job at any time. This position description is designed to outline primary duties, qualifications, and job scope, but not limit our employees or the organization to complete the work identified. In order to serve our customers best, each employee will offer their services wherever and whenever necessary to ensure the success of the District in serving our customers, to further the safety, health, and inclusivity of employees and the public, and achieve expectations of the District overall, while also remaining flexible in recognition of the employee's wellbeing.