

**Item I.4 – Discussion and Possible  
Action Regarding Article XIX,  
Section 19.1, Competitive Bidding  
when not Required on Maintenance  
Repair and Materials Under \$5K**

**Charter Review Advisory  
Committee**

**July 20, 2022**

## Article XIX. General Provisions

### Sec. 19.1. Competitive bidding, when not required.

It shall not be necessary for the City Council to publish notice calling for bids or to receive bids as required in Article XIX, Section 19, in the following cases:

**(a) Where the proposed work consists of maintenance or repair.**

(b) When the City Council, upon recommendation of the City Manager, finds and determines that the work may be done more reasonably either on a daily basis or by the use of City labor, and/or materials may be purchased as cheaply on the open market.

(c) When the City Council by four-fifths (4/5) vote expressed in its official minutes finds and determines that an emergency exists and it is necessary to immediately contract for such work and/or materials in order to protect and preserve life or property.

(d) When the proposed services are not competitive or are to be furnished by a public utility.

**(e) On all purchases of supplies or materials under \$5,000.00, providing such purchases are approved by the City Manager.**

\*19.1—COMPETITIVE BIDDING, WHEN NOT REQUIRED—as amended by election 4-13-65.

# Recommendation 1

- **Revise Section 19.1(a):**
  - (a) Where the proposed work consists of maintenance or repair, **as defined by the City Council by ordinance.**

# Recommendation 2

**Revise Section 19.1(e):**

**Remove:**

~~(e) On all purchases of supplies or materials under \$5,000.00, providing such purchases are approved by the City Manager.~~

**Replace with:**

(e) When the proposed work is exempted by an amount or category as defined by ordinance.