

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Pre-Qualification of Contractors Superintendent's Recommendations Regarding Pre-Qualification Certification

State statutes, regulations, and School Board policy allow contractors that wish to pursue work with the District the opportunity to pre-qualify. These requirements mandate that a contractor is pre-qualified, at the time of the bid opening, and that the School Board acts on a pre-qualification application within sixty (60) days. State regulations and School Board policy require that the School Board act on appeals within thirty (30) days.

The pre-qualification application process is in accordance with State Requirements for Educational Facilities (SREF) Chapter 4, Section 4.1(1), F.S. 1013.46, and School Board Policy 7003.1. Procurement & Warehousing Services Department (PWS) administers compliance in accordance with SREF and School Board policy requirements. The criterion for pre-qualification is based on the single bid limit amount of the largest successfully completed project of similar size and scope. The aggregate bid limit amount is determined by the company's surety bonding. Staff within the PWS reviews the applications, make recommendations, and facilitates Qualification Selection Evaluation Committee (QSEC) meetings. QSEC considers staff's recommendations and then forwards its recommendations to the Superintendent.

This Report provides data on the total number of pre-qualified companies by type of license, new applications, renewal applications, and revoke applications.

The School Board then considers the Superintendent's recommendations. Such recommendations may include:

Issue Pre-Qualification Certification: This is the initial certification for a contractor who is not currently certified or whose certification has expired or has been revoked and has met the eligibility criteria.

Issue Pre-Qualification Re-Certification: This is an annual renewal certificate for a contractor who is currently certified and has met the eligibility criteria.

Issue Recommendation to Not Certify: This is the denial of the initial certification for a Contractor who has not met the eligibility criteria.

Issue Recommendation to Not Re-Certify: This is the denial of the annual renewal certificate for a contractor who is currently certified and has not met the eligibility criteria.

Issue Recommendation to Increase Limits: This is the approval of the request to increase the bonding limits for a contractor who is currently certified and has met the eligibility criteria.

Deny Request to Increase Limits: This is the denial of the request to increase the bonding limits for a contractor who is currently certified and has not met the eligibility criteria.

Suspend or Revoke Certification: This is the suspension for a specified period of time or revocation of the pre-qualification certificate of a contractor for a good cause as outlined in School Board Policy 7003.1.

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Adhere to Modify or Reverse Prior School Board Suspension or Revocation of Certification: This is the School Board’s response to a contractor's request for reconsideration of a suspension or revocation of its pre-qualification certificate as outlined in School Board Policy 7003.1.

The table below exemplifies the improvements mentioned above:

ACTIONS	JANUARY 2017 - DECEMBER 2017	JANUARY 2016 - DECEMBER 2016
Recommended to Certify	61	47
Recommended to Re-Certify	152	126
Recommended to Not-Certify	2	1
Recommended to Increase Limits	17	8
Suspended or Revoked Certification	13	7
TOTAL	245	189

The prequalification certificates of Bon Art Paint, Inc. and Sagoma Construction Services, Inc., were automatically revoked pursuant Chapter 4.1 (1)(e)(1) of the State Requirements for Educational Facilities (“SREF”) for failure to submit a new statement or verification of bonding capacity, after at least thirty (30) days written notice. Both Bon Art Paint, Inc. and Sagoma Construction Services, Inc., failed to provide a new statement of bonding capacity after having been provided multiple, written notices approximately ninety (90) days before expiration of their one (1) year prequalification certificates.