## AMENDMENT NO. 5

Caldwell County

Purchasing Policy and Procedures Manual

Purpose: This amendment is adopted to ensure Caldwell County's Procurement Policies and Procedures are fully compliant with Section 262.003(a) of the Local Government Code.

- 1. Caldwell County formally implements Senate Bill 1173 into Caldwell County Purchasing Policy. SB 1173 was passed by the Texas Legislature and is effective September 1, 2025. The bill amends Section 262.003(a) of the Local Government Code to raise the threshold at which counties must use competitive procurement from \$50,000 to \$100,000.
- 2. See Section III, page 7, Purchasing Authority and General Guidelines of the Caldwell County Purchasing Policy and change to \$100,000.

General guidelines for purchasing and utilization of this manual are as follows:

(1) Determine whether the County is required to make the purchase by competitive bidding. Generally, competitive bidding is required on any purchase likely to equal or exceed \$100,000. Unless a bid contract for the goods or services already exists, the items required to be purchased through competitive bidding will be purchased as described in Section VII, pages 19-24. Questions regarding the necessity of competitive bidding should be directed to the Purchasing Department.

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