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Dear Directors:

The Contractors Association of Will and Grundy Counties supports and endorses your responsible bidders ordinances. We feel very strongly that all governments should adopt this language in their procurement documents.

This language ensures that contracts are awarded in an atmosphere that invites competition and guards against favoritism, improvidence, arbitrary conduct, extravagance, fraud and corruption, so as to secure the best work or supplies at the lowest cost practicable;

The document would then possess great discretion in determining the "lowest responsible bidder" and is entitled to specify the terms of the contract when it solicits bids and the criteria that bidders must meet in order to be considered a "responsible" bidder in the exercise of its proprietary duties and responsibilities;

The contracting authority is entrusted with the power to determine whether a respective bidder is the "lowest responsible bidder."

The government entity would solicit bids and/or proposals on many different types of construction contracts with varying factors affecting each purchasing decision, and therefore must take into account reasonable benefits to the community's welfare arising from each bid and in the exercise of its proprietary functions.

We support LECET in their efforts and promotion of the responsible bidder language.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'BN', is written over a horizontal line.

Barry Narvick
Chairman