

GOVERNMENT CONTRACT REVIEW COMMITTEE

Committee Minutes

August 8, 2023

Call to Order and Roll Call

The Government Contract Review Committee met on Tuesday, August 8, 2023, at 9:00 AM, in Room 131 of the Capitol Annex. Senator Stephen Meredith, Chair, called the meeting to order, and the secretary called the roll.

Present were:

Members: Senator Stephen Meredith, Co-Chair; Representative Mark Hart, Co-Chair; Senators Gary Boswell, and Donald Douglas; Representatives Beverly Chester-Burton and Michael Sarge Pollock.

Guests: Karen Wirth, Rhonda Sims, Micki Ray, Nat Colten, Dr. Kirk Pomper, Tom Harris, Barry Swanson, Andrea Anderson, Hannah Rivera, Buddy Combs, Pam Duncan, Debbie Hall, Tammy Brown, Lisa Lee, Edith Slone, and Jennifer Thornhill.

LRC Staff: Kim Eisner, Jarrod Schmidt, and Kim Smith.

A motion was made by Representative Pollock to approve Minutes of the July 2023, meeting of the committee. Senator Douglas seconded the motion, which passed without objection.

A motion was made by Senator Douglas to consider as reviewed the Personal Service Contract List, with exception of those items selected for further review by members of the committee. Senator Boswell seconded the motion, which passed without objection.

A motion was made by Senator Douglas to consider as reviewed the Personal Service Contract Amendment List, with exception of those items selected for further review by members of the committee. Senator Boswell seconded the motion, which passed without objection.

A motion was made by Senator Douglas to consider as reviewed the Memoranda of Agreement List, with exception of those items selected for further review by members of the committee. Senator Boswell seconded the motion, which passed without objection.

A motion was made by Senator Douglas to consider as reviewed the Memoranda of Agreement Amendment List, with exception of those items selected for further review by members of the committee. Senator Boswell seconded the motion, which passed without objection.

A motion was made by Senator Douglas to consider as reviewed the Kentucky Entertainment Incentive Program Agreements List, with exception of those items selected for further review by members of the committee. Senator Boswell seconded the motion, which passed without objection.

**THE FOLLOWING PERSONAL SERVICE CONTRACTS WERE REVIEWED
WITHOUT OBJECTION:**

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS

Strand Associates, Inc., 2400000001; Palmer Engineering Company, 2400000003; H W Lochner, Inc., 2400000005; QK4, Inc., 2400000006; Beam, Longest and Neff, LLC, 2400000007; Haworth Meyer Boleyn, Inc., 2400000009; HDR Engineering, Inc., 2400000010; Burgess and Niple, Inc., 2400000014; WSP USA, Inc., 2400000050; Palmer Engineering Company, 2400000084; Michael Baker International, Inc., 2400000118.

DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

Tabitha Brown Consulting, LLC, 2300003772.

EASTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY

Donna Fishter Consulting, LLC, 2251-2024.

FACILITIES & SUPPORT SERVICES

Ross Tarrant Architects Inc., 2300003857; Marcum Engineering, LLC, 2300003860; Marcum Engineering, LLC, 2400000015; Clotfelter/Samokar PSC, 2400000154; GRW Engineers, Inc., 2400000156.

KENTUCKY PUBLIC PENSIONS AUTHORITY

Arvin & Manning, PLLC, 2400000004.

KENTUCKY STATE POLICE

Law Enforcement Services, Inc., 2300003597.

MURRAY STATE UNIVERSITY

JRA Architects, 017-24; Multi, 021-24.

NORTHERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY

LB Wellbeing, LLC, 2024-144; ML Weekes & Company, PC, 2024-145.

UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY

Sherman Carter Barnhart, A231220; JRA Architects, A241040; Bluegrass Law Group, PLLC, K24-115; Grace Consulting, Inc., K24-116; CMTA Inc., K24-117; Rockcastle Hospital and Respiratory Care Center, Inc., K24-118; St. Claire Regional Medical Center, K24-119; NAMI Lexington (KY), Inc., K24-122; Sworn Testimony, PLLC d/b/a GameDay Captions, K24-123.

**THE FOLLOWING PERSONAL SERVICE AMENDMENTS WERE REVIEWED
WITHOUT OBJECTION:**

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS

Dentons Bingham Greenebaum, LLP, 2300001640.

BOARD OF MEDICAL LICENSURE

Multi, 2200000053.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Donna A. Meyer, 2200002035; DPJ Consulting, LLC, 2200003286; Central Kentucky Interpreter Referral, Inc., 2200003386; Brian P. White, 2200003504.

DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS

Palmer Engineering Company, 1200002167; Stantec Consulting Services, Inc., 1300001775; T.H.E. Engineers. Inc., 1300002985; QK4, Inc., 1500001282; Wood Environment Infrastructure Solutions, Inc., 1900002819; QK4, Inc., 2000000386; HMB, Inc., 2000000389; H. W. Lochner, Inc., 2000000469; Strand Associates, Inc.,

2100001707; Michael Baker International, Inc., 2100001791; Burgess and Niple, Inc., 2100001880; Palmer Engineering Company, 2100003447; QK4, Inc., 2100003448; HMB Engineers, Inc., 2200001263; HMB Engineers, Inc., 2200001937; Palmer Engineering County, 2200004664; Michael Baker International, Inc., 2300000752; Johnson, Mirmiran & Thompson, Inc., 2300001492-1; American Engineers, Inc., C-03060711.

EASTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY

Omni Architects, 1504-2022.

FACILITIES & SUPPORT SERVICES

Strand Associates, Inc., 2000000293; CMTA, Inc., 2100000607; GRW Engineers, Inc., 2100003157; Omni Architects, 2300000392; John A. Newman Consulting Engineers, 2300000772; CMTA, Inc., 2300001347; GRW Engineers, Inc., 2300001529; Patrick D. Murphy Company, Inc., 2300001754; Kesler Simpson Architects, LLC, 2300001917; Patrick D. Murphy Company, Inc., 2300001991.

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Staggs & Fisher Consulting Engineers, A191140; Lord, Aeck, & Sargent, Inc., A211090; KFI Engineers, PSC, A221090.

**THE FOLLOWING MEMORANDA OF AGREEMENTS WERE REVIEWED
WITHOUT OBJECTION:**

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL & INTELLECTUAL
DISABILITIES

Jessamine County, 2300003421; Kentucky Office of Adult Education, 2300003640.

COUNCIL ON POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION

Monroe County Board of Education, 2300003839; Daviess County Board of Education, 2400000058; Monroe County Board of Education, 2400000062.

DEPARTMENT FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

Kentucky Medical Services Foundation, Inc., 2300002481; United States Department of the Interior, 2400000044.

DEPARTMENT FOR INCOME SUPPORT

Commonwealth Center for Fathers and Families, Inc., 2300003549.

DEPARTMENT FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Louisville Zoo Foundation, Inc., 2300000690; Calloway County Fiscal Court, 2300002847; Hart County Fiscal Court, 2300002848; Campbell County Fiscal Court, 2300003431; Pike County Fiscal Court, 2300003433; Big Sandy Regional Detention Center, 2300003466; Warren County Jail, 2300003469; Montgomery County Treasurer, 2300003562; Owsley County, 2300003644; Backroads of Appalachia, Inc., 2300003828; City of Harrodsburg, 2300003842; Kentucky Mountain Regional Recreation Authority, 2400000002; City of Fort Mitchell, 2400000047; Todd County, 2400000083; The Appalachian Wildlife Foundation, Inc., 2400000086; Perry County, 2400000110; Hopkins County, 2400000111; Martin County Fiscal Court, 2400000113; Lawrence County Fiscal Court, 2400000115.

DEPARTMENT FOR PUBLIC HEALTH

Mountain Comprehensive Care Center, 2300003779; Chrysalis House, Inc., 2300003781; Northern Kentucky Community Action, 2300003782; Voices of Hope - Lexington, Inc., 2300003783; Edith & Henry Heuser Hearing Institute, Inc., 2300003784; Grin Grant, Inc., 2300003792.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Dare To Care, Inc., 2300003237.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Bluegrass Community and Technical College, 2300002875; Campbell County Board of Education, 2300003158; Edmonson County Board of Education, 2300003245; Fayette County Board of Education, 2300003260; Floyd County Board of Education, 2300003263; Ft. Thomas Independent School District, 2300003264; Kentucky Office of Adult Education, 2300003269; Fulton County Board of Education, 2300003285; Garrard County Board of Education, 2300003289; Hardin County Board of Education, 2300003299; Jackson County Board of Education, 2300003309; Jefferson County Board of Education, 2300003311; Larue County Board of Education, 2300003320; Lawrence County Board of Education, 2300003322; Mason County Board of Education, 2300003348; Menifee County Board of Education, 2300003355; Ohio Valley Educational Cooperative, 2300003369; Rowan County Board of Education, 2300003388; Russell County Board of Education, 2300003389; Trigg County Board of Education,

2300003401; Trimble County Board of Education, 2300003402; Warren County Board of Education, 2300003405; Utah State University, 2300003471; Fulton Independent Board of Education, 2300003537; Leslie County Board of Education, 2300003547; Mayfield Independent School District, 2300003557; Metcalfe County Board of Education, 2300003561; Wayne County Board of Education, 2300003571; Williamstown Board of Education, 2300003574; Global Game Changers Children S Education Initiative, Inc., 2300003585; Harlan County Boys and Girls Club, 2300003593; City of Saint Matthews, 2300003615; Barren County Board of Education, 2300003617; Laurel County Board of Education, 2300003633; Kentucky Center for Education and Workforce Statistics, 2300003763; Graves County Board of Education, 2300003778; Jessamine County Board of Education, 2300003799; Monroe County Board of Education, 2300003804; Whitley County Board of Education, 2300003817; Nelson County Board of Education, 2300003823; Floyd County Board of Education, 2400000122; Green River Regional Educational, 2400000123.

DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE JUSTICE

University of Cincinnati Research Institute, 2300002576; Volunteers of America Mid-States, Inc., 2300002863; Todd County Board of Education, 2300003021.

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS

Multi, 2300000083.

KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF PARKS

Breaks Interstate Parks Commission, 2400000052.

PUB PROTECTION - OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

The Hope Initiative, Inc., 2400000029.

UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY

Gateway Community & Technical College, 005-24; Southeast Kentucky Community & Technical College, 006-24.

**THE FOLLOWING MEMORANDA OF AGREEMENT AMENDMENTS WERE
REVIEWED WITHOUT OBJECTION:**

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS

Brian D. Bohannon, 2000001217.

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, DEVELOPMENTAL & INTELLECTUAL
DISABILITIES

Fletcher Group, Inc., 2300001789.

DEPARTMENT FOR COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES

Kentucky River Foothills Development Council, Inc., 2200002464; Audubon Area
Community Services, 2300001796; West Kentucky Allied Services, Inc., 2300001910.

DEPARTMENT FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT

City of Columbia, 2100002713.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Barren County Board of Education, 2300003038; Leslie County Board of
Education, 2300003193.

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS

University of Kentucky Research Foundation, 2200004743.

EDUCATION AND LABOR CABINET

The Coleridge Initiative, Inc., 2300001711.

KENTUCKY STATE POLICE

NW3C, Inc., 2200004439.

**THE FOLLOWING KENTUCKY ENTERTAINMENT INCENTIVE PROGRAM
AGREEMENTS WERE REVIEWED WITHOUT OBJECTION:**

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War Movie, LLC, 2400000127; Born To Lose Limited Partnership, 2400000128;
Horntak Valley, LLC, 2400000130; Albert Productions, LLC, 2400000132; Whispers
Movie, LLC, 2400000146; FAV Films, LLC, 2400000147.

**THE FOLLOWING PERSONAL SERVICE CONTRACTS WERE SELECTED
FOR FURTHER REVIEW:**

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

ICF Incorporated, LLC, 2300003479. Karen Wirth, Rhonda Sims, and Micki Ray discussed the contract with the committee. A motion was made by Senator Boswell to disapprove the contract. Senator Douglas seconded the motion, which failed with Representative Chester-Burton, Representative Pollock, Representative Hart, and Senator Meredith voting no. A motion was made by Senator Boswell to defer the contract to the September 2023 committee meeting. Representative Hart seconded the motion, which passed.

KENTUCKY STATE UNIVERSITY

Earth Tools Inc. d/b/a Apogee Climate and Energy Transitions, 24-11. Nat Colten and Dr. Kirk Pomper discussed the contract with the committee. A motion was made by Representative Chester-Burton to consider the contract as reviewed. Senator Boswell seconded the motion, which passed.

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Ologie, LLC, K24-120; Cornett Integrated Solutions, K24-121. Tom Harris and Barry Swanson discussed the contracts with the committee. A motion was made by Representative Hart to consider the contracts as reviewed. Representative Pollock seconded the motion, which passed.

WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY

Kerrick Bachert PSC, 232414. Andrea Anderson discussed the contract with the committee. A motion was made by Senator Boswell to consider the contract as reviewed. Senator Douglas seconded the motion, which passed.

THE FOLLOWING PERSONAL SERVICE AMENDMENTS WERE SELECTED FOR FURTHER REVIEW:

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

ACT, Inc., 2200003795. Karen Wirth, Rhonda Sims, and Micki Ray discussed the contract with the committee. A motion was made by Representative Hart to consider the contract as reviewed. Representative Chester-Burton seconded the motion, which passed.

KY COMMUNITY TECHNICAL COLLEGE SYSTEM

Huron Consulting Group, 896. Hannah Rivera, Buddy Combs, and Pam Duncan discussed the contract with the committee. A motion was made by Representative

Pollock to consider the contract as reviewed. Representative Hart seconded the motion, which passed.

THE FOLLOWING MEMORANDA OF AGREEMENTS WERE SELECTED FOR FURTHER REVIEW:

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Jefferson County Board of Education, 2300003588; Jefferson County Board of Education, 2300003589; Jefferson County Board of Education, 2300003590; Christian County Board of Education, 2300003851; Ashland Board of Education, 2300003852; Daviess County Board of Education, 2300003853; Graves County Board of Education, 2400000012; Raceland Independent School District, 2400000048; Bullitt County Board of Education, 2400000049; Ft. Thomas Independent School District, 2400000051; Corbin Independent School District, 2400000056; Fayette County Board of Education, 2400000080; Christian County Board of Education, 2400000085; Ohio Valley Educational Cooperative, 2400000089; Perry County Board of Education, 2400000090; Jefferson County Board of Education, 2400000106. Karen Wirth, Micki Ray, and Rhonda Sims discussed the contracts with the committee. A motion was made by Representative Hart to consider the contracts as reviewed. Representative Pollock seconded the motion, which passed.

OFFICE OF EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Coalition Supporting Young Adults, 2400000008. A motion was made by Representative Hart to defer the contract to the September 2023 committee meeting. Senator Boswell seconded the motion, which passed.

THE FOLLOWING MEMORANDA OF AGREEMENT AMENDMENTS WERE SELECTED FOR FURTHER REVIEW:

ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS

Chrysalis House, Inc., 2000000282; Chrysalis House, Inc., 2000000663. Debbie Hall and Tammy Brown discussed the contracts with the committee. A motion was made by Representative Hart to consider the contracts as reviewed. Senator Boswell seconded the motion, which passed.

CHFS - OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Multi, 2200000063. Lisa Lee and Edith Slone discussed the contract with the committee. No motion was made. Contract moves forward as reviewed.

THE FOLLOWING MEMORANDA OF AGREEMENTS FOR \$50K AND UNDER WERE SELECTED FOR FURTHER REVIEW:

DEPARTMENT FOR COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES

Children and Family Futures, Inc., 2300003610. Jennifer Thornhill discussed the contract with the committee. A motion was made by Senator Pollock to consider the contract as reviewed. Representative Chester-Burton seconded the motion, which passed with Representative Hart voting no.

EXEMPTION REQUESTS:

JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY CABINET:

The Department of Justice Administration requested an exemption from Committee Policy Statement #99-4 which prohibits contracts and agreements from extending beyond the current biennium to execute seventy-five (75) subawards for the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) in the amount of \$11,000,000. A motion was made by Representative Hart to grant the request to October 31, 2024. Representative Chester-Burton seconded the motion, which passed without objection.

JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY CABINET:

The Department of Justice Administration requested an exemption from Committee Policy Statement #99-4 which prohibits contracts and agreements from extending beyond the current biennium to execute thirteen (13) subawards for the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program (JAG) in the amount of \$1,600,000. A motion was made by Representative Hart to grant the request to September 30, 2025. Representative Chester-Burton seconded the motion, which passed without objection.

JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY CABINET:

The Department of Justice Administration requested an exemption from Committee Policy Statement #99-4 which prohibits contracts and agreements from extending beyond the current biennium to execute thirty (30) subawards for the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) STOP Formula Program in the amount of \$2,000,000. A motion was made

by Representative Hart to grant the request to June 30, 2025. Representative Chester-Burton seconded the motion, which passed without objection.

JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY CABINET:

The Department of Justice Administration requested an exemption from Committee Policy Statement #99-4 which prohibits contracts and agreements from extending beyond the current biennium to execute thirteen (13) subawards for the Byrne State Crisis Intervention Program in the amount of \$2,735,000. A motion was made by Representative Hart to grant the request to September 30, 2026. Representative Chester-Burton seconded the motion, which passed without objection.

JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY CABINET:

The Department of Justice Administration requested an exemption from Committee Policy Statement #99-4 which prohibits contracts and agreements from extending beyond the current biennium to execute four (4) subawards for the Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN) Formula Grant Program in the amount of \$298,000. A motion was made by Representative Hart to grant the request to September 30, 2025. Representative Chester-Burton seconded the motion, which passed without objection.

JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY CABINET:

The Department of Justice Administration requested an exemption from Committee Policy Statement #99-4 which prohibits contracts and agreements from extending beyond the current biennium to execute one hundred thirty (130) subawards for the Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) in the amount of \$17,000,000. A motion was made by Representative Hart to grant the request to September 30, 2025. Representative Chester-Burton seconded the motion, which passed without objection.

ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT CABINET:

The Office of Energy Policy requested an exemption from Committee Policy Statement #99-4 which prohibits contracts and agreements from extending beyond the current biennium for the State Energy Program (SEP) Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) projects awarded under the Office of Energy Policy BIL Program grants. A motion was made by Representative Hart to grant the request to June 30, 2028. Representative Chester-Burton seconded the motion, which passed without objection.

COUNCIL ON POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION:

The Council on Postsecondary Education requested an exemption from Committee Policy Statement #99-4 which prohibits contracts and agreements from extending beyond the current biennium for 1) State and Fiscal Recover Funds (SFRF): Healthcare Workforce Initiative & Simmons College Teacher Education Initiative and 2) Gaining Early Awareness for Undergraduate Programs (GEAR UP). A motion was made by Representative Hart to grant the request to September 30, 2026. Representative Chester-Burton seconded the motion, which passed without objection.

KENTUCKY COMMISSION ON MILITARY AFFAIRS:

The Kentucky Commission on Military Affairs (KCMA) requested an exemption from Committee Policy Statement #99-4 which prohibits contracts and agreements from extending beyond the current biennium for the Kentucky COMPETES (Collaborative Opportunities to Modernize Practices Engagements Teams and the Economy of Success) Project grant. A motion was made by Representative Hart to grant the request to February 28, 2025. Representative Chester-Burton seconded the motion, which passed without objection.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:16 AM.