

WALKER COUNTY PURCHASING

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CERTIFICATE OF INTRESTED PARTIES

Texas Ethics Commission (Form 1295)

Texas Government Code effective January 1, 2016 requires that a governmental entity receive a Certificate of Interested Parties Texas Ethics Commission Form 1295 before entering into a contract with Walker County. This included new, amended, extended or renewed contracts that meets one or both of the following criteria:

- 1. Requires an action or vote by the Commissioners Court
- 2. Has a value of at least \$1 million.

Vendor must:

- 1. Go to: https://www.ethics.state.tx.us/File/ click on Form 1295 Filings, click on the click here if you do not have a user ID and follow the instructions to set up an account. If you already have an account then you may log in and proceed with the process.
- 2. Submit and print a copy of the form which will contain a unique certification number
- 3. An authorized agent of the Respondent must sign the printed copy of the form
- 4. The completed Form 1295 must be included with your solicitation when it is submitted to Walker County. (Scanning and emailing this form is sufficient for renewals & maintenance of solicitations)

Helpful Tips for completing Form 1295 (Please note this is not legal advice):

- 1. Who is the contract with click "Other Governmental Entity"
- 2. Governmental Entity Name Walker County, Texas
- 3. Contract ID Number This will be the solicitation number and name as specified at the top of this document.
- 4. Read the Ethics Commissions definition of interested party, controlling interests and intermediary interest prior to completing this form.

Any delay in returning this form will result in delay of approval and/or award of the contract. If this form is not returned, Walker County will not proceed with the approval and/or award of the contract.