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By Council Member Won

A Local Law in relation to establishing a special inspector within the department of investigation to review contracts that were entered into in response to the 2019 novel coronavirus, and providing for the repeal of such provision upon the expiration thereof

Be it enacted by the Council as follows:

Section 1. Special inspector of contracts in relation to COVID-19. a. The commissioner of investigation shall appoint a special inspector who shall monitor emergency procurement contracts that, in the judgment of such special inspector, are or were entered into by any agency or contracted entity in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The special inspector shall collect and review the details of such procurement contracts with the cooperation of the agency or agencies, or contracted entity, executing such contracts, and the mayor's office of contract services. For the purposes of this local law, the term "agency" has the same meaning as such term is defined in section 1150 of the New York city charter, and the term "contracted entity" has the same meaning as such term is defined in section 22-821 of the administrative code.

b. Within 30 days of the effective date of the local law that added this section, and continuing in real-time thereafter until this local law expires, the special inspector shall report in a publicly available online database about the city emergency procurement contracts the special inspector has reviewed pursuant to subdivision a of this section. The special inspector shall continually evaluate such contracts to identify potential or actual deficiencies in monitoring and integrity, and shall notify the affected agency, agencies or contracted entity, and the mayor's office of contract services, of any such deficiencies along with recommendations for remedying them going forward, in addition to publishing such deficiencies and recommendations in the online

database.

c. Such online database shall also include, but not be limited to, the following information:

1. The requirements of the contract;
2. The dollar value of the contract;
3. The type of business in which the vendor engages;
4. The vendor's inventory of any goods included in the contract;
5. The timeline for delivery of the agreed upon goods or services to the city;
6. Whether the vendor has a record of previously doing business with the city;
7. Whether the vendor has a record of providing the goods or services required by the contract;
8. Whether the contractor has provided the agreed upon goods or services to date to the city; and
9. Any other information that the mayor or commissioner of investigation may require.

§ 2. This local law takes effect 30 days after it becomes law, except that the commissioner of investigation may take such measures as are necessary for its implementation before such date. This local law remains in effect until 1 year after the declaration of a state of emergency contained in mayoral executive order number 98 for the year 2020, as extended, has expired, at which time this local law expires and is deemed repealed.

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