

75-5807. Negotiation of contract with selected firm; duties of committee; failure of negotiations with selected firms; additional list of nominees. (a) Each negotiating committee shall determine which engineering or land surveying services are necessary and shall negotiate a contract for each proposed project with the selected firm for the necessary engineering or land surveying services. In such negotiations, the negotiating committee shall always consider demonstrated competence and qualifications and shall take into account the estimated value of the engineering or land surveying services to be rendered and the scope, complexity and professional nature thereof.

(b) If the negotiating committee is unable to negotiate a satisfactory contract with the firm considered to be the most qualified, negotiations with that firm shall be terminated. The negotiating committee shall then undertake negotiations with the second most qualified firm. If there is a failing of accord with the second most qualified firm, negotiations with such firm shall be terminated. The negotiating committee shall then undertake negotiations with the third, fourth and fifth most qualified firms in turn.

(c) If the negotiating committee is unable to negotiate a satisfactory contract with any of the selected firms, the negotiating committee shall reevaluate the necessary engineering or land surveying services and fee requirements and reopen negotiations with any of the firms on the list submitted by the agency head. If the negotiating committee is still unable to enter into a contract for the necessary engineering or land surveying services, the negotiating committee shall request the agency head or, in the case of a proposed project under subsection (b) of K.S.A. 75-5804, and amendments thereto, the state building advisory commission to provide another list of firms to be negotiated with by the negotiating committee and, upon receipt of such list, the negotiating committee shall proceed in accordance with the provisions of this act.

History: L. 1977, ch. 287, § 7; L. 1978, ch. 337, § 34; L. 1996, ch. 48, § 5; Mar. 28.