




**CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO**  
**OFFICE OF THE CONTROLLER**

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## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** All City Departments

**FROM:** Ben Rosenfield, Controller 

**DATE:** January 19, 2010

**SUBJECT:** Administrative Code, Section 6.1  
Controller's Recalculation of Threshold Amount to \$128,000 for  
January 2010

Chapter 6 of the Administrative Code, Public Works Contracting Policies and Procedures, "governs public work or improvement contracting policies and procedures, including the procurement of professional design, consulting and construction management services for public work projects."

*Section 6.1(L), Definitions*, states:

The Threshold Amount, for the purposes of this Chapter, is \$100,000. On January 1, 2005, and every five years thereafter, the Controller shall recalculate the Threshold Amount to reflect any proportional increase in the Urban Regional Consumer Price Index from January 1, 2000, rounded to the nearest \$1,000.

In accordance with this section, the Controller's Office has recalculated the Threshold Amount for public works and related professional service contracts to be \$128,000.

*Calculation Basis*

The source data is from the US Department of Labor's Bureau of Labor Statistics website using the "Consumer Price Index (CPI) – All Urban Consumers for the San Francisco – Oakland-San Jose CA Area," using December factors from the end of the prior year. The data was obtained from the following website:

[http://data.bls.gov/PDQ/servlet/SurveyOutputServlet?data\\_tool=dropmap&series\\_id=CUURA422SA0,CUUSA422SA0](http://data.bls.gov/PDQ/servlet/SurveyOutputServlet?data_tool=dropmap&series_id=CUURA422SA0,CUUSA422SA0)

The difference between the inflation index for January 2000 (December 1999 value of 174.5) and January 2010 (December 2009 value of 224.2) is 49.7, or 28.48% inflation. This increase brings the rounded threshold to \$128,000.