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City of Riverside Recognized for Excellence in Procurement

RIVERSIDE, Calif. – The City of Riverside is one of only 72 cities in the nation to be recognized with the prestigious 2024 Annual Achievement of Excellence in Procurement® (AEP) from the National Procurement Institute, Inc.

The Purchasing Division of the city’s Finance Department has led the way in demonstrating a commitment to procurement excellence. The national institute recognizes procurement organizations that embrace innovation, professionalism, productivity, leadership, and e-procurement.

The City has won the award for 19 years in a row. Other recipients around the U.S. include 49 counties, 25 special districts, 23 school districts, 16 higher education agencies, 5 state or provincial agencies and 8 others.

The AEP program encourages the development of excellence as well as continued organizational improvement to earn the award annually. In addition to the National Procurement Institute, Inc. (NPI), the AEP is sponsored by the California Association of Public Procurement Officials (CAPPO), Canadian Public Procurement Council / Conseil canadien des marchés publics (CPPC), Florida Association of Public Procurement Officials (FAPPO), Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA), National Association of Educational Procurement (NAEP), NIGP: The Institute for Public Procurement and Texas Public Purchasing Association (TxPPA).

The AEP is supported by the Airport Purchasing Group (APG), AXIA Cooperative, GOVMVMT, NCPP The Professional Association for Cooperative Procurement, OMNIA Partners, Pavilion, Strategic Government Resources (SGR), Sustainable Purchasing Leadership Council (SPLC), and the Universal Public Procurement Certification Council (UPPCC).