FUTURE ACTION ITEM #8

Proposed Revisions to WAC 504-50 (Small Works Roster) (Leslie Brunelli/Olivia Yang)

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS.

SUBJECT: Proposed Revisions to WAC 504-50 (Small Works Roster)

PROPOSED: That the Board of Regents approve revisions to WAC 504-50,

implementing updated provisions of RCW 39.04.151 regarding the small

works roster

SUBMITTED BY: Leslie Brunelli, Executive Vice President, Finance & Administration/CFO

SUPPORTING

INFORMATION: In 2022, the State of Washington Capital Projects Review Board (CPARB)

submitted a Business Equity/Diverse Business Inclusion (BE/DBI) report to the Legislature. In 2023, two CPARB committees worked on the first phase of implementing the recommendations in the report. One group worked on the state certification of small businesses by the Office of Minority and Women's Business Enterprises (OMWBE), and another group worked on revisions to RCW 39.04.151 (Small works roster). WSU

staff has active leadership roles in both committees.

In 2023, the legislature passed $\underline{\mathsf{SB}5268}$ authorizing OMWBE to create criteria for state certification of small businesses and amending requirements for use of a small works roster for construction. The proposed WAC revisions incorporate these changes, including (1) increasing the dollar threshold for using the small works roster, and (2) establishing procedures to implement the creation and administration of

the WSU roster.

A public hearing on the proposed changes is scheduled for March 12, 2024, and it is anticipated the proposed changes will be brought to the Regents

for approval at the April 2024 meeting.

ATTACHMENT: Attachment A- WAC 504-50 – Proposed Redline