Bid. An offer, submitted by a responsible bidder, in ink or typewritten, to furnish goods or services in conformity with the specifications, delivery terms and conditions and other requirements included in the invitation for bids.

Bidder's list. A current file of sources of supply for each category of commodities repetitively purchased for County use.

Capital improvement project. Any contract for the physical public betterment or improvement of County property, including buildings, roads or other County facilities when the labor is to be performed by other than County forces.

Contractual services. All services of any nature whatsoever including but not limited to any repair or maintenance of equipment, buildings, machinery, other County-owned or operated personal or real property, and insurance on such property. The term "contractual services" shall not include contracts for professional services.

County or County government. The government of Montgomery County, Maryland.

Goods. Supplies, materials, equipment and all tangible commodities, except real property.

Professional services. The services of attorneys, physicians, architects, engineers, consultants or other individuals or organizations whose services by their nature are unique and are customarily negotiated.

Shall. The word shall is always mandatory, and not merely directory, as used herein.

Using Agency. Any department, office, board or any other unit of the County government using supplies or procuring contractual services as provided for in this Article. The County Board of Education is specifically excepted. The County Council is excepted to the extent provided for in Section 84-14A of this Article.

Sec. 2. A new Section 84-14A, title "Purchasing and contracting by County Council", is hereby added to Chapter 84, Article II, of the Montgomery County Code 1965, as amended, to follow immediately after Section 84-14 thereof and to read as follows:

84-14A. PURCHASING AND CONTRACTING BY COUNTY COUNCIL.

SUBJECT TO THE GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR PURCHASING