

Proposed Final Report:

2nd Sunset Review of UW's Alternative Process for Selecting Medical Facility Construction Contractors

Legislative Auditor's Conclusion:

Legislature should reauthorize UW's alternative process for contractor selection because timeliness and contractor performance have improved



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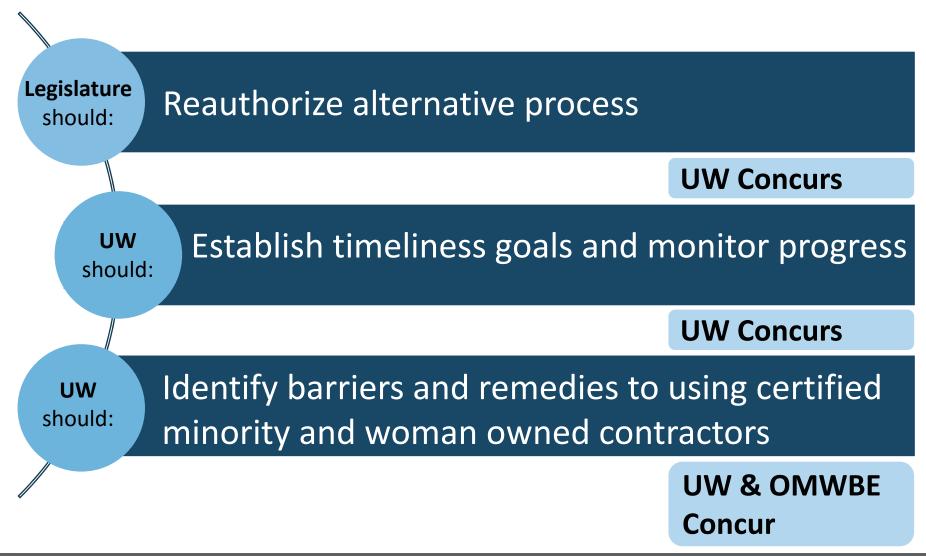
Alternative process intended to speed contractor selection

Limits bids to pre-qualified contractors

Construction projects for \$5 million or less

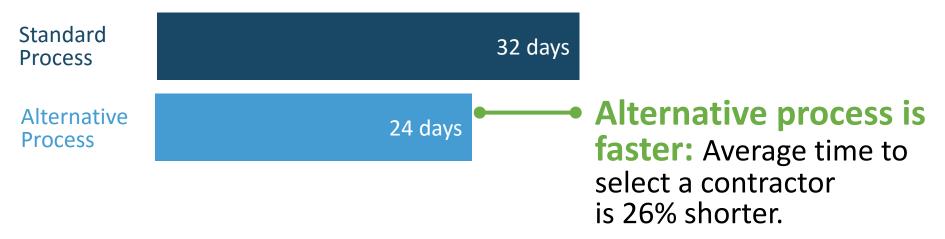
- Critical patient care or highly specialized medical research facilities
- UW and Harborview Medical Centers

Authority expires June 2017 unless reauthorized

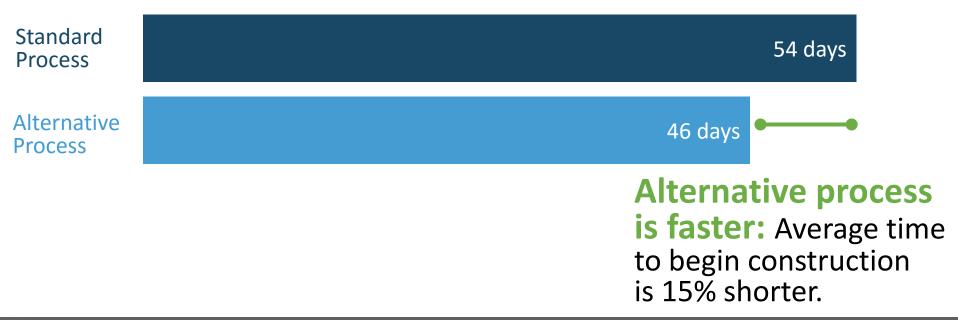


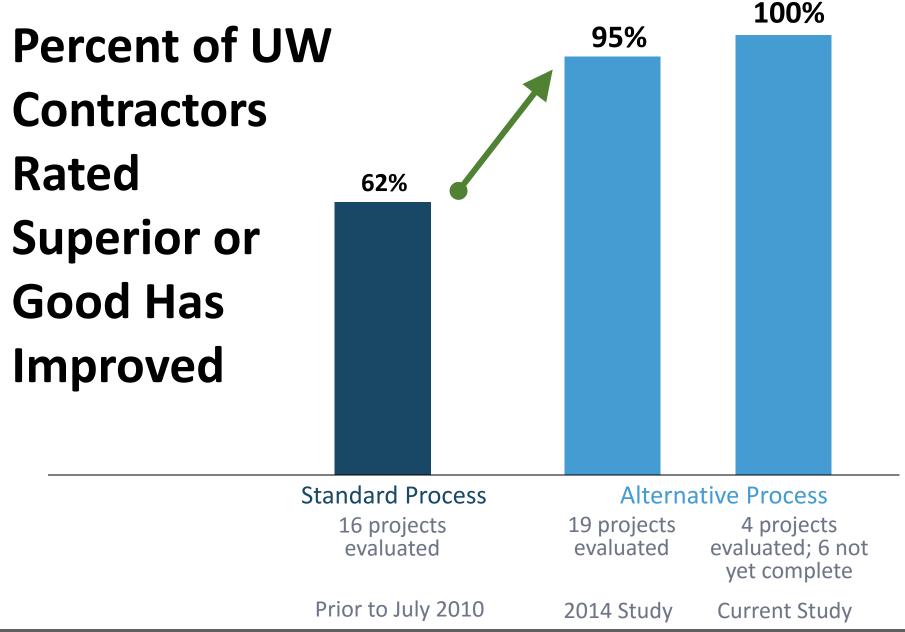


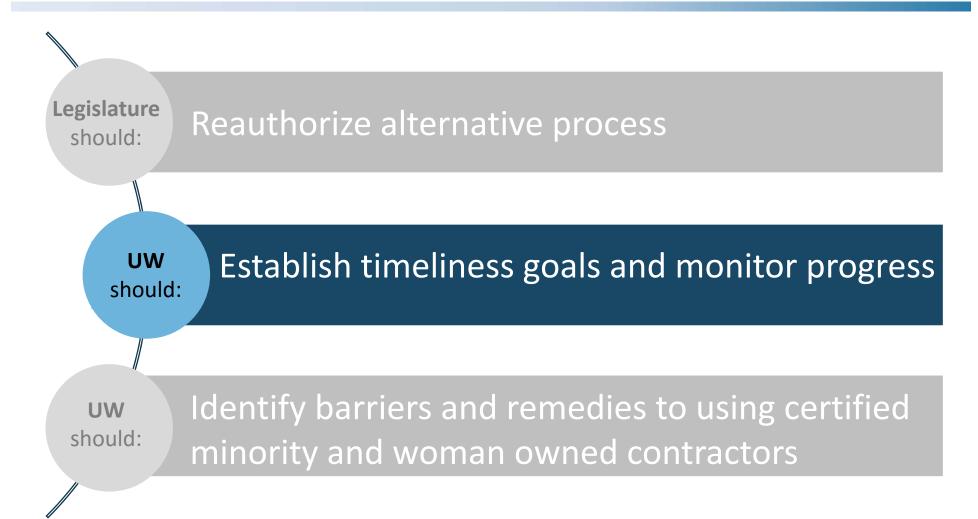
Average time to select a contractor

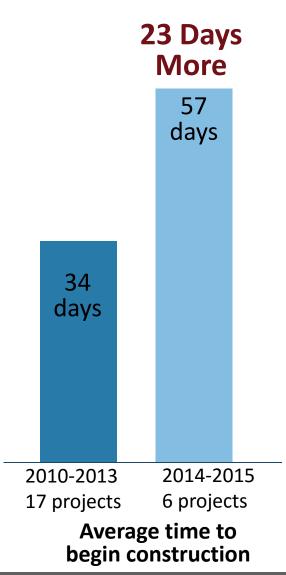


Average time to begin construction





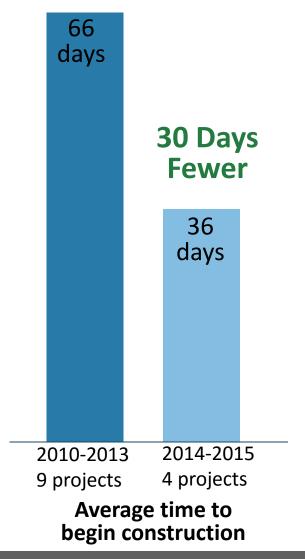




Contracting speed since 2014 has been mixed

Recent UWMC projects **slower**

Harborview projects **faster**







Statute requires
UW to conduct
outreach to statecertified minority
or woman owned
firms

Annual roster notices to minority and woman owned firms

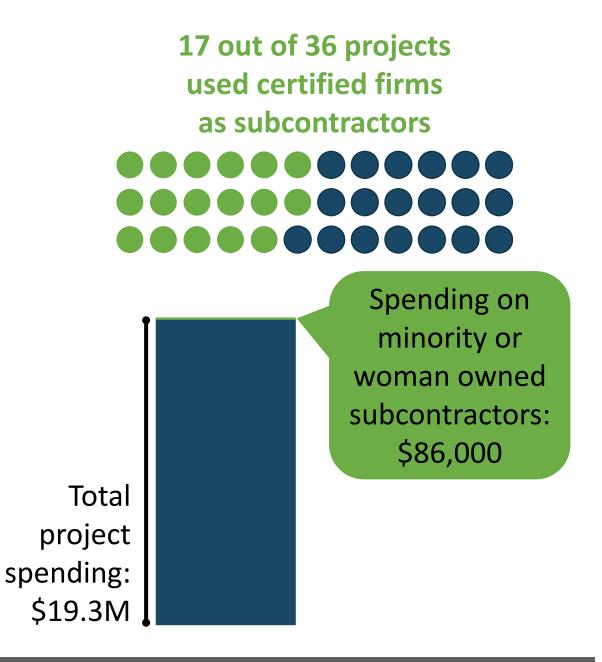
Host contractor events

Assess outreach as part of contractor qualifications

Assess use of firms on performance evaluation

Planned: Meet with winning contractors to discuss outreach

No certified firms have applied to be on alternative rosters



Sunset questions answered

1 Comply with legislative intent?

- Yes. Met statutory requirements and reduced time of contracting.
- 2 Provide for efficient and economical public works construction?

Yes. UW has used the alternative for projects under \$5 million and selected lowest responsive bidder.

- 3 Achieve expected performance goals and targets?
- Yes. Average timeliness and contractor performance ratings improved.
- 4 Duplicate activities of another agency or the private sector?

No. Engages, rather than duplicates, services of private sector contractors.



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leg.wa.gov/jlarc/reports/2016/UWAltProcess/pf/default.htm

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