Equal Opportunity Review Commission

MINUTES
Friday July 17, 2020
12:00 PM
Via Zoom

Commissioners in Attendance: Erin Conley, Tracey McCants-Lewis, Sara Segel, Monica Ruiz, James Myers and Andrea Vasquez

Staff in Attendance: Chuck Durham

I. Introduction

Motion to approve June 2020 minutes unanimously passed.

II. New Plan

• 2007-01- Housing Authority, Hamilton-Larimer Demolition

There was representation from Housing Authority for the construction plan. The prime contractor is Pro Quality Land Development. Their MBE sub-contractor W.J. Scott accounts for 18% participation, and WBE subcontractor JAO Unlimited LLC provides 7% participation. The contract value is $658,000.

Plan Approved

• Cowley Park Landslide Remediation

There was representation from DOMI for the construction plan. The prime contractor is Allison Park Contractors Inc. Their MBE subcontractors Al Geisler & Sons Trucking Inc. and North Suburban Tree constitute 8.8%. Their WBE contractors ShayCon Supply LLC and Adams Petroleum Products constitute 2.33% participation. The nature of project work is such that it doesn’t lend itself to higher DBE participation, even though the Prime has made some good faith efforts and increased the participation percentages marginally. The contract value is $770,000.

Plan Approved
III. Emphasis was placed on the need to build capacity of MWDBEs through knowledge sharing, training etc. so they can actively participate in areas of work which they are not able to partake in now.

IV. Update on ITQ projects was postponed to next month.

V. Chuck shared an update about plans approved as of July, 2020. There are eighteen plans approved so far, amounting to a little over $12 million. Out of the eighteen plans, Housing Authority comprises ten, Department of Mobility and Infrastructure constitutes seven, and one from City Planning.

VI. Commissioner Erin mentioned about an article in Post-Gazette complementing EORC for doing contracts worth $23 million with Minority and Women Business Enterprises in 2019.

VII. Letters of Approval will be sent by Office of Business Diversity to the Department of Procurement.