Equal Opportunity Review Commission

MINUTES
Wednesday February 20, 2019
12:00 PM
Pennsylvania Bar Institute
Professional Development Center Conference Center
Heinz 57 Center
339 Sixth Avenue, Suite 760
Pittsburgh, Pa. 15222

Commissioners in Attendance: Karen Hall, Jennie Sweet-Cushman, Andrea Vasquez, Demeshia Seals
Call-ins: Justin Laing, James Myers, Erin Conley
Staff in Attendance: Chuck Durham, Ricardo Williams

I. Introduction

   Motion to approve the January 2019 minutes

II. New Plans

1902-01- David Hutchinson, Office of Management and Budget, City of Pittsburgh, Karl and Walt Haglund, Urban Design Ventures, LLC. presented the plan. The Community Development Consulting Services Plan will provide planning and implementation services for the City’s HUD-funded programs for the (3) year period, assuming funds are appropriated and allocated for FY 2020 through FY 2022. Urban Design Ventures, LLC will assist in the creation of four documents required by HUD and provide technical assistance on an as-needed basis for items including best practice research and responses to audits.

Commissioner Seals asked Karl and Walt Haglund (Urban Design Ventures) how long they had to reach out to sub-contractors. She was concerned about the percentage of work going to M/WBE firms. Karl replies that they had two weeks to find sub-contractors before the EORC meeting.

Commissioner Conley makes a motion to approve. Commissioner Myers second

PLAN IS APPROVED
III. Chairman’s remark’s

Chairman Laing ask the commissioners to attend a meeting on February 26 at the Homewood Library. The meeting is planned by Reverend Burgess to discuss how MWBE companies can get more involved in city contracts.

IV. Managers Minutes

Manager Williams updated the commission on the March 14 WBE event at the O’Hara Student Center, University of Pittsburgh 4024 O’Hara Street, Pittsburgh, Pa. 15213.

The next EORC meeting is Thursday, March 21, 2019. The meeting will be held in City Council Chambers at the City-County Building 414 Grant Street. Pittsburgh, Pa. 15219

V. Adjournment