Equal Opportunity Review Commission

MINUTES
Wednesday May 22, 2019
12:00 PM
Citi Stats Room 646
City-County Building
414 Grant Street, 5th Floor
Pittsburgh, Pa. 15219

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

I. Introduction

Motion to approve the April 2019 minutes

II. New Plans

1905-01 Sheraden Park Master Plan – City Planning

Bryan Hanes, Studio Bryan Hanes, Sarah Miller, SCI-TEK Consultants, and Karen Brean, Karen Brean Associates presented the plan. The Sheraden Park master Plan is a recommendation of the Open space Plan (the City’s Open Space, parks, and Recreation Plan), adopted in July 2013. The Open Space Plan recommended Sheraden Park’s designation as a “signature community park”. Sheraden’s scale makes it a site with strong potential to be expended and redeveloped, thereby serving a larger population and providing “green premium” benefits to areas not benefitting from proximity to the City’s five regional parks. Commissioner Laing ask Bryan Hanes to explain how they were able to reach the M/WBE goals. Mr. Hanes explain that they used the PAUCP to look for subcontractors.

Commissioner Conley makes a motion to approve. Commissioner Nathan second

PLAN IS APPROVED

1905-02 Oakland Economic Development and Urban Design – City Planning

Andrew Dash, Felipe Palomo and Derek Dauphin, City Planning and Ben Carson, Goody Clancy via call-in presented the plan. The Oakland Economic Development and Urban Plan will focus on economic development, livability and sustainability. Important to this work is the development of a thorough understanding of the existing conditions in Oakland. Consultants will complete two interrelated products.
1. Economic Development Study will look at the development potential under existing conditions, what are challenges to realize economic and community development opportunities (e.g., housing affordability, workforce training, and supporting local entrepreneurship).

2. Urban Design Study will look at existing and potential urban character of Oakland and its subareas.

The commissioners were impress with the 33% M/WBE participation on the plan.

Commissioner Hall makes a motion to approve. Commissioner Vasquez second

**PLAN IS APPROVED**

**1905-03 Arsenal Park Phase 1 Design – Public Works**

Andrea Ketzel, Department of Public Works, John Buerkle, Sara Thompson, Kara Roggenkamp, Pashek + MTR presented the plan. The Arsenal Park Phase 1 Design Plan is located in the Lawrenceville neighborhood. Based on the park master plan, landscape architects are asked to design the Phase 1 project, which includes an imaginative play environment, accessible routes into and through the park and storm water management. Although the Prime (Pashek + MTR) is a certified WBE company and subcontracted out part of the plan to other certified WBE companies, the commissioners were concern with not enough good faith effort in reaching out to MBE companies. The Prime only reach out to one (1) MBE firm and did not reach the 18% MBE commitment.

Commissioner Hall makes a motion to approve. NO second

**PLAN IS NOT APPROVED**

**1905-04 South Side Park Design Phase 1**

Andrea Ketzel, Department of Public Works, John Buerkle, Sara Thompson, Kara Roggenkamp, Pashek + MTR presented the plan. The South Side Park Design Phase 1 is landscape architectural services for a project located at South Side Park. Based on the park master plan, landscape architects are asked to design the Phase 1 project, which includes an Archaeological Assessment, Topographic Survey, Schematic Design, Grading Plan, Construction Drawing and Specifications and Construction Administration Services. Although the Prime (Pashek + MTR) is a certified WBE company and subcontracted out part of the plan to other certified WBE
companies, the commissioners were concern with not enough good faith effort in reaching out to MBE companies. The Commissioners decide to table the plan giving Pashek + MTR another month to reach out to MBE companies for subcontracted work.

**PLAN IS TABLE**

**1905-05 Microfiche Scanning – Permits, Licenses and Inspections**

Sarah Kinter, Department of Permits, Licenses and Inspections, Charles Carter, Avenu Insight & Analytics presented the plan. The Microfiche Scanning plan is to scan and transfer of microfiche and aperture film cards to digital format and inclusion with department’s digital library. The project involves scanning, conversion, image verification, data capture, and digital storage of all microfilm and microfiche located in the Department of City Planning. There are currently several file cabinets filled with microfilm and microfiche records, totaling about one (1) million slides of various scales and sizes. The Prime (Avenu Insight & Analytics) exceeded the MBE commitment. They also added a veteran’s small business on the plan as well.

Commissioner Conley makes a motion to approve. Commissioner Nathan second

**PLAN IS APPROVED**

**1905-06 Oakland Mobility Network and Parking Management Plan – DOMI**

Dara Braitman, DOMI, Nicholas Ross, HDR Engineering, Inc., John Clark, John J. Clark & Associates presented the plan. The Oakland Mobility Network and Parking Management Plan will study existing mobility patterns, including roadway volumes, transit ridership, non-vehicular movements, and parking, in Oakland. It will evaluate whether the current network is sufficient to meet existing and projected demand based on a variety of indicators, including a change in population and employment, and identify a series of improvements and enhancements for the area. The Prime (HDR Engineering, Inc.) met the M/WBE commitment.

**PLAN IS APPROVED**
1905-07 David L. Lawrence Convention Center 4th Floor Green Roof, Phase 1, Sport and Exhibition authority

Clarence Curry, Sport and Exhibition Authority, John C. Mascaro presented the plan. The DLLCC plan is to replace the 4th of the convention center. The work involves removing and replacing the concrete roof Terrance over an existing occupied space. It is anticipated the work area will be broken down into six zones. Once the existing concreate and existing roofing are removed from zone 1, the new roofing in zone 1 will be installed; as the new roofing in zone 1 is being installed the existing concreate and existing roofing in zone 2 will be removed; this will continue until all six zones are complete. Mascaro will be the Construction Manager overseeing this entire project. The contract was separated into 5 bid packages, General Trades, Roofing/Waterproofing, Landscaping, Plumbing and Electrical. The plan exceeded the WBE commitment and has a total of 21% M/WBE commitment.

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III. Chairman’s remark’s

Commissioner Laing wants to set up a meeting with Majestic Lane, Chief Equity Officer. He is concerned with the expired terms of all but 3 commissioners. He also would like to discuss the current legislation and how the commission can enforce the compliance review process.

IV. Managers Minutes

Manager Williams will be attending the Living Cities-City Accelerator Cohort 6 in Tennessee next month. The program is design to help bring more awareness to the EORC.

The next EORC meeting is Wednesday, June 26th, 2019

Adjournment