

MBE/WBE and Small Business Council Subcommittee MINUTES

Regular Meeting Tuesday, January 12, 2010

The MBE/WBE and Small Business Council Subcommittee convened in a regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, January 12, 2010 in Room #1101 at City Hall, 301 W. 2nd Street in Austin, Texas.

Committee Members in attendance:

Council Member Mike Martinez, Council Member Sheryl Cole, Council Member Randi Shade

1. CALL TO ORDER

Council Member Martinez called the meeting to order at 3:06 p.m. with Council Member Shade off the dais.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The October 13, 2009 regular meeting minutes were approved on a 2-0 vote by a motion from Council Member Cole, seconded by Council Member Martinez.

3. CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: GENERAL

The first 10 speakers signed up prior to the meeting being called to order will each be allowed a three-minute allotment to address their concerns regarding items not posted on the agenda.

There were no citizens signed up to speak.

4. MBE/WBE ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

a. Monthly report from the Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise (MBE/WBE) and Small Business Advisory Committee regarding its activities and minority-owned and women-owned business enterprises issues.

Adrian Neely, Chair of the MBE/WBE Advisory Committee - updated the Subcommittee on the November and December 2009 meetings.

Council Member Shade joined the dais.

5. NEW BUSINESS

Update on the proposed rule language regarding Good Faith Effort negotiation. (HANDOUT)

Veronica Briseño Lara, Acting Director-SMBR updated the committee on the proposed rule language. Council Member Martinez made a motion to support the proposed change. Council Member Shade seconded, and the motion passed on a 3-0 vote.

6. STAFF BRIEFINGS

a. Update on improvements at the Small and Minority Business Resources (SMBR) Department regarding programs, processes, technology, organizational changes and related items. (HAND-OUT)

Veronica Briseño Lara, Assistant Director, SMBR presented the subcommittee with a handout outlining updates at SMBR.

7. ADJOURNMENT - The meeting was adjourned by Council Member Martinez at 4:14 p.m.