



AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMISSION 20240814-009

Date: August 14, 2024

Subject: Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Representation and Reporting for Airport Expansion Development Program (AEDP)

Motioned By: Fang Fang Seconded By: Bakari Brock

Recommendation

Provide opportunities and expand goals for the participation of small businesses owned or controlled by eligible socially or economically disadvantaged individuals in City contracts through best practices that include an oversight committee, outreach and technical assistance, compliance and reporting, in order cultivate inclusivity that yields diversity.

Description of Recommendation to Council

Please see attached

Rationale:

The Journey with AUS near-term improvements and long-term expansion and development projects outlined here <https://www.austintexas.gov/AUSJourney> will provide opportunities to cultivate new business relationships yet many contracts awarded are to firms with past or current experience at the airport.

Many contracts are awarded as contract extensions, proprietary services, or other methods that prevent underrepresented firms to be considered and awarded for new work.

It is the intention of this recommendation to encourage, measure, and report the involvement of a diverse array of firms that benefit from the business opportunities with the City and in accordance with the requirements of federally funded programs.

Vote

For: Wendy Price Todd, Bakari Brock, Patrick Rose, Jeremy Hendricks, Jonathan Coon, Scott Madole, Doyle Valdez, Fang Fang, Jeff Eller

Against: Chad Ennis

Abstain:

Absent:

Attest: [Staff or board member can sign]

Annie Calderon