

# Memorandum



CITY OF DALLAS

DATE April 3, 2020

TO Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBJECT **M/WBE Participation for April 8, 2020 Council Agenda**

It is the mission of the Office of Business Diversity to ensure non-discriminatory practices and eliminate barriers while resourcing businesses to the next step in their business life cycle. The policy of the City of Dallas is to use certified Minority and Women-owned Business Enterprises (M/WBEs) to the greatest extent feasible on the City's construction, procurement, and professional services contracts. For your information, staff is providing you with the summary below of M/WBE participation for the voting items scheduled for the April 8, 2020 City Council Agenda. The total contract award amount, consisting of six agenda items, is \$9.7M. **M/WBE is applicable to three of the six agenda items. For these items, construction and architectural and engineering items total \$5.9M with an overall M/WBE participation of \$2.7M or 45.09%, while goods and services items were procured through a cooperative agreement and emergency service procurement, therefore did not have applicable M/WBE goals.**

As a reminder, the current M/WBE goals are:

Architecture & Engineering	Construction	Professional Services	Other Services	Goods
25.66%	25.00%	36.30%	23.80%	18.00%

## 2017 Bond Program – April 8<sup>th</sup> Council Agenda

The April 8, 2020 City Council Agenda did not have any items utilizing Bond Funds.

## 2017 Bond Program – Inception to Date

2017 Bond Program ITD consists of 207 items totaling \$353.2M with an overall M/WBE participation of \$153.5M or 43.47%.

## Highlighted Items:

### Land Bank Development

**Agenda Item No. 7** Authorizes **(1)** approval of the development plan as described in Exhibit A for the construction of eight affordable houses by Open Mindframe Ventures, LLC. (Developer); **(2)** the sale of eight vacant lots from the Dallas Housing Acquisition and Development Corporation (DHADC) to Developer; and **(3)** execution of a release of lien for any non-tax City liens that were filed on the eight vacant lots prior to the Sherriff's deeds transferring the lots to DHADC. The construction amount proposed for this development is \$1M. **This item includes participation from one M/WBE vendor, the General Contractor, resulting in \$298K participation or 30.00% M/WBE participation on a 25.00% goal.**

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### **HOME Funds**

**Agenda Item No. 8** Authorizes a development loan with East Dallas Community Organization (Developer), a certified Community Housing Development Organization, in the amount of \$502,200.00 in HOME Investment Partnership Grant Funds for construction of five single family homes on land currently owned by the Developer in the Southeast Dallas neighborhood of Dolphin Heights. The construction amount proposed for this development is \$1M. **This item includes participation from one M/WBE vendor, the General Contractor, resulting in \$759K participation or 73.55% M/WBE participation on a 25.00% goal.**

### **Land Transfer Program**

**Agenda Item No. 9** Authorizes the (1) sale of up to 20 Land Transfer lots, for up to 20 single family homes, included in West Dallas Land Transfer cluster, to Builders of Hope Community Development Corporation (Developer), a certified Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO); (2) release of all non-tax City liens, notices, or orders that were filed on the 20 Land Transfer lots prior or subsequent to the deeds transferring the lots to the City of Dallas; and (3) execution of a loan agreement with Developer for construction of up to 20 single family homes. The construction amount proposed for this development is \$3.9M. **This item includes participation from seven M/WBE vendors, three of whom are currently pending certification, resulting in \$1.6M participation or 41.38% M/WBE participation on a 25.00% goal.**

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or should you require additional information.



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