

City of Minneapolis
Request for Committee Action

To: Public Safety, Civil Rights & Emergency Management
Date: 3/2/2016
Referral: Committee of the Whole
From: Department of Civil Rights
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File type: Ordinance
Subcategory: Code Amendment

Subject:

Extension of the Small and Underutilized Business Enterprise Program (SUBP) expiration date to December 31, 2018.

Description:

Passage of Ordinance amending Title 16, Chapter 423 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Planning and Development: Small and Underutilized Business Enterprise Program, amending the sunset date of the Small and Underutilized Business Enterprise Program to December 31, 2018, to allow for completion of upcoming disparity study.

Previous Actions:

- December 2005 - Council extended the Small & Underutilized Business Enterprise Program to June 20, 2007.
 - June 2007 - Council extended the Small & Underutilized Business Enterprise Program to December 31, 2008.
 - December 2008, Council extended the Small & Underutilized Business Enterprise Program to December 31, 2009.
 - November 2009 - Council extended the Small & Underutilized Business Enterprise Program to September 30, 2010.
 - August 2010 - Council extended the Small & Underutilized Business Enterprise Program to March 31, 2011.
 - March 2011 - Council extended the Small & Underutilized Business Enterprise Program to April 1, 2016.
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Ward/Address:

Not Applicable

Background/Analysis:

The SUBP Ordinance was enacted to remedy past and ongoing discrimination against minority-owned and women-owned businesses in the city's marketplace. Ongoing discrimination against women-owned and minority-owned business enterprises is evidenced by a disparity study commissioned by the City and completed in December of 2010.

Best practice supports a new disparity study every 5 years. A new disparity study is anticipated to begin in spring of 2016 and will be conducted in collaboration with the following agencies:

State of Minnesota, Metropolitan Council, Metropolitan Airports Commission, Mosquito Control District, Minnesota State Colleges and Universities, Hennepin County, and the City of St. Paul. The disparity study and recommendations is estimated to be completed June 30, 2017.

The SUBP allows the City to place minority-owned and women-owned business goals on City projects and contracts attributing to the majority of inclusion on City spending. Expiration of the SUBP will therefore be detrimental to the City's spend on minority-owned and women-owned businesses, the minority community, and the city of Minneapolis.

Financial Review:

No additional appropriation required, amount included in current budget.

- Future budget impact anticipated.**
- Approved by the Permanent Review Committee.**
- Meets Small and Underutilized Business Program goals.**

Attachments:

1. SUBP Ordinance Amendment Language
2. Notice of Intent