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Resolution 3618

Small Contractors and Suppliers Program STAFF BRIEFING January 5, 2010



of Seattle Small Business Key Timeline

- 2003: Resolution 3506 establishes "Small Business Initiative".
- 2007: TKW (Talbot, Korvola, & Warwick) audit recommendations on strengthening small business participation at Port.
- 2008: CEO Tay Yoshitani establishes Office of Social Responsibility (OSR) to house the Small Business Initiative and other programs.
- OSR is lead department in developing new Small Business Resolution.

of Seatth Goals of Updated Program

- Increase opportunity & utilization of Small Contractor and Supplier ("SCS") firms
- Identify and reduce barriers
- Develop outreach strategies
- Engage and partner with public/private entities
- Develop and implement data collection system



of Seattle Size Standard and Certification

 Port shall define maximum size definition of 50% of Small Business Administration cap and \$750,000 personal net worth cap of business owner.

 Port shall institute a revenue/net worth certification program that is consistent with King County's SCS program.



Pricing Incentive

 Port shall award a goods or purchased service contract to small business if price falls within 5% of lowest non-small business bidder.

 Review of last three years contracts; eleven bids fit criterion; 5% added cost totaled approximately \$43K.



Participation Requirement

 SCS utilization can be made a pass-fail requirement on major construction, professional /personal services, and purchased services contracts.

 Used on a case-by-base basis as part of planning process for each project or contract.



Evaluation Criteria

In proposal evaluation processes, the Port may establish a SCS goal and use evaluation points as a factor in award of a contract



of Seattle Service Agreements (Cat I)

 For Professional and Personal Service contracts (size \$1-50K), if there are three qualified and interested small businesses on the Consultant Roster, must use a small business/SCS firm.

 If fewer than three on Roster, there would be no small business requirement.



Key Department Roles

- OSR is lead department working closely with Capital Development and Central Procurement Office (CPO).
- Relying on leadership and support of Senior Executive Team, Port-wide managers and all procurement staff
- Will launch procedures training in 2010



Tracking and Reporting

 OSR shall work with CPO and Information and Communications Technology (ICT) on tracking and reporting for accountability.

 Annual reports to Commission on impact of policies, programming and outreach initiatives.



Voluntary Goals

- Consistent with I-200, the Port's program is race and gender neutral.
- All Minority/Women Business Enterprise (M/WBE) goals shall be voluntary with no associated benefit or penalty.
- On same token, the Port values diversity and will continue to track M/WBE and Disadvantaged Business Enterprise participation.



Financial Impacts

No additional budget or staff needed to implement this Program at this time. Existing OSR staff will administer Program

working with other key departments.