



CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

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CITY OF LONG BEACH DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE PROGRAM PLAN

POLICY STATEMENT

Section 26.1, 26.23 Objectives/Policy Statements


The City of Long Beach (City) has established a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program in accordance with regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), 49 CFR Part 26. The City of Long Beach has received federal financial assistance from the Department of Transportation, and as a condition of receiving this assistance, the City of Long Beach has signed an assurance that it will comply with 49 CFR Part 26.

It is the policy of the City to ensure that DBEs as defined in Part 26, have an equal opportunity to receive and participate in DOT-assisted contracts. It is also our policy:

1. To ensure nondiscrimination in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts;
2. To create a level playing field in which DBEs can compete fairly for DOT-assisted
3. contracts;
4. To ensure that the DBE Program is narrowly tailored in accordance with applicable law;
5. To ensure that only firms that comply with 49 CFR Part 26 eligibility standards are
6. permitted to participate as DBEs;
7. To ensure to the greatest extent feasible that DBEs have participation in DOT-assisted
8. contracts;
9. To assist and provide access to information to firms that can build their entity to compete successfully in the market place outside the DBE Program.

Mr. Erik Sund, Business Relations Manager/City Purchasing Agent, has been designated as the DBE Liaison Officer. In that capacity, Mr. Sund is responsible for implementing all aspects of the DBE Program. Implementation of the DBE Program is accorded the same priority as compliance with all other legal obligations incurred by the City of Long Beach in its financial assistance agreements with DOT.

The City has disseminated this policy statement to the Long Beach City Council, Mayor, City Engineer, Airport Advisory Commission, Airport Director and all of the components of our organization. We have distributed this statement to DBE and non-DBE business communities that perform work for us on DOT-assisted contracts through advertisement in the Long Beach Press Telegram, Small Business Exchange, and email to local business, and community organizations.



Patrick H. West
City Manager

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Date