

CITY OF SAN ANTONIO
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
SMALL BUSINESS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVOCACY (SBEDA) COMMITTEE
Meeting Minutes
Friday, September 15, 2023

Present

D1 Roberto Mendez
D2 Mohammad Rasool
D3 Joy McGhee
D4 Juanita Sepulveda
D5 Anthony Gres
D6 Angela Gonzales
D7 Katherine Sanchez-Rocha
D9 Steven A. Gonzales
D10 Roy Schaufele

Absent

D6 Angela Gonzales
D7 Katherine Sanchez-Rocha

Vacant

District 8
Mayoral

Staff Present

Ana Bradshaw
Michael Sindon
Jacob Exler
April Alcorta
Shuchi Nagpal
Margaret Toscano

Call to Order

Chair Juanita Sepulveda called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m., September 15, 2023.

Roll call was taken by Jacob Exler. Quorum was met.

Approval of Minutes

Steven Gonzales moved to approve the minutes for June 29, 2023. Roy Schaufele seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Public Comments

There were no public comments submitted.

Briefing and Possible Action on the Following Items

1. An Update on the Capacity Building & Bonding Assistance Program.

Margaret Toscano gave an update on the Capacity Building & Bonding Assistance Program.

Margaret Toscano, Michael Sindon, and Jim Swindle, program administrator, answered questions from Committee members regarding how the revolving loan fund works and barriers to participation.

2. Update on the Request for Proposal for Procurement Mapping & Improvement Plan Services.

Shuchi Nagpal presented an update on the procurement process mapping and improvement plan.

Shuchi Nagpal answered questions from the committee and explained that the idea of Supply SA is to bring together agencies to collaborate and learn from each other's procurement processes, with the goal of making the process easier for small businesses to participate and be successful in gaining public contract opportunities.

3. Update on the 2023 SBEDA Disparity Study and Next Steps to Amend the SBEDA Ordinance.

Michael Sindon presented an update on the conclusion of the 2023 SBEDA Disparity Study and next steps to amend the SBEDA Ordinance.

Chair Juanita Sepulveda explained the rules to avoid a walking quorum. Michael Sindon answered questions regarding the income limit for SBEDA, and that the Small Business Administration sets thresholds for employee size and revenue.

Chair and Staff Updates

Ana Bradshaw reminded committee members that there will be a briefing to city council on December 6. Michael Sindon urged committee members to reach out with recommendations and amendments.

Adjournment

Roy Schaufele moved to adjourn the meeting. Anthony Gres seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

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