

**Business Enterprise Program Council for Minorities,
Females and Persons with Disabilities Meeting**

MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

100 W. Randolph
Room 2-025
Chicago, IL 60602

401 S. Spring St.
Room 500 1/2
Springfield, IL 62706

Monday, September 23, 2013 - 1:30 P.M

COUNCIL MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Perry Nakachi Beth Doria Fred Coleman Charisse Witherspoon Corinne Pierog
Nelida Smyser DeLeon Jesse Martinez Rodney Lewis Larry Ivory
Samantha Hufnagel Marva Boyd Lynne Marie Turner

COUNCIL MEMBERS NOT IN ATTENDANCE

Alfred Ramirez Alesia Hawkins Omar Duque Joan Archie Richard Boykin
Florence Cox Hedy Ratner

COUNCIL CHAIR

Malcolm Weems, Chairman

COUNCIL SECRETARY

Paul Cerpa, BEP Deputy Director

CMS STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

Harry Reinhard	Kevin Connor	Leslie Taylor
Chima Enyia	Susan Hartman	Sharla Roberts
Elias Ricks Ngwayah II	Ellen Daley	Ngozi Okorafor
Michelle Jackson	Carlos Gutierrez	Langston Smith

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Gustavo Giraldo	John Donato	Matthew Grady	Deanna Rossetto
Ben Bagby	Margaret van Dijk	Michelle Casey	Elizabeth Helton
Daryl Harris	Brett Cox	Sharon Ferguson	Dreena Jones
Art Moore	Juan Morall		

AGENDA

September 23, 2013 - 1:30 p.m.

- I. Welcome
- II. Call to Order
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Approval of Minutes of Council Meeting held on July 22, 2013 and August 26, 2013.
- V. Chair's Report
- VI. Posted Business
- VII. Unfinished Business
- VIII. Committee Updates
 - Procurement Committee
 - Business Development Committee
 - Capital Access and Banking Committee
 - Certification Committee
 - Policy, Rules and Enforcement Committee
- IX. New Business
- X. Public/Vendor's Testimony
- XI. Adjournment

Next Council Meeting October 28, 2013

Welcome

Chairman Malcolm Weems called the March Business Enterprise Program (BEP) Council meeting to order at 1:34PM on September 23, 2013.

Roll Call

Council Secretary Paul Cerpa took the roll, and a quorum was established.

The Council voted and approved the Minutes of the Council Meetings held on July 22, 2013 and August 26, 2013. There was one correction to be made to the August minutes regarding the number of DHS contracts.

Chair's Report

Chairman Weems noted the Sheltered Market report was not ready yet. Once finished, the Council will receive a copy.

The Disparity Study hearing dates have been established for October second, third and the fourth. Hearings will be held in Collinsville, Springfield and Chicago. The hearings are open to the public.

Posted Business

No posted business

Unfinished Business

No unfinished business

Committee Updates

Procurement Committee – No report

Business Development Committee – No report.

Capital Access and Banking Committee – Committee Member Corinne Pierog discussed emergency procurements. Agencies should plan better to avoid such purchases.

Certification Committee – No report.

Policy, Rules, and Enforcement Committee –

Business Enterprise Council
Policy, Rules and Enforcement Committee
August 29, 2013
Meeting Minutes

I. Call to Order

The meeting of the Policy, Rules and Enforcement Committee of the Business Enterprise Council was called to order at 4:15 pm.

II. Roll Call

Present were Charisse Witherspoon; Richard Boykin and Jesse Martinez.

III. Review of Good Faith Effort Submittal

A waiver request was received from Gallagher Asphalt on the Kolin Ave. & Knox Ave. Reconstruction (DCEO Grant #13-203212). This is a DCEO grant capital project over \$250,000 where the Capital Development Board assigned a 13% MBE and 5% WBE participation goal. Gallagher Asphalt submitted documentation showing they would be able to achieve a 16.4% goal. CDB compliance conducted an in-depth review of the submittal and determined that the low bidder initially did not have any participation. CDB advised the grantee that the low bidder had to demonstrate an effort in complying with the goals. The contractor then followed up with his MBE/FBE firms who initially submitted bids that were higher. He negotiated a lower price with them to fulfill the requirement. It is our belief the contractor had a realistic issue between low bid to secure the work and participation. He was able to renegotiate a lower price from the bidding MBE/FBE firms to attempt to satisfy the low price for the grantee and the goals.

After discussion and review, a motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved to grant the waiver request from Gallagher Asphalt (Witherspoon/Boykin).

IV. Adjourn

There being no further business to come before the Policy, Rules and Enforcement Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 4:30 pm.

New Business

Healthcare and Family Services will be invited to the next Council meeting to discuss their B.E.S.T. program.

Council Member Doria would like to see a schedule developed for meetings with State Legislators.

Public/Vendors' Testimony

No testimony

Adjournment

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Meeting adjourned at 2:10 PM.

NOTE: The following URL sites contain actual audio and video of the Council meeting. For specific and detailed information on any topics of the meeting, please visit one of the following listed sites.

<http://multimedia.illinois.gov/cms/bep-092313.asx>

<http://multimedia.illinois.gov/cms/bep-092313.wmv>