

A meeting of the City of Orlando Certification Board was held on Wednesday, May 28, 2014 at City Hall, 400 S. Orange Avenue, 2nd Floor Agenda Conference Room, Orlando, Florida 32802.

Board Members Present: Brikena Tomasic, Vice-Chairperson [8,1], Carmen Dominguez [8,1], Marian Butler [8,2] Mi Hoshino [8,0] Chris Carmody [8,2], and Aida Gonzalez-Marquez [8,2]
Board Members Absent: Michael Harris [8,2]

Staff Members Present: Kevin Walsh, MBE Official, Gina Bernard, Certification Officer III and Mary Williams, Recording Secretary

Brikena Tomasic, Vice-Chairman called the Certification Board meeting to order at 9:20 a.m.

The minutes from the April 28, 2014 Board meeting were approved as written.

MWBE RULINGS

Innovative Systems Group of Florida, Inc. – Bien Salas, Owner appeared before the Board. Discussion ensued. It was moved by Aida Gonzalez-Marquez, seconded by Marian Butler and vote carried unanimously to re-certify Innovative Systems Group of Florida, Inc. as an MBE Temporary Staffing Agency; and Direct Hire Recruiting Services.

Hattaway Consulting, Inc. – The applicant did not appear before the Board. Discussion ensued. It was moved by Aida Gonzalez-Marquez, seconded by Marian Butler and vote carried unanimously to certify Hattaway Consulting, Inc. as a WBE in Land Use Planning, Project Management, Due Diligence & Entitlements, Owner's Representative Consultant Services and Permit Expediting Services.

Globenet Telecommunications, LLC – The applicant did not appear before the Board. Discussion ensued. It was moved by Aida Gonzalez-Marquez, seconded by Marian Butler and vote carried unanimously to deny MBE status to Globenet Telecommunications, LLC based on: 1) Failure to provide sufficient information to the Certification Board on which a determination of eligibility can be based; and 2) Refusal to comply with a reasonable City request for information, data, or access to records pertinent to the application for certification or recognition within the time period specified by either the Certification Board or City MBE staff.

Re-Certifications

PSA Constructors, Inc. - The applicant did not appear before the Board. (Brikena Tomasic and Marian Butler presented Memorandum of Voting Conflicts – Form 8b) Discussion ensued. It was moved by Aida Gonzalez-Marquez, seconded by Mi Hoshino and vote carried unanimously to re-certify PSA Constructors, Inc. as an MBE in Design/Planning, Construction Management, Program Management and MBE Training.

Kori L. Monroe, LLC - The applicant did not appear before the Board. (Marian Butler presented Memorandum of Voting Conflict – Form 8b) Discussion ensued. It was moved by Aida Gonzalez-Marquez, seconded by Mi Hoshino and vote carried unanimously to re-certify Kori L. Monroe, LLC as an MBE General and Roofing Contractor; Construction Management, Concrete, Masonry, and Installation of Toilet Accessories & Partitions, and Metal Lockers.

Verde Construction Managers, LLC - The applicant did not appear before the Board. (Marian Butler presented Memorandum of Voting Conflict – Form 8b) Discussion ensued. It was moved by Aida Gonzalez-Marquez, seconded by Mi Hoshino and vote carried unanimously to re-certify Verde Construction Managers, LLC as an MBE General Contractor specializing in Construction Management, Inspection & Claims Analysis, Design/Build, and the following Construction Specifications Institute Divisions: Basic Finish Materials and Methods; Metal Support Assemblies; Plaster and Gypsum Board; Ceilings; Wall Finishes; Acoustical Treatment; Painting and Coatings; Visual Display Boards; Compartments and Cubicles; Wall and Corner Guards; Access Flooring; Identification Devices; Pedestrian Control Devices; Lockers; Fire Protection Specialties; Protective Covers; Postal Specialties; Partitions; Storage Shelving; Exterior Protection; Telephone Specialties; Toilet, Bath and laundry Specialties; and Wardrobe and Closet Specialties.

The applicants did not appear before the Board. Discussion ensued. It was moved by Aida Gonzalez-Marquez, seconded by Marian Butler and vote carried unanimously to re-certify the following companies: Anderson Place Construction, LLC, B.C.E. Specialties, Inc., CISS, Inc., Construction Recruiters America Staffing, Inc., Gemini Engineering & Sciences, Inc., Hands On Security Protection & Investigations, Inc., Harvey, Covington & Thomas, LLC, J. Williams Services, Inc., Lakeside Electrical Services, Magic Touch Janitorial Services, Inc., Mondre Energy, Inc., Orlando Geotechnical Drilling, Inc., Radise International, L.C., Rick Swisher, Architect, Inc., SDI Designs & Associates, LLC, Sun State Ford, Inc. and Tri3 Civil Engineering Design Studio, Inc.

Terminations/Non-Responsive

The applicants did not appear before the Board. Discussion ensued. It was moved by Aida Gonzalez-Marquez, seconded by Marian Butler and vote carried unanimously to terminate the following companies for non-responsiveness: American Comfort Ltd. Co., Avilder, Inc., Commercial Energy Specialists, Inc., David Outar Trucking, Inc., Exterior Walls, Inc., Jennifer A. Foster Productions, Inc., King Intelligence and Security Services, Inc., Muriel Siebert & Co., Inc., PACO Group, Inc., Partners Group Investors Lawn Services, S & M Landscaping Enterprises, Inc., Sunkey Building Maintenance Services, Inc., Tex Brick Pavers, Inc. and Up A Tree Interiorscaping.

New Business

Ms. Carmen Dominguez, Board Member agreed to serve at the next regularly scheduled meeting June to ensure a quorum of members.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 25, 2014.

Mary Williams

Mary Williams, Recording Secretary

