

A meeting of the City of Orlando Certification Board was held on Wednesday, October 29, 2014 at City Hall, 400 S. Orange Avenue, 2nd Floor Agenda Conference Room, Orlando, Florida 32801.

Board Members Present: Chris Carmody [1, 0], Charles Hawkins II (1, 0), Brikena Tomasic, Vice-Chairperson [1, 0], Ramesh Panchal [1, 0] and Bruno Portigliatti (1, 0).

Board Members Absent: Mi Hoshino [1, 1] and Maria G. Turk [1, 1].

Staff Members Present: Kevin Walsh, MBE Official, Gina Bernard, Certification Officer III and Susana Black, Recording Secretary.

Brikena Tomasic, Vice Chairperson called the Certification Board meeting to order at 9:15 a.m.

The minutes from the September 24, 2014 Certification Board meeting were approved as written.

M/WBE RULINGS

Hayes Law, PL. – Rosemary Hayes, Managing Partner appeared before the Board. Discussion ensued. It was moved by Bruno Portigliatti, seconded by Ramesh Panchal and vote carried unanimously to certify Hayes Law, PL as a WBE Attorney, Board Certified in Appellate Practice, experienced in Construction and Commercial Law, American Arbitration Association Certified Arbitrator, Administrative Law including Licensing, Regulatory and Disciplinary Proceedings, Debarment, Contract Drafting, Payment Claims.

Urbano Insights LLC D/B/A Urbander – Sami Marrero, Manager appeared before the Board. Discussion ensued. It was moved by Chris Carmody, seconded by Charles Hawkins, II and vote carried unanimously to certify Urbano Insights LLC D/B/A Urbander as an MWBE in Strategic Marketing and Business Development.

Cherokee Enterprises, Inc. - The applicant did not appear before the Board. Discussion ensued. It was moved by Chris Carmody, seconded by Brikena Tomasic and vote carried unanimously to certify Cherokee Enterprises, Inc., as an MBE in Environmental Consulting, Mitigation Services, Clearing & Grubbing, Excavating & Grading.

Omni Elevator Company, Inc. - The applicant did not appear before the Board. Discussion ensued. It was moved by Chris Carmody, seconded by Brikena Tomasic and vote carried unanimously to certify Omni Elevator Company, Inc., as an MBE Full Service Elevator Company.

Re-Certifications

The applicants did not appear before the Board. Discussion ensued. It was moved by Chris Carmody, seconded by Charles Hawkins II and vote carried unanimously to re-certify the following companies: Amazon Hose & Rubber Company, Inc.; AP & R Construction, Inc.; Associate Staffing and Placement, Inc.; Bowen Engineering Corporation; Carl's Concrete Cutting & Drilling; Carolyn Binder, CPA, LLC; Clayton Air and Heating, Inc.; Duany Plater – Zyberk & Company, LLC; Edgar Quintin, Inc.; Fine Tune Enterprises, Inc.; Geotech Consultants

International, Inc.; Global Gifts & Novelties, LLC; Integrated Systems Corporation; J.B. Mechanical, Inc.; Lab Accounting, LLC; Landform of Central Fla., Inc.; Mock LeBlanc and Brown, Inc.; Montgomery Consulting Group, Inc.; OMNI Communications, LLC; OranEva Consulting Group, Inc., (The); Orlando Rubber Stamp and Sign Co.; Proxy Management Group, LLC; Siwel, Inc.; SMW Geosciences, Inc.; Software Integration Services, Inc.; Spectra Engineering & Research, Inc.; and Team Engineering, LLC.

Terminations/Non-Responsive

Competitive Edge Partners - The applicant did not appear before the Board. (Brikena Tomasic presented Memorandum of Voting Conflict – Form 8b). Discussion ensued. It was moved by Chris Carmody, seconded by Charles Hawkins II and vote carried unanimously to terminate Competitive Edge Partners for non responsiveness.

The applicants did not appear before the Board. It was moved by Brikena Tomasic, seconded by Bruno Portigliatti and vote carried unanimously to terminate the following companies for non-responsiveness: Cheryl Elsbree Interior Design, Inc.; DreamFind, Inc.; Exam Plus FL Corp.; F.R. Aleman & Associates, Inc.; Jones and Jones Accounting, LLC; Just Wright Painting, LLC; Northern Technologies Group, Inc.; Sebek Kirkman, LLC; and Travel Max of Central Florida.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:26 a.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 19, 2014.

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Susana Black, Recording Secretary