

A meeting of the City of Orlando Certification Board was held on Wednesday, March 29, 2017 at City Hall, 400 S. Orange Avenue, 2nd Floor Agenda Conference Room, Orlando, Florida 32802. The Board convened at 8:30 a.m. to review case files.

Board Members Present: Brikena Tomasic, [6-0]
 Bruno Portigliatti, Chairperson [6-0]
 Khalid Muneer, Vice Chairperson [6-0]
 Marquis Alexander, [4-2]
 Mi Hoshino, [5-1]

Board Members Absent: Annas Kabbaj, [4-2]

Staff Members Present: Gina E. Bernard, Certification Officer III
 Dafina Doctor, Recording Secretary

Bruno Portigliatti, Chairperson, called the Certification Board meeting to order at 9:15 a.m. The minutes from the February 22, 2017 meeting were approved as written.

MWBE RULINGS

Mari Frith and Associates, Inc. – Mari Frith, President appeared before the Board. Discussion ensued. It was moved by Mi Hoshino, seconded by Khalid Muneer and vote carried unanimously to recertify Mari Frith and Associates, Inc. as a WBE in Interior Design, Space Planning, Contract Furnishing Services; and Environmental Graphic Design (Wayfinding and Signage).

Café Construction & Development, Inc. – Carlos Rivero, President appeared before the Board. Discussion ensued. It was moved by Mi Hoshino, seconded by Marquis Alexander and vote carried unanimously to recertify Café Construction & Development, Inc. as a MBE General Contractor – Site Work, General Site Prep, Drywall, Drop Ceiling/Acoustical Ceiling, Steel Stud Framing, Debris Removal and Concrete Flat Work.

MULE Engineering, Inc. – Mike Ulekowski, President appeared before the Board. Discussion ensued. It was moved by Mi Hoshino, seconded by Khalid Muneer and vote carried unanimously to certify MULE Engineering, Inc. as a MBE in General Construction Contracting (Prime Only).

RTG Construction Group, LLC – Rachquel Gipson, President appeared before the Board. Discussion ensued. It was moved by Mi Hoshino, seconded by Marquis Alexander and vote carried unanimously to recertify RTG Construction Group, LLC as a MWBE in Project Management: Estimating, Budget Control and Management, Scheduling, General Project Oversight, Jobsite Supervision, Subcontractor Coordination, Review Drawings with Superintendent, Coordinate the construction of the project, process subcontractor invoices, All residential and construction related activities; General Construction: Design/Build, New Construction, Facility upgrades, Historic Restoration, Tenant improvements, Remodels, All residential and construction related activities; Post-Construction Services: Obtain final inspections, perform walk through, provide all warranty information for any installed equipment, All residential and construction related activities.

AceApplications, LLC – Courtney Powell, President appeared before the Board. Discussion ensued. It was moved by Mi Hoshino, seconded by Brikena Tomasic and vote carried unanimously to recertify AceApplications, LLC as a MBE in Information Technology Consulting, Software Development and Sales, and IT Staffing.

TJNG Partners – Jennifer Kennedy, President appeared before the Board. Discussion ensued. It was moved by Mi Hoshino, seconded by Khalid Muneer and vote carried unanimously to recertify TJNG Partners as a WBE in Interior Design and Space Planning (Commercial).

Margaret A. Davis d/b/a MAD Creative Fabrication LLC – Margaret A. Davis, Owner appeared before the Board. Discussion ensued. It was moved by Mi Hoshino, seconded by Marquis Alexander and vote carried unanimously to recertify Margaret A. Davis d/b/a MAD Creative Fabrication LLC as a WBE in Specialty Fabrication, Set Building, Scenery, Scenic Art, Metal Art, Prop Fabrication, Prop Modification, Prop and Scenery Rehabilitation, Mold Making, Casting, Rotational Casting, Welding, Ornamental Ironwork, Metal Fabrication, Millwork, Carpentry, Woodworking, Sculpture, Multi-Mediums, Foam Sculpture, Theming, Theme Art, Sets, FRP, Fiberglass, Hard-Coating, Plastics, Plastics Fabrication, Vacuum Forming, Scenic Painting, Faux Painting, Mural Painting, Automotive Painting, Architectural Ornamentation, Facades, Fixtures, Retail Environment, Fire-Retardant Coating and Casting Processes, Model Making, Artificial Foliage, Exhibits, Dioramas, Trade Show, Shop Drawings, On-Site Installation and Delivery, Design, Consultation and Development of Themed Environments.

INAP Enterprises, LLC – The applicant did not appear before the Board. Discussion ensued. It was moved by Mi Hoshino, seconded by Khalid Muneer and vote carried unanimously to deny M/WBE status to INAP Enterprises, LLC based on:

1. The business concern must be at least 51% owned by minority group members or at least 51% owned by women group members, as characterized by:
 - a) Independent contribution of capital by the minority or the women group members commensurate with percent of ownership claimed. Ownership gifted to minority or women owners, equipment or other assets gifted, and/or funds gifted to purchase ownership or to establish a new business will not be considered independent contributions of capital. Inherited capital or assets will not be considered as gifted for purposes of these rules. Expertise will not be considered capital for the purposes of these rules.
2. The minority or the women owner(s) must possess independent power to direct or cause direction of management and policies of the firm, as characterized by:
 - a) Not controlled by Board of Directors or other management entities comprised of an equal or greater number of non-minority or of non-women group members.
3. The firm is not considered an independent minority or women-owned business because the husband and/or male principal and/or male employee:
 - a) Contributes to the capitalization of the firm. Ownership gifted to women owners, equipment or other assets gifted to women owners, and/or funds gifted to purchase ownership or to

establish a new business will be considered contributing to the capitalization of the firm. Inherited capital or assets will not be considered as gifted for purposes of these rules.

- b) Assists in obtaining credit, loans, bonding, leases, etc.
- 4. When the husband or other male family members contribute to the above characteristics, the firm may be considered a family-owned firm rather than a Minority/Women-Owned Business Enterprise, as defined in Rule 111.1 and MBE status may be denied.

On French LLC – The applicant did not appear before the Board. Discussion ensued. It was moved by Brikena Tomasic, seconded by Khalid Muneer and vote carried unanimously to certify On French LLC as a MBE in Catering and Food Service.

Re-Certifications

The applicants did not appear before the Board. Discussion ensued. It was moved by Mi Hoshino, seconded by Khalid Muneer and vote carried unanimously to recertify the following companies: A & A Electric Services, Inc.; Aerial Innovations, Inc.; AMCON, Inc.; Arazoza Brothers Corporation; Arconial Architecture, LLC; Aspireon Consulting Group; Diamond Cab Company; Electrical Design Associates, Inc.; ELEVEN18 Architecture, P.L.; Excel 4 LLC; Florida Conservation, Inc.; Florida Transportation Engineering, Inc.; Jordim International, Inc; Kyra Solutions, Inc.; Martin King Waterproofing, Inc.; Mock LeBlanc and Brown, Inc; Northern Technologies Group, Inc; Pita Hut Enterprises, Inc.; PowerLogics, Inc.; Quietly Making Noise, LLC; Rebah Fabrication, Inc.; Specco Environmental, Inc.; VoltAir Consulting Engineers, Inc.; and Zabik Turner Engineering.

Terminations/ Non-Responsive

The applicants did not appear before the Board. Discussion ensued. It was moved by Mi Hoshino, seconded by Khalid Muneer and vote carried unanimously to terminate the following companies for non-responsiveness: Advanced Indoor Remediators; Advanced Plumbing and Drain Cleaning, Inc.; Car Body Doctor Inc; Dramatic Education, Inc; HNM Enterprises, LLC; Integrity Protective Services, LLC; Intelli ERP Software, LLC.; Kissimmee Iron Works, Inc; Rodriguez Concrete & Construction, Inc; and Wrightson, Johnson, Haddon & Williams, Inc.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 26, 2017.

Dafina Doctor

Dafina Doctor, Recording Secretary