

BUDGET AND FISCAL AFFAIRS CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING:

OBO Updates

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Overview



- ➤ A commissioned Disparity Study, which covers FY2005-2010, confirmed that the City of Houston has a compelling interest in continuing its MWBE Program to remediate discrimination in awarding construction contracts. The study is available on our website for review at http://www.houstontx.gov/obo
- ➤ The study was presented by City Attorney David Feldman on April 18, 2012 as a part of the Mayor's Report
- ➤ OBO hosted meetings to discuss the study and answer questions about findings and recommendations
 - Meeting with Department Directors on April 25, 2012
 - Stakeholders meeting on April 30, 2012; over 80 attendees



OBO Advisory Board



Mayor Parker created an OBO Advisory Board which will consist of several city department heads, citizen(s) and representatives from the business and contracting community. Each member will serve for a two-year term.

- ➤ The Board's responsibilities will include:
 - Enhancing Program visibility
 - Identifying best practices
 - Making policy and procedural recommendations to the OBO Director
 - Assisting with fostering external partnerships
 - Assessing the feasibility of the implementation of recommendations from the disparity study



City Council Working Group



Mayor Parker has asked Council Member Larry Green to lead a City Council Working Group to review the enabling Ordinance in light of the disparity study findings and recommendations.

- ➤ The Working Group will:
 - Make recommendations to City Council on citywide goals for construction service contracts
 - Establish a timeline for implementing Program changes





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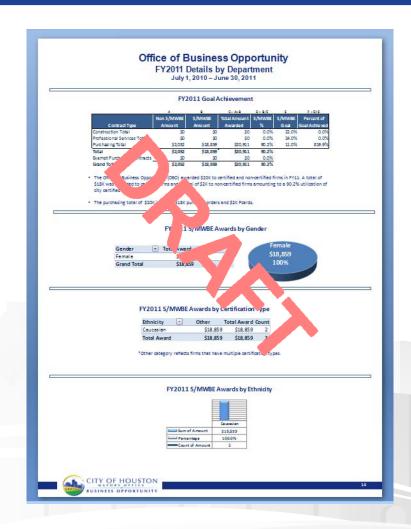
S/MWBE Utilization Report **Status Update**

Utilization Report



Improved reporting to include a breakdown by Department such as:

- Details for each department by ethnicity
- Details for each department by gender
- Certification types for each contract by department
- Reporting by contract type for each department





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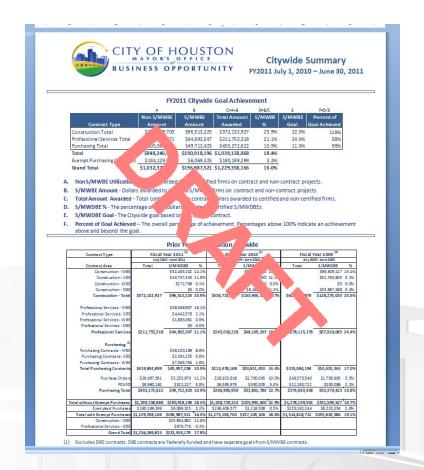


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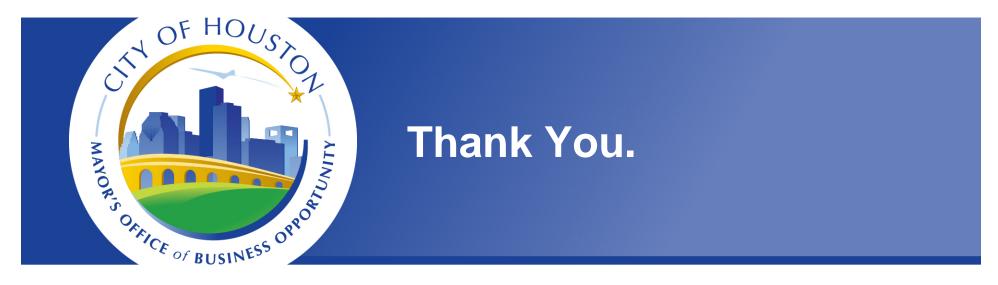
- Citywide summaries
- Citywide reports by ethnicity
- Citywide classification by gender
- Citywide certification types for each contract
- Reporting by contract type
- Prior year participation Citywide
- Summary of utilization by department

Timeline:

OBO will publish historical reports for fiscal year 2011 and a year-to-date report for 2012 by May 15th. OBO will resume providing Bi-Monthly reports, thereafter.







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