



THE CITY OF NEW YORK  
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
NEW YORK, N.Y. 10007

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 13

December 15, 2015

M/WBE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the City of New York to promote economic growth in a manner that ensures that city residents and businesses from all communities and backgrounds can participate in and contribute to the economy of the city.

WHEREAS, Minority and Women-owned Business Enterprises (“M/WBEs”) are amongst the fastest growing small businesses that create jobs and invest in local communities.

WHEREAS, notwithstanding that M/WBEs are strong drivers of economic growth, they have not historically been awarded contracts at a level commensurate with their representation in the marketplace.

WHEREAS, to advance the City’s policy of inclusivity and in recognition of the fact that M/WBE firms remain persistently underrepresented among City contractors, the City of New York has made a commitment to awarding more than \$16 billion in awards to M/WBE over the next ten years.

WHEREAS, the City of New York benefits from input from, outreach to and cooperation with M/WBE firms and advocates in order to ensure greater participation by all in City work.

NOW THEREFORE, by the power vested in me as Mayor of the City of New York, it is hereby ordered:

§1. Establishment of the M/WBE Advisory Committee. There is hereby established in the Office of the Mayor an M/WBE Advisory Committee (hereinafter the “Committee”).

- (a) The Committee shall consist of a Chair and no fewer than ten members, all of whom shall be appointed by the Mayor and shall serve at the pleasure of the Mayor.

- (b) The Citywide M/WBE Director shall serve as an ex officio member and shall direct the operations of the Committee in order to facilitate the Committee's ability to provide advice to the Mayor.
- (c) Members other than the Chair and any ex officio member shall be appointed for terms of three years. Members shall serve without compensation.

§ 2. Duties of the Committee. The Committee shall:

- (a) Serve as an advisory group to the Mayor on M/WBE issues and on methods to increase M/WBE program participation.
- (b) Provide information to the M/WBE community about programs and opportunities for M/WBEs in order to increase participation by M/WBEs in City contracting, including by encouraging M/WBEs to certify with the City.
- (c) Educate relevant stakeholders and constituencies in order to support efforts by the City to increase M/WBE opportunities through regulatory and legislative changes.

§ 3. Powers of the Committee.

- (a) The Chair is authorized to direct the Committee to gather or disseminate information and convene meetings in order to improve information sharing about M/WBE issues and opportunities and to develop and provide advice.

§ 4. Effective Date. This Order shall take effect immediately.



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Mayor