



**OFFICE of EQUITY  
and HUMAN RIGHTS**  
CITY OF PORTLAND

Realizing Equity. Enhancing the City of Portland.

**Commissioner in Charge:**  
Charlie Hales, Mayor

**Bureau Director:**  
Dante J. James, Esq.



---

**Equitable Contracting and Purchasing Commission Meeting**  
**June 20, 2015**  
**OEHR Conference Room**  
**421 SW 6<sup>th</sup> Ave. 5<sup>th</sup> Floor**  
**6:00 – 7:30 p.m.**

---

**Commissioner Attendees:** Chair Dante James, Maurice Rahming, Marcela Alcantar, Andrew McGough, Tony Jones, Vicqui Guevara, Michael Burch

**Commissioner Excuses:** Herb Fricke, Rosa Martinez

**Commissioner Absences:** Andrew Colas

**Staff Attendees:** Areale Hammond, Joe Wahl, Jeff Selby, Judith Mowry

Called to order at 6:07

### **ECPC Transition Update**

OEHR will ensure a link is embedded on the old ECPC website to direct people to the new one.

### **Update on 1% and the Portland Building**

There was discussion of the Commission voting to have a 50/50 split, 80/20 split, or 100% vote for workforce and/or contract development. Commissioner M. Alcantar motioned for 99% of the 1% budget go to workforce and 1% of the 1% budget go to contract development. Commissioner M. Burch second. T. Jones and V. Guevara opposed and the motion was passed.

### **Data on MBE Utilization**

The Commissioners presented before Council and were promised a response, but never received one. Chair D. James agreed to follow-up with the Mayor's Office for further investigation.

Chair D. James agreed to retrieve 2013-2014 contracting data from both the Portland Housing Bureau and the Portland Development Commission.

### **Professional Services**

*In compliance with Civil Rights laws, it is the policy of the City of Portland that no person shall be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination in any City program, service, or activity on the grounds of race, color, national origin, or disability. To request accommodations, translation and/or interpretation, to file complaints, or for additional information or services, please contact us at 503-823-4433, City TTY 503-823-6868, or Oregon Relay Service: 711.*

Professional services qualifications should be assessed and processed equally. The question was raised, "How can a systemic and equitable approach be implemented for Professional Services?" This is an issue that the Commission will address.

### **New Business**

All of the Commissioner terms will expire June 2017. Chair D. James will review the bylaws to consider a more effective approach, such as "staggering terms".

### **Presentation from the Mayor's Office**

Ben Lucas and Diana Nuñez presented demographic data for contracting from 2011-2012. The link to view the data has been sent to Commissioners.

### **Closing**

Chair D. James encouraged the Commission to think about how they can produce what they "shall" be doing per mandates from Council.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:45pm