

Notwithstanding the foregoing, this bid preference shall not apply if the lowest responsive and responsible bid was submitted by another veteran business enterprise ~~a minority business enterprise or a woman business enterprise~~. A business which is both a veteran business enterprise and a small or local business enterprise, shall receive a bid preference for either its status as a veteran business enterprise or as a small or local business enterprise, but not both, as provided in the solicitation.

(D) For procurement by competitive sealed proposals, invitation to negotiate, and requests for qualifications, participation by veteran business enterprises will receive two percent (2%) of the points in the scoring as provided in the solicitation, when weighted evaluation criteria with score sheets are utilized in the solicitation. A business which is both a veteran business enterprise and a small or local ~~minority business enterprise or a woman~~ business enterprise will receive a scoring credit for either its status as a veteran business enterprise or as a small or local ~~minority business enterprise or woman~~ business enterprise, but not both, as provided in the solicitation.

E) Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 7.301(J) of this Code, if there are two (2) or more low, responsive bids from responsible bidders that are identical in price and other evaluation criteria, and one (1) of the bids is from a veteran business enterprise, the bid shall be awarded to the veteran business enterprise. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if one (1) of the other identical bids is submitted by another veteran business enterprise ~~or by a minority business enterprise or a woman business enterprise~~, then the contract award shall be made as provided in Section 7.301(J) of this Code.

(F) The veteran business enterprise preference shall not apply to procurements where prohibited by law or disallowed by the terms (i) of any grant or (ii) agreement with the state or federal government. The veteran business enterprise preference shall not apply to procurements to which the Small and Local Business Enterprise Preference ~~Minority Business Enterprise and Women Business Enterprise~~ Program does not apply pursuant to City Code Chapter 57, or when the ~~Minority and Women Business Enterprise~~ Official has reduced or waived the goals for a particular solicitation.

ARTICLE XIV – SMALL AND LOCAL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE

Sec. 7.1400. - Small and Local Business Enterprise Preference.

(A) The City of Orlando’s Small and Local Business Enterprise Preference (“Program”) is established to provide small and local businesses sufficient opportunities to meaningfully participate in the award of City contracts, where permitted by applicable law.

(B) Certified Small and Local Businesses. To be certified as a Small or Local Business Enterprise, entities must meet the eligibility criteria set forth in the Small and Local Business Enterprise Preference Policy and Procedure as adopted by City Council.

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(C) Applicability. The Program shall apply to such eligible contracts for the procurement of construction services, professional services, goods, supplies and non-professional services awarded by bid, competitive sealed proposals, invitations to negotiate and requests for qualifications, as provided in the Small and Local Business Enterprise Preference Policy and Procedure.

(D) Conformity With Applicable Law. The provisions of this section shall be construed according to and in conformity with Acts of Congress and the Legislature of the State of Florida concerning the bidding and awarding of contracts and this Chapter. Where provisions of this Article come into conflict with either federal or state law, the federal or state law shall prevail.

(E) The small and local business enterprise preference shall apply to solicitations issued by the City on, or after, June 1, 2026.

SECTION 2. CHAPTER 55, AMENDED. Chapter 55, entitled Regulation of Taxicabs, Limousines, Luxury Passenger Vehicles, Shuttles and Other Vehicles-For-Hire, is hereby amended as follows:

ARTICLE I. – MOTORIZED VEHICLES

Sec. 55.02. – Definitions.

(16) ~~*Suspended and reserved. Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprise (M/WBE) Block Lottery*~~ means that method used for the selection of applicants for the distribution of one 20 permit block of new M/WBE Taxicab Vehicle Permits to a M/WBE to be determined in accordance with the guidelines established pursuant to Articles II and III Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprise, Chapter 57 of the Code of the City of Orlando by specifically incorporating by reference the provisions of Sections 57.15(1) & (2), 57.22(1), 57.28, 57.29(1-3) of Chapter 57 in general, and as they are applicable to the Vehicle for Hire permitting goals as set forth herein.

(17) *Motor Vehicle* means a vehicle that is motorized or self-propelled by power other than muscular power or by animals. The term does not include traction engines, road rollers, bicycles, mopeds, or motorcycles.

(18) *New Entrant* means any person that has complied with the minimum application requirements and the minimum entry level standards as set forth in this Chapter, and when applicable the Minority or Women Owned Business Enterprise certification requirements as set forth in Chapter 57, but who awaits the results of the appropriate Lottery in order to obtain the Taxicab Vehicle Permit.

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BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF ORLANDO,
FLORIDA:

Mayor

ATTEST, BY THE CLERK OF THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
ORLANDO, FLORIDA:

City Clerk

Print Name

THIS ORDINANCE DRAFTED BY AND
APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY
FOR THE USE AND RELIANCE OF THE
CITY OF ORLANDO, FLORIDA:

Assistant City Attorney

Print Name