



October 1, 2025

RE: Notice of Temporary Suspension of the MWBE Program

Dear Vendor Community,

On September 16, 2025, Arlington City Council approved the temporary suspension of the Minority & Women-Owned Business Enterprise (MWBE) Program, effective October 1, 2025. Over the next few months, City staff will work on creating a new small business program for procurement of goods and services, which will be presented to Council for consideration.

What this means for current contractors:

- **MWBE Goals & Documentation:** Will no longer be enforced until further notice.
- **MWBE Reporting:** You are no longer required to use the City's B2Gnow contract compliance system.
- **Existing Contracts:** Existing contracts remain in effect as written. The MWBE provisions in those contracts are not enforceable.
- **Additional Compliance Obligations:** The City must still follow state and federal rules, including those for Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) and State of Texas Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) program. HUB or DBE requirements still apply and are enforceable for contracts funded by state or federal grants.

The City of Arlington remains committed to inclusive procurement practices and will continue to encourage competition among qualified vendors.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact the Office of Procurement.

We appreciate your continued partnership with the City of Arlington.

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