

**Business Enterprise Program Council for Minorities,
Females and Persons with Disabilities Meeting**

MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

100 W. Randolph
Room 2-025
Chicago, IL 60602

401 S. Spring St.
Room 500 1/2
Springfield, IL 62706

Monday, July 23, 2012 - 1:30 P.M

COUNCIL MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Joan Archie	Richard R Boykin	Florence Cox	Beth Doria	Omar A Duque
Alesia Hawkins	Larry D Ivory	Rodney Lewis	Jesse Martinez	Perry Nakachi
Marva Boyd	Hedy Ratner	Lynne Marie Turner	Charisse Witherspoon	

COUNCIL MEMBERS NOT IN ATTENDANCE

Nelida Smyser-DeLeon	Fred Coleman	Samantha Hufnagel	Alfred Ramirez
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COUNCIL CHAIR

Malcolm Weems, Chairman, CMS Director

COUNCIL SECRETARY

Paul Cerpa, BEP Deputy Director

CMS STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

Tasha Cruzat	Harry Reinhard	Elias Ricks Ngwayah II
Philina King	Chimaobi Enyia	Gladys Rodriguez
Susan Hartman	Daymon Rittenberg	Kevin Lanson
Sharla Roberts	Carlos Gutierrez	Jim Shadid
Ellen Daley	Agueda Corona	

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Tim Fishburn	Ben Bagby	Darryl Harris	Matt Brown	Art Moore
Margaret Van Dijk	Carlos Charneco	Kevin Krass	Ruddy Ortiz	Georgina Syas
Omar Brown	Stephanie Stephens	Vir Doshi		

AGENDA

- I. Welcome
- II. Call to Order
- III. Roll Call
- IV. Approval of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on June 25, 2012
- V. Chair's Report
- VI. Posted Business
- VII. Unfinished Business
 - Sheltered Markets
- VIII. Committee Updates
 - Procurement Committee
 - Business Development Committee
 - Capital Access and Banking Committee
 - Certification Committee
 - Policy, Rules and Enforcement Committee
- IX. New Business
 - BEP Goal Training
- X. Adjournment
 - Next Council Mtg. – August 27, 2012

Welcome

Chairman Weems called the Business Enterprise Program (BEP) Council meeting to order at 1:42 on July 23, 2012.

Roll Call

Council Secretary Paul Cerpa took the roll and announced that a quorum has been obtained.

Approval of the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on June 25, 2012

Council approved the minutes of the June 25, 2012 Council meeting.

Chair's Report

Chairman Weems opened the meeting by stating there will be hearings on IT (sheltered markets).

Posted Business

- Secretary Paul Cerpa addressed the matter of the Goal Setting training sessions that will be taking place in Chicago and Springfield on August 28th and 29th in the morning and afternoon on each of the days. He further stated that all contracts with \$250,000.00 above would have a goal and it would be review by the BEP department, which includes all utilization plans.
- Secretary Paul Cerpa announces that BEP has initiated an online application process for all applicants and the certification will be now for five years consistent with all other certification programs. In addition, BEP is moving forward with the reciprocal agreement with Cook County on Veterans Program.

Unfinished Business

IT Hearing (sheltered markets):

Chairman Ivory of the sheltered markets announced that the process and strategies have been developed and modified with the working group to move forward with the hearings. Secretary Cerpa informed the council that there would be three different locations north, central and south locations to hold the hearings based on the fact-finding and the council would make a determination to have sheltered markets for IT. The hearing would be on the following dates September 11, Chicago and September 12, Springfield still pending the southern locations. Each the locations would have a six-member panel composed by the Chair of BEP council, Secretary of BEP council, BOSS and one member from the BEP council. The BEP Council by unanimous vote approved the process for shelter markets to move forward.

Committee Updates

Procurement Committee – No report

Business Development Committee – Chair Rodney Lewis is developing a package all the BEP resources to be under one brochure. In addition, the development of GEO space mapping for all the BEP vendors as to where they are located.

Capital Access and Banking Committee – No Report

Certification Committee – Chairlady Florence Cox could not make a decision on one vendor due to lack of information decision is pending. The second vendor was the decision to deny was upheld.

Professional Services – No report

Policy, Rules and Enforcement Committee – Chairlady Beth Doria had a meeting on July 20, to review the good faith effort Calumet construction on school district 132 project. Capital Development Board assigned a goal of 25% MBE and 5% FBE and the project was only able to give 14.3% MBE and 6.0% FBE with a total combine goal of 20.30% goal. The committee reviewed the documentations and granted waiver for the project on the differences of the original goal set.

New Business

BEP Goal Setting Training:

Secretary Cerpa informed the Council that BEP Goal Setting training will be at the end of the month on August 28, 2012 at the Bilandic Building in Chicago and August 29, 2012 Springfield at the Agricultural Department auditorium . There will be two sessions at each of the locations: 8:30 am and 1:30 pm.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 3:57 PM