

Small Business Enterprise (SBE)

Procurement, EO, Risk and SEEDS

How did we get here...

- The County Attorney's Office provided a Memo to the Board, in coordination with County staff on different enterprise programs.
- On 8/22/2023, the Board requested staff to look at opportunities to keep money local.
- Staff has met, recapped and discuss the current SBE program and what can be done about those opportunities.

• On December 5, 2023, we took the suggested changes to the Board, in which they approved the Staff's suggestions and made a motion to move forward with the Ordinance Changes.

Board Motion

- To approve Staff recommended action to implement the current suggested changes.
- To increase the net worth from \$1,000,000 to \$5,000,000.
- Create an emerging small businesses category keeping the \$1,000,000 net worth for tracking purposes.

Suggested Changes

- Equal Opportunity Office
 - Applications for SBE Certification will include insurance information.
- Risk Management
 - Risk guidelines for informal and formal solicitations
- Procurement Office
 - Include a contract close out document to track subcontractor expenditures for Procurement reporting.

Motion Items in Progress

- Gathering the data from the community survey and report back the findings from contract close out data.
- Working to bring back recommendations for capacity building initiatives which might include mentoring and other best practices utilized locally for future Board discussion.

Recommended Action

 To adopt the ordinance to amend Chapter 22 of the Alachua County Code of Ordinances, known as the "Alachua County Procurement Code."