

CITY OF ST. AUGUSTINE DBE/SBE

POLICY STATEMENT

Section 26.1, 26.23

Objectives / Policy Statement

The City of St. Augustine (City) has established a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program in accordance with regulations of the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), 49 CFR Part 26.

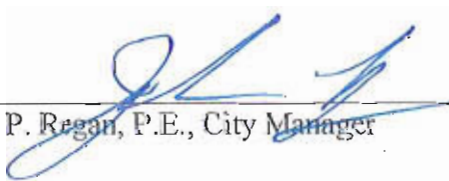
The City of St. Augustine has received Federal financial assistance from the Department of Transportation and, as a condition of receiving this assistance, the City has signed an assurance that it will comply with 49 CFR Part 26.

It is the policy of the City of St. Augustine to ensure that DBEs are defined in Part 26, have an equal opportunity to receive and participate in DOT-assisted contracts. It is also our policy:

1. To ensure nondiscrimination in the award and administration of DOT-assisted contracts;
2. To create a level playing field on which DBEs can compete fairly for DOT-assisted contracts;
3. To ensure that the DBE program is narrowly tailored in accordance with applicable law;
4. To ensure that only firms which fully meet 49 CFR Part 26 eligibility standards are permitted to participate as DBEs;
5. To help remove barriers to the participation of DBEs in DOT-assisted contracts;
6. To assist the development of firms that can compete successfully in the marketplace outside the DBE Program.

John P. Regan, P.E., City Manager, has been designated as the DBE Liason Officer. In that capacity, Mr. Regan is responsible for implementing all aspects of the DBE program. Implementation of the DBE program is accorded the same priority as compliance with all other legal obligations incurred by the City of St. Augustine in its financial assistance agreements with the Department of Transportation.

The City has disseminated this policy statement to City Commission and all of the components of our organization. We have distributed this statement to the DBE and non-DBE business communities that perform work for us on DOT-assisted contracts via our website at www.staugustinegovernment.com and have notified them via email of availability. This information is also available on our website, www.staugustinegovernment.com, for DBE, SBE and non-DBE/SBE business communities who have not performed work with the City on DOT-assisted contracts.



John P. Regan, P.E., City Manager

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Date