

COUNCILMEMBER BARBARA BRY CITY OF SAN DIEGO

DISTRICT 1

MEMORANDUM

DATE:

January 18, 2019

TO:

Honorable City Council Budget & Government Efficiency Committee Members

FROM:

Council President Pro Tem Barbara Bry, Committee Chair

SUBJECT:

District 1 Budget and Government Efficiency Committee Priorities

It is my honor to lead the Budget and Government Efficiency Committee (Committee). My focus for the coming year is on how we can improve the ways in which the City of San Diego (City) connects with small business, the vacancy factor and overtime impacts, new sources of revenue to include permit fees for scooters, a proactive plan for moving contracts forward, and compliance regarding wage issues.

I look forward to working with the Committee Members, City Council, Independent Budget Analyst (IBA), the Mayor, and our San Diego Community to foster a transparent and collaborative budget process. The below list are my priorities for the Committee in 2019.

Improve the connection between small businesses and City Hall

To better understand the city efforts, successes, and areas of opportunity, I request that the request a staff presentation regarding small business competitiveness in the City's contracting process to include:

- Review City regulations and processes, to include risk management, applicable to small businesses to ensure that we are not creating unnecessary and cumbersome rules
- Identify and implement inclusive competitive practices for city contracts that advance our local businesses and entrepreneurs
- Take input from small businesses to understand their interactions with the city and how to improve them to ensure a fair process
- Take input from small businesses to ensure City services are provided to them in a timely, efficient way

• Review City Approved Vendor Listings platform and use

Review Personnel Allocations and Vacancy Policy

Review the number of vacancies, vacancy length, and vacancy impacts on current employees, the budget and service levels.

New Resources

The Mayor's Fiscal Year (FY) 2020-2024 Five-Year Financial Outlook projects a \$74 million-dollar deficit for FY2020. In October 2018, staff presented "Regulation of Dockless Scooters" to the Public Safety Committee with follow-up action to return with an "Annual Ministerial Permit Fee for the administration of the program" and a "Per-Device Fee for the use of City property."

As fees fall under the purview of the Budget and Government Efficiency Committee, I request staff to present the suggested fee, its methodology, as well as uses and budgetary impacts.

Contracting

To better understand the city efforts, successes, and areas of opportunity, I request that Purchasing and Contracting staff present their annual work plan.

Compliance

Receive and review reports from Purchasing and Contracting and the Treasurer's Office regarding process, monitoring, enforcement, achievements and staffing of the Prevailing Wage, Living Wage, Earned Sick Leave and Minimum Wage Ordinance, and how we prevent wage theft and enforcement when necessary. Continue to explore all opportunities to further diversify the Small Business Enterprise Program.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Committee Consultant, Victoria Joes at (619) 236.6687.

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