

Local Business Preference Program for Construction Projects

Introduction



Local Bid Preference Program

- In association with over \$50 Million in townwide infrastructure construction projects, a town-wide Local Bid Preference Program is being evaluated.

Program Viability

- The Town would like to evaluate the legality of a local preference program for those bidders located within the Town of Eatonville. If approved, a one (1) percent preference can be applied to the total price during the evaluation of formal competitive bids
- The local preference does not apply to Requests for Quotes (RFQs) or Request for Proposals (RFPs).
- Local preference may not apply where it is precluded by state or federal law or regulation. This must be verified by legal before we can move forward in the process.



Local Business Tax Receipt

The program will encourage local small businesses to compete for city contracting opportunities and to maintain local operations and business address such as a home-based business or the Eatonville Post Office



Minimum requirements:

Local Office
Address

Local Business
Tax Receipt

Share the wealth

- The program will also require outside prime contractors to include local businesses on projects within the Town



Benefits

- Town benefits with more business tax receipts
- More businesses will move to the Town to lease space
- Existing businesses will be first in line.
- Prime contractors will be required to contract with local firms



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