

Covington Streetscape Projects Awarded \$5.1 million in OKI Funding for Infrastructure Improvements for Madison Avenue and Seventh Street

COVINGTON, KY – Tuesday afternoon, the City of Covington received funding to further advance its ongoing infrastructure initiatives.

The City was awarded \$5.1 million to fund two of its streetscape projects from the Surface Transportation Program for Northern Kentucky (SNK) funds grant through the Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional Council of Governments (OKI). The SNK grant provides publicly funded surface transportation improvements to the OKI region. The City submitted two project applications to OKI that were selected for funding.

City Manager Larry Klein stated, “This is more great news for the City. Over the past five to six years, Covington has received roughly \$15 million in federal transportation grants from OKI. This funding is a significant boost in accelerating our capital plans and economic development efforts, and affirms the City’s commitment to investment in its infrastructure to improve the quality of life for residents, businesses and visitors alike.”

The two projects that are scheduled to receive funding from OKI are 7th Street from Washington Avenue to Greenup Street, and Madison Avenue from 8th Street to 11th Street. The scope of both streetscape projects includes underground utilities, street trees, mast arm poles, decorative street lights and roadway resurfacing. Signal improvements to reduce delay will also be included.

The 7th Street project is estimated to cost \$3,745,000, with \$2,970,000 covered by OKI-SNK funding. The Madison Avenue project is estimated to cost \$2,745,000 with \$2,170,000 covered by OKI-SNK funding. This equates to a total of \$5.14 million in federal streetscape funding.

To Read more please go to Excerpt: www.covingtonky.gov/news/2016/10/13/covington-streetscape-projects-awarded-51-million-in-oki-funding-for-infrastructure-improvements-for-madison-avenue-and-seventh-street



About The KYTC

The goal of the KYTC DBE Program is to ensure a “level playing field” on which DBEs can compete fairly for US DOT-assisted contracts, improve the flexibility and efficiency of the DBE program and reduce burdens on small businesses.

KYTC provides support for its certified DBE firms through the DBE Supportive Services Program with the intent to improve economic growth and future of Kentucky DBE firms by utilizing the following tactics:

- Expanding business knowledge
- Increasing project quality
- Enhancing abilities

Creating marketability of Kentucky DBEs

About The DBE Program

The Construction Estimating Institute (CEI) works with Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) as the statewide provider of the federally funded Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBE) Supportive Services Program.

We want to increase the number of certified DBEs participating in highway and bridge construction, as well as assist DBEs in growing and eventually becoming self-sufficient.

Additionally, CEI provides supportive services by assisting prime contractors and consultants with identifying DBEs for subcontracting opportunities on priority projects.

KENTON COUNTY AIRPORT BOARD OVERALL DISADVANTAGED BUSINESS ENTERPRISE GOAL FISCAL YEARS 2017-2019

The Kenton County Airport Board (KCAB), operator of the Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport (CVG), located in Hebron, Boone County, Kentucky derived the overall Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Program Goal in a method consistent with the requirements of 49 CFR Section 26.45. The Chief Executive Officer (CEO) at CVG is Candace S. McGraw, (859) 767-3153; Fax (859) 767-3080.

PROCEDURES FOR SETTING ANNUAL OVERALL GOAL

KCAB staff reviewed the type, nature and number of Airport Improvement Program (AIP) funded projects which are planned for Fiscal Years 2017-2019.

KCAB then evaluated the number of purchase contracts, the number of DBE contractors known to KCAB by reason of past bids, and the individual contracting opportunities contained within each project. In accordance with Section 49 CFR Part 26.45(f)(1), KCAB submits its overall goal for three year intervals to the Federal Aviation Administration Office of Civil Rights. In establishing the goal for Fiscal Years 2017-2019, KCAB staff reviewed prior KCAB projects and prior DBE participation in KCAB projects.

KCAB staff reviewed county census patterns for the NAICS codes which are expected to compete for projects planned for FY 2017 – 2019.

KCAB staff also reviewed DBE goals of other recipients within the region. KCAB staff performed these evaluations in order to obtain information concerning the availability of disadvantaged businesses to participate in KCAB projects, the effects of past discrimination on opportunities DBEs to participate in KCAB projects, and to evaluate KCAB's efforts to establish a level playing field for DBE participation in KCAB projects.

As in previous fiscal years, KCAB will publish the overall goal for Fiscal Years 2017-2019 in the Cincinnati Enquirer and on KCAB's website at www.cvgairport.com/about/biz/dbe. KCAB will make the rationale for the proposed overall goal, the nature of the projects, the methodology used in establishing the goals and any other pertinent information available for public inspection during normal working hours at its administrative offices for thirty (30) days following the date of notice.

The notice will also inform the public that KCAB and the United States Department of Transportation will accept comments on the goal for forty-five (45) days from the date of publication of the notice in the newspaper referred to above.

Excerpt: www.cvgairport.com/docs/default-source/dbe-docs/cvg-dbe-goal.pdf?sfvrsn=6



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