

# **Connecting for Work Opportunities**

### Registrations

Online Business Directory (OBD)

## Register Your Business on the City of Seattle Online Business Directory (OBD)

SPU uses the OBD to search for firms for a variety of procurement needs. Here you can provide information on the services your business provides, join a Consultant Roster for a specialized consultant service, and identify your business as a WMBE. https://web6.seattle.gov/FAS/OBD/Logon/Logon.aspx

E-Bid Exchange

#### **Register on E-Bid Exchange**

Here you will find announcements for upcoming contract opportunities. https://www.ebidexchange.com/seattle/

# Follow-up: Updates and Announcements

Aside from following-up on solicitation updates through e-bid exchange, check out the following resources for information and announcements:



The Consultant Connection Blog: (Open City of Seattle Consultant Contracts) http://consultants.seattle.gov/category/bids-proposals/

SPU Consultant Contracting Website: (Upcoming SPU Consultant Opportunities) http://www.seattle.gov/util/ForBusinesses/BusinesswithSPU/

The Buy Line Blog: (Open City of Seattle Purchasing Opportunities) http://thebuyline.seattle.gov/

# **Consultant Services**

**Direct Select**: is used when the total value of the work is less than \$53,000 spend within one year. No professional services.

**Consultant Roster**: may be used when the total value of work is less than \$314,000. Businesses must be registered and approved for the Roster on the OBD.

(WMBE Inclusion Plan, optional)

**Full Solicitation**: Request For Proposals (RFPs) and Request For Qualifications (RFQs) can exceed \$314,000.

(WMBE Inclusion Plan is required)

# Purchasing

Per City of Seattle policy, SPU primarily uses Blanket Contracts established by the City's Purchasing & Contracting Services Division (CPCS) for purchasing needs.

Beyond Blanket contracts, the City can undertake direct purchases (<\$8k) or informal solicitation (<\$53k).

No professional services are allowed under purchasing contracts.

## **Public Works**

Per City of Seattle policy, the City of Seattle's Purchasing and Contracting Services (CPCS) Division administers Public Works (Construction) contracts for SPU.



# **SPU's Frequently Used Consultant Roster Categories**

- Archaeology, Anthropology & Tribal Issues
- Architectural Services Space Planning
- Architectural Services Structures
- Civil Engineering
- Communications
- Construction Management
- Diving
- Drainage Design
- Drainage & Wastewater Engineering Services
- Electrical Engineering
- Environmental Engineering
- Environmental Services Natural Resources
- Geotechnical Services

- Landscape Architectural Services Management Services
- Mechanical Engineering
- Project Management
- Public Information & Public Relations
- Public Involvement and Community Outreach
- Recycling & Sustainability
- Sewer Design
- Solid Waste Services
- Structural Engineering
- Water Quality Protection
- Water Systems Engineering

# **Links and Resources**

Washington State Office of Minority and Women's Business Enterprises (OMWBE) http://omwbe.wa.gov/

**City of Seattle Finance & Administration Services (FAS) Women-and Minority-Owned Businesses (WMBE)** http://www.seattle.gov/city-purchasing-and-contracting/social-equity/wmbe

#### City of Seattle Online Business Directory (OBD)

http://www.seattle.gov/city-purchasing-and-contracting/online-business-directory

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#### **City of Seattle Purchasing**

http://www.seattle.gov/city-purchasing-and-contracting/city-purchasing

#### The Buy Line Blog: (Open City of Seattle Purchasing Opportunities)

http://thebuyline.seattle.gov/

### Public Works (Construction) Contracting

http://www.seattle.gov/city-purchasing-andcontracting/construction-contracting

City Purchasing and Contracting Services 206-684-0444

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