

October—December 2017



DBE Awards Ceremony Salutes Outstanding Performance by Small Businesses

The City of Knoxville’s Purchasing Department honored seven small, woman- and minority-owned businesses as leaders at the second annual Diversity Business Enterprise (DBE) Awards Ceremony on Wednesday, Sept. 6.

The awards also saluted City departments committed to reaching out to DBEs with procurement contracts.

Last fiscal year, 35.4 percent of the City’s total competitive expenditures – \$28.3 million – went to small businesses.

“There’s no question that small businesses help drive our local economy,” Mayor Madeline Rogero said. “It’s great to recognize some of the owners and entrepreneurs who are advancing the City’s core goals. These business leaders are creating jobs and serving the community.

“We also wanted to recognize the City departments that are setting the example by partnering with these small local companies.”

The honorees are:

- Bentco Office Solutions, Rising Star Award
- Master Battery, Above and Beyond Award
- ExpoQuip, Minority-owned Business of the Year Award
- National Auto Parts, Woman-owned Business of the Year Award
- Southern Pump & Tank Co., Small Business of the Year Award
- Southern Constructors Inc. and Superior Traffic Control, Partnership Award
- Engineering Department, DBE Advocate Award – Large Department most dollars spent
- Special Events Department, DBE Advocate Award – Small Department most dollars spent
- Parks and Recreation Department, DBE Advocate Award – Large Department highest percentage of dollars spent
- Communications Department, DBE Advocate Award – Small Department highest percentage of dollars spent
- Karen Briggs, Parks and Recreation Administrative Supervisor – Employee Advocate of the Year Award

To view photos of the event please visit www.knoxvilletn.gov/facebook.

For more information on the Purchasing Department and its Small Business and Diversity Outreach Program, please visit www.knoxvilletn.gov/smallbusiness.

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Recently Awarded Solicitations



The City solicits sealed submissions for purchases of \$25,000 or more. It solicits quotes by email or fax for purchases between the amounts of \$5,000 and \$25,000.

Listed below are some of the solicitations that have been awarded within the past 90 days.

Item	Awarded Supplier	Amount
Portable and Mobile Radios	Motorola Solutions, Inc.	Blanket
Annual Support Renewal-ORACLE Database Standard Edition	Mythics, Inc.	9,982.95
Oracle Support-Peoplesoft Enterprise ePay/eProfile	Mythics, Inc.	9,792.00
Maintenance & Support-Peoplesoft Enterprise Recruiting Solutions	Mythics, Inc.	17,512.00
Oracle Software Update and Technical Support Services	Mythics, Inc.	59,986.40
Annual Maintenance & Support-ORACLE Database Enterprise	PCM-G	84,076.36
Filter Contract	Newbegin Enterprises, Inc.	Blanket
High Pursuit Radial Tires	National Auto Parts Company	Blanket
Van Conversion	Phoenix Conversions	34,628
Fire Truck Universal Swivel	Atlantic Coast Fire Trucks, LLC	15,266
Facilities Paving at 913 E. Fifth Avenue	PRI of East TN, Inc.	185,201
Grainger Avenue Bridge Project	Charles Blalock and Sons, Inc.	1,894,599
S Castle Street Sidewalk Project	Vaughn & Melton Consulting Engineers, Inc.	87,628
Architectural design services for the South Knoxville Community Center Roof Project	Elizabeth Eason Architecture	14,974
2017 Neighborhood Drainage Project	Design & Construction Services, Inc.	743,000
Tennis Court Resurfacing	Baseline Sports Construction LLC	198,360
Jackson Avenue Streetscapes (Upper Second Creek Greenway) Project	Design & Construction Services, Inc.	1,291,349
Fountain City Lake Phase II Project	Ronald Franks Construction Co., LLC	248,870
Security Services for the Parks & Recreation	SEI, Inc.	Blanket
Dell PowerEdge R530 Server	GovConnection	7,418

Bid Tabulations

Bid tabulations from the most recently opened Sealed Bids and Requests for Quotes are now posted on the purchasing page at www.knoxvilletn.gov/purchasing.

The tabulations are preliminary and are for informational purposes only, not a notification of award.



Purchases below \$5,000 are at the City's discretion. Each department is allowed to purchase without a formal competitive process.

Upcoming Procurement Opportunities

The City of Knoxville achieves the highest degree of open, free market competition when soliciting quotes, bids, proposals and/or qualifications. By posting bid opportunities on the website, and participating in various outreach programs throughout the year, the purchasing division is committed to keeping businesses informed about available contracting opportunities.

Below are some of the opportunities to look for over the next 90 days.

Items to be Solicited	Projected Bid Dates	Department
Janitorial Services for KPD Training Academy/Safety City/5th Ave.	Fall 2017	Police
2017 Citywide Facilities Paving Project	Fall 2017	Engineering
Fire Headquarters Driveway Project	Fall 2017	Engineering
Fire Headquarters Roof Project	Fall 2017	Engineering
Prosser Road Impound Building Project	Fall 2017	Engineering
S Castle Street Sidewalk Project	Fall 2017	Engineering
2017 Sidewalk Replacement Phase II Project	Fall 2017	Engineering
Gay Street Crosswalks Project	Fall 2017	Engineering
KAT Summit Hill Transit Stop Project	Fall 2017	Engineering
Janitorial Services for East District Precinct and Safety Education Offices	Fall 2017	Police
Janitorial Services for the Safety Building	Fall 2017	Police
Athletic Flooring for Recreation Center Weight Rooms	Fall 2017	Parks and Recreation
PPO Workers Compensation Insurance	Fall 2017	Benefits
Aggregates: Rock, Crushed Stone, Sand and Gravel	Fall 2017	Public Service
Upgrades to Household Hazardous Waste Facility	Fall 2017	Public Service
Landscaping Services for the Lakeshore Park Property	Fall 2017	Public Service
Landscaping Services for the Cumberland Avenue/Tyson Park Entrance and the Island Home River-	Fall 2017	Public Service
Construction and Demolition Landfill Services	Fall 2017	Public Service
Prescription Safety Spectacles	Fall 2017	Public Service
Concrete Pads for two Bus Shelters at the Industrial Parkway	Fall 2017	Knoxville Area Transit



Are you registered?

Register to be a City of Knoxville vendor at www.knoxvilletn.gov/purchasing. We have a new vendor registration system as of December 1, 2016.



The Public Building Authority of Knox County and the City of Knoxville (PBA), through Request for Proposals, will hire up to three Construction Managers at Risk for the following construction projects:

Construction Manager at Risk for Facility Improvements to World's Fair Park Performance Lawn	Fall 2017	Public Building Authority
Construction Manager at Risk for Construction of Suttle Landing Park Boathouse and Pavilion	Fall 2017	Public Building Authority
Construction Manager at Risk for the Addition of two levels to the State Street Garage	Fall 2017	Public Building Authority

Each Construction Manager at Risk will subcontract out as much as 80% of these large projects. PBA, in an open forum, plans to have the Construction Manager at Risk meet subcontractors who are interested in performing the work so that everyone has a full understanding of each project and can compete on an equal footing for subcontractor type work.

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We Want Your Business



East TN MED Week

The Minority Enterprise Development Week planning team and sponsors invite you to take part in the East Tennessee MED Week 2017 events on October 9 – 13, 2017 at the Knoxville Center Mall. The theme for this year's event – #Resurgence – is geared towards the individual elements of business and economic growth, and the development currently and soon to come to Knox County and surrounding counties of East Tennessee.

Each day's events are free and open to the public.

For more information click [here](#) or contact:

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Outreach and Networking Events

East Tennessee Small Business Growth Conference

Thursday, January 18, 2018

at the

Hollingsworth Center for Entrepreneurial Leadership

2135 North Charles G. Seivers Boulevard

Clinton, Tennessee

Co-Sponsors of the conference include: Anderson County Chamber of Commerce, Oak Ridge Chamber of Commerce, Tennessee Small Business Development Center at Roane State Community College, Tennessee Veterans Business Association, and the University of Tennessee Procurement Technical Assistance Center

For more information, contact Jutta Bangs

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TVBA 2018

Business Expo & Veteran Job Fair

Tuesday, January 30, 2018

Crowne Plaza Knoxville

Free to Attend!

<https://gotvba.com/events/tvba-annual-business-expo-veteran-job-fair/>