

Green Line Extension DBE and Workforce Advisory Committee
Virtual Meeting and Streamed Live
Thursday, December 19th, 2024
2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

NOTICE: If you'd like to offer public comment at a virtual meeting, please pre-register by emailing public.info@metc.state.mn.us. Be sure to include "Green Line Extension DBE and Workforce Advisory Committee" as the meeting you would like to offer public comments for.

Alternatively, comments may be emailed to the Co-chair Ashanti Payne at Ashanti.payne@metc.state.mn.us or Co-chair Tyler Bishop at Tyler.Bishop@state.mn.us.

AGENDA [Presentation]

- 1. ROLL CALL**
- 2. REVIEW MEETING MINUTES [October 17, 2024]**
- 3. METRO GREEN LINE EXTENSION PROJECT UPDATE**
 - a. Forming walls at Kenilworth LRT tunnel
 - b. Roof pour and wall formwork
 - c. Sidewalk installation near Royalston Avenue
- 4. CONSENT BUSINESS**
 - a. **DBE Achievement [DBE Reports as of October 2024]**
- 5. NON-CONSENT BUSINESS: CONTRACTOR UPDATES**
 - a. **Civil Updates**
 - i. DBEs on site:
 1. E&J Rebar, Gunnar Electric, MBE, PWS, etc.
 - ii. No change since the last DWAC meeting for DBEs complete on project
 - iii. Project workforce participate to date:
 1. POCI: 23.43%
 2. Female: 7.45%
 - iv. Project workforce participation October:
 1. POCI: 26%
 2. Female: 4.23%
 - v. 12 trades on the SWLRT project
 - vi. 6 trades in POCI exceeded the 32% POCI goal
 - vii. 4 trades were over 20% POCI participation
 - viii. Female participation for October was 2% higher than September
 - b. **Systems Updates**
 - i. APJV participated in Summit Academy Electrician mock interviews
 - ii. APJV does not expect any significant changes in crew size
 - iii. Workforce Achievement Update:

1. Hours: 6,364.75
 - a. Female: 569.25
 - b. POCl: 2,009.25
- iv. DBE with Fieldwork and Reported hours in LCPTTracker during October and November are:
 1. Gunnar Electric, MBE Trucking, Elite Fiber Optics, Stonebrook Fence
- c. **Hopkins Rail Support Facility Update**
 - i. 18% DBE goal
 1. Contract amount is: \$14,141,522
 2. DBE Contract Credit: \$2,545,994
 - ii. DBE Subcontractor timeline (Some of these dates will move up once we get a timeline on steel):
 1. 09/09/2024 – Gunnar Electric
 2. 09/04/2024 – PWS
 3. 02/13/2025 – Waterproofing by Experts
 4. 04/21/2025 – M3Sixty (Supplies Delivered for Flynn Midwest)
 5. 09/15/2025 – AW Painting
 6. 09/30/2025 – Windsor Companies
 - iii. Workforce Participation Percentage
 1. Goal for women: 20%
 2. Projected for women: 13%
 3. Total Project %: 4%
 4. Goal for POCl: 32%
 5. Projected for POCl: 22%
 6. Total Project %: 16%

6. COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

a. Projected 2025 Committee Meeting Dates

- i. Committee Meeting Dates will be discussed at the February 2025 meeting

b. Prompt Payment:

- i. The GLE Project Office did not have construction staff present to share more about payment processing
- ii. Change Orders also impact how quickly payment applications are processed
- iii. Civil – LMJV Prompt payment
 1. Sometimes DBEs are paid before LMJV has received payment by the Council.
 2. LMJV's process is to pay when they are paid by the Council
 3. LMJV shared that they could pull together the payment data pretty easily
- iv. HRSF – Shaw Lundquist Prompt Payment
 1. Still working on the payment process
 2. The Schedule of Values had to be developed by the Prime and be approved by the Council

3. Their accounting team did not allow for Shaw Lundquist to pay any of their mobilization to the DBE subs
- v. Systems – APJV Prompt Payment
 1. APJV have paid subs in a timely manner and are not aware of any DBEs not being paid on this contract
- c. **Construction Trades Apprentices:**
 - i. How many apprentices have made it onto the Journey Level on this project?
 1. 3 apprentices became a Journey worker during the life of the project.
 2. Hours needed to advance varies based on the trade and apprentices may have worked on more than just this project
 - ii. What are the demographics of those apprentices?
 1. Tsewang, Tenzen (Gunnar Electric) Male, Asian – Needed 100.5 hours on the project to become an IBEW Journey worker in 2021. Apprenticeship began 7/11/2016.
 2. Garcia, Jose (Premier Electric) Male, Hispanic – Needed 323 hours on this Project to become an IBEW Journey worker in 2023. Apprenticeship began 1/4/2018.
 3. Krautbuer, Christopher (Premier Electric) Male, White – Needed 611 hours on this project to become an IBEW Journey Worker in 2024– Apprenticeship began 5/30/2019

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

8. PUBLIC INVITATION

Invitation for interested people to address the advisory committee. Each speaker is limited to a three-minute presentation. Speakers must pre-register as you sign in for meeting attendance at the beginning of the in-person meeting.

9. ADJOURN

Next Scheduled Meeting: February 20, 2025, from 2:00 - 4:00 pm will be held in person at the GLE project office.