

BILL/ RESOLUTION REQUEST

- 1. Title:** Approves an amendment to Sections 28-83 and 28-234 of the Revised Municipal Code to extend the Minority Women and Business Enterprise (MWBE) and Small Business Enterprise Ordinance (SBE) for an additional eighteen (18) months.

- 2. Requesting Agency:** Office of Economic Development

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- 5. Describe the proposed ordinance, including what the proposed ordinance is intended to accomplish, who's involved**
 - a. Scope of Work**

This amendment will extend Ordinance 2006-0760. This ordinance enables the Minority Women and Business Enterprise (MWBE) program and Small Business Enterprise (SBE) program. The request changes the sunset date in the ordinance from December 31, 2011 to June 30, 2013.

An 18 month extension of the ordinance is necessary for the continued operation of the programs and for adequate time to complete additional studies and conduct an administrative review of the MWBE and SBE programs to make a determination of whether any adjustments or revisions to Division 3 of Article VIII or Article VII of Chapter 28 are necessary.

 - b. Duration**

December 31, 2011 – June 31, 2013

 - c. Location**

City and County of Denver

 - d. Affected Council District**

Citywide

 - e. Benefits**

Continues the MWBE program to allow opportunities created by expenditure of public funds for construction and design services to be available to all community members, and

provides capacity-building tools and pathways for all construction and design companies to grow, prosper and succeed.

f. Costs

N/A

6. Is there any controversy surrounding this ordinance, groups or individuals who may have concerns about it? Please explain.

Yes, there is at least one City Council member who believes that a Small Business Enterprise program can adequately serve the mission of the MWBE program without having to pay specific attention to race and gender disparities. There may also be individuals or organizations who wish to use the occasion of this amendment to materially change the current ordinance beyond the modification of the sunset date. Additionally, these type of programs maybe perceived as generally controversial by the community at large

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