

MINUTES

LOCAL VENDOR PREFERENCE SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING

8:30 A. M., JUNE 27, 2019

Room 310

Joseph Jenkins called the meeting of the Local Vendor Preference Subcommittee to order at 8:30 a.m., JUNE 27, 2019, in Room 310 in City Hall.

Subcommittee Members Present:

Joseph Jenkins

Will Laid

Keeley Steele

The members discussed the survey from the West Virginia Municipal League from Class 1 and 2 cities. The 2 main categories of focus as identified by Councilmember Jenkins are: items (materials and supplies) and services (consulting). Councilmember Jenkins proposed that the subcommittee discuss:

- Should the City have a resident vendor preference?
- If yes, what does that preference look like and how is it set up?

The members further discussed possible requirements and options, such as waiving B&O taxes, percentage thresholds, tiers and various policies for a resident vendor preference.

The Subcommittee decided that they do want to submit a proposal to the Finance Committee. The next step is to decide what type of recommendation to make. Councilmember Jenkins suggested to start with a basic minimum similar to South Charleston. Other suggestions made were:

- In a tie, preference is for the local vendor.
- Give local vendors a percentage-based difference.
- Incorporate B&O into the consideration.

With no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned.