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**PUBLIC NOTICE  
DISADVANTAGE BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (DBE)**

**City of Fort Collins, Colorado**

In accordance with requirements of the U. S. Department of Transportation as set forth in 49 C.F.R. Part 26, as amended, the City of Fort Collins, Colorado hereby notifies the public that it is recommending the following Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) goal for applicable professional services, construction and procurement contracts during Fiscal Years 2018 through 2020, beginning October 1, 2017 and ending September 30, 2020. The overall total DBE goal for each Fiscal Year 2018 through 2020 is 2.0% with 1.0% being a race conscious goal and 1.0% being a race-neutral goal. Information pertaining to this goal and a description of how it was selected is available for inspection from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (Mountain Time) at the City of Fort Collins, Purchasing Division, 215 N. Mason Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Fort Collins, CO 80524. Any questions or comments on this goal are for informational purposes only and may be sent to the City of Fort Collins DBE Liaison Officer, same address, or to the Civil Rights Officer, Region 8 Federal Transit Administration, Byron Rogers Federal Building, 1961 Stout Street, Suite 13-301, Denver, CO 80294.

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## **CITY OF FORT COLLINS - DBE PROGRAM (REVISED June 2018)**

Objectives /Policy Statement (26.1, 26.23)

The City of Fort Collins has established a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) program in accordance with regulations of the U. S. Department of Transportation (DOT), 49 CFR Part 26. The City of Fort Collins has received Federal financial assistance from the Department of Transportation, and as a condition of receiving this assistance, the City of Fort Collins has signed an assurance that it will comply with 49 CFR Part 26.

It is the policy of the City of Fort Collins to ensure that DBEs and Small Business Enterprises (SBEs) as defined in part 26, have an equal opportunity to receive and participate in DOT-assisted contracts. It is also our policy:

- To ensure nondiscrimination in the award and administration of DOT assisted contracts;
- To create a level playing field on which DBEs can compete fairly for DOT assisted contracts;
- To ensure that the DBE Program is narrowly tailored in accordance with applicable law;
- To ensure that only firms that fully meet 49 CFR Part 26 eligibility standards are permitted to participate as DBEs;
- To help remove barriers to the participation of DBEs in DOT assisted contracts;
- To promote the use of DBEs in all types of federally-assisted contracts and procurement activities; and
- To assist the development of firms that can compete successfully in the market place outside the DBE Program.

Gerry Paul, Director of Purchasing has been delegated as the DBE Liaison Officer. In that capacity, Gerry Paul, Director of Purchasing is responsible for implementing all aspects of the DBE program. Implementation of the DBE program is accorded the same priority as compliance with all other legal obligations incurred by the City of Fort Collins in its financial assistance agreements with the Department of Transportation.

City of Fort Collins has disseminated this policy statement to the Mayor and City Manager and all the components of our organization. This statement will be distributed to DBE and non-DBE business communities that perform work for us on DOT-assisted contracts by posting copies of the plan on the City of Fort Collins web site.