

LATINO & BLACK BUILDERS' ASSOCIATION

- June 17, 2024
- SF BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
- RULES COMMITTEE
- Board Members Ronen (Chair), Walton, Safai
- SUBJECT: Item no. 6- 240501 Administrative Code- Streamlined Contracts for Vision Zero Projects.
- The San Francisco Latino & Black Builder's Association is in opposition to Item 6. We are requesting, as we testified at last week's hearing, the following:
- Consult the San Francisco LBE Community so we can review nor provide feedback on this amendment.
- Insure that "STREAMLINING" will not impact 14B. Work collaborative with the LBE community in the future in any legislation that would impact the LBE and 14B. (Note we requested that the LBE community be part of the conversation at a hearing on the elimination of 12X, February 13, 2023)
- Lastly the Board should ask for data to support any future removal of 14B and Chapter 6 from procurement, as this is a step that should taken seriously as a last resort and first step
- Recommendation: Claw back, rescind and or modify the new reauthorization of the SFPW homeless program, we fail to see any data that would support an extension of the emergency. SFPW should create a similar pool of Contractor ready to respond to this City need. Millions of dollars of opportunity have been lost to San Francisco Based firms for no good reason. As no data supporting the reauthorization Has been provided to the board or this rules committee
- We are opposed to any changes in any economic, equity and social criteria included in any ordinance or construction contracts in the guise of "Streamlining" before consulting the small local business community in Construction and Professional Services.
- With respect,
- Anne Cervantes, AIA & Miguel Galarza, LBE
- Co-chair San Francisco Latino Black Builders Association
- cc. Dr. Matthew Ajioke, President SF African American Chamber of Commerce
- Lamar Heystek, President Asian Inc.
- Bruce Giron, President NAMC California