

**PROPOSED**  
ORDINANCE NO. 2020-

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2 AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY  
3 COMMISSIONERS OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA,  
4 PERTAINING TO THE BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY ACT  
5 AND COUNTY BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (“CBE”) AND  
6 SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE (“SBE”) ELIGIBILITY  
7 REQUIREMENTS; AMENDING SECTION 1-81.2 OF THE  
8 BROWARD COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES (“CODE”) ADDRESSING ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR  
9 CERTIFICATION AS A CBE OR SBE; AND PROVIDING  
10 FOR SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND AN  
11 EFFECTIVE DATE.

(Sponsored by Mayor Dale V.C. Holness)

9 WHEREAS, the Broward County Business Opportunity Act of 2012 establishes  
10 certain requirements that entities must meet to be eligible for and maintain County  
11 Business Enterprise (“CBE”) or Small Business Enterprise (“SBE”) certification;

12 WHEREAS, continued certification as a CBE or SBE is subject to limitations on the  
13 gross revenues of the CBE or SBE, the calculation of which may include revenue that is  
14 purely passed through the CBE or SBE and fully paid to nonaffiliated subcontractors or  
15 other entities for work done by that nonaffiliated entity pursuant to a subcontract resulting  
16 from an agreement between the CBE or SBE and Broward County;

17 WHEREAS, revenue that is purely passed through a CBE or SBE and fully paid to  
18 a nonaffiliated subcontractor, subconsultant, or other entity for work done by that  
19 nonaffiliated entity pursuant to a subcontract resulting from an agreement between a CBE  
20 or SBE and Broward County may prevent a CBE or SBE from meeting its continuing  
21 eligibility criteria although the CBE or SBE’s actual retained revenue would otherwise  
22 meet the CBE or SBE eligibility criteria; and

23 WHEREAS, the Broward County Board of County Commissioners finds that the  
24 eligibility requirements for continued CBE or SBE certification should closely reflect an

1 entity's actual revenue and not include amounts purely passed through to a nonaffiliated  
2 subcontractor, subconsultant, or other entity,

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4 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF  
5 BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA:

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7 Section 1. Section 1-81.2 of the Broward County Code of Ordinances is hereby  
8 amended to read as follows:

9 **Sec. 1-81.2. Certification standards.**

10 (a) The Program Director shall determine whether an entity is eligible for CBE  
11 or SBE certification.

12 (b) *CBE Eligibility Requirements.* An entity is eligible for certification as a CBE  
13 if it meets the following criteria:

- 14 (1) The entity shall, when combined with any and all Affiliates, have annual  
15 average gross ~~receipts~~ revenue no greater than Five Million Dollars  
16 (\$5,000,000), excluding all pass-through amounts paid by the entity to a  
17 nonaffiliated Subcontractor, nonaffiliated subconsultant, or other  
18 nonaffiliated entity pursuant to a subcontract resulting from an agreement  
19 between the entity and the County, calculated over the previous three (3)  
20 calendar years, unless that entity is a construction firm or an entity offering  
21 to sell commodities to the County; a A construction firm (when combined  
22 with any and all Affiliates) shall have annual average gross ~~receipts~~ revenue  
23 no greater than Nine Million Dollars (\$9,000,000), excluding all  
24 pass-through amounts paid by the entity to a nonaffiliated Subcontractor,

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1           nonaffiliated subconsultant, or other nonaffiliated entity pursuant to a  
2           subcontract resulting from an agreement between the entity and the County,  
3           calculated over the previous three (3) calendar years; ~~†~~ To be eligible for  
4           certification, an entity offering to sell commodities to the County (when  
5           combined with any and all Affiliates) must employ twenty-five (25) or fewer  
6           permanent full-time employees but is not subject to any limitation with  
7           regard to gross revenue for certification as a commodities firm;

8           . . .

9           (c) *SBE Eligibility Requirements.* An entity is eligible for certification as an SBE  
10 if it meets the following criteria:

- 11           (1) The entity shall employ fifteen (15) or fewer permanent full-time employees.  
12           In addition, eligibility is subject to the following gross revenue limitations:  
13           Professional consultants, when combined with any and all Affiliates, shall  
14           have less than Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000) in average  
15           annual gross revenue, excluding all pass-through amounts paid by the  
16           entity to a nonaffiliated Subcontractor, nonaffiliated subconsultant, or other  
17           nonaffiliated entity pursuant to a subcontract resulting from an agreement  
18           between the entity and the County, calculated over the previous three (3)  
19           calendar years. Entities providing construction services shall, when  
20           combined with any and all Affiliates, have less than Three Million Dollars  
21           (\$3,000,000) in average annual gross revenue, excluding all pass-through  
22           amounts paid by the entity to a nonaffiliated Subcontractor, nonaffiliated  
23           subconsultant, or other nonaffiliated entity pursuant to a subcontract  
24           resulting from an agreement between the entity and the County, calculated

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1 over the previous three (3) calendar years. Entities providing services other  
2 than professional consulting or construction shall, when combined with any  
3 and all Affiliates, have less than One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) in average  
4 annual gross revenue, excluding all pass-through amounts paid by the  
5 entity to a nonaffiliated Subcontractor, nonaffiliated subconsultant, or other  
6 nonaffiliated entity pursuant to a subcontract resulting from an agreement  
7 between the entity and the County, calculated over the previous three (3)  
8 calendar years. Entities offering to sell commodities to the County shall be  
9 subject to the employee limitation above but are not subject to any gross  
10 revenue limitation with regard to certification as a commodities firm;

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13 Section 2. Severability.

14 If any portion of this Ordinance is determined by any court to be invalid, the invalid  
15 portion will be stricken, and such striking will not affect the validity of the remainder of this  
16 Ordinance. If any court determines that this Ordinance, in whole or in part, cannot be  
17 legally applied to any individual, group, entity, property, or circumstance, such  
18 determination will not affect the applicability of this Ordinance to any other individual,  
19 group, entity, property, or circumstance.

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21 Section 3. Inclusion in the Broward County Code of Ordinances.

22 It is the intention of the Board of County Commissioners that the provisions of this  
23 Ordinance become part of the Broward County Code of Ordinances as of the effective  
24 date. The sections of this Ordinance may be renumbered or relettered and the word

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1 "ordinance" may be changed to "section," "article," or such other appropriate word or  
2 phrase to the extent necessary in order to accomplish such intention.

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Section 4. Effective Date.

This Ordinance is effective as of the date provided by law.

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FILED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:  
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