

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL
COMMITTEE REPORT
2020 Legislative Session

Reference No.: CB-002-2020
Draft No.: 2
Committee: Committee of the Whole
Date: 06/09/2020
Action: FAV (A)

REPORT: Favorable as Amended 11-0: Council Members Turner, Anderson-Walker, Davis, Dernoga, Franklin, Glaros, Harrison, Hawkins, Ivey, Streeter and Taveras

The County Council, sitting as the Committee of the Whole reviewed CB-002-2020 on June 9, 2020. As proposed, CB-002-2020 simplifies, the existing bonus point structure for diverse suppliers in competitive procurements by applying bonus points based on the classification of the prime bidder. CB-002-2020 also authorizes the Purchasing Agent to reserve procurements for prime bidding by County Based small businesses when it is determined that the County has the capacity. The bill also clarifies when a joint venture is eligible for certification to encourage capacity among diverse suppliers.

CB-002-2020 also establishes a 5% bid bonus for businesses that are owned by County residents. During the discussion on the bill there was general agreement that CB-002-2020 would greatly assist small and minority businesses, especially those located in Prince George's County. The Office of Law suggested an amendment to the bill to clarify the term capacity on page 2. This change resulted in CB-002-2020, Draft 2.

Jonathan Butler, Director, Office of Central Services expressed his support for CB-002-2020.

The Office of Law reported CB-002-2020 to be in proper legal form with no impediments to enactment.

The Policy Analyst Group reports that while there might be minimal administrative cost, this will be offset by the economic incentives.

The Prince George's Chamber of Commerce expressed support for CB-002-2020.

After discussion, the Committee of the Whole, voted CB-002-2020 out favorable as amended, 11-0.