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**To:** Thomas J. Bonfield, City Manager  
**Through:** Wanda Page, Deputy City Manager  
**From:** Deborah Giles, EO/EA Director  
**Subject:** Durham Small Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (SDBE) Contracting Activity for FY 2013 and Small Local Business Enterprise Program Update

### **Executive Summary**

Each year a final report is prepared that summarizes SDBE participation in city contracting for the fiscal year. As a result of interim discussions during FY2013, direction was provided to expand the report and present a more detailed analysis of results and recommendations responsive to the results, with the overall goal of increasing participation by SDBE firms. In response to these discussions, a more detailed analysis of data and recommendations along with attachments detailing construction and professional services contracting activity of the City of Durham for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2013 was completed.

In June of 2011, the City of Durham was successful in gaining the passage of Session Law 2011-168 Senate Bill 297, a local act amending the Charter of the City of Durham to authorize the City to establish a Small Business Enterprise Program to promote the development of small businesses in the City and to enhance the opportunities for small businesses to participate in City contracts. The Durham Small Local Business Enterprise (SLBE) Program was approved by the City Council in December of 2012. The full implementation of the program began on November 4, 2013.

A presentation and a detailed report have been developed summarizing the outcome of SDBE Contracting for FY 12-13. The presentation will also include a brief update on the status of the SLBE Program.

### **Recommendation**

The Department of Equal Opportunity/Equity Assurance recommends that the City Council receive detailed report with a presentation of the SDBE Contracting Activity for FY2013 and brief update of the SLBE Program.

### **Attachments**