



**Mayor's Office of
Economic Development**

Date: Wednesday, December 18, 2019

To: Nancy Roberts, Chair, Tulsa Development Authority
Tulsa Development Authority Commissioners

From: Kian Kamas, Chief of Economic Development, City of Tulsa

Subject: Monthly Update RE: Community and Economic Development Strategic Planning

Current Status

Following the receipt of nine (9) proposals in response to RFP 20-708, the Working Committee met on December 5th to discuss the collective scoring of proposals and narrowed the field to four (4) firms to interview. Video interviews were conducted with these firms on December 13th, and the Steering Committee is in the process of confirming the top two (2) candidates to which follow-up questions will be sent related project scope, budget, and methodology. We currently plan to meet with the Working Committee on Thursday, December 19th, with the goal of identifying the firm which the Committee will recommend for award of the bid. In general, the Working Committee feels that we have several very strong top contenders that have the skills, expertise, and experience to perform the study. Details of the selected firm will be released following confirmation that we have identified general terms of an agreement that are acceptable to both parties.

Steering Committee

While the Working Committee will continue to serve as key staff support to the effort in the coming months, a Steering Committee has also been formed to guide the broader effort. The work of the Steering Committee will begin upon the official kickoff of the planning effort, which is still projected to be in March or early April 2020. Confirmed members of the Steering Committee include:

1. Katie Plohocky - Chair, Tulsa Industrial Authority
2. Nancy Roberts - Chair, Tulsa Development Authority
3. Marcia MacLeod - Chair, Tulsa Public Facilities Authority
4. Craig Abrahamson - Chair, Tulsa Parking Authority
5. Mark Tedford - Chair, Economic Development Commission
6. East Tulsa representative, vacant seat yet to be filled
7. Rose Washington - Executive Director, TEDC
8. Alison Anthony - President and CEO, Tulsa Area United Way
9. Sid McAnnally - Senior Vice President Operations, ONEGas
10. Kathy Taylor - Lobeck Taylor Family Foundation
11. Rick Muncrief - Chairman and CEO, WPX Energy
12. Carlisha Williams - Executive Director, Impact Tulsa
13. Bill Major - Executive Director, Anne and Henry Zarrow Family Foundation
14. Mayor G.T. Bynum
15. Councilor Vanessa Hall-Harper
16. Councilor Ben Kimbro