

CITY OF BALTIMORE
ORDINANCE ___
Council Bill 19-0343

Introduced by: The Council President
At the request of: The Administration (Minority and Women’s Business Opportunity Office)
Introduced and read first time: February 25, 2019
Committee Report: Favorable
Council action: Adopted
Read second time: June 17, 2019

AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING

Minority and Women’s Business Program – Interim Extension

FOR the purpose of postponing, for an interim period, the automatic termination of the Minority and Women’s Business Program; providing for a special effective date; and generally relating to City procurement requirements.

BY repealing and reordaining, without amendments
Article 5 - Finance, Property, and Procurement
Section 28-3(a)(1)(iv)
Baltimore City Code
(Edition 2000)

BY repealing and reordaining, with amendments
Article 5 - Finance, Property, and Procurement
Section 28-5
Baltimore City Code
(Edition 2000)

SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE, That the Laws of Baltimore City read as follows:

Baltimore City Code

Article 5. Finance, Property, and Procurement

**Subtitle 28. Minority and Women’s Business Enterprises;
Small Local Business Enterprises**

<p>Explanation: CAPITALS indicate matter added to existing law. [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law. <u>Underlining</u> indicates matter added to the bill by amendment. Strike-out indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from existing law by amendment.</p>
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1 **§ 28-3. Legislative findings and policy.**

2 (a) *Findings.*

3 (1) The Mayor and City Council makes the findings contained in this subsection, on full
4 consideration of:

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6 (iv) the extensive findings of the 2014 Disparity Study, “The State of Minority
7 And Women-Owned Business Enterprise: Evidence from Baltimore”;
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9 **§ 28-5. Automatic termination.**

10 This subtitle automatically expires on [July 30, 2019,] AUGUST 31, 2020, unless the City
11 Council, after causing an appropriate study to be undertaken, conducting public hearings, and
12 hearing testimonial evidence, finds that the purposes identified in this subtitle have not yet
13 been achieved, in which case this subtitle may be extended for 5 more years.

14 **SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That the Mayor and City Council finds that the
15 existing disparity study remains a valid factual predicate for the Minority and Women’s Business
16 Program and provides sufficient legal justification for continuing the Program during the interim
17 extension period enacted by this Ordinance.

18 **SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That the catchlines contained in this Ordinance
19 are not law and may not be considered to have been enacted as a part of this or any prior
20 Ordinance.

21 **SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED,** That this Ordinance takes effect when it is
22 enacted.

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Certified as duly passed this _____ day of _____, 20__

President, Baltimore City Council

Certified as duly delivered to his Honor, the Mayor,

this _____ day of _____, 20__

Chief Clerk

Approved this _____ day of _____, 20__

Mayor, Baltimore City