

JULY 2024 | MAYOR'S OFFICE OF CONTRACT SERVICES











Big Changes Come to Local Law 63!

Last week, New York City Council unanimously voted to approve amendments to Local Law 63 (LL63). The amendments included increasing the review threshold from \$200,000 to \$1,000,000 and reducing the notice period for unplanned actions from 60 to 10 days.

These changes will improve transparency, protect our workforce, support M/WBEs, and improve the procurement process while reducing turnaround for critical services.

Creating a more efficient, transparent and equitable procurement system is crucial for the continuous development and well-being of New York City. MOCS upholds its commitment to level the playing field for all businesses, promoting inclusivity and economic diversity. We look forward to rolling out these changes soon.



Trainings

August 16: Show the City Who You Are (workshop in Queens). Register here.

August 16: Finding Opportunities (workshop in Queens). Register here.

August 16:
Completing Vendor
Enrollment
(workshop in Queens).
Register here.

August 16: In-Person Office Hours (workshop in Queens). Register here.



Reminder: Discretionary Award Tracker

Did your organization apply for Fiscal Year 2025 City Council Discretionary Funding?

You can find out the status of your award(s), or any award from recent fiscal years, on the <u>Discretionary</u> Award Tracker.

Please note the tracker is **not** updated in real time. It is updated after City
Council votes on Schedule
C and subsequent
transparency resolutions.



Farewell to HHS Accelerator!

HHS Accelerator will go offline on July 31, 2024.

Please download any documents you wish to retain before the system sunsets, EXCEPT:

- Documents linked to contracts with a future end date.
- Documents linked to contracts with a budget for fiscal year 2021 or later and an open balance.

For further instructions, see page 18 of this guide.



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<u>Visit the #GetStuffDone</u> <u>website</u> and learn more about Mayor Adams' bold vision for the future of New York City.

To hear Mayor Adams live, listen to his radio show: Hear from the Mayor. Airing every second Sunday of the month from 10:30am to 11:00am EST.



Get ready! Our next release of PASSPort is scheduled for August 26! We're excited for these new features!

PASSPort Vault

The PASSPort Vault is designed to elevate transparency and collaboration by providing a secure platform for such as:

- Secure storage and management of documents.
- · Seamless sharing with other PASSPort users.
- Automatic linking of documents to business processes eliminating the need for redundant uploads.

Subcontractor Management

This streamlines the subcontractor approval and payment submission processes. The module will also support reporting and transparency around M/WBE utilization goals.

- Subcontractors can now validate and acknowledge payments directly within the system, ensuring true transparency and real-time payment status updates.
- Vendors will no longer have to spend their time replicating their entries in PIP/FMS.
- Provides a more efficient workflow with reduced additional offline steps and the ability to submit subcontractor information before contract registration.
- To begin working in PASSPort, a subcontractor will need a PASSPort account to use the subcontractor module. Please refer to our guides and training videos on how to get started.



Vendor Management Spotlight: Justin

Justin is an Analyst for the Vendor Management team

A graduate of Binghamton University with a degree in Economics, Justin joined MOCS in 2023 after two consecutive summers as a MOCS intern.

As an Analyst, he is responsible for managing and assisting organizations through the PASS*Port* Prequalification application review and Account Request process. These allow both Non-Profit and For Profit organizations to become prequalified so they can compete for funding.

When he's not working, Justin loves playing basketball, musical production, singing, rapping and loves to DJ.

Justin loves helping MOCS get organizations ready to do business with the city.
Maybe he has helped you?

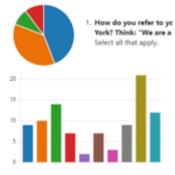


Get M/WBE Certified Today!

Are you a Minority or Women-owed business? Want to know how to find new opportunities for doing business with the NYC?

The city can award contracts of up to \$1.5 mil. for goods, services, and construction directly to City-certified M/WBEs without formal competition.

<u>Learn more about</u>
<u>becoming a city-certified</u>
M/WBE here!



The June Survey Results Are In!

If you recall, we conducted a small survey in the last issue about names.

MOCS asked readers, "How Do You refer to your Organization when doing business with the City?"

42% of respondents see themselves as Vendors.

28% as Contractors.

20% as Business Partners.

18% as Suppliers.

What great feedback! We hope to improve our service with our findings!



New Training Video: NYC Anti-Nepotism Policy

A new training video on anti-nepotism policy has dropped on the MOCS YouTube page. The training focuses on the following objectives:

Gaining a deeper understanding of the antinepotism provision in the NYC Human Services Standard Contract and NYC Anti-Nepotism Policy and Guidance for Nonprofits.

How to submit a Request for Written Consent.

Becoming more proficient in contract compliance.

Check out the video here.



Multiyear Discretionary Reminder

Are you a discretionary provider with a multiyear (FY24-FY26) discretionary award contract and awaiting Fiscal Year 2025 City Council award designations?

If so, we encourage you to review our <u>Fiscal Year 2024</u> <u>Multiyear Discretionary Contracting Provider FAQ</u>, which outlines the fundamentals and best practices of last year's Multiyear Discretionary Contracting Reform.

This resource breaks down how to navigate the "outyears" of the multiyear contract, as your organization will complete budget actions in lieu of contract registration should it receive City Council awards in FY25.



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