



BROOKE'S BPW BRIEF



Breaking down the Board of Public Works

Meeting Date

February 28, 2024

DECARBONIZING STATE BUILDINGS



The BPW approved a request from the Department of General Services to award a 5-year, \$10 million contract to Salas O'Brien (Bethesda, MD), Baumann Consulting, Inc. (Washington, DC), and NORESO LLC (Westborough, MA) **to develop decarbonization plans for all state-owned buildings and facilities.**

Decarbonization plans will be subject to building energy performance standards (BEPS). Per the Climate Solutions Now Act, BEPS apply to all state-owned buildings over 35,000 square feet.

The three consultants are available to aid all state agencies and the University System of Maryland to develop plans to transition their buildings to efficient, clean, cost-saving sources of electricity.

SMALL BUSINESS-DESIGNATED GENERAL CONTRACTING



The BPW approved a request from the University of Maryland, College Park to award 12 firms a contract to provide on-call general contracting services for small construction projects. This is a 2-year contract totaling \$6 million. The selected firms will compete for individual projects, not to exceed \$200,000.

Summary Figures

The BPW approved 59 items, representing a total State expenditure of \$230 million including:

- Grant agreements for 10 projects located in 7 counties and Baltimore City with a total value of \$3 million.
- 11 items awarding \$16.3 million to prime certified small businesses.
- 4 items awarding \$8.6 million to prime Minority Business Enterprises (MBEs).
- 8 items awarded with established participation goals for MBEs.
- 3 items awarded with established participation goals for Veteran-owned Small Business Enterprises (VSBE).

RECREATION IN ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY



The BPW approved a request from Anne Arundel County to commit \$5.9 million in Program Open Space Local Share funding to **acquire 13.5 acres for a future recreation complex.**

An indoor rec center will feature multi-purpose courts for tennis, pickleball, basketball, and volleyball. Outdoors, there will be walking trails. **The acquisition will expand access to recreation for communities in Jessup, Dorsey, and Hanover.**