

Oaks Initiative Notice

CITY OF SANTA MONICA

NOTICE TO APPLICANTS, BIDDERS, PROPOSERS AND OTHERS SEEKING DISCRETIONARY PERMITS, CONTRACTS, OR OTHER BENEFITS FROM THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA

Santa Monica's voters adopted a City Charter amendment commonly known as the Oaks Initiative. It prohibits a public official from receiving specified personal benefits from a person or entity after the official votes, or otherwise takes official action, to award a "public benefit" to that person or entity. Examples of a "public benefit" include public contracts to provide goods or services worth more than \$25,000 or a land use approval worth more than \$25,000.

The Oaks Initiative requires the City to provide this note and information about the Initiative's requirements. An information sheet on the Oaks Initiative is attached. You may obtain a full copy of the Initiative's text from the City Clerk.

In order to facilitate compliance with the requirements of the Oaks Initiative, the City compiles and maintains certain information. That information includes the name of any person who is seeking a "public benefit." If the "public benefit" is sought by an entity, rather than an individual person, the information includes the name of every: (a) trustee, (b) director, (c) partner, (d) officers, or (e) ten percent interest in the entity. Therefore, if you are seeking a "public benefit" covered by the Oaks Initiative, you must supply that information on the attached form (Attachment A).



(Attachment A)

City of Santa Monica
Oaks Initiative Disclosure Form

All persons or entities receiving public benefits defined below from the City of Santa Monica shall provide the names of trustees, directors, partners and officers and names of those with more than a 10% equity, participation or revenue interest. This information is required by City Charter Article XXII—Taxpayer Protection.

Name of Entity: _____

NAME(S) OF PERSONS OR ENTITIES RECEIVING PUBLIC BENEFIT:

NAME(S) OF TRUSTEES, DIRECTORS, PARTNERS, AND OFFICERS:

NAME(S) OF THOSE WITH MORE THAN A 10% EQUITY, PARTICIPATION OR REVENUE INTEREST:

Public benefits include:

1. Personal services contracts in excess of \$25,000 over any 12-month period;
2. Sale of material, equipment or supplies to the City in excess of \$25,000 over a 12-month period;
3. Purchase, sale or lease of real property to or from the City in excess of \$25,000 over a 12-month period;
4. Non-competitive franchise awards with gross revenue of \$50,000 or more in any 12-month period;
5. Land use variance, special use permit, or other exception to an established land use plan, where the decision has a value in excess of \$25,000;
6. Tax "abatement, exception, or benefit" of a value in excess of \$5,000 in any 12-month period; or
7. Payment of "cash or specie" of a net value to the recipient of \$10,000 in any 12-month period.

Prepared by: _____ Signature: _____

Date: _____ Title: _____

FOR CITY USE ONLY:

Bid/PO/Contract # _____ Permit # _____