



Tompkins County Legislature

Governor Daniel D. Tompkins Building
Ithaca, NY 14850

Meeting: 11/22/19 10:30 AM
Department: Social Services Department
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1 **Approval of County Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Goal for**
2 **2020-2022 for the Federal Transit Administration**

3 WHEREAS, Tompkins County is a Direct Recipient of Federal Transit Administration (FTA) grant programs
4 and is therefore responsible for compliance with Federal regulations by sub recipients using these funds including
5 Tompkins Consolidated Area Transit, Inc. (TCAT), Gadabout Transportation Services, Inc. (Gadabout), and
6 other agencies, and
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8 WHEREAS, Tompkins County worked with TCAT and Gadabout to create a Disadvantaged Business
9 Enterprise (DBE) goal for federal fiscal years of 2020-2022, pursuant to applicable federal requirements, and
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11 WHEREAS, the 2020-2022 DBE goal is 1.37% of applicable capital and operating projects, and
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13 WHEREAS, the DBE goal may be revised in the event of competitive grant awards to the County by FTA or
14 an increase in the number of certified DBE vendors during federal fiscal years 2020-2022, now therefore be it
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16 RESOLVED, on recommendation of the Housing and Economic Development Committee, That the Tompkins
17 County Legislature approves a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise goal for federal fiscal years 2020-2022 of 1.37%,
18 with an annual review by staff to determine if adjustments are needed.

19 **SEQR ACTION: TYPE II-26**



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Explanation:

Disadvantaged Business Enterprise firms are women and minority-owned businesses with income and assets below specified values and certified by New York State Unified Certification Program, “Only small businesses that are independently owned and controlled in both substance and form by one or more socially and economically disadvantaged persons are eligible for certification. In addition, each owner must have a personal net worth less than \$1.32 million.” <https://www.dot.ny.gov/main/business-center/audit/dbe-certification>

FTA requires a three-year Disadvantaged Business Enterprise goal be calculated based on known capital and operating expenditures supported with federal funding. The DBE goal excludes bus procurement projects which has its own DBE process which does not involve the County. Dwight Mengel prepared a report showing how the goal was calculated according the FTA process. The goal will be revisited annually to determine if adjustments are needed due to unforeseen Federal grant awards or an increase in the number of certified DBE firms.