



Agenda City of San José 1) Welcome

**Vice Mayor Chappie Jones** 

- 2) MGT Team
- 3) Project Overview
- 4) Closing Remarks

**Luz Cofresí-Howe, Assistant Director of Finance** 

5) Comments from Businesses

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#### What is a Disparity Study:

- Disparity studies are designed to improve the lives and economic outcomes of diverse communities that have been historically marginalized.
- Disparity studies assess the procurement activities of a public sector entity and analyze their spending as it pertains to DIV-BEs and non-DIV-BEs.

#### What a Disparity Study is Not:

 A disparity study is not a "cure all." Nor is it a mechanism for illegal "set-asides." A disparity study is only good if the recommendations are implemented.



#### **Project Initiation** Procurement and Policy & Legal Legal Review **Program Policy Review** Review **Identify Geographic** Data Assessment, and Product **Availability Analysis** Collection, and **Utilization Analysis** Markets Preparation Data Collection, 2 Cleaning & **Analysis Anecdotal Data** Private Market and **Public Sector** Collection and **Non-Goal Disparity Disparity Analysis** Analysis Analyses 3 Recommendations **Goal Setting** Recommendations & Final Report **Prepare & Present Final Report**

### **Business Engagement Opportunities**

### Multiple methods for engagement:

- Business Engagement Meetings
- In-depth interviews with local businesses
- Stakeholder interviews
- A survey of vendors
- Disparity study website –bit.ly/SJdisparitystudy
- Dedicated email address –
   <u>Cityofsanjosedisparitystudy@mgtconsulting.com</u>
- 24/7 voicemail (408) 746-1020







Anecdotal data is collected from business owners who provide first-hand accounts of their experiences with discrimination while doing or attempting to do business with the City, with prime contractors/vendors, and in the marketplace.

Input from the business community may help the City better understand whether discrimination poses barriers for businesses and, if so, how best to eliminate that discrimination and remedy its effects.



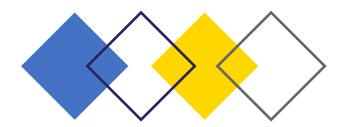


### Purpose of the Business Engagement Meeting



To receive input from business owners, prime contractors, service providers, vendors, and subcontractors about their experiences doing business with or attempting to do business with the City of San José.

- ★ Comments limited to 3-5 minutes
- ★ State and spell your name
- ★ State the name of your company
- ★ State how long you've been in business
- ★ State your company's primary line of business



Give the nature of your comment/feedback:

- ★ Describe your experience(s) doing business or attempting to do business with the City as a prime or subcontractor.
- ★ Do you feel like your experience(s) were based on race, gender, etc.?
- ★ Can you provide specific details: businesses or entities involved, date, location, or other specifics?
- ★ If you cannot provide them now, would you be willing to provide them to our team at a later date?