

May 4, 2026

Bend Economic Development Advisory Board



Public Comment



Approve Meeting Minutes

March 2



Mayor Pro Tem Perkins Updates



BEDAB Draft Workplan Review



BEDAB 2026-2026 Work Plan- Key Priorities



Retain, Grow and Support Businesses	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Business listening, surveys, permitting feedback, and communication improvements
Oversight, Accountability & Reporting	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tracking outcomes, reviewing partner work plans, and performance measurement
Inclusive Economic Prosperity	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Workforce housing policy, small business support grants, and procurement processes
Economic Resiliency	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Workforce development initiatives, resilience planning, supply-chain awareness, and risk preparedness
Growth and Economic Opportunity	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Employment land planning, Juniper Ridge strategies, long-range development
Urban Renewal	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Provide input on Bend Urban Renewal Agency investments and catalytic projects

Board Discussion



Recommended Motion

- I move to approve the 2026-2028 Bend Economic Development Advisory Board Workplan as presented on May 4, 2026

Review of BEDAB Commitments



Small Business Assistance Grant Review

Cyrus Mooney, Business Development Manager

Cassie Lacy, Senior Management Analyst (ECC Liaison)

Megan Lee, Environment & Climate Management Analyst



Program Logistics

- \$100k available for Economic Development related applications (in alignment with Economic Development Strategic Plan)
- \$30k available for Climate and Sustainability related applications (in alignment with Community Climate Action Plan)
- Eligibility criteria: Small businesses, project applicability based on rubric
- Goal is to open applications in June-July 2026 and have decisions on awards in the early fall
- Staff will complete internal screening first
 - BEDAB will score and evaluate Economic Development applications
 - ECC will score and evaluate Climate and Sustainability related applications
- Staff will collect scoring feedback and make final recommendation to City Manager for grant award approval

Recommended Motion

- I move to recommend the Small Business Assistance Grant Program be approved by the City Council as presented on May 4, 2026

Supplier Diversity Program Review

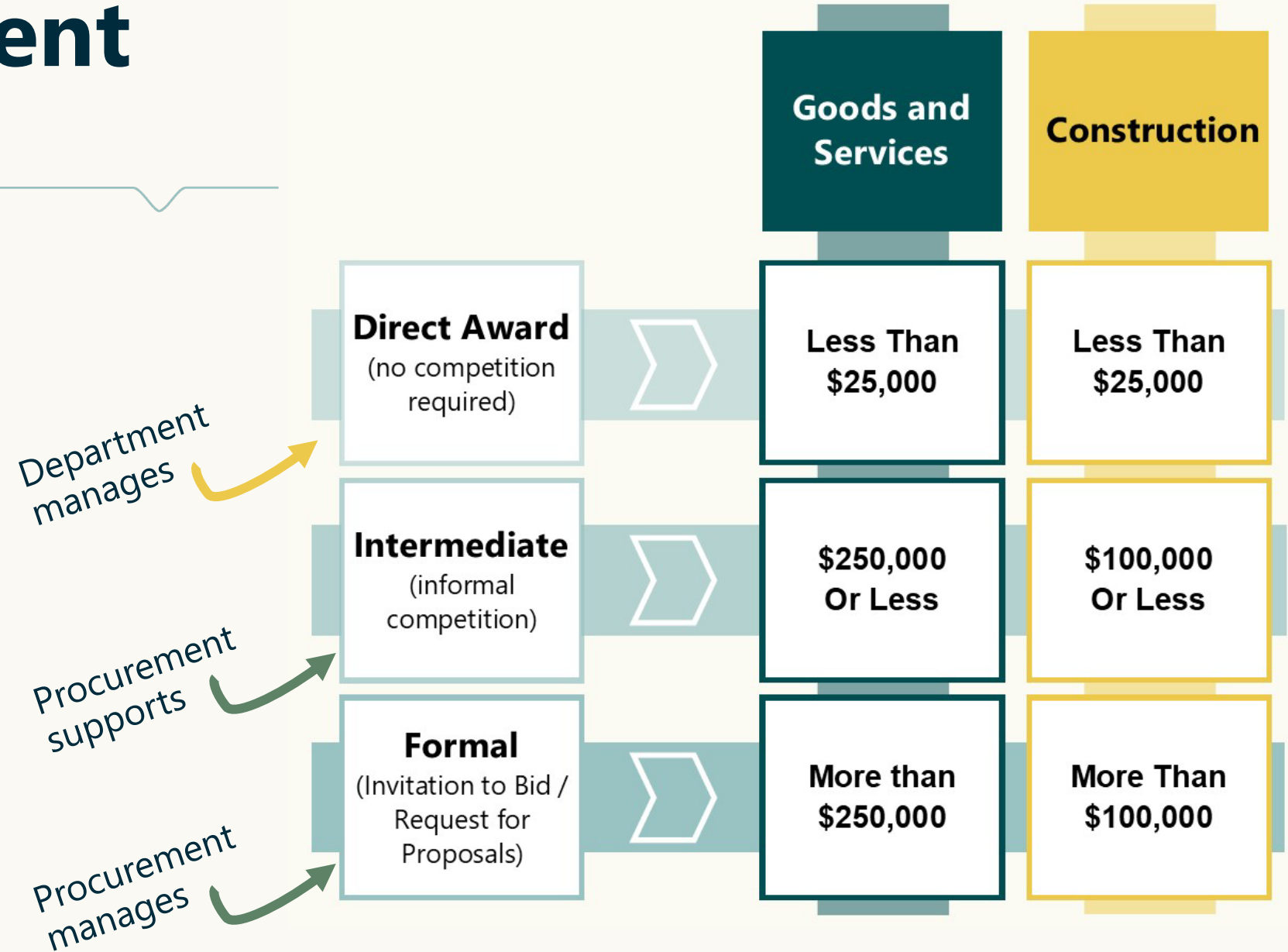
Cyrus Mooney, Business Development Manager

Justin Sweet, Procurement Manager

Mike Gaffney, Senior Assistant City Attorney

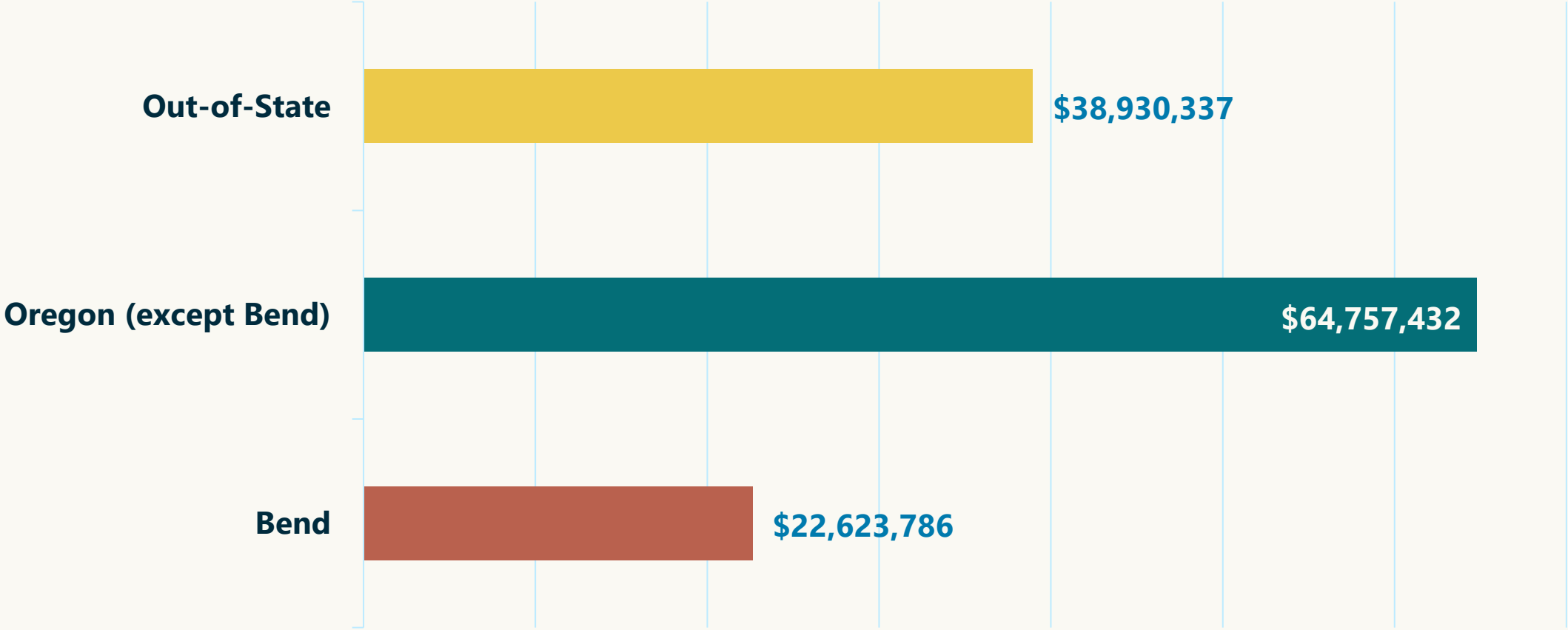


Procurement Types



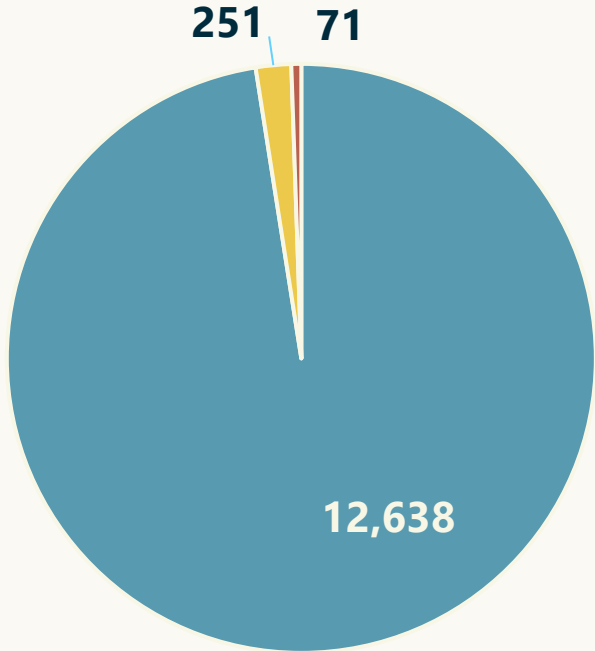
Public Contracts Spend

Average Fiscal Years 23-25



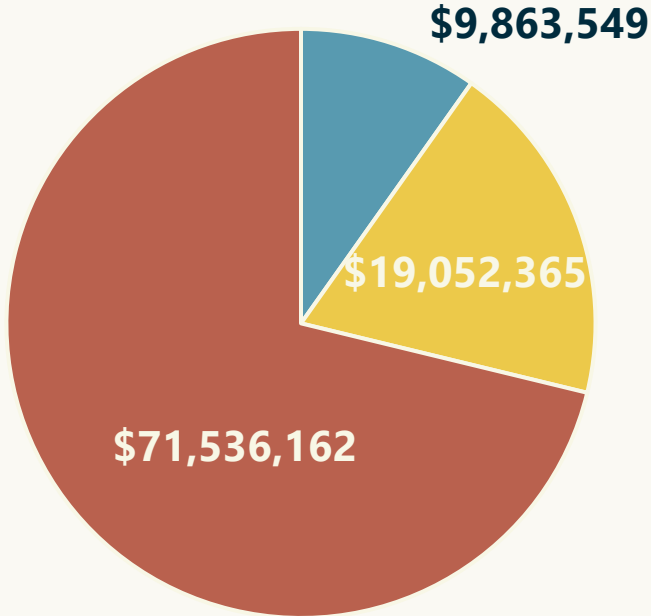
Public Contracts (FY 23-25)

QUANTITY OF TRANSACTIONS



■ <\$25,000 ■ \$25,000-250,000 ■ >\$250,000

DOLLAR AMOUNT OF TRANSACTIONS



■ <\$25,000 ■ \$25,000-250,000 ■ >\$250,000

Council Goal



“Implement a Supplier Diversity Program with a focus on outreach and education”

Partnership with PBDG



Full Service Model

- Integrated vendor outreach, technical assistance, and procurement consulting
- Focuses on expanding and preparing a larger construction vendor pool
- Includes networking events and hands-on support through bidding and performance
- Tests a comprehensive, end-to-end support model

Oregon Small Business Enterprise (OSBE)

- New State certification
- Eligibility requirements:
 - Located in Oregon
 - Up to 50 employees
 - Under revenue cap



Draft Policy Framework

Direct Award (Under \$25,000)

- OSBE-certified businesses will be used when available and capable
- Limited exemptions (e.g., travel, IT hardware/software, cooperative contracts)

Intermediate Procurements (\$25,000 – 250,000)

- At least two OSBE-certified businesses invited when requesting quotes
- Potential preference for OSBE-certified businesses in informal solicitations*

Formal Procurements (Over \$250,000)

- No price or evaluation preferences*
- Review requirements to reduce unnecessary barriers
 - E.g. insurance, bonding, retainage, payment timing

Visit Bend Annual Budget & Business Plan

Jeff Knapp, CEO, Visit Bend

Nate Wyeth, Chief of Staff, Visit Bend



Recommended Motion

- I move to approve the FY27 Visit Bend Budget and Business Plan as presented on May 4, 2026

Ex-Officio Updates



Roundtable & Future Topics



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