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Title:	Call for hearings on Griggs Mitchell Alma Construction's hiring, wage and benefits practices
Committee(s) Assignment:	Committee on Budget and Government Operations

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of Chicago and its sister agencies are committed to advancing Women-Owned and Minority-Owned contract opportunities as provided in Chapter 2-92 of the Chicago Municipal Code; and,

WHEREAS, Griggs Mitchell Alma Construction (GMA) is a recognized W/MBE partner with the City of Chicago, Chicago Housing Authority, Chicago Public Schools and other sister agencies; and,

WHEREAS, GMA also works with as a community partner on numerous projects on various projects throughout the city, including the GADS Hill Early Childhood Development center in the 15th Ward, and,

WHEREAS, according to GMA, the company is a license, bonded and insured Minority- and Veteran-owned company providing general contracting, construction management, design-build and cost engineering services since 2009; and,

WHEREAS, GMA's notable projects include the Cabrini-Green Redevelopment, East Park Apartment Complex, Altgeld Gardens Apartments, University of Chicago Student Wellness Center, J.T. Manning Elementary School, Access Health – Ashland Family Health Center, A Safe Haven Veterans Studios, Historic Pullman – Hotel Florence, and the Midway Concession Project – Concourse A Food Court; and,

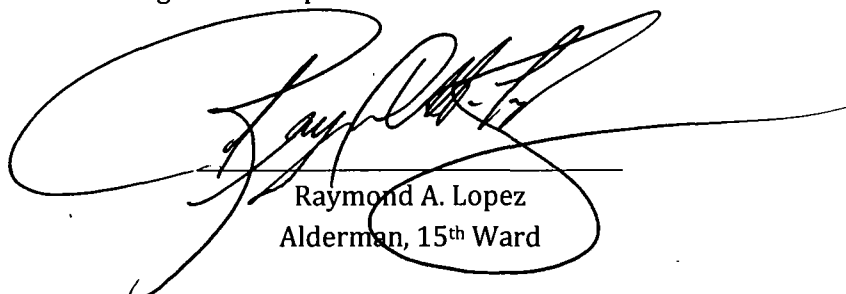
WHEREAS, questions and concerns have been raised regarding hiring, labor, wage & benefit policies at the GADS Hill project which GMA is the general contractor; and,

WHEREAS, GADS Hill was awards a \$1.4 Million grant by the Board of Education in order to complete this project that was heralded as directly addressing the needs for early childhood development in the Brighton Park community; and,

WHEREAS, the project was approved by the local alderman at the request of the 15th Ward's local zoning committee with the understanding that a labor peace agreement and local hiring be a prioritized requirement for this project; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Members of the Chicago City Council, gathered here this 10th Day of April, do hereby call upon Griggs Mitchell Alma Construction to appear before the Committee on Budget and Government Operations to explain its hiring, wage & benefits policies; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that representatives of the Chicago Department of Procurement, Department of Family & Support Services, and the Board of Education be also in attendance to address any contractual restrictions or agreements that may impact their respective grant awardees as it relates to hiring and labor practices.



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