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**Office of the Nassau County Comptroller to Begin Accepting
Applications to Serve on MWBE Steering Committee**

MINEOLA, NY – Nassau County Comptroller Jack Schnirman today announced his office would begin accepting applications from Nassau County residents who are interested in serving on the County’s Minority and Women-owned Business Enterprise (MWBE) Steering Committee.

This committee will be tasked with reviewing county contractors’ compliance with MWBE requirements and will support the enforcement of current MWBE requirements and regulations.

“Our contracting system works best when the county has a wide range of vendors bidding on public projects,” Schnirman said. “The MWBE Steering Committee is a valuable resource and a needed layer of oversight for minority and women-owned businesses across the County.”

The MWBE Steering Committee will be composed of five qualified members of the public who have no conflicts of interest or dealings with the County which would affect the ability to act independently and hold no leadership positions in any political party or local government. In addition to a representative from the Comptroller’s Office, designees from other county department’s including the Office of Minority Affairs will also be invited to join the committee.

“I applaud the Comptroller for his efforts to support minorities and women-owned businesses,” County Executive Laura Curran said. “MWBE will play a critical role in our efforts to grow our tax base and bolster growth in Nassau County.”

The committee will hold quarterly meetings. It will also assist in planning and executing County MWBE outreach events and providing input into and monitoring of the County’s MWBE contracting requirements

Nassau County residents interested in serving on the committee are asked to visit <https://www.nassaucountyny.gov/4510/MWBE-Steering-Committee> to download and fill out the required form. All positions on the committee are unpaid. The Office of the Nassau County Comptroller will be announcing other citizen-involved committees in the coming months that will be established to provide feedback on areas central to the work of the Comptroller’s Office and moving Nassau County forward.