

Instead of Fighting, Some Cities Team Up With Airbnb and Uber



Airbnb advocates rallying outside City Hall in New York City. (AP/Bebeto Matthews)

By Tod Newcombe

State and local governments have had a tumultuous relationship with Uber, Airbnb and other online companies that let people book rides, rooms, and goods and services from people rather than big businesses. Observers have focused a lot of attention on government attempts to control peer-to-peer services, yet some state and local governments are trying to use the sharing economy to their own benefit.

So far, the efforts have been limited. Most recently, Uber announced a partnership with the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children in 180 cities to send Amber Alerts to their drivers. But interesting models have emerged in a couple of other areas.

Emergency Preparedness

Several companies use technology to let people book stays at other people's houses instead of hotels. The biggest is Airbnb, which is expected to generate more than \$850 million in revenue this year and by some estimates is worth more than the Marriott hotel chain. In 2012, when Hurricane Sandy hit the Northeast, some 1,400 Airbnb hosts -- people who rent their rooms to others -- listed their lodgings at no cost for people displaced by the storm. Since then, Airbnb hosts in other cities around the world -- including Toronto, San Diego

and Atlanta -- have offered free rentals to displaced people during local emergencies.

In 2014, Portland, Ore., struck up an agreement with Airbnb to help streamline disaster response in an emergency (the city passed legislation allowing short-term rentals). Airbnb now identifies hosts who are willing to help and shares that information with the city. In return, Airbnb waives its service fee to hosts who offer free lodging. The company also trains hosts to prepare for emergencies and uses its app to notify users about possible crises. San Francisco's Department of Emergency Management has a similar partnership with Airbnb.

Typically during an emergency, the Red Cross provides food and shelter to displaced people and families, and "people will also find shelter on their own, usually at local hotels and motels," said Dan Douthit, the public information officer for Portland's Bureau of Emergency Management. But available rooms can fill up quickly. "This agreement adds capacity; it isn't meant to replace what the hospitality business provides," he said. The hotel industry also lacks Airbnb's database of hosts, which gives the city a real-time list of the number of lodgings available and where they're located.

No emergency has happened in the Portland area that's called for Airbnb hosts to help out so far. Douthit believes an earthquake would be a likely scenario, but a flood or major fire could put the agreement into action.

Transportation

Uber, the ride-booking service, has become popular in most major cities, and at least one local government sees an opportunity to work directly with the company.

Macomb County, Mich., located north of Detroit, has turned to Uber to provide door-to-door transportation for people who receive a summons for jury duty. The pilot project, launched in July, gives each juror an Uber code that covers a \$20 ride to the courthouse (which Uber offers the county for free) on the morning of jury duty. County Clerk Carmella Sabaugh said the service gives jurors a safe ride to the courthouse and helps them avoid the hassles of limited parking in the area.

Local taxicab companies expressed concern about competition from Uber, but none were willing to offer free rides. Uber, which already offers a free ride to first-time customers, agreed to extend the offer to jurors

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Contact: Robert Rosas

PROJECT SCOPE:

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Please contact Robert Rosas @ rrosas@brosamerwall.com to view plans and specifications.

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Project Name: 1300 Fourth Street • Location: San Francisco, California

Bid Date: November 12, 2015 @2:00 PM

Pre-Bid Conference: October 29, 2015 @2pm

Location: 1000 Brannan Street, Suite 102, SF, CA

Nibbi Brothers has been selected as the General Contractor for the 1300 Fourth Street housing project in San Francisco's Mission Bay District. We are in receipt of the 100% DD Set and are currently requesting bids from qualified subcontractors including those certified with the Office of Community Investment and Infrastructure (OCII) for Fire Sprinklers & Indicator Piles. OCII has established a subcontracting participation goal for this project at 50% SBE/LBE goal with first consideration for San Francisco-based MBEs, WBEs and SBEs. The project is located in San Francisco's Mission Bay District and is approximately 63,250sf of mixed-use residential/retail with 143 units of affordable housing. Construction will be five levels of Type III over one level of Type I concrete podium consisting of a parking garage, retail space and common areas.

To obtain bid and contract documents through Building Connected, please email Kristin Medwick in the Precon & Estimating Department, kristinm@nibbi.com.

For specific questions regarding this project please contact Elizabeth Crockett, Preconstruction Manager, via email, elizabethc@nibbi.com

Sub-Bids Requested From MBE, WBE, OBE
Subcontractors & Suppliers for:

Owner: San Francisco

Public Utilities Commission

Mountain Tunnel Adit & Access Improvement

Contact No. HH-981

Bid Date: November 5, 2015 @ 2:00 PM

Trades: AE015 SURVEYING (LAND & AERIAL), CN001 SHEET METAL CONTRACTORS (C-43), CN004 REINFORCING STEEL CONTRACTORS (C-50), CN005 TRUCKING AND HAULING, CN011 MASONRY CONTRACTOR (C-29), CN016 FENCING CONTRACTOR (C-13), CN025 SANDBLASTING CONTRACTOR (D-38), CN030 BUILDING MOVING W) RECKING CONTRACTORS (C21), CN033 EARTHWORK & PAVING(C-12), CN034 ELECTRICAL CONTRACTING(C10), CN036 PAINTING/WATERPROOFING CONTRACTOR (C-33), CN038 CONCRETE/RELATED SERVICES (D6), CN044 DRILLING SERVICES (D9)(D30), CN049 DOORS, GATES AND ACTIVATING DEVICES, CN051 SAND AND WATER BLASTING (D38), CN052 METAL PRODUCTS CONTRACTOR (D24), EQ030 SURVEY/ENGINEER/DRAFTING EQUIP & SUPPLIES, EQ031 CONCRETE SUPPLIER AND MANUFACTURER, EQ036 CONTROLS, INDUSTRIAL & COMMERCIAL, EQ069 UTILITY PRODUCTS (WATER METERS ETC), EQ081 ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES, EQ083 INSTRUMENTATION EQUIPMENT & SUPPLIES, EQ090 PAINTING/WALLCOVERING EQUIP & SUPPLIES, EQ092 CONSTRUCTION & BUILDING MATERIALS, EQ129 PIPES, VALVES AND FITTING SUPPLIES, GS036 EQUIPMNT (INDUSTRIAL), CERTIFIED TESTING, GS039 PAINTING, ELECTROSTATIC, FOR METALS, GS138 CONCRETE DELIVERY AND/OR PUMPING, PS010 ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY SERVICES, PS047 LABORATORY SERVICES (MATERIALS TESTING

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California Sub-Bid Request Ads

ROUTE 98/8 SEPARATION · CALTRANS #11-413704 IMPERIAL COUNTY, CA

****THIS PROJECT HAS A 6% DBE GOAL****

BID DATE: NOVEMBER 4, 2015 · BID TIME: 2:00 P.M.

Please respond by 5:00 p.m., NOVEMBER 3, 2015

We are seeking quotes from all small business concerns - CERTIFIED DBE including, but not limited to, the following work items: Trucking On-Site, Trucking Aggregates, Trucking Asphalt, Street Sweeping, Equipment Rental, Lead Compliance Plan, Progress Schedule (Critical Path Method), Construction Area Signs, Traffic Control System, Temp Traffic Stripe (Paint), Channelizer (Surface Mounted), Traffic Plastic Drum, Temp Pavement Marker, Portable Changeable Message Sign (EA), Temp Railing (Type K), Temp Crash Cushion Module, Job Site Management, Prepare Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan, Rain Event Action Plan, Storm Water Sampling and Analysis Day, Storm Water Annual Report, Temp Drainage Inlet Protection, Temp Concrete Washout, Temp Fence (Type ESA), Remove Yellow Thermoplastic Traffic Stripe (Hazardous Waste), Treated Wood Waste, Remove Single Thrie Bean Barrier, Remove Thermoplastic Pavement Marking, Remove Pavement Marker, Remove Concrete Pavement (CY), Clearing and Grubbing (LS), Roadway Excavation, Erosion Control (Bonded Fiber Matrix)(Acre), Fiber Rolls, Class 2 Aggregate Base (CY), Tack Coat, Transition Railing (Type STB), Thermoplastic Traffic Stripe, Thermoplastic Pavement Marking, Thermoplastic Traffic Stripe (Sprayable), Pavement Marker (Non-Reflective), Pavement Marker (Retroreflective), Maintaining Existing Traffic Management System Elements During Construction, Inductive Loop Detector (EA), Concrete Aggregates, Asphalt, Joint Sealant Pavement, Joint Sealant Bridge Abutments, Asphalt Dike, Slurry Seal, Rumble Strip (Ground-In), Rebar, Road Signs.

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East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD)

Engineer Estimate: \$3,000,000

Outreach: White Women/White Men/Ethnic Minorities

Bids: November 12, 2015 @ 1:30 PM

Requesting Sub-quotes for (including but not limited to): Electrical & Instrumentation, Landscaping, Hydroseeding, Reinforcing Steel, Fencing, Asbestos/Lead Abatement, Waterproofing, Painting & Coatings. Scope of Work: Replacement of electrical systems, mechanical equipment and pipeline. Site improvements at the Diablo Pumping Plant in Danville, CA

RGW is willing to breakout any portion of work to encourage WW/WM/EM participation. Contact us for a specific item list. Plans and Specs are available to view and copy at our office or on at <http://www.ebmud.com/current-construction-bids>. Contact Aaron Heppner at 606-2400 aaron.heppner@rgwconstruction.com for any questions, including bonding, lines of credit, or insurance or equipment or material suppliers. Subcontractors should be prepared to submit payment and performance bonds equal to 100% of their quotation. For bonding and other assistance, please call.



Kiewit

Kiewit Infrastructure West Co.
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requests bids from qualified subcontractors, consultants and suppliers to participate in **Bridge Replacement of Sidehill Viaduct and Seismic Retrofit of Dog Creek Bridge in Shasta County**

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Owner: Caltrans

Contract No. 02-0E0904

Bid Date: Thursday, November 19, 2015 @ 2:00 P.M.

Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs)

http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/bep/dbe_program.htm

certified by California Unified Certification Program wanted for scopes, including, but not limited to:

AC paving, aggregate supply, grading, drainage, bridge bearings, minor concrete, concrete supply, concrete pumping, concrete reinforcing, concrete barriers, demolition, erosion control, cable mesh attenuators & fencing, joint sealant, landscaping, MOT, metals, MBGR, pavement marking, CIDH piling, pipe supply, SWPPP, signage, trucking & hauling, thermal & moisture protection, water quality monitoring planning, reports, and monitoring, temporary engineering, bridge overlay & polyester concrete, composite casing, column jackets, well drilling, clear & grub, water & sweeper truck

Subcontractor and Supplier Scope Letters due

NO LATER THAN November 13, 2015 Quotes and

Proposals due by November 18, 2015 at 5 p.m.

Bonding, insurance and technical assistance or information related to the plans or specification and requirements for the work will be made available to interested Certified DBE consultants, suppliers and subcontractors. Assistance with obtaining necessary equipment, supplies, materials, or services for this project will be offered to interested suppliers and subcontractors.

All subcontractors registered in Kiewit's SmartBidNet database will receive an invitation to bid Visit <http://www.kiewit.com/districts/northern-california/overview.aspx> to register

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Documents are also available on the Caltrans website at: http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/esc/oe/weekly_ads/oe_project.php?q=02-0E0904

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Caltrans #04—1SS034
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We are soliciting quotes for (including but not limited to): Trucking, Construction Area Signs, Traffic Control System, Portable Changeable Message Sign, Water Pollution Control Program, Sweeping, Treated Wood Waste, Abandon Culvert, Destroy Well, Cold Plane AC, Clearing & Grubbing, Develop Water Supply, Structure Excavation, Structure Backfill, Concrete Backfill, Lean Concrete Backfill, Hydromulch, Fiber Rolls, Hydroseed, Compost, Crack Treatment, Data Core, AC Dike, Tack Coat, Steel Soldier Pile, CIDH Concrete Piling, Structural Concrete, Minor Concrete, Bar Reinforcing Steel, Timber Lagging, Clean & Paint Steel Soldier Piling, Minor Concrete, Misc. Iron & Steel, Delineator, Object Marker, Midwest Guard-rail System, Transition Railing, Concrete Barrier, Striping & Marking, Electrical and Construction Materials

100% Performance & Payment Bonds may be required. Worker's Compensation Waiver of Subrogation required. Please call OCJ for assistance with bonding, insurance, necessary equipment, material and/or supplies. OCJ is willing to breakout any portion of work to encourage SBE Participation. Plans & Specs are available for viewing at our office or through the Caltrans Website at www.dot.ca.gov/hq/ese/oe/weekly_ads/index.php.

Mission Bay Development Group, LLC is actively seeking DBE, SBE, LBE and or General Contractors for the upcoming

Mission Bay Blocks 11 & 12

Surface Improvements

Bids are due at

2:00 PM, Thursday, November 12th, 2015.

The Project is funded by the SFMTA, FTA, and SFDPW. Federal Grant requirements will apply. The project has been identified as an SFMTA SBE Set Aside Project with a 100% DBE, SBE, and or LBE participation requirement for construction subcontracting and suppliers for the landscaping & irrigation portions of work. To satisfy the 100% DBE, SBE, and or LBE requirement, all contractors on the project must be either a DBE (federally certified Disadvantaged Business Enterprise), Small Business Enterprises (California state certified Small Business), or LBE (City and County of San Francisco certified Local Business Enterprise).

The project manual and bid documents will be made available to each interested General Contractor.

Please contact **Genele Oberrich** and/or **Shaula Kumaishi** of **Alta Engineering Group, Inc.**, at Goberrich@AltaEngineeringGroup.com and SKumaishi@AltaEngineeringGroup.com to pick up a set at the Mission Bay Office, 410 China Basin Street, San Francisco, CA 94158.

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for a trial period when approached by the county. Since 2004, the county has offered jurors free bus rides to the courthouse, but public transportation is limited, making Uber a convenient way for jurors to travel.

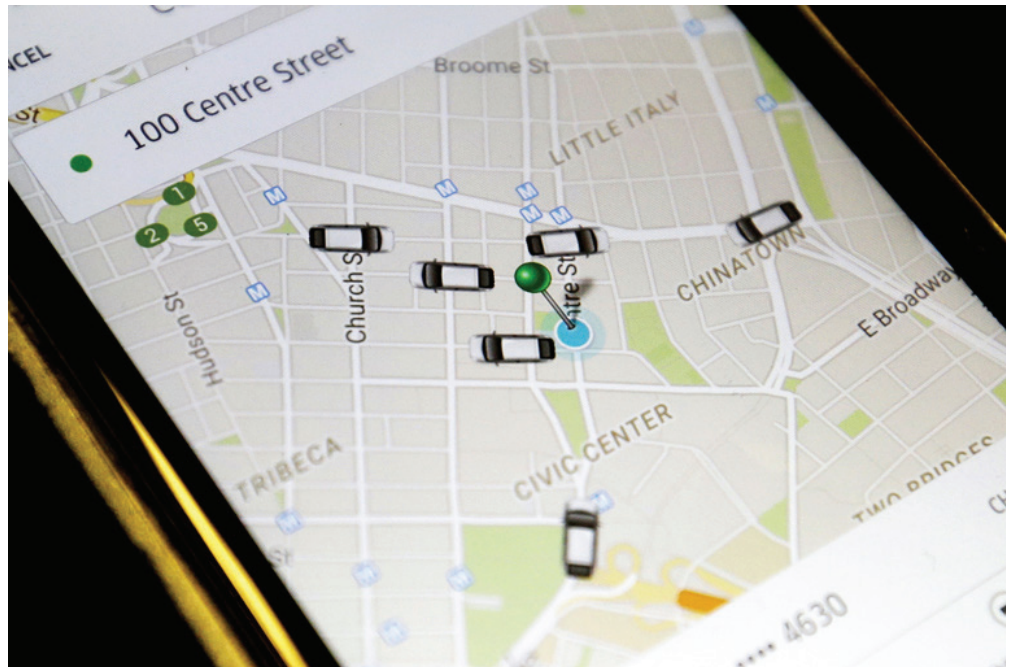
Macomb County's pilot is believed to be the first of its kind in the country. Depending on its success, the program could be continued beyond the trial period in Macomb County and expand into other counties in Michigan. Michael White, the general manager for Uber Michigan, told the Detroit Free Press.

Ride-booking services are also helping local governments transport disabled travelers.

In July, Uber launched UberACCESS, a pilot program that adds wheelchair-accessible vehicles to its services in Austin, Texas. Similar programs already operate in Chicago, New York, Philadelphia, Portland and San Diego.

Meanwhile, Seattle passed an ordinance creating a 10-cent surcharge on every ride originating in the city with the several ride booking firms that operate there. The money will be used to help drivers defray the cost of owning and operating a wheelchair-accessible taxi, according to the Shared Use Mobility Center.

It's too early to tell how successful these arrangements will be for governments. But technol-



The Uber app lets people track the location of their driver. (AP)

ogy has allowed a market for a need -- in these cases, rooms and rides -- to emerge by using information in an efficient and user-friendly way. And the sharing economy isn't limited to lodgings and rides. It makes what is surplus available to those

who need it more efficiently than do many markets that government regulates.

Source: <http://www.governing.com>