

ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION REQUEST

Please email requests to the Mayor's Legislative Team
at MileHighOrdinance@DenverGov.org by **9 a.m. Friday**. Contact the Mayor's Legislative team with questions.

Please mark one: ☐ Bill Request or ☒ Resolution Request

Date of Request: 10/2/2025

Please mark one: The request directly impacts developments, projects, contracts, resolutions, or bills that involve property and impact within .5 miles of the South Platte River from Denver's northern to southern boundary? (Check map [HERE](#))

☐ Yes ☒ No

1. Type of Request:

☒ Contract/Grant Agreement ☐ Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) ☐ Rezoning/Text Amendment

☐ Dedication/Vacation ☐ Appropriation/Supplemental ☐ DRMC Change

☐ Other:

2. Title:

Proposed language: Amends a contract with The East Denver Colfax Partnership dba The Fax Partnership adding \$640,000.00 for a new total of \$1,510,000.00 for the East Colfax BRT Business Impact Opportunity (BIO) Fund Program to support small businesses economically impacted by the East Colfax Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) construction project. No change to contract term, in Council Districts 5, 8, 9, and 10 (OEDEV-202577856/OEDEV-202581553-01).

3. Requesting Agency: Denver Economic Development & Opportunity

4. Contact Person:

Contact person with knowledge of proposed ordinance/resolution	Contact person for council members or mayor-council
Name: Turid Nagel-Casebolt	Name: Chris Lowell
Email: turid.nagel-casebolt@denvergov.org	Email: Christopher.lowell@denvergov.org

5. General description or background of proposed request.

See Executive Summary.

6. City Attorney assigned to this request: Brian Martin

7. City Council District: Districts 5,8,9,10

8. **For all contracts, fill out and submit accompanying Key Contract Terms worksheet**

To be completed by Mayor's Legislative Team:

Resolution/Bill Number: _____

Date Entered: _____

Key Contract Terms

Type of Contract: Expenditure

Vendor/Contractor Name: The East Denver Colfax Partnership dba The Fax Partnership

Contract control number:

Legacy: OEDEV-202577856

New: OEDEV-202581553-01

Location: 6740 East Colfax Avenue, Denver, CO 80220

Is this a new contract? ☐ Yes ☒ No **Is this an Amendment?** ☒ Yes ☐ No

Contract Term/Duration: January 31, 2025– December 31, 2026

Contract Amount:

<i>Current Contract Amount</i>	<i>Additional Funds</i>	<i>Total Contract Amount</i>
<i>(A)</i>	<i>(B)</i>	<i>(A+B)</i>
\$870,000	\$640,000	\$1,510,000

<i>Current Contract Term</i>	<i>Added Time</i>	<i>New Ending Date</i>
January 31, 2025 – Dec. 31, 2026	N/A	N/A

Scope of work:

The East Denver Colfax Partnership (Contractor) administers this supplemental Business Impact Opportunity (BIO) Fund program activity in the East Colfax Avenue corridor offering stabilization grants to eligible businesses that experience negative economic impacts from the East Colfax Bus Rapid Transit construction project. The Contractor is tasked with disseminating program information, providing application assistance to businesses seeking a stabilization grant, determining businesses qualified for a grant, and disbursing grants. The Contractor delivers these tasks, in part, through the services of Colfax Avenue Business Improvement District, their subcontractor.

The scope of work does not change with this contract amendment.

Was this contractor selected by competitive process? Yes. A formal RFP 20240911-Denver Investment Impact SRF BIO Fund Program Administration was issued.

Has this contractor provided these services to the City before? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Source of funds:

The City and County of Denver's Community Planning and Development (CPD) Investment Impact Special Revenue Fund (II-SRF). Adding \$640,000 in General Funds

Is this contract subject to: ☐ W/MBE ☐ DBE ☐ SBE ☐ XO101 ☐ ACDBE ☒ N/A

WBE/MBE/DBE commitments: N/A

Who are the subcontractors to this contract? N/A

Executive Summary

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This contract amendment adds \$640,000 in General Funds to the existing contract for program continuation in 2025 and 2026, most notably to support Round 3 of the 2025 BIO Fund Program Year to be awarded in late fall 2025.

Denver Economic Development and Opportunity (DEDO)'s Business Impact Opportunity Fund, or BIO Fund, provides grants and technical assistance to small businesses impacted by city-funded construction projects. The BIO Fund aspires to prevent displacement and preserve businesses, retain jobs, stabilize revenue when external impacts occur such as city construction projects, activate neighborhoods, and build business capacity and resiliency.

This supplemental Business Impact Opportunity Fund program activity in the East Colfax Avenue corridor offers stabilization grants to eligible businesses that experience negative economic impacts from the East Colfax Bus Rapid Transit construction project.

The funds for the original contract have been granted to DEDO from the city's Community Planning and Development (CPD) Investment Impact Special Revenue Fund (II-SRF). In 2021, the Investment Impact Special Revenue Fund (II-SRF) was established by the city through [Bill 21-1290](#) to fund strategies to stabilize residents and businesses in neighborhoods where residents and businesses are at greatest risk of displacement. DEDO applied and proposed support for the BIO Fund program and was awarded \$870,000.

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