

# ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION REQUEST

Please email requests to the Mayor's Legislative Team

at [MileHighOrdinance@DenverGov.org](mailto:MileHighOrdinance@DenverGov.org) by **3:00pm on Monday**. Contact the Mayor's Legislative team with questions

Please mark one:  **Bill Request** or  **Resolution Request** Date of Request: November 23, 2020

## 1. Type of Request:

- Contract/Grant Agreement**    **Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA)**    **Rezoning/Text Amendment**  
 **Dedication/Vacation**    **Appropriation/Supplemental**    **DRMC Change**  
 **Other:**

## 2. Title: (Start with *approves, amends, dedicates*, etc., include name of company or contractor and indicate the type of request: grant acceptance, contract execution, contract amendment, municipal code change, supplemental request, etc.)

Approves a supplemental appropriation of \$1.64 million in the Department of Finance to support unbudgeted unemployment insurance claims driven by the COVID-19 pandemic.

## 3. Requesting Agency: Department of Finance – Budget and Management Office

## 4. Contact Person:

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| Contact person with knowledge of proposed ordinance/resolution   | Contact person to present item at Mayor-Council and Council  |
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## 5. General description or background of proposed request. Attach executive summary if more space needed:

The City has generated a significant number of unforeseen unemployment insurance claims in 2020 due to the response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Examples include claims from on-call employees, such as in the Parks department as the City closed recreation centers to comply with public health orders, as well as other employees whose reduction in pay from mandated furlough days allowed them to apply for unemployment support.

In each of the last few years, the General Fund's share of unemployment has averaged around \$550,000. However, YTD the General Fund share of unemployment is \$2,775,100, and BMO is projecting a total of \$4,243,400 for 2020. The Federal CARES Act will pay up to 50% of the unemployment claims between March 13<sup>th</sup> and December 30<sup>th</sup>, which leaves a balance of \$2,200,000 to be paid by the City. The original 2020 appropriation for unemployment was \$600,000.

General Fund contingency is currently \$13,411,272. If this supplemental appropriation of \$1,640,000 is approved, the amount remaining in contingency will be \$11,771,272.

### Original GF Contingency in 2020

|  | <b>Date</b>     | <b>\$29,200,000</b> |
|--|-----------------|---------------------|
| <b>Supplementals taken to date</b>   | <b>Approved</b> | <b>Amount</b>       |
| Transfer to Risk Management SRF to address previous year obligations                         | March 23rd      | \$1,000,000         |
| Transfer to Coronavirus Emergency Response SRF to address City's response to COVID 19        | March 31st      | \$10,000,000        |
| Transfer to Coronavirus Emergency Business Support SRF to support businesses during COVID-19 | March 31st      | \$2,000,000         |
| Transfer to City Council's SRF   | June 8th        | \$281,874           |
| Transfer to Coronavirus Emergency Response SRF for housing needs related to COVID-19         | October 5th     | \$2,650,000         |

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**Total Removed from Contingency**

**\$15,931,874**

Added to Contingency from City Council's SRF for 2020 mid-year reductions

\$143,146

**Current General Fund Contingency (as of 11/23)**

**\$13,411,272**

**6. City Attorney assigned to this request (if applicable): N/A**

**7. City Council District: N/A**

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