

ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION REQUEST

Please email requests to the Mayor's Legislative Team

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

Date of Request: 8/2/2021

Please mark one: Bill Request or Resolution Request

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.)

Amends an agreement with International Medical Relief through contract control number HOST 202159580-02 adding an additional \$287,500 for a new contract total of \$687,500. Five months and three days will be added to the term with a new expiration date of December 3, 2021.

3. Requesting Agency: Department of Housing Stability

4. Contact Person:

Contact person with knowledge of proposed ordinance/resolution	Contact person to present item at Mayor-Council and Council
Name: Israel Cruz	Name: Elvis Rubio
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5. General description or background of proposed request. Attach executive summary if more space needed: **(in this section, please describe what the additional funding will support if it is an amendment)**

Amends an agreement with International Medical Relief through contract control number HOST 202159580-02. This contract provides medical screening for people experiencing homelessness for symptoms of COVID-19 upon entry to auxiliary shelter facilities, and support staffing to auxiliary shelters in response to the COVID-19 emergency.

- a. **Contract Control Number:** HOST- 202159580-02
- b. **Duration:** 10/3/2020 to 12/3/2021
- c. **Location:** Denver, CO
- d. **Affected Council District:** All Districts
- e. **Benefits:** Medical screening for symptoms of COVID-19 for people experiencing homelessness upon entry to auxiliary shelter facilities, and support staffing to auxiliary shelters in response to the COVID-19 emergency.
- f. **Costs:** \$687,500

6. City Attorney assigned to this request (if applicable): Andrew Riester

7. City Council District: All

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

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Date Entered: _____

Key Contract Terms

Type of Contract: (e.g. Professional Services > \$500K; IGA/Grant Agreement, Sale or Lease of Real Property): Professional Services > \$500K

Vendor/Contractor Name: International Medical Relief

Contract control number: HOST-202159580-02

Location: 500 East 8th Ave Denver, CO 80203

Is this a new contract? Yes No **Is this an Amendment?** Yes No **If yes, how many?** 2

Contract Term/Duration (for amended contracts, include existing term dates and amended dates):

Original Agreement: HOST- 202056653; 10/3/2020 to 12/31/2020

1st Amendment: GENRL- 202157531-01; 1/1/2021 to 6/30/2021

2nd Amendment: HOST- 202159580-02; 7/1/2021 to 12/3/2021

Contract Amount (indicate existing amount, amended amount and new contract total):

<i>Current Contract Amount</i>	<i>Additional Funds</i>	<i>Total Contract Amount</i>
<i>(A)</i>	<i>(B)</i>	<i>(A+B)</i>
\$400,000	\$287,500	\$687,500

<i>Current Contract Term</i>	<i>Added Time</i>	<i>New Ending Date</i>
10/3/2020 to 6/30/21	5 months, 3 days	12/3/21

Scope of work:

International Medical Relief (IMR) provides staffing and services to support people experiencing homelessness in response to the COVID-19 public health crisis.

Services provided:

- Staffing for medical screening for symptoms of COVID-19 upon entry to auxiliary shelter facilities
- Triage for those guests identified to be displaying concerning symptoms and needing further assessment or referral to testing.
- Services provided at the following auxiliary shelter locations:
 - Denver Coliseum and Catholic Charities, Smith Road; as well as additional locations as needed.
- IMR shall staff congregate shelter(s) with medical and mental health support 24/7.

This screening and triage will serve to protect healthy congregate shelter guests from exposure to illness, as well as to serve to connect symptomatic shelter guests to appropriate resources.

Was this contractor selected by competitive process? No

If not, why not? This purchase is not under regular

procurement due to the City’s emergency order to respond to the COVID-19 global health crisis (pursuant to D.R.M.C Section 20-64(b)).

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

Source of funds: FEMA, Local Funds

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

WBE/MBE/DBE commitments (construction, design, Airport concession contracts): N/A

Who are the subcontractors to this contract? None

Executive Summary

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Due to the timing of notification, for the extension end date of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) funding, this contract expired during contract negotiations. Negotiation for this contract started at the beginning of June 2021 based on the understanding that FEMA funding was going to be extended through September, initially the FEMA funding was through the end of June 2021.

Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, HOST has implemented a variety of programs and strategies to help ensure health and safety among individuals experiencing homelessness as well as to help reduce the spread of the virus throughout Denver. As the pandemic persists, HOST will continue to seek out agreements and amendments to address the ongoing needs of those experiencing homelessness in these unprecedented times.

The pandemic initially resulted in a 56 percent reduction in available shelter beds; as a result, HOST activated several different sheltering models to address the needs of Denver's most vulnerable citizens. Auxiliary shelter sites were stood up to accommodate a decrease in existing shelter capacity; auxiliary sites and some existing sites were transformed into 24/7 models, to provide those experiencing homelessness with a safe location to shelter in place. Other shelters were adjusted to accommodate physical distancing and other requirements.

HOST has also secured over 800 hotel and motel rooms during the pandemic for people experiencing homelessness. This effort includes Protective Action rooms for individuals who are considered at high risk for COVID-19. In addition, Activated Respite rooms are available for unhoused individuals who are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19, are awaiting test results, or are otherwise advised to isolate. These rooms offer high-risk and medically referred individuals not only shelter and meals but also connections to services and supports to help them navigate the housing or sheltering systems upon their exit from the hotel/motel program.

HOST has also coordinated with partners to offer COVID-19 testing for vulnerable populations through street outreach, at shelters, and in protective action. Through these efforts, HOST has continuously collaborated with new and existing partners to ensure that persons experiencing homelessness are receiving the best and most efficient care possible. Other supports for unsheltered individuals have included improvements to public toilet and handwashing access, expanded street outreach, and a Request for Proposals for temporary managed campsites, which is currently underway.

The purpose of this contract amendment is to continue to engage with International Medical Relief to provide additional medical screening to people experiencing homelessness for symptoms of COVID-19 upon entry to auxiliary shelter facilities, and support staffing to auxiliary shelters in response to the COVID-19 emergency. The amendment would allow the Contractor to provide these services in response to the COVID-19 public health crisis through December 3, 2021 unless otherwise extended. The current contract allows flexibility to reduce and/or adjust services during the extended period if appropriate to respond to emergent sheltering needs.

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