

### DENVER CITY COUNCIL

### Community Planning and Housing

#### **Minutes**

Tuesday, October 28, 2025, 1:30 PM

Chair: Sarah Parady, Vice Chair: Diana Romero Campbell Members: Flor Alvidrez, Shontel Lewis, Amanda Sandoval, Amanda Sawyer, Jamie Torres Staff: Luke Palmisano

#### **Attendance**

Present 6 - Alvidrez, Lewis, Romero Campbell, Sandoval, Sawyer, Torres

Absent 1 - Parady

#### **Action Items**

#### **Presentation on Legal Services Contracts**

25-1579

Approves contract with Colorado Legal Services (CLS) for \$1,168,737.00 with an end date of 12-31-2028 to provide free eviction legal services to approximately 900 unduplicated households annually, with a focus on households coming from subsidized housing, citywide (HOST-202581302).

A motion offered by Council member Sawyer, duly seconded by Council President Sandoval, that Council Resolutions 25-1579 through 25-1581 be approved for filing in a block, carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Alvidrez, Lewis, Romero Campbell, Sandoval, Sawyer, Torres

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Parady

25-1580

Approves a contract with The Community Firm (TCF) dba Community Economic Defense Project (CEDP) for \$2,768,062.50 with an end date of 12-31-2028 to provide free eviction legal services to approximately 3099 unduplicated households annually, citywide (HOST-202581304).

A motion offered by Council member Sawyer, duly seconded by Council President Sandoval, that Council Resolutions 25-1579 through 25-1581 be approved for filing in a block, carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Alvidrez, Lewis, Romero Campbell, Sandoval, Sawyer, Torres

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Parady

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#### 25-1581

Approves a contract with Colorado Poverty Law Project (CPLP) for \$2,983,356.00 with an end date of 12-31-2028 to provide free eviction legal services to approximately 1,300 unduplicated households annually, citywide (HOST-202581303).

A motion offered by Council member Sawyer, duly seconded by Council President Sandoval, that Council Resolutions 25-1579 through 25-1581 be approved for filing in a block, carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Alvidrez, Lewis, Romero Campbell, Sandoval, Sawyer, Torres

**Nay**: 0

Absent: 1 - Parady

#### **Presentation on Family Program Contracts**

25-1582

Amends a contract with the Denver Rescue Mission Family Non-Congregate Shelter program, also known as the Family Next Step Plus Program to add \$496,000.00 for a new total of \$1,487,942.00 and add one year for a new end date of 12-31-2026 to support ten homeless families currently in shelter, using trauma informed care, harm reduction, and housing first strategies with transitioning to long-term and permanent housing, citywide (HOST-202366560/HOST-202581597-03).

A motion offered by Council member Sawyer, duly seconded by Council President Sandoval, that Council Resolutions 25-1582 through 25-1586 be approved for filing in a block, carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Alvidrez, Lewis, Romero Campbell, Sandoval, Sawyer, Torres

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Parady

25-1583

Amends a contract with The Salvation Army Lambuth Center to add \$410,150.00 for a new total of \$2,037,638.00 and to add one year for a new end date of 12-31-2026 to support shelter operations, as well as provide longer term support for households to transition into permanent housing, citywide (HOST-202159317/HOST-202581596-04).

A motion offered by Council member Sawyer, duly seconded by Council President Sandoval, that Council Resolutions 25-1582 through 25-1586 be approved for filing in a block, carried by the following vote:

Ave: 6 - Alvidrez, Lewis, Romero Campbell, Sandoval, Sawyer, Torres

**Nay**: 0

Absent: 1 - Parady

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#### 25-1584

Amends a contract with the Volunteers of America Colorado Branch by adding \$2,550,000.00 for a new total of \$9,603,640.00 and to add one year for a new end date of 12-31-2026 for family motel shelter operations and supportive services, citywide (HOST-202057224/HOST-202581480-05).

A motion offered by Council member Sawyer, duly seconded by Council President Sandoval, that Council Resolutions 25-1582 through 25-1586 be approved for filing in a block, carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Alvidrez, Lewis, Romero Campbell, Sandoval, Sawyer, Torres

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Parady

#### 25-1585

Amends a contract with The Salvation Army Connection Center to add \$1,615,427.00 for a new total of \$3,236,638.00 and to add one year for a new end date of 12-31-2026 to provide immediate access to family shelter, rapid resolution services, housing assessment and cold weather support to families experiencing housing instability and homelessness. Additionally, this program will serve as an access point to homelessness/eviction prevention, shelter, and Coordinated Entry, citywide (HOST-202159210/HOST-202581663-04).

A motion offered by Council member Sawyer, duly seconded by Council President Sandoval, that Council Resolutions 25-1582 through 25-1586 be approved for filing in a block, carried by the following vote:

Ave: 6 - Alvidrez, Lewis, Romero Campbell, Sandoval, Sawyer, Torres

Nay: 0

Absent: 1 - Parady

#### 25-1586

Amends a contract with the Family Promise of Greater Denver Shelter Operations to add \$43,921.00 for a new total of \$649,006.00 and to add one year for a new end date of 12-31-2026 to provide temporary housing and support to homeless families who have an identified housing resource, citywide (HOST-202057232/HOST-202581377-03).

A motion offered by Council member Sawyer, duly seconded by Council President Sandoval, that Council Resolutions 25-1582 through 25-1586 be approved for filing in a block, carried by the following vote:

Ave: 6 - Alvidrez, Lewis, Romero Campbell, Sandoval, Sawyer, Torres

**Nay**: 0

Absent: 1 - Parady

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### **Briefings**

25-1616 Presentation on HOST Central Command