Base Tactical Disaster Recovery Contract Extension Request

Tuesday, June 7, 2022 Finance and Governance Committee



Agenda

- Summary of Requested Action
- Background on Base Tactical's Scope of Services
- Current State of FEMA Public Assistance Programming
- Next Steps
- Recap of the Request Action



Requested Action

 22-0684: Amends an agreement with Base Tactical Disaster Recovery Inc. by adding \$697,084 for a new contact total of \$2,311,538 and one year for a new end date of 12-31-2023 to continue providing consulting services and management of the City and County of Denver's FEMA claim related to the COVID-19 Pandemic, citywide (FINAN-202158178)



Overview of Base Tactical's Services

- Provide grant management assistance for FEMA Public Assistance program
- Review eligibility questions
- Collect and submit required documentation
- Prepare reporting on the behalf of the City
- Submit requests for funding and reimbursement on behalf of the City
- Audit assistance



CCD & Base Tactical Accomplishments

- Secured FEMA Public Assistance obligations (i.e. approvals) totaling \$134.7M across eight programmatic areas*
- 4,670+ individual transactions submitted for reimbursement
- Obtained upfront cash disbursements from expedited project worksheets, alleviating cash flow issues during the height of City revenue shortfalls
- Secured management & administrative costs obligation at a very early juncture
- Continuous navigation of a very fluid and complex program

^{*} Those areas are emergency sheltering, personal protective equipment, emergency operations center expenses, Denver and Health & Hospital operations, public testing, airport operations, vaccine administration, and management/administrative costs



FEMA Obligations by Project Worksheet

Project Worksheet	Explanation	Obligated Amount
Emergency Sheltering	Costs of sheltering persons experiencing homelessness in congregate and non-congregate settings. Includes supportive services such as security, food, cleaning, among others.	\$83.9M
Denver Health & Hospital Authority Sub-Award	Costs for personnel, equipment and supplies for addressing Covid-19 related emergency medical expenses.	\$25.1M
Public Covid-19 Testing	Support for the Pepsi Center mass testing site as well as auxiliary neighborhood and mobile sites.	\$9.2M
Personal Protective Equipment	Equipment and supplies to keep staff and citizens safe from contagion. Included masks, gowns, gloves, cleaning supplies and specialized equipment, among other expenses.	\$8.0M
Vaccine Administration	Costs of administering mobile vaccination teams, advertising and public awareness, and other expenses related to the vaccine roll-out in 2021.	\$3.7M
Airport Operations	Costs associated with supplies and staff overtime borne at the airport.	\$2.7M
Emergency Operation Center Expenses		

FEMA Emergency Sheltering Background

- FEMA Region 8 obligated \$83.9M of emergency sheltering costs across three separate claims, or versions beginning March 2020 and continuing through June 2021. The costs were for a mixture of congregate and non-congregate care.
- CCD submitted a third version request covering the period between July 1, 2021-December 2021 for \$40.5M in November of 2021.
- In January 2022, FEMA Region 8 informed the State of Colorado and CCD that they would not support the City's request for reimbursement for congregate sheltering costs from July 1, 2021.



Financial Implications & Non-Implications of FEMA's Decision

Version Request	Timeframe	Submitted	Amount	At-risk of non- reimbursement
Version #3	July-December 2021	November 19, 2021	\$40.5M	\$11.4M
New 48 th and Safe Outdoor Spaces	No defined period	April 28, 2021	\$15.8M	\$15.1M

 NOTE: there is no impact on service provision for persons experiencing homelessness; costs would be borne in other funds



CCD Emergency Sheltering: Current Status

- Since FEMA first stated its likely denial of Denver's claim, CCD has met with FEMA representatives on four separate occasions, including with the Administrator of FEMA Region 8.
- Both sides agreed to explore a path forward and determine if there are avenues for potential eligibility.
- FEMA has yet to issue a determination letter to CCD stating that Denver's submission is denied.



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