

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: 1/25/21

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.)

Authorizes an amendment to the contract agreement with The Colorado Coalition for the Homeless through contract control number 202057219-02 to add \$386,769 for the term of 12/31/2020 – 6/30/2021.

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: Angie Nelson	Name: Jon Luper
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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)**

Authorizes a second amendment to the contract with The Colorado Coalition for the Homeless through contract control number 202054658-02. The Colorado Coalition for the Homeless is to provide staffing for screening and triage at shelters for people experiencing homelessness in response to the COVID-19 public health crisis.

a. **Contract Control Number:** 202057219-02

b. **Duration:** 4/1/2020 to 6/30/2021

c. **Location:** Denver, CO

d. **Affected Council District:** All Districts

e. **Benefits:** Provides staffing for screening and triage at shelters for people experiencing homelessness in response to the COVID-19 public health crisis

f. **Costs:** Adds \$386,769 for a new contract total of \$1,193,230

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****

Key Contract Terms

To be completed by Mayor's Legislative Team:

Resolution/Bill Number: RR21 0091

Date Entered: _____

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

Vendor/Contractor Name: The Colorado Coalition for the Homeless
Contract control number: 202057219-02

Location: 2111 Champa St., Denver, CO 80205

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

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

Original Agreement- HOST 202054658: 4/1/2020 to 8/15/2020
1st Amendment - HOST 202055726-01: 4/1/2020-12/31/2020
2nd Amendment- HOST 202054658-02: 4/1/2020-6/30/2021

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>
\$ 806,461	\$ 386,769	\$1,193,230

<i>Current Contract Term</i>	<i>Added Time</i>	<i>New Ending Date</i>
4/1/2020-12/31/2020	6 months	6/30/2021

Scope of work:

CCH is providing clinical screening and triage services on-site at shelters identified by the Denver COVID-19 Joint Task Force and consists of two main components

- Mobile training and technical assistance for shelter screening:** Between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., or alternative hours as determined by need, CCH staff will provide mobile training, technical assistance, and support to shelter staff performing screening of all guests entering auxiliary shelters operated in partnership with the City of Denver. Training and technical assistance will be provided by a medical assistant experienced in the screening process including the correct use of temperature screening and symptom-based screening questions. This resource will be mobile and available to all shelter locations based on need as determined by the Denver COVID-19 Joint Task Force. Screening questions will be developed in accordance to public health guidance, and together with input from HOST and Denver Department of Public Health and Environment (DDPHE).
- Clinical triage and referral to testing:** For guests of the shelters who were identified as experiencing symptoms of illness, they will be directed to an on-site triage/clinic for further assessment of symptoms. Next, CCH clinical staff will make decisions for best next step for treatment and housing, including referrals to protective action rooms for at-risk individuals, referrals for COVID-19 testing, and referrals to activated respite rooms for those guests in need of isolation.

CCH will provide these services at shelter sites identified by the Denver COVID-19 Joint Task Force in order to monitor possible COVID-19 symptoms in shelters and mitigate outbreak potential in shelters.

Was this contractor selected by competitive process? No due to COVID-19 pandemic.

If not, why not? Sole Source Emergency contract

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

Source of funds: HOST (formerly Denver's Road Home) and FEMA

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

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

Who are the subcontractors to this contract? None

Executive Summary

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 Colorado Coalition for the Homeless to provide staffing for screening and triage at shelters for people experiencing homelessness in response to the COVID-19 public health crisis. 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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