



Legislation Text

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Contract Request Template (Contracts; IGAs; Leases)

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**Requesting Agency: Climate Action, Sustainability and Resiliency
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Item Title & Description:

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A resolution approving a proposed Amendatory Agreement between the City and County of Denver and Grid Alternatives Colorado, Inc. to continue a paid training pathway program for green jobs.

Amends a contract with GRID Alternatives Colorado, Inc. by adding \$139,332 for a new total of \$588,081 to continue a paid training pathway program for green jobs by increasing trainee and staff wages to remain competitive and by providing additional work-based learning opportunities, citywide. No change to contract duration (CASR 202161073-01/ 202366794-01). The last regularly scheduled Council meeting within the 30-day review period is on 4-17-2023. The Committee approved filing this item at its meeting on 3-15-2023.

Affected Council District(s) or citywide? Citywide

Contract Control Number: CASR 202161073-01/ 202366794-01

Vendor/Contractor Name (including any "DBA"): GRID Alternatives Colorado, Inc.

Type and Scope of services to be performed:

GRID Alternatives Colorado, Inc. is a non-profit providing the SolarCorps Fellowship Program, a paid training pathway which aims to connect Denver job seekers from underserved communities with career opportunities in the rapidly growing renewable energy industry.

The original RFP and contract were under \$500K however, due to initial success of the program in year 1 graduation of three under-resourced individuals (including low income, justice involved, and BIPOC individuals) in solar installation, additional budget is needed to increase trainee hourly wages to keep apace current labor market conditions (proposed increase from \$16/hr to \$19.41/hr with 5% cost of living adjustment in year 2 and 3) and provide trainees with additional work based learning and staff expertise. The amendment adds \$139,332 to this contract to provide higher wages to trainees, extend the training program from 11 to 12 months, increase staff training hours, and provide cost of living adjustment in wages to trainees and staff.

Scope of work: GRID Alternatives Colorado, Inc. is a non-profit providing the SolarCorps Fellowship Program, a paid training pathway which aims to connect Denver job seekers from underserved communities with career opportunities in the rapidly growing renewable energy industry. The amendment adds \$139,332 to this contract to provide higher wages to trainees, extend the training program from 11 to 12 months, increase staff training hours, and provide cost of living adjustment in wages to trainees and staff.

December 1, 2021 - December 1, 2024

- Task 1: Work-based Learning - \$114,210.46
 - Deliverables: 3 income qualified individuals enrolled in the GRID Colorado SolarCorps program/year; Program completion percentage goal: 92-97%, Employment goal: 88% employed within 3 months of finishing term
- Task 2: Stipends for Clean Energy and Construction Training - \$473,871.00
- Task 3: Tracking and Reporting

Location (if applicable):

WBE/MBE/DBE goals that were applied, if applicable (construction, design, Airport concession contracts): N/A

Are WBE/MBE/DBE goals met (if applicable)?

Is the contract new/a renewal/extension or amendment?

Amendment

Was this contractor selected by competitive process or sole source?

Competitive

For New contracts

Term of initial contract:

Options for Renewal:

How many renewals (i.e. up to 2 renewals)?

Term of any renewals (i.e. 1 year each):

Cost of initial contract term:

Cost of any renewals:

Total contract value council is approving if all renewals exercised:

For Amendments/Renewals Extensions:

Is this a change to cost/pricing; length of term; terms unrelated to time or price (List all that apply)?

Price

If lengg changing

What was the length of the term of the original contract?

What is the length of the extension/renewal?

What is the revised total term of the contract?

If cost changing

What was the original value of the entire contract prior to this proposed change?

\$448,749.00

What is the value of the proposed change?

\$ 139,332.00

What is the new/revised total value including change?

\$588,081.00

If terms changing

Describe the change and the reason for it (i.e. compliance with state law, different way of doing business etc.)