


COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
**COMMITTEE ON FACILITIES AND PROCUREMENT**

ROBERT C. WHITE, JR., CHAIR

**MEMORANDUM**

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**TO:** Chairman Phil Mendelson  
**FROM:** Councilmember Robert C. White Jr.  
Chair, Committee on Facilities and Procurement   
**DATE:** September 15, 2020  
**RE:** Requests for the Additional Legislative Meeting on September 22, 2020

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I request that the following emergency measures be agendized for the Additional Legislative Meeting scheduled for September 22, 2020:

Emergency Legislation at the Request of the Mayor

- **PR23-0899, “Modification Nos. 5, 6, and 7 to Contract No. CW64063 with Health IT 2 Business Solutions LLC dba CODICE Approval and Payment Authorization Emergency Declaration Resolution of 2020”**
- **B23-0868, “Modification Nos. 5, 6, and 7 to Contract No. CW64063 with Health IT 2 Business Solutions LLC dba CODICE Approval and Payment Authorization Emergency Act of 2020”**

These emergency measures request approval of modifications 5, 6, and 7 to Contract No. CW64063 with Health IT 2 Business Solutions LLC dba CODICE to increase the not-to-exceed amount from \$950,000 to \$10,000,000 for the remainder of the contract’s currently executed option year 2 and each subsequent option year. Option year 2 is for a period from March 18, 2020 to March 17, 2021. This contract is a DC Supply Schedule (DCSS) contract, which allows District agencies to make relatively quick purchase orders for Mission Oriented Business Integrated Services (MOBIS). Because the original contract was for an amount below \$1 million, it was not submitted to the Council for approval. This modification tips the contract to above OCP’s contract authority, triggering the need for Council approval.

Reprogramming Disapproval Legislation

- **PR23-0920, “Inaugural Parade Viewing Stands Construction Reprogramming Request No. 23-120 Disapproval Resolution of 2020”**

On July 23, 2020, the Mayor transmitted Reprogramming Request No. 23-120 to reprogram \$1,000,000 of Fiscal Year 2020 capital budget from the Department of Employment Services Paid Family Leave IT Application capital project to the Department of General Services to cover costs associated with construction of reviewing stands for the 2021 Presidential inauguration parade. This disapproval resolution extended the period until the resolution will be deemed approved until Monday, September 28, 2020.

When the Council did not approve emergency legislation approving the reprogramming on July 28<sup>th</sup>, as initially requested, the Mayor requested and received an allocation from the Contingency

Cash Reserve in the amount of \$1,000,000 to “fund design, permitting, and preconstruction work on viewing stands to be erected in early FY 2021 for the Presidential inauguration”. Reprogramming 23-0120 would allow funding to be available to repay the Contingency Cash Reserve.

The disapproval resolution was filed for three primary reasons. First, the public health situation calls into serious question the safety of both holding a traditional inaugural parade and of observing any parade from inside an enclosed private box. Second, the most recent budget cycle demonstrated that there were substantial unmet needs for District residents that are a higher priority than temporary stands for a celebration. Third, District expenses for the last inauguration were not timely repaid by the Federal government, a pattern that may be repeated, especially if the parade is scaled back or cancelled. This would leave District taxpayers to subsidize an inaugural celebration during an economic crisis and a pandemic. Disapproving the reprogramming and any subsequent contracts submitted for the same purpose would allow for these resources to be redirected to more immediate needs.

Copies of these measures are attached. If you have any questions, please contact Shawn Hilgendorf, Committee Director, at (202) 724-8077 or [shilgendorf@dccouncil.us](mailto:shilgendorf@dccouncil.us).