

# City of Missoula, Montana Item to be Referred to City Council Committee

Committee:	Administration and Finance	
Item:	Security Contract Amendment for Shelter Sites	
Date:	October 13, 2021	
Sponsor(s):	Emily Armstrong	
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Ward(s) Affected:	□ Ward 2 □ Ward 3 □	□ Ward 4 □ Ward 5 □ Ward 6

# **Action Required:**

Authorize the Mayor to sign and execute an amendment to the contract with Rodgers International PLLC for the provision of security services at four shelter sites funded by the City of Missoula.

## **Recommended Motion(s):**

I move the City Council: To authorize the Mayor to sign and execute an amendment to the contract with Rodgers International PLLC for the provision of security services at four shelter sites funded by the City of Missoula.

#### Timeline:

Referral to committee: October 18, 2021
Committee discussion: October 20, 2021
Council action (or sets hearing): October 25, 2021

Public Hearing (if required): Click or tap here to enter text.

Deadline: October 25, 2021

### **Background and Alternatives Explored:**

The City of Missoula, in partnership with Missoula County, is entering into a contract with Rodgers International PLLC for provision of security services across four sheltered sites: 1) Poverello Center main shelter, 2) Emergency Winter Shelter, 3) Authorized Camping Area, and 4) Temporary Safe Outdoor Space. Security services are intended to protect residents at each site, decrease calls to law enforcement, and provide additional oversight in surrounding public right of ways and public spaces. Security staff will participate in training specific to working with people who are unhoused, including: de-escalation, Mental Health First Aid, Native Community cultural considerations, Crisis Intervention Team overview, LGBTQIA+ information and resources, and more. Presence at each site will differ based on needs, as outlined in the Exhibit A Scope of Work.

# **Financial Implications:**

Funding for security was approved under Mobile Care Team budget request that was approved for American Rescue Plan Act funding during the Fiscal Year 2022 budget cycle. Missoula County will also contribute funding for security through reimbursement, as approved in the County's Fiscal Year 2022 budget cycle.

# Links to external websites:

https://www.engagemissoula.com/safe-shelter