

RESOLUTION NO. RES-21-0095

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT, AND ANY AMENDMENTS THERETO, WITH DIGITAL EMS SOLUTIONS, WITHOUT ADVERTISING FOR BIDS, TO PROVIDE AN ELECTRONIC PATIENT CARE REPORT SYSTEM FOR THE LONG BEACH FIRE DEPARTMENT, IN A TOTAL ANNUAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$225,000 FOR A PERIOD OF THREE YEARS, WITH THE OPTION TO RENEW FOR THREE ADDITIONAL ONE-YEAR PERIODS

WHEREAS, in 2017, the City of Long Beach (City) issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for a new Electronic Patient Care Report System (ePCRS) for the City of Long Beach Fire Department (LBFD); and

WHEREAS, on July 18, 2017, City Council adopted Specifications RFP No. TI17-028 and awarded a contract to Digital EMS Solutions (Digital EMS) to develop an ePCR system that would allow the City of Long Beach to comply with Los Angeles County Department of Health Services requirements that all emergency medical service providers submit patient care reports electronically; and

WHEREAS, over the past four (4) years, Digital EMS developed, refined, customized, and implemented an ePCR system that complies with the aforementioned County requirements; and

WHEREAS, Digital EMS's ePCR system, the Medic Clipboard, is a proprietary system developed, marketed, and supported solely by Digital EMS; and

WHEREAS, the Medic Clipboard system enables the LBFD to document patient care electronically and without interruption. It also facilitates continuity of patient

1 care, integrates with the City's existing dispatch, emergency medical services diagnostic
2 and billing processes, and includes robust reporting tools enabling efficient process
3 improvement and participation in the White House Data Driven Justice (DDJ) initiative;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, utilizing a different vendor would require the LBFD to
6 discontinue use of the Medic Clipboard and devote several months of staff time to
7 develop a new system, while being out of compliance with County requirements; and

8 WHEREAS, a new contract with Digital EMS is needed to ensure continuity
9 of EMS services, billing, and storage and retrieval of existing EMS documents; and

10 WHEREAS, as a result, no useful purpose would be served by advertising
11 for bids and to do so would constitute an idle and useless act and an unnecessary
12 expenditure of public funds;

13 NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Long Beach resolves as
14 follows:

15 Section 1. The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated
16 herein.

17 Section 2. The City Manager is hereby authorized to execute a contract,
18 and any amendments thereto, with Digital EMS Solutions to provide an Electronic Patient
19 Care Report System for the Long Beach Fire Department in a total annual amount not to
20 exceed Two Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$225,000) for a period of three (3)
21 years, with the option to renew for three (3) additional one-year periods, at the discretion
22 of the City Manager.

23 Section 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption
24 by the City Council, and the City Clerk shall certify the vote adopting this resolution.

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I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City
Council of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of August 10, 2021
by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Zendejas, Allen, Price, Supernaw, Mungo,
Saro, Uranga, Austin, Richardson.

Noes: Councilmembers: None.

Absent: Councilmembers: None

Recusal(s): Councilmembers: None.


City Clerk