Memorandum

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

Date:	February 4, 2025
To:	Honorable Chairman Anthony Rodriguez and Members, Board of County Commissioners
From:	Daniella Levine Cava Mayor
Subject:	Request for Additional Expenditure Authority for Disaster Cost Recovery Services

Amended
Agenda Item No. 8(P)(3)

Resolution No. R-130-25

Summary

The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) is requesting additional expenditure authority to continue to receive disaster cost recovery services due to the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) extension of the closeout deadline for the COVID-19 pandemic. In September 2020, the County approved a work order to Hagerty Consulting, Inc. (Hagerty) to assist with the programmatic management and cost recovery administration for FEMA's Public Assistance Program. Administrative expenses incurred by Hagerty under this work order are reimbursable under FEMA's management costs project. To date, $709.6 million in costs have been submitted to FEMA for reimbursement of which $433 million has been paid. Of the remaining $245.6 million, $222.2 million is still under FEMA review with another $23.4 million pending submission.

FEMA has extended the period of performance for the prime recipient, the Florida Division of Emergency Management (FDEM), through May 11, 2026. The period of performance represents the dates through which FDEM can incur COVID-19 expenses. After the County submits its closeout packages to FEMA, FDEM will perform a 100 percent validation of new costs submitted during the closeout and will process payments through the end of the period. Given the significant damages created by Hurricanes Helene and Milton and FDEM's activation for both these disasters, an additional closeout extension is anticipated. The period of the work order assumes May 1, 2026, as the final service date considering that additional closeout deadline extensions may be approved. Should the closeout deadline occur sooner than this date, the amount of Hagerty's work order may be prorated.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners (Board) authorize additional expenditure authority in an amount not to exceed $3,913,900 for Contract No. *RFP-01488, Disaster Cost Recovery Services,* with Hagerty for OMB. The additional expenditure authority will allow OMB to continue to receive disaster cost recovery services for the COVID-19 emergency for the period between January 1, 2025, to May 1, 2026, and any subsequent extensions. The County's ending of its COVID-19 emergency order will not have an impact to recovering the vendor's costs related to this request since management costs are reimbursable through grant closeout and are not tied to emergency orders. Expenses of $709.5 million have been submitted to FEMA for reimbursement of which $433 million has been paid to date.

Background

This contract was established under delegated authority for a five-year term with two, five-year option to renew terms. The contract was subsequently modified under delegated authority and by the Board via Resolution Nos. R-645-21, R-314-22, R-365-22, R-925-22 and R-86-23 for cost recovery services related to the emergency purchases associated with COVID-19, the Surfside building collapse, and other open disasters such as Hurricane Irma.

The contract provides for emergency management professional consulting services to manage the cost recovery and reimbursement services that occur after a disaster event. Hagerty assists the County in managing the damage assessment, project development, and administration of rules and regulations governing FEMA's Public Assistance Program.

Additional allocation is being requested to allow Hagerty to continue providing FEMA Public Assistance Category B support to County staff for projects totaling $245.6 million still pending FEMA approval, $222.2 million of which has already been submitted and is currently under FEMA review. The remaining $23.4 million in costs cannot be submitted, per FEMA's process, until FEMA determines the eligibility of the costs they are reviewing. FEMA established various COVID-19-specific policies for emergency protective measures and statutory deadlines. Hagerty, as a consultant to various Public Assistance applicants for COVID-19, can provide insight and strategies on how to successfully approach submissions for this unique event. Hagerty also maintains the County's grant management and document repository system for COVID-19 which, per grant requirements, the County is legally required to maintain for a period of five years after closeout for audit purposes and to prevent disallowance of costs or termination of the County's federal grant award.

Scope
The impact of this item is countywide in nature.

Fiscal Impact/Funding Source
The contract has an existing cumulative allocation of $18,350,625, inclusive of renewal term's allocation. If this request is approved, the contract will have a modified cumulative allocation of $22,264,525. The requested increase in expenditure authority is based on FEMA's extension of the end date for COVID-19. Given this extension, OMB needs the additional allocation to continue using cost recovery and reimbursement services from January 1, 2025, to May 1, 2026, or as extended by FEMA. The County's costs under this contract are 100% reimbursable by FEMA.

Department	Existing Cumulative Allocation	Additional Allocation Requested	Modified Cumulative Allocation	Funding Source	Contract Manager
OMB	$16,450,980	$3,913,900	$20,364,880	Federal Funds	Elena Quevedo
Multiple	$1,899,645	$0	$1,899,645	Federal Funds	Multiple
Total	$18,350,625	$3,913,900	$22,264,525		

Track Record/Monitor
Pearl Bethel of the Strategic Procurement Department (SPD) is the Procurement Contracting Manager.

Delegated Authority
The County Mayor or the County Mayor's designee will have the authority to exercise all provisions of the contract, including any cancellation, renewals or extensions, pursuant to Section 2-8.1 of the County Code and Implementing Order 3-38.

Awarded Vendor

Vendor	Principal Address	Local Address	Principal
Hagerty Consulting, Inc.	1618 Orrington Avenue Evanston, IL	None	Stephen H. Hagerty

Due Diligence
Pursuant to Resolution No. R-187-12, due diligence was conducted in accordance with SPD's Procurement Guidelines to determine vendor responsibility, including verifying corporate status and that there are no performance and compliance issues through various vendor responsibility lists and a keyword internet search. The lists that were referenced included convicted vendors, debarred vendors, delinquent contractors, suspended vendors, and federal excluded parties. There were no adverse findings relating to vendor responsibility.

Applicability of Ordinances and Contract Measures

- The two percent User Access Program provision does not apply.
- The Small Business Enterprise Selection Factor and Local Preference do not apply.
- The Living Wage Ordinance does not apply.

Carladenise Edwards
Chief Administrative Officer

MEMORANDUM
(Revised)

TO:	Honorable Chairman Anthony Rodriguez and Members, Board of County Commissioners	**DATE**:	February 4, 2025
FROM:	Geri Bonzon-Keenan County Attorney	**SUBJECT**:	Amended Agenda Item No. 8(P)(3)

Please note any items checked.

_______ **"3-Day Rule" for committees applicable if raised**

_______ **6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing**

_______ **4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing**

_______ **Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget**

_______ **Budget required**

_______ **Statement of fiscal impact required**

_______ **Statement of social equity required**

_______ **Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Mayor's report for public hearing**

_______ **No committee review**

_______ **Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's present ____, 2/3 membership ____, 3/5's ____, unanimous ____, majority plus one ____, CDMP 7 vote requirement per 2-116.1(3)(h) or (4)(c) ____, CDMP 2/3 vote requirement per 2-116.1(3) (h) or (4)(c) ____, CDMP 9 vote requirement per 2-116.1(4)(c) (2) ____) to approve**

✓ **Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required**

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2-4-25

Approved ______________________ Mayor
Veto __________
Override __________

RESOLUTION NO. R-130-25

RESOLUTION APPROVING ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURE AUTHORITY UP TO $3,913,900.00 FOR A TOTAL MODIFIED CONTRACT AMOUNT OF $21,764,525.00 FOR CONTRACT NO. RFP-01488 FOR DISASTER COST RECOVERY SERVICES FOR THE OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET; AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO EXERCISE ALL PROVISIONS OF THE CONTRACT, INCLUDING ANY CANCELLATION, RENEWALS OR EXTENSIONS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-8.1 OF THE COUNTY CODE AND IMPLEMENTING ORDER 3-38; AND AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO NEGOTIATE WITH TESTING MATTERS, INC. REGARDING REIMBURSEMENTS FOR COSTS INCURRED BY TESTING MATTERS, INC. FOR SERVICES PROVIDED TO MIAMI-DADE COUNTY RESIDENTS DURING THE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 PANDEMIC AT AMELIA EARHART PARK

WHEREAS, this Board desires to accomplish the purposes outlined in the accompanying memorandum, a copy of which is incorporated herein by reference,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that:

Section 1. The Board authorizes additional expenditure authority under Contract No. RFP-01488 for Disaster Cost Recovery Services in an amount up to $3,913,900.00, for a total modified contract amount of $21,764,525.00 for the Office of Management and Budget.

Section 2. The Board authorizes the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to exercise all provisions of the contract, including any cancellation, renewals or extensions, pursuant to section 2-8.1 of the County Code and Implementing Order 3-38. A copy of the contract document is on file with and available upon request from the Strategic Procurement Department.

Section 3. The County Mayor or County Mayor's designee shall negotiate with Testing Matters, Inc. regarding reimbursements for costs incurred by Testing Matters, Inc. for services provided to Miami-Dade County residents during the coronavirus disease 2019 pandemic at Amelia Earhart Park.

The foregoing resolution was offered by Commissioner **Sen. René García**, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner **Micky Steinberg** and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Anthony Rodriguez, Chairman **aye**
Kionne L. McGhee, Vice Chairman **aye**

Marleine Bastien	**aye**	Juan Carlos Bermudez	**aye**
Kevin Marino Cabrera	**aye**	Sen. René García	**aye**
Oliver G. Gilbert, III	**aye**	Roberto J. Gonzalez	**aye**
Keon Hardemon	**aye**	Danielle Cohen Higgins	**aye**
Eileen Higgins	**aye**	Raquel A. Regalado	**aye**
Micky Steinberg	**aye**		

The Chairperson thereupon declared this resolution duly passed and adopted this 4th day of February, 2025. This resolution shall become effective upon the earlier of (1) 10 days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the County Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board, or (2) approval by the County Mayor of this resolution and the filing of this approval with the Clerk of the Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY ITS BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

JUAN FERNANDEZ-BARQUIN, CLERK

By: **Basia Pruna**
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency. DMM

David M. Murray