

COUNCIL AGENDA STATEMENT



Meeting Date: October 12, 2021  
To: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members  
From: John A. Johnson, Fire Chief  
Through: George Garrett, City Manager

Agenda Item: **Resolution 2021-97**, Approving and Ratifying The First Extension to the Professional Services Agreement Between The City Of Marathon And Professional Practice Support, Inc., Third Party Healthcare Billing Agreement; Authorizing the City Manager To Execute The Extension And Expend Budgeted Funds; And Providing For An Effective Date

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BACKGROUND & JUSTIFICATION:

The City of Marathon is responsible for providing emergency medical service within the City boundaries. The City has previously contracted with Professional Practices Support, Inc., to provide computerized EMS and healthcare insurance billing service for the City’s Fire rescue Department and PPS has been successful recovering funds. The City has agreed upon a scope of services and compensation on a percentage basis, and staff recommends approval.

CONSISTENCY CHECKLIST:

	Yes	No
1. Comprehensive Plan	_____	_____
2. Other _____	_____	_____
3. Not applicable _____		

FISCAL NOTE:

Funding for this agreement is included in the adopted FY21/22 Fire & EMS Budget.

RECOMMENDATION:

Council approve Resolution

Sponsored by: Garrett

**CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA  
RESOLUTION 2021-97**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA, RATIFYING AND APPROVING THE FIRST EXTENSION TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF MARATHON AND PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE SUPPORT, INC., THIRD PARTY HEALTH CARE BILLING AGREEMENT; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND BUDGETED FUNDS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Marathon, Florida (the “City”) has previously contracted with Professional Practice Support, Inc. (“PPS”), to provide computerized EMS and healthcare insurance billing service for the City’s Fire Rescue Department: and

**WHEREAS**, the services provided by PPS to the City have resulted in the collection of significant amount of monies from healthcare insurance companies and other third parties for EMS services provided by the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the Consultant and City, through mutual negotiation, have agreed to extend the agreement for one year for Emergency Medical Services (“EMS”) healthcare insurance and patient billing reimbursement services (the “Services”); and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA, THAT:**

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

**Section 2.** The agreement between the City and Consultant, is hereby ratified and extended one year to October 1, 2022 with such non-material changes as may be acceptable to the City Manager and approved as to form and legality by the City Attorney, is approved. The City Manager is authorized to expend budgeted funds on behalf of the City.

**Section 3.** This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

**PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA, THIS 12<sup>th</sup> DAY OF OCTOBER, 2021**

**THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA**

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**Luis Gonzalez, Mayor**

AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSENT:  
ABSTAIN:  
**ATTEST:**

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Diane Clavier, City Clerk

(City Seal)

**APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY FOR THE USE  
AND RELIANCE OF THE CITY OF MARATHON, FLORIDA ONLY:**

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Steve Williams, City Attorney