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PFA Authorizes \$132.8 Million Amendment to Advance Donna Christensen Medical Complex Rebuild

ODR officials said the amendment advances the already planned next phases of the Estate Richmond project under its phased pricing model, covering exterior construction, roofing, long-lead items, interior finishes, MEP systems, landscaping and site work.

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Territorial leaders, project contractors, and honoree Dr. Donna M. Christian Christensen take part in the ceremonial groundbreaking for the new Dr. Donna M. Christian Christensen Health Center on St. Croix. By. DEAR PRODUCTIONS.

ST. CROIX — The V.I. Public Finance Authority on Wednesday authorized a \$132,778,880 amendment to continue construction services for the rebuild of the Donna M. Christensen Medical Complex, advancing the next major phase of one of the territory's most significant health infrastructure projects.

The resolution authorizes the executive director or director of finance and administration, on behalf of the Office of Disaster Recovery, to execute a contract amendment with Consigli Benton Joint Venture for continuation of construction services tied to the medical complex as part of the Rebuild USVI initiative.

ODR Director Adrienne Williams-Octalien told the board that construction is moving at the facility and that the project had already received authorization for pre-construction services with the understanding that ODR would return to the board for additional approvals as work progressed.

A groundbreaking for the facility was held in December 2025 and pre-construction activities have included design optimization, temporary utilities, soil sampling and other early-stage work needed to prepare the site, according to Williams-Octalien.

The ORD director said \$197,618.12 had been spent to date out of a pre-construction not-to-exceed amount of \$212,120.

She also told the board that \$12,859,383.63 had been spent under the first guaranteed maximum price authorization, which she described as covering site work and foundation activity and totaling roughly \$70.3 million.

The newly approved amendment covers what Williams-Octalien described as GMP (Guaranteed Maximum Price) 2 and GMP 3 under the project's construction manager at-risk delivery model. She said the next phases will cover exterior construction, including exterior wall panels and roofing, along with long-lead items needed to keep the project on schedule.

The amendment will also support interior finishes, mechanical, electrical and plumbing systems, landscaping and site improvements, describing it as the balance of the remaining major scope needed to complete the project, she made known.

According to Williams-Octalien, ODR intends to conduct a cost analysis on the next guaranteed maximum pricing phases just as it did for GMP 1. She said the first GMP came in \$8.6 million, or 10 percent below the project's independent cost estimate, and ODR accepted those costs on that basis.

The medical complex is being built in Estate Richmond at the former Charles Harwood site.

The board then approved the amendment without opposition.