

Thursday, January 31, 2008

Government Relations RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 11

Subject: Approve a resolution authorizing the negotiation and execution of professional services agreements for legislative representation services each for a one year term and for a total combined amount not to exceed \$987,000.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Operating Budgets of the Government Relations Office, the Solid Waste Services Department, the Austin Water Utility, Austin Energy and the Law Department.

Fiscal Note: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

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These contractors will provide lobbying and other professional services for the City during the 80th Interim Legislative Session and subsequent special called sessions. The contractors will provide advice to the City and will be responsible for assisting the City in its efforts before the legislature. Further, they will provide

additional, related services as needed, including communicating on the City's behalf with state and federal agencies. The contractors will be in a position to advance the interests of the City in legislation and to influence the legislative process.

Contract Amounts by Vendor Carl Richie -- \$ 90,000 Reggie Bashur -- \$ 90,000 Randall Erben -- \$ 90,000 Marta Greytok -- \$ 65,000 Cliff Johnson -- \$ 90,000 Johnson & Johnson -- \$ 90,000 Demetrius McDaniel -- \$ 90,000 McWilliams & Associates -- \$ 90,000 Carl A. Parker -- \$ 40,000 Clayton Pope -- \$ 90,000 Susan C. Rocha -- \$ 72,000 Adams & Zottarelli -- \$ 90,000 Total for all Contracts -- \$ 987,000