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Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council	Item ID	36920	Agenda Number	35.
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Meeting Date:	11/20/2014	Department:	Government Relations
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Subject

Approve a resolution authorizing negotiation and execution of contracts for federal agency and legislative representation services for a total combined amount not to exceed \$270,000.

Amount and Source of Funding

Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2014-15 Operating Budgets of various city departments.

Fiscal Note

There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	
For More Information:	John Hrcir, Government Relations Officer, 512-974-2285.
Boards and Commission Action:	
MBE / WBE:	
Related Items:	

Additional Backup Information

The purpose of these contracts is to provide consulting and other professional services in the City's interests during the 114th Congress. The contractors will provide advice to the City and will be responsible for assisting the City's efforts before Congress and for selected related activities requiring additional action such as communicating with federal agencies. The contractors will also assist the City with major pieces of legislation including annual appropriations which include local earmark requests, modifications of Austin's requests as the surface transportation legislation moves forward and any additional job creation legislation. The consultants will be in a position to advance the interests of the City in legislation and to influence the legislative process.