



Recommendation for Action

File #: 23-3202, **Agenda Item #:** 78.

10/19/2023

Posting Language

Approve a resolution authorizing the execution of professional services agreements with Focused Advocacy LLC; Nora Del Bosque; Cliff Johnson; Brady & Peavey PC; Clayton Pope; Public Blueprint LLC and Philips Uresti Meachum Partners to provide state agency and legislative representation and with CapitalEdge Strategies LLC to provide federal agency and legislative representation and consulting services, each for a one-year term and for a total combined amount not to exceed \$750,000 divided among the firms.

Lead Department

Intergovernmental Relations Office.

Fiscal Note

Funding in the amount of \$789,000 is available in the FY 2023 - FY 2024 Intergovernmental Relations Office and other departments Operating Budgets.

Prior Council Action:

Each year the Council approves state and federal lobbyist for the City.

For More Information:

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Additional Backup Information:

The purpose of these contracts is to provide consulting and other professional services in the City's interests during the 88th Interim State Legislative Session, 118th Congressional Session and any special called state and federal sessions. The contractors will provide advice to the City and will be responsible for assisting the City's efforts before the legislature and congress and for selected related activities requiring additional action such as communicating with state and federal agencies. The consultants will be in a position to advance the interests of the City in legislation and to influence the legislative process.