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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION No. 80774 C.M.S.

Introduced by Councilmember _____

RESOLUTION WAIVING THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL/QUALIFICATIONS PROCESS AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXTEND AN EXISTING CONTRACT WITH PLATINUM ADVISORS, ON A MONTH-TO-MONTH BASIS, TO CONTINUE SERVICE AS THE CITY'S FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVE FOR SEVERAL ADDITIONAL MONTHS AND TO INCREASE THE CONTRACT UP TO AN AMOUNT OF SIXTY TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$62,500.00), FOR A TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT NOT-TO-EXCEED ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY SEVEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$187,500.00)

WHEREAS, the City of Oakland desires to complement its legislative advocacy efforts in the State of California Legislature; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to assemble and organize pertinent information, facts and data relating to legislative matters affecting the City and its interests, and to present and disseminate such information to legislative bodies, executive officials of the federal government, and other federal bodies, commissions, committees and organizations; and

WHEREAS, the services above primarily involve federal legislative and administrative advocacy and the assistance of individuals in such matters who will best serve the interest of the City; and

WHEREAS, Platinum Advisors have provided federal lobbying services to the City for many years, the most recent contract was executed in 2006 and funds will be spent and the term of the current contract will expire on June 30, 2007; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended that the contract with Platinum Advisors be extended on a month-to-month basis for several more months until a new lobbyist is hired pursuant to a request for proposal/qualifications process, so that the consultant may continue work on matters the current legislative term; and

WHEREAS, the extension requires an increase in the contract of an additional \$62,500.00, bringing the total contract amount to \$187,500.00, to pay for federal legislative advocacy during the anticipated extension period of approximately 3 to 6 months; and

WHEREAS, funds are available in the General Purpose Fund (1010), Citywide Activities Org. (90591), in Project (P49400) to pay for this service; and

WHEREAS, Platinum Advisors is well qualified to continue to provide these services and that the City's interests would be well served by this firm, and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds and determines that the services provided by Platinum Advisors are professional, technical and temporary in nature and shall not result in the loss of employment or salary by any person having permanent status in the competitive service; now, therefore be it

RESOLVED: That, pursuant to Oakland Municipal Code Section 2.04.051.B and based on the findings set forth in the City Administrator's report accompanying this resolution, the City Council finds and determines that it is in the City's best interests to waive the competitive request for proposal/qualifications process for the continued federal legislative advocacy needed for approximately 3 to 6 more months until a new lobbyist can be hired pursuant to a request for proposal/qualifications process and so waives the requirement; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Administrator is hereby authorized and directed to extend the existing agreement with Platinum Advisors on a month-to-month basis to continue to serve as the City's Federal Legislative Representative for several more months until such time as a new lobbyist contract can be issued pursuant to a request for proposal/qualifications process

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Administrator is authorized to increase the contract by sixty two thousand five hundred dollars (\$62,500.00) bringing the total not-to-exceed contract amount to one hundred eighty seven thousand five hundred dollars (\$187,500.00); and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That funding for said agreement shall be maintained in the General Purpose Fund (1010), Citywide Activities Org. (90591), in Project (P49400); and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED: That said agreement shall be approved for form and legality by the Office of the City Attorney and placed on file in the Office of the City Clerk.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA, JUL 17 2007, 20

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - BROOKS, BRUNNER, CHANG, KERNIGHAN, NADEL, QUAN, REID, and PRESIDENT DE LA FUENTE 8

NOES - 0

ABSENT - 0

ABSTENTION - 0

ATTEST: LaTonda Simmons
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City Clerk and Clerk of the Council
of the City of Oakland, California