OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

Approved as to Form and Legality

RESOLUTION NO. 80459 C.M.S.

RESOLUTION WAIVING THE COMPETITIVE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL/QUALIFICATIONS PROCESS AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXTEND THE AGREEMENT WITH TOWNSEND PUBLIC AFFAIRS, INC., THE CITY'S STATE LEGISLATIVE REPRESENTATIVE FROM APRIL 5, 2006 – JANUARY 5, 2007 TO DECEMBER 5, 2007, AND TO INCREASE THE CONTRACT BY AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED ONE HUNDRED AND TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$110,000.00) FOR THE ADDITIONAL ELEVEN MONTH PERIOD FOR A TOTAL CONTRACT AMOUNT OF TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$200,000.00)

WHEREAS, the City of Oakland desires to complement its federal 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 state government, and other State of California bodies, commissions, committees and organizations; and

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

WHEREAS, the City Council approved the retention of Townsend Public Affairs, Inc. to provide these services for the 2006 State Legislative session and to prepare the City's 2007 State Legislative Agenda from April 5, 2006 to January 5, 2007 at a cost of \$10,000.00 per month for a total contract amount of \$90,000.00; and

WHEREAS, it is in the City's best interest to maintain continuity of it's 2007 lobbying efforts by retaining Townsend Public Affairs to continue working on behalf of Oakland's legislative proposals and priorities through the 2007 State Legislative session until December 5, 2007; and

WHEREAS, per Townsend's original contract, its direct expenses shall be reimbursed at cost, and extraordinary travel expenses, other than between Oakland and Sacramento, California, and expenses for conferences or workshops shall be reimbursed at cost upon prior approval of the City; and,

WHEREAS, funding for this contract is available through June 30, 2007 totaling \$50,000.00 within the General Purpose Fund (1010), Non-Departmental Citywide Activities Organization (90591), Miscellaneous Contract Services (54919), State Lobbyist Project (P49300). The balance of the contract funding will be included as a part of the FY 2007-09 proposed budget for services provided July 2007 through December 2007; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds and determines that the services provided by Townsend Public Affairs, Inc., are of a 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 the Oakland Municipal Code section 2.04.051.B, the City Council finds and determines that it is in the City's best interests to waive the competitive request for proposal/qualifications process and authorizes the City Administrator to extend the current agreement with Townsend Public Affairs, Inc., originally April 5, 2006 to January 5, 2007, to December 5, 2007 in order that Townsend can continue to serve as the City's State Legislative Representative through the 2007 legislative session; and, be it

**FURTHER RESOLVED:** That the City Administrator is authorized to pay Townsend Public Affairs, Inc., compensation in an amount not-to-exceed ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) per month or one hundred ten thousand dollars (\$110,000.00) over the entire extended 11-month period for a total contract amount of two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000.00); 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,

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PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

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

NOES -

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ABSTENTION -

LaTonda Simmons

La Londa Simmons City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the City of Oakland, California