



City of San Leandro

Meeting Date: June 21, 2021

Staff Report

File Number: 21-369

Agenda Section: CONSENT CALENDAR

Agenda Number: 8.N.

TO: City Council

FROM: Fran Robustelli
City Manager

BY: City Council

FINANCE REVIEW: Not Applicable

TITLE: Staff Report for a City of San Leandro City Council Resolution Approving and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute an Amendment to the Consulting Services Agreement with Townsend Public Affairs for State Legislative Advocacy Services, to Extend the Term of the Agreement through June 30, 2022 at the Same Rate, in an Amount Not to Exceed \$60,000 Annually, and to Also Authorize a Pilot-Study Expansion of the Scope of the Contract to Include the Provision of Grant Writing Support to the City in an Amount Not to Exceed an Additional \$36,000, for a Total Not to Exceed Amount of \$96,000

SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff recommends that the City Council approve and authorize the City Manager to execute an amendment to the City's current contract with Townsend Public Affairs for state legislative advocacy services through June 30, 2022 at the same rate, in an amount not to exceed \$60,000 annually and to also authorize an expansion of the scope of the contract to include grant writing support to the City in an amount not to exceed an additional \$36,000 annually.

BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS

In October 2013, the City Council authorized the creation of a City Council ad-hoc committee to provide guidance on the development of a state legislative platform as well as a process through which a consultant could be selected to provide state-level advocacy services on behalf of the City.

Following a competitive request-for-proposals (RFP) process, on February 18, 2014, the City Council directed the City Manager to enter into a one-year consulting services agreement with Townsend Public Affairs for state level advocacy services, at a rate of \$60,000 per year. Based upon the City's satisfaction with Townsend's performance, that contract was then extended by the City Council each subsequent year at the same rate.

Over the course of its contract with the City, Townsend Public Affairs and its Northern California Senior Director, Niccolo De Luca, have continued to provide highly effective services to the City on a wide range of legislative matters.

Some examples of their support to the City over the past year includes:

- Partnering with the City, the Governor's Office, and Caltrans to secure approval for the placement on State property of portable bathrooms and hand washing stations to assist homeless residents during the pandemic.
- Actively supporting the City in its application to the State Parks and Recreation Department for Proposition 68 grant funds, towards the redevelopment of Memorial Park. TPA's work included assessing competitive applications, interfacing with State staff, drafting and submitting the application in partnership with City staff, and then working on advocacy efforts on the City's behalf.
- Various other legislative efforts relating to pandemic response and relief, homelessness, transportation funding, and housing.
- Interfacing with the State Bureau of Cannabis Control on various regulatory matters of importance to the City; and
- Providing ongoing legislative updates, summaries of legislation, and interfacing directly with the City's elected State delegation, and members of the Governor's administration.

Based upon these examples of consistently responsive and high quality service, staff recommends that the City Council authorize the City Manager to execute an amendment to the existing consulting services agreement with Townsend Public Affairs, at the same rate of \$5,000 per month (\$60,000 annually) for state legislative advocacy services. Staff also recommends that the City Council authorize the City Manager to further expand the contract to include the provision of grant writing services at a rate of \$3,000 per month (\$36,000 annually). Through this additional work, TPA will assist the City in applying for competitive state and federal grant applications to secure new sources of funding for the City. Related work would include attending relevant workshops hosted by the grant funding agency, providing technical support to City staff, drafting grant narratives, securing necessary signatures from City staff and elected officials, assembling and submitting grant applications, facilitating direct interaction with the grant funding agency before and after submission, and providing detailed political strategy to secure support from elected leaders to ensure success. TPA will also follow-up with City staff to provide grant administration when necessary. This additional grant funding support is intended to serve as a pilot program for the upcoming fiscal year. To the extent the program is successful in securing additional grant funds, the City retains the option to consider renewing the service in future fiscal years. Sufficient funds for the proposed contract renewal and expansion extension have already been programmed into the FY 2021-2022 budget.

Fiscal Impacts

The proposed agreement with Townsend Public Affairs will not exceed \$60,000 for one year of

state legislative advocacy services and \$36,000 for grant writing services, for a grand total of \$96,000.

Budget Authority

Sufficient funds are included in the proposed FY 2021-2022 budget

RELATED FILES AND ATTACHMENTS

- Copy of Existing Consulting Services Agreement with Townsend Public Affairs

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WHEREAS, on February 18, 2014, the City Council authorized the City Manager to enter into a one-year agreement for \$60,000 between the City of San Leandro and Townsend Public Affairs (TPA), for the provision of state level advocacy services; and

WHEREAS, based on TPA's satisfactory performance, the City Council has directed the City Manager to extend the agreement at the same rate each subsequent year; and

WHEREAS, since the last contract extension in June 2019, Townsend Public Affairs has provided the City Council and the City's administration with excellent service representing the City of San Leandro's interests at the State level; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to extend the term of its existing agreement with Townsend Public Affairs through June 30, 2022 at the same rate, in an amount not to exceed \$60,000 annually; and

WHEREAS, the City Council also desires to expand the scope of the contract with TPA to include the provision of grant writing support to the City in an amount not to exceed \$36,000 annually; and

WHEREAS, a corresponding appropriation for this proposed agreement is already incorporated into the proposed Fiscal Year 2021-2022 budget; and

WHEREAS the City Council is familiar with the contents of the agreement; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager recommends approval of said agreement.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of San Leandro does RESOLVE as follows:

That said amendments to the agreement are hereby approved and execution by the City Manager is hereby authorized.

**CONSULTING SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE CITY OF SAN LEANDRO AND
TOWNSEND PUBLIC AFFAIRS**

THIS AGREEMENT for consulting services is made by and between the City of San Leandro ("City") and Townsend Public Affairs ("Consultant") (together sometimes referred to as the "Parties") as of February 18, 2014 (the "Effective Date").

Section 1. SERVICES. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement, Consultant shall provide to City the services described in the Scope of Work attached as Exhibit A at the time and place and in the manner specified therein. In the event of a conflict in or inconsistency between the terms of this Agreement and Exhibit A, the Agreement shall prevail.

- 1.1 Term of Services.** The term of this Agreement shall begin on the Effective Date and shall end on February 17, 2015, the date of completion specified in Exhibit A, and Consultant shall complete the work described in Exhibit A on or before that date, unless the term of the Agreement is otherwise terminated or extended, as provided for in Section 8. The time provided to Consultant to complete the services required by this Agreement shall not affect the City's right to terminate the Agreement, as referenced in Section 8.
- 1.2 Standard of Performance.** Consultant shall perform all services required pursuant to this Agreement in the manner and according to the standards observed by a competent practitioner of the profession in which Consultant is engaged.
- 1.3 Assignment of Personnel.** Consultant shall assign only competent personnel to perform services pursuant to this Agreement. In the event that City, in its sole discretion, at any time during the term of this Agreement, desires the reassignment of any such persons, Consultant shall, immediately upon receiving notice from City of such desire of City, reassign such person or persons.
- 1.4 Time.** Consultant shall devote such time to the performance of services pursuant to this Agreement as may be reasonably necessary to meet the standard of performance provided in Subsection 1.2 above and to satisfy Consultant's obligations hereunder.
- 1.5 City of San Leandro Living Wage Rates.** This contract may be covered by the City of San Leandro Living Wage Ordinance (LWO). Bidder's attention is directed to the San Leandro Municipal Code, Title 1, Chapter 6, Article 6. Successful Bidder must submit completed self-certification form and comply with the LWO if covered.

Section 2. COMPENSATION. City hereby agrees to pay Consultant a sum not to exceed \$5,000 per month (or \$60,000 on an annualized basis), notwithstanding any contrary indications that may be contained in Consultant's proposal, for services to be performed and reimbursable costs incurred under this Agreement. In the event of a conflict between this Agreement and Consultant's proposal, attached as Exhibit A, regarding the amount of compensation, the Agreement shall prevail. City shall pay Consultant for services rendered pursuant to this Agreement at the time and in the manner set forth herein. The payments specified below shall be the only payments from City to Consultant for services rendered

pursuant to this Agreement. Consultant shall submit all invoices to City in the manner specified herein. Except as specifically authorized by City in writing, Consultant shall not bill City for duplicate services performed by more than one person.

Consultant and City acknowledge and agree that compensation paid by City to Consultant under this Agreement is based upon Consultant's estimated costs of providing the services required hereunder, including salaries and benefits of employees and subcontractors of Consultant. Consequently, the Parties further agree that compensation hereunder is intended to include the costs of contributions to any pensions and/or annuities to which Consultant and its employees, agents, and subcontractors may be eligible. City therefore has no responsibility for such contributions beyond compensation required under this Agreement.

- 2.1 Invoices.** Consultant shall submit invoices, not more often than once per month during the term of this Agreement, based on the cost for services performed and reimbursable costs incurred prior to the invoice date. Invoices shall contain the following information:
- The beginning and ending dates of the billing period;
 - Consultant shall give separate notice to the City when the total number of hours worked by Consultant and any individual employee, agent, or subcontractor of Consultant reaches or exceeds 800 hours within a 12-month period under this Agreement and any other agreement between Consultant and City. Such notice shall include an estimate of the time necessary to complete work described in Exhibit A and the estimate of time necessary to complete work under any other agreement between Consultant and City, if applicable.
- 2.2 Monthly Payment.** City shall make monthly payments, based on invoices received, for services satisfactorily performed, and for authorized reimbursable costs incurred. City shall have 30 days from the receipt of an invoice that complies with all of the requirements above to pay Consultant.
- 2.3 Final Payment.** City shall pay the last 10% of the total sum due pursuant to this Agreement within 60 days after completion of the services and submittal to City of a final invoice, if all services required have been satisfactorily performed.
- 2.4 Total Payment.** City shall pay for the services to be rendered by Consultant pursuant to this Agreement. City shall not pay any additional sum for any expense or cost whatsoever incurred by Consultant in rendering services pursuant to this Agreement. City shall make no payment for any extra, further, or additional service pursuant to this Agreement.

In no event shall Consultant submit any invoice for an amount in excess of the maximum amount of compensation provided above either for a task or for the entire Agreement, unless the Agreement is modified prior to the submission of such an invoice by a properly executed change order or amendment.

- 2.6 Reimbursable Expenses.** Expenses not listed in Exhibit B are not chargeable to City. Reimbursable expenses are included in the total amount of compensation provided under this Agreement that shall not be exceeded.
- 2.7 Payment of Taxes.** Consultant is solely responsible for the payment of employment taxes incurred under this Agreement and any similar federal or state taxes.
- 2.8 Payment upon Termination.** In the event that the City or Consultant terminates this Agreement pursuant to Section 8, the City shall compensate the Consultant for all outstanding costs and reimbursable expenses incurred for work satisfactorily completed as of the date of written notice of termination. Consultant shall maintain adequate logs and timesheets to verify costs incurred to that date.
- 2.9 Authorization to Perform Services.** The Consultant is not authorized to perform any services or incur any costs whatsoever under the terms of this Agreement until receipt of authorization from the Contract Administrator.

Section 3. FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT. Except as set forth herein, Consultant shall, at its sole cost and expense, provide all facilities and equipment that may be necessary to perform the services required by this Agreement. City shall make available to Consultant only the facilities and equipment listed in this section, and only under the terms and conditions set forth herein.

Section 4. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS. Before fully executing this Agreement, Consultant, at its own cost and expense, unless otherwise specified below, shall procure the types and amounts of insurance listed below against claims for injuries to persons or damages to property that may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work hereunder by the Consultant and its agents, representatives, employees, and subcontractors. Consistent with the following provisions, Consultant shall provide proof satisfactory to City of such insurance that meets the requirements of this section and under forms of insurance satisfactory in all respects, and that such insurance is in effect prior to beginning work to the City. Consultant shall maintain the insurance policies required by this section throughout the term of this Agreement. The cost of such insurance shall be included in the Consultant's bid. Consultant shall not allow any subcontractor to commence work on any subcontract until Consultant has obtained all insurance required herein for the subcontractor(s) and provided evidence that such insurance is in effect to City. VERIFICATION OF THE REQUIRED INSURANCE SHALL BE SUBMITTED AND MADE PART OF THIS AGREEMENT PRIOR TO EXECUTION. Consultant shall maintain all required insurance listed herein for the duration of this Agreement.

4.1 Workers' Compensation.

- 4.1.1 General Requirements.** Consultant shall, at its sole cost and expense, maintain Statutory Workers' Compensation Insurance and Employer's Liability Insurance for any and all persons employed directly or indirectly by Consultant. The Statutory Workers' Compensation Insurance and Employer's Liability Insurance shall be provided with limits of not less than \$1,000,000 per accident. In the alternative, Consultant may rely on a self-insurance program to meet those requirements, but

only if the program of self-insurance complies fully with the provisions of the California Labor Code. Determination of whether a self-insurance program meets the standards of the California Labor Code shall be solely in the discretion of the Contract Administrator.

The Workers' Compensation policy shall be endorsed with a waiver of subrogation in favor of the entity for all work performed by the Consultant, its employees, agendas, and subcontractors.

4.1.2 Submittal Requirements. To comply with Subsection 4.1, Consultant shall submit the following:

- a. Certificate of Liability Insurance in the amounts specified in the section; and
- b. Waiver of Subrogation Endorsement as required by the section.

4.2 Commercial General and Automobile Liability Insurance.

4.2.1 General Requirements. Consultant, at its own cost and expense, shall maintain commercial general liability insurance for the term of this Agreement in an amount not less than \$1,000,000 and automobile liability insurance for the term of this Agreement in an amount not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence, combined single limit coverage for risks associated with the work contemplated by this Agreement. If a Commercial General Liability Insurance or an Automobile Liability form or other form with a general aggregate limit is used, either the general aggregate limit shall apply separately to the work to be performed under this Agreement or the general aggregate limit shall be at least twice the required occurrence limit. Such coverage shall include but shall not be limited to, protection against claims arising from bodily and personal injury, including death resulting therefrom, and damage to property resulting from activities contemplated under this Agreement, including the use of owned and non-owned automobiles.

4.2.2 Minimum Scope of Coverage. Commercial general coverage shall be at least as broad as Insurance Services Office Commercial General Liability occurrence form CG 0001 (most recent edition) covering comprehensive General Liability on an "occurrence" basis. Automobile coverage shall be at least as broad as Insurance Services Office Automobile Liability form CA 0001, Code 1 (any auto). No endorsement shall be attached limiting the coverage.

4.2.3 Additional Requirements. Each of the following shall be included in the insurance coverage or added as a certified endorsement to the policy:

- a. The Insurance shall cover on an occurrence or an accident basis, and not on a claims-made basis.

- b. City, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers are to be covered as additional insureds as respects: liability arising out of work or operations performed by or on behalf of the Consultant; or automobiles owned, leased, hired, or borrowed by the Consultant.
- c. Consultant hereby agrees to waive subrogation which any insurer or contractor may require from vendor by virtue of the payment of any loss. Consultant agrees to obtain any endorsements that may be necessary to affect this waiver of subrogation.
- d. For any claims related to this Agreement or the work hereunder, the Consultant's insurance covered shall be primary insurance as respects the City, its officers, officials, employees, and volunteers. Any insurance or self-insurance maintained by the City, its officers, officials, employees, or volunteers shall be excess of the Consultant's insurance and shall not contribute with it.

4.2.4 Submittal Requirements. To comply with Subsection 4.2, Consultant shall submit the following:

- a. Certificate of Liability Insurance in the amounts specified in the section;
- b. Additional Insured Endorsement as required by the section;
- c. Waiver of Subrogation Endorsement as required by the section; and
- d. Primary Insurance Endorsement as required by the section.

4.3 Professional Liability Insurance.

4.3.1 General Requirements. Consultant, at its own cost and expense, shall maintain for the period covered by this Agreement professional liability insurance for licensed professionals performing work pursuant to this Agreement in an amount not less than \$1,000,000 covering the licensed professionals' errors and omissions. Any deductible or self-insured retention shall not exceed \$150,000 per claim.

4.3.2 Claims-Made Limitations. The following provisions shall apply if the professional liability coverage is written on a claims-made form:

- a. The retroactive date of the policy must be shown and must be before the date of the Agreement.
- b. Insurance must be maintained and evidence of insurance must be provided for at least 5 years after completion of the Agreement or the work, so long as commercially available at reasonable rates.

- c. If coverage is canceled or not renewed and it is not replaced with another claims-made policy form with a retroactive date that precedes the date of this Agreement, Consultant shall purchase an extended period coverage for a minimum of 5 years after completion of work under this Agreement.
- d. A copy of the claim reporting requirements must be submitted to the City for review prior to the commencement of any work under this Agreement.

4.3.3 Additional Requirements. A certified endorsement to include contractual liability shall be included in the policy.

4.3.4 Submittal Requirements. To comply with Subsection 4.3, Consultant shall submit the Certificate of Liability Insurance in the amounts specified in the section.

4.4 All Policies Requirements.

4.4.1 Acceptability of Insurers. All insurance required by this section is to be placed with insurers with a Bests' rating of no less than A:VII.

4.4.2 Verification of Coverage. Prior to beginning any work under this Agreement, Consultant shall furnish City with complete copies of all Certificates of Liability Insurance delivered to Consultant by the insurer, including complete copies of all endorsements attached to the policies. All copies of Certificates of Liability Insurance and certified endorsements shall show the signature of a person authorized by that insurer to bind coverage on its behalf. If the City does not receive the required insurance documents prior to the Consultant beginning work, it shall not waive the Consultant's obligation to provide them. The City reserves the right to require complete copies of all required insurance policies at any time.

4.4.3 Deductibles and Self-Insured Retentions. Consultant shall disclose to and obtain the written approval of City for the self-insured retentions and deductibles before beginning any of the services or work called for by any term of this Agreement. At the option of the City, either: the insurer shall reduce or eliminate such deductibles or self-insured retentions as respects the City, its officers, employees, and volunteers; or the Consultant shall provide a financial guarantee satisfactory to the City guaranteeing payment of losses and related investigations, claim administration and defense expenses.

4.4.4 Wasting Policies. No policy required by this Section 4 shall include a "wasting" policy limit (i.e. limit that is eroded by the cost of defense).

4.4.5 Endorsement Requirements. Each insurance policy required by Section 4 shall be endorsed to state that coverage shall not be canceled by either party, except after 30 days' prior written notice has been provided to the City.

4.4.6 Subcontractors. Consultant shall include all subcontractors as insureds under its policies or shall furnish separate certificates and certified endorsements for each subcontractor. All coverages for subcontractors shall be subject to all of the requirements stated herein.

4.5 Remedies. In addition to any other remedies City may have if Consultant fails to provide or maintain any insurance policies or policy endorsements to the extent and within the time herein required, City may, at its sole option exercise any of the following remedies, which are alternatives to other remedies City may have and are not the exclusive remedy for Consultant's breach:

- Obtain such insurance and deduct and retain the amount of the premiums for such insurance from any sums due under the Agreement;
- Order Consultant to stop work under this Agreement or withhold any payment that becomes due to Consultant hereunder, or both stop work and withhold any payment, until Consultant demonstrates compliance with the requirements hereof; and/or
- Terminate this Agreement.

Section 5. INDEMNIFICATION AND CONSULTANT'S RESPONSIBILITIES. Refer to the attached Exhibit C, which is incorporated herein and made a part of this Agreement.

Section 6. STATUS OF CONSULTANT.

6.1 Independent Contractor. At all times during the term of this Agreement, Consultant shall be an independent contractor and shall not be an employee of City. City shall have the right to control Consultant only insofar as the results of Consultant's services rendered pursuant to this Agreement and assignment of personnel pursuant to Subsection 1.3; however, otherwise City shall not have the right to control the means by which Consultant accomplishes services rendered pursuant to this Agreement. Notwithstanding any other City, state, or federal policy, rule, regulation, law, or ordinance to the contrary, Consultant and any of its employees, agents, and subcontractors providing services under this Agreement shall not qualify for or become entitled to, and hereby agree to waive any and all claims to, any compensation, benefit, or any incident of employment by City, including but not limited to eligibility to enroll in the California Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) as an employee of City and entitlement to any contribution to be paid by City for employer contributions and/or employee contributions for PERS benefits.

6.2 Consultant Not an Agent. Except as City may specify in writing, Consultant shall have no authority, express or implied, to act on behalf of City in any capacity whatsoever as an agent. Consultant shall have no authority, express or implied, pursuant to this Agreement to bind City to any obligation whatsoever.

Section 7. LEGAL REQUIREMENTS.

- 7.1 **Governing Law.** The laws of the State of California shall govern this Agreement.
- 7.2 **Compliance with Applicable Laws.** Consultant and any subcontractors shall comply with all laws and regulations applicable to the performance of the work hereunder, including but not limited to, the California Building Code, the Americans with Disabilities Act, and any copyright, patent or trademark law. Consultant's failure to comply with any law(s) or regulation(s) applicable to the performance of the work hereunder shall constitute a breach of contract.
- 7.3 **Other Governmental Regulations.** To the extent that this Agreement may be funded by fiscal assistance from another governmental entity, Consultant and any subcontractors shall comply with all applicable rules and regulations to which City is bound by the terms of such fiscal assistance program.
- 7.4 **Licenses and Permits.** Consultant represents and warrants to City that Consultant and its employees, agents, and any subcontractors have all licenses, permits, qualifications, and approvals of whatsoever nature that are legally required to practice their respective professions. Consultant represents and warrants to City that Consultant and its employees, agents, any subcontractors shall, at their sole cost and expense, keep in effect at all times during the term of this Agreement any licenses, permits, and approvals that are legally required to practice their respective professions. In addition to the foregoing, Consultant and any subcontractors shall obtain and maintain during the term of this Agreement valid Business Licenses from City.
- 7.5 **Nondiscrimination and Equal Opportunity.** Consultant shall not discriminate, on the basis of a person's race, religion, color, national origin, age, physical or mental handicap or disability, medical condition, marital status, sex, or sexual orientation, against any employee, applicant for employment, subcontractor, bidder for a subcontract, or participant in, recipient of, or applicant for any services or programs provided by Consultant under this Agreement. Consultant shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, policies, rules, and requirements related to equal opportunity and nondiscrimination in employment, contracting, and the provision of any services that are the subject of this Agreement, including but not limited to the satisfaction of any positive obligations required of Consultant thereby.

Consultant shall include the provisions of this Subsection in any subcontract approved by the Contract Administrator or this Agreement.

Section 8. TERMINATION AND MODIFICATION.

- 8.1 **Termination.** City may cancel this Agreement at any time and without cause upon written notification to Consultant.

Consultant may cancel this Agreement upon thirty days' written notice to City and shall include in such notice the reasons for cancellation.

In the event of termination, Consultant shall be entitled to compensation for services performed to the effective date of termination; City, however, may condition payment of such compensation upon Consultant delivering to City any or all documents, photographs, computer software, video and audio tapes, and other materials provided to Consultant or prepared by or for Consultant or the City in connection with this Agreement.

- 8.2 Extension.** City may, in its sole and exclusive discretion, extend the end date of this Agreement beyond that provided for in Subsection 1.1. Any such extension shall require a written amendment to this Agreement, as provided for herein. Consultant understands and agrees that, if City grants such an extension, City shall have no obligation to provide Consultant with compensation beyond the maximum amount provided for in this Agreement. Similarly, unless authorized by the Contract Administrator, City shall have no obligation to reimburse Consultant for any otherwise reimbursable expenses incurred during the extension period.
- 8.3 Amendments.** The Parties may amend this Agreement only by a writing signed by all the Parties.
- 8.4 Assignment and Subcontracting.** City and Consultant recognize and agree that this Agreement contemplates personal performance by Consultant and is based upon a determination of Consultant's unique personal competence, experience, and specialized personal knowledge. Moreover, a substantial inducement to City for entering into this Agreement was and is the professional reputation and competence of Consultant. Consultant may not assign this Agreement or any interest therein without the prior written approval of the Contract Administrator. Consultant shall not subcontract any portion of the performance contemplated and provided for herein, other than to the subcontractors noted in the proposal, without prior written approval of the Contract Administrator.
- 8.5 Survival.** All obligations arising prior to the termination of this Agreement and all provisions of this Agreement allocating liability between City and Consultant shall survive the termination of this Agreement.
- 8.6 Options upon Breach by Consultant.** If Consultant materially breaches any of the terms of this Agreement, City's remedies shall included, but not be limited to, the following:
- 8.6.1** Immediately terminate the Agreement;
 - 8.6.2** Retain the plans, specifications, drawings, reports, design documents, and any other work product prepared by Consultant pursuant to this Agreement;
 - 8.6.3** Retain a different consultant to complete the work described in Exhibit A not finished by Consultant; or
 - 8.6.4** Charge Consultant the difference between the cost to complete the work described in Exhibit A that is unfinished at the time of breach and the amount that

City would have paid Consultant pursuant to Section 2 if Consultant had completed the work.

Section 9. KEEPING AND STATUS OF RECORDS.

- 9.1 Records Created as Part of Consultant's Performance.** All reports, data, maps, models, charts, studies, surveys, photographs, memoranda, plans, studies, specifications, records, files, or any other documents or materials, in electronic or any other form, that Consultant prepares or obtains pursuant to this Agreement and that relate to the matters covered hereunder shall be the property of the City. Consultant hereby agrees to deliver those documents to the City upon termination of the Agreement. It is understood and agreed that the documents and other materials, including but not limited to those described above, prepared pursuant to this Agreement are prepared specifically for the City and are not necessarily suitable for any future or other use. City and Consultant agree that, until final approval by City, all data, plans, specifications, reports and other documents are confidential and will not be released to third parties without prior written consent of both Parties.
- 9.2 Consultant's Books and Records.** Consultant shall maintain any and all ledgers, books of account, invoices, vouchers, canceled checks, and other records or documents evidencing or relating to charges for services or expenditures and disbursements charged to the City under this Agreement for a minimum of 3 years, or for any longer period required by law, from the date of final payment to the Consultant to this Agreement.
- 9.3 Inspection and Audit of Records.** Any records or documents that Subsection 9.2 of this Agreement requires Consultant to maintain shall be made available for inspection, audit, and/or copying at any time during regular business hours, upon oral or written request of the City. Under California Government Code Section 8546.7, if the amount of public funds expended under this Agreement exceeds \$10,000.00, the Agreement shall be subject to the examination and audit of the State Auditor, at the request of City or as part of any audit of the City, for a period of 3 years after final payment under the Agreement.

Section 10. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS.

- 10.1 Attorneys' Fees.** If a party to this Agreement brings any action, including an action for declaratory relief, to enforce or interpret the provision of this Agreement, the prevailing party shall be entitled to reasonable attorneys' fees in addition to any other relief to which that party may be entitled. The court may set such fees in the same action or in a separate action brought for that purpose.
- 10.2 Venue.** In the event that either party brings any action against the other under this Agreement, the Parties agree that trial of such action shall be vested exclusively in the state courts of California in the County of Alameda or in the United States District Court for the Northern District of California.

- 10.3 **Severability.** If a court of competent jurisdiction finds or rules that any provision of this Agreement is invalid, void, or unenforceable, the provisions of this Agreement not so adjudged shall remain in full force and effect. The invalidity in whole or in part of any provision of this Agreement shall not void or affect the validity of any other provision of this Agreement.
- 10.4 **No Implied Waiver of Breach.** The waiver of any breach of a specific provision of this Agreement does not constitute a waiver of any other breach of that term or any other term of this Agreement.
- 10.5 **Successors and Assigns.** The provisions of this Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and shall apply to and bind the successors and assigns of the Parties.
- 10.6 **Use of Recycled Products.** Consultant shall prepare and submit all reports, written studies and other printed material on recycled paper to the extent it is available at equal or less cost than virgin paper.
- 10.7 **Conflict of Interest.** Consultant may serve other clients, but none whose activities within the corporate limits of City or whose business, regardless of location, would place Consultant in a "conflict of interest," as that term is defined in the Political Reform Act, codified at California Government Code Section 81000 *et seq.*

Consultant shall not employ any City official in the work performed pursuant to this Agreement. No officer or employee of City shall have any financial interest in this Agreement that would violate California Government Code Section 1090 *et seq.*

Consultant hereby warrants that it is not now, nor has it been in the previous 12 months, an employee, agent, appointee, or official of the City. If Consultant was an employee, agent, appointee, or official of the City in the previous 12 months, Consultant warrants that it did not participate in any manner in the forming of this Agreement. Consultant understands that, if this Agreement is made in violation of California Government Code Section 1090 *et seq.*, the entire Agreement is void and Consultant will not be entitled to any compensation for services performed pursuant to this Agreement, including reimbursement of expenses, and Consultant will be required to reimburse the City for any sums paid to the Consultant. Consultant understands that, in addition to the foregoing, it may be subject to criminal prosecution for a violation of California Government Code Section 1090 *et seq.*, and, if applicable, will be disqualified from holding public office in the State of California.

- 10.8 **Solicitation.** Consultant agrees not to solicit business at any meeting, focus group, or interview related to this Agreement, either orally or through any written materials.
- 10.9 **Contract Administration.** This Agreement shall be administered by Eric Engelbart, Assistant to the City Manager ("Contract Administrator"). All correspondence shall be directed to or through the Contract Administrator or his or her designee.

10.10 Notices. Any written notice to Consultant shall be sent to:
Townsend Public Affairs
Attn:
300 Frank Ogawa Plaza, Suite 204
Oakland, CA 94610

Any written notice to City shall be sent to:
Eric Engelbart, Assistant to the City Manager
City of San Leandro
835 East 14th St.
San Leandro, CA 94577

With a copy to:
City of San Leandro
Department of Finance
c/o Purchasing Agent
835 East 14th Street
San Leandro, CA 94577

10.12 Integration. This Agreement, including the scope of work attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibits A, B represents the entire and integrated agreement between City and Consultant and supersedes all prior negotiations, representations, or agreements, either written or oral.

<u>Exhibit A</u>	Scope of Services
<u>Exhibit B</u>	Compensation Schedule & Reimbursable Expenses
<u>Exhibit C</u>	Indemnification

10.13 Counterparts. This Agreement may be executed in multiple counterparts, each of which shall be an original and all of which together shall constitute one agreement.

10.14 Certification per Iran Contracting Act of 2010. In the event that this contract is for one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00) or more, by Consultant's signature below Consultant certifies that Consultant, and any parent entities, subsidiaries, successors or subunits of Consultant are not identified on a list created pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 2203 of the California Public Contract Code as a person engaging in investment activities in Iran as described in subdivision (a) of Section 2202.5, or as a person described in subdivision (b) of Section 2202.5 of the California Public Contract Code, as applicable.

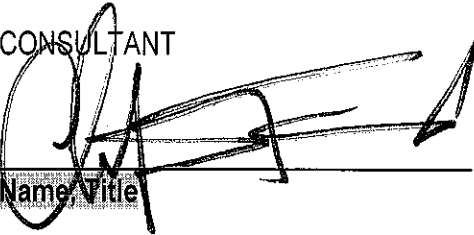
SIGNATURES ON FOLLOWING PAGE

The Parties have executed this Agreement as of the Effective Date. The persons whose signatures appear below certify that they are authorized to sign on behalf of the respective Party.


CITY OF SAN LEANDRO


Chris Zapata, City Manager

CONSULTANT


Name Title

Attest:


Marian Handa, City Clerk

Approved as to Fiscal Authority:


David Baum, Finance Director

Account Number 010-12-020-5120

Approved as to Form:


Richard D. Pio Roda, City Attorney

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EXHIBIT A

SCOPE OF SERVICES

Contractor shall provide special knowledge, advice, services and skill, and shall do each of the following:

- (a) Provide City of San Leandro (hereafter "City") staff and/or elected officials with timely information regarding State legislation and administrative matters significantly affecting City program responsibilities, authority and resources;
- (b) Provide advice regarding effective strategies for promoting City interests and priorities within the legislative and executive branches of State government;
- (c) Represent City in public and private meetings of State legislative and administrative officials, committees and bodies, including representation in legislative committee hearings and hearings of administrative or regulatory bodies;
- (d) Assist in securing enactment of City-sponsored legislative proposals and in securing the allocation of State funds to the City, including assistance in crafting applications for State grants;
- (e) Consult with elected City officials, the City Manager, or City staff to help produce for review by the City Council a work program for the ensuing calendar year that will describe specifically the legislative priorities, sponsorship proposals and advocacy efforts to be undertaken by the Contractor. This work program shall be referred to as City's "Legislative Program" for the affected calendar year;
- (f) From time to time upon request and as permitted by law, arrange for meetings involving City officials in Sacramento or other locations in California;
- (g) Facilitate, if necessary, the participation of key City staff or officials in State-level activities significantly affecting programmatic or fiscal relationships between the State and the City;
- (h) Monitor and report on the State Budget and work when appropriate to secure or protect funding per the City's interests;
- (i) On occasion, meet in San Leandro with City officials or staff when necessary or when requested;
- (j) Provide, on a monthly basis, an electronic report/invoice specific to the City of San Leandro outlining any work completed the prior month to further advance the City's interests. This report also may include, if relevant, updates on the status of legislation or committee analyses that may be of concern.
- (k) Provide an annual report providing an overview of the work completed the past year and a forecast of important issues for the upcoming year.
- (l) Comply with all State or other laws regulating the activities of registered lobbyists, and prepare on the City's behalf such reports of lobbyist employers as may be required by State law or administrative requirements.

EXHIBIT B

COMPENSATION SCHEDULE & REIMBURSABLE EXPENSES

Townsend Public Affairs shall perform all services described in this proposal for the rate of \$5,000 per month (\$60,000 on an annualized basis). There are no additional reimbursable expenses pursuant to this contract.

EXHIBIT C

INDEMNIFICATION

Consultant shall indemnify, defend with counsel acceptable to City, and hold harmless City and its officers, elected officials, employees, agents and volunteers from and against any and all liability, loss, damage, claims, expenses, and costs (including without limitation, attorney's fees and costs and fees of litigation) (collectively, "Liability") of every nature arising out of or in connection with Consultant's performance of the services called for or its failure to comply with any of its obligations contained in this Agreement, except such Liability caused by the sole negligence or willful misconduct of City.

Notwithstanding the forgoing, to the extent this Agreement is a "construction contract" as defined by California Civil Code Section 2782, as may be amended from time to time, such duties of Consultant to indemnify shall not apply when to do so would be prohibited by California Civil Code Section 2782.

The Consultant's obligation to defend and indemnify shall not be excused because of the Consultant's inability to evaluate Liability or because the Consultant evaluates Liability and determines that the Consultant is not liable to the claimant. The Consultant must respond within 30 days to the tender of any claim for defense and indemnity by the City. If the Consultant fails to accept or reject a tender of defense and indemnity within 30 days, in addition to any other remedy authorized by law, so much of the money due the Consultant under and by virtue of this Agreement as shall reasonably be considered necessary by the City, may be retained by the City until disposition has been made of the claim or suit for damages, or until the Consultant accepts or rejects the tender of defense, whichever occurs first.

**AMENDMENT NO. 7 TO CONSULTING SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE CITY OF SAN LEANDRO AND TOWNSEND PUBLIC AFFAIRS**

This **Amendment No. 7** (“Amendment”) is made by and between the City of San Leandro (“City”) and Townsend Public Affairs (“Consultant”) (together sometimes referred to as the “Parties”) as of July 1, 2021 and amends that certain Consulting Services Agreement (“Agreement”) dated February 18, 2014, and subsequently amended on February 17, 2015, February 16, 2016, February 21, 2017, June 18, 2018, July 1, 2019 and July 1, 2020 between the Parties.

WHEREAS, City and Consultant have executed the Agreement, pursuant to which Consultant has provided certain consulting services to City with regard to state-level advocacy; and

WHEREAS, the Parties desire to amend the Agreement in order to extend its duration through June 30, 2022 at a rate of \$8,000 per month (\$96,000 per year).

NOW THEREFORE, for good and valuable consideration, the sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Parties hereby agree to amend the Agreement as follows:

1. Section 1.1 of the Agreement entitled “Term of Services” is hereby amended to extend the term from July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022; and
2. Section 2 of the Agreement entitled “Compensation” will increase at a rate of \$8,000 per month (\$96,000 per year) for the 2021-2022 fiscal year.
3. All other terms shall remain in full force and effect.

This Amendment may be executed in multiple counterparts, each of which shall be an original and all of which together shall constitute one agreement.

SIGNATURES ON FOLLOWING PAGE

The Parties have executed this Amendment as of the date first written above. The persons whose signatures appear below certify that they are authorized to sign on behalf of the respective Party.

CITY OF SAN LEANDRO

CONSULTANT

Frances Robustelli, City Manager

Christopher Townsend, President

Attest:

Leticia I. Miguel, City Clerk

Budget Approved:

Susan Hsieh, Finance Director

010-12-020-5120
Account Number

Approved as to Form:

Richard D. Pio Roda, City Attorney