City of Fort Worth, Texas

Mayor and Council Communication

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LOG NAME: 02CORLEY PIPES 2019-20

SUBJECT

Authorize Execution of a Professional Services Agreement with Corley Consulting, LLC, dba Corley Pipes Consulting, in the Amount of \$174,000.00 for Consultation and Representation of the City of Fort Worth on Federal Legislative Issues Before Members of the United States Congress, Officials of Federal Administrative Agencies and the White House Administration (ALL COUNCIL DISTRICTS)

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council authorize the execution of a contract with Corley Consulting, LLC, dba Corley Pipes Consulting, in the amount of \$174,000.00 for professional services involving consultation and representation before members of the United States Congress, officials of federal administrative agencies, and the White House Administration.

DISCUSSION:

The City of Fort Worth (City) retains outside legislative consulting services in the development of a comprehensive and coherent strategic plan for promoting positive outcomes on key legislative, policy and funding issues in Washington, D.C., before the United States Congress, the Executive Branch, and all federal agencies.

The proposed Agreement requires Corley Pipes Consulting to provide advice, counsel, liaison, and intervention with those federal agencies that interface with the City and to promote working relationships and goodwill between the City and key staff of those federal agencies when requested by the City.

The proposed contract calls for the City to compensate Corley Pipes at a rate of \$12,000.00 per month. No additional amount will be paid by the City for travel or expenses of the Consultant. However, the City will pay an amount not exceeding \$30,000.00 for any subcontractors Corley Pipes Consulting uses to provide services under the Agreement.

Term; Renewal Options- The term of the contract is from October 1, 2019 to September 30, 2020. This Agreement may be renewed for up to four additional one-year terms at the City's option. This action does not require specific City Council approval provided that the City Council has appropriated sufficient funds to satisfy the City's obligations during the renewal term. The terms and conditions of this Agreement are subject to renegotiation upon mutual consent of both parties at the time of renewal.

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that upon approval of the above recommendation and the adoption of the Fiscal Year 2020 Budget by the City Council, funds will be available in the Fiscal Year 2020 Operating Budget, as appropriated, of the General Fund and that, prior to an expenditure being made, the participating department has the responsibility to validate the availability of funds.

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