

Agenda Report

TO: CITY COUNCIL

DATE: JULY 14, 2008

THROUGH: LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE (June 24, 2008)

FROM: MAYOR

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF CONTRACT RENEWAL WITH CAROLYN C. CHANEY & ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR LEGISLATIVE LIAISON SERVICES

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council approve a two-year contract renewal with Carolyn C. Chaney & Associates, Inc. for federal legislative liaison services effective July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2010, with the total cost of the first year contract at \$113,600 plus \$5,000 for expenses and second year at \$118,145 plus \$5,000 for expense. Acknowledge this contract is exempt from competitive bidding pursuant to City Charter Section 1002(f) (Professional Series) and automatically exempt from competitive selection pursuant to PMC Section 4.09.060 (B) (4) (Lobbying Services).

BACKGROUND:

The firm of Chaney & Associates has been the City's liaison with the federal government since 1981. Among the services provided are research on relevant federal issues and grant programs, assistance in lobbying Congress and the Executive Branch, and timely information on federal policies and programs.

In the past two years, Chaney & Associates has assisted the City on federal matters such as:

- Securing \$1.175 million in EPA funds for drinking water perchlorate remediation efforts at the City's Sunset Wells and working with NASA to ensure the agency's continued involvement in the remediation program;
- Working with Senator Feinstein and other California communities in opposing language in federal telecommunications legislation that would have

threatened the City's ability to manage local right-of-way and jeopardized over \$10 million in franchise fees and Utility User Taxes;

- Participating in a coalition on the creation a new Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant at the Department of Energy that will provide formula grants to local governments for the creation, promotion, or implementation of local energy efficiency programs;
- Promoting legislative language that encourages the Department of Transportation to consider state and local expenditures on Phase I of the Gold Line as part of the federal match for Phase II of the project;
- Working with the Departments of Defense and Housing and Urban Development on the disposition of the Desiderio Army Reserve Center, and
- Alerting the City of federal grant opportunities in areas such as public safety and homeland security; community services, education; homeless assistance, and health.

The City's contract with Chaney & Associates was last renewed for two years in June 2006 and included annual increases that aligned with those that were approved for management-level city employees, which was four percent in 2008. The proposed contract for fiscal year 2009 and fiscal year 2010 would continue that arrangement.

FISCAL IMPACT:

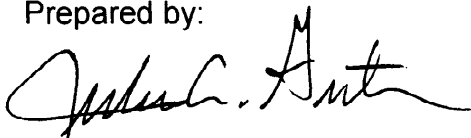
Total cost of the contract will be \$113,600 plus \$5,000 expenses for fiscal year 2009 and \$118,145 plus \$5,000 expenses for fiscal year 2010. Funding for this contract is included in the City Council Operating Budget.

Respectfully submitted,



BILL BOGAARD
Mayor

Prepared by:



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**Disclosure Pursuant to the
City of Pasadena Taxpayer Protection Amendment
Pasadena City Charter, Article XVII**

Contractor/Organization hereby discloses its trustees, directors, partners, officers, and those with more than 10% equity, participation, or revenue interest in Contractor/Organization, as follows:

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1. Contractor/Organization Name: Carolyn C. Chaney & Associates, Inc.

2. Type of Entity: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> non-government <input type="checkbox"/> nonprofit 501(c)(3), (4), or (6)

3. Name(s) of trustees, directors, partners, officers of Contractor/Organization:
Carolyn C. Chaney, President, Treasurer, and Secretary
Stanley L. Chaney, Vice President

4. Names of those with more than a 10% equity, participation or revenue interest in Contractor/Organization:
Carolyn C. Chaney

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