

## Legislation Text

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### Federal Lobbying Services

#### **Action:**

- A. Approve a contract extension for two years to the contract with Holland & Knight, LLP, for federal lobbying services, and**
- B. Authorize the City Manager to renew the contract for up to two, one-year renewal terms with possible price adjustments and to amend the contract consistent with the purpose for which the contract and this extension were approved.**

#### **Staff Resource(s):**

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#### **Explanation**

- Holland & Knight, LLP, has provided federal lobbying representation services with the legislative and executive branches of the federal government for the City of Charlotte since 2004.
- The City Council has periodically approved extensions of the contract with the most recent action taken effective January 1, 2018. The current contract expires on December 31, 2022.
- A waiver has been approved for these services based on the need for continuity of service with Holland & Knight, LLP.
- Estimated contract expenditures are \$216,000 annually based on a monthly retainer of \$18,000 and will be divided across the General, Transit, Aviation, and Water and Sewer Funds.

#### **Charlotte Business INClusion**

Per Charlotte Business INClusion policy: Part C : Section 2.1(a) The city shall not establish Subcontracting Goals for Contracts where (a) there are no subcontracting opportunities identified for the Contract; or (b) there are no MWBEs or SBEs certified to perform the scopes of work that the city regards as realistic opportunities for subcontracting.

This contract meets the provisions of (b) - No MWBEs or SBEs certified to perform the work.

#### **Fiscal Note**

Funding: Various General and Enterprise Funds