

**GORDON THOMAS HONEYWELL GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, LLC
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT**

THIS CONTRACT, made and entered into this ____ day of _____, 20____, by and between the **CITY OF TACOMA**, a municipal corporation of the State of Washington (hereinafter referred to as the "CITY"), and **GORDON THOMAS HONEYWELL GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, LLC**, a Washington Limited Liability Company, (hereinafter referred to as "CONTRACTOR"), (collectively the "Parties");

In consideration of the mutual promises and obligations hereinafter set forth, the Parties hereto agree as follows:

1. Scope of Services/Work

- A. The CONTRACTOR agrees to diligently and completely perform the services and/or deliverables described in Exhibits "A," attached hereto and incorporated herein.
- B. Changes To Scope of Work. The CITY shall have the right to make changes within the general scope of services and/or deliverables upon execution in writing of a change order or amendment hereto. If the changes will result in additional work effort by CONTRACTOR, the CITY will agree to reasonably compensate the CONTRACTOR for such additional effort up to the maximum amount specified herein or as otherwise provided by City Code.

2. Term

- A. All services shall begin on **January 1, 2015** and be satisfactorily completed on or before **December 31, 2016**, and this Contract shall expire on said date unless mutually extended in writing by the Parties.
- B. Neither party shall be considered to be in default in the performance of this Contract to the extent such performance is prevented or delayed by any cause which is beyond the reasonable control of the affected party and, in such event, the time for performance shall be extended for a period equal to any time lost as a result thereof. In the event CONTRACTOR is unable to proceed due to a delay solely attributable to CITY, CONTRACTOR shall advise CITY of such delay in writing as soon as is practicable.

3. Compensation and Payment

- A. The CITY shall compensate the CONTRACTOR for the services and deliverables performed under this Contract on a monthly basis at the rate of **\$7,000 per month in the year 2015 and \$ 7,000 per month in the year 2016**. Compensation will be paid for services and deliverables performed during the previous month upon receipt of a properly completed invoice and upon the City's satisfaction of adequate services and deliverables received. Further the City will reimburse the

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CONTRACTOR for expenses approved by the CITY, including travel and communication costs. In no event shall the CITY reimburse the CONTRACTOR for annual expenses in excess of ten percent of the annual fee.

- B. The total price to be paid by CITY for CONTRACTOR'S full and complete performance of the Scope of Work hereunder shall not exceed **\$85,000** in the year 2015 and **\$85,000** in the year 2016 without the written consent of the CITY. Said price shall be the total compensation for CONTRACTOR'S performance hereunder including, but not limited to, all work, deliverables, materials, supplies, equipment, subcontractor's fees, and all reimbursable travel and miscellaneous or incidental expenses to be incurred by CONTRACTOR.
- C. The CONTRACTOR shall submit monthly invoices for services completed and/or deliverables furnished during the previous month. Upon CITY'S request, CONTRACTOR shall submit necessary and appropriate documentation, as determined by the CITY, for all invoiced services and deliverables.
- D. The CITY may withhold payment to the CONTRACTOR for any services or deliverables not performed as required hereunder until such time as the CONTRACTOR modifies such services or deliverables to the satisfaction of the CITY.
- E. All payments shall be subject to adjustment for any amounts, upon audit or otherwise, determined to have been improperly invoiced.
- F. In the event the CONTRACTOR incurs cost in excess of the sum authorized for service under this Contract, the CONTRACTOR shall pay such excess from its own funds, and the CITY shall not be required to pay any part of such excess, and the CONTRACTOR shall have no claim against the CITY on account thereof.

4. Independent Contractor Status

- A. The services and deliverables shall be furnished by the CONTRACTOR as an independent Contractor, and nothing herein contained shall be construed to create a relationship of employer/employee or master/servant. No payroll or employment taxes of any kind shall be withheld or paid by the CITY with respect to payments to CONTRACTOR. The payroll or employment taxes that are the subject of this paragraph include, but are not limited to, FICA, FUTA, federal income tax, state personal income tax, state disability insurance tax and state unemployment insurance tax. By reason of CONTRACTOR'S status as an independent Contractor hereunder, no workers' compensation insurance has been or will be obtained by the CITY on account of CONTRACTOR. CONTRACTOR may be required to provide the CITY proof of payment of these said taxes and benefits. If the CITY is assessed or deemed liable in any manner for those charges or taxes, the CONTRACTOR agrees to hold the CITY harmless from those costs, including attorney's fees.

- B. The CONTRACTOR shall provide at its sole expense all materials, office space, and other necessities to perform its duties under this Contract, unless otherwise specified in writing herein.

5. Professional Services Warranty

- A. The CONTRACTOR warrants that all services performed pursuant to this Contract shall be generally suitable for the use to which CITY intends to use said services and deliverables as expressed in Exhibit "A."
- B. In the performance of services under this Contract, the CONTRACTOR and its employees agree to exercise the degree of skill and care required by customarily accepted good practices and procedures followed by professionals/consultants rendering the same or similar type of service. All obligations and services of the CONTRACTOR hereunder shall be performed diligently and completely according to such professional standards.
- C. If the CONTRACTOR intends to rely on information or data supplied by the CITY, other CITY contractor's or other generally reputable sources without independent verification, such intent shall be brought to the attention of the CITY.

6. Contract Administration and Right to Audit

- A. The **Government Relations Department** for the CITY shall have primary responsibility for contract administration and approval of services to be performed by the CONTRACTOR, and shall coordinate all communications between the CONTRACTOR and the CITY.
- B. The CONTRACTOR shall, at such times and in such form as the CITY may reasonably require, furnish the CITY with periodic status reports pertaining to the services undertaken pursuant to this Contract.
- C. Upon CITY's request, the Contractor shall make available to CITY all accounts, records, and documents related to the Scope of Work for CITY's inspection, auditing, or evaluation during normal business hours as reasonably needed by CITY to assess performance, compliance, and/or quality assurance under this Contract.
- D. Personnel. If before, during, or after the execution of this Contract, the CONTRACTOR has represented or represents to the CITY that certain personnel would or will be responsible for performing services pursuant to this Contract, then the CONTRACTOR is obligated to ensure that said personnel perform said Contract services to the maximum extent permitted by law. This Contract provision shall only be waived by written authorization by the CITY, and on a case by case basis.

7. Notices

Except for routine operational communications, which may be delivered personally or transmitted by electronic mail or facsimile, all notices required hereunder shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been duly given if delivered personally or mailed first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the parties at the following addresses:

| CITY | CONTRACTOR |
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| Randall Lewis, Government Relations Officer City of Tacoma 747 Market Street, Rm. 1200 Tacoma, WA 98402 | Briahna Taylor Gordon Thomas Honeywell Governmental Affairs 1201 Pacific Avenue, Suite 2100 Tacoma, WA 98401 |
| (253) 591-5122 (phone) | (253) 620-6500 (phone) |
| (253) 591-5123 (fax) | (253) 620-6565 (fax) |
| rlewis@cityoftacoma.org | btaylor@gth-gov.com |

8. Termination and Suspension

- A. The CITY may terminate this Contract at any time, with or without cause, by giving ten business days written notice to CONTRACTOR. In the event of termination, all finished and unfinished work prepared by the CONTRACTOR pursuant to this Contract shall be provided to the CITY. In the event CITY terminates this Contract due to the CITY's own reasons and without cause due to the CONTRACTOR's actions or omissions, the CITY shall pay the CONTRACTOR the amount due for actual work and services necessarily performed under this Contract up to the effective date of termination, not to exceed the total compensation set forth herein.
- B. The CITY may suspend this Contract, at its sole discretion, upon seven business days written notice to the CONTRACTOR. Such notice shall indicate the anticipated period of suspension. Any reimbursement for expenses incurred due to the suspension shall be limited to the CONTRACTOR'S reasonable expenses and shall be subject to verification. The CONTRACTOR shall resume performance of services under this Contract without delay when the suspension period ends.
- C. Termination or suspension of this Contract by CITY shall not constitute a waiver of any claims or remaining rights the CITY may have against CONTRACTOR relative to performance hereunder.

9. Taxes, Licenses and Permits

- A. The CONTRACTOR acknowledges that it is responsible for the payment of all charges and taxes applicable to the services performed under this Contract, and the CONTRACTOR agrees to comply with all applicable laws regarding the reporting of income, maintenance of records, and all other requirements and obligations imposed pursuant to applicable law. If the CITY is assessed, made liable, or

responsible in any manner for such charges or taxes, the CONTRACTOR agrees to hold the CITY harmless from such costs, including attorney's fees.

- B. In the event the CONTRACTOR fails to pay any taxes, assessments, penalties, or fees imposed by any governmental body, including a court of law, then the CONTRACTOR authorizes the CITY to deduct and withhold or pay over to the appropriate governmental body those unpaid amounts upon demand by the governmental body. It is agreed that this provision shall apply to taxes and fees imposed by City ordinance. Any such payments shall be deducted from the CONTRACTOR's total compensation.
- C. The CONTRACTOR, at its expense, shall obtain and keep in force any and all necessary licenses and permits. The CONTRACTOR shall obtain a business license as required by Tacoma Municipal Code Subtitle 6B.20 and shall pay business and occupation taxes as required by Tacoma Municipal Code Subtitle 6A.30.

10. Indemnification

- A. The CONTRACTOR shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the CITY, its officials, officers, agents, employees, and volunteers, from any and all claims, demands, damages, lawsuits, liabilities, losses, liens, expenses and costs arising out of the subject matter of this Contract; provided that this provision shall not apply to the extent that damage or injury results from the fault of the CITY, or its officers, agents, or employees. The term "fault" as used herein shall have the same meaning as set forth in RCW 4.22.015, as that statute may hereafter be amended.
- B. The CONTRACTOR specifically assumes potential liability for actions brought by the CONTRACTOR'S own employees against the CITY and, solely for the purpose of this indemnification and defense, the CONTRACTOR specifically waives any immunity under the state industrial insurance law, Title 51 RCW. THE CONTRACTOR RECOGNIZES THAT THIS WAIVER WAS THE SUBJECT OF MUTUAL NEGOTIATION.
- C. This indemnification shall extend to and include attorneys' fees and the cost of establishing the right of indemnification hereunder in favor of the CITY. This indemnification shall survive the termination of this Contract.

11. Insurance

During the course and performance of the services herein specified, CONTRACTOR will maintain the following insurance coverage:

- A. Workers' Compensation and employer's liability --statutory limits.

- B. Commercial General Liability --\$1,000,000 single limit combined for personal injury, property damage; \$2,000,000 aggregate.
- C. Automobile public liability and property damage--\$1,000,000 single limit combined for bodily injury and property damage.
- D. Professional liability or errors and omissions --\$1,000,000 combined single limit for errors and omissions resulting in monetary loss normally covered by professional liability insurance.

Certificates of the above insurance coverage shall be delivered, within ten (10) days, to the CITY by CONTRACTOR'S insurance carrier or agent certifying the above insurance coverage items are in effect and will not be cancelled or materially changed without 30 days' written notice given to the CITY. The commercial general liability policy shall be on an occurrence basis and shall include an endorsement naming the CITY as an additional insured and stating that coverage under such policy is primary over and non-contributory with any insurance the CITY may maintain.

12. Nondiscrimination

The CONTRACTOR agrees to take all steps necessary to comply with all federal, state, and City laws and policies regarding non-discrimination and equal employment opportunities. The CONTRACTOR shall not discriminate in any employment action because of race, religion, color, national origin or ancestry, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, marital status, familial status, or the presence of any sensory, mental or physical handicap. In the event of non-compliance by the CONTRACTOR with any of the non-discrimination provisions of this Contract, the CITY shall be deemed to have cause to terminate this Contract, in whole or in part.

13. Conflict of Interest

No officer, employee or agent of the CITY, nor any member of the immediate family of any such officer, employee or agent as defined by City ordinance, shall have any personal financial interest, direct or indirect, in this Contract, either in fact or in appearance. The CONTRACTOR shall comply with all federal, state, and City conflict of interest laws, statutes and regulations. The CONTRACTOR represents that the CONTRACTOR presently has no interest and shall not acquire any interest, direct or indirect, in the program to which this Contract pertains which would conflict in any manner or degree with the performance of the CONTRACTOR'S services and obligations hereunder. The CONTRACTOR further covenants that, in performance of this Contract, no person having any such interest shall be employed. The CONTRACTOR also agrees that its violation of the CITY'S Code of Ethics contained in Chapter 1.46 of the Tacoma Municipal Code shall constitute a breach of this Contract subjecting the Contract to termination.

14. Legislative Conflicts

The CONTRACTOR shall not enter into a contract that is directly or indirectly a conflict of interest with the known legislative position of the City. It is understood that conflicts may arise during the legislative session and any such conflicts shall be fully disclosed in writing.

15. City ownership of Work/Rights in Data and Publications

- A. To the extent that CONTRACTOR creates any Work subject to the protections of the Copyright Act (Title 17 U.S.C) in its performance of this Contract, CONTRACTOR agrees to the following: The Work has been specially ordered and commissioned by CITY. CONTRACTOR agrees that the Work is a "work made for hire" for copyright purposes, with all copyrights in the Work owned by CITY. To the extent that the Work does not qualify as a work made for hire under applicable law, and to the extent that the Work includes material subject to copyright, CONTRACTOR hereby assigns to CITY, its successors and assigns, all right, title and interest in and to the Work, including but not limited to, all patent, trade secret, and other proprietary rights and all rights, title and interest in and to any inventions and designs embodied in the Work or developed during the course of CONTRACTOR'S creation of the Work. CONTRACTOR shall execute and deliver such instruments and take such other action as may be required and requested by CITY to carry out, the assignment made pursuant to this section. Any documents, magnetically or optically encoded media, or other materials created by CONTRACTOR pursuant to this Contract shall be owned by CITY and subject to the terms of this section. To the maximum extent permitted by law, CONTRACTOR waives all moral rights in the Work. The rights granted hereby to CITY shall survive the expiration or termination of this Contract
- B. The CONTRACTOR shall be solely responsible for obtaining releases for the performance, display, recreation, or use of copyrighted materials.

16. Public Disclosure

- A. This Contract and documents provided to the CITY by CONTRACTOR hereunder are deemed public records subject to disclosure under the Washington State Public Records Act, Chapter 42.56 RCW (Public Records Act). Thus, the CITY may be required, upon request, to disclose this Contract and documents related to it unless an exemption under the Public Records Act or other laws applies. Should CITY receive a request for disclosure, CITY agrees to provide CONTRACTOR ten (10) days written notice of impending release, and to cooperate with any legal action which may be initiated by CONTRACTOR to enjoin or otherwise prevent such release, provided that all expense of any such litigation shall be borne by CONTRACTOR, including any damages, attorneys fees or costs awarded by reason of having opposed disclosure, and further provided that CITY shall not be liable for any release where notice was provided and CONTRACTOR took no action to oppose the release of information. Notice of any proposed release of information

pursuant to Chapter 42.56 RCW, shall be provided to CONTRACTOR according to the "Notices" provision herein.

- B. If CONTRACTOR provides the CITY with records that CONTRACTOR considers confidential or proprietary, CONTRACTOR must mark all applicable pages of said record(s) as "Confidential" or "Proprietary." If CONTRACTOR fails to so mark record(s), then (1) the CITY, upon request, may release said record(s) without the need to satisfy the requirements of subsection A above; and (2) the CONTRACTOR expressly waives its right to allege any kind of civil action or claim against the CITY pertaining to the release of said record(s).

17. Duty of Confidentiality

- A. CONTRACTOR acknowledges that unauthorized disclosure of information or documentation concerning the Scope of Work hereunder may cause substantial economic loss or harm to the CITY.
- B. Except for disclosure of information and documents to CONTRACTOR's employees, agents, or subcontractors who have a substantial need to know such information in connection with CONTRACTOR's performance of obligations under this Contract, the CONTRACTOR shall not without prior written authorization by the CITY allow the release, dissemination, distribution, sharing, or other publication or disclosure of information or documentation obtained, discovered, shared or produced pursuant to this Contract.
- C. The CONTRACTOR shall inform its employees, agents, and subcontractors of the confidentiality obligations under this Contract and instruct them so as to ensure such obligations are met. If so requested by the CITY, the CONTRACTOR further agrees to require its all individuals and entities performing services pursuant to this Contract to execute a Confidentiality and Non-Disclosure Agreement in a form acceptable to CITY.
- D. The CONTRACTOR shall not release any information or documentation concerning the work under this Contract or any part thereof for marketing, advertising, or other commercial activities or publication including, but not limited to, news releases or professional articles, without the prior written approval of the CITY. Any and all news releases, professional articles, marketing, advertising, publicity, or other commercial activities that describe or discuss the Project shall be reviewed and approved by the CITY prior to publication, disclosure and/or distribution. The CONTRACTOR may submit for review and approval a generic Project Abstracts describing the component parts of the Project. After receiving written approval of the Project Abstract from the CITY, the CONTRACTOR may make minor insignificant changes to the Project Abstract and use all or parts of the Project Abstract in proposals.

- E. This Section shall survive for six (6) years after the termination or expiration of this Contract.
- F. CONTRACTOR shall ensure that the text of this section is included in each subcontractor's Contract for work on the Project.

18. Dispute Resolution

In the event of a dispute pertaining to this Contract, the parties agree to attempt to negotiate in good faith an acceptable resolution. If a resolution cannot be negotiated, then the parties agree to submit the dispute to voluntary non-binding mediation before pursuing other remedies. This provision does not limit the CITY'S right to terminate authorized by this Contract.

19. Miscellaneous Provisions

- A. Governing Law and Venue. Washington law shall govern the interpretation of this Contract. Pierce County shall be the venue of any mediation, arbitration or litigation arising out of this Contract.
- B. Assignment. The CONTRACTOR shall not assign, subcontract, delegate, or transfer any obligation, interest or claim to or under this Contract or for any of the compensation due hereunder without the prior written consent of the CITY.
- C. No Third Party Beneficiaries. This Contract shall be for the sole benefit of the parties hereto, and nothing contained herein shall create a contractual relationship with, or create a cause of action in favor of, a third party against either party hereto.
- D. Waiver. A waiver or failure by either party to enforce any provision of this Contract shall not be construed as a continuing waiver of such provisions, nor shall the same constitute a waiver of any other provision of this Contract.
- E. Severability and Survival. If any term, condition or provision of this Contract is declared void or unenforceable or limited in its application or effect, such event shall not affect any other provisions hereof and all other provisions shall remain fully enforceable. The provisions of this Contract, which by their sense and context are reasonably intended to survive the completion, expiration or cancellation of this Contract, shall survive termination of this Contract.
- F. Entire Agreement. This Contract and the attached Exhibits, as modified herein, contain the entire agreement between the parties as to the services to be rendered hereunder. All previous and contemporaneous agreements, representations or promises and conditions relating to the subject matter of this Contract are superseded hereby. The Parties hereto mutually acknowledge, understand and agree that the terms and conditions set forth herein shall control and prevail over any conflicting terms and conditions stated in any attachments hereto.
- G. Modification. No modification or amendment of this Agreement shall be effective unless set forth in writing and signed by the Parties.

H. Authority to enter into this Contract. The undersigned Contractor representative, by his/her signature below, represents and warrants that he/she is duly authorized to execute this legally binding Contract for and on behalf of Contractor.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto have accepted and executed this Contract as of the day and year first written above.

CITY OF TACOMA

**GORDON THOMAS HONEYWELL
GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS, LLC**

T.C. Broadnax, City Manager

Printed Name: Briahna Taylor

Randall Lewis,
Government Relations Officer

Title: Vice President

Address: City/State/Zip

1201 Pacific Avenue, Ste. 2100
Tacoma, WA 98401

Approved:

Tax ID: _____

Andy Cherullo, Finance Director

Approved as to form and legality

Deputy City Attorney

Attest:

Doris Sorum, City Clerk

Debbie Dahlstrom, Risk Management

EXHIBIT "A"

SCOPE OF WORK

General Services

Working with the City's Government Relations Officer, the CONTRACTOR shall:

- Coordinate with Tacoma Public Utilities, including scheduling frequent meetings between general government and utility government relations staff, sharing legislative reports, and otherwise increasing communication between the entities on legislative issues. The City's General Government and Tacoma Public Utilities utilize the same governmental affairs firm for governmental affairs services. While different consultants within the firm are used to represent both the general government and the utilities department, the utilization of one firm creates the opportunity for more coordination, efficiencies and better overall representation.
- Provide city staff with one reserved parking space in Olympia during the legislative session.
- Assist the City in securing positive outcomes for the City's annual Legislative Priorities and represent the City's adopted positions on other key legislative and administrative issues.
- Meet with Pierce County legislators and key legislators from other communities on the City's legislative priorities and other legislative issues of interest to the City.
- Assist City staff in developing fallback and compromise positions when appropriate.
- Assist in answering inquiries and in developing technical information for legislators, committee presentations and hearings, and legislative and administrative staff.
- Assist City staff in determining positions of other parties involved in the City's Legislative Priorities and other legislative issues of interest to the City or when allies of the City would be key to moving forward the City's priorities.
- Attend hearings and other meetings relevant to the City's Legislative Priorities and other legislative issues of interest to the City.
- Determine key opportunities when City Council and City staff appearances are necessary in Olympia.
- Provide weekly reports of activity related to the City's Legislative Priorities and other legislative issues of interest to the City during legislative sessions and at other times as necessary.

