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	1	AGREEMENT
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	3	THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered, as of June 7, 2023, for reference
	4	purposes only, pursuant to a minute order adopted by the City Council of the City of Long
	5	Beach at its meeting on June 6, 2023, by and between HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP, a
	6	California limited liability partnership ("Consultant"), with a place of business located at 800
	7	17th Street NW, Suite 2200, Washington DC 20006, and the CITY OF LONG BEACH, a
	8	municipal corporation ("City").
	9	WHEREAS, it is essential that City establish and maintain effective liaison
	10	with agencies and officials of federal, state and local governments and other bodies,
	11	commissions, committees and organizations; and
	12	WHEREAS, City desires to present pertinent information, facts and data to
	13	said agencies and officials relating to matters involving and affecting City and its interests;
	14	and
	15	WHEREAS, City requires information and data from agencies and officials of
	16	the federal and state governments and other entities in order to facilitate the operation of
	17	the government of City; and
	18	WHEREAS, representation of City's interests and liaison between City and
	19	other officials, agencies, bodies, commissions, committees and organizations require the
	20	assistance of personnel experienced in such matters; and
	21	WHEREAS, City desires to contract with Consultant so that Consultant's
	22	services will be available to the appropriate City officers when said services are required;
	23	NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual terms, covenants, and
	24	conditions in this Agreement, the parties agree as follows:
	25	1. <u>SCOPE OF WORK OR SERVICES</u> . Consultant, at its cost, shall:
	26	A. Contact and communicate with agencies and officers of federal
	27	governmental entities as requested and directed by the City Manager of City or his
	28	designee;
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1 Β. Establish and maintain liaison with said agencies and officers; 2 C. Present and disseminate pertinent information and data 3 relating to matters concerning the interests of City; 4 D. Obtain information and data from said agencies and officers 5 pertaining to matters of interest or concern to City and transmit same to the 6 appropriate officers and employees of City; 7 E. Monitor federal legislation and rule-making processes by 8 federal agencies (whether pending or introduced or initiated during the term of this 9 Agreement) which impact the operations of City either as determined by Consultant 10 or as directed by the City Manager; 11 F. Provide City's officials and employees in a timely manner but 12 not less frequently than once each month with verbal status reports, and once every 13 other month with written status reports of legislation and rule-making processes 14 being monitored, including without limitation legislative histories, schedules of 15 hearings on proposed legislation and rules, and copies of proposed legislation and 16 rules and all amendments or proposed amendments thereto; 17 G. Identify funding that will assist in the creation of new City 18 programs, projects or services or the augmentation of existing City programs, 19 projects or services; 20 Η. Arrange meetings with legislative representatives for City staff 21 and elected officials, when necessary, and be prepared to participate as requested; 22 and I. 23 Conduct conference calls as necessary with City Manager, 24 Assistant City Manager, and their designee(s) to discuss progress of federal 25 advocacy efforts. 26 2. TERM. The term of this Agreement shall commence at midnight on 27 July 1, 2023, and shall terminate at 11:59 p.m. on June 30, 2025, unless sooner terminated 28 as provided in this Agreement. The term may be extended for three (3) additional one-2

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1 year periods, at the discretion of the City Manager.

3. <u>TERMINATION</u>. Either party hereto may terminate this Agreement for
 any reason at any time by giving to the other party ten (10) days prior notice of termination.
 In the event of termination pursuant to this Section 3, City shall pay Consultant for services
 performed up to the effective date of termination for which Consultant has not previously
 been paid and for which Consultant submits the statement required in Section 4.

4. <u>PAYMENT</u>.

A. City shall pay to Consultant the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) per month, plus an additional sum of up to Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) in approved expenses annually, commencing with the first payment on July 1, 2023. Total annual compensation shall not exceed One Hundred Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$130,000). In the event a court of competent jurisdiction or any administrative agency shall determine that payment of such compensation was otherwise contingent, then this Agreement shall be deemed rescinded ab initio.

B. Not later than the tenth (10th) day of each month during the term of this Agreement commencing July 1, 2023, Consultant shall submit to the City Manager, in a form acceptable to him, a reasonably detailed and itemized statement of Consultant's activities on behalf of City during the preceding month. Upon receipt of said statement, City will pay Consultant in due course of payments.

20 5. CITY'S OBLIGATIONS. In order to facilitate and expedite 21 Consultant's services on behalf of City, City shall cooperate in a timely manner with 22 Consultant to inform Consultant as to City's needs relating to legislative advocacy. 23 Specifically, City shall review and analyze all bills transmitted by Consultant and inform Consultant of City's positions, if any, in a timely manner, and provide timely briefings and 24 25 information to Consultant on all issues of interest to City that require Consultant's services. 26 6. CONFLICT OF INTEREST. Consultant, by executing this Agreement.

27 certifies that, at the time Consultant executes this Agreement and for its duration,28 Consultant does not and will not perform lobbying services for any other client that is

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adverse to the interests that Consultant is lobbying for on behalf of City, in the same or a
substantially related matter. As a condition of Consultant's representation of City, City
agrees that, without further notice, Consultant may represent other clients in matters
related to services performed by Consultant under this Agreement, but not if the
representation of such other clients is adverse to City. Under no circumstance will
Consultant use any confidential information received from City in any way inconsistent with
Consultant's professional responsibilities.

8 7. ASSIGNMENT AND SUBCONTRACTING. This Agreement 9 contemplates the personal services of Consultant and Consultant's employees, and the 10 parties acknowledge that a substantial inducement to City for entering this Agreement was and is the professional reputation and competence of Consultant and Consultant's 11 12 employees. Consultant shall not assign its rights or delegate its duties under this 13 Agreement, or any interest in this Agreement, or any portion of it, without the prior approval of City, except that Consultant may with the prior approval of the City Manager of City, 14 15 assign any moneys due or to become due the Consultant under this Agreement. Any 16 attempted assignment or delegation shall be void, and any assignee or delegate shall 17 acquire no right or interest by reason of an attempted assignment or delegation. 18 Furthermore, Consultant shall not subcontract any portion of its performance without the 19 prior approval of the City Manager or designee, or substitute an approved subconsultant or contractor without approval prior to the substitution. Nothing stated in this Section shall 20 prevent Consultant from employing as many employees as Consultant deems necessary 21 22 for performance of this Agreement.

8. <u>INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR</u>. In rendering services hereunder,
 Consultant is an independent contractor and not an employee of City. Consultant
 acknowledges and agrees that (a) City will not withhold taxes of any kind from Consultant's
 compensation; (b) City will not secure workers' compensation or pay unemployment
 insurance to, for or on Consultant's behalf; and (c) City will not provide and Consultant is
 not entitled to any of the usual and customary rights, benefits or privileges of City

employees. Consultant expressly warrants that neither Consultant nor any of Consultant's
 employees or agents shall represent themselves to be employees or agents of City.

9. INSURANCE.

A. As a condition precedent to the effectiveness of this Agreement, Consultant shall procure and maintain, at Consultant's expense for the duration of this Agreement, from insurance companies that are admitted to write insurance in California and have ratings of or equivalent to A:V by A.M. Best Company or from authorized non-admitted insurance companies subject to Section 1763 of the California Insurance Code and that have ratings of or equivalent to A:VIII by A.M. Best Company, the following insurance:

(a) Commercial general liability insurance (equivalent in scope to ISO form CG 00 01 11 85 or CG 00 01 10 93) in an amount not less than \$1,000,000 per each occurrence and \$2,000,000 general aggregate. This coverage shall include but not be limited to broad form contractual liability, cross liability, independent contractors liability (arising from Consultant's vicarious liability only), and products and completed operations liability. City, its boards and commissions, and their officials, employees and agents shall be named as additional insureds by endorsement (on City's endorsement form or on an endorsement equivalent in scope to ISO form CG 20 10 11 85 or CG 20 26 11 85), and this insurance shall contain no special limitations on the scope of protection given to City, its boards and commissions, and their officials, employees and agents. This policy shall be endorsed to state that the insurer waives its right of subrogation against City, its boards and commissions, and their officials, employees and agents.

(b) Workers' Compensation insurance as required by the CaliforniaLabor Code and employer's liability insurance in an amount not less than\$1,000,000. This policy shall be endorsed to state that the insurer waives

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its right of subrogation against City, its boards and commissions, and their officials, employees and agents.

(c) Professional liability or errors and omissions insurance in an amount not less than \$1,000,000 per claim.

(d) Commercial automobile liability insurance (equivalent in scope to ISO form CA 00 01 06 92), covering Auto Symbol 1 (Any Auto) in an amount not less than \$500,000 combined single limit per accident.

B. Any self-insurance program, self-insured retention, or deductible must be separately approved in writing by City's Risk Manager or designee and shall protect City, its officials, employees and agents in the same manner and to the same extent as they would have been protected had the policy or policies not contained retention or deductible provisions.

C. Each insurance policy shall be endorsed to state that coverage shall not be canceled except after thirty (30) days prior written notice to City (except ten (10) days for non-payment of premium and Consultant's professional liability insurance which does not provide for such notice), shall be primary and not contributing to any other insurance or self-insurance maintained by City, and shall be endorsed to state that coverage maintained by City shall be excess to and shall not contribute to insurance or self-insurance maintained by Consultant. Consultant shall notify City in writing within five (5) days after any non-professional liability insurance has been voided by the insurer or cancelled by the insured. In the unlikely event that Consultant's professional liability insurance was cancelled, Consultant would advise the City in a timely manner.

D. If this coverage is written on a "claims made" basis, it must provide for an extended reporting period of not less than one hundred eighty (180) days, commencing on the date this Agreement expires or is terminated, unless Consultant guarantees that Consultant will provide to City evidence of uninterrupted, continuing coverage for a period of not less than three (3) years, commencing on the date this Agreement expires or is terminated.

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OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY DAWN MCINTOSH, City Attorney 411 West Ocean Boulevard, 9th Floor Long Beach, CA 90802-4664 E. Consultant shall require that all subconsultants or contractors that Consultant uses in the performance of these services maintain insurance in compliance with this Section unless otherwise agreed in writing by City's Risk Manager or designee.

F. Prior to the start of performance, Consultant shall deliver to City certificates of insurance and the endorsements for approval as to sufficiency and form. In addition, Consultant shall, upon renewal of the insurance, furnish to City certificates of insurance and endorsements evidencing renewal of the insurance. City reserves the right to require complete certified copies of all non-professional liability policies of Consultant and Consultant's subconsultants and contractors, at any time. Consultant shall make available to City's Risk Manager or designee all books, records and other information relating to this non-professional liability insurance, during normal business hours.

G. Any modification or waiver of these insurance requirements shall only be made with the approval of City's Risk Manager or designee. Not more frequently than once a year, City's Risk Manager or designee may require that Consultant, Consultant's subconsultants and contractors change the amount, scope or types of coverages required in this Section if, in his or her sole opinion, the amount, scope or types of coverages are not adequate. Consultant reserves the right to review any future modification by the City of these professional liability insurance requirements. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if Consultant fails or refuses to obtain such modified amount, scope or types of coverages as the City may require, the City's sole remedy for Consultant's failure or refusal shall be to terminate the Agreement with no right to monetary damages, and the City shall pay Consultant for services performed by it prior to termination.

H. The procuring or existence of insurance shall not be construed or deemed as a limitation on liability relating to Consultant's performance or as full

performance of or compliance with the indemnification provisions of this Agreement.

10. <u>INDEMNITY</u>.

A. Consultant shall indemnify, protect and hold harmless City, its Boards, Commissions, and their officials, employees and agents ("Indemnified Parties"), from and against any and all liability, claims, demands, damage, loss, obligations, causes of action, proceedings, awards, fines, judgments, penalties, costs and expenses, including attorneys' fees, court costs, expert and witness fees, and other costs and fees of litigation, arising or alleged to have arisen, in whole or in part, out of or in connection with (1) Consultant's breach or failure to comply with any of its obligations contained in this Agreement, or (2) negligent or willful acts, errors, omissions or misrepresentations committed by Consultant, its officers, employees, agents, subcontractors, or anyone under Consultant's control, in the performance of work or services under this Agreement (collectively "Claims" or individually "Claim").

B. If a court of competent jurisdiction determines that a Claim was caused by the sole negligence or willful misconduct of Indemnified Parties, Consultant's costs of defense and indemnity shall be (1) reimbursed in full if the court determines sole negligence by the Indemnified Parties, or (2) reduced by the percentage of willful misconduct attributed by the court to the Indemnified Parties.

C. The provisions of this Section shall survive the expiration or termination of this Agreement.

11. <u>NOTICE</u>. Any notices shall be in writing and personally delivered or
deposited in the U.S. Postal Service, first class, postage prepaid to Consultant at the
address above, and to City at 411 West Ocean Boulevard, Long Beach, California 90802
Attn: City Manager. Notice of change of address shall be given in the same manner as
stated for other notices. Notice shall be deemed given on the date deposited in the mail
or on the date personal delivery is made, whichever occurs first.

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12. <u>AMENDMENT</u>. This Agreement, including all Exhibits, shall not be

amended, nor any provision or breach waived, except in writing signed by the parties which
 expressly refers to this Agreement.

3 13. <u>GOVERNING LAW</u>. This Agreement shall be governed by and
4 construed pursuant to the laws of the State of California (except those provisions of
5 California law pertaining to conflicts of laws).

6 14. <u>ENTIRE AGREEMENT</u>. This Agreement, including all Exhibits,
7 constitutes the entire understanding between the parties and supersedes all other
8 agreements, oral or written, with respect to the subject matter in this Agreement.

9 15. NONDISCRIMINATION. In connection with performance of this 10 Agreement and subject to applicable rules and regulations, Consultant shall not 11 discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, 12 national origin, color, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, AIDS, HIV status, 13 handicap or disability. Consultant shall ensure that applicants are employed, and that 14 employees are treated during their employment, without regard to these bases. These 15 actions shall include, but not be limited to, the following: employment, upgrading, demotion 16 or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; lavoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. 17

18 16. <u>EQUAL BENEFITS ORDINANCE</u>. Unless otherwise exempted in
19 accordance with the provisions of the Ordinance, this Agreement is subject to the
20 applicable provisions of the Equal Benefits Ordinance (EBO), section 2.73 et seq. of the
21 Long Beach Municipal Code, as amended from time to time.

A. During the performance of this Agreement, the Consultant certifies and represents that the Consultant will comply with the EBO. The Consultant agrees to post the following statement in conspicuous places at its place of business available to employees and applicants for employment:

"During the performance of a contract with the City of Long Beach, the Consultant will provide equal benefits to employees with spouses and its employees with domestic partners. Additional information about the City of

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Long Beach's Equal Benefits Ordinance may be obtained from the City of Long Beach Business Services Division at 562-570-6200."

B. The failure of the Consultant to comply with the EBO will be deemed to be a material breach of the Agreement by the City.

C. If the Consultant fails to comply with the EBO, the City may cancel, terminate or suspend the Agreement, in whole or in part, and monies due or to become due under the Agreement may be retained by the City. The City may also pursue any and all other remedies at law or in equity for any breach.

D. Failure to comply with the EBO may be used as evidence against the Consultant in actions taken pursuant to the provisions of Long Beach Municipal Code 2.93 et seq., Contractor Responsibility.

E. If the City determines that the Consultant has set up or used its contracting entity for the purpose of evading the intent of the EBO, the City may terminate the Agreement on behalf of the City. Violation of this provision may be used as evidence against the Consultant in actions taken pursuant to the provisions of Long Beach Municipal Code Section 2.93 et seq., Contractor Responsibility.

17. <u>WAIVER</u>. The acceptance of any services or the payment of any
money by City shall not operate as a waiver of any provision of this Agreement or of any
right to damages or indemnity stated in this Agreement. The waiver of any breach of this
20 Agreement shall not constitute a waiver of any other or subsequent breach of this
21 Agreement.

18. <u>CONTINUATION</u>. Termination or expiration of this Agreement shall
not affect rights or liabilities of the parties which accrued prior to termination or expiration
of this Agreement.

19. <u>TAX REPORTING</u>. As required by federal and state law, City is
obligated to and will report the payment of compensation to Consultant on Form 1099Misc. Consultant shall be solely responsible for payment of all federal and state taxes
resulting from payments under this Agreement. Consultant shall submit Consultant's

1 Employer Identification Number (EIN), or Consultant's Social Security Number if 2 Consultant does not have an EIN, in writing to City's Accounts Payable, Department of 3 Financial Management. Consultant acknowledges and agrees that City has no obligation to pay Consultant until Consultant provides one of these numbers. 4 5 20. [RESERVED]. 6 21. THIRD PARTY BENEFICIARY. This Agreement is not intended or 7 designed to or entered for the purpose of creating any benefit or right for any person or 8 entity of any kind that is not a party to this Agreement. 9 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this document to be duly 10 executed with all formalities required by law as of the date first stated above. 11 HOLLAND & KNIGHT LLP, a California limited liability partnership 12 m 13 2023 Bv Name 14 Senior Title VISOR 15 EXECUTED PURSUANT "Consultant" TO SECTION 301 OF 16 THE CITY CHARTER. CITY OF LONG BEACH, a municipal 17 corporation 18 12 Sinda 5.0 2023 Bv Citv Manager 19 "City" 20 1-2 This Agreement is approved as to form on 2023. 21 22 DAWN MOINTOSH, City Attorney 23 By 24 Deputy 25 26 27 28 11 RFA:bg A23-01298 (06-21-2023) 01534941.DOCX

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