

**ADOPTED - BOARD OF TRUSTEES
COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508
FEBRUARY 8, 2007**

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508
County of Cook and State of Illinois**

LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

**MAYER, BROWN, ROWE & MAW, LLP
VINCENT R. WILLIAMS AND ASSOCIATES (Vincent Williams),
LUKING AND ASSOCIATES (William Luking),
GABRIEL LOPEZ AND ASSOCIATES (Gabriel Lopez)**

THE CHANCELLOR

REPORTS

that it is necessary to enter into agreements with the following firms to provide lobby services for the City Colleges of Chicago: Mayer, Brown, Rowe, & Maw, LLP, 71 S. Wacker Drive, Chicago, IL 60603; Vincent R. Williams and Associates (Vincent Williams), 1843 N. Natchez, Chicago, IL 60655; Luking and Associates (William Luking), 120 West Kinzie, Chicago, IL 60610; and Gabriel Lopez and Associates (Gabriel Lopez), 3108 W. Irving Park Road, Chicago, IL 60618; and

that the firm of Mayer, Brown, Rowe, & Maw, LLP, has provided legislative representation of the District in Springfield during prior years; that their services have been beneficial to the interests of the City Colleges of Chicago; and

that Vincent R. Williams, a principal in the firm of Vincent R. Williams and Associates, was responsible for establishing the Intergovernmental Affairs Department of the City Colleges of Chicago and will be primarily responsible for services which include but are not limited to legislative strategies and moving our legislative agenda forward; and

that William Luking of Luking and Associates, has provided legislative services for the City Colleges of Chicago, has over twenty years of experience as a lobbyist at the state and local level and represents the City Colleges of Chicago in developing legislative strategies, creating legislation and moving legislation forward in areas pertaining to higher education, pension, and appropriation; and

that Gabriel Lopez has provided City Colleges of Chicago with his expert legislative knowledge and insight, which have been beneficial to the interests of the City Colleges of Chicago; and

that these contractors are recommended for approval for the period between January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007; and

that these agreements for professional services are exempt from the District's competitive procurement requirements; and

that the Office of M/WBE Contract Compliance has reviewed the above referenced agreements for lobby services and due to the specialized and confidential relationship the aforementioned lobbyists have with the City Colleges of Chicago, and since each of these vendors have shown due diligence in utilizing minority and women in servicing the needs of the District, it is recommended that a waiver from compliance with the Board approved Participation Plan be granted.

THE CHANCELLOR

RECOMMENDS

that the Board of Trustees approve agreements with the following persons/entities stating the terms and conditions whereby lobbying services will be provided for the period January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007:

- Mayer, Brown, Rowe, & Maw, 71 S. Wacker Drive, Chicago, IL 60606, at an annual fee of \$100,000.00, plus out-of-pocket expenses not to exceed \$2,000.00 per year;
- Vincent R. Williams and Associates, 1843 N. Natchez, Chicago, IL 60655, at an annual fee of \$72,000.00, plus out of pocket expenses not to exceed \$8,400.00 per year;
- Luking and Associates, 120 North Kinzie, Chicago, IL 60610, at a annual fee of \$30,000.00; plus out-of-pocket expenses not to exceed \$3,000 per year;
- Gabriel Lopez and Associates, 3108 W. Irving Park Road, Chicago, Illinois 60618, at a annual fee of \$16,500.00

FINANCIAL

Not to exceed \$231,900.00

FY2007 - \$115,950 - 00003-0015507-80000-00000-00000000-530000 (Jan. 2007 - Jun. 2007)

FY2008 - \$115,950 - 00003-0015507-80000-00000-00000000-530000 (Jul. 2007 - Dec. 2007)

Respectfully submitted,

**Wayne D. Watson
Chancellor**