

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

**LEGISLATIVE SERVICES  
TAYLOR UHE LLC (Mark Taylor & Rob Uhe),  
VINCENT R. WILLIAMS AND ASSOCIATES (Vincent Williams),  
LUKING AND ASSOCIATES (William Luking)**

**THE CHANCELLOR**

**REPORTS**

that the City Colleges of Chicago desires to extend the agreements with the following legislative representatives to provide lobbying services for the City Colleges of Chicago: Taylor Uhe, LLC, 312 S. 4th Street, Suite 200, Springfield, IL 62701; Vincent R. Williams and Associates (Vincent Williams), 49 Ashland Avenue, River Forest, IL 60305; and Luking and Associates (William Luking), 120 West Kinzie, Chicago, IL 60610; and

that the firm of Taylor Uhe LLC, has represented the District in Springfield during the past fiscal year and its principal partner Mark Taylor has represented the District in Springfield while being a partner at Mayer, Brown, Rowe & Maw during prior years; that his services have been beneficial to the interests of the City Colleges of Chicago. Additionally, tThe secondary principal Rob Uhe has worked with the District during previous years in his capacity as the General Counsel for the Illinois House of Representatives; 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 the services to be provided, which include but are not limited, to, legislative strategy and moving our legislative agenda forward; and

that William Luking of Luking and Associates, who 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 benefits, and appropriations; and

that these contractors are recommended for approval for the period between February 5, 2009 through January 31, 2010; and

that these legislative services require a high degree of professional skill and are therefore exempt from the District's competitive bidding requirements; and

that the Office of M/WBE Contract Compliance in conjunction with the Chancellor has reviewed the above referenced agreements for lobbying services and due to the confidential and specialized requirements needed for theses services, it is recommended that a waiver from compliance with the Board approved Participation Plan be granted.

**THE CHANCELLOR**

**RECOMMENDS**

that the Board of Trustees authorizes the Chairman to execute agreements with the following entities whereby lobbying services will be provided to the City Colleges of Chicago for the period starting February 5, 2009 through January 31, 2010 on behalf of the City Colleges of Chicago:

- to Taylor Uhe, LLC, 312 S. 4th Street, Suite 200, Springfield, IL 62701, at an annual fee of \$90,000.00, plus out-of-pocket expenses not to exceed \$2,000.00 per year;
- to Vincent R. Williams and Associates, 49 Ashland Avenue, River Forest, IL 60305, at an annual fee of \$82,000.00, plus out of pocket expenses not to exceed \$8,400.00 per year;
- to Luking and Associates, 120 North Kinzie, Chicago, IL 60610, at an annual fee of \$46,000.00; plus out-of-pocket expenses not to exceed \$3,000 per year.

**FINANCIAL**

Not to exceed \$231,400.00

FY2009 - \$121,000 - 00003-0015507-80000-00000-000000000-530000

FY2010 - \$110,400 - 00003-0015507-80000-00000-000000000-530000

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Wayne D. Watson  
Chancellor**

**February 5, 2009 – Intergovernmental Affairs- District Office**