THE CHANCELLOR RECOMMENDS:

that the Board of Trustees authorizes the Chair to execute an agreement with CNR Consulting, to provide lobbying services for the period commencing no sooner than August 7, 2014, through June 30, 2015, at a total cost not to exceed $40,000 for the contract term.

VENDOR: CNR Consulting
740 West Fulton, Suite 513
Chicago, Illinois 60661

USER: District-Wide

TERM:
The term of this agreement shall commence no sooner than August 7, 2014 and continue through June 30, 2015 with an option to renew for one (1) additional year.

SCOPE OF SERVICES:
CNR Consulting will provide assistance with the following legislative needs: (1) the development of legislative strategies; (2) drafting, preparing and presenting legislation; (3) identification and retrieval of information on state programs that may benefit City Colleges; and (4) communication of City Colleges of Chicago’s positions to the legislature.

BENEFIT TO CITY COLLEGES OF CHICAGO:
CNR Consulting will assist in developing City Colleges’ legislative strategy and moving our legislative agenda forward.

VENDOR SELECTION CRITERIA:
CNR Consulting was selected based upon the high degree of professional skill necessary for these services and is therefore, pursuant to State law, exempt from the District’s competitive bidding requirements.
MBE/WBE COMPLIANCE:
The Office of M/WBE Contract Compliance has reviewed the listing of legislative consultants and, with no further opportunity to subcontract the services of this nature is recommending a waiver of direct M/WBE participation in compliance with the Board Approved Participation Plan.

GENERAL CONDITIONS:
Inspector General- It shall be the duty of each party to the agreement to cooperate with the Inspector General for City Colleges of Chicago in any investigation conducted pursuant to the Inspector General's authority under Article 2, Section 2.7.4(b) of the Board Bylaws.

Ethics – It shall be the duty of each party to the agreement to comply with the applicable provisions of the Board’s Ethics Policy adopted January 7, 1993, and as amended by the Board.

Contingent Liability – Pursuant to Section 7-14 of the Illinois Public Community College Act, all agreements authorized herein shall contain a clause that any expenditure beyond the current fiscal year is subject to appropriation in the subsequent fiscal year.

FINANCIAL:
Total: $40,000
Charge to: Office of Intergovernmental Affairs
Source of Funds: Education Fund
FY14: 539100-00003-0019015-83000

Respectfully submitted,

Cheryl L. Hyman
Chancellor

August 7, 2014 – Office of Institutional Advancement - Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs