



City of Dallas

Consideration of Federal Legislative Consultant Contracts

**Ad Hoc Committee on Legislative Affairs
August 05, 2025**

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Overview



- Federal Legislative Consultants Contracts
- Next Steps



Federal Legislative Consultants



- **CapitalEdge Strategies, LLC – Ralph Garboushian, Debra Haney-Howard**
 - ❑ Represented the City since 1998
 - ❑ Current: \$168,000 per year (two-year contract)
 - ❑ Last increase was in 2023
 - ❑ Proposed: \$170,000 per year (two-year contract, with one two-year renewal option)
- **Thorn Run Partners, LLC – Paul Schlesinger, Jim Davenport**
 - ❑ Represented the City since 2000
 - ❑ Current: \$85,000 per (two-year contract)
 - ❑ Last increase was in 2023
 - ❑ Proposed: \$88,000 per year (two-year contract, with one two-year renewal option)



Recent Funding History



Fiscal Year	Amount
2024	\$253,000.00
2023	\$253,000.00
2022	\$245,000.00
2021	\$245,000.00
2020	\$245,000.00
2019	\$245,000.00
2018	\$245,000.00
2017	\$277,450.00
2016	\$277,450.00
2015	\$277,450.00



Next Steps



- City Council consideration of federal legislative consultant contracts on August 27, 2025.





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