WHEREAS, there exists a need for the City to have reliable means of receiving information regarding pending federal legislative and executive action which may impact the City; and

WHEREAS, the City of Dallas with the participation of the cities of Arlington, Austin and Denton comprise the Texas Cities Legislative Coalition (TCLC); and

WHEREAS, CapitalEdge Strategies, LLC monitors federal legislation impacting the cities and works with the Texas Congressional delegation and the Executive Branch to advance City interests and priorities; and

WHEREAS, CapitalEdge Strategies, LLC works closely with national municipal organizations, including the National League of Cities, the United States Conference of Mayors, and the International City-County Management Association, and others to make sure they are aware of the City's positions and agendas; and

WHEREAS, CapitalEdge Strategies, LLC makes presentations to Council members during the meetings of the National League of Cities as well as at any other time requested by the City; and

WHEREAS, CapitalEdge Strategies, LLC provides supplemental information necessary to understanding the effects and impacts of federal legislation and regulations; and

WHEREAS, CapitalEdge Strategies, LLC also provides timely information about government grant programs, frequently based on personal contact with federal program managers, and directly sends information to appropriate staff to facilitate Dallas funding applications.

Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DALLAS:

SECTION 1. That the City Manager is hereby authorized to execute a professional services contract with CapitalEdge Strategies, LLC, approved as to form by the City Attorney, to provide federal legislative services for the period November 1, 2021 through October 31, 2022, in an amount not to exceed $160,000.00.

SECTION 2. That the Chief Financial Officer is hereby authorized to make periodic payments in an amount not to exceed $160,000.00 to CapitalEdge Strategies, LLC in accordance with the terms of the contract from General Fund, Fund 0001, Department BMS, Unit 1978, Object 3035, Commodity 91858, Encumbrance/Contract No. IGS-2021-00016862, Vendor VC0000008080.

SECTION 3. That this resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its passage in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the City of Dallas, and it is accordingly so resolved.