

Memorandum



DATE September 29, 2026

TO Honorable Members of the Ad Hoc Committee on Legislative Affairs: Jesse Moreno (Chair), Lorie Blair, Maxie Johnson, Kathy Stewart, Chad West

SUBJECT Procurement of Lobbyists for the 90th Texas Legislature

This memorandum provides an update regarding the procurement of lobbyists for the upcoming 90th Texas Legislative Session.

In 2025, the Legislature enacted a new law requiring the city to competitively procure all lobbying services. During consideration of the FY 2026-2027 budget, city council appropriated \$300,000.00 for the procurement of lobbyists.

The City Attorney's Office, Office of Government Affairs, and Office of Procurement Services are working on a request for proposal (RFP) for lobbying services. After the Ad Hoc Committee on Legislative Affairs makes its recommendation to city council on the city's legislative priorities, those recommended priorities can be included in the RFP to inform proposers of the city's desired lobbying specialties. We anticipate that the RFP will be issued in mid-October 2026.

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