

Mayor & City Council

Workshop Session

~ Agenda ~

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Monday, July 20, 2020

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

- 1. Presentation on the scope of work by Peachtree Government Relations (PGR) for the 2020 Georgia Legislative Session and consideration of the renewal of a Legislative Representation Agreement between the City of College Park and PGR. See memorandum dated July 16, 2020 from City Manager Terrence R. Moore. Also, see attached proposed agreement and PowerPoint presentation prepared by PGR.
- **2.** Federal Advocacy Update 2019-2020 by The Ferguson Group (TFG) and consideration of the renewal of a federal lobbying services agreement between the City of College Park and TFG. See memorandum dated July 16, 2020 from City Manager Terrence R. Moore. Also, see attached proposed agreement and Federal Advocacy Update prepared by TFG.



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WORKSHOP AGENDA ITEM

DOC ID: 8228

DATE: July 16, 2020

TO: The Honorable Mayor and Members of City Council

FROM: Terrence Moore, City Manager

RE: Peachtree Government Relations-State Lobbying Services

PURPOSE: Consideration of the renewal of the Legislative Representation Agreement between the City of College Park and Peachtree Government Relations (PGR). PGR will also provide a presentation on the scope of work performed during the 2020 Georgia Legislative Session.

REASON: The current agreement expired June 30, 2020.

RECOMMENDATION: Council approval of renewal of the agreement with Peachtree Government Relations (PGR) FY 2020-21.

BACKGROUND: PGR provides government relations and public affairs consulting services to College Park including all activities normally associated with state legislative lobbying, as specifically authorized by College Park after consultation with College Park's Mayor and City Council.

COST TO CITY: \$5,000.00 monthly fee.

BUDGETED ITEM: Yes. Acct. # 100-1300-52-5510 (Consulting).

REVENUE TO CITY: N/A.

CITY COUNCIL HEARING DATE: July 20, 2020.

CONSIDERATION BY OTHER GOVERNMENT ENTITIES: N/A.

AFFECTED AGENCIES: N/A.

RELATIONSHIP TO EXISTING ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION: N/A.

REQUIRED CHANGES TO WORK PROGRAMS: N/A.

STAFF: Office of the City Manager's Office.

Updated: 7/16/2020 11:10 AM by Rosyline Robinson

ATTACHMENTS:

- CP.legis.presenation.2020(PDF)
- PGR Contract (DOCX)
- Peachtree Government Relations Agreement_12-01-19 thru 06-30-20 (PDF)

Review:

- Terrence R. Moore Completed 07/10/2020 2:49 PM
- Rosyline Robinson Completed 07/10/2020 2:52 PM
- Jackson Myers Completed 07/14/2020 9:10 AM
- City Attorney's Office Completed 07/14/2020 11:46 PM
- Terrence R. Moore Completed 07/15/2020 2:20 PM
- Mayor & City Council
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Legislative Update









Don Bolia, Laura Norton, Brittany Ellison, Tyler Lewis, Winston Meshad

Graham Thompson

Howard Franklin
Joel Alvarado

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MOST Update- House Bill 443

- January 2020
 - Met with Chairman Harrell and Chairman Knight
 - Provided requested information on College Park expenditure
- February 6th, 2020 College Park Day at the Capitol
 - Mayor Broom had a successful meeting with the College Park delegation
- March 2020
 - O Met with Senators Thompson and Jackson regarding amending legislation in Senate Finance
 - We determined the bill would likely have not been agreed in House Ways and Means



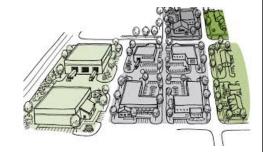
*MOST Tax 2021 Session of the General Assembly

- After the 2020 November elections, evaluate any changes that may provide opportunities for College Park.
- Plan follow-up meeting with the College Park delegation
- Meet with Chairman of the Ways and Means committee and the Finance committee
- Meet with the Governor's staff
- Coordinate with Cities of Atlanta, Eastpoint and Hapeville

House Bill 779

- Sponsored by Rep. Blackmon and others
- Increased the share that College Park will get from the TAVT tax
- Went from 23% of the proceeds to 28%
- Passed the House 157-1, Senate 50-0
- Awaiting the signature of the Governor

House Bill 302/Senate Bill 172



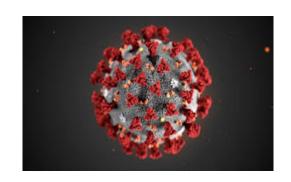
- Representative Vance Smith and Senator John Wilkinson
- The bill eliminates local government control over design standards
- Did not Crossover In House Agriculture and Consumer Affairs
- Various attempts were made to add this language to other bills
- Bill did not pass during the 2020 Session

House Bill 523- Short Term Rentals



- Sponsored by Rep. Carpenter and others
- This bill would have pre-empted local governments from regulating short term rentals (29 days or less)
- Various attempts were made to pass this bill, including SB 162, which would have allowed local regulations of STRs, including occupancy and zoning, but no outright ban of STRs, but all of them failed. We expect an effort in 2021 to both address outright STR bans and distinguish between commercial and residential STR offerings

Senate Bill 359- Covid Liability Protections



- Provides liability coverage for a number of entities including municipalities
- Coverage does not extend in the case of gross negligence, willful and wanton misconduct, or reckless infliction of harm
- Sunsets on July 14th, 2021

House Bill 504



- Sponsored by Rep. Burnough and others
- It eliminates exemptions from ad valorem taxation for public property owned by a political subdivision outside of its territorial limits
- Requires a referendum election
- Hearing only
- Priority for Clayton County

Transportation

- Atlanta Regional Commission
- Community Improvement Districts
- Tax Allocation Districts
- GDOT
- USDOT
- MARTA
- Bridge



Economic Development



- Working with the Georgia Department of Economic Development (GDEcD)
- Work with Fulton County (Select Fulton)
- Work with Atlanta Visitors and Convention Bureau
- Work with various chambers
- Working with Dept of Economic Development to explore renewing and/or revising the State Opportunity Zone

Coordination with Fulton County and Cities

- Re-establish Mayors meeting
- Build a better relationship with North Fulton cities



Questions or Comments?

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Legislative Representation Agreement <u>Sound View Strategies</u>

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- 6. <u>Lobbyist Registration</u>. The Lobbyist and Lobbyist Principals each will register with the Public Disclosure Commission and other required entities as a lobbyist for College Park as soon as their activities for College Park constitute "lobbying" under RCW 42.17A.005(3) and shall remain registered until this Agreement has expired, is extended, or terminated. Lobbyist will send confirmation of registration to City Manager.
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Attn: Don Bolia

1100 Peachtree Street, NE

Suite 675

Atlanta, GA 30309

College Park: City of College Park

Attn: Terrence Moore, City Manager

P.O. Box 87137 College Park, GA 30337



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Don Bolia, Principal	-	
CITY OF COLLEGE PARK		
By: Bianca Motley Broom, Mayor	- Date:	Delated List D. Louise
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By:

Don Bolia. Principal

CITY OF COLLEGE PARK

Date: 12/5/2019

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WORKSHOP AGENDA ITEM

DOC ID: 8234

DATE: July 16, 2020

TO: The Honorable Mayor and Members of City Council

FROM: Terrence Moore, City Manager

RE: The Ferguson Group - Federal Lobbying Services

PURPOSE: Federal Advocacy Update 2019-2020 by The Ferguson Group (TFG) and consideration of the renewal of a federal lobbying services agreement between the City of College Park and TFG.

REASON: The current contract expired June 30, 2020.

RECOMMENDATION: Council approval of renewal of the contract with The Ferguson Group for FY 2020-21.

BACKGROUND: The Ferguson Group (TFG) acts as the Washington representative for the City of College Park. TFG provides review and development of legislation having bearing on the City's policies and programs. Additionally, TFG performs other related tasks as outlined by the City and within the scope of the attached Professional Services Agreement.

COST TO CITY: \$6,833.00/month plus expenses.

BUDGETED ITEM: Yes. Acct. # 100-1300-52-5510 (Consulting).

REVENUE TO CITY: N/A.

CITY COUNCIL HEARING DATE: July 20, 2020.

CONSIDERATION BY OTHER GOVERNMENT ENTITIES: N/A.

AFFECTED AGENCIES: N/A.

RELATIONSHIP TO EXISTING ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION: N/A.

REQUIRED CHANGES TO WORK PROGRAMS: N/A.

STAFF: City Manager's Office.

Updated: 7/16/2020 11:30 AM by Rosyline Robinson

ATTACHMENTS:

- Federal Advocacy Update 2019-2020 with attachment (PDF)
- The Ferguson Group Contract-Standard Agreement_FY2020-21 (DOC)
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Memo



то: City of College Park, Georgia – Mayor and City Council

DATE: July 15, 2020

Federal Advocacy and Grants Update

The Ferguson Group (TFG) works aggressively to assist the City of College Park in achieving its federal goals and objectives and appreciates the opportunity to continue our work on the City's behalf. Over the past year, we provided information and strategic counsel on various policy and regulatory initiatives and assisted the City in applying for competitive grant opportunities.

Transportation and Infrastructure

TFG works with local staff to ensure that the City's transportation priorities are both funded and on track for successful completion. We assisted local staff with the City's application to the Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) to fund the pedestrian bridge over Camp Creek Parkway. We also drafted and secured Congressional support letters addressed to ARC leadership for that application.

The transportation reauthorization bill, or the FAST Act, expires September 30, 2020. Congress has begun work on the next authorization and TFG has provided staff with a detailed report of what is included in the House and Senate reauthorization bills. We are working with staff to priorities the issues for which the City will advocate as the authorization process continues.

The House of Representatives passed a sweeping infrastructure package this summer. TFG drafted for local staff a detailed summary of that package (which includes the House transportation reauthorization bill). We are working with staff to identify priority programs and ultimately advocate for inclusion of those programs in the final infrastructure bill.

Law Enforcement and Public Safety

TFG also continues to seek federal investment in resources critical to the City's police and fire departments, including the Local Law Enforcement Block Grant, the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) program, the Byrne/Justice Assistance Grants (JAG) program, and FEMA programs to support personnel, fire prevention activities, and pre-disaster mitigation. For example, FEMA's Staffing for Adequate Fire & Emergency Response (SAFER) Grants, Fire Prevention & Safety Grant Program, and Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program – COVID-19 Supplemental.

We alert the City of grant opportunities to support public safety and emergency services and continue to keep the Departments informed of federal guidance and resources to support public safety efforts in response to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic including, guidance issued by FEMA explaining the types of emergency protective measures that are eligible under FEMA's Public Assistance (PA) Program and the Bureau of Justice



Assistance FY 2020 Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Program and the City's eligibility. We are monitoring and keeping the City abreast of actions in Congress on police reform legislation and recommendations from the U.S. Conference of Mayors Working Group on Police Reform and Racial Justice that includes mayors, police chiefs, and police advisors.

Energy and Environment

TFG monitors and reports on funding opportunities for the City's energy and environment projects through the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority (GEFA) and the federal government. However, over the past year there have not been relevant opportunities to address local project needs.

TFG also reports on federal legislative and regulatory action that could impact local energy and environment projects and policies.

Community and Economic Development

TFG continues to advocate for annual agency program funding in the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Economic Development Administration (EDA) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) that support community programs and new economic investments. We also explore and identify grant solicitations for the City to consider and work to secure funds from federal agencies or other resource entities (e.g., state, foundations) including HUD, EDA, EPA, Institute of Museums and Library Services (IMLS), National Endowment for the Arts (NEA), and the U.S. Department of Agriculture. We continue to stay engaged to identify future resources to support the revitalization and economic transformation happening in the City and to leverage further opportunities from the City's \$800,000 award in 2019 for brownfields clean up and assessment.

To support the City's economic response to the coronavirus pandemic, we continue to keep the City informed of federal resources and policy changes, including local support provided in the "Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act" (Public Law 116-136) and the "Families First Coronavirus Response Act" (P.L. 116-127). We also alerted the City on broadband policy decisions at the Federal Communication (FCC) and congressional actions to help mitigate the impact from the COVID-19 pandemic, engaged HUD to provide information to support the City's preparedness and access to resources for the homeless population, uses of CDBG funding to meet COVID-19 needs, and informed the City of resources for local businesses in the CARES Act including the Paycheck Protection Program, SBA Disaster Loan Assistance, SBA Small Business Loans, and FMLA Tax Credits.

Understanding the importance to the City of the tourism and hospitality industries in the Atlanta region, TFG is working with the U.S. Conference of Mayors and other stakeholders in the tourism industry to stay abreast of key federal issues that may affect the City's ability to do business both internationally and domestically, particularly in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Other Priorities

TFG has been actively engaged in the federal response to the COVID-19 pandemic. In addition to detailed summaries of coronavirus relief bills, College Park leaders and staff receive TFG Coronavirus Updates every Monday and Thursday that provide details on federal funding opportunities and policies stemming from



federal action related to the coronavirus. We are working closely with the National League of Cities and U.S. Conference of Mayors to ensure direct funding to all units of local government in the next relief package.

TFG also worked with City staff to develop detailed information for the City's Congressional Delegation on the fiscal impacts of the coronavirus on College Park (see attachment) and the City's resulting federal requests. We drafted letters for the Mayor's signature and set up virtual meetings for the Mayor to discuss the unique impact the coronavirus is having on College Park given the City's residential size, significant fiscal impacts, and little federal financial support. TFG staff remains in contact with delegation staff to ensure they have the most updated information from the City as a new relief package is negotiated in Congress.

TFG provides the City with weekly updates on Congressional and federal action that may be of local interest. We also provide a weekly update of relevant grants solicitations that have been released. City officials get real-time updates on relevant issues, and we stand ready to assist you with any issues or opportunities that may arise.

Thank you for the opportunity to continue this partnership between TFG and College Park.



Coronavirus Fiscal Impacts

City of College Park: Quick Facts

Location: Outside of Atlanta on the border of Fulton and Clayton

counties; 10.1 total square miles.

RESIDENT POPULATION: 14,959

DAYTIME POPULATION: 250,000

POPULATION RANKING: 78TH OF 619 CITIES IN THE STATE OF GEORGIA

MEDIAN INCOME: \$29,087

HOME OF: Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport (ATL); Chick-Fil-A headquarters, Coca Cola Bottling and Distribution Center; SYSCO; Buckhead Meat; ATL's rental car facility, ATL's parking facilities; Georgia International Convention Center; 33 hotels/motels (with ~5,500 beds)

TOP EMPLOYMENT SECTORS: Accommodation and Food Services,

Transportation and Warehousing, and Retail Trade

MEDIAN AGE: 31.8

HOTEL/MOTEL Excise Tax: Ranked #4 in the state for hotel/motel excise tax reported (Atlanta, Savannah, Cobb County, **College Park**, Gwinnett County)



Coronavirus Fiscal Impacts

1.8 million overall fiscal impact from March 1 – December 31, 2020

10% loss in revenue of the overall annual budget (through FY 2021)

\$1.5 million personnel costs incurred

\$250k operational expenses incurred

Timeline	of Potent	tial Lost	Revenue
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	Short-	Mid-	Long-
	Term	Term	Term
	(3/1 – 6/30)	(7/1-12/31)	(Beyond 2020)
Property Taxes		X	X
Sales Taxes			x
State Aid			X
Permitting Fees			X
Utility Fees			Х
Other Fees			Х

Potential Actions to Account for the COVID-19 Fiscal Impacts

Cut Public Services • Close Facilities/Lay off Employees • Draw Down Reserves • Increase Taxes • Increase Fees

Functions of Government Impacted







Revenue Loss From



Hotel/Motel Tax



Convention Center





Coronavirus Fiscal Impacts

Congressional Requests

Based on the information provided above, the City of College Park requests the following:

Additional state and local aid

Direct funding to all local governments, not just to states and communities with a population of 500k or more.

Increased flexibility in federal aid – allow funds to replenish revenue loss

Give public employers access to the **employer tax credits** established to offset new emergency paid sick and family leave.

Currently accessible to private employers, but not public – although ALL employers are required to provide the emergency benefits.

College Parks also supports advocacy efforts of the following industries, which have a direct impact on the city:

Airport: Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport (ATL) is partially located in the City of College Park. The airport is the largest employer in the state of Georgia. Most concessions at the airport are closed, and many of these employees live in College Park.

- ❖ ATL's parking facilities are in College Park. In late May, approximately 3,200 of the 32,000 available parking spaces were in use.
- ATL's rental car facility is in College Park; Hertz recently filed for bankruptcy and others are likely to follow.

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Tourism, Hotel and Lodging: College Park has 33 hotels within its city limits, many of them servicing airport travelers.

STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF FULTON

AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL LOBBYING SERVICES WITH THE FERGUSON GROUP.

This Agreement made and entered into this ____ day of July, 2020, between the City of College Park, Georgia (hereinafter "the City") and The Ferguson Group, LLC, (hereinafter "The Washington Representative" or "the Contractor"), witnesseth:

WHEREAS, the City desires to retain Contractor to provide lobbying services on behalf of the City described below for the term specified herein;

NOW THEREFORE, the parties agree as follows:

- DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES: The Contractor shall provide the services as detailed in the Scope of Services attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit A.
- 2. <u>COSTS</u>: The City shall pay the Contractor \$82,000.00 lump sum for the provision of said services, paid in advance monthly installments of \$6,833.00. In addition to the cost of services, the City shall reimburse the Contractor for travel expenses pursuant to Paragraph B of the Cost of Services, travel and incidental expenses for attendance of conferences outside of Washington D.C. as requested or approved by the City Manager, all incidental expenses by Contractor in performances of services under this Agreement, cost of long-distance telephone calls and costs of document production. The City shall be responsible for said reimbursements not to exceed \$8,000.00 for the term of this Agreement.
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Contractor's Affidavit Interim Waiver and Release Upon Payment" and a "Standard Contractor's Affidavit Unconditional Waiver and Release upon Final Payment" provided by the City before receiving any interim or final payment for any services performed.

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- 7. **INDEMNIFICATION:** The Contractor shall defend, indemnify, and hold the City harmless from all claims, actions, demands, loss, and causes of action, arising from injury, including death, to any person, or damage to any property, when such injury or damage results in whole or in part from the acts or omissions of the Contractor, the Contractor's employees or agents or the Contractor's subcontractors, save and except damage caused by the sole negligence of the City. The Contractor, and any subcontractor used by the Contractor in connection with this Agreement, shall carry Workers' Compensation and Employees' Liability Insurance to cover the Contractor's and any subcontractor's legal liability on account of accidents to their employees. The Contractor and any subcontractor shall carry adequate Comprehensive General Liability and adequate Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance covering accidents to their employees. The Contractor and any subcontractor shall carry adequate Comprehensive General Liability and adequate Comprehensive Automobile Liability Insurance covering legal liability of the Contractor and any subcontractor on account of accidents arising out of the operations of the Contractor or any subcontractor and resulting in bodily injury, including death, being sustained by any person or persons, or in any damage to property. At the City's request, the Contractor shall furnish to the City certificates from the Contractor's insurers showing

- such coverage in effect and agreeing to give the City ten (10) days' prior written notice of cancellation of the coverage.
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With copies to:

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF this	day of	, 20	, said	parties
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have hereunto set their seals the day and year above first written.

Executed	on behalf of:		
		CITY O	F COLLEGE PARK, GEORGIA
		BY:	
			Bianca Motley Broom, Mayor
			[Corporate Seal]
ATTEST:			_
DATE:			_
		THE FE	RGUSON GROUP, LLC
		BY:	
			W. Roger Gwinn
		TITLE:	Chief Executive Officer
			[Corporate Seal]
ATTEST:			_
	Corporate Secretary		
DATE:			

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CONTRACTS FOR UP TO \$50,000

Worker's Compensation – Worker's Compensation coverage on a statutory basis for the State of Georgia with an Employer's Liability limit of \$100,000 each Accident, Disease \$100,000 each employee, \$500,000 Disease policy limit.

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LIMITS OF LIABILITY:

\$1,000,000 Per Occurrence

\$1,000,000 Personal and Advertising

\$50,000 Fire Damage*

\$5,000 Medical Payments*

\$1,000,000 General Aggregate

\$1,000,000 Products/Completed Operations per

Occurrence and Aggregate

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END OF SECTION

^{*}These are automatic minimums

Affidavit Verifying Status For City Public Benefit Application

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verifies one of the following with resp	ect to my applicatio	n for a public	benefit:
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NOTARY PUBLIC My Commission Expires:			

STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF FULTON

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3667 Main Street

College Park, Georgia 30337

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Executed on behalf of:

CITY OF COLLEGE PARK, GEORGIA

BY:

Jack P. Longino, Mayor

[Corporate Seal]

DATE: 8/20/2019

THE FERGUSON GROUP, LLC

BY:

W. Roger Gwinn

TITLE: Chief Executive Officer

[Corporate Seal]



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The Contractor will provide minimum insurance coverage and limits as per the following: The Contractor will file with the City Certificates of Insurance, certifying the required insurance coverage and stating that each policy has been endorsed to provide thirty (30) day notice to the City in the event that coverage is cancelled, non-renewed, or the types of coverage or limits of liability are reduced below those required. All bonds and insurance coverage must be placed with an insurance company approved by the City's Management, admitted to do business in the State of Georgia, and rated Secure ("B+" or better) by A.M. Best Company in the latest edition of Property and Casualty Ratings, or rated by Standard & Poors Insurance Ratings, latest edition as Secure ("BBB" or better). Worker's Compensation self-insurance for individual Contractors must be approved by the Worker's Compensation Board, State of Georgia and/or Self-Insurance pools approved by the Insurance Commissioner, State of Georgia.

CONTRACTS FOR UP TO \$50,000

Worker's Compensation – Worker's Compensation coverage on a statutory basis for the State of Georgia with an Employer's Liability limit of \$100,000 each Accident, Disease \$100,000 each employee, \$500,000 Disease policy limit.

Automobile Liability – Automobile liability coverage for owned, hired and non-owned vehicles in the amount of \$500,000 combined single limit.

Commercial General Liability — Coverage to be provided on "occurrence" not "claims made" basis. The coverage is to include Contractual liability, Per Project Limit of Liability, losses caused by Explosion, Collapse and Underground ("xcu") perils, the "City of College Park, Georgia" is to be added as an Additional Insured and Products and Completed Operations coverage is to be maintained for three (3) years following completion of work.

CONTRACTS FOR MORE THAN \$50,000

Worker's Compensation — Worker's Compensation coverage on a statutory basis for the State of Georgia with an Employer's Liability limit of \$1,000,000. The increased Employer's Liability limit may be provided by an Umbrella or Excess Liability policy.

Automobile Liability - Automobile liability coverage for owned, hired and non-owned vehicles in the amount of \$1,000,000 combined single limit.

Commercial General Liability – Coverage to be provided on "occurrence" not "claims made" basis. The coverage is to include Contractual liability, Per Project Limit of Liability, losses caused by Explosion, Collapse and Underground ("xcu") perils, the "City of College Park, Georgia" is to be added as an Additional Insured and Products and Completed Operations coverage is to be maintained for three (3) years following completion of work.

RISK MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS (Cont'd)

CONTRACTS FOR UP TO \$50,000

CONTRACTS FOR MORE THAN \$50,000

LIMITS OF LIABILITY:

\$1,000,000 Per Occurrence

\$1,000,000 Personal and Advertising

\$50,000 Fire Damage*

\$5,000 Medical Payments*

\$1,000,000 General Aggregate

\$1,000,000 Products/Completed Operations per

Occurrence and Aggregate

Owner's Protective Liability – The City's Management may, in its discretion, require Owner's Protective Liability in some situations.

Umbrella and/or Excess Liability – The umbrella or Excess Liability Policy may be used to combine with underlying policies to obtain the limits required. The Management of the City may elect to require higher limits.

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END OF SECTION

^{*}These are automatic minimums

Affidavit Verifying Status For City Public Benefit Application

	is an applicant for a(n)
verifies one of the following with respect	t to my application for a public benefit:
1) I am a United State	
2) I am a legal permar	nent resident of the United States.
and Nationality Act with Homeland Security or othe My alien number issued b	r non-immigrant under the Federal Immigration an alien number issued by the Department of er federal immigration agency. y the Department of Homeland Security or other y is:
• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	verifies that he or she is 18 years of age or older nd verifiable document, as required by O.C.G.A.
The secure and verifiable document pras:	rovided with this affidavit can best be classified
knowingly and willfully makes a	under oath, I understand that any person who false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or guilty of a violation of O.C.G.A. § 16-10-20, and ich criminal statute.
Executed in(ci	ty),(state).
	Signature of Applicant
SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN BEFORE ME ON THIS THE DAY OF, 20	Printed Name of Applicant
NOTARY PUBLIC My Commission Expires:	