

**CITY OF WHITTIER, ALASKA
RESOLUTION #34-2019**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WHITTIER, ALASKA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL CONSULTING SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE KNAUSS GROUP, LLC, TO PROVIDE CONSULTING SERVICES IN THE FIELD OF STATE OF ALASKA GOVERNMENT RELATIONS, LEGISLATION, AND BUDGETARY ISSUES, AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the City of Whittier ("City") is the municipal government of the community of Whittier, Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the City routinely has been the beneficiary of various forms of State funding and support in past years; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to have active representation in Juneau during the 2020 state legislative session to support its interests; and

WHEREAS, the City has previously worked with Kris Knauss of the Knauss Group, LLC for more than ten years, with substantial success; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Knauss has proposed to represent the City in 2020 for a sum of \$72,000; and

WHEREAS, the Whittier Municipal Code provides that Professional Service providers may be hired on a sole-source basis without a competitive procurement process; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager recommends that the City retain Mr. Knauss as its state lobbyist for the 2020 legislative year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: the City Council authorizes the City Manager to enter into a professional service agreement with Kris Knauss, of the Knauss Group, LLC to provide governmental consulting services to the City for the 2020 calendar year, for a sum not to exceed \$72,000 which funding will be included in the 2020 Budget.

PASSED AND APPROVED by a duly constituted quorum of the Whittier City Council on this 12th day of November, 2019.

ATTEST:


Naefene Matsumiya
City Clerk


Dave Dickason
Mayor

Ayes: 6
Nays: 1
Absent: 0
Abstain: 0