



Las Vegas

Agenda Item No.: 33.

AGENDA SUMMARY PAGE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF: AUGUST 6, 2008

DEPARTMENT: FINANCE AND BUSINESS SERVICES

DIRECTOR: MARK R. VINCENT

Consent **Discussion**

SUBJECT:

Approval of award of Modification No. 1 to Contract No. 080281-DK for Museum Management Consulting Services in connection with the planned museum in the historic Federal Post Office and Court House located at 300 Stewart Avenue - Office of Cultural Affairs - Award recommended by ALGONQUIN ADVISORS, LLC (\$88,000 - General Fund) - Ward 5 (Barlow)

Fiscal Impact

No Impact

Augmentation Required

Budget Funds Available

Amount: \$88,000

Funding Source: General Fund

Dept./Division: Office of Cultural Affairs

PURPOSE/BACKGROUND:

A contract was awarded to Algonquin Advisors, LLC in the amount of \$34,000 to provide management consulting services to support pre-opening business activities for the planned museum in the historic Federal Post Office and Court House. Modification No. 1 extends the contract in the amount of \$88,000 to develop a pre-operational business plan. This item is exempt from the competitive bidding process pursuant to NRS 332.115.1(b), Professional Services.

PCC: D. Kaplan

POC: Michael S. Devine - (203) 629-2114

RECOMMENDATION:

That City Council approve Modification No. 1 to Contract No. 080281-DK, Museum Management Consulting Services to Algonquin Advisors, LLC in the amount of \$88,000. Authority to execute the Modification is given to the Purchasing Manager per R-48-2006.

BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

1. Certificate - Disclosure of Ownership/Principals
2. Submitted at Meeting - Letters opposing the creation of a mob museum from Charleston Neighborhood Preservation by Juanita Clark

Motion made by RICKI Y. BARLOW to Approve

Passed For: 7; Against: 0; Abstain: 0; Did Not Vote: 0; Excused: 0

RICKI Y. BARLOW, LOIS TARKANIAN, LARRY BROWN, OSCAR B. GOODMAN, GARY REESE, STEVE WOLFSON, STEVEN D. ROSS; (Against-None); (Abstain-None); (Did Not Vote-None); (Excused-None)

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Minutes:

MAYOR GOODMAN explained that he had received a fax requesting Item 33 be pulled forward.

JUANITA CLARK, on behalf of Charleston Neighborhood Preservation, referred to letters stating opposition and requested an open forum to discuss a theme for the building.

COUNCILWOMAN TARKANIAN said that she met with representatives of the museum and asked if someone from the museum would attend the planned workshop to explain why they are using the term Mob Museum. They agreed to have someone present.

TOM McGOWAN, Las Vegas resident, empathized with the previous speaker, but noted that the mob element was indeed a part of the history of Las Vegas. He felt the best use for the post office would be as a museum.

MR. McGOWAN stated that CITY MANAGER DOUGLAS SELBY is an excellent administrator and should receive deferred increased compensation.

COUNCILMAN BARLOW said he too received a letter and he stated that he feels the City lacks a museum to attract local residents and tourists to experience what this mob museum would offer. He believed this would be an exceptional venture.

