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Memorandum 20-168

TO: MAYOR CASTNER AND HOMER CITY COUNCIL
FROM: MELISSA JACOBSEN, MMC, CITY CLERK
DATE: OCTOBER 9, 2020
SUBJECT: LOBBYIST RFP REVIEW COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

The Request for Proposals (RFP) for lobbyist services for the City was advertised in the Homer News on July 23rd and 30th, and the Anchorage Daily News August 2nd. The RFP was also posted on the City website and submitted to the Alaska Municipal League for posting. The RFP closed on September 4th at 4:30 p.m. and one proposal was received.

The Lobbyist RFP Review Committee was comprised of Councilmembers Aderhold and Smith, and Port Director/Harbormaster Hawkins. The committee met on Friday, October 2nd to review the proposal and recommend re-issuing the RFP with a two week response timeline in an effort to receive additional responses.

In reviewing advertising requirements and deadlines, the RFP can be advertised October 22nd and 29th and have a closing date as early November 6th or November 13th, which ever Council prefers.

Recommendation: Move to approve reissuing the Lobbyist RFP and identify the preferred closing date.