



# MEMORANDUM

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**Resolution 23-116, A Resolution of the City Council of Homer, Alaska Approving a Lobbyist Contract with J&H Consulting, LLC of Juneau, Alaska for a Term of One Year Commencing December 15, 2023 and Ending December 15, 2024 in the Amount of \$42,000 and Authorizing the City Manager to Negotiate and Execute the Appropriate Documents. City Manager.**

**Item Type:** Backup Memorandum  
**Prepared For:** Mayor Castner and Homer City Council  
**Date:** October 17, 2023  
**From:** Rob Dumouchel, City Manager

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The City engaged J&H Consulting at the end of 2020 to be the City's lobbying firm in Juneau. This relationship has been very successful. J&H have been very good at making connections for the City, and they assist the City in setting up appointments with Legislators and State and Federal agencies to promote and advocate for City interests. They give much time to the Council for legislative updates when the State Legislature is in session in Juneau. We also achieved some victories in the previous State budget cycle with the State appropriation of \$750,000 towards the Homer Harbor Expansion General Investigation, funding of the Municipal Harbors Grant Program and an increase in the State's community jails budget.

**Staff Recommendation:** Approve the resolution for the 2024 contract with J&H Consulting