

# CITY OF LYNDEN

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



<b>Meeting Date:</b>	November 6, 2023	
<b>Name of Agenda Item:</b>	Contract Addendum (2024) for CFM Advocates, Federal Lobbyist Services	
<b>Section of Agenda:</b>	Consent	
<b>Department:</b>	Administration	
<b>Council Committee Review:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Community Development <input type="checkbox"/> Public Safety <input type="checkbox"/> Finance <input type="checkbox"/> Public Works <input type="checkbox"/> Parks <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	<b>Legal Review:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes - Reviewed <input type="checkbox"/> No - Not Reviewed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Review Not Required
<b>Attachments:</b>	Addendum to contract for CFM Advocates .	
<b>Summary Statement:</b>	<p>The City engaged a federal lobbyist for the first time in 2023. In 2023, applications for funding were submitted for the Pepin FASST project (Pepin Subarea), appropriation requests for Bradley Road and Pepin sewer extension, and several other grant opportunities.</p> <p>While we did not receive the RAISE grant for Pepin in 2023, it did receive the highest possible score and a recommendation “Highly Recommended”; however, only 8 of the 15 that received that rating were funded. The city also received a recommendation to resubmit in the next cycle.</p> <p>Currently Bradley Road is on the appropriation list with Representative Larson to receive \$1M; this funding is pending final congressional approval. CFM also worked with our legislative offices to get the permit from the Corp for the trail project approved. A representative from CFM is scheduled to attend the December 4 council meeting to discuss the 2024 federal legislative agenda.</p>	
<b>Recommended Action:</b>	Staff recommends that City Council authorize the Mayor to sign the addendum to the contract with CFM Advocates for federal lobbying services.	