

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO EXTEND THE  
ENGAGEMENT OF SERVICES WITH GROTE & ASSOCIATES, INC. FOR GOVERNMENT RELATIONS  
SERVICES**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Republic, Missouri (“City” or “Republic”) is a municipal corporation and Charter City located in Greene County, Missouri, being duly created, organized, and existing under the laws of the State of Missouri; and

**WHEREAS**, the City entered into an Abatement Order on Consent with the Department of Natural Resources, as approved by the City Council on October 5, 2021 via Ordinance 21-62, to address the deficiencies with the City’s Wastewater Treatment Plant and to reach compliance; and

**WHEREAS**, the City anticipates construction of various anticipated wastewater treatment improvements within the City to be completed on or before April 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has been working diligently to obtain other funding for its new wastewater treatment system, which involves a multi-step process with various complexities beginning in the early stages of applying for and obtaining the funds, to then documenting, allocating, obligating, and properly spending the funds as awarded; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2022, with approval of Council, the City entered into an agreement with Grote & Associates, Inc. (“Grote”) whereby Grote agreed to provide the City with government relations solutions in connection with the City’s efforts to obtain funds for its new wastewater treatment system; and

**WHEREAS**, the City believes Grote has consistently provided valuable insight and assistance with its ongoing efforts to identify and successfully procure available funding through the state and/or ARPA/other grants for its new wastewater treatment system, and wishes to extend its agreement with Grote for continued government relations services toward those efforts; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council finds it is in the City’s best interest to renew the City’s engagement of services with Grote with a total amount not to exceed \$150,000.00 for this contract period.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REPUBLIC, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:**

- Section 1:** The City Administrator or designee is authorized negotiate and execute an engagement letter with Grote & Associates, Inc. for government relations services relating to the City’s efforts to obtain funding for its new wastewater treatment system, in a total amount not to exceed \$150,000.00.
- Section 2:** The City Administrator, and/or his designee, is authorized on behalf of the City to take the steps necessary to execute this Resolution and initiate the engagement described herein.
- Section 3:** The WHEREAS clauses are hereby specifically incorporated herein by reference.
- Section 4:** This Resolution shall become effective on and after the date of passage and approval as provided by law.

**PASSED AND APPROVED** at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Republic, Missouri, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

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Matt Russell, Mayor

**Attest:**

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Laura Burbridge, City Clerk

**Approved as to Form:**

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*Damon Phillips* 8/10/2023  
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Megan McCullough, City Attorney

**Final Passage and Vote:**