TO: Mayor and City Council
Chair and Members of the Redevelopment Agency

FROM: J. Gordon Palmer, Jr., City Manager/Executive Director

SUBJECT: AGREEMENT WITH VAN SCOCYOC ASSOCIATES

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council/Redevelopment Agency adopt a resolution approving findings and authorizing the City Manager/Executive Director to enter into a one-year agreement with Van Scoyoc Associates in the amount of $84,000 to provide consulting services in the form of representing the City of Stockton in Washington, D.C. in reviewing federal executive proposals, legislation under consideration, proposed and adopted administrative rules and regulations and other developments which may have a bearing on the City's/Agency's policies or programs.

Summary

This agreement will allow the City/Agency to use a well experienced legislative analyst to represent the City's/Agency's federal legislative interests.

DISCUSSION

Background

The City of Stockton and the Redevelopment Agency have contracted with Van Scoyoc Associates for the past several years. Since 1998, Thane Ycung at Van Scoyoc Associates has assisted the City of Stockton with the following appropriations and authorizations:

- Hotel Stockton $250,000
- Channel Water Quality Improvements $650,000
- Fox Theater, $942,000
- Delta Water Supply or other water infrastructure authorization $33 million
- Children's Museum $100,000
- After-school program $828,000
- UOP Business Forecasting Center $1.4 million
- Daguhoy Lodge $75,000
- El Dorado Teen Center $322,500
- Miracle Mile Repavement $1 million
- COPS Technology $700,000
- Community and Health Center $450,000
- I-5/Arch Sperry $10.25 million

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Present Situation

During 2008 Van Scoyoc Associates worked with the City and Redevelopment Agency against federal legislation that would have required flood insurance for most city residents despite the existence of adequate flood protection, advised the city on the development of the economic stimulus legislation and helped identify potential construction-ready projects that could be funded by the legislation, submitted projects to congressional committees for appropriations, resulting in tentative earmarks of $950,000 in House and Senate bills for law enforcement programs. Additional earmarks are possible, pending the final resolution of the FY 2009 appropriations bills. VSA also recommended policy changes for consideration in the Water Resources Development Act to provide additional water resource and infrastructure improvements in the City.

Stockton Municipal Code Section 3-105 provides for an exception to the competitive bidding requirements for contracts where the City Council or Redevelopment Agency has approved findings which support and justify an exception to the competitive bidding process.

FINDINGS

1. The project involves a very specialized field and its success requires an experienced professional who has successfully implemented and performed such projects.

2. The success of the project will depend on the credibility the professional develops with the staff and the ability of the professional to develop a working relationship with the City/Agency.

3. The City/Agency does not presently possess the necessary expertise, personnel or equipment to perform this function. Therefore, it is necessary to obtain these services from alternate sources.

4. A competitive bidding process requiring detailed specifications in order to obtain a uniform price proposal would not afford the City/Agency the ability to obtain the quality and unique expertise required, and therefore would not be in the best interest of the City/Agency.
FINANCIAL SUMMARY

The cost of these services will not exceed $84,000 which will be divided between the following accounts: $56,280 from Redevelopment Agency Administration account number 330-7310-610 and $27,720 from Non-Departmental account number 010-0131-510.

Respectfully submitted,

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J. GORDON PALMER, JR.
CITY MANAGER/EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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STOCKTON CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH VAN SCYOYOC ASSOCIATES, INC., TO ACT AS THE CITY’S WASHINGTON REPRESENTATIVE IN WASHINGTON D.C. IN THE AMOUNT OF $2,310 PER MONTH PLUS REIMBURSEMENT FOR ACTUAL REASONABLE TRAVEL EXPENSES

The City of Stockton has contracted with Van Scoyoc Associates, Inc., in the past under the City Manager’s authority; and

The City of Stockton, in conjunction with the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Stockton, now desires to enter into a one-year agreement with Van Scoyoc Associates, Inc.; and

Stockton Municipal Code section 3-105 provides for an exception to the competitive bidding requirements in cases where the City Council has approved findings, which support and justify the expenditure; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STOCKTON, AS FOLLOWS:

1. That pursuant to SMC section 3-105, the City Council hereby approves the following findings, which support entering into an Agreement with Van Scoyoc Associates:

   a. The professional services provided by Van Scoyoc Associates involves a very specialized field and requires an experienced professional who has successfully implemented and performed such duties.

   b. The success of these services depends on the credibility the professional develops with the staff and the ability of the professional to develop a working relationship with the City.

   c. The City does not presently possess the necessary expertise, personnel, or equipment to perform this function. Therefore, it is necessary to obtain these services from alternate sources.

   d. A competitive bidding process requiring detailed specifications in order to obtain a uniform price proposal would not afford the City

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the ability to obtain the quality and unique expertise required, and therefore would not be in the best interest of the City.

2. That, based on these findings, the City Council, in conjunction with the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Stockton, hereby declares that an exception to the competitive bidding process is justified and authorizes the City Manager to enter into an agreement with Van Scoyoc Associates, Inc., to provide professional services to review federal executive proposals, legislation under consideration, proposed and adopted administrative rules and regulations, and other Washington, D.C. developments for the purpose of advising the City on those items which may have a bearing on the City's policies or program at a rate of $2,310 per month (City portion) and reimbursement for actual reasonable travel, lodging, and meals (City portion not to exceed $750 for the term of the agreement) incurred as a result of providing services under the terms of this agreement.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED ____________________________.

ANN JOHNSTON Mayor
of the City of Stockton

ATTEST:

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KATHERINE GONG MEISSNER
City Clerk of the City of Stockton
Resolution No. ________________

STOCKTON REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH VAN SCOYOC ASSOCIATES, INC., TO ACT AS THE AGENCY’S WASHINGTON REPRESENTATIVE IN WASHINGTON D.C. IN THE AMOUNT OF $4,690 PER MONTH PLUS REIMBURSEMENT FOR ACTUAL REASONABLE TRAVEL EXPENSES

The Redevelopment Agency of the City of Stockton has contracted with Van Scoyoc Associates, Inc., in the past; and

The Redevelopment Agency of the City of Stockton, in conjunction with the City of Stockton, now desires to enter into a one-year agreement with Van Scoyoc Associates, Inc.; and

Stockton Municipal Code section 3-105 provides for an exception to the competitive bidding requirements in cases where the Redevelopment Agency has approved findings, which support and justify the expenditure; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF STOCKTON, AS FOLLOWS:

1. That pursuant to SMC section 3-105, the Redevelopment Agency hereby approves the following findings, which support entering into an Agreement with Van Scoyoc Associates:

a. The professional services provided by Van Scoyoc Associates involves a very specialized field and requires an experienced professional who has successfully implemented and performed such duties.

b. The success of these services depends on the credibility the professional develops with the staff and the ability of the professional to develop a working relationship with the Agency.

c. The Agency does not presently possess the necessary expertise, personnel, or equipment to perform this function. Therefore, it is necessary to obtain these services from alternate sources.

d. A competitive bidding process requiring detailed specifications in order to obtain a uniform price proposal would not afford the Agency the ability to obtain the quality and unique expertise

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required, and therefore would not be in the best interest of the Agency.

2. That, based on these findings, the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Stockton, hereby declares that an exception to the competitive bidding process is justified and authorizes the Agency Director to enter into an agreement with Van Scoyoc Associates, Inc., to provide professional services to review federal executive proposals, legislation under consideration, proposed and adopted administrative rules and regulations, and other Washington, D.C. developments for the purpose of advising the Agency on those items which may have a bearing on the Agency's policies or program at a rate of $4,690 per month (Agency portion) and reimbursement for actual reasonable travel, lodging, and meals (Agency portion not to exceed $2,500 for the term of the agreement) incurred as a result of providing services under the terms of this agreement.

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED ____________________________

ANN JOHNSTON, Chairperson
of the Redevelopment Agency
of the City of Stockton

ATTEST:

KATHERINE GONG MEISSNER, Secretary
Redevelopment Agency of the City of Stockton