**WHEREAS**, there exists a need for the City to have reliable means of receiving information regarding pending federal legislative and executive action which may impact the City; and

WHEREAS, on November 10, 2008, Resolution No. 08-3060 authorized a contract with Barbara T. McCall Associates, Inc., for FY 2008-2009; and

WHEREAS, on October 28, 2009, Resolution No. 09-2626 authorized a contract with CapitalEdge Strategies, LLC, for FY2009-2010; and

**WHEREAS**, on October 13, 2010, Resolution No. 10-2574 authorized a contract with CapitalEdge Strategies, LLC, for FY2010-2011; and

WHEREAS, on October 10, 2011, Resolution No. 11-2727 authorized a contract with CapitalEdge Strategies, LLC, for FY2011-2012; and

WHEREAS, the City of Dallas with the participation of the cities of Arlington, Austin and Denton comprise the Texas Cities Legislative Coalition (TCLC); and

WHEREAS, CapitalEdge Strategies, LLC monitors federal legislation impacting the cities and works with the Texas Congressional delegation and the Executive Branch to advance City interests and priorities; and

WHEREAS, CapitalEdge Strategies, LLC works closely with national municipal organizations, including the National League of Cities, the U.S. Conference of Mayors, and the International City-County Management Association, and others to make sure they are aware of the City's positions and agendas; and

WHEREAS, CapitalEdge Strategies, LLC makes presentations to Councilmembers during the meetings of the National League of Cities as well as at any other time requested by the City; and

**WHEREAS**, CapitalEdge Strategies, LLC provides supplemental information necessary to understanding the effects and impacts of federal legislation and regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, CapitalEdge Strategies, LLC also provides timely information about government grant programs, frequently based on personal contact with federal program managers, and directly sends information to appropriate staff to facilitate Dallas funding applications;

November 14, 2012

## NOW, THEREFORE,

## BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DALLAS:

**SECTION 1.** That the City Manager is authorized to enter into a professional services contract with CapitalEdge Strategies, LLC to provide federal legislative services to the City for the period October 1, 2012 through September 30, 2013.

**SECTION 2.** That the City Controller is hereby authorized to make periodic payments in accordance with the terms of the contract, in an amount not to exceed \$160,000.00 from Fund 0001, Department BMS, Unit 1978, Object Code 3070, Commodity Code 91858, Encumbrance No. BM13BM1978, Vendor No. VC0000008080.

**SECTION 3.** That this resolution shall take effect immediately from and after its passage in accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the City of Dallas, and it is accordingly so resolved.

APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL

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City Secretary