



PROPOSAL FOR CONSULTING SERVICES

THIS AGREEMENT is made on this the _____day of _____, 2026, by and between Rene A. Ramirez - Pathfinder Public Affairs, located 1508 S Lone Star Way Suite 1, Edinburg, Texas 78539 (Consultant) and the County of Hidalgo, Texas (Client) to provide professional consulting services. Such representation will include will include state government outreach, including state agency issues that may affect the Client.

Any information furnished by the Client, whether orally or in writing, shall be treated as confidential.

This Agreement is effective as of the date herein written above. This Agreement will terminate on _____, unless terminated earlier in whole or in part by Consultant or the Client. Further, each party may terminate this agreement upon 30-days written notice to the other party.

SCOPE OF SERVICES

In cooperation with the Client and at the direction of appropriate representatives of the Client, Consultant proposes to provide the following services:

- Confer, advise and participate in the passage, amendment or defeat of legislation during any regular or Special Session of the Legislature, and advise on strategy that should be followed to accomplish the desired results;
- Review, analyze and advise on all proposed legislation that may affect the Client;
- Advise on and participate in the preparation of testimony for submission before legislative committees;
- Maintain a continuing relationship with the members and key officers and employees of the House and Senate;
- If requested, confer and advise in regard to the potential political and legislative impact of any proposed business decision of the management of the Client; and
- Generally, use abilities, experience and best efforts to assist in the formulation and successful implementation of the legislative goals of the Client.
- Meet with the Client representatives as needed.

In consideration for such services, all of which are to be personally supervised by Rene A. Ramirez, the Client shall pay consultant fees of _____ each month for the duration of this contract. Services shall be payable against a written invoice submitted by Consultant following receipt of an itemized invoice, in accordance with the Texas Prompt Payment Act.

Consultant will not expend any funds on behalf of or in the name of the Client as political contributions or in support of any political party, any candidate for political office or any referendum issue. Neither Consultant nor any third party acting on behalf of Consultant will have or will hold itself out as having authority to bind the Client in any way and on any subject whatsoever.

Consultant represents and warrants that it is free to enter into and fully to perform this agreement and that no agreement or understanding with any other person, firm or corporation exists or will exist which would interfere with Consultant's obligations hereunder.

Consultant will comply with all required lobbying and disclosure filings and assist the Client in complying with such requirements in conjunction with the aforementioned representation.

This Agreement will be governed by the laws of the State of Texas.

Agreed: _____
Rene A. Ramirez -Pathfinder

Dated: _____

Agreed: _____
Richard F. Cortez, County Judge

Dated: _____