



# CITY OF SALEM

585 Liberty St SE  
Salem, OR 97301

## Staff Report

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**TO:** Mayor and City Council

**FROM:** Mayor Chris Hoy

**SUBJECT:**

Motion from Mayor Chris Hoy regarding engaging a federal lobbyist

Ward(s): All Wards

Councilor(s): All Councilors

Neighborhood(s): All Neighborhoods

**MOTION:**

I move that City Council direct the City Manager contract with a government relations provider to perform federal lobbying activities for the City.

**DISCUSSION:**

Hiring a skilled federal lobbyist will help ensure the city is well positioned to take full advantage of federal grants and other funding opportunities that may emerge over the next several years. Issues and projects such as transportation, commercial air service, water and wastewater treatment, criminal justice, parks, housing and homeless response all have potential connections to federal funding. Having a presence in Washington, D.C. may improve our awareness of and competitiveness for funding opportunities.

Attachments:

None.

