ORDINANCE NO. 97-26

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING PUBLIC BIDDING DISADVANTAGEOUS AND AUTHORIZING CONTRACTS FOR GOVERNMENTAL CONSULTING AND LOBBYING SERVICES

WHEREAS, The Chicago Transit Authority has an on-going interest in legislation pending in the Illinois Legislature; and

WHEREAS, To best serve its interests in monitoring and lobbying on behalf of pending legislation the Chicago Transit Authority requires the services of a professional governmental consultant and lobbyist; and

WHEREAS, Since 1987 Eugene M. Barnes has assisted the Authority with legislation pending in the Legislature and as a former legislator and Chairman of the Transit Board he is very familiar with the needs of the Authority in this area; and

WHEREAS, As a former State legislator and Chairman of the Judiciary Committee, John T. O'Connell has extensive expertise in motor fuel tax legislation and strategies and also in municipal law which are important to the Authority's capital program; and

WHEREAS, Jay A. Keller's background in finance and his working relationship with the legislature make him ideally suited to perform the duties of a lobbyist; and

WHEREAS, Section 54.3-5 of the Regulations Governing Purchase and Sales Transactions provides for the award of contracts in those situations where the Transit Board determines that competitive public bidding would be disadvantageous; now, therefore;

BE IT ORDAINED BY CHICAGO TRANSIT BOARD OF CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY:

SECTION 1. That based on the statements set forth in the preamble of this ordinance, the Transit Board hereby determines that competitive public bidding for these services is disadvantageous.

SECTION 2. That the Chairman of the Board, or her designee, is hereby authorized to execute a contract with Eugene M. Barnes for professional governmental consulting and lobbying services in the State of Illinois for a twelve month period at an expenditure not to exceed eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000) under requisition B970P 00882.

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SECTION 3. That the Chairman of the Board, or her designee, is hereby authorized to execute a contract with John T. O'Connell for professional governmental consulting and lobbying services in the State of Illinois for a twelve month period at an expenditure not to exceed eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000) under requisition B970P 00896.

SECTION 4. That the Chairman of the Board, or her designee, is hereby authorized to execute a contract with Jay A. Keller for professional governmental consulting and lobbying services in the State of Illinois for a twelve month period at an expenditure not to exceed twenty eight thousand dollars (\$28,000) under requisition B970P 00409.

SECTION 5. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

APPROVED:

Chairman

February 12, 1997

PASSED:

February 12, 1997