

ORDINANCE NO. 99-127

AN ORDINANCE DECLARING PUBLIC
BIDDING DISADVANTAGEOUS AND
AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT FOR
FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE
CONSULTING SERVICES

WHEREAS, The Chicago Transit Authority ("Authority") has a compelling interest in federal legislation and federally sponsored programs that affect public transportation; and

WHEREAS, In 1998, Congress passed the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (TEA-21), authorizing federal funding through the year 2003, and specifically authorizing two New Start projects for the Authority subject to annual funding appropriation; and

WHEREAS, It would be in the best interest of the Authority to retain the services of a federal government liaison to assist the Authority in the development of federal project requests and grant applications, draft bill and report language, develop effective legislative strategies, identify and establish contacts with persons and agencies responsible for policy, regulation and funding on matters related to public transit and advise the Authority on transit-related legislation and administrative actions; and

WHEREAS, In view of the \$4.1 billion capital need which includes an unfunded capital need of \$1.3 billion over the next 5 years, it would be advantageous to have a federal government liaison to work with the Authority and the Illinois congressional delegation in the support or defeat of legislation affecting the Authority and public transit in general; and

WHEREAS, Michael P. Flanagan has performed legislative consulting services for the Authority since 1997, and was successful in assisting the Authority in gaining significant legislative changes in TEA-21; and

WHEREAS, Michael P. Flanagan, as a former member of the United States Congress, has developed an expertise and knowledge in dealing with federal, state and local governmental entities on legislative strategies, grants and programs; and

WHEREAS, The Transit Board desires to retain the services of Michael P. Flanagan to act as a federal government liaison on behalf of the Authority; and

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WHEREAS, In consideration of Mr. Flanagan's former position and his knowledge of federal, state and local government it would not be in the best interest of the Authority to advertise for bids of their service; and

WHEREAS, Awarding a contract to Michael P. Flanagan is in the best interest of the Authority; 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 bidding would be disadvantageous; now therefore:

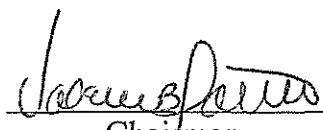
BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CHICAGO TRANSIT BOARD
OF THE CHICAGO TRANSIT AUTHORITY:

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

SECTION 2. That the Chairman of the Chicago Transit Board, or her designee, is hereby authorized to negotiate and execute a contract with Michael P. Flanagan to perform the services of a federal legislative consultant as directed by the Chairman of the Transit Board for a period of one year from the date of execution of the Agreement at a cost not to exceed fifty two thousand dollars (\$52,000) under Requisition C99OP02305.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

APPROVED:


Chairman

September 15, 1999

PASSED:


Assistant Secretary

September 15, 1999