

R-09-11

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND CITY CLERK TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH JAMES LEE WITT ASSOCIATES, A PART OF GLOBAL OPTIONS, INC. FOR LOBBYIST AND CONSULTING SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of North Little Rock issued a Request for Qualifications (RFQ No. 08-2837), seeking qualifications from companies desiring to provide lobbyist and consulting services to the City of North Little Rock, pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 19-11-801 *et seq.*; and

WHEREAS, based upon the qualifications submitted by firms, and the recommendations of the Selection Committee, the City Council finds that it is in the best interests of the City of North Little Rock that James Lee Witt Associates, a part of Global Options, Inc., be retained to perform lobbyist and consulting services on behalf of the City of North Little Rock and North Little Rock Electric.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1: That the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with James Lee Witt Associates, a part of Global Options, Inc., (substantially similar to Exhibit "A" attached hereto) for lobbyist and governmental affairs consulting services on behalf of the City and the North Little Rock Electric Department.

SECTION 2: That the monthly fee is included in the 2009 Budget.

SECTION 3: That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and approval.

PASSED:

APPROVED:

Mayor Patrick H. Hays

SPONSOR:

ATTEST:

Mayor Patrick H. Hays

Diane Whitbey, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

C. Jason Carter, City Attorney

PREPARED BY THE OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY/b