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**Recommendation:**

That the Clark County Water Reclamation District Board of Trustees approve and authorize the General Manager to sign the Memorandum of Agreement between the Clark County Water Reclamation District (District) and Marcus G. Faust, P.C. (MGFPC) for consulting and government relations services for a period of six months.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

The monthly fee is $4,500 per month, and is included in the current operating budget.

**BACKGROUND:**

The current agreement with MGFPC was approved by the Board in March of 2006. The District intends to have this services agreement be replaced or renewed in conjunction with Clark County this year. The County’s Washington representation contract expires in June of this year; therefore, a six month extension of the District contract would enable the County and the District to opt for joint representation.

MGFPC has provided consulting and government relations services to the District since 2003. Their services have included representing the District with Federal Agencies including the US Army Corps of Engineers, National Park Service, Bureau of Reclamation, Fish and Wildlife Service and the Environmental Protection Agency.

The firm also was key in obtaining two major authorizations (for a combined value of $42M) in the recent WRDA (Water Resources Development Act) legislation. The six month extension would provide continuity with projects underway and in developing funding requests during the extraordinary activities related to the infrastructure funding under consideration in Congress.

This agreement has been reviewed and approved by the District Attorney’s Office.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Mendes, General Manager  
Clark County Water Reclamation District

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