

Town Council

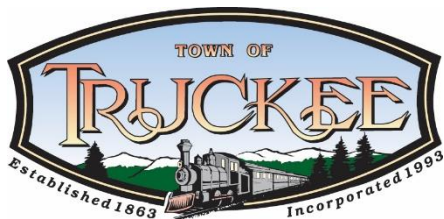
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Nevada County Board of Supervisors
950 Maidu Avenue
Nevada City, CA 95959

May 24, 2022

Re: Support for Resolution approving a multi-year Professional Services Contract between the County of Nevada and Paragon Government Relations, Inc. for professional federal advocacy services

Dear Chair Hoek, Vice Scofield, and Supervisors Bullock, Hall and Miller,

On behalf of the Town of Truckee, I am writing to express the Town's support for the Resolution approving a multi-year Professional Services Contract between the County of Nevada and Paragon Government Relations, Inc. for professional federal advocacy services.

In 2021 the Town and County began organized efforts to coordinate our state and federal legislative advocacy. To date, our coordination has included regular communication between Town and County staff on mutual priority topics, joint meetings with key state agency staff on priority issues including housing and the Truckee Library project, and joint meetings with Paragon Government Relations under the County's first year contract. We look forward to continuing these mutually beneficial efforts.

Town of Truckee staff have been impressed by the expertise, professionalism and responsiveness of Paragon Government Relations, Inc. In particular, the Town found value in the firm's successfully advocacy for expanded flexibility in the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) fund guidelines, frequent updates on key legislative and regulatory topics, and Paragon's guidance in the County's Community Projects Funding request for the Nevada County Sheriff's Office Radio Infrastructure Project, which will enhance emergency response and public safety across the County. The Town contributed \$10,000 in funding to the Paragon contract this fiscal year and we have anticipated continued partnership funding for this effort in the Town's draft FY22/23 budget.

Thank you for your continued partnership and advocacy for important county-wide priorities, many of which are shared by the Town of Truckee.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Courtney Henderson".

Courtney Henderson
Mayor