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CITY COUNCIL TO CONSIDER RENEWING CONTRACT OF GRANT WRITER

VALLEJO – The Vallejo City Council on Tuesday will consider renewing the contract of Dan Armenta to provide grant writing and oversight services.

Since November 1999 Armenta's company, Armenta Management Consulting (AMC), has obtained over \$4 million in grant funds - \$4,010,365 to be precise - from various private and public sector grant funding agencies. Along with seeking out and obtaining this money, AMC has assisted the Finance Department in monitoring the grants that are in place and in providing updates to the City Council.

"Naturally we're very pleased with the work Dan has done for the City," said Assistant City Manager Mary Hill. "The money we've gotten through his efforts has been very important to our city, especially during these difficult economic times."

Another \$1.7 million in grant applications are currently pending from the following applications completed in the past several weeks:

- Caltrans Environmental Justice Grant for \$200,000 to assist the City in planning for continued development of the Downtown area.
- California Department of Parks Grant for \$1.5 million.

If approved by the Council on Tuesday, AMC will provide grant application and oversight services for a fee of \$50 per hour with total compensation not exceeding \$45,000 – a savings of \$27,000 compared to the Fiscal Year 2003-2004 agreement.