

## AUTOMATIC RENEWAL – EXTENSION

In many agreement that are regularly extended, it may be to the city's advantage to have a term that allows the agreement to automatically continue for the next year or for the next term – unless either party gives notice to the other with in the time-fame indicated. The sample language included herewith provides that unless notice is give sixty days in advance of the expiration date, the agreement shall be (automatically) extended for \_\_\_ years.

This carries with it the advantage of preserving current terms, and assuring that the contracted services or materials will be provided for another term, but it also includes the obligation to make sure that, if it were the city's intention to NOT renew the agreement, the notice is timely give. (However, even with this term, if the agreement includes a “non-appropriation” clause, the city may nevertheless be able to avoid the extension. (*See* Consultant Agreement and User Notes.)