



CITY COUNCIL ACTION REPORT

May 16, 2007

TO: Phillip L. Nelson, City Manager

FROM: Mary Redden, Administrative Assistant to the City Manager

SUBJECT: Standard Purchasing Resolution 10: Travel Authorization and Approval to Expend Funds for Council Member Dave Lambert's Travel Expenses - National League of Cities (NLC) Community and Economic Development Steering Committee Meeting

BACKGROUND

- Council Member Dave Lambert has requested authorization and approval to attend the NLC Community and Economic Development Steering Committee meeting from June 14 - 16, 2007 in New Haven, CT.
- In an effort to save tax dollars, Council Member Lambert will be combining this trip with a business trip to Virginia.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

- Funds are available in Council's education and training account.

LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

- There are no legal considerations associated with this item.

POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

- There are no policy considerations associated with this item.

OPTIONS

- It is recommended that City Council authorize the expenditure of funds for travel expenses for Council Member Dave Lambert's attendance of the NLC Community and Economic Development Steering Committee meeting.



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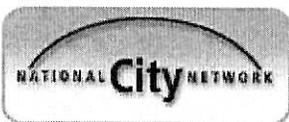
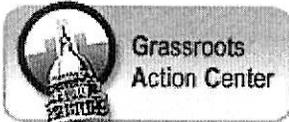
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- A larger policy and advocacy committee, which chooses the policy agenda for the year and reviews the proposed policy proposals and resolutions drafted on that agenda by the steering committee; and
- A steering committee, which researches the agenda topics chosen and drafts policy positions for policy and advocacy committee review.

Policy changes accepted by each policy and advocacy are subsequently forwarded to the entire membership for approval and inclusion in NLC's *National Municipal Policy (NMP)*. The *NMP* is a collection of position statements on a variety of issues with immediate and long-term implications for the nation's cities and towns. Developed through the deliberative, member-driven policy development process described above, the *NMP* states the policy positions that frame NLC's advocacy efforts.

Each of the seven committees has a specific set of issues under its jurisdiction, and policy development in each committee is limited to these issues. The Community and Economic Development (CED) Committee deals with housing, community and economic development, land use, recreation and parks, historic preservation, and international competitiveness.

Upcoming Events

June 14-16: CED Spring Steering Committee Meeting, New Haven, CT

September 6-8: CED Fall Steering Committee Meeting, Grand Junction, CO

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