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GENERAL INFORMATION

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Submitted by: Eric A. Anderson, City Manager

SUBJECT— Out-of-State Travel

SYNOPSIS—

Kervin Veasley, (0-R), Police Sergeant, to Tampa, Florida, from May 30 to June 4, 2005, to attend the Weed and Seed Conference on *Preventing Crime in the Black Community*. This conference is a collaborative effort to address issues relating to the disproportionate number of African-Americans who are under the supervision of the criminal justice system.

Matthew Porter, (0-NR), District Chief/Fire Marshal, to Las Vegas, Nevada, from June 5-10, 2005, to attend the National Fire Protection Agency (NFPA) World Safety Conference. The conference focuses on fire and life safety issues, provides fire code updates, and conducts educational sessions on the latest techniques, technologies, and best practices in fire safety management.

Vern Ostrander, (0-NR), Human Relations Specialist, to Washington, DC, from June 5-11, 2005, to attend mandatory training academy as part of contractual agreement between the City and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). Paid from HUD monies via contract-learn investigative techniques in housing discrimination complaints. Benefit is improved investigative skills and increased knowledge in handling housing complaints.

Michael West, (1-NR), Senior Police Officer, to Jacksonville, Florida, from June 26 to July 2, 2005, to attend the Pedestrian/Bicycle Reconstruction course sponsored by the Institute of Police

Technology and Management. The Police Department's Traffic Unit has experienced an increase in pedestrian and bicycle injuries and deaths. This course would provide knowledge to be used in the reconstruction and prosecution of cases.

Patrick Kozitza, (0-R), Deputy Public Works Director, to Minneapolis, Minnesota, from September 10-14, 2005, to attend the 2005 American Public Works Association (APWA) International Public Works Congress and Exposition, "The Best Show in Public Works."

FISCAL IMPACT—

Cost of travel is \$1,700, \$1,518.45, \$1,920, \$1,677, and \$1,563.23, respectively. Funding for these trips is provided for in the 2004-2005 Operating Budget under Index Code CDD049900, page 303; Index Code FIR070100, page 64; Index Code HRI010000, page 73; Index Code POL982100, page 301; and Index Code HRS980100, page 301.

The amended amount budgeted for travel in Fiscal Year (FY) 2005 is \$372,073. The amount expended for travel in FY2005 as of May 18, 2005 is \$222,995.

RECOMMENDATION—

Approval

BACKGROUND—

On January 20, 1992, by Roll Call No. 92-214, the City Council approved a revision to the policy for travel authorization requests. Such revision requires trips that exceed three days and \$1,250 cost to be approved by the Council. The number in parentheses indicates the total number of trips previously authorized for that individual for the current budget year; R represents resident and NR represents non-resident.