

Council Communication

Office of the City Manager

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Agenda Item No. 17

Roll Call No. <u>14-0381</u>

Communication No. <u>14-104</u>

Submitted by: Larry Hulse, Assistant

City Manager

AGENDA HEADING:

Submitting travel and training requests for Heather Brady, T.M. Franklin Cownie, and Debora Hobbs.

SYNOPSIS:

Recommend approval for travel and training requests listed below.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Amount: \$2,578.46 (Brady); \$0 (Cownie); \$0 (Cownie); \$1,986 (Hobbs)

Funding Source:

- ND409732 Citywide Training and Benchmarking (Brady)
- MCC180180 Mayor and Council (Cownie)
- MCC180180 Mayor and Council (Cownie)
- ND409732 Citywide Training and Benchmarking (Hobbs)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Heather Brady, (NR-0) Human Resources Manager, to San Antonio, TX, from April 13 – April 16, 2014 (\$1,986) to attend Tyler Connect 2014 Users Conference. The conference will provide the opportunity to discover new ways to boost productivity and improve our services by getting the most from using our Munis solutions.

T.M. Franklin Cownie, (R-11) Mayor, to New York, NY, on March 7, 2014 (\$0) to attend a meeting with Michael Bloomberg, United Nations Secretary General's Special Envoy for Cities and Climate Change, as one of the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives Global Executive Committee representatives for North America and the United States. The meeting will allow for discussing opportunities to advance efforts of local governments as part of the preparations for the 2014 United Nations Climate Summit and the 2015 United Nations Paris Climate Conference. All costs associated with the travel will be reimbursed by the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives.

T.M. Franklin Cownie, (R-11) Mayor, Washington, DC, from March 13 – March 15, 2014 (\$0) to attend an education meeting sponsored by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation in conjunction with the United States Conference of Mayors. The meetings are intended to allow attendees to take a leadership role by serving on an educational task force aimed at increasing the achievement of

students, particularly those who are disadvantaged. All costs associated with the travel will be paid by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

Debora Hobbs, (NR-0) Enterprise Application Manager, to San Antonio, TX, from April 13 – April 16, 2014 (\$1,986) to attend Tyler Connect 2014 Users Conference. The conference will provide the opportunity to discover new ways to boost productivity and improve our services by getting the most from using our Munis solutions.

The budget for travel and training in Fiscal Year (FY) 2014 is \$589,478. The amount expended for travel and training in FY 2014, as of March 3, 2014, is \$206,891.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION(S):

Date: January 20, 1992

Roll Call Number: 92-214

<u>Action</u>: The City Council approved a revision to the policy for travel authorization requests. Such revision requires trips that exceed three days and \$1,250 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.

BOARD/COMMISSION ACTION(S): NONE

ANTICIPATED ACTIONS AND FUTURE COMMITMENTS: NONE

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