



CITY COUNCIL MEMBER REPORT OF CONFERENCE/MEETING ATTENDANCE

Name: Barbara Pierce

Vendor No.:

Department: City Council

Voucher No.:

Responsible Standing Committee: League of California Cities

Conference or meeting: League of California Mayors and Council Members Executive Forum

Summary of conference or meeting: Four of the workshops were especially helpful to the City including: Mobile Home Parks, Development in Floodplains, Succession planning and the Peninsula Clergy Network. Mobile Home Parks: local Enforcement authority over health and safety issues provided in depth information regarding the evaluation of mobile home parks by the State Department of Housing and Community Development Department. Some local jurisdictions have assumed responsibility for the enforcement of the Mobile home Parks Act when there were serious difficulties in the parks that were not being addressed by the State. Development in Floodplains included an update on what is happening legislatively in Sacramento regarding funding for flood control infrastructure, development in flood zones and the league's flood management principles. Key issues in avoiding and preparing for flooding were covered as well as description of larger watershed plans to provide alternatives to building in floodways and floodplains. Succession Planning focused on the shrinking talent pool for local government managers and developed a game plan for developing the future leadership from within one's own organization through training, mentoring and planning for the next generation of managers. Data about the costs of employee turnover, initiatives to develop talent and promote succession planning included information about the next generations and what their motivation is for going to and staying in a job. Keeping talented employees and developing them into the next leaders of the organization will serve the community, the city and the employees well. The Peninsula Clergy Network provided detailed data about the role of faith in California's diverse population and its impact on the institutions in our communities. The Network is a new local resource which can provide another introduction to community members and engage them in the broader community. The Network does not advocate or urge a particular faith, or seek religious solutions to civic and secular issues. It provides the relationships and framework for fostering awareness, understanding and community engagement among clergy and with civic leaders.

As a result of participating in this conference I have additional resources to share with staff members to benefit the community.

Barbara Pierce

Signature of Council Member

8-2-06

Date

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CITY COUNCIL MEMBER REPORT OF CONFERENCE/MEETING ATTENDANCE

Name: Alicia C. Aguirre

Vendor No.:

Department: City Council

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Responsible Standing Committee: League of California Cities

Conference or meeting: League of California Cities 2006 Mayors and Council Members Academy Executive Forum

Summary of conference or meeting: I attended a day and a half of meetings at this conference. The General Sessions were very informative as well as the Concurrent Sessions. The topics that I attended were Healthy Children, Healthy Future, Water Supply: Understanding the Issues, and Public Service Ethics Laws and Principles.

In the General Sessions various topics were discussed. The first was Hot Topics in Sacramento Affecting Cities. Chris McKenzie, Executive Director of the League of California Cities, Sacramento, gave an update on the Infrastructure bond, eminent domain, land use, affordable housing and much more. He also discussed Prop 1A and Prop 90. Some of the issues around Prop 90 are growth control, height equipment, big box development, hours of operation, gambling regulations, fraud protection, higher electric rated and public works infrastructure.

The other General Session was The State of the League of California Cities. Alex Padilla, President of the League of California Cities and Los Angeles Council Member gave an update on Telecommunications, Prop 90 and explained Props 1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, and 1E.

The session on Healthy Children, Healthy Future focused on a safer and healthier city for children. The idea of 'It takes a village to raise a child' was presented by Maureen J. Fitzpatrick, Ph.D., California State University, San Marcos. The issues covered were nutrition, housing, childcare, pre-school, air quality and others some of which are legislative issues. The input was valuable in my work on Redwood City 2020.

The session on Water Supply: Understanding the Issues was the best one I attended. John Andrew, Chief, Special Planning Projects, Statewide Water Planning Branch, Department of Water Resources, Sacramento presented the State Water Update Plan. He talked about integrated water management projects and innovative things cities are doing and can do to provide valuable resources. Dena Mossar, Palo Alto Council Member spoke on issues that the Bay Area Water Forum are dealing with. She also talked about some of the things her city is doing. These include: efficient use of resources, sustainability policies, green building principals, new home construction green guide-booklet for citizens, owning their own utilities, water treatment plants, and green power.

Finally, I attended the Public Service Ethics Law and Principles. This is the second time I attend a similar session. It is designed to satisfy the mandatory ethics training requirements imposed by AB 1234 and it reflected the Institute for Local Government's extensive research into public service ethics issues. It was

helpful to review this and the speaker, JoAnne Speers, Executive Director, Institute for Local Government, Sacramento was very informative and gave many real life experiences and examples.

I benefited from this conference and am more knowledgeable on many of the hot issues in Sacramento. I will be able to use and share information obtained on many of the committees that I serve on and have also brought information to share with staff, council colleagues and the community.

I am also proud to share that I was given a certificate for successfully completing all required training for the Academy Leadership Level. I appreciate the opportunity to attend this conference.


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August 3, 2006
Date

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