



ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

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TO: Vancouver City Council
FROM: City Clerk
SUBJECT: Progressive Governance Forum 2011
March 25-26, 2011 - Harrison Hot Springs, BC

CONSIDERATION

THAT Council authorize Councillor Deal to attend The Centre for Civic Governance's annual Progressive Governance Forum from March 25-26, 2011, at Harrison Hot Springs, BC. Total estimated expenses of \$595.88 are to be funded from the Councillors' 2011 Travel Budget.

CITY MANAGER'S COMMENTS

The City Manager submits this report for Council's consideration.

COUNCIL POLICY

The City's Mayor and Council Members' Expenses By-law No 8904 requires that a Council member wishing to engage in an activity that is representing the city, engaging in city business or attending a course, meeting or convention within or outside British Columbia must request Council's prior approval. If Council's approval is granted, the council member may claim reimbursement for expenses incurred in accordance with the By-law.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's authorization for Councillor Deal to attend the Forum.

BACKGROUND

This forum is a rich mix of discussion and networking focused on key governance issues for municipal councillors and school trustees. This year's theme features Placemaking and will focus on building sustainable, inclusive communities with vibrant economies, and thriving arts and culture. It's a great opportunity to find inspiration and exchange ideas with other municipal councillors and respected policy experts.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The estimated costs to be funded for the 2011 Travel Budget are as follows:

Item	Estimated Costs
Registration (includes: conference and accommodation for March 25 th)	\$375.00
Per Diem - 2 days X \$60.00/day	\$120.00
Ground Transportation (mileage: 0.52/km x 194 km return)	\$100.88
Total	\$595.88

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