## MOTION ON NOTICE

2. Guangzhou International Award for Urban Innovation - Award Allocation

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## **WHEREAS**

- 1. In Guangzhou, China, on November 16, 2012, the Review Jury of the 2012 Guangzhou International Award for Urban Innovation announced five winning cities in urban-development initiatives;
- 2. The award is meant to recognize urban efforts to address the changing social, economic and environmental context of the 21st century, where urban areas worldwide are facing unprecedented challenges and are strategically planning for community involvement, social economic engagement, public service and administrative management;
- 3. There were 255 initiatives submitted by 153 cities from 56 countries and regions based on the criteria of innovation, effectiveness, significance and the ability to replicate;
- 4. The winning five cities, Kocaeli (Turkey), Lilongwe (Malawi), Seoul (Korea), *Vancouver (Canada)*, and Vienna (Austria), each received a trophy, certificate and a prize of US\$20,000.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the \$20,000 award be allocated to a dedicated Sister City account for future use to promote and advance our Sister City relationship with Guangzhou, China.

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