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### ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

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Meeting Date: February 14, 2012

TO: Vancouver City Council

FROM: City Clerk

SUBJECT: Centre for Civic Governance 2012 Forum - March 30-31, 2012 -

Harrison Hot Springs, BC

#### RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council give consideration to authorize Councillor Adriane Carr to attend the Centre for Civic Governance Annual Forum from March 30-31, 2012, at Harrison Hot Springs, BC. Total estimated expenses of \$485.00 are to be funded from the Councillors 2012 Travel Budget.

### REPORT SUMMARY

This report seeks Council's approval for Councillor Adriane Carr to attend the Centre for Civic Governance's Annual Governance Forum from March 30-31, 2012, at Harrison Hot Springs, BC.

# COUNCIL AUTHORITY/PREVIOUS DECISIONS

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.

### CITY MANAGER'S/GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMENTS

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

### REPORT

# Background/Context

The Centre for Civic Governance at Columbia Institute was established in 2006 to support locally elected leaders who are interested in progressive issues. The Centre works to support community leadership meeting with today's social and environmental challenges.

# Strategic Analysis

The Annual Governance Forum is a unique chance to charge up passions for inclusive, sustainable communities, and to network and learn from others with the same interest. *The Future is Local* has been chosen as the theme for this year's forum.

It is a great opportunity for inspiration and exchange of ideas with other municipal councillors and respected experts.

# Implications/Related Issues/Risk (if applicable)

### Financial

The estimated costs to be funded from the Councillor's 2012 Travel Budget are as follows:

| Item  | Estimated Costs |
|---|-----------------|
| Registration (Includes: Workshop Sessions, Meals, Accommodation March 30) | \$365.00        |
| Per Diem - 2 days @ \$60.00/day less meals provided                       | \$70.00         |
| Ground Transportation (Shuttle Bus service provided)                      | \$50.00         |
| Total Estimated Costs   | \$485.00        |

## **CONCLUSION**

Council members' attendance at the Annual Governance Forum would provide a great opportunity for inspiration and exchange of ideas with other municipal councillors and respected experts.

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