



# REPORT TO COUNCIL

To: **Mayor and Councillors**

Subject: Out of Province Travel – Director of Corporate Services

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From: Darrin Leite, CPA, CA  
Director of Corporate Services

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## RECOMMENDATION:

THAT Council approve Darrin Leite, the Director of Corporate Services, attend the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) Annual International Conference in Orlando, Florida from June 9 to 12, 2024.

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## PURPOSE:

The purpose of the report is to seek Council's support for out of province travel.

## POLICY:

GE-10 Travel and Expense Policy 1.6(2) Council must approve attendance of an Organization Member at an Event outside of the Province of British Columbia.

## COMMENTS/ANALYSIS:

The Government Finance Officer's Association (GFOA) is holding their International conference in Orlando in June. This is the 118<sup>th</sup> annual conference with over 3500 delegates anticipated. There are 72 sessions to choose from and include topics on accounting and financial reporting, budgeting and capital planning, cash management, technology and policy initiatives including economic development.

I believe this information will assist me to stay current with new trends relating to implementation of AI, cyber security and benefit the City as we move forward with our financial planning.

**BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:**

The seminar, hotel and travel bring the total City expenditure to \$3,620 which has been provided for within the Corporate Services Department's training budget.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

Deny the out of province travel request.

Respectfully Submitted,



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Darrin Leite, CPA, CA  
Director of Corporate Services

Attachment:

1. Seminar topic descriptions

**CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S COMMENTS:**

I support the recommendation.



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Francis Cheung, P. Eng.  
Chief Administrative Officer