



# REPORT TO COUNCIL

To: **Mayor and Councillors**

Subject: **Out of Province Travel Request, Ottawa Mission, October 2025**

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## RECOMMENDATION:

1. THAT City Council approve Mayor Nathan Pachal, Councillor Paul Albrecht, Councillor Rosemary Wallace, Councillor Leith White, and Francis Cheung to travel to Ottawa for up to four days in October 2025, as a delegation to meet with Members of Parliament to lobby and advance Langley City's positions with respect to housing, infrastructure, transportation, culture, immigration, and refugee issues.
2. THAT the travel expenses for the trip to Ottawa under Recommendation No. 1 be allocated from the Enterprise Fund.

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## PURPOSE:

The purpose of the report is to request approval to send a delegation to Ottawa to meet with Members of Parliament to lobby and advance Langley City's position with respect to housing, infrastructure, transportation, culture, immigration, and refugee issues from October 7 to October 10, 2025.

## POLICY:

The City's Travel and Expense Policy GE-10 requires Council members and City employees to receive Council approval to attend events outside of the Province of British Columbia.

**COMMENTS/ANALYSIS:**

There are several initiatives and issues that Langley City is addressing which require support and partnership from the Federal government. To effectively communicate these concerns, Langley City Council plans to send a delegation to Ottawa to meet directly with various Ministers and Members of Parliament (MPs). This approach will accommodate their busy schedules and ensure that the delegation's intentions are clearly expressed.

The delegation is in the process of scheduling meetings with MPs from various parties from October 7 to October 10, 2025. The topics to be discussed include:

- Immigration and Settlement
- Renewed Funding: Building Safer Communities Fund
- Langley City's infrastructure needs
- Building height restrictions within the Langley air zone
- Funding for the Langley City Performing Arts and Culture Centre
- Funding based on immigration settlement numbers

By traveling to Ottawa, the delegation will have a captive audience, allowing for comprehensive discussions to advance Langley City's position on these topics.

**BUDGET IMPLICATIONS:**

The travel expenses will include transportation, accommodation and meals for the delegation travelling to Ottawa. It is estimated that the travel expenses for each member of the delegation travelling to Ottawa is approximately \$2,500.00.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

None provided.

Respectfully Submitted,



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