

ITEM 4.12

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT MAY 13, 2024 CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

ITEM: **APPROVE OUT OF STATE TRAVEL FOR THE 2024 NATIONAL LEAGUE OF CITIES NATIONAL BLACK CAUCUS OF LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIALS (NBC-LEO) SUMMER CONFERENCE**

RECOMMENDATION: **Adopt Resolution Authorizing Out of State Travel for the 2024 National League of Cities National Black Caucus of Local Elected Officials Summer Conference, in Chicago, Illinois, June 25-28, 2024, and Approving Related Budget Amendment**

SUMMARY:

The National Black Caucus of Local Elected Officials (NBC-LEO) is one of six National League of Cities (NLC) Constituency Groups. Constituency Groups are caucuses within the National League of Cities, these constituency groups are networks that give local elected officials a space to express themselves and advocate for the needs of their communities. These Constituency Groups reflect the diverse interests and backgrounds of NLC's membership, and contribute to NLC's leadership development, policy formulation, advocacy, and program activities. The Lathrop City Council has members that actively participate in various NLC Constituency Groups. Therefore, staff recommends that they participate in the upcoming NBC-LEO Summer Conference.

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BACKGROUND:

The NLC is an organization comprised of City, Town and Village leaders focused on improving the quality of life for their current and future constituents. The NLC has over 100 years of experience in providing educational and resource programs dedicated to the development of local governments and their leaders. The NLC has members and supporters throughout 2,700 cities across the nation. Their mission is to advocate for, and protect the interests of, cities, towns and villages by influencing federal policy, strengthening local leadership and driving innovative solutions. In order to expand educational training opportunities and take advantage of the legislative support services provided by the National League of Cities, the City of Lathrop became a member city in 2021.

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REASON FOR RECOMMENDATION:

Attendance to these conferences, allow Council Members the opportunity to enhance their knowledge on government law and policy. Thus, furthering the interests of the Lathrop community, while promoting and implementing innovative solutions.

FISCAL IMPACT:

A budget amendment will be required from the General Fund to the City Council Training and Travel Account (1010-11-10-435-20-00) to cover the cost of participation in the NLC NBC-LEO Summer Conference. The cost per Council Member is approximately \$5,000, which includes registration, hotel, airfare, transportation and meals. This approval provides authorization for up to two Council Members.

Increase Expenditure.

1010-11-10-435-20-00	\$10,000
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ATTACHMENTS:

- A. Resolution Approving Out of State Travel to the 2024 National League of Cities National Black Caucus of Local Elected Officials Summer Conference in Chicago, Illinois from June 25-28, 2024.
- B. 2024 National League of Cities National Black Caucus of Local Elected Officials Summer Conference in Chicago, Illinois Registration Information.

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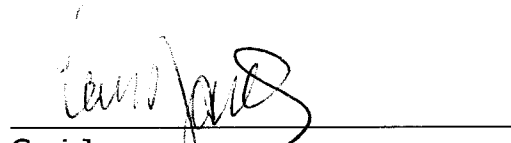
APPROVALS:



Teresa Vargas
Government Services Director &
City Clerk

5/6/24


Date



Cari James
Finance Director

5/8/2024

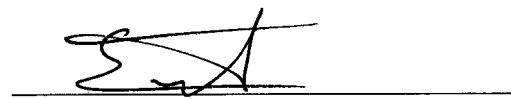
Date



Thomas Hedegard
Deputy City Manager

5/8/2024


Date



Salvador Navarrete
City Attorney

5-6-2024

Date



Stephen J. Salvatore
City Manager

5.8.2024

Date

RESOLUTION NO. 24-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LATHROP AUTHORIZING OUT OF STATE TRAVEL FOR THE 2024 NATIONAL LEAGUE OF CITIES NATIONAL BLACK CAUCUS OF LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIALS SUMMER CONFERENCE IN CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, JUNE 25, 2024 THROUGH JUNE 28, 2024, AND APPROVE RELATED BUDGET AMENDMENT

WHEREAS, the National League of Cities (NLC) is an organization comprised of city, town and village leaders focused on improving the quality of life for their current and future constituents; and

WHEREAS, the NLC's mission is to advocate for, and protect the interests of, cities, towns and villages by influencing federal policy, strengthening local leadership and driving innovative solutions; and

WHEREAS, the National Black Caucus of Local Elected Officials (NBC-LEO) is one of six NLC Constituency Groups; and

WHEREAS, Constituency Groups are caucuses within the National League of Cities, these constituency groups are networks that give local elected officials a space to express themselves and advocate for the needs of their communities; and

WHEREAS, the Lathrop City Council has members that actively participate in various NLC Constituency Groups, including the NBC-LEO. Therefore, staff recommends that they participate in the upcoming NBC-LEO Summer Conference; and

WHEREAS, the NLC will be hosting their 2024 NBC-LEO Summer Conference June 25, 2024 through June 28, 2024 in Chicago, Illinois; and

WHEREAS, since City policy requires Council approval for all out of state travel, staff requests approval for up to two Council Members to attend the 2024 NLC NBC-LEO Summer Conference. The estimated cost for each Council Member is approximately \$5,000, which includes registration, hotel, airfare, transportation and meals (not provided by the conference); and

WHEREAS, staff is requesting a budget amendment from the General Fund of \$10,000 to increase the City Council Training and Travel, in order to cover the expenses.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Lathrop hereby authorizes travel for two Council Members to attend the 2024 NBC-LEO Summer Conference June 25, 2024 through June 28, 2024 in Chicago, Illinois, including the budget amendment of \$10,000 from the General Fund to Expense Account 1010-11-10-435-20-00 (City Council Training and Travel).

The foregoing resolution was passed and adopted this 13th day of May 2024, by the following vote of the City Council, to wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

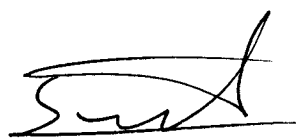
ABSTAIN:

Sonny Dhaliwal, Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Teresa Vargas, City Clerk



Salvador Navarrete, City Attorney



ATTACHMENT " B "

All Events

National Black Caucus of Local Elected Officials (NBC-LEO) 2024 Summer Conference

Jun 25th, 2024 - Jun 28th, 2024

Chicago, IL

[REGISTER NOW](#)



Community & Economic Development
Public Safety & Justice Reform

Conference

Housing

Municipal Finance



This summer, the **National Black Caucus of Local Elected Officials (NBC-LEO)** is excited to host its annual conference in the “city by the lake,” **Chicago, Illinois!** Join your peers **June 25-28, 2024**, for four days of empowering conversations, leadership development, mobile tours, and a chance to connect with local leaders like yourself while exploring issues unique to your role as an African American municipal official.

What to Expect

This year’s theme: From Leadership to Legacy: Continuing to Fulfill the Promise

We look forward to you joining us for engaging panels, informative workshops, and peer discussions on various topics that local leaders around the country are addressing.

This year, NBC-LEO is striving to bring local leaders resources in the following areas:

- ◇ Housing
- ◇ Public Safety
- ◇ Direct funding to municipalities

Stay tuned for exciting updates on speakers and session titles coming soon!

Schedule at-a-glance *(subject to change)*



Registration Rates

Rates are based on your city's NLC membership.

Rate	Early (4/15- 5/15)	Advance (5/16-6/21)	On-site (After 6/21)
NLC Member	\$400	\$500	\$600
Non-Member	\$550	\$650	\$750
Illinois State Rate <i>Eligible for municipal elected officials and city staff from Illinois</i>	\$375	\$475	\$575
Guest/Spouse registration <i>18+ Includes Evening Social Events</i>	\$150	\$200	\$250

Register a group of 4 and receive the fifth registration free.

All offsite activities are included in the price of registration unless otherwise noted. **Reservations for Hotel Room Block end June 4th.** The link to reserve your hotel stay will be included in your conference registration confirmation email. Please note there is a \$100 cancellation fee before June 10, after which refunds are not guaranteed.

REGISTER NOW

Contact Us

For registration assistance including booking your hotel stay or any additional questions, please contact our conference registration department at (202) 626-3100.

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