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CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

Closed Session Meeting: Feb, 2017

Subject

Transfer of funds for expenses related to Mayor Vaidhyanathan's participation in Silicon Valley Leadership Group's annual D.C. Advocacy Trip on March 17-19 to meet with Congressional and Agency officials regarding funding for city and regional priorities.

Recommended Action

Transfer \$2,000 to cover all costs, not limited to travel expenses, lodging and food, for the Mayor's participation in SLVG's annual D.C. Advocacy Trip.

Background

On an annual basis, SVLG assembles a group of its business members along with interested local elected officials to travel to Washington D.C. for the purpose of meeting with members of Congress and officials from various federal agencies to advocate for positions important to the Silicon Valley region. Typically, the advocacy involves requests for federal funding for regional priorities. The trip is scheduled for two days including travel time.

Discussion

Given the significant shift in leadership at the federal level, the SVLG has invited mayors from Santa Clara County to accompany its member representatives in order to express local priorities with regard to housing and transportation funding as well as ensuring that existing commitments will be honored. The SVLG trip is a cost effective way for the City to get direct access to a broad spectrum of federal agencies and members of Congress without requiring the services of a lobbyist.

Fiscal Impact

Transfer of \$2,000 in funds from the City Manager's Discretionary Budget to the Council Budget.

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Attachments:

- A. Email regarding Event Information