ROGC AGENDA: 05/28/2025 ITEM: B.2



## Memorandum

TO: RULES AND OPEN GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

FROM: Mayor Matt Mahan

SUBJECT: REQUEST TO TRAVEL DATE: May 19, 2025

**Approved:** Date: 05/19/2025

Matt Mohan

Recommendation: Authorize travel, accept travel payments to the City of San José, and

designate Mayor's staff, Michael Lomio and Stephen Caines, as the City representatives to attend the Harvard Young American Leaders Program.

Location: Cambridge, MA

Meeting Dates: June 24<sup>th</sup> to June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Source of Funds: Knight Foundation

Purpose: Michael Lomio and Stephen Caines to be designated as the City of San José

representative at the Harvard Young American Leaders Program. Michael is the Mayor's Senior Land Use & Economic Development Policy Advisor and works with key staff in the City Manager's Office to improve the City's economic vitality. Stephen Caines is the Chief Innovation Officer and

Budget Director for the Mayor's Office.

Rooted in Harvard Business School's U.S. Competitiveness Project, the Young American Leaders Program brings together emerging leaders from across the country to explore innovative strategies that drive shared prosperity. Over four intensive days, participants learn from one another, exchange best practices, and discuss how to apply new ideas to their home cities. Michael and Stephen will showcase San José's approach to economic development and contribute to conversations shaping the future of American communities.