



# Memorandum

**TO:** HONORABLE MAYOR AND  
CITY COUNCIL

**FROM:** Councilmember Davis

**SUBJECT:** REQUEST TO TRAVEL  
AND EXCUSED ABSENCE

**DATE:** April 27, 2023

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**Recommendation:** Retroactively authorize travel for Councilmember Davis to attend the Reimagining the Civic Commons event in Macon, Georgia from April 10- 13, 2023.

**Location:** Macon, Georgia

**Meeting Dates:** April 10-13, 2023

**Source of Funds:** Council Office District 6

**Purpose:**

On [March 7, 2023](#), Council approved Councilmember Davis as the City representative to attend Reimagining the Civic Commons in Macon, Georgia with source of funds to be paid by Guadalupe River Park Conservancy. Following the travel, I have decided to use Council Office District 6 funds for the travel instead. Due to the change in source of funds for this travel, I am requesting Council approval for this out-of-state travel with source of funding from Council Office District 6 funds. The City of San José is part of a national learning network, Reimagining the Civic Commons (RCC), which convenes stewards, operators, funders, and advocates of parks, public spaces, and civic institutions to share knowledge, access resources, and build a movement for place-based community uplift. Every year, RCC hosts several Studios and Learning Journeys to showcase the work of a particular city.

The Studio took place in Macon, Georgia from April 10-13, 2023. The Studio was a mix of presentations, tours and explorations, panel conversations, and breakout discussions with a focus on the revitalization of the city of Macon. Other cities and nonprofit organizations attended the event.